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Seven swans found dead on area lake

Poisoning or shooting might be a factor, says official

BY RENEE WIGHTMAN
Clarkston News Staff Writer

The reason why seven dead swans have turned up dead in the marshes of Woodhull Lake is a mystery to its residents and local officials.

Tuesday morning, Craig Richardson, water superintendent for Independence Township Department of Public Works, received a call from township supervisor Dale Stuart about a number of swans reported dead. Homer Mayberry, a resident in Pelton Heights subdivision, had noticed the swans and contacted Stuart.

Richardson removed three carcasses from the site, on the north end of the lake, and took them to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources in Holly to have the cause of death determined by autopsy. He said results will not be known for about two to three weeks.

Mayberry said he noticed a dead swan nearby a couple weeks ago, but was not immediately alarmed. "I didn't think much of it, but then I get out my binoculars and start looking, and start counting."

He first called DNR officials, and was told several other Woodhull Lake residents had made calls. Mayberry, who has lived in the subdivision for many years, said the incident is highly unusual.

"In 15 years, I've never seen a dead swan."

Richardson said the level of deterioration of each bird indicates a human could have been involved with the deaths over an extended period of time. He said experience in wildlife rehabilitation shows death by natural causes is not likely a factor.

"Usually, it's some kind of poison, or from someone shooting them. It's one or the other," Richardson said. "This is terrible."

Anyone with information on the incident should contact either the DNR at 248-666-1020 or the Oakland County Sheriff's Department at 858-5000.

'A Case of Libel' starts Friday

Clarkston Village Players present "A Case of Libel," running Thursdays and weekends, March 10-25 at the Depot Theater in Clarkston.

The courtroom drama depicts a clash between a celebrated war correspondent and a popular syndicated columnist. The subject of free speech and the evils of extremism are examined. Thursday showtime is 7:30 p.m.; tickets are \$10. Friday and Saturday shows begin at 8 p.m.; tickets are \$12.

Call 625-8811 for more information.

Salsa-style



Photo by Ed Davis

The Clarkston varsity pom-pom team performed a dance routine at halftime during the March 3 basketball game versus Troy.

The girls danced to several songs by Latin pop star Ricky Martin in a salsa theme for the show.

Crime down in Independence

BY EILEEN McCARVILLE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

As predicted, crime statistics for the past year show Independence Township is one of the safest places to live in Oakland County.

Sgt. Ken Quisenberry of the Oakland County Sheriff's Department Independence substation interpreted the 1999 Crime Statistics report Monday morning. The figures are compiled each year by Kay Williams, OCSD record supervisor, from CLEMIS (Courts and Law Enforcement Management Information Systems) for Oakland County. Other neighboring communities which contract with the OCSD include Brandon, Orion and Springfield townships.

The report shows 14,958 reported incidents in the township last year. A breakdown of comparisons of primary crimes in the last three years shows a drop in assaults, larcenies, violation of drug laws and OUILs (Operating Under the Influence of Liquor):

■ Assaults decreased from 370 in 1997 to 349 in 1998 to 310 in 1999.

■ Larcenies decreased from 805 in 1997 to 672 in 1998 to 626 in 1999.

■ Drug law violations declined from 73 in 1997 to 57 in 1998 to 55 in 1999.

■ One of the most significant changes showed OUILs jumping from 91 reported incidents in 1998 to almost one third less — 69 incidents — last year.

In other major areas, Independence showed no murder/homicides, negligent homicides, liquor law violations, gambling or watercraft fatalities in 1999.

Several categories, however, saw increases, including home invasions/burglary, which rose from 105 in 1998 to 127 in 1999. However, there was a big drop in 1998, with 160 incidents reported the year before.

Quisenberry said the statistics are turned over to the state and then the federal government, which helps to paint a general picture of crime trends in the nation. There are several things to keep in mind as you decipher the figures, he said. For instance, all assaults are lumped into one general category which could range from a boyfriend-girlfriend spat to a full-blown barroom brawl. Or, a report of a juvenile runaway "could read: runaway juvenile who stayed an hour longer at a

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The News in Brief

Public hearing on local phone service March 20

A public hearing will take place Monday, March 20 from 2-5 p.m. at the Oakland County Commissioner's Auditorium for citizens concerned about local phone service.

