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Welcome back



Friends, old and young. New Sashabaw Middle School seventh-grader Shannon Pearce hugs her sixth-grade language arts teacher Lee Brown. For more first day of school pictures see pages A 10, 11 and 20.

Township's vision of his land has former supervisor mad

BY EILEEN MCCARVILLE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

An Independence Township resident and former supervisor is challenging township officials on the picture they're painting for property north of the I-75/M-15 interchange.

Gary Stonerock, who has been running full-page ads in *The Clarkston News* and *Penny Stretcher* for the past several months, says he will stand his ground on keeping the two acres he owns on M-15 zoned C-3 (highway commercial) — the highest commercial zoning category in the township which allows a variety of commercial use.

However, participants in the township's Vision 2020 Strategic Plan — which recently captured a state planning award — deemed that area should be developed less rigorously, as part office and office-research, because of traffic congestion, safety and other factors.

Although officials say they will meet him half-way and have proposed office service two zoning, which allows a blend of office and certain types of commercial, Stonerock says he's not budging — and has a lawyer waiting in the wings if necessary.

Stonerock argues that changing the zoning will devalue the property he paid C-3 prices for 26 years ago and, in a series of articles, debunks the township for "hoodwinking" the public over property owners' rights. Following his titled articles, he says it's a case of "Government Gone Amuck."

Years ago, Stonerock says, he was challenged by

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Manpower is the next hurdle

Firefighters, township set on wages, benefits

By Genna Cottrell
Clarkston News Staff Writer

If all goes as planned, Independence Township firefighters will officially sign a new six year contract with the township by the middle of this month.

After two years of negotiations, the Board of Trustees voted unanimously to accept the contract during a special meeting at Mesquite Creek restaurant, August 18.

It is expected the 15 full time firefighters will ratify the contract without changes. "We will sign," said Capt. Ralph Przybylski, union steward for the International Association of Firefighters Local 2629.

"Boy, I hope so, for everybody's sake," said township trustee Neil Wallace.

Details of the contract will not be officially re-

leased until signed later this month. However, representatives from both the township and the firefighters' union have commented on several contract issues.

"We had half a dozen issues we brought to the table," said Przybylski.

High on the list of the firefighters concerns, he said, was one of "duty death" benefits for spouses and dependents. Under the old contract, families of firefighters killed in the line of duty were not eligible for continued medical coverage by the township. The new agreement secures surviving family members up to five years of continuing medical benefits.

"That was a big issue for us," said Przybylski. "We did get a gain there."

Wages were also a hot topic, with both parties agreeing to what amounts to a three to four percent wage increase each year for the life of the contract. The agreement, if signed, is retroactive to Jan. 1, 1997

and expires Dec. 31, 2002.

Township board members felt it was a generous offer. "With virtually no inflation as of late, it averaged out to a fair amount," Wallace said.

Przybylski said the new contract had revised guidelines for sick time. He said the old contract provided for unlimited paid sick days. The contract now limits firefighters to ten sick days a year which cannot be banked or cashed-in if not used.

Tensions reached a boiling point last month, after two years of negotiations, prompting a three-hour special meeting between representatives from the ranks, Township Supervisor Dale Stuart, Fire Chief Gar Wilson and Fire Marshal Greg Olrich. That meeting centered on how the township will tackle new manpower and staffing guidelines.

While the tentative contract addresses wage and

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The News in Brief

OLHSA distributing free food

Oakland Livingston Human Service Agency (OLHSA) will distribute free food through the Temporary Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP), in Oakland County during September. All persons who are income eligible and not registered may do so at the site by bringing social security cards for all household members, verification of household income and photo identification.

The food will be distributed at the Independence Township Senior Center, 5980 Clarkston Road, (at Clintonwood Park), Wednesday, September 9 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

For income eligibility requirements or additional information, call Trudy Long at OLHSA's Community and Family Services Department in Pontiac at (248)209-2655, or (800)482-9250.

Tour the new CHS with the Chamber of Commerce

The September 10 Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce tour of the new Clarkston High School on Flemings Lake Road is open to the public.

The tour begins at 7 p.m. and will last approximately one hour. Light refreshments will be served.

Persons wishing to attend must RSVP by September 8 to join the tour. Call 625-8055 or fax 625-8041 to RSVP.

Have a news brief to share? Call 625-3370.

Fall perennial swap

Springfield Township Parks and Recreation is sponsoring a perennial exchange Saturday, September 12.

Participants may take home as many plants as they take with them.

The perennial exchange is from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the Mill Pond Park in Davisburg.

For more information, call (248)634-0412, or (248)634-3382.

Oakland Conservation District evergreen tree sale

The Oakland Conservation District is sponsoring a sale of eight varieties of conifer trees.

White pine, Austrian pine, Scotch pine, Norway spruce, Colorado blue spruce, white spruce, Serbian spruce and Douglas fir trees are available.

The ages of the trees are from three to four years, and they range in size from 8 to 24 inches.

The trees cost \$2 each, 10 trees for \$15, 25 trees for \$35, or 60 trees for \$50.

The Oakland Conservation District suggests the conifers be planted in sand or sandy loam soils. Planting in clay is not recommended, because the trees are more susceptible to frost heaving and winter kill.

Order deadline is September 23. Tentative pick-up date is Oct. 3.

For order blanks or more information, call the Oakland Conservation District at 673-4496.

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More than just stamps

New post office opens in Clarkston

BY EILEEN MCCARVILLE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

The local post office is delivering more than mail these days. It's sending improved customer service and convenience to its customers.

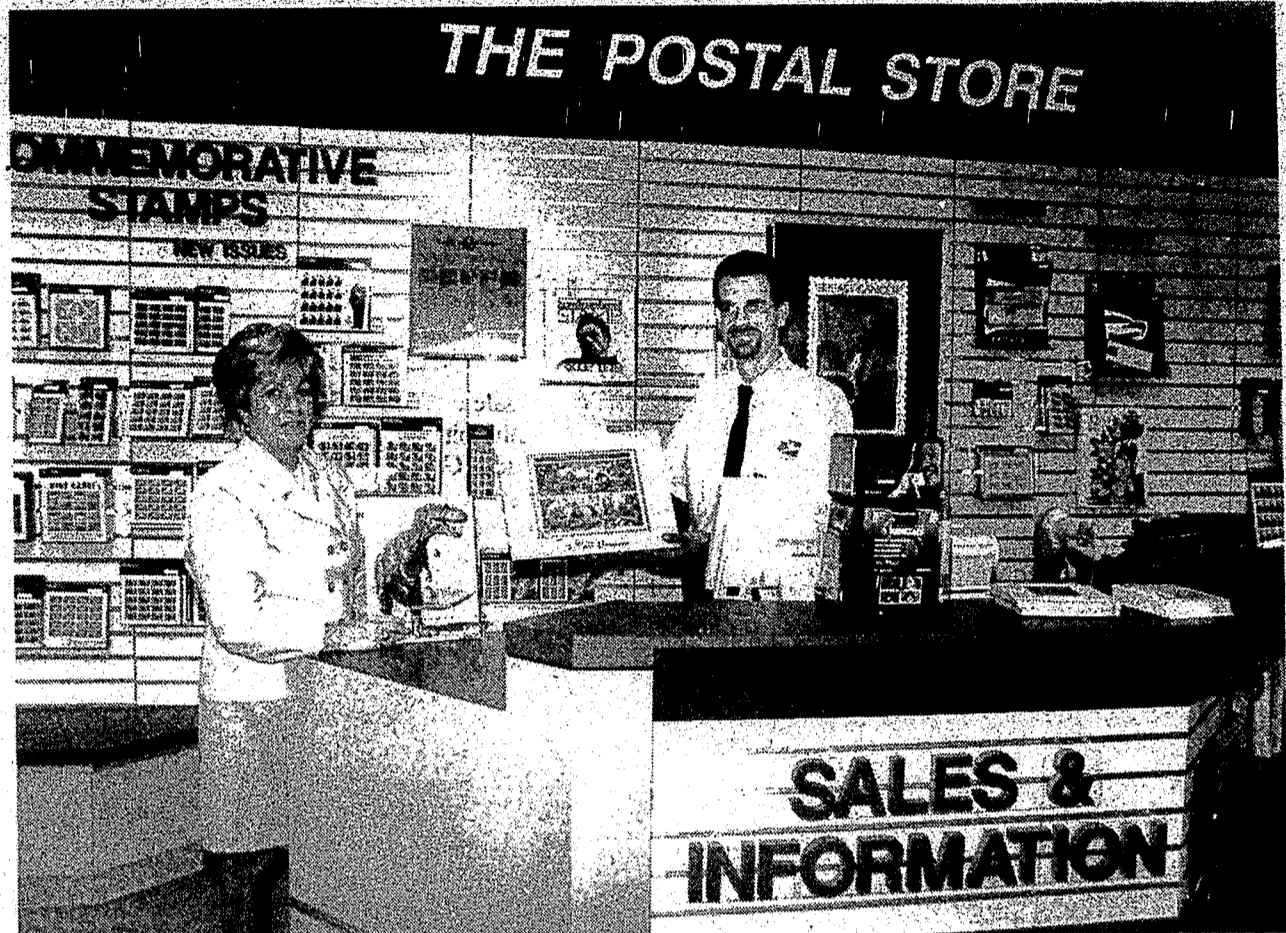
After months of construction and technical delays, a new Clarkston Post Office opened Aug. 24 at 5799 S. Main Street (M-15 or Ortonville Road) near Dixie Highway. It relocates most of the goods and services offered at the former post office further north.

One of the biggest improvements is space. At the old site, there wasn't room to display all the products the post office has always offered. Now, customers can actually shop at a large "Postal Store" within the 4,085-square-foot facility, which features items like self-sticking stamps, stamp collecting supplies, envelopes, packaging products, gifts, collectibles — even postal souvenirs.

Another improvement is increased self-service. Free items like priority mail parcels can be picked up, and contents can be weighed and mailed with little, if any, help from clerks. However, three full-service windows are staffed with help for needs like mailing larger parcels and foreign mail. And a "cash wrap" clerk will be on the floor at all times to help with store purchases.

The store concept is a national trend taking place in U.S. Post Offices, where customers can basically "shop" for items themselves, said Clarkston postmaster Gabe Viviano. The focus on convenience and improved customer service does much to eliminate those long lines of waiting in the past, he added.

Hazel Conger, supervisor of customer services, said the concept has "sort of evolved over the last 20 years" she's been an employee. As she walked through



Supervisor of customer services Hazel Conger and postal clerk Rick Edwards, who manages

the lobby and "cash wrap" station, are excited about the new facility.

the new blue-gray and white facility, she pointed out several self-service areas. For instance, a new stamp machine near the front of the store dispenses either individual stamps or books. "I hope folks don't mind, but the change will come out in Susan B. Anthony dollars," she chuckled.

The "Quick Post" station, to the right as you walk in, is where folks can weigh and mail their own parcels. "It will even tell you how much postage you need," Conger said. She's happy about all the improvements and cheery atmosphere.

"The post office always provided these items. We just didn't have a way to display them. The whole concept of this store is supposed to be for customer convenience," Conger said.

A large room in back holds vacation mail and larger parcels for pick-up, and a spacious hallway holds 600 more post office boxes than the old site — a big improvement. "There's always been a waiting list," Conger noted. In addition, customers can still mail letters from their cars, with drive-through boxes.

The former post office at 5886 S. Main has been turned into a Carrier Annex, solely for mail processing, pick-up and delivery. It's for carriers (not customers) only and also holds several offices. Plans are to expand the facility to "more than double the capacity of what we have now," Viviano said, explaining the area's growth boom as the reason.

"We're real excited," Viviano said about the new post office site. "It's more convenient for customers for several reasons, including increased parking and we also have more parking for our employees. It's giving us more space, but, more importantly, it's providing a more pleasant atmosphere for folks to buy postal products and just do business with us."

Conger said the Clarkston facility is the only free-standing facility out of nine new postal stores in Oakland County. Most are in strip malls or attached to other buildings.

"Because of room and growth in Clarkston, we had to make a choice of building a new building entirely (at the old site) or to build a postal store in Clarkston. We knew it would be successful here," she said.

Retail specialist Linda Palazzolo, who activates new facilities, said the Clarkston Post Office is "a beautiful building ... Clarkston is a growing area and needs up-dated, high-tech stuff like this."

Postal clerk Rick Edwards is one of the smiling faces folks will see at the new store. As the man on the floor and lobby director, he manages the "cash wrap" station and acts as greeter. "It's the way to go, greeting all the people when they come in," he said. "You get a little more feedback."

Now, customers can weigh their packages, slap on stamps "and they're on their way ... Maybe we have a concept to make it smoother for everyone."

Clarkston resident Paul Foytack, who has visited the facility several times since it opened, couldn't agree more. "I love it," said Foytack, as he entered the building Thursday. "There's no waiting and no crowded lobby."

The new Clarkston Post Office is open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., Monday through Friday, and from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday. Post office boxes can be accessed from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Saturday, with mail delivered by 10:30 a.m. The phone number is (248) 625-0032.

Get earfuls at annual Labor Day Corn Fest

Love corn on the cob? You can get your fill at the American Legion Campbell Richmond Post 63 annual Labor Day corn roast, which follows Monday's parade through Clarkston. There will be food, games, refreshments and lots of corn. The Clarkston American Legion post is located at 8047 Ortonville Road (M-15), north of the I-75 interchange. For more information, call 625-9912.

FOX Kids moves to WADL, Channel 38

Channel 38 WADL, has replaced Channel 50 as the new FOX Kids and BKN affiliate for the Detroit area.

FOX Kids 38 will carry popular cartoons, such as: Bobby's World, Life with Louie, Spider-Man, Jumanji and Extreme Dinosaurs.

On Saturdays, FOX Kids 38 brings West Coast football to the Midwest with teams like Oklahoma, Nebraska, UCLA and Hawaii. Viewers will be able to enjoy two to three games every Saturday.

Beginning in November, FOX Kids 38 brings viewers prime-time college basketball, Monday through Saturday.

Parks of Stonewood gets nod from planners

BY EILEEN MCCARVILLE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Dave Johnson's proposed new development, Parks of Stonewood, received a recommendation for final site plan approval, 5-0, from the Independence Township Planning Commission Aug. 27 (Steve Board and Todd Moss were absent). He will next need final site plan approval from the Board of Trustees.

In the motion, commissioners also approved Johnson's internal pathway plan, which was changed from a wood-chip trail system to a hardened surface. "We wanted to make sure it wouldn't adversely affect the ecology," said commissioner Rich Oppmann, who said plans were scrapped to build a safety path along White Lake Road because of intrusion into wetlands areas.

Johnson has been working with Pontiac Osteopathic Hospital to build a development that blends with the proposed Clarkston Medical Campus next door, featuring an internal road and pathways. Both projects

are located at White Lake Road and Dixie Highway. However, POH plans to build safety paths on White Lake and Dixie, up to Johnson's entrances. Pedestrians will be able to use both the internal pathway system and existing safety paths on the east side of White Lake to access their destinations.

Johnson also plans to realign Clement Road, currently filled with twists and turns, into a safer roadway. Township engineers will be working with Johnson in both situations. The matter won't come back to planners "unless there are questions," Oppmann said.

Deviating from the township's customary procedure of having developers build safety paths in front of their new subdivisions isn't unusual, Oppmann said. "We've done it before." For example, a new sub at Cranberry Lake Road and M-15 features an internal system in lieu of safety paths "for safety and grading reasons," he added.

Johnson's planned unit development features 280 homesites in five different, heavily wooded neighborhoods. He said prices will range from \$250,000 to \$1 million plus. A commercial center with several offices, retail uses and family-style restaurants is also planned. Once the board gives the final OK, Johnson hopes to start site preparation work this fall.

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Come one, come all to the Labor Day Country Fair

The First Congregational Church of Clarkston will host a free Country Fair following Clarkston's Labor Day Parade, Monday September 7.

Some of the activities taking place include a classic car show, giant garage sale, kids mid-way games, crafts, 50s music with a DJ, dime auctions, and raffle-auction and give-away of current, new and rare Beanie Babies.

There will also be a bake sale, ice cream, cotton candy and free blood pressure checks.

Also participating are MADD, Gift of Life, St. Joseph's Mercy Hospital Joint Care Unit, Karmanos Cancer Institute Health and Safety Unit, Two Lane Cruisers and more.

The fair lasts until 4 p.m. The church is located at 5449 Clarkston Road, Clarkston, east of Sashabaw Road. Call 394-0200 for more information.



Katie Pruett, a Bailey Lake Elementary third-grader who attends First Congregational Church, holds a sign advertising the church's Labor Day Country Fair.

