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Schools agree to township site reviews

BY ANNETTE KINGSBURY
Clarkston News Editor

The administration of Clarkston schools will begin submitting building plans to local township planning commissions.

The voluntary move was announced at Monday's board of education meeting, and comes after a joint meeting between the school board, officials from Independence and Springfield townships and Clarkston city council. School superintendent Dr. Al Roberts and Director of Business Services Craig Kahler both said they agree with the idea.

"Since that meeting . . . Craig and I have had several meetings with both township supervisors," Roberts said. "There is a better atmosphere."

"We're looking for advice and recommendations," Kahler said. "We're not necessarily looking for directive and orders to comply. But we agree there's definitely a benefit . . . to the entire community if more people have an understanding of what's going on. You build a more collaborative agreement."

The decision comes just as the board nears a decision on where to locate a new elementary school. That decision was scheduled to be made at Monday's meeting but was pulled from the agenda. Roberts said that after a closed session the board was down to two sites but not yet ready to choose.

The decision to submit plans also comes after the Independence Township Board of Trustees discussed classifying schools as a special land use for zoning purposes, thus forcing the district to come before planning officials before they could build. That move, proposed by trustee Neil Wallace, was defeated by the board of trustees.

Kahler said Independence Township, home to the largest part of the school district, has agreed to waive any township-imposed fees. However the district would

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The one-minute calendar

FEB. 12: Night of Discovery at Oakland Technical Center Northwest, 6-9 p.m.

Springfield Township Board of Trustees meets.

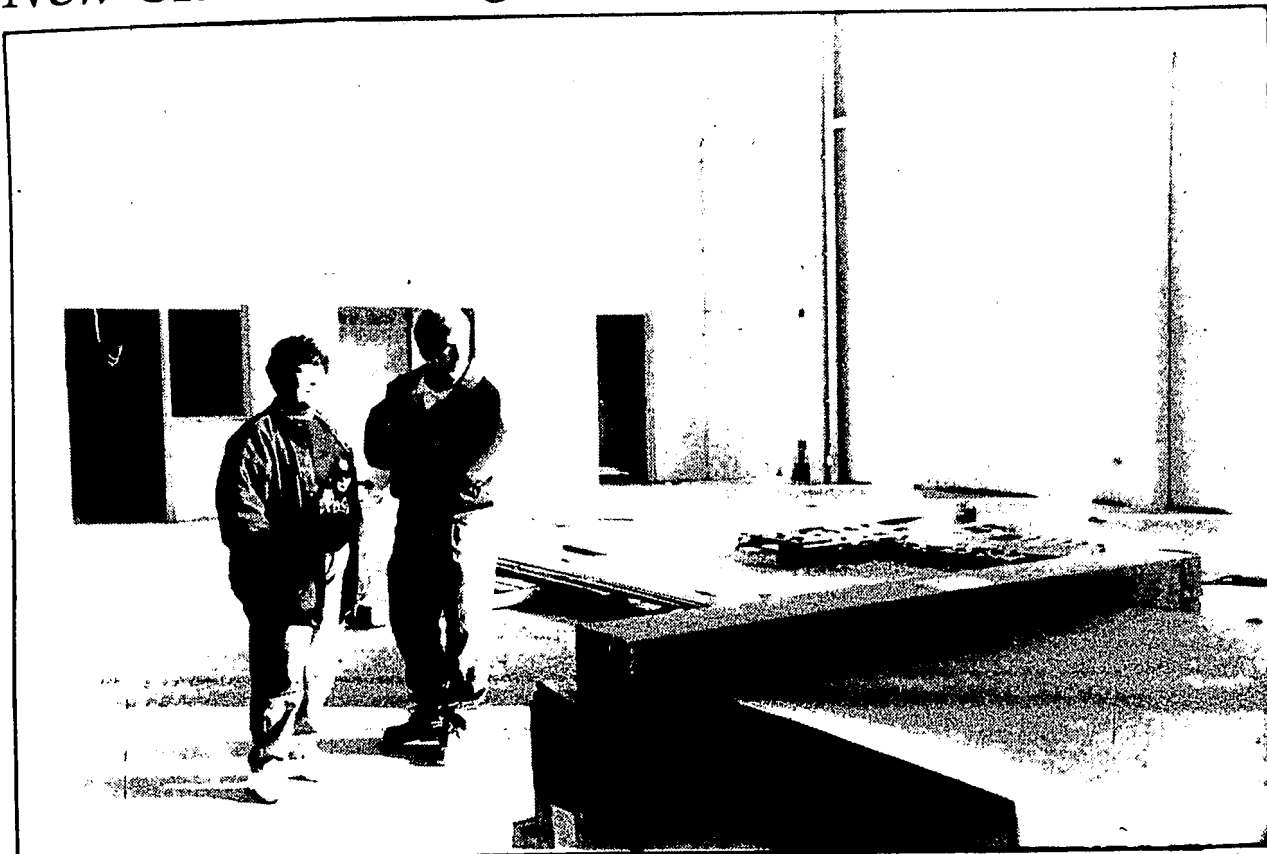
FEB. 14: Valentine's Day.

FEB. 15: Shakespeare on Sunday, Independence Township Library, 1:30 p.m. Free.

FEB. 16: Springfield Township Planning Commission meets.

FEB. 16-20: Mid-winter break for Clarkston schools; no school.

New CHS becoming reality



School trustees Sheila Hughes and Kurt Shanks stand in the sun-filled media center of the new CHS.

Sneak a peak at the new high school

BY ANNETTE KINGSBURY
Clarkston News Editor

"Awesome" was a word heard over and over Saturday as a group made up of parents, school trustees, members of the Help Us Grow bond committee and at least one student got a sneak preview of the new Clarkston High School.

The group, led by superintendent Dave Pettijohn of A. J. Etkin, the project's construction manager, got to visit a few classrooms as well as the gym, theater, cafeteria, media center and pool. On this very pleasant day, sunlight streamed through the many large windows featured in the building and gave a hint of what the atmosphere will be like.

Classrooms seemed to be the furthest along, with some carpeting and cupboards already installed. Large windows lined the outside walls.

At Monday's board of education meeting, the public got a glimpse of the technology that will be installed in those classrooms.

Jeff Wale of Childs Consulting said each classroom will contain three computers, a printer, a phone, TV, VCR, Internet access and some form of e-mail.

The auditorium was the first area that really brought out the "wow" factor. It's size made Clarkston Mayor Sharron Catallo notice that two pieces of con-



School board president Karen Foyteck and CHS assistant principal Ron Santavicca in one of the classrooms.

struction equipment on the floor were dwarfed by the room.

"Awesome," said school board president Karen Foyteck, wearing a hard hat.

The gym/pool area was equally awe-inspiring. The two are arranged with a corridor in-between,

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The News in Brief

Gas leak caused fire

A Feb. 3 apartment building fire that left four families homeless has been attributed to a gas leak, Independence Township fire chief Gar Wilson said.

Wilson said it appeared a workman installing individual gas meters on the structure just north of the railroad tracks on White Lake Rd. "clipped a gas line" which caused a gas leak. Either a pilot light or a furnace kicking in must have ignited the fire, he said.

Wilson said the fire destroyed the upper floor and attic of the two-story building, and also caused significant damage to the first floor. There was also a lot of water damage, he added, with firefighters battling the blaze.

None of the tenants had renter's insurance, according to building owner James Dixon. One firefighter was injured, receiving second-degree burns to the back of his neck.

Wilson said the American Red Cross called the fire department to offer help. "I heard one or two of the families didn't have a place to go," he said.

Downtown dental expansion approved

Dr. John Stephenson received the answer he hoped for at Monday night's Clarkston City Council meeting: approval for an expansion to his downtown dental business at 22 S. Main.

Council unanimously approved his site plan, which includes only interior, not exterior, modifications, and a use change from retail to office. The use changed was required because Stephenson is expanding into the space formerly occupied by the Village Bookstore. He plans no additional person-

nel. His request was backed by the city's planning commission, which recommended approval last week.

Street survey assessed

Clarkston City Councilman Walt Gamble said Monday that the results of the city-wide street survey are in. He named residents' top priorities, which included portions of Waldon, Miller, Buffalo, Washington and Church streets — areas of "heavy traffic and school routes." The worst area cited is "Waldon from the hill to M-15, down to the city limits," Gamble said, adding that now it's up to the DPW to turn repair estimates "into dollars."

New law requires shelter pet sterilization

Michigan animal shelters are now required to collect a deposit to help ensure animals will be sterilized by their owners, thanks to a law that went into effect Jan. 1.

Under the new law, dogs, cats and ferrets adopted out of animal shelters must either be sterilized or the owner must sign a contract to have the surgery performed as soon as its old enough, according to the Michigan Department of Agriculture.

The purpose of the law is to reduce the surplus pet population and, therefore, the number of animals euthanized by the thousands each year in Michigan, said Dan Wyant, MDA Director.

The required deposit is \$25 and will be forfeited if the owner does not follow through. The animal can also be taken back by the agency. Shelters failing to meet the terms of the new law can be fined.

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Group seeks change in custody laws

BY ANNETTE KINGSBURY
Clarkston News Editor

With over a million families busting up each year, divorce is big business in America.

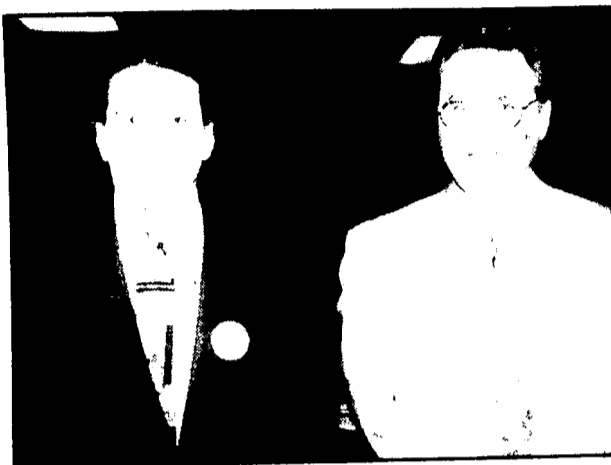
What one local father wants to know is—why does it have to be so adversarial? And why does the court take away parental rights just as soon as a couple files for divorce?

Perry Russo of Clarkston is the Oakland County membership chair of an organization called Parents for Children, which bills itself as a family law support group. It has as its goal nothing less than to revolutionize the way child custody is handled in Michigan through simple, common-sense changes to the 1970 Child Custody Act.

Such an idea is not far-fetched. Russo points out that 20 states have already adopted changes that require judges to start with the notion that both parents are important to their child and have an equal right to parenting. In these states, custody arrangements are worked out via mediation. However, such a philosophy flies in the face of older court rulings that give judges the right to act as if the child is a ward of the court when making custody decisions.

A bill is currently before the House Judiciary Committee. "It would change the system from adversarial to mediation," Russo said. "Here, they pit one parent against the other and the child becomes the piece of property in the middle. This system is very abusive to parent-child relations."

Russo's observations come from personal experience. After working out a custody arrangement with



Robert Brown and Perry Russo want both parents to have equal rights when it comes to parenting after divorce.

his ex-wife as part of their divorce, Russo watched it all crumble. His ex-wife remarried the day after their divorce was final, then got court permission to move with their child, now age 9, several hours away to accommodate her new husband.

"She made this decision based on his needs with his child. She didn't take my daughter into consideration."

With the change, Russo could no longer take his daughter to school every morning. His parenting time was reduced from 50-50 to every other weekend.

A Big Brother volunteer for 16 years, Russo knew his daughter needed both her parents. When he protested, an Oakland County circuit judge "told me it wasn't in the best interests of my child to spend time with her (his daughter). When I walked out of the

courtroom that day I said 'I want to reform this antiquated system.'"

"The bottom line is Perry has an equal right to his daughter," said Robert Brown, president of Parents for Children. "He wasn't even considered. He's been reduced to a visitor and a wallet."

In some other states, Russo said, a parenting plan is arrived at by mediation and a judge doesn't have discretion to change it. In cases where parents cannot agree on a plan, judges step in.

"It's just common sense," Russo said. "We have a God-given right to our children. The court has no right to undermine those relationships."

The cost of botched divorces is staggering, when you consider social ills of the children, welfare costs, and the burden of supporting the court system. Then there are legal costs: Russo said one attorney he interviewed wanted him to sign over his house before the attorney would handle his divorce.

Parents for Children functions as a support group but also plans to educate the public and advocate for changes in the law. They hope their message will appeal to feminist groups and fathers' rights groups equally. They say it isn't about child-support money—it's about parenting.

"The system isn't going to educate people on what is best," Russo said. "It's up to us; we the people. And I think that's the most important thing we can do

... "If it takes me 10 years, I'm not going to change it for myself. I'm going to change it for the next generation."

Parents for Children can be reached at 1-888-299-7270.

Young artists honored by PTA in Reflections contest

Who would have ever imagined middle-school students could write music?

Well, they can. And they can take beautiful photographs, and write, and draw. And though no

varsity letters are given out in those fields, there are other forms of recognition.

On Jan. 23, 15 ribbons were handed out at Clarkston Middle School to district winners in this year's

PTA Reflections contest. The contest honors students in the fields of original literature, music, photography and visual arts.

The students who received the ribbons will now move on to state-level competition, and, if successful there, to national competition. Similar winners were announced at all Clarkston schools, with a district recognition ceremony Jan. 26 at Springfield Plains Elementary School.

--By Annette Kingsbury



Pictured are the Reflections winners from Clarkston Middle School: (back, left) Jamie Keesling, photography; Lndsay Tigue, literature; Beth Randell, visual arts; Blake Harlow, literature; Tori Lauzun, photography; Thomas Klein, literature; (front, left) Kaitlin Kieras, visual arts; Sarah Mehaffey, music; Casey Bolten, music; Elizabeth Dushaw, visual arts; Rachel Carroll, music; Anne Mazzeo, literature; and Mark Jackson, visual arts.

Armed Robbery at gas station

A robber with a handgun escaped with an estimated \$400 cash from the M-15 Shell station Sunday at around midnight.

According to a report on file with the Oakland County Sheriff's Independence substation, a white male described as around six feet tall and weighing 150 pounds with straight brown hair came up to the register with several bottles, placed them on the counter, then told the clerk to give him the money in the register drawer. He had what was described as a palm-sized gun in his hand.

The clerk said the robber left in a white Oldsmobile that was left running on the street nearby.