County residents are urged to attend and testify in this matter. Contact Rep. Ruth Johnson at (800) 510-RUTH or (517) 373-1798 with questions.

Las Vegas Night March 25

The Clarkston Knights of Columbus, Pope John XXII Council, will host Las Vegas Night March 25 at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 5660 Maybee Road in Clarkston.

The event is from 7:30 p.m. until midnight. Donation is \$5 and includes admission, door prize drawing and two free chips.

A 50/50 raffle will take place each half hour; grand door prize is \$200. Maximum winnings per person is \$500.

OTC Northwest Inn now open

Oakland Technical Center-Northwest Campus' Northwest Inn is now open for spring dining on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 11:30 to 1 p.m.

Reservations are asked for special day buffets, including St. Patrick's Day March 17, and the Spring Day buffet April 7. Breakfast buffet days are Thursdays. Call 922-5800 for more information.

Health education materials available for preview

A public preview of the new health education materials recommended for use in eighth grade will take place March 13.

A video, "Abstinence: It's the Right Choice," and the S.W.E.A.T. classes instructional material Abstinence and Health, Making Life Choices text for ninth through 12th grades, will be on display at the Clarkston School Board Office, 6389 Clarkston Road, from 5:45-6:45 p.m., prior to the March 13 school board meeting at 7 p.m.

For more information, contact Geraldine Moore, director of curriculum, research, planning and evaluation, at 623-5414.

Joint PTA meeting for middle schools March 20

On Monday, March 20, Clarkston Middle School will host a joint PTA meeting with Sashabaw Middle School. The meeting will take place at 7 p.m. in the CMS auditorium.

The featured speaker will be Kelly Kanigowski, Student Assistance Coordinator for Clarkston Community Schools. All parents of middle school students for the 2000-01 school year are invited to attend.

For more information, call Karen Dickey at 620-4650.

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Spotlight

Commissioner Millard appointed to national steering committee

Oakland County Commissioner Frank H. Millard Jr. (R-Waterford Twp., Independence Twp., Clarkston) was recently named a member of the National Association of Counties' (NACo) Justice and Public Safety Steering Committee by NACo president C. Vernon Gray.

Millard was first elected to serve as a county commissioner in 1990. He has been an active leader as chairperson of the Board of Commissioners Public Services Committee, which is liaison to Oakland County's sheriff, prosecutor, and the circuit and district courts.

He also serves as member of the Board of Commissioners Finance Committee, and previously chaired the Jail Task Force (1998) and E-911 Committee (1998).

NACo was created in 1935 when county officials wanted to have a strong voice in the nation's capital. NACo's 13 steering committees form the policy-making arm of the association. "Serving on NACo's Justice and Public Safety Steering Committee will be an excellent opportunity to push for both the legislation and the funding needed by our local criminal justice and public safety systems," Millard said.

The committee's recommendations on legislative policies and goals will be presented to NACo's membership during the association's annual conference. If approved, they become part of the *American County Platform* -- the basis of NACo's efforts in representing counties before Congress and the White House.

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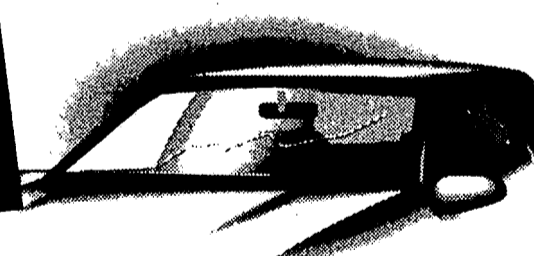
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The Second Front

'You have control over your own life'

Pro boxing trainer speaks to CHS students about life choices

BY RENEE WIGHTMAN
Clarkston News Staff Writer

In between training sessions with the world's top professional boxers, Emanuel Steward took time out March 25 to bring his thoughts on life and learning into the classroom.

He visited Clarkston High School and spoke to students involved in the Adopt-A-High-School-Student mentoring program. Steward has trained more than 20 boxers in his career, including champions Lennox Lewis, Evander Holyfield and Thomas Hearns.