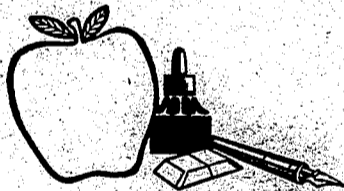
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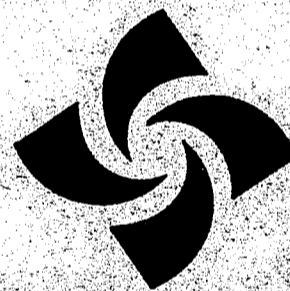
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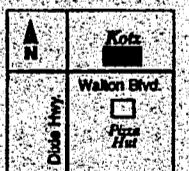
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'The new high school has been the community's dream for a long time'

Roberts named parade grand marshal

BY EILEEN McCARVILLE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

The City of Clarkston is gearing up for its annual Labor Day Parade Sept. 7, which has special meaning this year.

The theme, "Living Your Dream," is significant because it ties in with the opening of the new Clarkston High School. And, fittingly, Clarkston schools superintendent Dr. Al Roberts will be the parade's grand marshal.



Roberts

The theme echoes the Rotary Club's international theme of "Living the Rotary Dream," said Tom McCloskey, parade chair and member of the Clarkston Rotary Club, which has been sponsoring the local event for over 50 years.

"Living the dream certainly could be applied to the new high school," Roberts said Friday. "This has been the community's dream for a long time.

"The tradition of the Labor Day parade is important for all of us. While it's important to celebrate this country's work force, it's also an opportunity to share with our young people the significance of our American Dream.

"We need workers with more skills, better attitudes and the ability to produce. In the future we're going to need a more positive and productive work force -- and that starts at school."

Roberts, who was jokingly referred to as the
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Members of First Congregational Church of North Oakland work on their float, entered in this year's Labor Day parade. From left are Alan Aulgur, Sally Gillies, Traci Parker, Katie Pruett and Ed Gillies. At top, holding Drake

Parker, is pastor Dr. James Keough. The float features an antique church bell (pictured), cast in Troy, England in 1827. It became First Congregational's bell when the church was founded in Pontiac in 1831.

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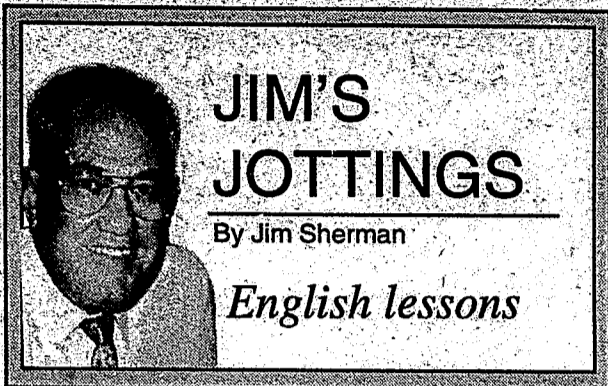
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I know most people of a "reading age" have arrived at the conclusion, or had it pointed out to them, that the English language is inconsistent, if not totally confusing.

One of the first inconsistencies we all heard was . . . one goose, 2 geese. So one moose, 2 meese? One index, 2 indices?

Some other misnomered words in the English language we haven't been exposed to have been sent by a Jotting's reader (from Morenci of all places).

The reader says, English is a crazy language. There is no egg in eggplant, nor ham in hamburger; neither apple nor pine in pineapple. English muffins weren't invented in England or French fries in France. Sweetmeats are candies, while sweetbreads, which aren't sweet, are meats.

The reader writes, we take English for granted. But if we explore its paradoxes, we find that quicksand can work slowly, boxing rings are square and a guinea pig is neither from Guinea nor is it a pig.

And why is it that writers write but fingers don't fig, grocers don't groce and hammers don't ham? If the plural of tooth is teeth, why isn't the plural of booth beeth?

Doesn't it seem crazy that you can make amends but not one amend, that you can comb through annals of history but not a single annal? If you have a bunch of odds and ends and get rid of all but one of them, what do you call it?

The writer continues, if teachers taught, why don't preachers praught? If a vegetarian eats vegetables, what does a humanitarian eat? If you wrote a letter, perhaps you bote your tongue?

In what language do people recite at a play and play at a recital? Ship by truck and send cargo by ship? Have noses that run and feet that smell? Park on driveways and drive on parkways?

How can a slim chance and a fat chance be the same, while a wise man and a wise guy are opposites? How can overlook and oversee be opposites, while quite a lot and quite a few are alike? How can weather be hot as hell one day and cold as hell another?

Have you ever seen a horseful carriage or a strapful gown? Met a sung hero or experienced requited love? Have you ever run into someone who was combobulated, grunted, ruly or peccable? And where are all those people who ARE spring chickens or who would ACTUALLY hurt a fly?

You have to marvel at the unique lunacy of a language in which your house can burn up as it burns down, in which you fill in a form by filling it out and in which an alarm goes off by going on.

The writer concludes, English was invented by people, not computers and it reflects the creativity of the human race (which, of course, is not a race at all). That is why, when the stars are out they are visible, but when the lights are out they are invisible. And why, when I wind up my watch, I start it, but when I wind up this essay, I end it?

**GOT AN OPINION?
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Letters to the Editor

Dr. Roberts: We must abide the laws that govern us

Dear Editor,

The recent acts of trespassing and vandalism at our new high school site are shocking and despicable. The Clarkston community has come to expect a standard of behavior which is rooted in traditional American values, and we are law abiding citizens. So, when the laws of the land are violated, we feel violated as well.

As your Superintendent of Schools, I realize that Clarkston is not immune from the troubles facing our greater society (substance abuse, disregard for authority, etc.). As a community, we must refuse to accept the illegal acts of a few as "to be expected" or "par for the course." We must continue to expect all community members, students, employees, contractors, and those who visit our fair township to abide by the laws that govern us.

It is important for the community to know that in the latest incident we avoided possible damage/injury because of the quick thinking of neighbors who noticed unauthorized persons on the grounds and reported this information to local law enforcement officers.

The African quote, "It takes a village to raise a child" has received considerable attention in recent years. The Clarkston community is fortunate that there are folks who believe in this philosophy and take their

civic responsibility seriously. We are indeed a better "village" because of it.

Sincerely,
Albert G. Roberts, Ed.D.
Superintendent

Thank you for your support

Dear Editor,

The Independence Township Fire Department would like to thank you for your past years of support for the Labor Day Pancake Breakfast. Unfortunately, with the drop in manpower, we are unable to continue to sponsor this event.

The following is a list of organizations that have greatly benefited from your appreciated generosity:

Jerry Lewis Telethon - Muscular Dystrophy Association;

University of Michigan Burn Center;
Lighthouse North - Clarkston.

There is the possibility that the pancake breakfast will be resumed by the Masonic Lodge next year. Hopefully they will continue with what has become for so many a family tradition.

Once again, the fire department wishes to extend its appreciation and we wish you and your families a safe and happy Labor Day weekend.

Respectfully,
Independence Township Fire Department

DON'T RUSH ME / by Don Rush

It feels like school-time



This week feels like a back to school week. This makes sense, of course, because many kids are going back to school after their summer breaks. More than that, however, it *feels* like it's time to go back to school.

There is something in the air, maybe it is the air. It's not as humid - a little more crisp. Shadows are a little longer in the evening. It just feels like it is time to go back to school.

I was a normal kid and every summer I looked forward to the change of pace - get me back to class. "What time is the bus getting here, 7:30? Fine I'll be at the stop at six, just get me to school." There is only so much fishing, swimming, bike riding, lawn cutting, summer funning a kid can take.

I enjoyed going back to school, except for one year. That was the year Mom and Dad decided to move their clan from Redford Township to . . . somewhere in north Oakland County. That was the year I started the third grade at Ashcroft Elementary School on West Chicago Street (across from St. Roberts Catholic Church) and ended it at Clarkston's Bailey Lake Elementary School on Pine Knob Road (next to a farm with cows and manure).

The fact that we would move from the only home and friends I, in my short life, had ever known didn't register until the beginning of the school year. I was a wild and goofy third grade boy and all my wild and goofy third grade boy friends were joining the scouts. Naturally I wanted to join.

I brought home the letter for Mom and Dad to sign so I could get involved - this was going to be cool (we still used that word back then). Not that I was spoiled, or always got my way, but I was not prepared for the parental veto on the scouting bill.

I was shocked and stunned. To this day I don't know the reason I couldn't join, but my recollection was it was because we were moving. I hated the idea of moving then. Oh, cruel world, why, why, why?

Sensing my dismay, the folks (bless them) quickly jumped into action and found something little sis Barb and I could join to end this urban tragedy.

Ah, youth. It's a good thing kids are resilient. While all my buddies were learning to use compasses, and jack knives I got a brand new pair of tap shoes and would be dancing with my sister.

Oh joy.

"One, two, three, one, two, three, heel, toe, heel."

The male ego is a fragile thing, and even at the tender age of eight I sensed something was amiss with dancing, when the other boys were whittling and scouting.

I think I was then ready for the move to Clarkston and my new life at Bailey Lake Elementary School - where nobody would be the wiser of Twinkle Toe Rush.

E-Mail Don with your comments, contemplation, or complaints at: Dontrushme@juno.com

A Look Back

15 YEARS AGO (1983)

Florida developer Conrad Wagner is pursuing his plans for the \$30-million Pine Knob complex, including the golf course and two exclusive restaurants. Negotiations are underway with the current owners.

In one week 40 postcard ballots are returned to the Village of Clarkston, supporting reimplementing of the historic district ordinance.

About 3,650 copies of the Clarkston Community Schools' 1983-84 Handbook and Calendar for Parents and Students are being mailed out to parents in the district. Assistant superintendent Mel Vaara says that's a sure sign it's back-to-school time.

25 YEARS AGO (1973)

Clarkston Village Council passes a new village zoning ordinance, 3-2, which, for the most part, zones land according to its current use.

A relaxed Gary Stonerock reflects back on his stormy two years as supervisor of Independence Township. He says the term was one of many accomplishments, albeit controversial. "We shook a few cherry trees, but I'd do it the same way again," he says. Stonerock is continuing his Air-Land Surveys, a local aerial mapping business.

Appearing at Pine Knob this month are Gilbert O'Sullivan and Maureen McGovern.

50 YEARS AGO (1948)

News from "By The Way:" Due to the fact that Labor Day is not a day to labor, but rather a holiday for

everybody who labors, Monday has been well-planned to help you have a good time. Starting early, the Clarkston Rotary will stage amusements in the form of rides and novelties on the lot just north of Whipple Sales and Service, Saturday through Monday. The annual parade takes place at 10 a.m. Monday and a fair will be staged at the community house on Williams Lake Road.

This year Clarkston schools starts transporting students who live over a mile from the school and outside of Clarkston village. A new bus has been purchased for this work.

Playing at the Holly Theatre are Fred MacMurray, Rudy Valli and Frank Sinatra in "The Miracle of the Bells" and Barry Fitzgerald and Dorothy Hart in "Naked City."

60 YEARS AGO (1938)

Seymour S Miller Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Miller and grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Byron Beardslee, wins the blue ribbon for his registered jersey heifer calf at the Lapeer 4-H Fair.

As soon as contracts are approved, paving and necessary drainage will start on all streets in Clarkston. The cost is over \$16,000 for all streets but Holcomb, which is covered through a second contract of around \$2,000.

Specials at Rudy's include Kellogg's Corn Flakes, a large box for 9 cents; shoulder beef roast, 19 cents a pound; Salada Tea, 35 cents a half pound; and Northern Tissue, four rolls for 19 cents.

WRITE A LETTER TO THE EDITOR.

The Clarkston News, 5 S. Main Street, Clarkston, MI 48346

FOCUS ON THE FAMILY

By Dr. James Dobson

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Question: You listed alcoholism as a marriage-killer. My husband has that problem. It has created a great deal of pain in our home, and I am concerned about the emotional welfare of my children. Can it be treated, and is there hope for families like mine?

Dr. Dobson: Alcoholism is a devastating disease, not only for the person who has it, but for his or her entire family. Research shows that 40 percent of people living in Western nations have a close family member who is an alcoholic. That incidence is even higher in Russia and other countries of Eastern Europe.

There is no way to calculate the impact of this problem on children, on spouses, and on the culture itself. Fortunately, it can be treated successfully for those who are willing to seek that help.

I discussed the issue of alcoholism with a panel of knowledgeable people on the Focus on the Family radio broadcast, including Dr. Keith Simpson, a physician who has treated this problem for 20 years.

I did not ask the panel members for a detailed analysis of alcoholism; our listeners already knew how serious it is. Rather, I wanted the panel to provide us with practical suggestions as to how family members can recognize the disease and then be of help to those they love. The answers they gave were most encouraging and enlightening.

Dr. Simpson was asked whether alcoholism can be treated successfully today. Is it a hopeless condition, or is there a way out for the victim and his family? This was his reply:

"I specialized in the field of internal medicine for many years, but found it to be depressing work. I could

help my patients with chronic lung disease and severe diabetes and heart disease, but in reality, my efforts were just a delaying action. Over time, conditions worsened and the diseases progressed. I made my rounds in intensive care each day and watched people losing their battle for life, whereas my alcoholic patients were getting well.

"That's why I deal almost exclusively with alcoholics now, and I find it to be extremely rewarding work. I see people who come in with more horrible problems than you can imagine, but they get into a recovery program, and in a few months the difference is like going from night to day. So, yes, not only is alcoholism treatable, but the medical community does better with this disorder than any other chronic disease. Alcoholics emerge from treatment programs more functionally integrated, more capable and more effective than before they 'caught' the disease."

That was the theme of the entire discussion: There is hope for the alcoholic! But before recovery can begin, the problem has to be acknowledged and treatment sought. That applies to your own family situation, I'm sure. Your husband can be helped if he has "the want to."

Dr. Dobson is president of the nonprofit organization, Focus on the Family, P.O. Box 444, Colorado Springs, Colo. 80903; or www.fotf.org. Questions and answers are excerpted from "Solid Answers," published by Tyndale House. Copyright 1997 James Dobson Inc., Distributed by Universal Press Syndicate, 4520 Main St., Kansas City, Mo. 64111; (816) 932-6600.

FIT FOR LIFE

by Heather Haepers

Proper footwear



When working out it is important to wear proper footwear. Athletic shoes are made specifically for particular sports and activities, as well as for certain orthopedic necessities. The proper shoe depends on the activity.

Walking - It is best to wear athletic shoes specifically designed for walking. Walking shoes will have the ample arch support that walkers need. There are also shoes made that help to control pronation or supination (your foot turns inward or outward). Your other option is to wear running shoes which will again offer good arch support, but will offer more impact protection.

Running - When running it is important to wear only shoes made for that sport. Although you can wear running shoes to walk in, it is not recommended to wear walking shoes to run in.

Most of the larger footwear stores will carry a wide variety of running shoes. Typically, you can rate the shoe by the price. The more a shoe costs the longer it will last. It will also offer more support and impact protection. If you only run a few miles per week, you probably do not need the top of the line shoe. On the other hand, if you are running more than 35 miles per week, you should consider a higher end shoe.

Aerobics - Your best bet with aerobics is to wear either the shoes made specifically for aerobics or a cross trainer. If you tend to do several types of studio classes (step, low, hi/lo, box-aerobics, kick boxing, spinning, etc.), you can wear a crosstrainer or an aerobic shoe.

If you pretty much stick to the basics (step, low, hi/lo), a shoe made specifically for aerobics is recommended. Again, the more you spend, the better quality shoe you will get. If you are doing more than four to five classes per week or a lot of high impact, I would recommend a higher end shoe. When looking for the proper aerobics shoe, look for both heel and forefoot cushioning as well as ankle and arch support.

Of course we can't forget the machines that many of us work out on. If you prefer steppers, bikes, crosstrainers, etc., a crosstraining shoe is probably best for you. This will give you the versatility you need for these types of exercise.

Bosquett & Co. Insurance promotes Thomas J. Welbourn, CIC, to vice president, sales manager

Bosquett & Co., one of Detroit's leading insurance agencies, is pleased to announce the promotion of Thomas J. Welbourn, CIC, to Vice President, Sales Manager.

As Vice President, Sales Manager, Thomas J. Welbourn will be responsible for overseeing the production activities of the sales staff at Bosquett & Co.

Mr. Welbourn was formerly Senior Executive where he was responsible for major account management and production development.

Thomas Welbourn is a Certified Insurance Counselor with expertise in commercial risk management and alternative risk financing and in the health care and manufacturing industries. He has over 20 years of commercial account experience in helping business and industry manage and control their cost of risk with the development, coordination, and implementation of innovative insurance and risk management programs.

He has a bachelors degree in occupational health and safety education from Southern Illinois University.

Mr. Welbourn, his wife, and three children reside in Clarkston.

Bosquett & Co. Insurance, founded in 1900, is a leading independent commercial/personal lines insurance agency.

Questions or comments for Heather should be addressed to The Clarkston News, 5 S. Main Street, Clarkston, MI 48346

Readiness program prepares 4 year-olds for kindergarten

In an attempt to enable all children to be ready for kindergarten, the Michigan School Readiness Preschool program in conjunction with Clarkston schools is providing free preschool for families who qualify.

The program begins this month at the Clarkston Community Education Center, 5275 Maybee Road, under the direction of Margie Ried, supervisor of the Funshine Early Childhood Program.

Clarkston schools is funded for 33 students and Ried said August 27 there are about 10 openings remaining.