Fingerprints were found on the bottles. In addition, the business was equipped with video cameras. The case remains under investigation.

'Common thread' binds outstanding youth

Optimists honor older students at annual awards breakfast

BY EILEEN McCARVILLE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Sashabaw Middle School's Jr. Optimists president Stacy Colburn is so positive she's been nicknamed "Miss Optimistic."

Oakland Technical Center's Adam Paul Bellefeuille is a brilliant robotics student whose future may point toward Spielberg or Lucas.

And Dennis Mosher of Renaissance High is lauded as a young man who's turned his life around and become a role model for others.

But regardless of their individual talents and qualities, the young folks honored at Clarkston Optimists' annual Youth Appreciation Breakfast seemed to fit SMS principal John Dillegghio's "common thread" profile as kids "highly involved in and outside of the schools — and they have pleasant personalities."

Two weeks ago the Optimists honored outstanding students from Clarkston's six elementary schools. On Feb. 4 they recognized their older peers from Clarkston and Sashabaw middle schools, Clarkston High School, Oakland Technical Center Northwest and Renaissance High School, an alternative high school run by Clarkston Community Education. Both ceremonies took place at Clarkston Creek Country Club.

The list of those honored is as follows: CMS: Bethany Gozdziwski, Victoria Lauzun, Jeffery Steele and Michael Wood; SMS: Stacy Coburn, Ryan Coccione, Grant Gilford and Siri Zimmerman; OTC: Adam Paul Bellefeuille and Amber L. Lang; RHS: Dennis Mosher and Angela Stites; CHS: Dustin Brown, Jamie Youness, Steven Bradford, Jenny Mizusawa, Kenny Leonard, Carrie Phillips, Joe Christopher and Lindsay Fogleman.

Each school's staff selects several students, based on criteria like good citizenship, caring for others, an optimistic attitude, tasks, values, and scholastic achievement. On Wednesday the qualities cited ranged from



Honored middle- and high-school students, left to right, Row 1: Jeffery Steele, Victoria Lauzun, Carrie Phillips, Stacy Coburn, Angela Stites, Dennis Mosher, Siri Zimmerman; Row 2: Lindsay Fogleman, Kenny Leonard, Joe Christopher,

Jenny Mizusawa, Steven Bradford, Jamie Youness, Amber L. Lang; Row 3: Grant Gilford, Michael Wood, Ryan Coccione, Bethany Gozdziwski, Dustin Brown, Adam Paul Bellefeuille

volunteering for seniors and the handicapped to having a great sense of humor.

In his invocation before an audience that included students, their teachers, principals and families, Optimist chaplain Mike Blicher noted the milestones achieved with the older age group, now "ready to take the car and move on."


Blicher explained when kids grow up this well they realize they are "not an island," but human beings who, in making the transition from dependence to independence and finally, to interdependence, become interactive with the world beyond their own communities to "enjoy the journey of life."

Following Blicher, school superintendent Dr. Al Roberts praised the young people as "not only good students, but good human beings," and paid homage to their parents: "The apples don't fall too far from the trees."

School staff members recognized each student

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City of the Village of Clarkston

Council debates planning, city hall addition

BY EILEEN MCCARVILLE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

More than once, the subject of public hearings surfaced at Monday's Clarkston City Council meeting — primarily with the issues of a new city hall and downtown planning.

● Councilman Doug Roeser began the meeting with new information regarding city hall expansion, which was previously estimated at \$450,000 for top-of-the-line improvements.

Roeser said the \$100,000 considered earlier for a down payment — approximately half the city's reserves — just isn't available. Significant portions have already been committed to projects which include recent increases in police salaries, vehicles and increased insurance premiums.

As far as the city taking advantage of that now, there's just "no chance," he said. "We don't have reserves to put into that building."

The rest of the discussion included ways to accrue financing, whether it be from raising taxes or continuing the sewer millage which runs out in approximately two years. Public hearings would likely be held before such decisions were made.

Roeser pointed out that the recent blueprints drawn up with the help of city engineer Gary Tressel are a wish list. The city could scale down the project into a more affordable plan. That could include a volunteer building project, with help possibly coming from stu-

dents in Oakland Technical Center Northwest's building trades program. Council members are investigating that avenue as well as estimates from local builders.

Meanwhile, city planning commission chair Steve Secatch sketched out a plan he says would be more doable. The only additions would include an extra bay for the DPW, which would mostly be used for equipment storage, and a new 20-25 foot meeting room. Existing space could be converted into new digs for the police department, the city manager and the DPW. His estimate: \$150,000 "and you could do it at your own pace."

Another option, suggested by councilman Walt Gamble, is to consider renting space elsewhere for the CPD.

● After councilman Dave Savage thanked the audience for its participation at the Jan. 27 Hyett-Palma planning presentation, which drew a packed audience, Gamble raised the issue of a public hearing on downtown planning.

Gamble said he feels the city needs to hear more from the public — especially from downtown landlords.

"I think it would be good to hold a public hearing to see what the remainder of the community has to say," he said. "We always see the same four or five business people."

A subcommittee is investigating two options to improve the downtown business district; either hiring Hyett-Palma or National Trust for Historic Preservation. Savage said the subcommittee agrees the

downtown's a problem and needs to hire a professional planner.

Local historian Jennifer Radcliff said she feels the public hearing should come later, after all the investigative work is completed. "I think it will happen after there is more discussion ... fact-finding, and that's what we're doing at this point," she said. "We need to get to specific things which have yet to be understood."

Council agreed the fees for hiring a planner should be escrowed before the city signs any contract.

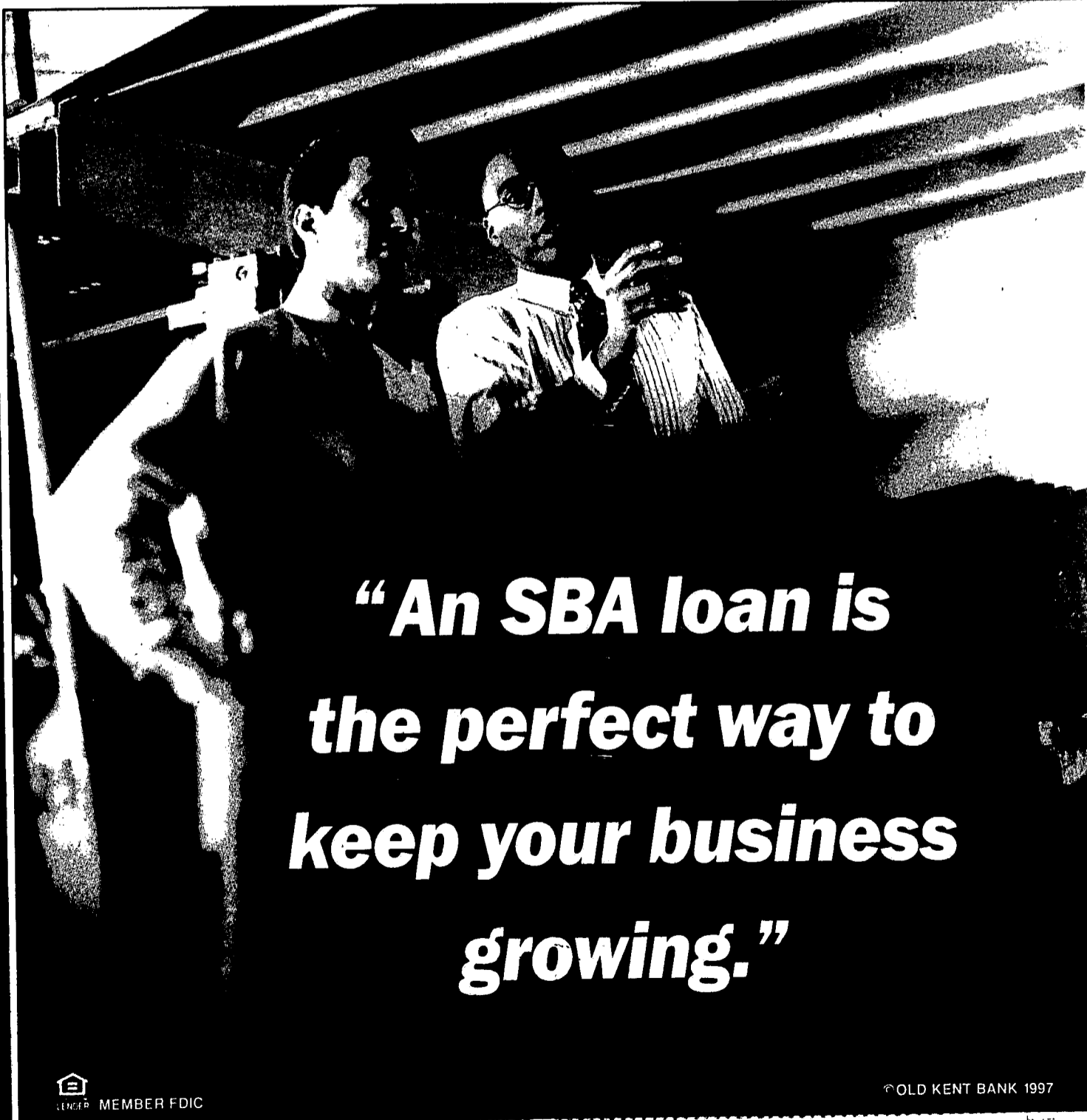
● City manager Art Pappas said a public hearing could be held before council adopts a proposed new building inspection ordinance. City attorney Tom Ryan said he expects to present the final draft at the next council meeting Feb. 23.

● Council voted 6-0 to hold a public hearing on an ordinance amendment which will reduce the number of city planning commissioners from nine to seven (Dan Colombo was absent). The hearing is expected for the next planning commission meeting in March, Pappas said.

With current vacancies, Secatch said the reduction is needed. "It's really hard for a community of 1,000 to have nine," he said.

Ryan suggested council hold several public hearings in one fell swoop. "You could have three agenda items just on the downtown," he said, adding that the building inspection ordinance would draw landlords.

"The inspection ordinance ... that's a pretty big hook. That gets their attention for the downtown revitalization aspect," he said.



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IN FOCUS

by Annette Kingsbury

Place blame
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Earlier in the year, when I was loading the fresh, new 1998 pages into my planner, I wrote myself a note for this week. It said, in essence, 'Write a column about Presidents' Day,' and suggested the column be about what modern presidents will be remembered for.

The thought was prompted by the play "Picasso at the Lapin Agile," which I saw at the Fisher Theater recently. It was set at the turn of the last century, and spent some time speculating about who would be remembered from the 20th century.

Little did I know at the time how appropriate that little calendar notation would become. Now we're all asking ourselves whether the current Clinton-Monica episode has lowered our collective national standards.

So rather than rehash what's already been all over every paper in the country, I'll turn my attention to another topic—the media.

What do you think of when you hear those words? I think of radio, TV, newspapers and magazines. What I don't include in this group are advertisers. I may be the only one.

On two recent occasions, I've heard people make sweeping, negative statements that started out "the media" when in fact they were complaining about advertising. In one case it was "the media want you to drink and smoke." In another "the media want you to buy Coke and Pepsi."

Doesn't anyone know where advertising dollars come from? They come from corporations with something to sell. It may be cigarettes, or shoes, or anything else under the sun. But when you want to talk about advertising that you perceive as negative or unhealthy, you should be complaining about, and to, R. J. Reynolds, etc. You get my drift.

Not that there aren't plenty of reasons to complain about the media. The Clinton-Monica affair—and I use that term loosely—has pointed out a lot of flaws in the way we do business. But trying to sell kids cigarettes isn't one of them.

As a fellow scribe pointed out, if anything the media are the ones opening up corporate practices to scrutiny, such as cigarette doctoring and sweatshop labor. It's hard when a Disney buys an ABC, for example, but in general you will still see 60 Minutes exposing fraud wherever and whenever it's found.

The toll of commercialism on the national psyche is what should be up for discussion, and presumably it will be, now that some big companies want to pay Clarkston schools money to display their logos.

Perhaps we've all become inured to beer companies sponsoring each and every sporting event in our country. To corporate names being on bowl games, rather than locations. Companies are bidding millions right now for the privilege (and advertising placement) of naming the new baseball stadium for the Tigers.

Where do we draw the line? Some are saying that it should be at our schools. If you feel that advertising is bad, don't allow it in your schools. Don't allow your principles to be corrupted by a few thousand dollars.

And if you do, don't blame the media. Don't talk about peer pressure to your kids, then cave in when the money's proffered. If you think it's a bad idea, just say no. Isn't that what we tell the kids?

Letters to the editor

Takes issue with Hyett

Regarding the Hyett-Palma Presentation:

It was quoted at the presentation and in The Clarkston News, "We lost a bank." True, however, did we not also gain a bank almost without missing a heartbeat? Welcome full-service Republic Bank.

You have faith in the Village like I do.

Mr. Hyett was quoted "It is a lovely downtown. You're a little bit funky, historic." I certainly do not consider funky (dictionary definition - strange) a way to view our unique village as very perceptive.

Mr. Savage stated he would like a hardware store and a pharmacy with nice cards.

We have four retail shops, right now, in the Village that carry "nice" lines of cards, and there are two chain hardware stores within a mile.

There is a tremendous difference between idealism and the reality of expending capital on a whim.

Business owners in the Village, who own their own buildings, provide needed or unusual merchandise, and or services are alive and well.

The "lack" in some thoughts is not a deep mystery in buildings with landlords. The rents are not conducive to small village retail success.

Note the only empty building in the Village is said to be on the market in the \$450,000.00 range. Would it be fiscally sound to pay \$4,500.00 - \$5,000.00 a month and attempt a retail shop?

Before we become involved in "A Plan," visit the Village. There's lots of parking. Patronize the shops and businesses. Meet the accomodating busi-

ness people. Just enjoy what we already have.

Then decide if you want to pay tax dollars to partially fund "A Plan."

Virginia Schultz

CVP should be rated

Dear editor,

For the last few years my wife, myself and friends have attended the Clarkston Village Players productions. We have enjoyed the time spent viewing different productions as a time of having fun with our friends. It has been almost a year since we attended one of their productions.