The mentoring program is in its first year and was created by Vincent Licata, assistant principal at CHS. Teachers are matched with a high schooler and track their attendance, grades and disciplinary conduct throughout the school year.

"Hopefully, these kids are connecting. We hope to see improvement," Licata said.

To help make that connection, a friend of Steward's -- Arthur Greenstone, a lawyer and husband to CHS special education teacher Barbara -- arranged for Steward to speak to the mentor group.

Greenstone said a recent meeting with basketball great Michael Jordan is proof of the name recognition Steward carries. He asked Jordan who he believes are the three most important sports personalities today. Jordan listed Muhammed Ali, himself and Steward.

"Wherever he goes, he's famous," Greenstone said of Steward. "He is so much more than sports -- he has a genius IQ, he is a businessman, and the most famous manager and trainer in boxing.

"He's a mentor -- a father figure -- to so many people." Greenstone added President Ronald Reagan asked to meet Steward on one occasion.

Steward was born in West Virginia, and said at

an early age, he was interested in street fighting. However, with the challenge also came danger, and he narrowly missed being placed in a juvenile detention center for his actions.

"I loved to fight. I'd of been in jail if not for professional boxing. It was a different way of life," Steward said.

He then learned of professional boxing and became a Little Junior Golden Gloves boxing champ in his teens. By age 16, he was fighting in the Tournament of Champions. Despite the accolades, Steward says being humble counts.

"I've dealt with a lot of personalities and egos, especially with athletes," he said. "Superstars can also be very selfish.

"Some people enjoy giving, but some people only want to get things."

Other words of wisdom:

- "You have control over your own life."
- "Life is not necessarily fair."
- "Regardless of what you may do, some people will never like you."

He gave an example of how an individual's success can change others' opinions of the person. Steward said a group of African men he'd met once in Yugoslavia who snubbed him for his "white blood" turned out to admire him when he became a multimillionaire years later.

"The moral of the story is, people are people, but

racism is always there," Steward said.

■ "Personalities are a result of life experiences, so accept that. Different people have different personalities, and a different situation."

■ "You've got to take a gamble to be successful -- and you have to like what you're doing, or you won't be successful.

"Depend on yourself; have confidence in yourself."

■ "You are going to be running things some-

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Photo courtesy of kronkgym.com

World-renowned professional boxing trainer Emanuel Steward with world heavyweight champion Lennox Lewis. Steward spoke to a group of students in the Adopt-A-High-School-Student mentoring program at Clarkston High School March 25.

Local students chosen for Honors Choir

Three students from Sashabaw Middle School and one Clarkston High School freshman were chosen to participate in the American Choral Directors Regional Junior High Honors Choir 2000 performance Feb. 23-26 in Cincinnati, Ohio.

CHS freshman Kourtney McLean and eighth graders Jessica DeZess, Lauren Hunt, and Rachael Simms were notified of their selection in October, after submitting audition tapes a month earlier to the ACDA.

The students performed for an audience of 4,000 at the regional convention.

Only eight other schools in Michigan had students chosen. This is the second ACDA Regional Honors Choir experience for McLean; she also participated in the 1998 ACDA convention in Detroit.

The students' choir directors are Becky Linder at SMS and Mike Peterson at CHS. The program included classical music and arrangements, such as "Exsultate Justi" by Viadana, "Who Sees?" by Porterfield, and "Adijo, Kerida," a Spanish love song arranged by Jacobsen.



Photo courtesy of Becky Linder

(From left) Sashabaw Middle School eighth graders Jessica DeZess, Lauren Hunt, and Rachael Simms, and Kourtney McLean, Clarkston High School freshman, are still smiling after two days of grueling rehearsals at the American Choral Directors Regional Junior High Honors Choir 2000.

Board OK's improvements for fire department

BY EILEEN MCARVILLE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

The township fire department can now take three items off its wish list.

Three items were unanimously approved by the Independence Township Board of Trustees Feb. 15 for the Independence Township Fire Department. They include the addition of an assistant fire chief, a new contract for dispatching services from the Oakland County Sheriff's Department and remodeling improvements for Fire Station #3 on Maybee Road.