Children eligible for the program must be four, but less than five years old as of December 1. They must also be identified by two or more characteristics which place them at risk of being educationally disadvantaged and in need of special assistance.

There are 25 risk factors including: low birth weight; developmentally immature; physical or sexual abuse and neglect; nutritional deficiency; long-term or chronic illness in the home; substance abuse in the home; non-English or limited English speaking environment; single parent; unemployed parent; or a teenage parent, among other characteristics.

The income eligibility guidelines range from an annual income of \$21,143 for a family of two, to \$50,956 for a family of eight.

Parents must participate in some way in the program, and there will be two home visits, two parent-teacher conferences, and field trips. Grant-funded counseling is available.

The preschool program runs from Monday to Thursday, from 1 to 4 p.m. Day-care assistance for parents who work is also available.

For more information call Margie Ried, 674-4702.



Clarkston artist Lois Pety

Artist of the Month Lois Pety is impressed with Impressions

Lois Pety has been painting the beauty around her since she was a young girl. As artist of the month at the Clarkston Fine Arts Gallery, she shares her vision with visitors to the gallery during the month of September.

The longtime Clarkston resident is a former art teacher who adored her students. "When people asked me how many children I had, I told them I had 134 children," she laughed.

Pety said many of her students continue to keep in touch with her, which brings her a great deal of pleasure.

Pety will have about 20 oil paintings in her exhibit, featuring flowers, animals and abstracts. She said she is most inspired by the Impressionist style, and counts Vincent Van Gogh as well as American painter Georgia O'Keefe among her favorites.

The Clarkston Fine Arts Gallery showcases the work of about 20 artists from Clarkston and Waterford. Sculpture, pottery, drawings and paintings in all media are featured.

The gallery is in an office building located at 7151 Ortonville Road (M-15) south of I-75. The gallery is open from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday, and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturdays. For more information, call 625-8439.

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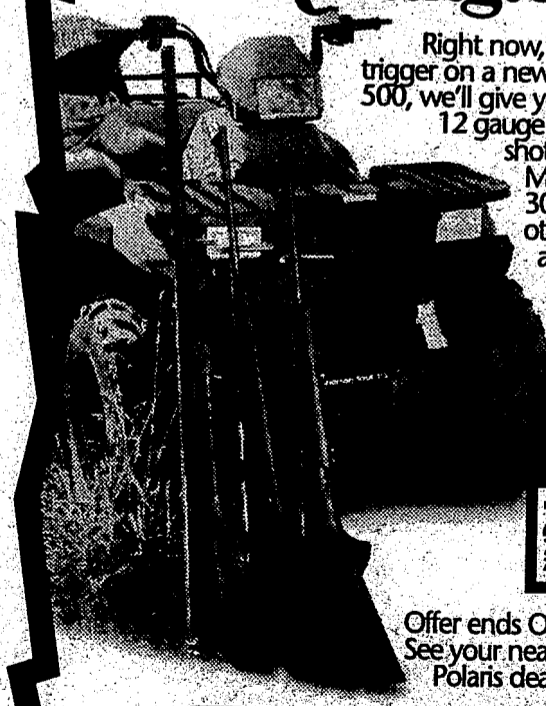
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Around Town

Clarkston Area Youth Assistance meetings are the second Tues. of each month at 7 p.m. at the Senior Citizen Center in Clintonwood Park. For more information, call 625-9007.

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Mammal Scramble at Indian Springs Metropark on White Lake Road, southwest of Clarkston, for ages three and older Sept. 11 at 11 a.m. Using skins, skulls and a slide presentation, this 1 1/2-hour class focuses on what makes a mammal a mammal. Pre-registration required. Call 625-7280.

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Springfield Township Parks and Rec is sponsoring a free Punt, Pass and Kick Competition for boys and girls (in separate competitions) ages 8 to 15 at the Shiawassee Basin Preserve Sept. 11. Register at the Parks and Rec office at 495 Broadway in Davisburg. Late registration will also be the day of the event at 5 p.m. Local winners have an opportunity to compete in regional and state championships at the Pontiac Silverdome during a Detroit Lions game at half-time. For more information, call (248)634-0412 or 634-3382.

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Bethany North Oakland invites the separated, divorced and never married to an Early Autumn Dance, Sat., Sept. 12 from 8 p.m. to midnight at St. Daniel Parish Cushing Center, 7010 Valley Park, Clarkston. Admission is \$8 and includes refreshments. For more information call Don, 623-6771.

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Oakland County Probate Court is looking for adults interested in volunteering to review guardianships of older adults and minor children. The program involves making residence visits and training is provided. Training takes approximately two hours. Sessions are Tues. Sept. 15 at 2 p.m. and Sat., Sept. 19 at 9 a.m. For more information, call Joan Connelly, (248)858-0288.

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Free Well Child Clinics at various locations in Oakland County offer services including height and weight, physicals, immunizations, vision, hearing and lab testing, growth and developmental screening, counseling with referrals to physicians and area resources. For more information call, (248)858-1311.

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Free Immunization Clinic at the United Methodist Church, 140 E. Flint St., Lake Orion, Wed., Sept. 9 from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. Immunizations for measles, German measles, mumps, polio, diphtheria, tetanus, whooping cough, HIB and Hepatitis B. A parent or guardian must accompany children under 18. Bring previous records of immunizations. For more information, call (248)858-1305 or (888)350-0900, ext. 8-1305.

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Lakeside Home Tour sponsored by the Orion Historical Society is a tour of seven historic lakeside homesites on Lake Orion, Sept. 20 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tickets are \$15 and benefit the Union Church restoration fund. They are available at Cunniff Gallery, (11 S. Broadway), Orion Twp. Library, Village Forget-Me-Nots (Oxford Mills Plaza), or call 391-0917.

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5th Army veterans of the 1943, 1944 and 1945 Italian Campaign will return to Italy Nov. 8 through Nov. 17 to celebrate the 55th Anniversary of the Allied landings at Salerno and the drive toward Rome. The tour will visit London, Naples, Anzio-Nettuno, Cassino, Salerno, Sorrento, Capri and Rome. Veterans of the 3rd Division, 34th, 36th, 45th, 91st, 10th Mt., 88th and the many support groups are urged to contact Sy Canton at 5th Army Association, 465 Shore Rd. 7-P, Long Beach, NY, 11561, or call (516)432-3022.

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St. Joseph School in Lake Orion needs crafters for its Holiday Happenings Juried Craft Show Nov.

21 and 22. Applications should be filed through Marilyn Boyle at 693-7366.

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To place your information in Around Town, fax the information to 625-0706, or mail it to The Clarkston News, 5 S. Main St., Clarkston, MI 48346. Be sure to include a name and phone number of someone we can contact during the day.

Babytime at the library

Join other parents at the Independence Township Library in a new lapsit program designed just for infants and tots.

This 20- to 30-minute session is intended to unite first-time parents in the community, to introduce wee ones to the library atmosphere, and encourage the exploration of language. Tots will learn about language by using stimulating songs, catchy rhymes and one-on-one interaction with mom or dad.

Babytime is limited to 10 children; no siblings are allowed in the Activity Room during Babytime. Call now to register for one of the two four-week sessions for either the morning or evening program.


Session I: Mondays, Sept. 14, 21, 28, Oct. 5
10 a.m. -- Babies (newborn-8 months)
11 a.m. -- Tots (9 months-15 months)

Session II: Tuesdays, Oct. 13, 20, 27, Nov. 3
6 p.m. -- Babies (newborn-8 months)
7 p.m. -- Tots (9 months-15 months)


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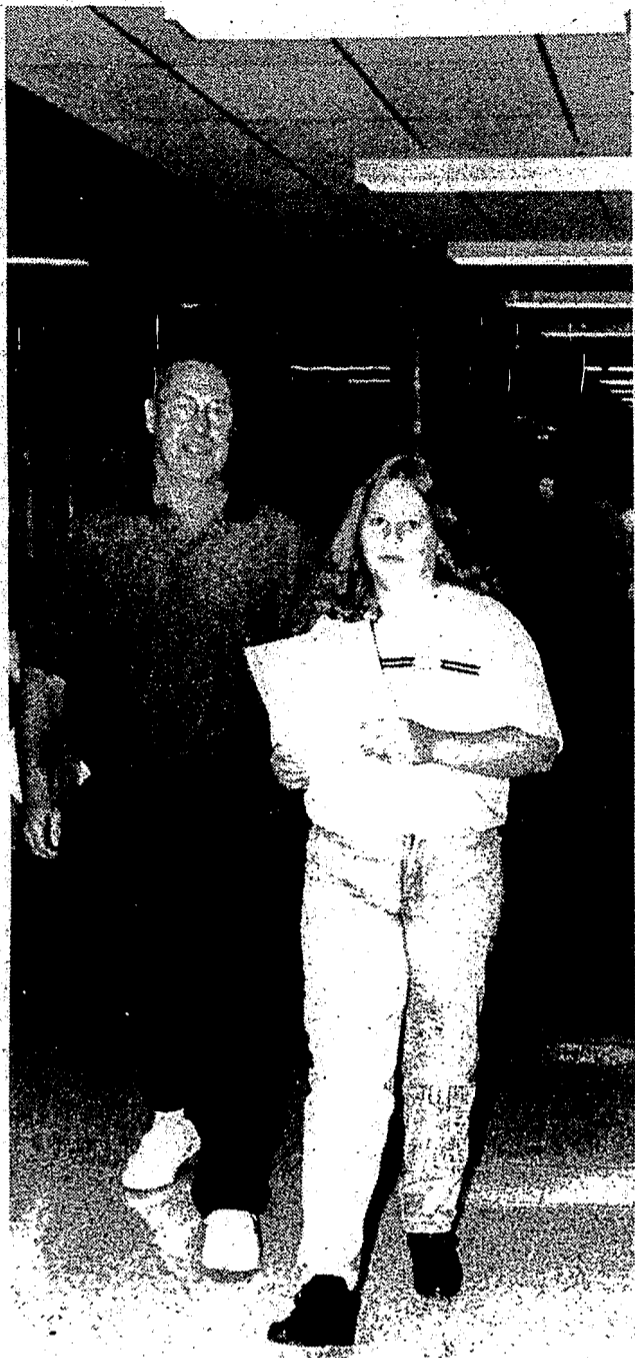
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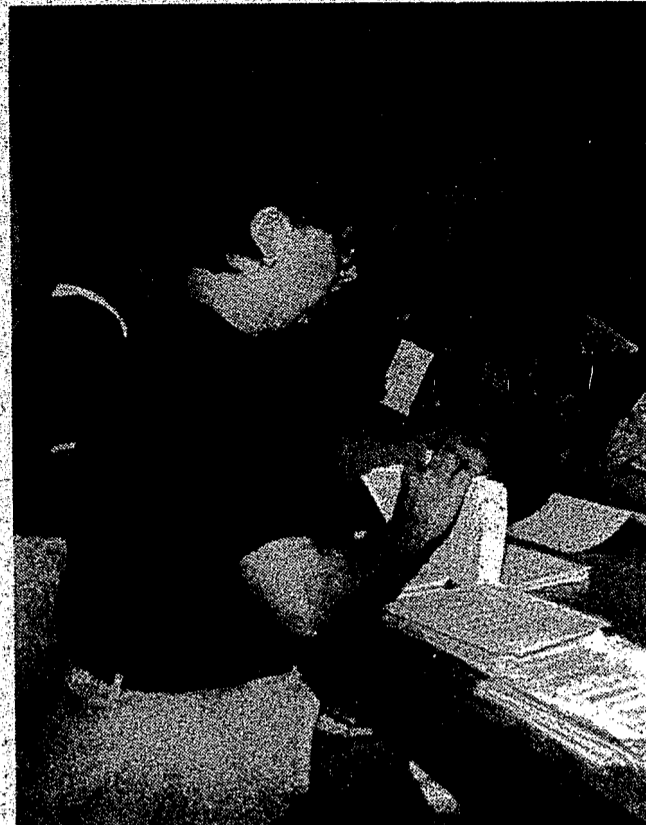
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It's mostly kindergarteners who get Mom and Dad along for the first day of school. But lucky seventh-grader Laura Wagner was accompanied by her father Dave Monday as she became a new student at Sashabaw Middle School. Dave said the family is moving into the district and he wanted to provide support for his daughter, in making the transition from Mason Middle School in Waterford.



Sara Bennett (left) and Amanda Suddeth, of Clarkston walk to Clarkston Elementary School Monday, the first day of school. The girls are fifth graders this year.