On January 23, 1998, we attended with friends, the production of "Aspirins and Elephants." The play was described as a story about a family who goes on a therapeutic cruise. At this time of year, many of us have thoughts about a vacation. We thought that this would be something like a "Love Boat" type of production. The story had a fun-filled story line...it was the content that we considered distasteful for community theater. Keep in mind that a child approximately age 7-10 was in the audience, also. The language, sexual connotations (grabbing one's genitals), etc. were of no value to this play regardless of the fact of the way it was written.

To subject the audience to this type of theater is just another way to exploit our society. Maybe people live this way, who cares! If the public wants to be informed of these happenings, all they have to do is tune in to the talk shows or read books/

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JIM'S JOTTINGS / by Jim Sherman

Just jotting

Vice-President Jim Sherman (James Schoolcraft) died in Utica, New York November 1, 1912. He served with President Taft, who made an appearance in Oxford in September, 1911. Sherman became the first Vice-President to be renominated in the history of the Republican party. Maybe that's where I got my GOP leanings. Nah! We're not related.

For the last couple months I've been collecting stuff from back issues of The Oxford Leader that I think will be of historical interest to readers. It's for The Leader's 100th birthday issue coming out April 15th. That's about the only reason I can think of to print the Vice-President note above. I've become historical.

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Do you believe, as I, that when our government sends officials from high offices, like the Secretary of State, to foreign lands to get them to support whatever America's stand is on whatever, that they go with bundles of we taxpayers' money? Through the years we've been too generous, I think, with too many countries that support us only as long as our billfolds are open. Does that sound Republican? Yeah!

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I'm a "Today's Horoscope" reader. Not believer, just reader. Joyce Jillson writes a horoscope column for the Freep. Recently I asked Hazel if she reads her horoscope. She said, "I think they are written for someone younger." Right. One day mine

read, "A potential lover will take your heart away." Unless it's a dog or grandchild it won't happen.

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This week's political poll has President Clinton with a 70 percent or so approval rating. That percent believes he can do a good job as our leader and pay no heed to his private life. Half of those 70 percent believe the President is lying about things reported as happening in his private life. That's what the poll says. If you knew a friend told one lie would you continue to believe everything else he/she said?

Leaders should lead by example as well as by showing strength with words and actions. A leader should be one who can be trusted with our daughters as well as with our land.

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We watched and listened to both President Clinton's State of the Nation speech and Governor Engler's State of the State on the tube. The day after Engler's tv time, he addressed the Michigan Press Association in Grand Rapids. So, I heard the education part of his program again.

What a contrast between these two in their deliverance. Clinton is smooth where he has to be and emphatic when that's called for. Engler is hesitant and unexciting. Clinton was seldom boring, Engler's practically a monotone.

Engler should never expect to sway a voter to his cause through words. Clinton should quit swaying.

About back

15 YEARS AGO (1983)

Clarkston schools and Independence Township fail to agree on a fee for summer collection of half the school taxes. The next step takes the school district to Oakland County to negotiate a collection fee the county would charge for the service.

The Clarkston Band Boosters push pizza with a difference. There'll be a \$100 bonus tucked inside one of the pizza kits they sell in February. Mel Taylor, coordinator of pizza sales for the boosters, hopes the prize will be "an incentive to buy." The booster club uses profits to purchase music, medals and teaching supplies and uniforms for band students in the district.

With less than a week's notice, the juniorvarsity cheerleading squad at Clarkston High School takes second in

the Greater Oakland Activities League (GOAL) competition, finishing just behind Lake Orion.

25 YEARS AGO (1973)

The building of a federally subsidized house in Woodhull Lake Subdivision for an ADC mother and her children is approved by the Independence Township Zoning Board of Appeals. The matter came before the township a year ago when building permits for the property were issued without appeals action and later turned back during the building moratorium in Woodhull when federal urban renewal for the area was under consideration.

One of four exchange students at Clarkston High School, Jean Immerman of Rio de Janeiro says he likes it here. Noting differences between the U.S. and Brazil, Jean says in Rio most people live in apartments. Another difference is the lack of shop classes at his school. Those at CHS are very helpful toward his goal to become a mechanic.

50 YEARS AGO (1948)

A desire to have the Village of Clarkston own the Ford property on W. Washington and a lot on either side of M-15 along the river course from the Mill Pond to Parke Lake, has finally emerged into a purchasing agreement. With the purchase, the village would be able to control the natural resource for its advantage and the mill pond. The idea, as it now stands, is that the property can be purchased for \$40,000. It will be necessary to float a \$30,000 bond, but the remaining \$10,000 could be raised through disposing of the present village hall

and from some cash in the village coffers. The bond issue will be voted upon at the spring election, but only by property owners.

A Coronation Ball held at the Clarkston School gym tonight will feature the crowning of the King and Queen of Hearts. The couple to receive the honors will be chosen by townspeople. Spike Masters and his band will play, as usual.

Featured at the Drayton Theatre is "Down To Earth," starring Rita Hayworth and Larry Parks. At the Holly Theatre is "Singapore" with Fred MacMurray and Ava Gardner.

60 YEARS AGO (1938)

From "Coming Events": On Feb. 14 a series of health talks will begin at the Waterford School. All area women and girls over 16 are invited ... On Feb. 18 a "Washington Swing" will be held in the Clarkston School auditorium. The Michigan Ramblers will furnish the music for which they are popular ... Also on Feb. 18 a Penny Supper will take place at 6 p.m. at the Waterford Church. Everyone is invited to enjoy a good home-cooked meal at a small cost ... On Thursday the Seymour Lake Church will sponsor a Father and Son Banquet at the Community House. All fathers and sons are invited and are urged to keep this date in mind.

Specials at Rudy's include Super Suds, a large red box for 15 cents; Bliss Coffee, 22 cents a pound; seedless raisins, two pounds for 17 cents; and Lucky Dog Food, six cans for a quarter.

Ask a nurse for free

On the second and fourth Tuesday of each month, visitors can talk to a member of the Visiting Nurse Association at the Farmer Jack Pharmacy on Dixie Highway in Clarkston. Hours are 10 a.m.-noon.

The VNA says that during the next seven months, visitors can have their blood pressure checked and receive information on a variety of health-related issues through this free program.

"The objective of the program is to facilitate and promote health in southeast Michigan," said VNA Corporate Care Manager Karen Mackay.

DON'T RUSH ME / by Don Rush

Let me tell ya . . .



If there is anybody alive more slippery than our president, I haven't seen him (or her). And, if there is such a person that person isn't the leader of the free world.

Before I write this, let me confess: I'm torn here. I have two beliefs working against each other.

One is the pinnacle of our society, namely you're innocent until proven guilty. The other is, the president is guilty as sin. There is not a bone in my body, a cell or molecule that doesn't believe that.

Call me kooky, but that's why I'm torn.

Since I'm on some sort of tangent, that president sure has a sly bunch of hooligans working for him. If anybody'd ask me, I'd say the president's own people are leaking information to the press, so they can say the investigator of the president's affairs is "right-wing" and "corrupt." Thus, taking the heat off their man in the Big House. They're good, boy are they good.

It's been a pattern of this administration -- every time the prez is investigated, his pitbulls go out and say whoever is investigating is corrupt or "trying to bring down the presidency" -- even the head of the FBI (appointed by the president) found cross-hairs on his forehead.

And further: while many folks believe the most powerful man in the world (aka William Jefferson

Clinton) fooled around with a gal who's about the same age as his own darling daughter, they don't care. Inflation's down, interest rates are down, stocks and bonds are up, everybody is happy. What if it was their daughter?

Would it be different if the economy was sour?

The point here is simple. Any president is given credit (deserved or not) for a booming economy. Conversely, any president is blamed (deserved or not) for bad times.

Folks, the president isn't "running the country." There are millions of bureaucrats for that. Also, there's an old axiom that says, you want the power, follow the money. Who is spending our money in our government?

Simple civics says (as does The Constitution): Congress is the body that does all the spending.

A-A-N-D, for all you parents of kids under 12, aren't you glad that this president has brought to the kitchen table the discussion of sex and trust and fidelity? Some say our society is breaking down, we are becoming more cynical, we can't trust our spouses anymore -- I say, this president isn't doing anything to help these problems. In fact, he's making it worse.

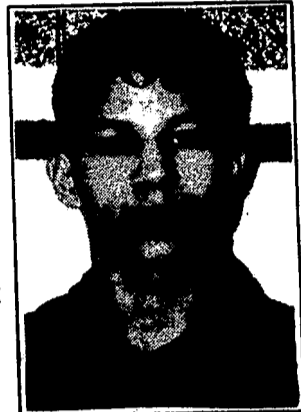
(Okay, I'm taking a deep breath, and climbing down off my soap box. You're all safe, now.)

People poll

By Eileen McCarville

If your Valentine could be anyone, who would it be?

JOSH MORALES: It's my girlfriend, Ashley Bonneau. She's perfect, the most beautiful thing I've ever seen. She works with A.I. (Autistically Impaired) students at Sashabaw Middle School.



MIKE WHITE: Jenny McCarthy, because I saw her on "Singled Out" and I just liked her, I guess. I got hooked.



KAYLA BAKER: Someone who's nice and caring.



OLIVIA LOWRIE: Someone who's thoughtful and fun to be with.



SCOT FOX: Probably my dad. My dad died, that's why.



All are eighth-graders from CMS



SUPERINTENDENT'S CORNER

by Al Roberts, Ed. D.

I recently attended a meeting of our Parent Teacher Association and Parent Teacher Organization leaders. The good news is that our community is fortunate to be represented by this kind, caring and extremely able group. The bad news is that the number of active volunteers is dwindling. The situation begs the question, why? At first blush, the term apathy surfaces, but could this be so here in Clarkston? After all, I have run into so many hard-working, enthusiastic and supportive adults at virtually every event I attend. No, apathy is not the answer to this complex issue.

So why are fewer parents actively involved? My guess is exhaustion and new priorities have made volunteerism a less attractive option. In many families both parents are employed and compared to earlier generations, the time they have to spend with their youngsters has shrunk. The truth is that family time together is precious, and probably more important than mom or dad serving on a committee. On the other hand, we know that when parents are active at school, the children are likely to do well.

It seems to me that we must find ways to bring parents, school personnel and youngsters together. I believe that along with our PTA/O leaders, we must redefine our partnerships. Present activities are heavily slanted toward raising dollars. And these dollars have certainly made a difference. PTA/O dollars provide special programs, speakers, assemblies, field trips, festivals and reading programs to name a few. But while money can enhance our curriculum at school, a different slant on fund-raising may be more successful in bringing back volunteers.

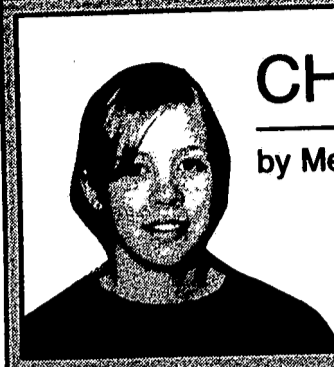
One school that has been unique in exploring alternatives is Clarkston Elementary. An *Oakland Press* columnist cited it for breaking the mold in

supporting PTO activities. Why? Clarkston Elementary leaders have been actively seeking a transition from old fund-raising methods to new ones which bring the family together. Instead of mom or dad working hours away from home on a sale, the entire family might attend a family event to have fun together and raise money for the school too. Last fall the school sponsored a family dance and dinner with a 1950s theme that was so well-attended they've scheduled a St. Patrick's event in March. The St. Patrick's family dance will also feature a raffle of themed baskets prepared by each classroom. These kinds of events keep families together while providing children with the same educational activities traditionally funded by parent organizations.

While parents and school leaders are pursuing new ideas, another district group has been meeting for several months to organize fund-raising efforts across the district. A recent meeting resulted in the development of two objectives:

1. Coordinate the efforts of our schools and school support organizations into a district-wide plan. Tasks include identifying and sharing purposes of fund-raisers, designing a calendar of activities, and coordinating them with school events.
2. Make fund-raising as effective and unobtrusive as possible within the parameters set by the board of education. This will include the development of a financial support model which will identify what instruction requires funding by the board and what non-essential instruction should be funded through alternative sources.

We are determined to balance two needs: first, finding additional dollars to support programs; second, having the sense necessary to support a win-win situation.



CHS LIFE

by Meghann Smith

Have you ever stopped to think about what you're doing? At some point in time this is impossible (reputation wise) for teenagers, although it doesn't seem all that tough to adults. I'm sure it's happened to all of us before, that living-in-the-moment sensation, not stopping to consider consequences. This may be the one instance of "peer pressure" I have faced, and it's not one that we were warned about in elementary school.

Imagine this: You're at your friend's house. Every one of your closest amigos is there and they all decide they want to go to John Doe's house. There aren't any parents there and everybody who is slightly included in any social circle is going to be there. And all of your friends have parents who don't care what happens or don't care to know what could happen. You, however, are blessed (or so I'm told) with parents who do care. Their voices ring clearly in your head; you have to call if the 7pm movie plans change.

You have a few choices here. A) Don't bother calling, take your car, pray your father didn't check the mileage, and think of a super excuse as to why you have to leave the party at 9. B) Go home, tell your friends you're sick or that your parents are psychotic or some other equally viable reason. However, popularity is more important than subordination. C) Call your parents, so far following their rules, and stretch the truth just enough so that you're not exactly lying, but your parents have no clue as to the actual occurrences on that night.

How many of you have heard of the old test taking strategy, "If at first the answer you don't know, 'C' is chiefly correct?" As always there is a glitch in the system. People always find out that which you would least like them to. And this statement is more accurate than any "Eeny-Meeny-Mini-Moe" technique.

It has almost become amusing that your neighbors only have to look as far as the car that remains in the driveway to conclude that you're grounded. Any on-looking adult would question the obvious. Why didn't you think before acting? The answer is actually more simple than it appears.

Teenagers know from previous experience that parents who "care" have slightly different views on what aspects guarantee a socially acceptable Friday night. (In teenager terms "socially acceptable" differs greatly from Webster's interpretation.) Therefore, if we stop to think, our lives will be doomed to watching "T.G.I.F." on TV and doing our weekend homework before 10 o'clock on Sunday night. Of course I'm sure if we thought first, our parents' lives would be a whole lot easier. But isn't our whole reason for being here to pay them back for all that they made their parents go through?

Letters to the editor

From page 6A

magazines for this type of entertainment. We don't need community theater adding to the barrage of distasteful information that we face on a daily basis.

The only way we would consider attending a performance is to know the content. Should the Clarkston Village Players rate their plays G, PG, PG13, or "X"?