■Assistant fire chief

The board approved the addition of a nonunion assistant fire chief to the department in October 1998. The position has been posted, and after considering 20 applicants, four were recently interviewed as finalists and ranked by Chief Gar Wilson and Township Supervisor Dale Stuart. Township Fire Captain Steve Ronk, who has worked for the fire department since 1975, was recommended. The board approved his hiring at the meeting. Ronk's starting salary is \$52,000 with benefits that mirror those under the Fire Union Contract. He begins his new position March 13.

The position of assistant fire chief -- a position the township has had in place before, said Wilson -- is second in command in the fire department. The assistant fire chief has the authority over all shifts and personnel, a managerial position that includes directing suppression, maintenance, training and communications.

Wilson said earlier, this will free him up to concentrate more on planning and policy issues. With his departure from fire captain, Ronk will have to be replaced, which will also involve hiring a new driver/engineer as well.

Wilson said Ronk is "more than capable in doing the job. The education he's done over the years lends to it too." Ronk began working as a teenager and took classes and training, Wilson said. After two years, he became an on-call firefighter. "A year or two later, he became full-time," Wilson said. He was a driver/engineer until he was promoted to captain in the mid-'80s. Ronk's father, Frank "Tink" Ronk was a past fire chief and also a past township supervisor.

■New dispatch services with the OCSD

Chief Wilson recommended a new dispatch contract with the OCSD, which has been the department's 911 Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP). Over the past three years, the department has looked at dispatching with a variety of outside groups, including the OCSD and also American Medical Response (AMR) and police departments in Waterford and Oxford.

However, Wilson said "there have been roadblocks along the way," including "uncertainty of their continuation (for example, Oxford's police department was recently disbanded)." On Feb. 15, the board approved the recommendation for a two-year contract, with the annual cost of \$28,000. Using the OCSD for dispatching will provide more manpower because it will free up one of the firefighters at the stations, Wilson said.

Wilson told board members calls for fires, medicals and other situations used to be transferred to firefighters, via the OCSD, and ring in to the station. Firefighters will now carry radio receptors that will receive the calls. "It's a tone that alerts the radios that the firefighters carry," Wilson said. Firefighters will also receive the calls by radio inside the stations. The department will keep its old radio system as a backup, Wilson said.

■Remodeling of Fire Station #3

The board gave Wilson permission to begin the bidding process for remodeling, estimated to cost \$400,000. The fact that the station has fallen into such a sorry state caused Trustee Neil Wallace to quip he wondered why it hadn't been "condemned."

"It definitely needs the work," Wallace said.

Plans call for doubling the size of the living quarters (from 700 to 1,400 square feet), adding work rooms to one of the three bays, extending the two remaining truck bays, a new pitched roof, heating and electrical improvements and an enlarged parking area. The station will also see a new entrance off Maybee, and the bays will be converted into drive-throughs so trucks can drive through the front or back.


Wilson said the improvements are seriously needed. "We need to build this up to speed and make the people proud of this site," he said. One significant problem has been the old flat roof, which causes water troubles. "Flat roofs in Michigan don't work too well," said Wilson, noting water and snow damage.

The new pitched roof will provide "a much better path for shedding water." The station's exterior will also be spruced up with a new, grayish green paint job. Local architect David Katz was selected as the architect for the project. Wilson said he expects construction to begin this April, with completion by mid-summer.

Trustee Jeff McGee wanted to know if the remodeling meant the new station was consistent with local growth. He also asked if the department might be eyeing new, additional stations. "We're remodeling this station for the area it's in," Wilson said.

"As far as any future stations, I wouldn't want to say that."

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School board trustee to receive GM safety award for design efforts

Kurt Shanks, Independence Township resident and Clarkston School board trustee, will be honored May 24 at the GM Chairman's Honors Gala Event, held at the Ritz Carlton in Dearborn, for his work leading a GM safety team in their efforts to design safer vehicles.

Shanks is manager of a safety group at GM that is responsible for the crash safety of several car and truck programs.

He led a team of engineers and analysts from a wide cross-section of the company in improving the performance of GM's large and luxury cars in a severe crash test conducted by the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety. The test aired on NBC's *Dateline* television program.

The off-set crash test runs a car into a crushable barrier at 40 miles per hour. The test exceeds federal safety requirements.