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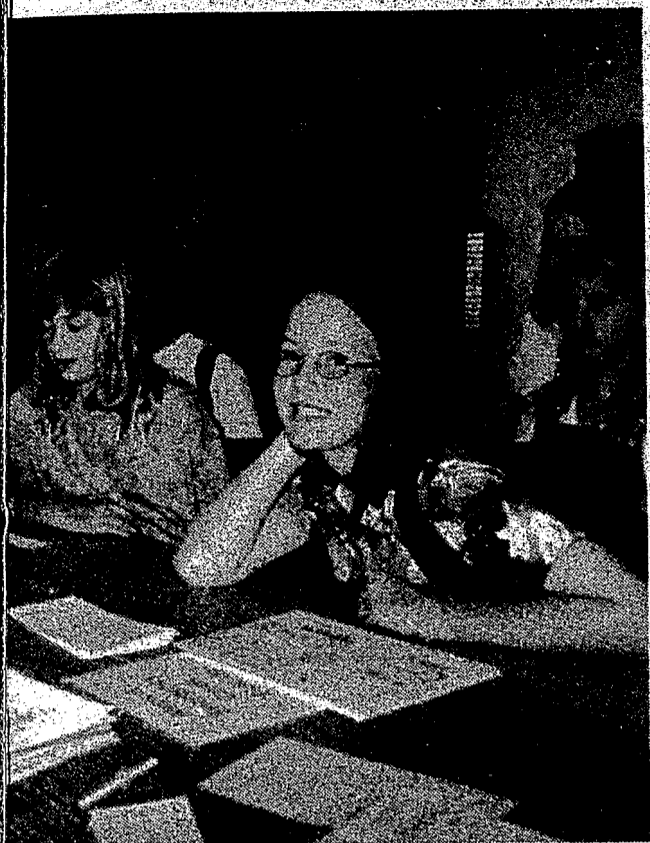
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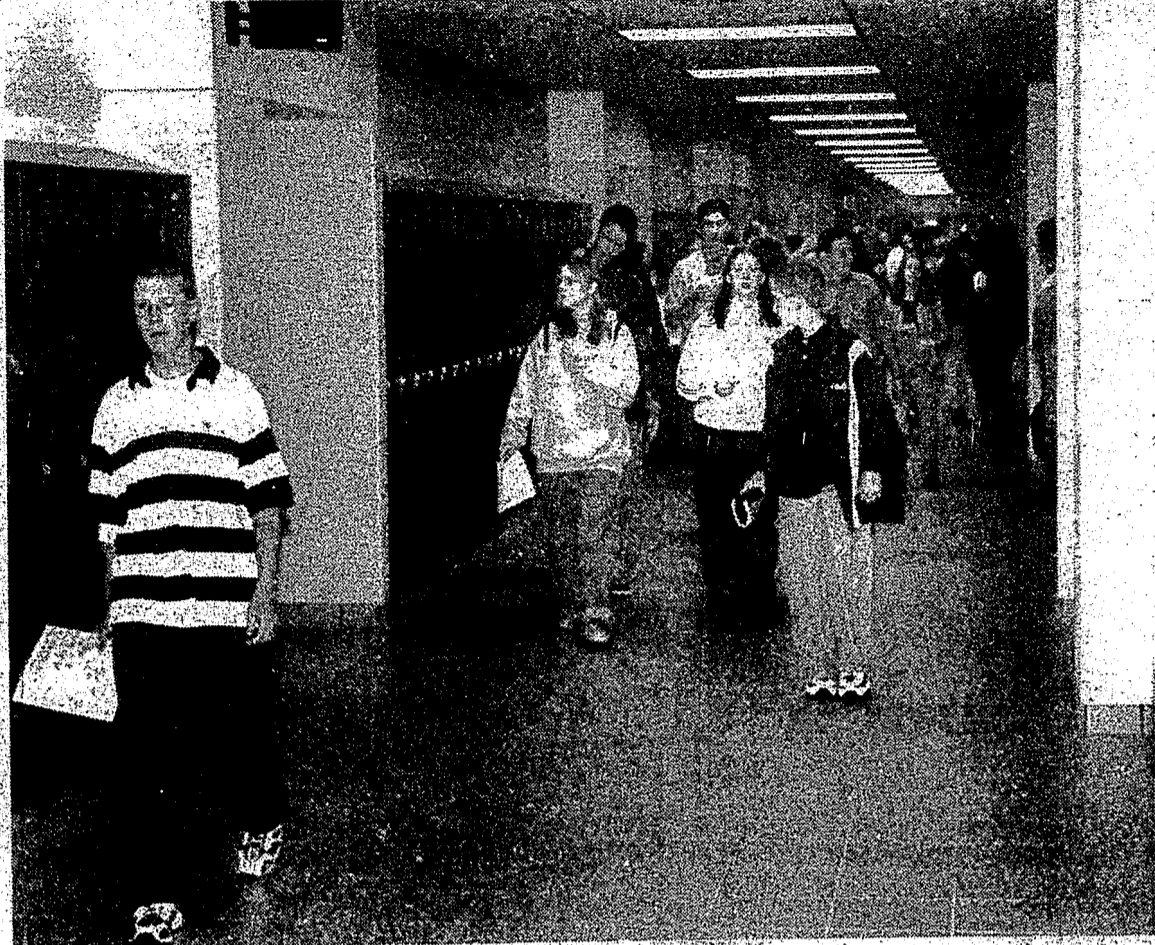
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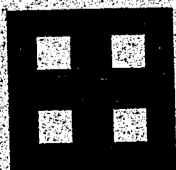
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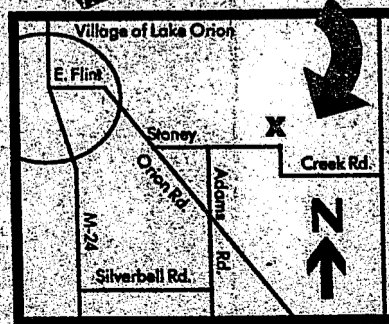
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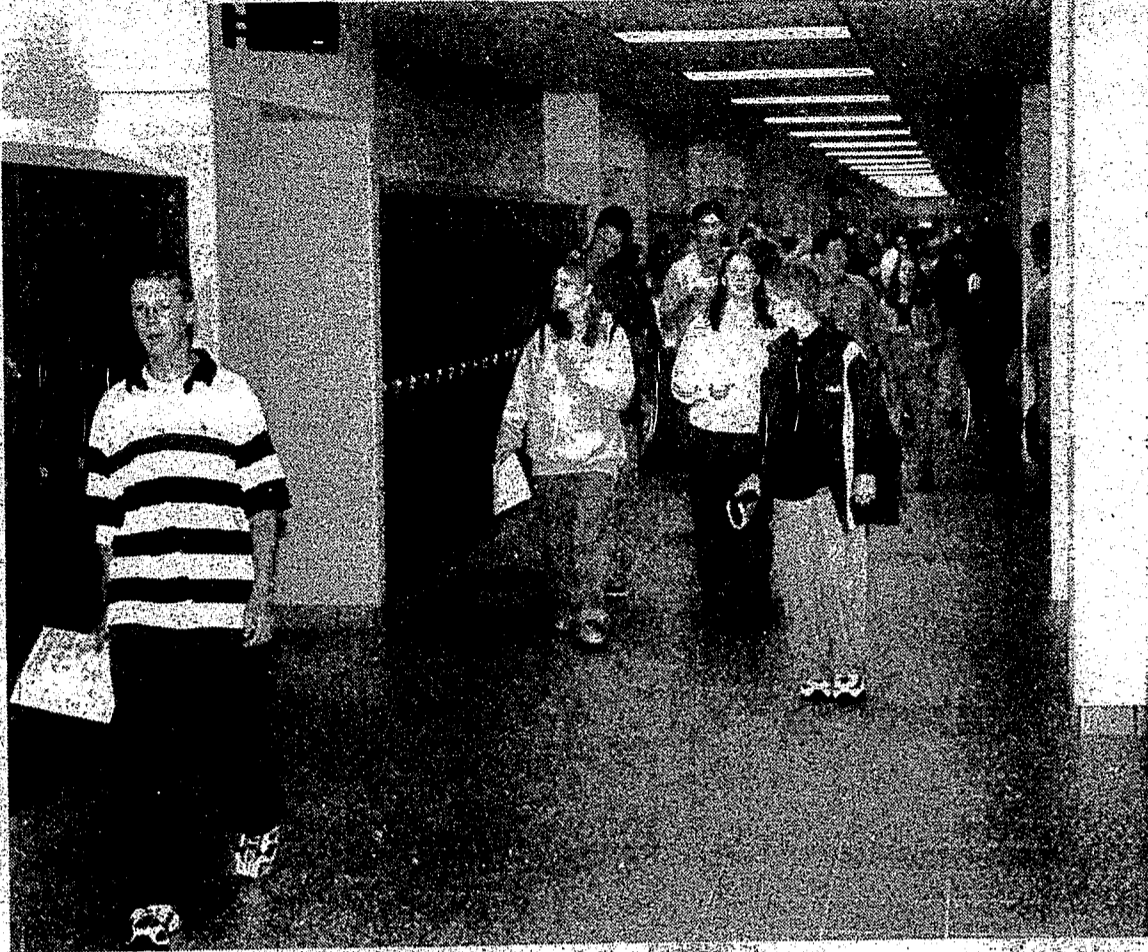
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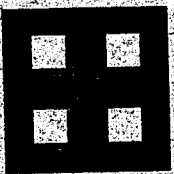
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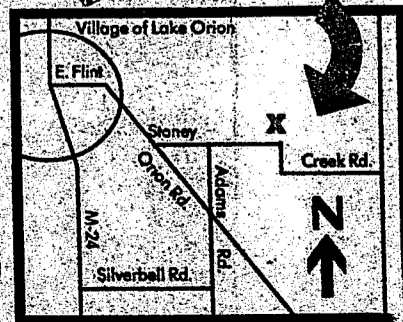
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benefit concerns, it does not attempt to clarify manpower issues for the department.

In recent weeks, firefighters have publicly expressed their concerns that while the township's population has grown, the department size has remained the same since 1989.

(Editor's note: there are two letters this week addressing these concerns on page 13.)

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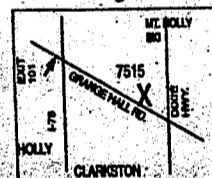
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Janet Truhan, equipment and tool specialist of Chrysler Corporation, in conjunction with Chuck Fortinberry, owner of Clarkston Plymouth Jeep Eagle, and Bib King, the dealership's service director, donated the DRBIII to Johnson and OTC-NW principal Dan Manthei.

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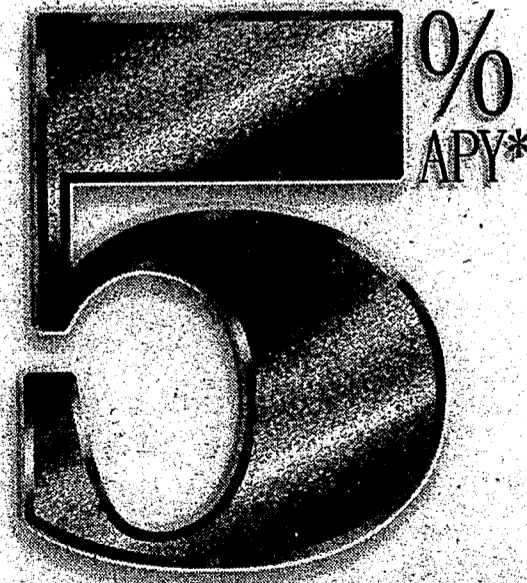
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Manpower the next battle ground in fire debate

As contract talks wind down, the debate still rages between the township and its firefighters on issues of acceptable manpower and staffing levels in the township's three fire stations.

New OSHA regulations regarding acceptable staffing levels on fire scenes and search and res-

cue operations will put pressure on both the firefighters and the township to comply with the new federal and state laws.

The emotionally charged issue holds promise for continued tensions between the two parties, and has already resulted in widely differing opin-

ions on the township's response to the matter.

Supervisor Dale Stuart and firefighter Larry Wormnest write to The Clarkston News editor this week with their line of sight on the manpower debate.

Fire service important

In a recent issue, The Clarkston News ran a story and editorial regarding the Independence Township Fire Department. Obviously, providing quality fire protection services is an important function of local government. For that reason, I am taking this opportunity to provide additional information and assurances to the citizens of Independence Township.

Since I was first elected township supervisor in 1992, Chief Wilson and I have been discussing the manpower and equipment needs of the Township. However, it was not prudent to announce or begin implementing those plans until we could settle the labor negotiations with the firefighters union which have been going on for almost two years. The demands of the union would have resulted in substantial increases in the cost of running the Fire Department. Obviously, until we knew what the settlement would cost, we could not take on the burden and additional cost of additional personnel.



Stuart

Now, the contract has been settled. Although the agreement is generous to the firefighters, it will not break the township budget. More importantly, we now know our costs and can move to implement our plans. This settlement was reached using the services of an arbitrator at a meeting that was planned weeks ago.

The Clarkston News suggests we need 9 firefighters for 1,000 residents, based on some national statistics. That would mean a total of 26 people, 11 more than the current 15 full-time fire suppression personnel. This could well require doubling the current three mills of tax which generate \$2,500,000 per year. If that occurred, the Fire Department budget would be larger than all other township departments combined.

Independence Township fire protection services compare very favorably with townships with a similar tax base and population with regard to facilities, equipment and manpower. Rather than relying on national statistics, our plans (on hold pending resolution of the union contract) are specifically designed to meet the needs of our community.

Dale A. Stuart
Independence Township Supervisor

Who will pay the price if we're not ready?

This letter is in response to the statement made by Mr. Neil Wallace, a trustee of Independence Township who referred to himself as a hostage of the fire department.

Strange Mr. Wallace should say that.

Tell me Sir, when was the gun drawn and put to your head? I thought the vote was unanimous when the contract ratification was held during your special closed session as was stated in this paper. Why did you feel you have to say we are "holding you hostage?" Isn't that what terrorists do? Are you calling us terrorists?



Wormnest

According to the dictionary a terrorist is: to fill or overcome with terror; to dominate, coerce or subdue by terror or intimidation.

I don't think we used any of those tactics while negotiating this contract. As you were not a part of the township negotiating team, I am curious as to which one gave you this idea. All we wanted was a fair contract from our employer and to know that they were supporting us. I guess that is too much to ask from this board.

You talk like our new contract is going to put the township in the red. I hardly think so. All we ask is to make enough money so we can live in the community in which we work.

Unfortunately that is not the case. Fortunately, my family and I bought our home in 1974. If I had to buy in this community today I could not. I could never afford one of the homes being built today. Not on my salary.

When you talk about the subject of being held

hostage, we are the ones that should feel this way by this board. It has been brought to the attention of Supervisor Dale Stuart numerous times on our shortage of manpower within the fire department, but we are just ignored. The officers of the Fire Fighters Association, (the on-call personnel) have voiced their concerns as well. He still won't act.

Funny there also appeared in the same issue of this paper that the fire department will no longer sponsor the annual Labor Day breakfast because of manpower shortages.

This decision was made by the officers of the on-call ranks, the Independence Fire Fighters Association. They can see the problem we are in, why can't the board? How can we be expected to handle the emergencies within this community when we can't even serve a breakfast? Do any of the board members have any ideas?

I'm not holding a gun to your head, just asking for advice. Will we next discontinue the Fourth of July parade? Or will we cut back on some of the more critical services we provide this community?

In the not too distant future it will become a real problem. When the new O.S.H.A. law comes into effect October 1 of this year, the manpower problem will really be felt.

Are we trying to prepare for this so when the time comes we will be ready? Not that I have seen. It seems that Mr. Stuart's plan is just to bury his head in the sand and maybe it will go away. At least that is how it looks from here. Unfortunately though, who will pay the price?

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Where does one person's right end, another's begin?

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the township when he tried to operate his aerial photogrammetric mapping business, Air-Land Surveys, Inc., from his home, located elsewhere. He moved his business and family to the two-acre commercially zoned parcel on M-15. Since then, he's moved as a resident again, but his office still stands.

"I was driven there, but it really turned out to be a good investment. I plan on selling it," he said. "It's my retirement plan." In a letter to the editor, which appeared in the May 27 edition of *The Clarkston News*, Stonerock's wife Onalee agrees it's a matter of "grass roots tyranny." The phrase comes from the title of a book which argues local government control.

Onalee Stonerock says the township is indeed controlling. "Zoning can be good if it's done fairly and not prejudicially, but what's going on in Independence Township is just the opposite of this ... Talk about fair. They want to downgrade us and give a higher zoning."

She says one problem is light industrial could be permitted under office/research and, if that happens on the west side of M-15, it will back up to residential neighborhoods.

Although he hails Vision 2020 as basically "a good plan," Gary Stonerock takes issue with his own situation. "What I'm fighting is a taking without compensation," he said. "I lose value."

In his last ad published June 24, Stonerock included a tear-out portion to be sent to the Independence Township clerk's office, urging people to print their names and "go on record as opposing the Vision 2020 Plan and large light manufacturing development at I-75 and M-15."

Township clerk Joan McCrary said she has received 404 responses but, because they weren't signed, she's unsure whether they're valid. Stonerock did not seek permission to send them to the clerk's office, she added.

Lance Baylis, who co-owns a health care business with his mother Maria just north of the interchange, says the family also disagrees with the proposed zoning in that area. The Baylis family, which includes his brother Larry, a doctor whose office is also located in the building, owns six acres — also zoned C-3, which was purchased by their late father many years ago.

While he sympathizes, even agrees with Stonerock, Lance says the Baylises are going about their dispute differently. They also sold 25 acres on M-15 to Clarkston schools for the new elementary school.

"Here's where we stand. We just got done working with the township and school on the 25 acres of our (former) farm and the question about the barn remain-

Pulling out the stops in fight with twp.

ing there. We worked everything out. Dale Stuart, Dick Carlisle, (township attorney) Gerry Fisher — these are very reasonable people," Baylis said.

"Of course we'll see the value go down," he admitted, regarding the possible rezoning. "It's like playing a basketball game, and in the fourth quarter they change the rules."

Unlike Stonerock, the family is willing to compromise. "We're going into this with an open mind; we're not going to get in a big tizzy. We want to do something that's amenable to everybody," Baylis said.

Township planner Dick Carlisle said the concept for the interchange is only a vision; it's not carved in stone. Supervisor Dale Stuart calls it "malleable," as a guide for future planning.

However, "Vision 2020 is going to be adopted as part of the township's master plan," Carlisle said. Participants in the Vision 2020 process had two primary concerns with the M-15/I-75 interchange area, he added: traffic and developing the frontage on the west side of M-15 so as not to adversely affect existing residents.

Carlisle said certain types of uses, such as the "light industrial" permitted under office/research, can only come about with special land use approval. He says highway commercial (C-3) uses would be much more disruptive because fast-food restaurants and other intense uses would not only prove objectionable to residents, but multiply traffic congestion.

"The issue is the potential of a very intensive impact on M-15 with traffic conditions and on the surrounding residential uses," he said. "Plus, you have properties that are not large enough to deal with access. You don't have a lot of room to deal with access to M-15, curb cuts, joint driveways, etc."

Ironically, the area has been master-planned for

office for years — and that's just what has happened there, Carlisle said. Office developments like the Prudential Building have trickled in, indicating those uses are appropriate for the area, he said.

Carlisle sees them as a boon, not a detriment. "If you look at buildings like the Prudential Building, how could that do anything other than enhance people's values?" he said.

Carlisle noted in the early '90s officials met with Stonerock several times, willing to work out a compromise. In exchange for nixing his plans to develop the lot commercially, they proposed two new zoning categories (office service one and office service two), that allowed Stonerock to blend office and certain kinds of commercial, excluding "fast-food, gas stations, convenience stores" and other uses.

However, Stonerock proposed his own zoning category, more intensely commercial. The matter was never resolved.

McCrary and Stuart said Stonerock's public attack has come "out of the blue." Both agreed there were past attempts at compromise. The proposed office zoning was given a first reading, also in the '90s, "But there was such an outcry from residents and threats of lawsuits, it was never brought up for a second reading," McCrary said.

"We're doing what we think the public wants, the 2020 plan and the northwest part of the township with a rural ambiance to it. And it is developing along those lines ... They agreed to not let it become commercial like Dixie Highway," McCrary said. "There will most likely be a public hearing regarding the zoning change."

Meanwhile, Stonerock says he will put his parcel up for sale — at the current C-3 zoning. "If they try to rezone it and squelch a deal, I'll file a lawsuit. I have everything in place to do that," he said.

He said it's strange he's having this problem, when he won his former seat as supervisor on land-use issues, including the defeat of a proposed Kmart on Dixie Highway.

"Where does one person's right end and another's begin?" he added. "My attorney says you can roll over and play dead — or go public."