Jim Theolet
Marilyn Theolet
Kathy Cauley
Edith Brisson
Kim Schoepach
Nancy Schoepach

Editor's note: CVP productions are reviewed in The Clarkston News at the beginning of each run. The reviewer includes information regarding potentially objectionable content.

On Presidents Day

Dear editor:

Maybe Bill Clinton has proven Abe Lincoln wrong after all.

James O'Neill, MD

Youth honored

From page 4A

talked of the importance of honoring students who've returned to finish school.

"I just think it's important to recognize these kids because, for some of them, if you look at their backgrounds, they have not been that positive," she said. "These kids have made a commitment to change their lives."

New high school

From page 1A

making it easy to move from one to the other. The pool, now just a concrete shell but with its bulkhead installed, drew the most gasps from the tour-goers. "Oh my gosh," said one. "We love it," added another excitedly.

After the tour, parent Kathy Tibitosky indicated her three children, now attending North Sashabaw Elementary, have something to look forward to. "I think it's great, it's wonderful, it's exciting," she said.

Kristine Robitaille, a 1986 CHS grad who now has two children at North Sash., was equally happy. "It's long overdue," she said, remembering her own days at the crowded current high school.

Blake Coe, a member of the CHS class of 2000, said, "I think it's great. Everyone's really waited a long time for this school to come up, and going through it, you can see it's a reality."

A member of the CHS marching band, Coe liked the media center and auditorium and said it's still hard to imagine playing in the orchestra pit.

As for the current overcrowding at the old school, he expects the new school to solve the problem "up to a point. There's a lot of young kids in the community. We might have the same problem again, but temporarily it'll solve the problem."

Craig Kahler, the school district's Director of Business Services who was also on the tour, said Monday, "From all indications the folks were real pleased with what they saw." Mentioning the auditorium, he said, "I thought the view from the balcony was quite impressive."

Kahler said Monday that a traffic study surrounding the new school is just about completed. "By the end of the week we'll have a final report," he said.

The report will then be shared with Independence Township officials, with the goal of coming up with some joint recommendations for road and intersection improvements.

Have a heart on Valentine's Day

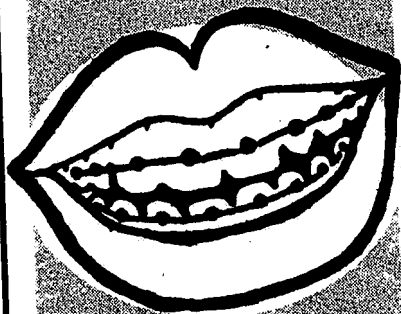
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Saturn and the UAW are using Valentine's Day as an occasion to encourage Americans to donate blood, platelets, umbilical cord blood, bone marrow and organs and tissue. Representatives from organizations such as the Red Cross and Gift of Life will be on hand with pledge cards and donation information. The goal is to collect, nationwide, half-a-million donations and pledges.

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Paul Harris and his restored 1967 Chevy Impala.

Autorama features local man

BY ANNETTE KINGSBURY
Clarkston News Editor

Standing six-feet-six, Paul Harris can't fit into just any car. "I've built '34 Fords for people, but I can't drive them; they're too small," he said.

One car he can drive is the 1967 Chevy Impala he's restored. It will be shown at the 46th annual Detroit Autorama, billed as "America's Greatest Hot Rod Show," this weekend at Cobo Arena.

Harris said he's had the Florida car for two years and has completely rebuilt and restored it. It won first place in its class at last summer's Woodward Dream Cruise.

"When springtime hits, it'll get driven," said Harris, who said the model has long been a favorite of his.

"I grew up with one. I had one when I was a kid

(and) it's just something everybody hasn't got," he said.

Harris works in the paint department at GM Truck and Coach in Pontiac and got help from a coworker, Mike Copple, in designing the car's elaborate and flashy paint work. Formerly a race car, he said it only had 37,000 miles on it when he bought it.

Also displaying a car at Autorama will be Bill McIninch of Holly, who will bring a 1936 Ford two-door sedan.

Autorama runs Feb. 13-15 and is the oldest and one of the biggest custom car shows in the country. In addition to the cars, celebrities and several thrill shows are included, as are Harley Davidson motorcycles and fashions.

Show hours are 5-11 p.m. Friday, 11-11 Saturday, and 11-9 Sunday. Tickets are \$12; kids under 12, \$5. Discount tickets are available in advance at Belle Tire stores. Call 810-650-5560 for more information.

Around town

● North Sashabaw Elementary School will hold its Winter Wonderland school fair Saturday, Feb. 28, 11 a.m.-3 p.m. There will be a silent auction, a general store, games, including "Beat the Teacher," a jail, refreshments, crafts and much more.

● The Clarkston Community Women's Club will meet Feb. 19 at 7:30 p.m. in the Independence Township Library. Speaker is Catharine Mather-Colcemian, MA, on coping with change. Call Gail at 623-9462 or 335-6986 for more information.

● The Parent Network will meet Tuesday, Feb. 17, 7-9 p.m. at the Independence Township Library for "Parenting Never Stops." Call 625-4855 for more information.

● Women and depression will be the topic of a free lecture at Crittenton Hospital Saturday, Feb. 21, 9:30-11:30 a.m. Psychiatrist Joel Young will be the speaker. Seating is limited; call 652-5269 to register.

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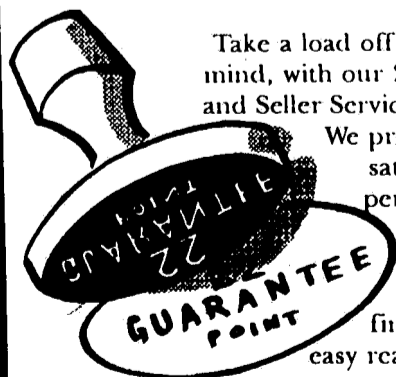
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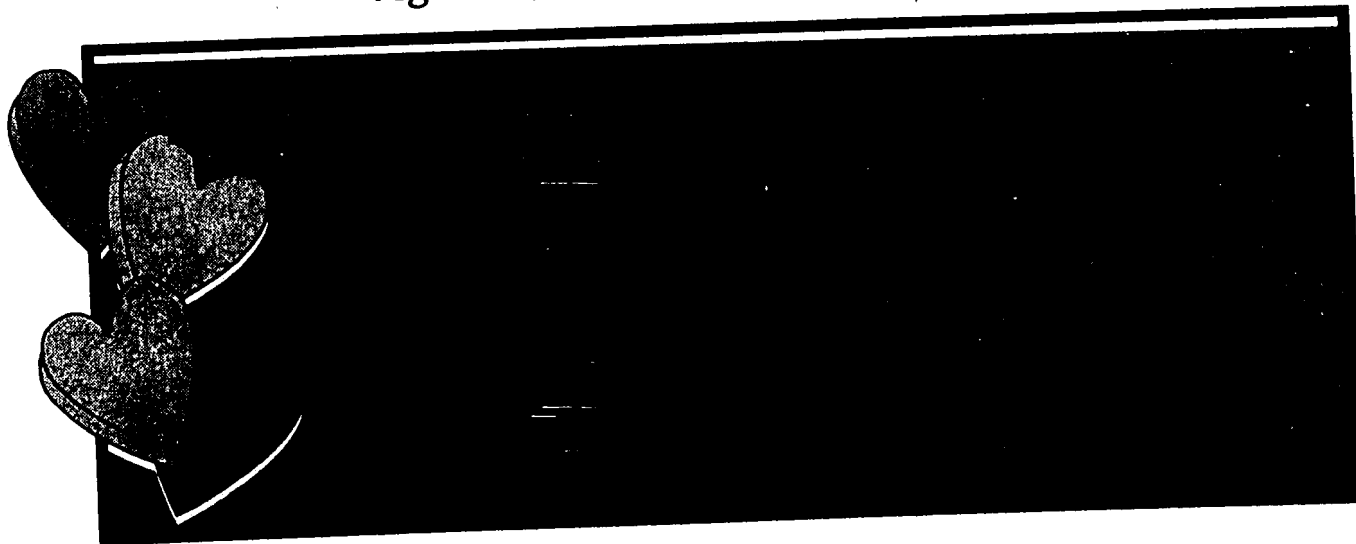
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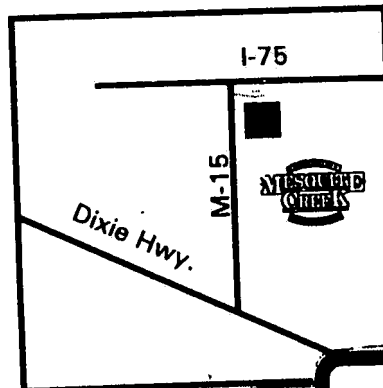
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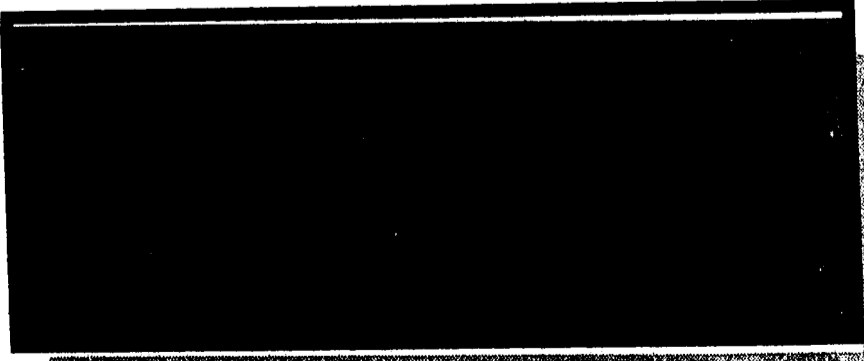
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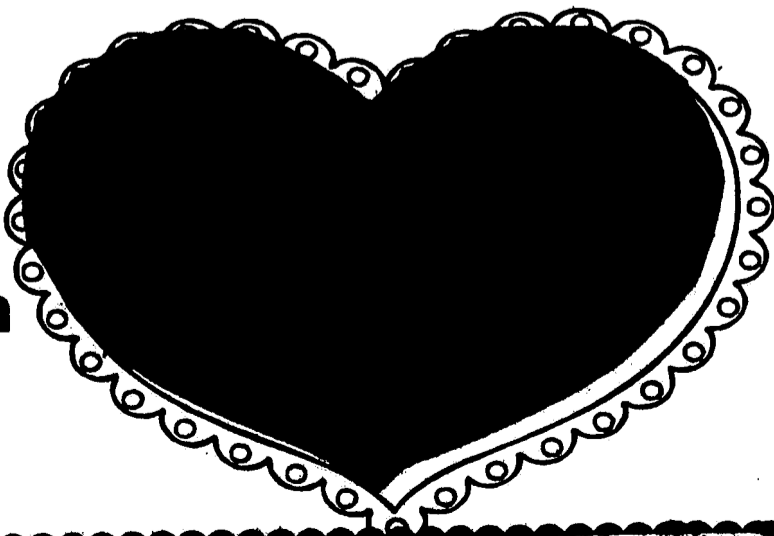
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Darling-Loehne

Ms. Bonnie Darling and James Weir of Davisburg announce the engagement of her daughter Dawn Marie Darling to Lawrence Justin Loehne, son of Lawrence and Judith Loehne of Clarkston. A September wedding is planned.



Fyda-Swartz

Anthony and Mary Ann Fyda of Independence Township announce the engagement of their daughter Julie to Kenneth Swartz, son of Charles and Susan Swartz of Saginaw. A fall wedding is planned at the Grand Canyon. Both are graduates of the University of Michigan's College of Engineering and work for General Motors Corporation. The couple plans to reside in Commerce Township.

Engagements



Cayuela-Widmer

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Cayuela of Clarkston announce the engagement of their daughter, Donna Marie, to Robert P. Widmer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick L. Widmer of Clarkston. The bride-to-be is a 1993 graduate of Clarkston High School and a 1997 graduate of the University of Michigan-Flint. She works for Royal Maccabees Life Insurance Company, Financial Performance Department. The prospective groom is a 1992 graduate of Lake Orion High School and a 1997 graduate of the University of Michigan-Flint. He works for Jeep Truck Engineering as a product engineer. A May wedding is planned.

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Engagements



Clark-Babcock

John and Shirley Babcock announce the engagement of their son Matthew John Babcock to Naomi Lynne Clark. The prospective groom is a 1993 graduate of Clarkston High School and a 1997 graduate of the University of South Florida-Tampa. He works as an investment researcher/analyst at Moskal Klein, Inc. in Ohio. The bride-to-be is a 1993 graduate of Oberlin (Ohio) High School and a 1997 graduate of the University of South Florida-Tampa. She is currently studying for her master's degree in social administration at Case Western Reserve University. A May 1998 wedding is planned.

At school

● **Benjamin DeGrow**, a junior history major at Hillsdale College, was named to the Dean's List for the fall semester. He is the son of Raymond and Sandra DeGrow of Clarkston and a 1995 graduate of Springfield Christian Academy.

● Western Michigan University has announced its fall Dean's List and the following Clarkston students are on it: **Jill Attaman**, daughter of Eugene and Jane Attaman and a biomedical sciences major; **David Byrne**, son of William and Judith Byrne, a music composition and English major; **Christin Cordial**, daughter of Glen and Pamela Cordial, an elementary group minors student; **Jason Craven**, son of John and Ann Craven, majoring in finance; **Kathryn Gard**, daughter of Everett and Jessica Gard, majoring in political science; **Michael Kopec**, son of Gregory and Theresa Kopec, a history major; **Erika Jane Sagady**, daughter of Daniel and Donna Sagady, majoring in university curriculum; **Stephanie Seltzer**, majoring in elementary group minors and Spanish; **Adam Tate**, son of William and Lois Tate, an advertising and promotion major; and **Jayson Weatherington**, son of Ronald and Sue Weatherington, who is majoring in integrated supply management.

● **Melissa Phillips**, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Phillips of Pine Knob Lane in Clarkston, made the dean's list for the fall 1997-98 semester at Lake Superior State University. A 1993 graduate of Clarkston High School, Melissa is majoring in criminal justice.

● **Matthew Manser** of Clarkston received a bachelor's of business administration degree from Eastern Michigan University Dec. 14, 1997.