Due to his efforts, Shanks and his team have convinced the Insurance Institute that concise criteria provided to automakers up front directly affects design efforts. His team will receive the "Best of the Best" award for this outstanding accomplishment.



Kurt Shanks

Springfield Twp. fire

Feb. 29-March 5, 2000, the Springfield Township Fire Department responded to four calls for medical assistance, one personal injury accident, three calls to grass fires, one call about a property damage accident, one illegal burn and one smoke investigation.

Tuesday, Feb. 29 -- Firefighters responded to a property damage accident on East Holly Road at I-75. No injuries were reported. Grass fire on Neal Road.

Friday, March 3 -- Smoke investigation in the area of Town & Country Dodge on Dixie Highway. Nothing was found.

Saturday, March 4 -- Firefighters responded to a grass fire on Dilley Road near the railroad tracks.

Personal injury accident at Dixie Highway and I-75. Minor injuries were reported.

Sunday, March 5 -- Report of an illegal burn; no further information was given.

Grass fire season alert

Springfield Township residents who need to obtain a burn permit for burning brush only can call 248-634-6766.

Permits will continue to be issued as long as the state does not put a moratorium on burning. Fire department officials ask residents use extra precaution in coming months when burning.

Police reports return next week

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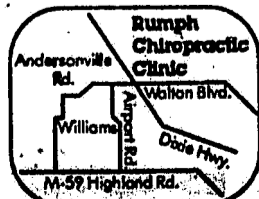
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Letters To The Editor

Political sign causes some curiosity

Dear Editor,

On the morning of our local Presidential Primary election, Tuesday, February 22, I was incredulous to see a George Bush placard on the lawn of Independence Township Hall property.

It remained there all day.

Wouldn't this be considered bi-partisan territory?
Curious.

Charlotte Walker
Clarkston

Thanks to fire department for quick help

Dear Editor,

For the first time in my life, I had to use the services of the Independence Township Fire Department's EMS and AMR Ambulance.

I cannot thank everyone enough for the care I received.

I hope the residents of Independence Township realize how fortunate they are to have such a professional and well-qualified emergency response team available to us.

Sincerely,
George Anderson

It's time to take a stand for our children

When I first saw little Kayla Rolland's picture in the newspapers I immediately thought of two other pictures.

One: a shy little blonde girl, with hair cascading around her shoulders. Two: a hot-shot little tow head with two baby teeth missing. My precious son and daughter, both at age 6.

And, I thought of another picture, this one many years old. A little cowpoke stands, in a red cowgirl suit with matching holster, guns and cowboy boots — myself at the same age, of course.

I'm sure the parents of Kayla and the little boy involved have precious photos of their children too.

The boy, a 6-year-old like Kayla, took his fellow classmates' life away, using a stolen handgun left carelessly inside a place police are calling a crack/flop house. And, what's tragic is now, yet another teenager — a 19-year-old — has been accused of murder: involuntary manslaughter, to be precise, because he kept the handgun in a place where the boy could find it.

How did this happen, we ask ourselves. This is something I have been unable to shake for the past few days.

We can peruse all the possibilities: a child left unsupervised by a mother, working to support three kids. A dad behind bars, unable to provide the father figure. A child, with his small-boy anger, lashing out at the only society he knew. Kids who maybe didn't accept him. Parents who weren't there when he needed a hug. A spat on the playground.

Yes, there are little ones crying. When they get older, they stop crying, burying the hurt inside. In the '60s, we protested. In the '90s and 2000s, we kill.

Children pulled the triggers in Littleton, Colorado and in Jonesboro, Arkansas. And they killed other children.



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Forget the fact that children might not be able to draw the line between fantasy and reality with video games and cartoons. This is not the Coyote and Road Runner, folks. This is real.

Forget the fact that there are broken homes and both moms and dads working. Forget the fact that this is an election year and Republicans and Democrats are jumping on the gun control issue for political advantage.

It's time to do something. Our children are dying. It's a different society today and you can't turn back the clock. This is what we have to live with and this is what we have to face.

Yes, it's a sad fact that maybe schools might need metal detectors and guns might need child-proof trigger locks.

But that is the reality. It's time to let go of an era where a little girl, clad in a red cowgirl suit, liked the burning smell from her cap guns.