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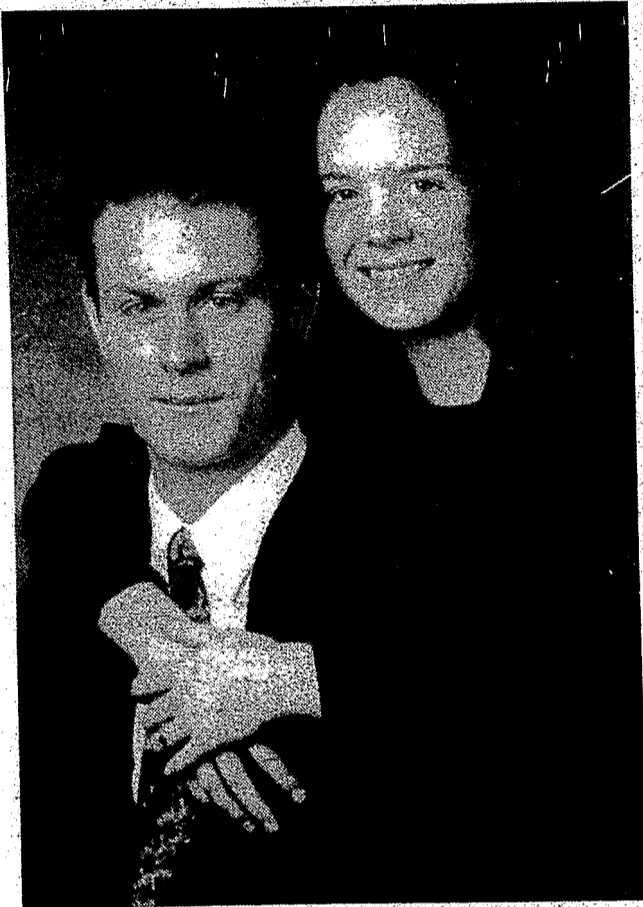
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Delmar Swander of Maumee. David is a 1989 Clarkston High School graduate and is currently employed by Van Dyke Mortgage Co. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Zavatsky of Clarkston. The couple met while both were employed at American General Finance in Waterford. They now reside in Grand Rapids.

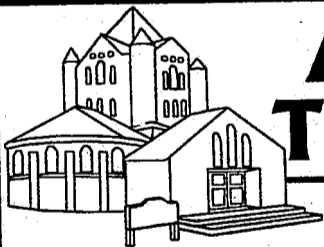
New arrival

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Police and Fire

Sunday, August 30, an 18-year-old Clarkston man was cited for trespassing on Bellshire.

A man was cited for disorderly conduct at a Maybee business.

Failure to pay for \$17.13 in gas on M-15.

A stereo faceplate and 50 CDs were taken from a car on Tuson.

A radar detector, a walkman, eight CDs, and a CD player were taken from a locked car on Tuson.

A wallet was taken from a locked car on Tuson. Access was gained by breaking the driver's side window.

A 35-year-old Pontiac man was arrested for operating under the influence of liquor and driving with a suspended license on Dixie. He failed several sobriety tests and his blood alcohol level measured .220, more than twice the legal limit. He was lodged in the Oakland County Jail.

Medicals on Sashabaw and Independence.

An 82-year-old woman was treated for a dog bite she suffered in Lake Orion on Citation. She was sent to the Mid-Oakland Medical Center for further treatment.

A 65-year-old woman experienced chest pains and shortness of breath on Church. She was taken to St. Joseph's Mercy Hospital for treatment.

Saturday, August 29, a credit card, debit card, a driver's license and \$30 in cash were taken from an unlocked vehicle on Deerhill.

An Ortonville woman hit a car driven by a Davisburg man when she attempted to make a left turn onto Holcomb from W. Washington in the city. No citations were issued.

A ring worth \$1,189 was taken from an employee's jacket in a Dixie restaurant.

A \$5,000 lap top computer was taken from an unlocked vehicle on Deerhill.

A 39-year-old Hazel Park man was arrested for drunk driving at Main and Miller, after city police noticed he was driving erratically. His Breathalyzer test revealed a .10 blood alcohol level, the legal limit. His arraignment is set for Sept. 8 at 52-2 District Court.

Marijuana was found in the room of a 15-year-old boy on Pheasant Run. His mother told police she wants him locked up, and he is currently receiving drug treatment.

A \$200 spare tire was taken from a car at the Sashabaw Park & Ride.

Two rings worth \$1,200 were taken from a home on Bitterbush.

A semi-automatic handgun that was listed as stolen out of the Waterford Police Department was found in the room of a 20-year-old male on Willow Park Dr.

Two blue spruce trees were damaged, apparently by weed killer, on Mountainview Court.

Medicals on Clintonville and at Pine Knob Music Theater.

Friday, August 28, a counterfeit \$20 bill was used to purchase \$2 worth of plumbing equipment at an M-15 business. There have been several reports of fake \$20 bills in Brandon Township recently as well.

A 24-year-old Independence Township man was arrested for domestic violence on Fourth Street. He allegedly slapped his girlfriend because he said he was "tired of her mouth." He was lodged in the Oakland County Jail.

A tool box was taken from the rear of a pickup truck on Paramus.

A CD player was taken from an unlocked vehicle on Mohawk Blvd.

A \$365 cellphone was taken from a vehicle parked at the Pine Knob Music Theater.

A rented 3/8-inch drill had not been returned to a Dixie business.

A cellphone, sunglasses, a portable CD player and a radar detector were taken from an unlocked vehicle on O Aw Wan Sa Drive.

A home on Cranville had obscenities spray-painted on the lawn, road commission barrels placed up against the garage, lawn chairs thrown around the front lawn, landscaping rocks removed from their locations and shrubs pulled out.

Medicals on Clintonville and Lancaster Hill.

A natural gas leak occurred at a home under construction on Cranville Court. The leak was caused by a construction crew's digging, and it was contained.

Thursday, August 27, harassing phone calls on Willow Park.

A 10-year-old E. Washington boy fell from his bicycle in the city. He was later treated for lacerations.

A lawn was damaged by a car on Ranch Estates.

A \$100 cellphone and sunglasses were taken from a vehicle on Windy Knoll Court.

A \$100 cellphone was taken from a vehicle on Cedar Knoll Court.

A window was cut on a car on St. Elizabeth. Nothing was missing from the car.

A portable phone, a mini cassette recorder, a credit card, two pairs of sunglasses, a pack of cigarettes, and a lighter were taken from a car on Sun Valley Court. Three teenagers were spotted rummaging through the car, and were apprehended by residents of the home.

A 32-year-old Waterford man was caught carrying a concealed weapon in his car and was in possession of a small amount of marijuana. He was released pending a review by the Oakland County Prosecutor's

office. Medicals on Parview, Washington, Sashabaw and Northview.

Wednesday, August 26, a cellphone was taken from an unlocked vehicle on Clawson Tank Dr. Hoods on two vehicles were damaged on S. Marshbank.

A \$1,000 power washer was taken from a driveway on Hillcrest.

A two-man paddleboat worth \$1,200 was taken from a private beach on Whipple Shore.

Medicals on Clarkston Road and Fawnvalley. **Tuesday, August 25**, harassing phone calls on Heath.

An air-conditioning unit was removed from its location, and later found at a Maybee business. A window and a door were also damaged.

An unknown white male has written several bad checks in the area, the last to a Dvorak resident.

A sprinkler system was damaged on Timber Lake Trail. A resident found an unusually large water bill, and discovered it was tampered with to be on a constant low flow level. The system was later made tamper-proof.

A company vehicle was borrowed and not returned on Walters.

Medicals on White Lake, Lingor, Riverview, and Clarkston Road.

Injury accidents on M-15 and Dixie.

Wires down on Snowapple.

Monday, August 24, the car of a 36-year-old Pontiac woman was taken and not returned while she was performing a clown act at Bay Court Park. A tent was also missing from the woman's home.

A \$416 cellphone was taken from a Maybee church.

A 24-year-old Clarkston man was cited for leaving the scene of an accident and marijuana possession on Rockcroft.

Lit firecrackers were thrown at a car moving on Maybee Road.

Medicals on Ridgeview and Curtis Lane.



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The 25 percent of the donations received will be given to Lighthouse Clarkston. Please join us in this walk/run for hunger! If you have any questions about Clarkston's CROP Walk/Run please call Rev. Bonnie Laudeman at 625-1323.

Tajikistan -- Church World Service is appealing for \$20,000 to assist people affected by severe flooding in Tajikistan. Heavy snowfalls and rain in April caused a series of avalanches, floods and landslides in the eastern and central parts of Tajikistan that destroyed villages, dikes, canals and reservoirs. Also destroyed were 15,000 hectares of farmland, roads, electric power and communication lines, and sewage systems. Heavy rains continued in May and June throughout the country.

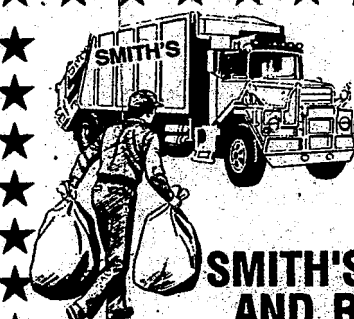
CWS funding will assist programs of the Russian Orthodox Church and Hungarian Interchurch Aid, which are providing rehabilitation and continuing relief assistance to vulnerable flood survivors, including widows and orphans. Our partners are distributing food, cleaning supplies and clothing, as well as construction materials for rebuilding damaged houses. Local emergency response capacity-building courses are also being planned. The program will last six months -- through January 31, 1999.

CWS will channel funds through Action by Churches Together for rehabilitation needs in Tajikistan. CROP Walk dollars help meet the special needs of refugees and assist after disasters.

You will make a difference by walking/running or sponsoring a walker/runner.

Registration begins at 1:30 p.m. at Calvary Lutheran Church parking lot, 6805 Bluegrass, west of M-15.

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Labor Day parade starts at 10 a.m.

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"Grand Poobah" by his administrative assistant Ellen Whitehead, chuckled and indicated he will be more low-key than the Flintstones persona, in acting as parade marshal.

"I suppose I'll be in the convertible and wave to the folks. And I'll have to hand something out to the crowds," he said.

According to the parade committee, goodies will indeed need to be hand-outs only. The throwing of candy has been hazardous in past processions. "It has a potential for disaster," McCloskey said. "As an example, throwing hard candy is similar to throwing small stones." Participants are asked to abide by those rules, preferably handing out candy at curbsides.

The parade begins at 10 a.m., proceeding west from Church Street, down N. Main and west on Miller, until it ends at St. Daniel Catholic Church. Floats, the Clarkston High School Marching Band and "lots of

people" are all part of the atmosphere, McCloskey said.

He asks that participants arrive at Clarkston Elementary School between 8 and 9 a.m. to insure they'll be organized and ready to march, and that everyone completes the parade route. In past years, some participants have dropped out by the turn at Miller, which "creates a very dangerous situation," he said.

McCloskey doesn't have the number of entries tallied yet, but says folks who are still interested should fax their requests to him at (248) 625-8721. "That way I can send them back a fax with the information they need," he said.

Rotary secretary Harold Wiederhold, who is in charge of floats, said folks should play down the advertising and politics, keeping the theme of Labor Day uppermost in their floats and displays. According to the parade committee, Labor Day is observed as "a celebration of American workers."

"After all, that's why it got started in the first place," Wiederhold said. "That's what Labor Day is."



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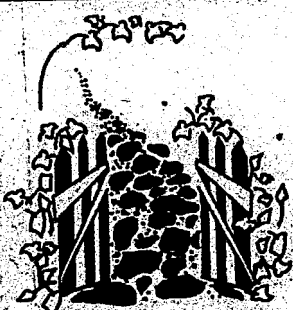
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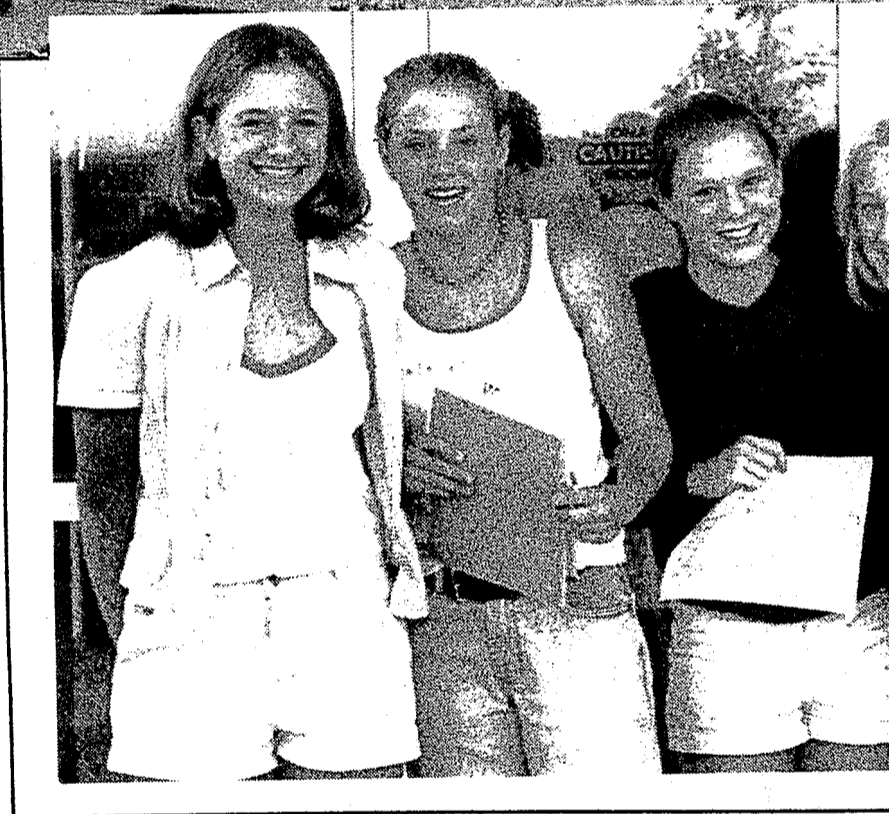


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Clockwise from top: students file into the new Clarkston High School for the first time Monday morning; Mary Warchuck, Tracey Honey, Lindsay Simko and Stacey Giroux show how excited they are to get the new year started; Scott Bickerstaff checks out the shiny new lockers at the new CHS; and building aid Sandy Barlow helps lost students find their way around the brand-new facility.

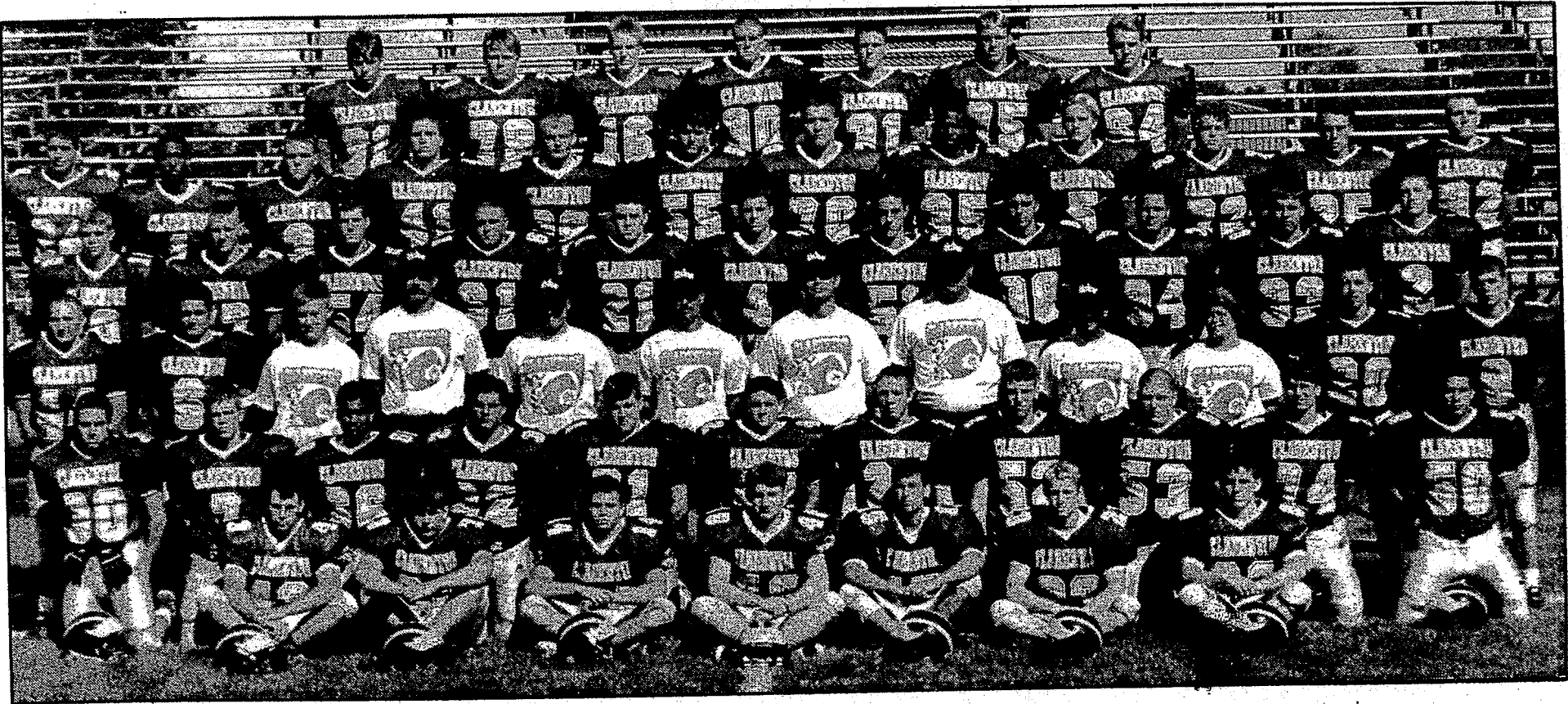
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Wednesday, September 2, 1998

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The 1998 Clarkston varsity football team.