● **Brennan Brown** of Davisburg made the Dean's List at Northwood University for fall term. The list requires a 3.0 GPA. Brennan's parents are Thomas and Elizabeth Brown

● **Jennifer Hahn** of Clarkston made the Dean's List at Saginaw Valley State University for fall semester.

● **Nichole Weber**, a sophomore studying political economy at Hillsdale College, made the Dean's List for fall semester. She is the daughter of Ron and Pat Weber and a 1996 graduate of Clarkston High School.

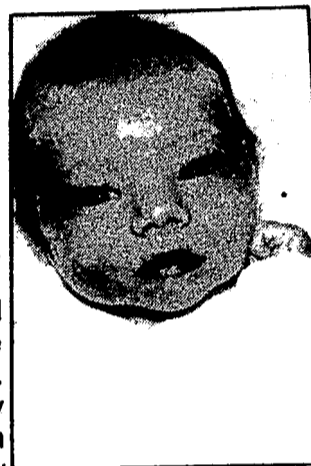
● **Casey Baker, Gary Hall and Rachel Hall**, all of Clarkston, have been named to the Baker College Dean's List for fall quarter. The list requires a 3.5 GPA and full-time status.

In addition, the following have been named to the President's List, which requires a 4.0 GPA (all A's): **Suzanne Gaddis** of Davisburg, and **Donna Hanshew, Jimmy Johnson, Scott Johnson, Michelle Jones, Charles McCabe, Jackie Muniz and Leslie Roth**, all of Clarkston.

● Senior **Jennifer Grieme**, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gary Grieme of Clarkston, was named to the Dean's List for the fall semester at Hope College.

New arrivals

It's a boy—again—for Kristie (Dearborn) and Jeff Dawley of Goodrich. Chase Duane Dawley was born at St. Joseph Mercy-Oakland December 4, 1997 at 10:57 p.m. He weighed 6 pounds, 9 ounces and was 19 inches long. He has a brother, J. R., 2. Grandparents are Harry and Delores Dearborn of Clarkston and Ray and Diane Dawley of Brampton. Great-grandparents are Lois Gottschalk of Waterford, Dorothy Dawley of Gladwin and Louise Hutchins of Clarkston.



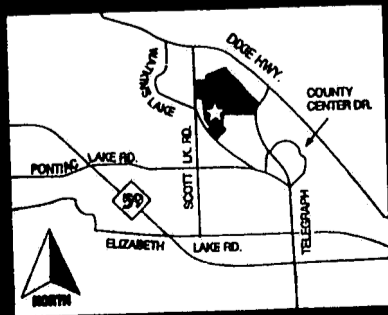
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From page 1A
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Independence Township Building and Planning Director Bev McIlmeel attended Monday's meeting and promised school plans would receive swift reviews.

"We would give a priority to this project and we would address it in a very timely manner," she said.

School board vice president Mary Ellen McLean expressed concern about the townships' expectations surrounding plan review. Final approval will still rest with the board of education, and she wondered what would happen when the district disagrees with township recommendations.

"I believe based on conversations we had last week that the understanding is there," Kahler said. "I will tell you there are probably township ordinances we will never comply with."

Around town

● Support the Clarkston Eagles' Heart Fund with a Valentine's dinner Feb. 14. There will be Mexican food, raffles and entertainment; dinner is at 5 p.m. The Eagles are located at 5640 Maybee Rd.; call 625-9838.

● Why should business women be interested in the Internet? Find out at a meeting of the Inde-Spring Chapter of the American Business Women's Association Tuesday, Feb. 24 at 6 p.m. at Silver Lake Golf Course in Waterford. Call Jana Barberio at 634-9126 to RSVP or for more information.

● "Shakespeare on Sunday" returns to the Independence Township Library Feb. 15 with a screening of the BBC production of "Henry V" at 1:30 p.m. There will be an introduction, comfortable chairs and refreshments for this free program. Call 625-2212 for more information.

Springfield to set goals for the year

BY BRAD MONASTIERE
 Clarkston News Staff Writer

The Springfield Township Board hopes to announce its own version of a Top Ten list at Thursday's regular meeting.

Among the action items on the board's agenda is 1998 goals and priorities. Supervisor Collin Walls brought this item up to the board at its Jan. 8 meeting and said having a concrete list of goals for the year can make board activity more efficient in dealing with current issues.

Walls gave a preliminary list of 26 items that have not been completed or haven't been visited for a while to board members. He asked each member to prioritize 10 items on the list.

"We've got some input on those items," township clerk Nancy Strole said. "Some of them are projects that have already started, like Bridge Lake Road and planning for a new township facility."

A sample of the items expected to be debated upon includes fire department planning, a cable access committee, long distance phone service, and employment policies.

Also on the agenda is a public hearing for a liquor license at the new 221B Baker Street restaurant, located at 10063 Dixie Highway. Strole said after the hearing, the board will decide whether or not to recommend a liquor license be granted for the site.

The board can only recommend a liquor license. Final approval comes from the Michigan Liquor Control Commission. Strole said a license had been granted for the previous restaurant in the building, called Don Mario's, which went out of business several years ago.

"A license has to be revoked from the old business before a new one at the same site can get one," Strole explained. "You can't have two liquor licenses for the same site."

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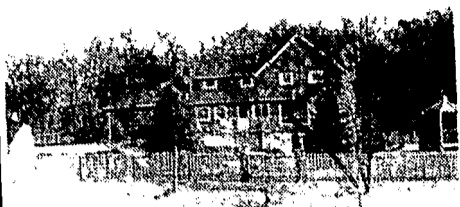


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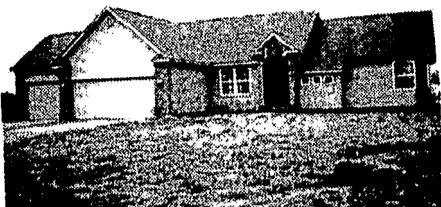
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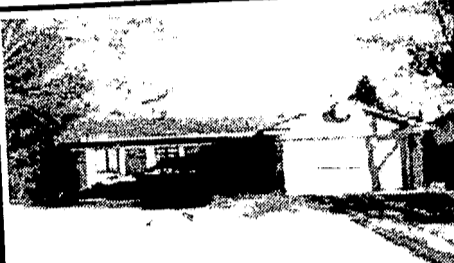
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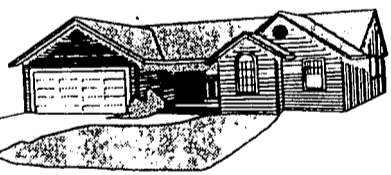
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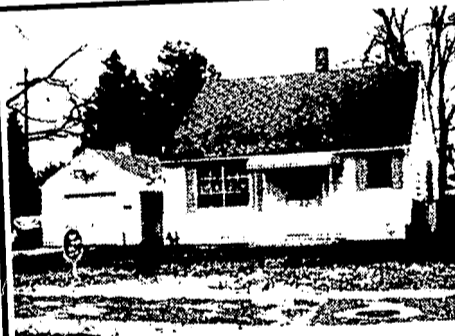
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Police and fire

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 2, an 18-year-old Pontiac man clocked at 97 mph on I-75 was booked on charges of receiving and concealing stolen property when a search of his vehicle turned up a duffle bag full of fire equipment. He admitted he had taken it from a truck in Flint and tried to steal a car at another nearby address. He was also ticketed for speeding.

A door was damaged in a possible break-in attempt on Monterey.

A stereo, CD changer, speakers and amplifiers were stolen from a 1986 VW parked on Hillcrest.

A paint ball broke a window at a home on Mohawk.

A husband and wife each blamed the other in an assault on Parkwood. Neither will be charged.

Fire department investigation on Park Valley Dr. Carbon monoxide investigation on Mann.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 3, death threats at a business on Sashabaw.

A wallet and three videos were stolen from an unlocked car parked at a Dixie business.

A house on Glenburnie was egged.

Medicals on Thendara, Clintonville and Dixie.

A circuit breaker overloaded on W. Washington in the city but there was no fire.

Injury accident on I-75.

Threatening phone calls on Main in the city.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, a phone was stolen from a 1993 Dodge Caravan parked on Wellington.

An 18-year-old Clarkston man was stopped at Washington at Main in the city when he squealed his tires in reverse. He was issued a citation for minor in possession of tobacco when the officer noticed cigarettes on the dashboard.

Someone entered a home on Ennismore via a window but was scared off when confronted.

A man was arrested after allegedly assaulting his wife on Pine Breeze. Their son, 7, called 911.

Someone broke a lock at an M-15 business and stole tools from a shed.

A window was broken on a 1997 Mercury parked

on Balmoral and a phone was stolen.

A spare tire was stolen from a 1997 Olds owned by a Deerwood Dr. resident.

Four speakers were stolen from a 1995 Jeep parked at a Dixie business.

Medicals on Sashabaw, Maybee, Dixie and Waldon Woods Dr. On Dixie, an 85-year-old woman was taken to St. Joseph Mercy-Oakland with a possible hip fracture from a fall in a parking lot.

An 18-year-old woman was taken to Hurley Hospital after a rollover accident on I-75 south of Dixie.

Non-injury accident at White Lake and Holcomb in the city.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5, a wallet was stolen from an employee's purse at a business on Clintonville.

Suspicious circumstances on Holcomb in the city. A resident thought she heard noises in her kitchen.

A phone belonging to a Hillandale resident was reported lost.

A mirror on a 1996 GMC was broken during a fight in a Dixie parking lot.

A window on a house and on a car were broken when about 15 males showed up uninvited at a house on Cobden. One of them, an 18-year-old from Clarkston, was identified by one of the victims.

Medicals on Dixie, Sashabaw and Miller.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6, two windows were broken on a 1985 Olds parked on Dixie and four CDs were stolen.

A Pontiac man stopped for speeding at Main and I-75 was arrested by Clarkston Police on an outstanding warrant from Roseville.

Loud party on Snowapple in the city.

Tools were stolen from a barn on Pine Knob Rd.

A 25-year-old British Columbia man was arrested for drunk driving on I-75 near Baldwin around 2:40 a.m. after a deputy saw his car weaving. A breath test registered .253, over two-and-a-half times the legal limit for alcohol. There was also fresh damage to his 1996 Mazda.

A fight at North Sashabaw Elementary School

was reported by the mother of the victim.

Medicals on Eastlawn, Rockcroft, Pine Knob Rd., I-75, Sashabaw and East Princeton.

Vehicle fire on I-75.

Fuel spill on M-15.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 7, fraudulent use of a bankcard at two different locations.

A 22-year-old Clarkston man was arrested on a felony warrant at his home on Independence Dr.

A purse left in a shopping cart outside a Dixie store was found, minus \$300-\$400, at the Independence Township Library.

Someone scratched a 1996 Dodge parked at an M-15 restaurant.

BB's shattered a glass door on Pear.

Deputies called to a loud party on Snowapple ticketed seven people for underage drinking, one for failing to take a breath test, and the two teenage renters for violating the host party ordinance.

A 1992 Chevy pick-up truck left disabled on Maybee Rd. had its windshield and another window shattered. It was also dented.

Medicals on Lancaster Lake Ct., Sashabaw and Plum.

A Pontiac woman was stopped for speeding at Mair and Washington in the city and cited for a suspended driver's license.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8, vehicle fire on Rockcroft.

Medicals on Clintonville, Reese, Middle Lake Rd. and Pine Knob Trail.

A 40-year-old Clarkston man was arrested for second-offense drunk driving after a breath test registered nearly twice the legal limit for alcohol.

A 40-year-old Clarkston man was driving on Oakvista when his car was hit by snowballs. He then allegedly got out and knocked down the two boys responsible.

A window was smashed on a 1988 Ford Tempo parked on Fay and a CD player was stolen.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9, a Holcomb resident called police after hearing noises on her porch. It turned out to be an animal which later ran over her roof.

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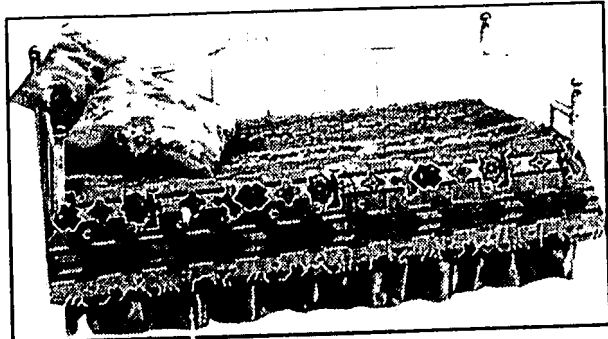
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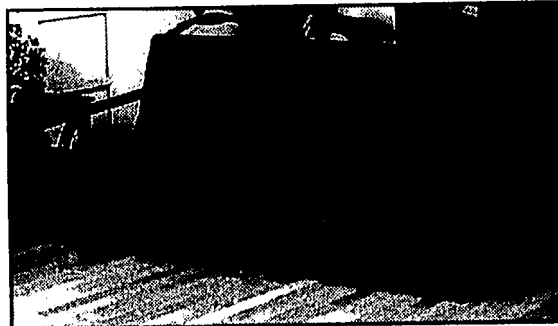
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Section B

Clarkston girls reign at Pine Knob

Regionals Thursday at Mt. Holly

BY BRAD MONASTIERE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

When the snow spray settled Thursday, the Clarkston girls ski team was at the top of the hill.

The hill was Pine Knob and the event was the Pine Knob Divisionals, and the girls team once again raced past the competition to take first overall.

The Wolves took first in the slalom with 32 points, four ahead of Bloomfield Hills Lahser, and first in the giant slalom with 20 points, way ahead of second-place Rochester Adams.

"We have a lot of race experience with their girls," coach Bruce Rosengren said. "They're not afraid of the speed, and you can see that in their margin of victory in the GS."

Junior Kristen Atkinson was first overall in the GS with a time of 44.94, edging out her rival Liz Hill from Lahser by .22 seconds. She took third overall in the slalom with a 40.72 time. Slow by her standards, but not bad considering she's been racing all year with a torn ACL.

"Kristen raced as well as I expected her to," Rosengren said. "She is not at 100 percent, but Kristen at less than 100 percent is still better than a lot of people."

In the GS, Megan Whipp (42.54) and Gretchen Pitser (43.53) were top-10 finishers for Clarkston. Laura Pope, Katie Kennedy and Sara McKechnie rounded out the scorers for the team.

Pope raced very well in the slalom, taking second on the team and fourth overall with a time of 46.82. Rosengren said Pope was in a slump early in the season, but has rebounded nicely at a key time for the team.