It's time to gather our little ones close — our big ones too — and tell them the ways of the world. Things are different now. Life is precious. It can't be toyed with anymore.

It's time to put a latch on every gun in America and keep our kids safe. But, what do you do with kids who are old enough to buy? Just like alcohol and cigarettes, they'll find a way. Or an older adult or kid who will show them how to smoke, drink or load a gun. That's apparently what happened in this situation.

There are several gun control laws pending in the state legislature, and last week U.S. Congressman Dale Kildee's press secretary told me there's a Juvenile Justice Act in limbo between the House and Senate. Part of it would tighten regulations at gun shows. It was at one of these so-called "flea markets" where one of the juvenile killers from Columbine High School managed to illegally buy his weapon, he said.

It's time to toughen our fight for our most precious commodity, our children — for those who could be behind the trigger and for those who could be in front of it.

OPINION

The Clarkston News reserves the right to edit all letters and to limit the number of letters from one person or on any topic. Letters must be limited to 200 words. All letters must be signed with an original signature (not copied, typed or faxed). They must include a complete address and

phone number where the author can be reached during the day for verification. Unsigned letters will not be published. Deadline is 5 p.m. on Friday. Send letters to The Clarkston News, 5 S. Main Street, Clarkston, MI 48346.

Nuts! What has happened, pilgrim?

It's late Sunday afternoon — nearly evening — and I found myself standing in the middle of the driveway doing what no self-respecting, all-American male should have been doing — sweeping rocks off my driveway.

Before I knew what I was doing, I had nearly swept all the rocks that were pushed up during the long winter months, back onto the shoulder of Hegel Road.

But, that wasn't the bad part. The bad part, the part that scares the pants off of yours truly, is that once I realized I wandered off the John Wayne Path of Living Male, I didn't quickly throw the broom in the yard, run into the house and then come back out and stand in the driveway with a beer.

Instead I kept my hold on the broom and after a momentary pause, got back into the sweep, sweep, sweep motion and finished the drive.

Holy Flying Leathernecks, Batman! Brothers, sisters, daughters and Sons of Katie Elder, what is going on? Where had the Stagecoach taken me? Have I become a Quiet Man?

I am not sure — but, this little thing we have between us is good therapy. Dear reader, my tale of wimpy woe isn't complete. The hour glass isn't yet empty, the Sands of Iwojima still flow.

As the sun set, on that gloriously warm Sunday, I pulled out the old black, gas grill. Hooking that bad boy up I felt a certain surge of something tingle through my veins. I felt an urge to talk in monosyllables and walk with a little swagger. I needed something to chew (and, I haven't even a clue as to what is, or what goes into a



Don't Rush Me

Don Rush

“chaw”).

But that was a fleeting moment. As fast as Horse Soldiers can cross the Red River searching for the Man Who Shot Liberty Valence, my testosterone level dropped out of sight. No red meat was I to burn. On the grill that night were three boneless, skinless, good and healthy chicken breasts. Heck, I didn't even glob on sweet mounds of barbecue sauce. I opted for the oh-so-sensible seasonings — a little garlic powder, onion salt and lemon pepper.

The only True Grit in that meal was what was stuck to the chicken from the top of the grill. I'm glad The Cowboys weren't planning on hunkering down for chow that night.

We washed down our meal not with a frosty mug of honest-to-goodness beer, rather we cleansed our palate with a glass of Chardonnay — from the Robert Mondavi vineyards in California, of course.

And, I enjoyed it!

Balderdash, pilgrim! I'm starting to feel like the guy in the Angel and the Bad Man. No more spittin', no more cussin' and I can't tote my six-shooter into the kitchen no more. (What's next, speaking and writing the Queen's English - hah!?)

The thing is, I do not mind the transformation. I just want to know what happened. I must have started wandering off the path long ago and not noticed. Any good Kentuckian would have turned around and found his way back across the Rio (Lobo, Bravo, Grande) to The Alamo.

I guess I'll have to turn in my tin star and Green Beret, too. The Jeep's for sale, if anybody wants that. No more saddling up for me, it's time to be a papa.