Football team united for new season

BY BRAD MONASTIERE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

The formula for the Clarkston varsity football team's success in the past has been simple.

The players band together as one unit. Make the whole greater than the sum of its parts, and defeat more talented opponents.

Head coach Kurt Richardson believes that formula could be used by his team once again in 1998.

"These kids are pretty tight," he said. "When we scrimmaged (Farmington Hills) Harrison, things didn't go our way, but the kids were very supportive of each other. They hung together, and that was a good test for us."

The preseason testing is over as of Friday. The Wolves kick off their season against Waterford Kettering at 7 p.m. The game will be played at the old CHS field. Richardson said the decision on when the team will play home games at the new field will be done on a week-to-week basis. The next home game is Sept.

25 against Brandon.

This year's football team has a much different offensive look than in recent years. Senior Eric Jenks takes over as the starting quarterback, where he will run the option. The option is a running-based attack, requiring the quarterback to have good speed, quickness and decision-making skills. Jenks has all those, as well as a deep stable of running backs to pitch the ball to.

"We're getting much better running our offense," Richardson said. "Jenks is improving all the time, but my only worry is that we're a little banged up in the backfield right now."

Senior Tim Loveless should see a ton of playing time, both at halfback and fullback, in addition to his duties as a linebacker on defense. Junior Chris Mitchell - the JV team's leading rusher last season - has also impressed in preseason at halfback. Junior Rocky Lund also figures into the mix. Lund is an excellent athlete, who combines good strength and speed.

Seniors Nick Upchurch and Dave Smith expect

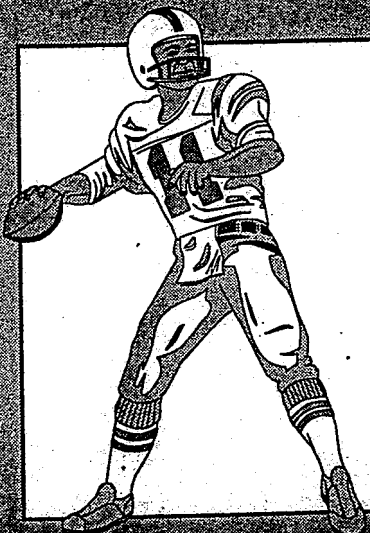
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1998 Clarkston Wolves Football Schedule

September 4	Waterford Kettering
September 11	at Rochester
September 18	at Troy Athens
September 25	Brandon
October 2	at Pontiac Northern
October 9	Troy (<i>Homecoming</i>)
October 16	at Rochester Adams
October 23	at Berkley
October 30	Lake Orion

-- all games start at 7 p.m.

Friday's season opener against Waterford Kettering will be played at the old Clarkston High School field. Kickoff is at 7 p.m.



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Football season opens Fri. vs. Kettering

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to shoulder much of the fullback responsibilities, along with Loveless.

Richardson said he is excited about the development of the offensive line.

"As the Hogs go, we'll go," he said. "They are a very intelligent group and make all the right calls. They understand everything we do, and I feel very good about our line."

The line won't be at 100 percent this week, as senior Ron Tolbert will miss the game with an injury. The rest of the offensive line includes: juniors Ryan "Bubba" Clement, Jon Robinson and Brent Schermerhorn, and senior Klinton Powell.

Although the team will stress the running game, Richardson was quick to point out that Jenks will be expected to throw the ball well. Two of his primary targets will include senior Erich Poley - the team's most improved offensive player last year - and sophomore Ryan Briceland.

"They run good routes, and Eric throws well on the run," Richardson said. "We'll call more rollout passes to take advantage of that."

Defensively, the team will stick with its 50 setup, and will emphasize a more attacking style this year. Upchurch anchors a defensive line that made a habit of making big plays a year ago.

"Our linebackers are not real big, and the secondary is scrambled right now," Richardson said. "We've got seven kids fighting for playing time, and we've got some injuries that have to get better."

Another defensive standout is senior Ronnie Wells, who Richardson said is 95 percent recovered from an injured ankle.

The Monster's prediction of the OAA Division I for football

- 1 - Troy
- 2 - Clarkston
- 3 - Lake Orion
- 4 - Rochester
- 5 - Rochester Adams
- 6 - Troy Athens

Stop if you've heard this before - Troy is expected to be a top contender in the OAA Division I this year. Despite losing all-everything RB Jim Essian, QB Mike Clinton returns, and he's got his usual Zeppelin-sized offensive line to work behind.

Lake Orion returns QB Darren Tooley, WR Adam Eldridge and RB Steve Sergeant to an already-potent offense. Rochester has excellent athletes all over the field, while Rochester Adams made it to the state quarterfinals last year.

"The league is more balanced than it was last year," Richardson said. "Troy Athens got a couple of real good transfers, so they're more optimistic over there. The league will be a real dogfight this year."

"We're not as physical as I'd like to be right now," he said. "We need to pick that up."



The Hogs show why it's a group that has as much fun as anyone on the varsity football team. Coach Kurt Richardson said this is a line that is bigger than in the past, and very intelligent at calling plays. The Hogs are made up of players that play on the offensive and defensive lines.

Not just pigs in a blanket

'The Hogs' a big part of football success

BY BRAD MONASTIERE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

They don't get their name read over the loudspeakers. Their uniforms are the muddiest. Their helmets the most scarred. And their bodies sport the most bruises, cuts and other badges of honor.

Yet, no group of players may be more important to the success of the 1998 Clarkston football team than the offensive linemen, part of a group known as "The Hogs."

Getting their nickname from the tough offensive lines of the Washington Redskins that won three Super Bowls from 1982-91, "The Hogs" are the team's entire group of linemen, offensive and defensive, as well as tight ends.

What are some of the qualifications to be a Hog? A big body doesn't hurt, as does the appreciation of things like muddy fields, grass stains and eye black that gets smeared all over one's face, all 30 minutes before kickoff.

Junior Ryan "Bubba" Clement says the linemen are the closest-knit group of players on the team.

"Any of us would do anything for the other linemen," he said. "When we go out, we go out together. People don't talk about individuals with the line. When they say the line, they're referring to the entire group."

Clement is the only junior on the team with two seasons of varsity experience. He was brought up to the varsity early in his freshman season of 1996, when the Wolves went undefeated in the regular season and won the OAA Division I.

One of the annual rituals of the Hogs has been the Hog Dinner, held a few weeks ago at Clement's house. After a steady "diet" of hot dogs, hamburgers, chips

and pop, the players gathered in the basement to keep up a fine Hog tradition: watching professional wrestling.

Varsity football coach Kurt Richardson said the line may play a more prominent role on this year's team because of the style of offense he will run.

"We will be a more running-oriented team, winning games 14-0 and 21-7," he said. "This is the best size on the lines we've had in a long time. We'll be able to run the power game a little more, but we'll throw the ball too, so they need to give Eric (Jenks) time to throw."

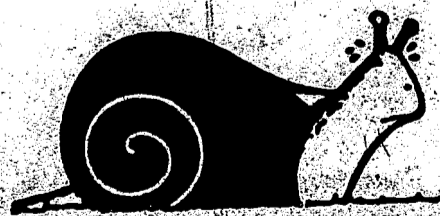
It's not easy to measure statistically the contributions an offensive line makes to a team. In recent years, some teams have recorded "pancake" blocks - ones where the offensive lineman so thoroughly dominates a defender, he flattens him to the ground, like a pancake. Another stat could be sacks allowed. This is one area where the fewer the number, the better.

But still, these stats aren't as clear-cut to fans as passing yards, catches or touchdowns. Clement said the linemen actually thrive on the lack of statistical recognition, and get it in other ways.

"As linemen, we can see the whole field, so when one of our guys makes a big play, we notice it and pat him on the back," he said. "When one of us pancakes someone, it's the greatest thing in the world. It's something we notice ourselves, and that's good enough for us."

Richardson paid the line a great compliment when talking about its role in the upcoming season when he said "We'll go as the Hogs go." A constant feeling coming from this year's team is the unity and close-knit feeling among all the players. Clement echoed this.

"This is the closest team I've seen since my freshman year," Clement said. "We are a team that mixes real well, and we're looking to do the best we can."



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Cheerleaders a group that sticks together

BY BRAD MONASTIERE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Watching the Clarkston varsity cheerleading team is like seeing a nice painting. The finished product looks smooth, but doesn't do justice to the amount of work that went into it.

Cheerleaders are a major presence at football and boys basketball games. They make every game, home or away, and add an irreplaceable bit of spice to the rich high school sports atmosphere.

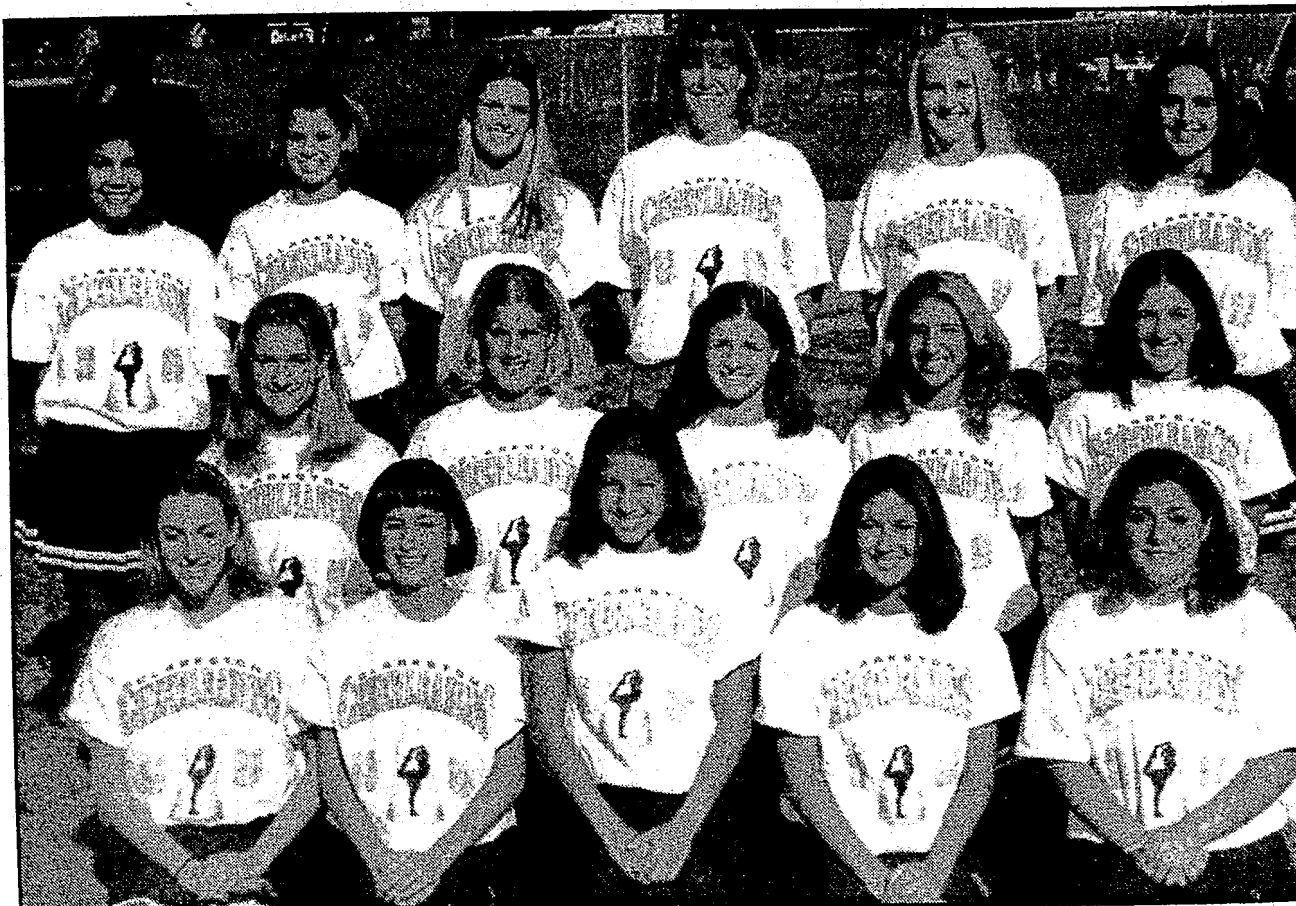
Coach Debi Hool, entering her 11th year as the varsity cheerleading coach, says she is excited about this year's team, which returns six members of last year's squad.

"We have a very good mix of girls this year," she said. "We have no attitude problems, either. Everyone works well together, and is running very well right now."

The returning members of the team are: Michelle Wilson, Suzin Vagts, Tesia Rezmer, Jenni Szilvanyi, Jenny Pasfield and Constance Webb. Wilson draws oohs and aahs at many games with her runs and flips down the track or basketball court. She is also one of the top track athletes in the school.

Hool said one of the best things about this team is how equal everyone has been in their relationships with each other. She has decided not to have a captain of this

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The 1998-99 Clarkston varsity cheerleading team.

Rossman now in charge of varsity pom pon squad

BY BRAD MONASTIERE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

The 1997-98 Clarkston varsity pom pon team was one of the best in school history, winning a Class A state title.

While former coach Gina Shore left her position to start a "team" of her own, first-year coach Jenn Rossman is hoping to build upon last year's success.

"It's always been my goal to coach a dance team," she said. "This is a good opportunity with an improving program, and I'd like to get a more positive atmosphere with the team."

The team lost 10 four-year veterans to graduation last year, but some of this year's returning girls have their own list of accomplishments as well.

At the team's summer camp at Oakland University, Clarkston was awarded the all-around superior trophy, won technique awards and earned a number of blue ribbons. Individual all-stars named at the camp included Tara Matkowsky, Allison Turner, Nikki Pattison and Jenny Carline.

Matkowsky, Turner, Britt Detkowski and Erin Przybylski were named all-Americans in the National Cheerleading Association competition, also held at OU last month.

"The challenge is to stay as successful as we've

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The 1998-99 Clarkston varsity pom pon squad, in their old uniforms. Look for the new ones when the team makes its debut at the varsity football season opener Sept. 4 against Waterford Kettering.



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Obituaries

Kenneth Dooley

Kenneth L. Dooley, 79, of Clarkston, died August 29, 1998.

Mr. Dooley was retired from Kroger Co., was a volunteer for the City of Pontiac Zoning Board of Appeals and was an active member of the St. Trinity Lutheran Church in Clarkston.

He is survived by his wife Helen; daughter Carol (Ray) Kasat of Waterford; sons Michael (Lynda) of New York, Richard (Dena) of Waterford and Timothy (Kathleen) of Milford; grandchildren Kelly McClain, Paul and Julie Kasat, Laura Weintraub, Mark and Stephen Dooley, Jerry and David Pittman, and Brendan Dooley; four great-grandchildren; and sister Ellen (George) Jones of Waterford.

A funeral service took place Wednesday morning at the St. Trinity Lutheran Church with Rev. Klafehn officiating. A graveside service followed at Glen Eden Cemetery in Livonia. Memorials can be made to the church.

Geraldine Feltes

Geraldine V. Feltes, 73, of Clarkston, died August 29, 1998.

Mrs. Feltes volunteered at the Independence Township Senior Center, Parks and Recreation, and the Library.

She was preceded in death by her husband Raymond. She is survived by special friends Randy and Sarah Jidas.

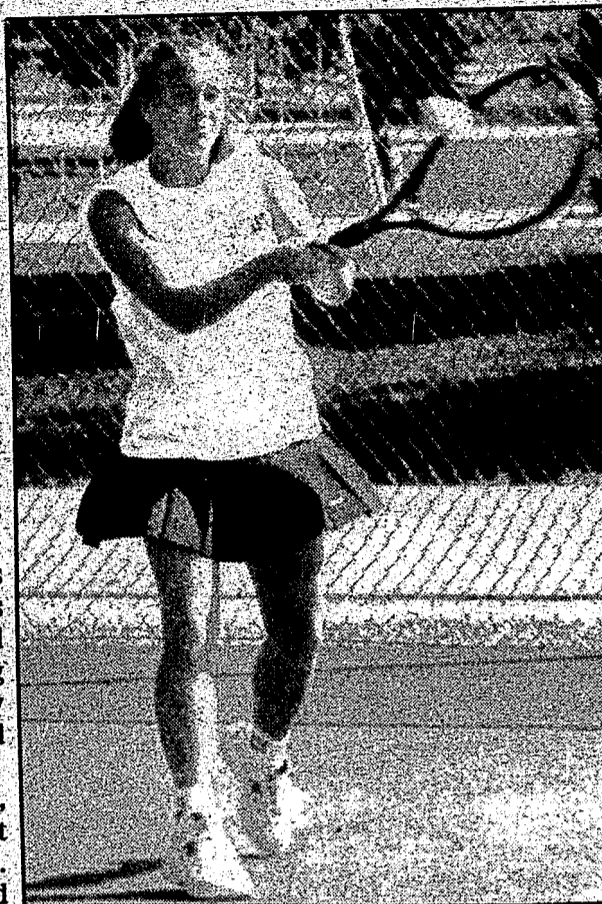
A funeral service took place Tuesday at the Lewis E. Wint and Son Trust 100 Funeral Home in Clarkston with Rev. Douglas Trebilcock officiating. Interment was at Oakland Hills Cemetery.