Junior Kristen Atkinson puts her head down to get the least amount of wind resistance to the finish line at Thursday's Pine Knob Divisionals.

"She was out in Colorado and did well at some competitions there, then she kind of lost it," he said. "Something clicked for her, and now she's coming on strong right when we need her."

Freshman Nicole Villiere was fifth on the team in the slalom Thursday. She came off a first-place finish at the prestigious Don Thomas Cup and stepped right in at the varsity level and contributed.

The boys team took second in the slalom and GS, losing out to a deep and experienced Rochester Adams team each time.

"Adams is where we were last year," Rosengren said. "They have a lot of seniors who race very well, but they'll lose a lot of people, where we will only lose a couple of seniors off our team."

Dave Whipp was first on the team in both events, and was fifth in the slalom and sixth in the GS. Michael Atkinson kept up his steady improvement with a second-place team finish in the slalom, 11th overall.

In the GS, Clarkston went 6-7-8, as Whipp, Ryan Srogi and Rob Allyn all finished within .47 seconds of each other. Russ Parrott was third on the team in the slalom, while his twin brother Jeremy was fifth on the team in the GS.

Monday, the teams conquered all at the OAA meet at Pine Knob. The girls took first with 10 points, and Atkinson breezed by the competition, taking first overall with a time of 31.09. Both teams triumphed over Rochester Adams, 10-13 for the girls, and 10-17 on the boys' side.

The "most important meet of the year," according to Rosengren, comes up Thursday at Mt. Holly, where the teams will compete in regionals. Team and individual performances there dictate who goes on to the state meet in Traverse City Feb. 23.

Wolves hang on to defeat Ferndale

BY BRAD MONASTIERE
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Clarkston	69
Ferndale	54

Games that involve the Clarkston boys varsity basketball teams usually go one of two ways.

If the game isn't a nail-biting, hair-graying, last-second thriller, it goes like the Feb. 3 home contest against the Ferndale Eagles.

Clarkston raced out to a 40-25 halftime lead and cruised from there to a 69-54 win before the customary sellout crowd at CHS.

Coach Dan Fife said he was concerned that the

Wolves allowed Ferndale to hang around through the second half.

"You know me, I'm never comfortable," he said. "I wasn't happy with our defense. We allowed them to get too many layups."

"But it was a good win for us," he continued. "Ferndale is a lot better team than their record shows (6-8 overall, 0-7 in the OAA I). All they need is a couple of wins, and watch out."

Clarkston, now 12-1 overall and 6-0 in the OAA Division I, started the game hot offensively, scoring 22 points, tied for the most in a first quarter this season (Royal Oak Kimball Dec. 16). Seniors Dane Fife and Dan Neubeck pushed the ball upcourt quickly all through the first quarter, resulting in easy transition baskets.

Fife and senior Angelo Taylor looked very com-

fortable playing together on the court, each setting up the other for inside scores. A Taylor-Fife give-and-go capped an 8-0 Clarkston run early in the second.

The Wolves' biggest lead was 18, 53-35 at the end of the third quarter. Fife finished with 27 points, four rebounds and 10 assists, while Taylor contributed 25 and 10 boards. Senior Brad Phalen scored five and received praise from Coach Fife after the game.

"I am very happy with how Brad Phalen has been playing," he said. "He comes in the game with confidence and it just lifts our guys. I also thought Dan Neubeck was tremendous defensively all night. Angelo was getting some good looks inside and all that helped Dane out."

Coach Fife was also pleased with the team's free throw shooting. After hitting only 4-of-13 against

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Volleyball team hits frustrating slump

BY BRAD MONASTIERE
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Adams	15-15
Clarkston	11-11

The Rochester Adams varsity volleyball team came into Monday's match with Clarkston undefeated in the OAA Division I.

Although the Wolves lost a tough 15-11, 15-11 decision to the Highlanders, they realized they had as good a chance of winning as Adams did.

"We had chances to win this tonight and didn't cash in on them," coach Gordie Richardson said. "We don't have the guns to sit back and rest for a few plays and still win matches."

The loss concluded a tough week for the Wolves. After ripping through a 6-1-1 stretch a week earlier, Clarkston won only one of six matches going back to Thursday's loss to West Bloomfield. The Wolves now stand at 15-15-3 overall and 5-5 in the OAA Division I.

The loss was tough for the team to take because it was the third one to Adams this season, and five of the six individual games saw Clarkston score at least 10 points. The non-league loss came in the finals of the Clarkston Invitational Jan. 31.

"It's no big secret. We have to play smarter and harder," Richardson said. "We played smarter in some stretches and harder in others, we just didn't do enough of both all the time."

Game one had Clarkston digging itself 5-0 and 13-5 holes before putting a scoring run together. For the first time this season, Richardson went with seniors Hope Manuel and Kelly Hanna - who split setting duties - on the floor at the same time. Clarkston responded with a 5-0 run, highlighted by a kill, block and a service ace by senior Georgia Senkyr, and a kill by senior Aimee Giroux. The run wasn't enough, with Adams winning the first 15-11.

Game two featured a phantom point by the Wolves. Senior co-captain Jenny McCue dropped in a kill tip over two Adams defenders that should have given Clarkston a 3-0 lead. However, the Adams scorekeeper did not count the point on her scoresheet, and despite discussions with Richardson and his wife Anne, the referees did not count the point, either.

The single point did not end up making a difference in the final score,



Senior Georgia Senkyr displays one of her many volleyball talents: the block. With Jenny McCue (9) looking on, Senkyr sends one back to Lapeer East during Saturday's Essexville-Garber Invitational.

but Adams did come back to tie the game at 2-2 before Clarkston took off with a 6-1 run to hold an 8-3 lead.

Service errors and improved play by the Highlanders killed any Clarkston chances for a win from there. Adams scored the last five points of the match to seal the win.

"Am I disappointed? Yes," Richardson said. "We had a real chance to beat them tonight. But we just have to play hard all the time."

Essexville-Garber Invitational

What a difference a week makes. Unfortunately for Richardson and the Wolves, it wasn't the kind of difference they were hoping for. Clarkston struggled to a 1-2-1 record during Saturday's Essexville-Garber Invita-

tional, just outside Bay City.

The team advanced to the tournament quarterfinals, where it lost to Roscommon 15-4, 15-7

"We just didn't seem to have any focus all day long," Richardson said, assessing the day's action. "We played with a randomness; we were hoping to win instead of going out there playing to win."

The Wolves started the day getting rudely greeted by Lapeer East, the school that beat the team in last year's regionals and defeated the girls basketball team in this year's district finals. The Wolves were blown out in game one 15-4, but came back to take a 10-3 lead in game two, only to lose 15-12.

The team's lone win of the day came against Hemlock, a Class B school, 15-7, 15-5. Clarkston split with Elkton-Pigeon Bay Port 16-14, 6-15 in the third-round match.

Richardson pointed out that the team's numbers Saturday were all down from the team's performance at the Clarkston Invitational the week before. The team's serving percentage was 90.0 (down from 92.9), the attack reception percentage was 63.4 (down from 70.5), and the serve reception percentage was 84.3 (down from 90.8). Senkyr had 111 attack attempts at the Clarkston Invitational, as opposed to 38 Saturday.

"I don't really know what happened," Richardson said. "We went from playing one way one week to a completely different way the next. We didn't play with a lot of poise or confidence."

Hanna was 6-for-6 serving with eight assists against Roscommon. Junior Kara Bergkoetter was a perfect 7-for-7 on serve receptions against Elkton-Pigeon. Senior Amber Mitchell had five service aces and was 10-for-12 attacking in that match also.

West Bloomfield 15-15-15 Clarkston 11-17-8

The West Bloomfield Lakers were too good a team to go the entire OAA schedule without a win.

Thursday night, they proved that by defeating the Wolves in a hard-fought match at the CHS gym.

The Lakers appeared poised to win the match in two games, taking a 13-7 lead in game two after winning the first 15-11. Clarkston showed its newfound resilience and character in making a 10-3 run to end the game with a 17-15 win.

Game three saw Clarkston grab an 8-7 lead before the Lakers won the game with an 8-0 run.

"We were beat by a team with more focus and more purpose tonight," a frustrated Richardson said. "The things we had been doing all year weren't working for us, and we just didn't get it done."

McCue played a strong overall game, leading the team with 20 digs in addition to 14-of-15 serving and 9-of-9 on serve receptions. Senkyr was a force with a season-high nine solo blocks to go with seven kills. The team committed only six attack reception errors in game two - its lone win - compared to 21 in games one and three.

The ladies play their last home game of the season and the final one in the current CHS gym Thursday against rival Lake Orion. The JV action starts at 6 p.m.

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Wolves knock off Lahser

League finale coming up Friday vs. Troy

BY BRAD MONASTIERE
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Clarkston 8
Bloomfield Hills Lahser 3

It has been a frustrating couple of weeks for the Clarkston hockey team, but Friday's game might just help turn the team around.

Coming off a 3-3 record in their last six games, the Wolves now hope to end the season on a streak, starting with the 8-3 win over the Bloomfield Hills Lahser Knights. Clarkston improved to 15-5-1 overall and 12-2 in the Suburban Prep League's North Division.

Clarkston won the game despite forwards Josh Babe and Steve Janowiak sitting out with the flu.

Leading scorers Ryan Peters and Bret Postal once again led the potent Clarkston attack with two goals apiece. The other lamp-lighters for the Wolves were Derek Hool, Jon Bemis, Ronnie Wells and Andy Cote.

"We played better than we did the first time we played them," coach Rick Rowden said. "We were able to play a lot of people and came out with a strong first period."

Bemis, a freshman forward, has found the scoring touch lately, despite not playing on the same line from game to game this season.

"He's a freshman who works hard in practice and plays well when he gets on the ice," Rowden said. "He's our fourth left winger, but he got in there on a line with Ryan and Adam (Leech) and did well."

The Wolves come up against another tough non-league foe Wednesday night when they hit the road to take on repeat state champion Cranbrook-Kingswood at 7 p.m. The team's final home game comes up Saturday when the team wraps up league play against the Troy Blackhawks. Face off is at 8:20 p.m.

Port Huron Northern 3
Clarkston 0

It was a first the Wolves hoped wouldn't happen. Wednesday's 3-0 loss to the 10th-ranked Port Huron Northern Huskies was the first shutout loss in the brief history of the Clarkston hockey team.

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A strength of junior Ronnie Wells is his ability to move the puck up the ice from his defense position. In Wednesday's game against Port Huron Northern, he withstands a slash to move the puck into the offensive zone.



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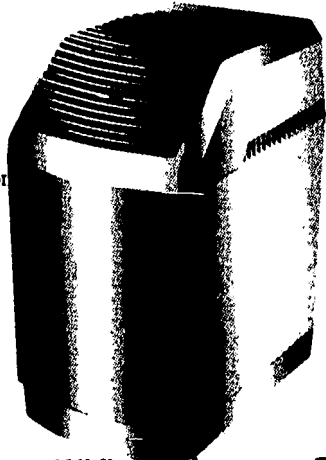
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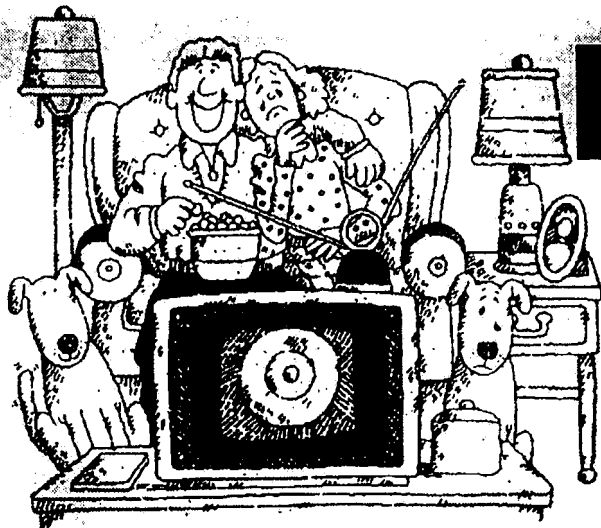
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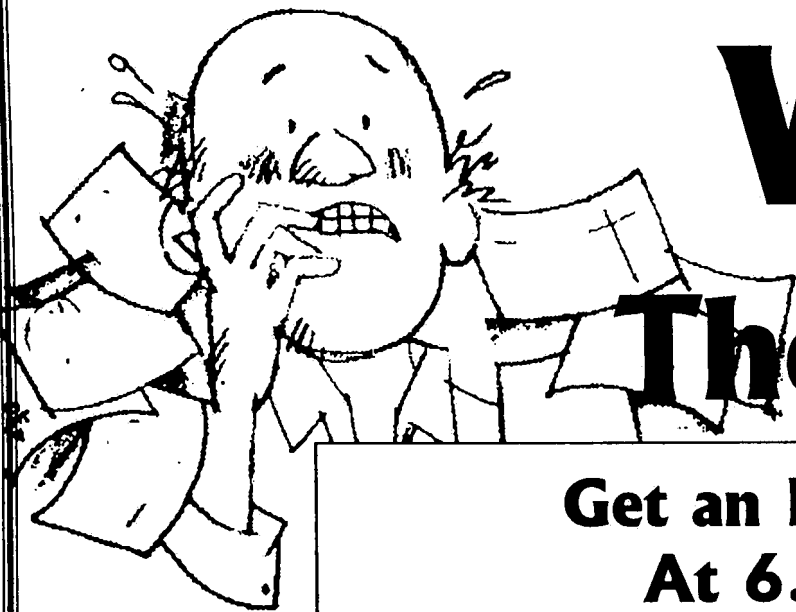
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Wrestlers charge into OAA meet on a roll

BY BRAD MONASTIERE
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Things couldn't be going much better for the Clarkston wrestling team right now.

The Wolves are in sole possession of first place in the OAA Division I, have everyone healthy for an extended stretch for the first time this season, and can win the league championship at the OAA Division I meet Friday at Troy Athens.

Upon reporting all this, the first thing coach Mike DeGain did was look for a piece of wood to knock on.

"We got through all our meets last week with everyone healthy - knock on wood," DeGain said. "The kids wrestled real well and we dominated everyone we came up against."

Clarkston closed out the dual meet portion of its league schedule with convincing wins over Troy (55-17) and Hazel Park (63-12). Thursday, the team scored wins over Royal Oak Kimball (51-12) and Orchard Lake St. Mary's (55-16) in a make-up date from December.