Athlete of the Week: Lauren Bogart

Salut, Lauren: No, she isn't related to that actor who owned the bar in Casablanca, but senior Lauren Bogart has dispatched many foes in her career the same way the Allied Forces took care of the German Army. Bogart is a veteran of the girls tennis team and is off to a good start at the #2 singles position. She breezed to a win over Brandon Thursday, and played perhaps her best match against Nada Abu-Isa Masternick of highly ranked Rochester Adams, losing 3-6, 7-5, 6-4. With so many young girls on the team, she is also being looked to for leadership. She was voted captain by her teammates, and sets a strong example with her work ethic, athletic skill, and supportive ways with her fellow tennis aces. Assistant coach Wayne Gilbert called Bogart one of the best female athletes he's ever been around.

Coach Melissa White on Lauren: Lauren is a very headstrong player, never anxious or nervous on the court. She is real consistent, stays strong and is very fast. She was at the front of our conditioning runs all the time in the offseason, even though I knew she didn't want to do that. She's just an all-around great athlete who never complains."

Lauren on Lauren: "Being a leader is good, because now, more is expected of me than just playing tennis. It's a much bigger responsibility. Last year, we had some seniors, so I wasn't expected to be a leader, I just kind of did it. They set a good example for me, and I'm trying to do the same for our younger players."



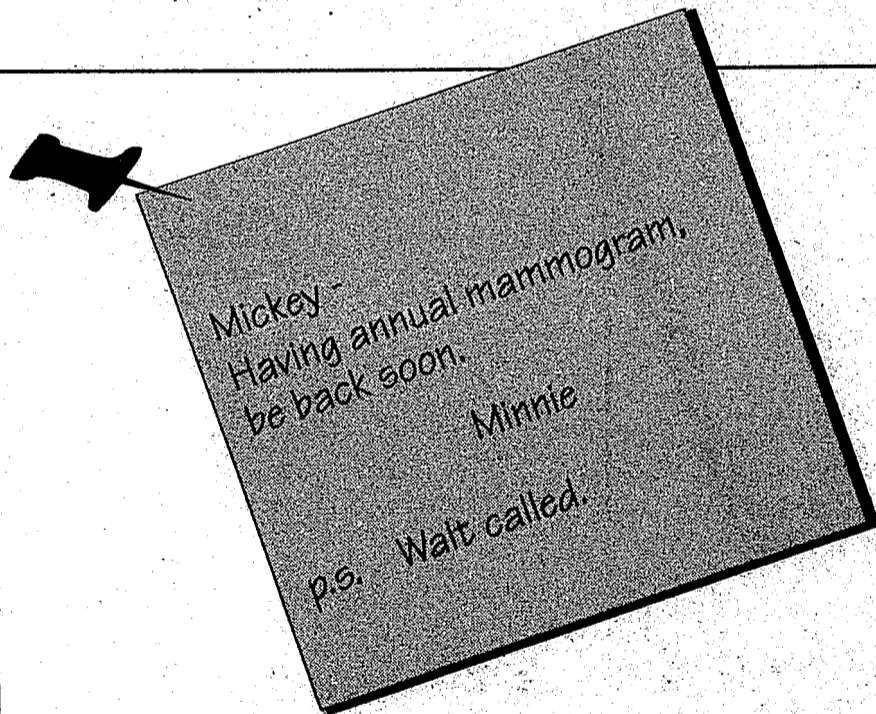
Lauren Bogart

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Cheerleaders looking forward to fun, exciting season

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squad, because in a way, it's a team full of captains. "There isn't one person that stands out," she said. "There are some, like Michelle, Jenny and Marie Fahrner, that the other girls look up to." Fahrner was voted the MVP of the JV cheerleading team last year.

In addition to their tireless work fans see on the field and in the gyms, the squad takes a lot of time for volunteer work. Hool said the team will volunteer at Special Olympics events throughout the state this year, and will work with kids at skiing events at Pine Knob in the winter. The team also participated in its annual Adopt-A-Road program this summer, cleaning up a section of Waldon Road near the old high school. At least, as much cleaning as can be expected of an area under so much construction.

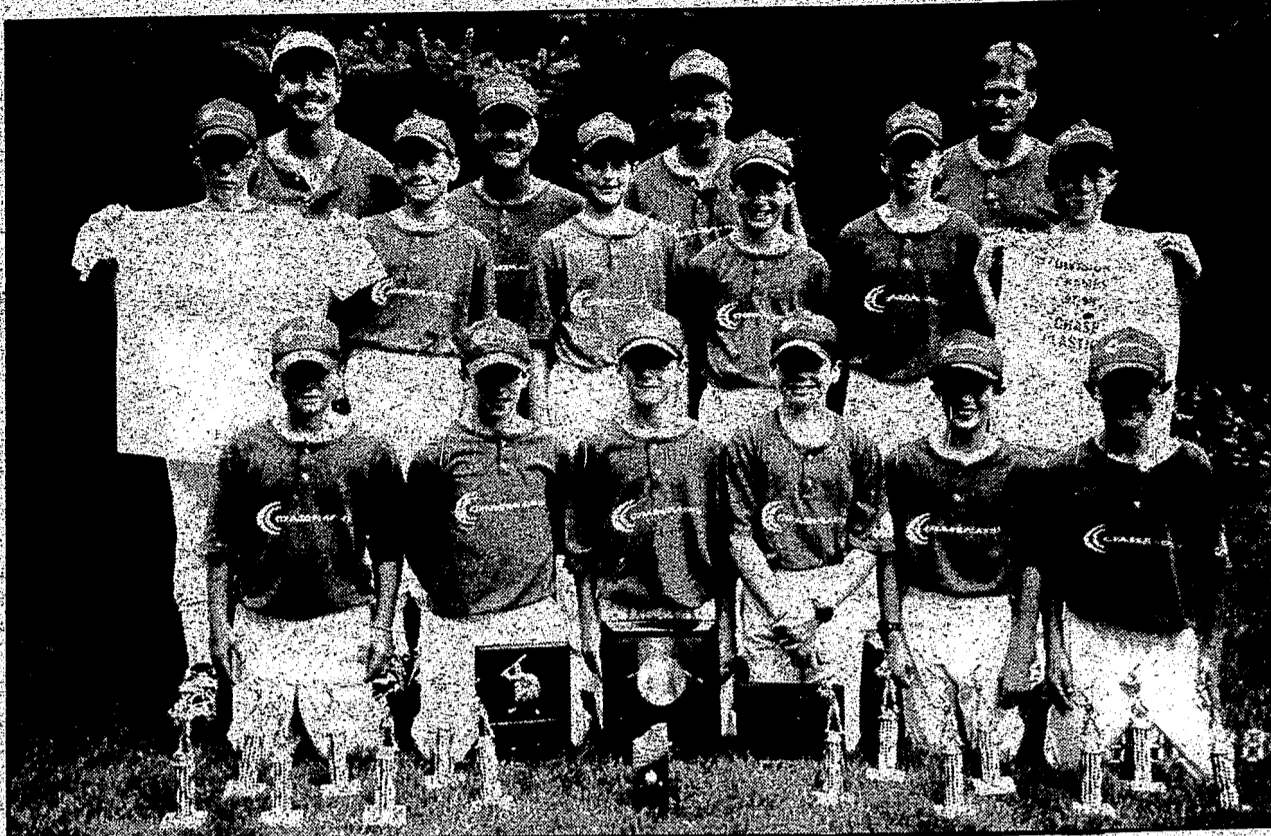
The team plans to cheer at a Detroit Lions home game once again this season. Last year, the team performed in front of more than 80,000 fans at the Pontiac Silverdome as the Lions upset the defending Super Bowl champions Green Bay Packers 26-15.

The team doesn't get into shape to do those flips, throws and tumbles just by putting on the uniform and showing up to games, as Hool pointed out.

"At practice, the girls run for two miles, then we do 30 more minutes of conditioning," she said. "We've got six girls who have the same kind of gymnastics background as Michelle has, so it's good that we can get different ideas for different areas."

The team did well in summer competitions at Camp Nahelu in Ortonville, and will participate in eight competitions starting in the late fall.

Back to back



The Chase Plastics 11-12 year old Independence Township Parks & Rec baseball team has had big-time success the past three years. With many of the players staying together through the 9-10 year old leagues, the team completed back-to-back playoff championship seasons this summer. The team members are: (back L-R) sponsor Kevin Chase, coach Craig Medlen, assistant coach Bob Hoff, assistant coach Tom Johns, (middle L-R) Danny Walsh, Jack Kinsey, Tom Garavaglia, Kyle Shepherd, Brian Chase, Keith Boatman, (front L-R) Scott Medlen, Trevor Johns, Bryan Morin, Robbie Hoff, Alec Sanger, and Franklin Kramer. Not pictured are Jeffrey Pearce and Luke Ward.

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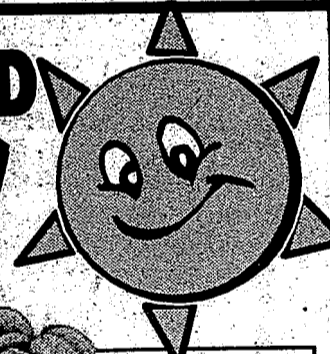
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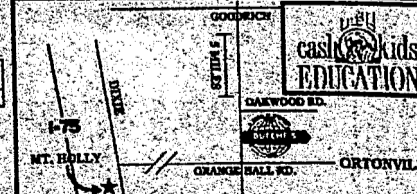
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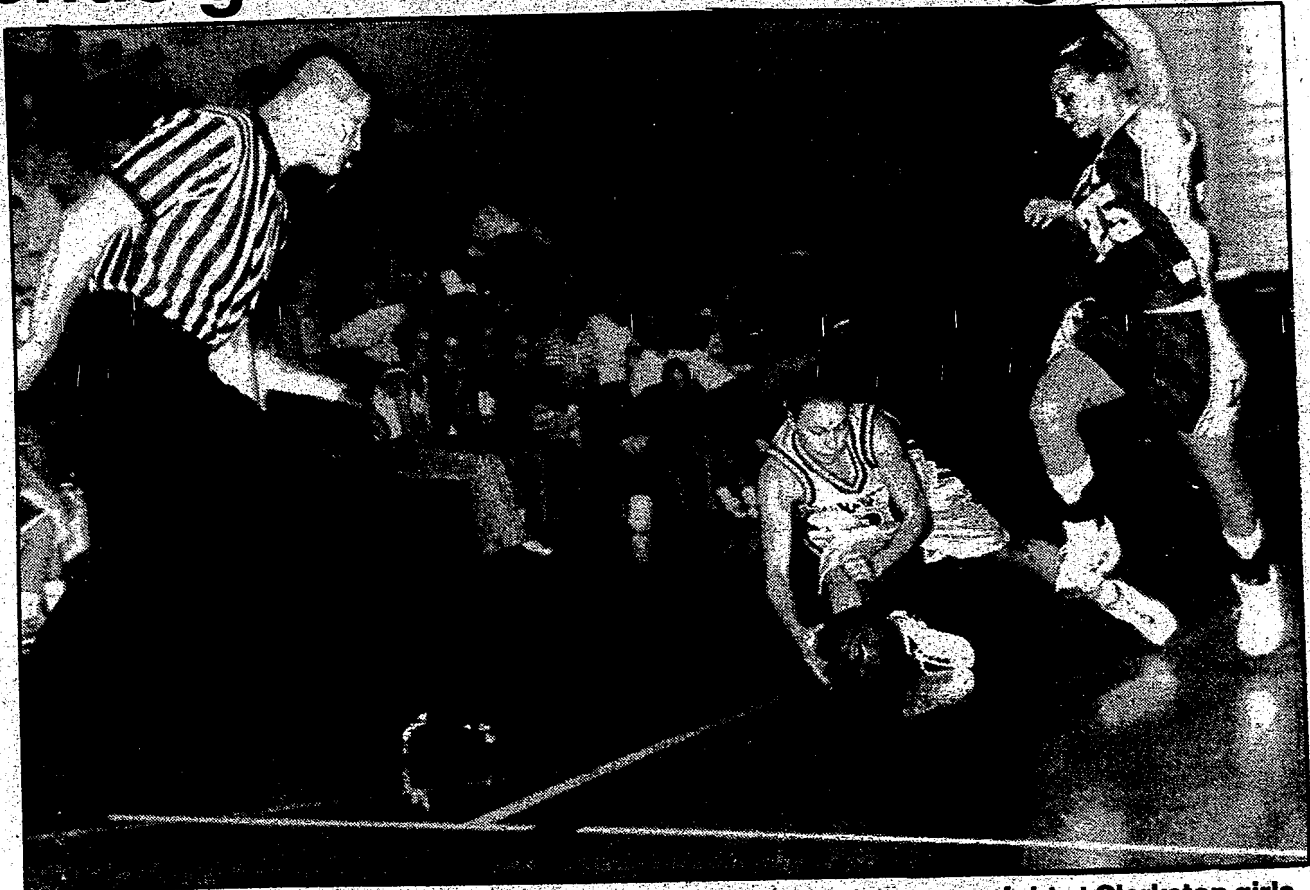
5 points in 6 seconds gives Wolves crushing loss



Oak. Christian 55

Clarkston 53

BY BRAD MONASTIERE
Clarkston News Staff Writer



Senior Deana Kanipe dives on the floor for a loose ball, a very common sight at Clarkston girls basketball games. Kanipe led the Wolves with 20 points in their season-opening 69-28 win over the Lapeer West Panthers Aug. 26.

Losses don't get much more gut-wrenching than this.

The Clarkston varsity girls basketball team lost a game in heartbreaking fashion, 55-53 to Oakland Christian Tuesday night in the first round of the Oxford Invitational at Oxford High School. The Wolves play at 5:30 p.m. Thursday against the loser of the Oxford-Lake Orion game in the tournament consolation game.

Oakland Christian's Becky Neal made three straight free throws, stole the inbounds pass, and sank an eight-foot baseline jumper in the last six seconds of the game to give the Lancers the win.

After the game, Clarkston coach Ann Lowney said Neal was the kind of player who can win games like that.

"Oakland Christian deserved to win that game," she said. "They outplayed us for 30 minutes, and we outplayed them for two.

"I should have called timeout (before the inbounds pass), because it's easier to score from halfcourt."

The loss spoiled a tough effort by several of Clarkston's young players like freshman Kaye Christie, sophomore Sarah Morgan and junior Candace Morgan. Christie played tough at both ends, finishing with 11 points, four rebounds and three steals. Sarah Morgan overcame foul trouble to convert key fourth-quarter baskets. Candace Morgan (no relation) played a terrific full-court game, with 14 points and a career-high five rebounds.

Lowney said the team will learn from the loss, specifically in raising their practice intensity level.

"Our practices have to be like games," she said. "We're a young team, and we need to grow up a little bit. We made turnovers in practice, and we turned the ball over tonight."

The Wolves started sluggish, falling behind 17-8 after the first quarter. Senior Deana Kanipe picked up two early fouls, and was unable to spark the team

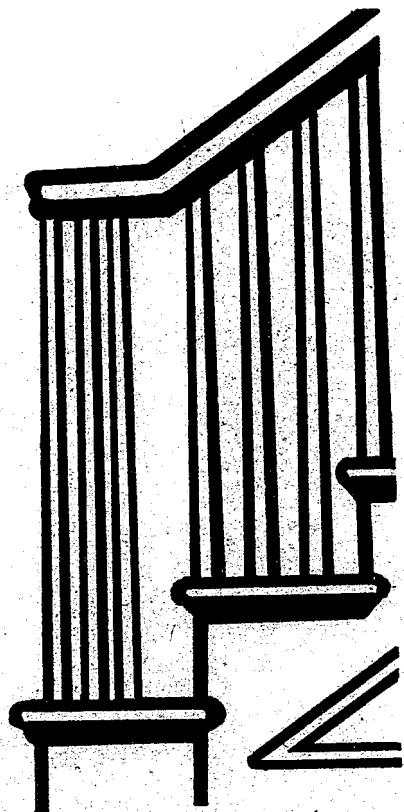
defensively like she normally does.

Down eight entering the second half, Clarkston came out with more energy and went on a 14-3 run that gave the Wolves their first lead of the game, 36-34. Christie played big, scoring six and dishing out two assists in the run.

Under Lowney, Clarkston has lost four regular-season games, by a combined total of nine points, going back to last season.

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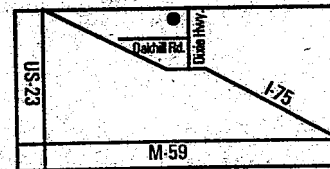


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Tired kickers manage tie with Knights; Berkley next

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BY BRAD MONASTIERE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

There was a lot more than meets the eye when it came to the week the varsity boys soccer team had.

With six players unavailable - three due to injury - the Wolves had to play three games in three days, each against excellent teams.