Scoring perfect weeks for the Wolves were A.J. Grant, Pat DeGain, Ryan L'Amoreaux, Ryan McAleer, Andy Auten and Aaron Sailor, who brought his record over .500 for the season. Brian Chisholm went 3-0 in the four meets.

Clarkston remains ranked No. 2 in the state this week, behind perennial power Temperance-Bedford.

This week, the Wolves can wrap up the OAA I title at the league meet Friday at Troy Athens High School. The league title is based half on regular season success and half on how a team does in the league meet.

Last season, Rochester Adams went into the league meet with an undefeated league dual meet record, but lost to Clarkston in the league meet. The two teams split the title. The roles are reversed this season, with

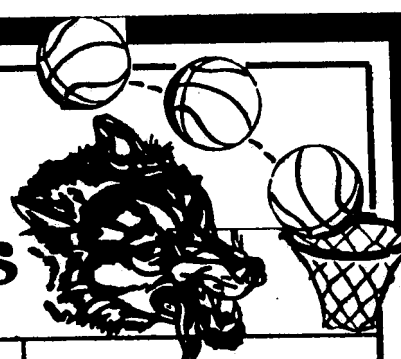
Adams having the one conference loss. DeGain said his team will have to be ready for an Adams team looking for some revenge.

"I imagine they'll take us more seriously this time," he said. "It's going to be a nip-and-tuck meet with some good competition, which makes it fun for everyone. Hopefully, it can lead to us or them bringing a state title to the OAA."

After the league meet, the postseason begins, and Clarkston plays host to much of the early-round action. Team and individual districts will take place at the CHS gym Feb. 19 and 21 respectively.

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SKIN DEEP
by Scott Friedman, D.O.

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ing skin. Thus, in the time that it takes you to walk to lunch, the sun is able to ply its destructive work on your skin.

This column is offered by us as a public service. It is vitally important for men as well as women to take care of their skin, avoid harmful ultraviolet rays, self check routinely, and to seek advice early on, if they suspect a problem. If you do not have a dermatologist yet, call us to schedule an appointment. Our offices are located at 6330 Sashabaw, Clarkston (625-0692) and 3003 Baldwin, Lake Orion (391-9599).

P.S. The study mentioned above provides adequate reason to apply sunscreen every day, not just on beach days.



Athlete of the Week: Adam Leech

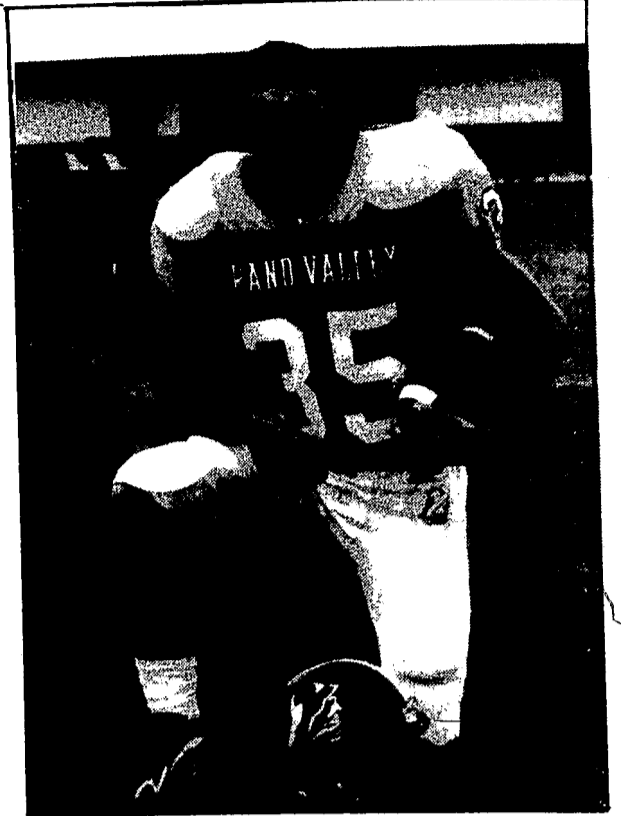
Salut, Adam: Adam Leech, a junior on the Clarkston hockey team, is not the biggest, fastest or strongest player on the ice. He's just one of the best. Combining good ice sense with sharp passing and shooting skills, Adam is a player who can carry the team when he gets going. Through Friday's game against Bloomfield Hills Lahser, Adam was third on the team in scoring with 12 goals and 22 assists for 33 points. His 22 assists are tops on the team, and he is one of four double-digit goal-scorers on the team.

Coach Rick Rowden on Adam: "Adam is the straw that stirs his line. He has great hands and does a great job setting up Ryan (Peters) and Josh (Babe) for good scoring opportunities. I really liked the job he did in the offseason. Pound for pound, he put on the most strength of anyone on the team, and was one of our best runners in the dryland training."

Adam on Adam: "At the start of school, we were able to get the weight room opened so some of us could work out before the season started, and I think that's helped me a lot. I feel more confident on the ice and I feel I can match up size-wise with more players. As a team, I don't think we've played up to our capabilities. We can't take any team lightly in the playoffs. Everyone steps their game up a notch and we have to do the same if we're going to do anything."



Adam Leech



Jason Graves

Graves named 3rd Team All-American

Jason Graves, who recently completed his sophomore season with the Grand Valley State University football team, was named third-team All-American by The Football Gazette.

Graves, a standout tailback at Clarkston High School in 1994 and 1995, is a free safety for GVSU. He led the team last season with three interceptions, two of them returned for touchdowns.

Graves, listed at 6-foot-2 and 215-lbs., was an all-state running back for the Wolves and was named to the Detroit News Dream Team after his senior season. He helped GVSU to the co-championship of the MIFC Conference in 1997.

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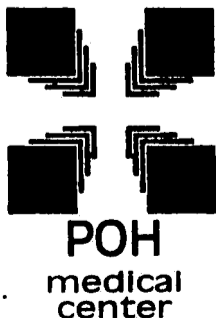
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IN THE PENALTY BOX

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Thinking out loud Part II, the Sequel . . .

● At the urgent and frequent requests of Clarkston volleyball stars **Georgia Senkyr** and **Aimee Giroux**, here goes: Superdads **Al Giroux** and **Chuck Senkyr** might have to spend some time in the dreaded Penalty Box should the girls not go to their desired destination for Spring Break. Here's a hint: that destination is not Dayton, Ohio.

So if you two don't get to go, don't blame me!

● **Dane Fife**, **Justin Dionne**, **Mike Maitrott** and **Dan Neubeck**, being the basketball kings they are, tried to show me up after Thursday's volleyball game with an impromptu pickup game.

I'm proud to report that yours truly defeated Dane in a half-court shooting contest. Summing up all my basketball skill - learned on my ninth-grade team - I made one out of two half-court shots, while the Indiana-bound Dane didn't make any.

I know the loss is a source of great embarrassment for Dane, so I won't kick him when he's down. I'll only say this: I'M THE MAN!!!

● **Jerry Krause**, general manager of the Chicago Bulls, may have five championship rings, but his comments last week led me to believe he couldn't spell "cat" if you spotted him the "c" and the "a."

Last week, he told The Chicago Tribune that coach **Phil Jackson** would in no way be back to coach the team next season. He added that if **Michael Jordan** didn't return because Jackson wasn't brought back, there was nothing he could do about it, that it was Michael's decision.

Hello, Jerry, is anyone home? If a player as good as Jordan wanted a certain man to coach him, the phrase I would use to that coach is, "Here's a blank check, sir. Fill in whatever you'd like." Let's face it. Krause's rings come as a direct result of Jordan's incredible athletic skill, basketball smarts and an indomitable will to win, not because of Krause's astute (lucky?) personnel moves.

If as expected, Jackson, Jordan, **Scottie Pippen** and **Dennis Rodman** all leave before next season, the phrase Krause will likely be repeating over and over is: "Would you like some fries with that?"

● The whole **Doug Collins** firing has made me a little sad. In today's apathetic, what-me-worry, buy-now-pay-later world, a man lost his job because he cared too much.

Both sides of this story have legitimate gripes about the other. The players are professionals and have been playing the game most of their lives. To have every minute shortcoming thrown in their face has to be a little insulting from time to time. **Joe Dumars**, after 13 years of bloody NBA wars, was singled out for not getting the ball across half court quickly enough. Collins took him aside during a timeout to remind him of the 10-second rule. Countless other similar stories have become public just before and after Collins' firing two weeks ago.

But give Collins credit. He took this hibernating franchise and lit a fire under its you-know-where. He was the absolute perfect coach for this team in 1995 when it had a group of young players looking for their niche and a group of older players looking to revive past glories.

I believe things started to unravel when **Allan Houston** left as a free agent in July 1996. Collins then realized that instead of a lineup featuring Houston, **Dumars**, **Grant Hill**, **Otis Thorpe**, and possibly **Juwan Howard** or **Dikembe Mutombo**, he was left with Hill, an old Dumars, a sulking Thorpe, an unproven **Lindsey Hunter**, and a cast of fill-ins. He knew then that the only way this team was going to succeed was if he pushed, prodded and screamed it to its maximum capabilities. His vein-bulging style grew even more, eventually inducing Thorpe's coma-like performance in the 1997 playoffs against Atlanta.

Players observed this and wondered if Collins was the right coach to take this team all the way. A non-endorsement from Hill on an NBC interview all but sealed his fate.

Collins once said "If I fail because I care too much, then you know what... put that on my gravestone." Consider it etched.

It's too bad when someone can lose his job because he wanted to succeed too badly. It just proves one of the lessons I've tried to show my loyal readers: The sports world is nothing like the real world.



JV SPORTS

by Marc Wisniewski

Basketball

The JV basketball team had only one game this past week and came up with a big win over Ferndale, 70-53. The game was close until the Wolves put up a 12-point run to secure the victory.

Chad Booker had an excellent game scoring 11 points and pulling off a season high 13 rebounds. **Adam Schapman** added 10.

"We have a really important week coming up for us, Pontiac Northern on Tuesday and Adams on Friday," said Coach **Tim Kaul**.

Hockey

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The loss was the Wolves' third in their last six games and continued a troubling trend. Clarkston is 0-5 against teams ranked in the top 10 in the state, 14-0-1 against everyone else.

"We played a pretty good game," Rowden said. "Their goalie made some big saves when he had to and we hit three posts."

Indeed, Clarkston did play a sound two-way game against a bigger Huskie team, covering well on defense while getting a number of quality scoring chances on offense.

"We outshot them through the whole game," Rowden said. "We just didn't cash in on anything."

Rowden said senior **Ryan Hogan** left the team just prior to the start of the game, and is not expected to return.

Basketball

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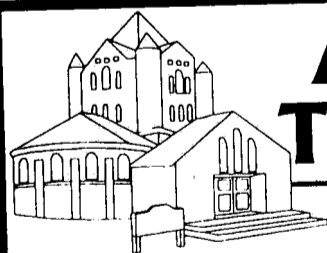
Rochester, Clarkston made 15-of-17 from the line against Ferndale.

The much-anticipated Clarkston-Pontiac Northern game's results were not in as of presstime. The Wolves play their last Friday night home game ever in the current CHS gym Friday, hosting the Rochester Adams Highlanders. The JV game starts at 6 p.m.

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Meals on Wheels to expand to 7 days

BY ANNETTE KINGSBURY
Clarkston News Editor

It may not be a well-known fact, but every day around 50 elderly and/or disabled members of the Clarkston community receive meals delivered to their homes because they can't provide for themselves.

"Some of these people shouldn't even be using an oven," said Marye Miller, director of the Older Persons Commission in Rochester, which coordinates Meals on Wheels funding.

Now, the Independence Township Senior Center is hoping to be able to expand Meals On Wheels to seven days a week, according to coordinator Lannette Amon. To do so, more drivers are needed to deliver the meals.

"I don't think people realize it isn't much of a commitment," Amon said. "You can even do it one day a month . . . It helps, it really does."

Drivers only work an average of less than an hour per day and are reimbursed 32 cents per mile by Independence Township. They pick up meals at the Senior Center, located inside Clintonwood Park, where they're prepared and packaged for delivery to homes.

And who are their customers? According to Miller, they are members of working families where no one else is home during the week to help out. Sometimes their family members or neighbors help them on weekends, but sometimes not.

Their average age is 85. "They have outlived their income," Miller said. "It's a pride thing. They don't want to have to ask their families for help. In some cases they (families) don't know." In fact, she said demand often goes up around holidays when relatives come to visit and find out the need is there.

"My question has always been, if they need Meals on Wheels during the week, what happens to them on weekends?" Miller said. In Rochester, three-fourths of



Jackie Rudlaff (left) and Lisa Ferguson cook for Meals on Wheels at the Independence Senior Center.

those who get the service on weekdays also receive it on weekends, she said. "We were the first in the state to start seven-day-a-week hot delivered meals."

Miller said funding comes from federal and state nutrition grants funneled to the Area Agencies on Aging. The local office, 1B out of Southfield, takes in much of Oakland County, and the OPC gets the funding that covers northern Oakland County, including Clarkston. Their auxiliary kitchen in Clarkston also serves Brandon Township, she said.

For the new weekend runs, the Clarkston kitchen will not be used. Meals will be prepared in Rochester

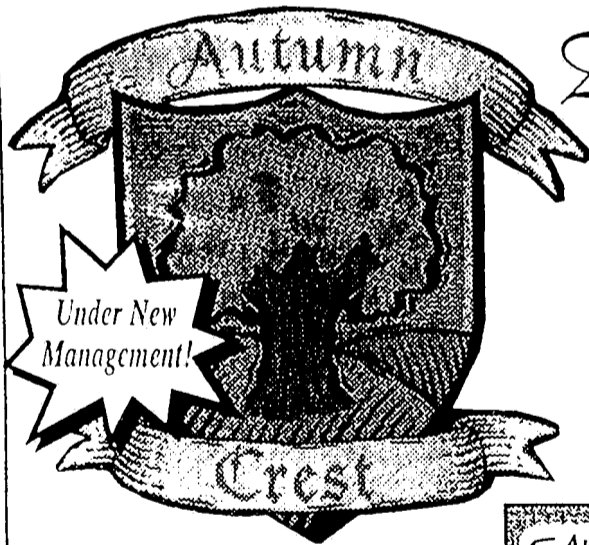
for delivery here, hence the need for more drivers. "We're grateful to Independence Township because they're willing to pay their drivers," Miller said.

Amon said anyone can help, even businesses. "I would like to see some businesses say 'We're Ameritech and we'll deliver your meals every fourth Tuesday' or whatever," Amon said. She's looking for drivers to start March 1.

The Meals on Wheels program does generate some income. Nationally, for every \$1.50 spent, \$1 is paid back by the recipients, Miller said. Locally, a \$2 donation is requested to help offset costs.

To volunteer, contact Amon at 625-8238.

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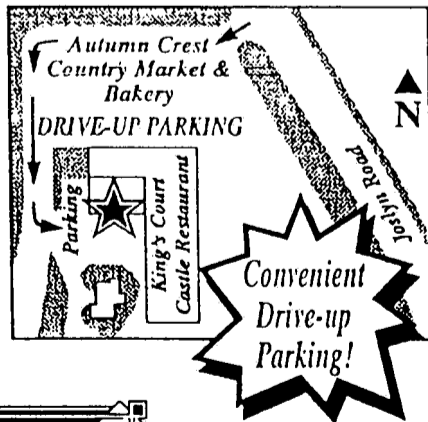


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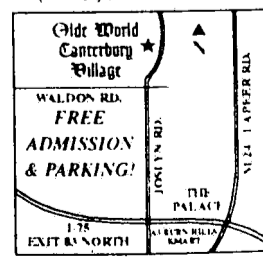


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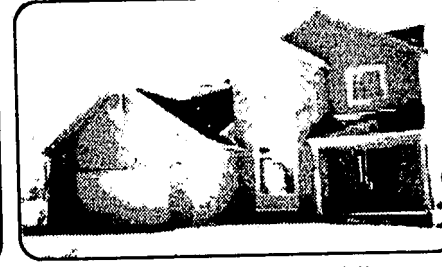
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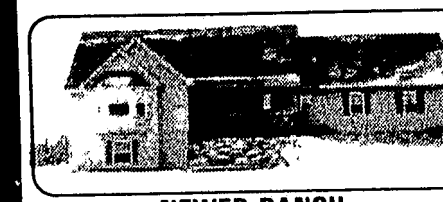
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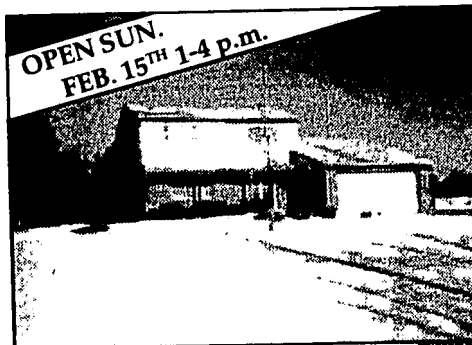
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Obituaries

John Golec

John David Golec, 45, of Clarkston, died Feb. 5, 1998.

Mr. Golec worked for Ford Motor Co. and was a former Marine.

He is survived by his wife Georgette; sons Jeffrey, Gordon and Shane; father John of Hamtramck; mother-in-law Karin Ryniak of Detroit; sisters Sophia Waldo of Hamtramck and Helene Papidas of Canada; brothers Joseph (Yvette) of Indiana and Dan (Debbie) of Sterling Heights; and brother-in-law Robert Ryniak of Clinton Township. He was preceded in death by his mother Anna.

A funeral mass took place Monday at St. Daniel Catholic Church in Clarkston with Rev. Paul Chateau officiating. A rosary service took place Sunday at the Lewis E. Wint and Son Trust 100 Funeral Home in Clarkston. Memorials can be made to the family to be used for medical expenses.

Harvey Haslock

Harvey H. Haslock, 80, of Davisburg, died Feb. 7, 1998.

Mr. Haslock was retired from Pontiac Motors after 30 years of service.

He is survived by son William (Jeanne) of Davisburg; grandchildren Michael, Lori, Jeffrey, Kristi and Kelly; nine great-grandchildren; and brother James of Missouri. He was preceded in death by son Jordan and daughter-in-law Patricia. Memorials can be made to the N.W.O.C.S. Seniors.

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William Powell

William R. Powell, 54, of Clarkston, died suddenly Feb. 7, 1998.

Mr. Powell was employed at the GM Orion Plant and was a Vietnam War veteran. He was also a member of the Waterford Community Church.

He is survived by his wife Jane; daughters Kecia (Verl) Poole and Kammy; sons Keenan (Krysty), Kyle and Clinton; mother Daisy; brothers Frank (Bev), David (Vicki), Jack (Alice) and Sam; sisters Ada Fehrenbach, and Jill Costello.

A funeral service took place Wednesday morning at the Waterford Community Church with Rev. James Wells officiating. Interment was at Ottawa Park Cemetery. Arrangements were made by the Lewis E. Wint and Son Trust 100 Funeral Home in Clarkston. Memorials can be made to the Waterford Community Church or the Clarkston High School Athletic Booster Club.

Louis Wummel

Louis John Wummel, 74, of Davison, formerly of Clarkston, died Feb. 7, 1998.

Mr. Wummel was retired from Bowman Chevrolet.

He is survived by his wife Joan; sons Allen (Darlene) of Oxford and Mark (Paula) of Waterford; daughter Lori Konkle of Oxford; grandchildren Bruce, Ben, Onalee, Darlah, Casey, Alex, Andrew and Matthew; and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by sisters Genevieve and Mildred.

A funeral service took place Tuesday at the Lewis E. Wint and Son Trust 100 Funeral Home in Clarkston. Interment was at the Ortonville Cemetery. Memorials can be made to the American Heart Association in Berkley.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE

PUBLIC NOTICE INVITATION TO BID

The Charter Township of Independence will be accepting bids for backup generator systems on three (3) sanitary sewer lift stations, owned and operated by the township. Requirements are as follows:

1. 1-KVA 100 generator with natural gas fuel.
2. 1-KVA 70 generator with natural gas fuel.
3. Refurbish 1 generator, currently owned by the township, from trailer mount to permanent installation.

NOTE: All generators will have automatic transfer switches. Sealed bids should be delivered to the Independence Township clerk at the townhall on or before Friday, February 20, 1998 at 10:00 a.m. at the Clerk's office.

Bids will be awarded at the regular Township Board Meeting held on Tuesday, February 24, 1998, at 7:30 p.m.

The Charter Township of Independence reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids.

Specifications may be obtained at the Department of Public Works, for further information, contact George Anderson, at the Department of Public Works, (248) 625-8222.

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PUBLICATION AND NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
TAKE NOTICE: On Feb. 8, 1998, at 8:30 a.m., in the probate courtroom, Pontiac, Michigan, before Honorable Barry M. Grant, Judge of Probate, a hearing was held on the Petition of DOROTHY GALLO, GREGORY J. GALLO was appointed personal representative of JOSEPH E. GALLO, who lived at 2223 Strader, W. Bloomfield, MI 48324 and died on 11/8/97; and the will of the deceased dated 11/5/93 was admitted to probate.

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

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

Dated: December 17, 1997
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STATE OF MICHIGAN
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PUBLICATION AND NOTICE OF HEARING

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
TAKE NOTICE: On 1/17/97, at 8:30 a.m., in the probate courtroom, Pontiac, Michigan, before Honorable Barry M. Grant, Judge of Probate, a hearing was held on the Petition of JOHN CHARLES GREENLEE, JOHN CHARLES GREENLEE was appointed personal representative of MARY E. GREENLEE, a/k/a MARY EWING GREENLEE, who lived at 2079 Avondale Ave., Sylvan Lk., MI 48320 and died on 7/14/97; and the will of the deceased dated 12/23/91 was admitted to probate.

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

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

Dated: November 3, 1997
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INDEPENDENCE TWP.

OFFICIAL NOTICE

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Charter Township of Independence Board of Review will meet for its organizational session, MCL 211.29(1), at the Township Hall on Tuesday, March 3, 1998 at 9:00 a.m.

The Board of Review will meet at the Township Hall Annex, 90 N. Main St., Clarkston, Michigan to hear 1998 assessment appeals of value, classification and poverty on March 9, 1998 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and on March 10 and 11, 1998 from 1:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

The 1997 tentative equalization ratio is 50%, and the estimated multiplier is 1.0000 for all property classifications.

If you wish to appeal your assessment, it is required that you have an appointment with the Board of Review. An appointment can be made through the Assessor's Office at (248) 625-8114 between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. If none of the posted hours are convenient for you please call the Assessor's Office for an alternative date and time. Please use your parcel identification number when referring to your property so that your records can be quickly assessed.

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Assessor

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE

PARKS AND RECREATION

NOTICE TO BID

POLE BARN SPECIFICATIONS

The Charter Township of Independence Parks and Recreation Department is accepting bids for the construction of a 40' x 80' pole barn. Specifications may be obtained at the Parks and Recreation Department located at Independence Township Parks and Recreation. Sealed bids will be accepted until 3 p.m. Tuesday, February 24, 1998 at the Clerk's office located at 90 N. Main Street, P.O. Box 69, Clarkston, MI 48347. All bids must be clearly marked "BID ON POLE BARN." For further information, please contact Mike Turk at 248-625-8223.

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Annual fun at CHS

Photos by Annette Kingsbury



Musical chairs provides a few laughs.



Brett Detkowski tosses Anthony Facione about during the pom pon routine.



Japanese exchange student Mai Hayashi of Hiroshima only gets to pretend she's at the Olympics during the entry to the Snowcoming assembly Friday at Clarkston High School.

Japanese club preparing for trip

BY ANNETTE KINGSBURY
Clarkston News Editor

Students in Barbara Rice's Japanese classes at Clarkston High School are watching the Olympics in Nagano, Japan with added interest. Not just because they can get extra credit in class, but because some of them will be travelling to Japan over spring break.

Rice, who has spent considerable time in Japan as an exchange teacher and once lived there for three years, expects to take around eight second- and third-year students on the trip, the first since Japanese was added to the CHS curriculum three years ago. Rice, who taught in Detroit for 25 years, is new to Clarkston this year.

"What their homework has been is to watch the Olympics," Rice said. Her classes—two sections of first year, two of second year and one of third year—are keeping track of the medals awarded on posters outside her classroom.

The trip will cost each student around \$1,500 for transportation, plus hotel costs. On three nights of the 10-day trip, students will be staying in Japanese homes. They'll visit Tokyo, Toyota and Shiga.

To help raise money for the trip, the students are selling raffle tickets for a quilt made by two parents, Cindy Benson and Azel Bertram. Second- and third-prize winners will receive wall hangings made by students.

The students planning on making the trip are Shaun Manning, Heather Hunter (neither of whom are studying Japanese; their interest is in animation), third-

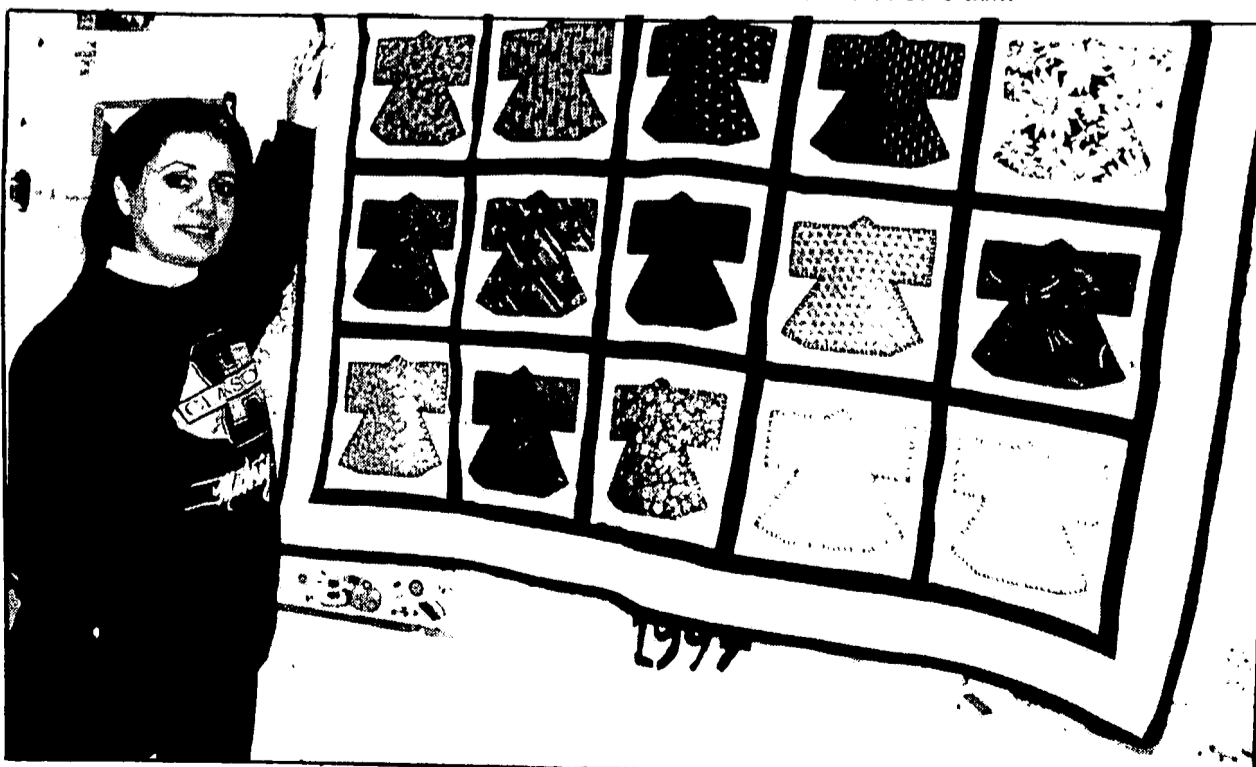
year students Jason Bertram, Genna Benson, and Jason Cabra, and second-year students Mark Gohl and Allison Haller.

In addition to the trip, Rice has several other irons in the fire. She is working on establishing a sister school relationship with a high school in Japan, and has applied for a Japanese exchange teacher to come to Clark-

ston with funding from the Japan Society.

"My job is to keep the program going," she said. Having an exchange teacher to come and help teach the classes would help. "The quality of the lesson plans would improve immensely," she said.

Tickets for the quilt raffle are \$1 each and will be on sale at the school through March 16. The raffle will be held March 17 at 8:40 a.m.



Barbara Rice and the quilt being raffled by the Japanese Club.