The exhausting run ended Thursday night, when the team tied Royal Oak Kimball 2-2 in an emotional, well-played game at the CHS field.

Clarkston, after a weekend to recover, plays at Bloomfield Hills Lahser Thursday night. The Wolves then head to Berkley Tuesday for a game with the Bears. The JV games start at 5:30 p.m.

Coach Dan Fitzgerald said getting the tie against Kimball was a positive for the tired, shorthanded team.

"We battled hard tonight, and getting the tie was probably the fair result," he said. "Three games in three days is tough, but next week, we have more of a normal week."

Against the Knights, the Wolves came through with maybe their best team effort so far this season. The midfielders controlled the play through much of the game, while senior goalkeeper Jeremy Fecteau made three point-blank saves, continuing his strong play early in the season.

Senior forward Eric Klemm opened the scoring by sneaking a shot past the Kimball goalkeeper with 9:49 left in the first half. He beat the keeper to a loose ball, and got just enough leg into it to put it into the net.

Kimball scored off a free-kick play 5:09 into the second half, tying the game 1-1.

Clarkston (0-3-1 overall, 0-0-1 in the OAA Division II) dominated the next 10 minutes of play, culmi-

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Senior Jeremy Parrott sends the ball downfield during Thursday's hotly contested 2-2 tie with Royal Oak Kimball. Clarkston is winless in its first four games, but has played difficult competition and has grappled with injuries so far this season.

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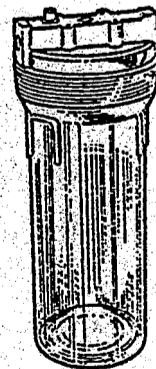
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Football playoff expansion plan outline announced

A plan for expanding the Michigan High School Athletic Association's Football Playoffs has been developed over the summer, and will be presented in detail to member schools this fall for their approval, with a final vote to be taken by the group's Representative Council at its fall meeting in Traverse City on December 2.

Ideas for playoff expansion were initially reviewed in June by a focus group of coaches and administrators. A plan was further refined from that meeting, and then reviewed at the summer workshop of the Michigan Interscholastic Athletic Administrators on July 22; the board of directors of the Michigan High School Football Coaches Association on July 30; and at the summer meeting of the Michigan Association of Secondary School Principals on August 4.

Using the input from those meetings, MHSAA staff will present at its annual Update Meeting series throughout October a plan which will include these features:

- A 5-week, 256-team playoff of 8 divisions, each with an equal number of schools, still ending Thanksgiving weekend;
- No teams with losing records would qualify;
- All teams with 6 or more wins would qualify.

Some teams with 5 wins may qualify on the basis of their playoff point average, with a nearly equal number of additional qualifiers being selected from Classes A, B, C and D;

- A nearly equal percentage of schools sponsoring football, approximately 40 percent, would qualify from each of the four classes, up from 18 percent in Class A, 17 percent in Class B, 19 percent in Class C, and 38 percent in Class D, when compared to 1997 qualifiers;

The selection of the 256 teams, their classification into 8 divisions of 32 schools each, and their assignment into Regions and Districts would all occur on "Selection Sunday" at the conclusion of the regular season. Playoff point averages, with no changes from the current point system, would be used to seed teams within their geographic districts and to determine District pairings and hosts.

Following the presentation of the plan to school

administrators at the Update meetings, a mail survey will be sent to football sponsoring schools so that by the Representative Council meeting in December, the final plan, its rationale and the membership's reaction can be used to make a final decision.

"This plan incorporates a number of changes from how the MHSAA Football Playoffs have been conducted in the past, including the classification of schools for the tournament and how playoff points are used in the process," said John E. "Jack" Roberts, executive director of the association. "Many people who opposed previous playoff expansion plans see this as a way of getting quality teams into the tournament, and at the same time, relieving some of the pressure on leagues and conferences, and on schools which historically have trouble scheduling opponents."

The plan would allow, but not require schools to begin practices and regular-season play a week earlier. The classification process of teams for the tournament would not occur until Selection Sunday, when all of the 6-win teams have been identified and additional teams have been added to fill out the bracket. (NOTE: In the past 10 years, no more than 241 schools had 6 or more wins during the regular season.) Schools would

become aware of pairings Sunday night or Monday the first week of playoffs, the first three weeks of which would be conducted at the host schools based on district and regional alignments and playoff point averages. Semifinal sites would continue to be arranged by the MHSAA office.

The MHSAA Representative Council voted last May to expand the football playoffs, but not to the extent of a 6-week, 512-school format; and it directed the staff to develop a plan for its consideration at its fall meeting.

"Those who have opposed football playoff expansion because it might dilute the playoffs and cause more early round mismatches may be pleased with this proposal," said Roberts. "Those who didn't want games or practices to start earlier may be less pleased because schools will be able to maintain a 9-game regular-season schedule only if they start games a week earlier and begin practices 2 days earlier in 5 of the next 7 years."

The proposal would allow schools to schedule games and practices earlier in 1999. Expansion to the 5-week playoff is scheduled to occur in 2000 under this proposal.

Soccer team has three games in three days

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nating in a pretty goal by junior Bill Kalush off a corner kick. After the ball bounced around, Kalush got the ball with his back to the goal, spun on one leg, and delivered a strike into the top part of the net.

The lead didn't last long. Kimball took the ball when play resumed and took 13 seconds to get into the Clarkston box. A tackle in the box resulted in a penalty-kick goal for the Knights tying the game at 2-2.

The game ended in a furious exchange of end-to-end-rushes by both teams, each one coming up dry.

Four games into the new season, Fitzgerald said the team still needs to get healthy in order to put the lineup on the field he thinks can make the team successful.

"Dustin Coleman has been playing in the back, but I'd really rather have him play in goal," he said. "Jeremy has been a nice surprise in goal, and has played very well. Dustin has played tough in the back, and Mike Licata and Jared Bauer have played pretty good too."

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New pom pon coach wants a positive atmosphere

From Page 3B

been in the past," Rossman said. "We have very high expectations and we have to meet them."

Rossman is a government and U.S. history teacher in the Clarkston school district. She attended Bluffton College in Ohio after being on her high school pom pon squad for four years.

As the first game of the season approaches, Rossman and her team are already excited for the Friday nights, performing in front of jam-packed crowds at the new Clarkston High School field.

"We're really looking forward to it," she said. "They're excited, and half of our team is new from last

year, so we're all learning together. We will try to get happy, have fun and be proud of anything we accomplish."

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Because the People Want to Know

CLARKSTON

CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF CLARKSTON

SUMMARY
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 24, 1998

Meeting called to order by Mayor Catalo at 7:02 p.m.
Present: Catalo, Clifton, Colombo, Gamble, Roeser, Sanderson.
Absent: Savage.
Minutes of August 10, 1998, approved as presented.
Agenda approved as presented.
Clifton reported that FUN DAZE will be held on October 3 and it is proposed that FUN DAZE will be held in conjunction with a Taste of Independence with a possibility of holding events at Washington and Main Streets.
Gamble reported that a Mill Pond Association Subcommittee that met on August 19 with Frank Millard with discussions regarding a Lake Board. Mill Pond residents will be polled on this matter by the Mill Pond Association.
Mayor Catalo and Pappas reviewed a letter from SCAMP that stated that \$6,500 was raised on July 31 in Depot Park by the ice cream social and car show.
Chief Ormiston reported that work had begun on the M-15 improvements north of the City.
The Chief reported that one of his officers has been trained at the weigh master course for control of truck traffic.
Road Commission for Oakland County will be placing signs at Robertson Court showing no right turns from Clarkston Road from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m.
Sy Stone, Building Inspector, reported that there is still a grease problem in the downtown sanitary sewer lines. Stone asked that the Council consider an ordinance to require grease traps to be cleaned by companies that specialize in this with appropriate timing and logs.
The second reading of the Truck Ordinance will take place after more studies are conducted.
Meeting adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Artemus M. Pappas
Clerk

September 2, 1998

PUBLIC NOTICE

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CLARKSTON

CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF CLARKSTON

SUMMARY
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 10, 1998

Meeting called to order by Mayor Catalo at 7:03 p.m.
Present: Catalo, Clifton, Colombo, Gamble, Sanderson, Savage.
Absent: Roeser.
Minutes of July 27, 1998, approved.
Agenda approved as presented.
Bills in the amount of \$51,222.16 approved for payment.
Zoning change for City offices discussed. Council to recommend present zoning.
Mayor Catalo questioned MDOT's 15-year plan on widening M-15.
Truck Ordinance discussed with reference to reclassifying certain roads.
Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Karen Sanderson
Recorder

September 2, 1998

PUBLIC NOTICE

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INDEPENDENCE TWP.

LEGAL NOTICE

LAKE IMPROVEMENT BOARD FOR WALTERS LAKE
TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE,
OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN
NOTICE OF CONFIRMATION OF
SPECIAL ASSESSMENT ROLL

Notice is hereby given that the Lake Improvement Board for Walters Lake held a Public Hearing on August 12, 1998, and subsequently confirmed a Five-Year Special Assessment Roll for the purposes of implementing an Aquatic Weed Control and Fish Stocking Program for the Years 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, and 2003.

This Notice of Confirmation of the Special Assessment Roll is published pursuant to the provisions of Part 309 (Section 30912) of Public Act No. 59 of 1995.

Lake Improvement Board
for Walters Lake

September 2 and 9, 1998

PUBLIC NOTICE

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INDEPENDENCE TWP.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE

NOTICE OF HEARING
ON REVISED COST ESTIMATE,
REVISED SHARE OF
SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT AND
SPECIAL ASSESSMENT ROLL
FOR THE TOWNSEND LAKE AREA
SEWER IMPROVEMENTS

The Township Board of the Charter Township of Independence has previously determined to acquire and construct sewer improvements along Corunna and Harding Avenues and Whithorn Drive in the Charter Township of Independence and to assess part of the cost thereof to a special assessment district consisting of the following described lands:

Description of Special Assessment District

The Townsend Lake Area Sewer Improvements Special Assessment District shall consist of the properties located along Corunna and Harding Avenues and Whithorn Drive in the Charter Township of Independence that have the following tax identification (sidwell) numbers:

08-33-304-004	08-33-330-002
08-33-304-008	08-33-331-019
08-33-327-033	08-33-331-018
08-33-328-018	08-33-331-017
08-33-328-022	08-33-331-016
08-33-328-021	08-33-331-015
08-33-328-023	08-33-331-014
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08-33-355-001	08-33-331-009
08-33-355-002	08-33-331-024
08-33-355-010	08-33-331-023
08-33-355-011	08-33-331-022
08-33-329-005	08-33-327-035
08-33-329-006	08-33-327-036
08-33-330-001	08-33-327-045

A public hearing was held on December 2, 1997, at which time all interested persons were given the opportunity to be heard relative to the making of the improvements and the special assessment district therefor. Subsequent to the opening of construction bids for the improvements on August 26, 1998, a revised cost estimate of \$400,000 and a revised share of the special assessment district in the amount of \$400,000 have been submitted to the Township Board and filed in the office of the Township Clerk.

A special assessment roll assessing \$400,000 of the cost of said improvements to the aforesaid special assessment district has been prepared and filed in the office of the Township Clerk.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a public hearing will be held on Tuesday, September 15, 1998, at the Township Hall Annex, 90 North Main Street, Clarkston, Michigan, at 7:30 p.m., at which time any interested person will be given the opportunity to object to the revised cost estimate, the revised share of the special assessment district and the special assessment roll as prepared by the Township Supervisor. A person objecting to the revised cost estimate, the revised share of the special assessment district or the special assessment roll shall file the objection in writing with the Township Clerk before the close of the hearing or within such further time as the Township Board may grant.

Appearance and protest of the special assessment at the hearing is required in order to appeal the amount of the special assessment to the Michigan Tax Tribunal. An owner of or party in interest in property to be assessed, or his or her agent, may appear in person to protest the special assessment, or may protest the special assessment by letter filed with the Township Clerk at or prior to the time of the hearing. In which case appearance in person is not required. If the special assessment is protested as provided above, the owner or any party having an interest in the real property may file a written appeal of the special assessment with the Michigan Tax Tribunal or other court of competent jurisdiction within 30 days after the confirmation of the special assessment roll.

The plans and revised cost estimate of the improvements are on file with the Township Clerk for public inspection.

Joan E. McCrary, Clerk
Charter Township of Independence

September 2 and September 9, 1998

PUBLIC NOTICE

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INDEPENDENCE TWP.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

The Independence Township Board of Appeals will meet Wednesday, September 16, 1998 at 7:30 p.m. at the Independence Township Annex Board Room, 90 North Main Street, Clarkston, MI 48346 to hear the following cases:

- Case #98-0091 Norman Thompson, Petitioner
APPLICANT REQUESTS SIDE YARD SETBACK VARIANCE OF 5' TO CONSTRUCT DETACHED GARAGE ON NON CONFORMING LOT OF RECORD
Drayton Rd, Lots 129, R-1A
Drayton Heights Sub
08-34-127-045
- Case #98-0092 John Willhite, Petitioner
APPLICANT REQUESTS VARIANCE TO CONSTRUCT 1200 SQ FT 2nd GARAGE (DETACHED)
S. Eston Rd, Lot 43, R-1A
Walter's Clarkston-Orion Acres
08-13-301-026
- Case #98-0093 Robert Rood, Petitioner
APPLICANT REQUESTS VARIANCE TO CONSTRUCT 2nd STORY ADDITION ON NON CONFORMING LOT OF RECORD
Meyers, Lot 45, R-1A
Lake Oakland Knobs
08-34-478-021
- Case #98-0094 Fox Creek Associates, L.P., Petitioner
APPLICANT REQUESTS VARIANCE TO ALLOW TEMPORARY RENTAL OFFICE TRAILER
Clintonville Rd (Fox Creek) R-2
08-36-151-008
- Case #98-0095 A. Larson Company, Petitioner
APPLICANT REQUESTS VARIANCE FOR REMOTE GROUND SIGN
Sashabaw Rd, IOP Zoning
08-27-201-005
- Case #98-0096 David Katz, Petitioner
APPLICANT REQUESTS FRONT YARD SETBACK VARIANCE OF 12' FROM FUTURE ROAD RIGHT OF WAY TO REMODEL EXISTING BUILDING
Sashabaw Rd, OS-2 Zoning
08-27-201-022

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN THAT THE ABOVE REQUESTS MAY BE EXAMINED at the Independence Township Building Department during regular hours each day, Monday through Friday until the date of the Public Hearing. For Further Information call (248) 625-8111.

Respectfully submitted,
Joan E. McCrary,
Township Clerk
Beverly A. McElmeel
Director

September 2, 1998

PUBLIC NOTICE

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INDEPENDENCE TWP.

LEGAL NOTICE

LAKE IMPROVEMENT BOARD FOR WALTERS LAKE

TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE,

OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN

NOTICE OF DETERMINATION OF PRACTICABILITY

Notice is hereby given that at a Public Hearing held on August 12, 1998, the Lake Improvement Board for Walters Lake, by resolution, determined that a proposed five year program consisting of an Aquatic Weed Control and Fish Stocking Program was practical and approved the program's estimated annual cost of \$38,500.00.

This Notice of Resolution is published pursuant to the provisions of Part 309 (Section 30913) of Public Act No. 59 of 1995.

Lake Improvement Board
for Walters Lake

September 2, 1998

PUBLIC NOTICE

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INDEPENDENCE TWP.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE

PUBLIC NOTICE

TO DETERMINE PUBLIC HIGHWAY

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Charter Township of Independence, acting upon Petition of 51% or more of the property owners along High Street, 4th Street and Woodhull Drive in Woodhull Lake Subdivision No. 1 and 2nd Street in Woodhull Lake Subdivision No. 2, and upon the written consent of the Oakland County Board of Road Commissioners, has commenced a Circuit Court action, entitled "The Complaint Of The Charter Township Of Independence For Adjudication That High Street, 4th Street and Woodhull Drive in Woodhull Lake Subdivision No. 1 and 2nd Street in Woodhull Lake Subdivision No. 2 Are Public Highways," Oakland County Circuit Court Cases No. 98-008588-CZ, seeking a determination by the Court that High Street, 4th Street and Woodhull Drive in Woodhull Lake Subdivision No. 1 and 2nd Street in Woodhull Lake Subdivision No. 2 are public highways. The roads in question are situated in Woodhull Lake Subdivision No. 1 and Woodhull Lake Subdivision No. 2; Section 34 of Independence Township.

An Order for Hearing was entered by the Court setting a hearing in the case for September 23, 1998 at 8:30 o'clock in the morning before Honorable Fred M. Mester. At such hearing, if there are no objections to the Petition, the Court will be requested to enter a judgement determining that High Street, 4th Street and Woodhull Drive in Woodhull Lake Subdivision No. 1 and 2nd Street in Woodhull Lake Subdivision No. 2 are public highways, and further determining the length and boundaries of such public highways.

A copy of the Complaint filed in the case may be examined at the offices of the Charter Township of Independence, 90 N. Main Street, Clarkston, MI.

Joan McCrary, Clerk

September 2 and 9, 1998

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