Comments for that Rush: US Columnist, can be emailed to donrushmedon@aol.com

the
**People
Poll**

By Eileen McCarville

The Clarkston News asks customers at the Secretary of State office:

In the wake of the Mt. Morris school shooting, what do you think about stricter gun control laws, child safety locks on triggers and metal detectors in schools?



“It's a sad day when we have to have metal detectors in schools to protect our children. I think child-proof safety locks on guns are necessary.”

-- Sue Jackson, Clarkston



“Definitely, trigger locks for sure. There shouldn't be any guns in the home, even in the safe, without trigger locks. I don't see any problem with putting metal detectors in schools. The children shouldn't have anything to hide.”

-- Steve Schultz, Lake Orion



“I think it goes back to basically family values that are so much more important, that people don't focus on anymore. Anything we can do to prevent accidents (metal detectors, trigger locks) should be done.”

-- Tom Tucker, Clarkston



“No, I don't think we need stricter gun laws. We should teach children to respect guns. It's something that can end a life.”

-- John Junod, Pontiac

25 ways to be really annoying

You have those days don't you, when thing aren't going well for you and you want to do some thing to others. You know, not something that gives per manent or even temporary impairment. Just some thing that will irritate someone long enough to sort of make your own day.

Well, here's some suggestions:

1. Bite the dentist's finger if he hurts you with the needle.
2. Argue with the grocery express-lane clerk that twelve watermelons only count for on(of eight items.
3. Pay kids selling school chocolate bars with a \$100 bill.
4. When walking out of a movie theatre talk loud to your friend about the ending.
5. Give your six-year-old nephew clothing for his birthday.
6. When your spouse gets up to use the bathroom, finish their crossword puzzle.
7. Leave a garbled message at the beep with only half a phone number.
8. When giving directions leave out a turn or two.
9. Refuse to take down your Christmas decorations telling neighbors you are a member of an offbeat religious group.



Jim's Jottings

Jim Sherman

10. Serve corn on the cob to friends with dentures.
11. Use a title, like Viscount or Doctor before your name when making dinner reservations.
12. When exiting an elevator push all the floor buttons.
13. When standing in line, stand on the back part of the shoes of the person in front of you.
14. Open big golf umbrellas in crowded hallways
15. Read over the shoulders of others.
16. Announce in a crowded room that the laxatives are starting to take effect.
17. Pinch all the chocolates in the box until you find the ones you like, or don't take any.
18. When people lend your their new pencils chew the ends.
19. Insist to your barber than he cut one area too short.
20. Forget to rewind video cassettes.
21. Touch strangers when talking to them and stand real close.
22. When called by a telemarketer during dinner ask for their phone number so you can disturb them at home.
23. Put everyone who calls you on the speaker-phone.
24. Practice the art of limp-hand-shaking with your left hand.
25. Blow out other people's candles.

Library hosts discussion of key issues for women

Are you a supporter of and/or fighter for women's issues? Or do you simply want to learn and inform yourself?

The Michigan Women's Commission in Lansing, which advocates for supportive legislation, invites the public to an update about progress for women in our state. Come hear an informative and lively presentation by Director Martha Truscott.

The event takes place Thursday, March 16 from 7:30 to 9 p.m. at the Independence Township Library, 6495 Clarkston Road. It is co-sponsored by Clarkston Community Women's Club and Garwood & Associates, a counseling center. Coffee, tea and refreshments will be served.

Please call Susan Wotring at (248) 634-3328 or 625-3123 for more information. Wotring, a therapist for Garwood & Associates, says the commission has addressed such issued as date rape and domestic violence at past events. Brochures and information will be available.

“People can explore issues that are going on in the state of Michigan,” Wotring said.

Correction:

In a March 1 story about Pine Knob Music Theater proposing a concession stand for hill patrons, some information was incorrect. There is space for 8,072 patrons, not 15,274 patrons, on the hill. (Reporter's note: This would have made conditions too close for comfort.)

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At School. . .

■ **Robin L. Taylor** of Clarkston graduated at the end of the fall quarter 1999 from Central Washington University in Ellensburg, with a bachelor of arts degree in law and justice. She is among 334 students to graduate in the fall quarter.

■ The following local students have been named to the dean's list at Albion College for the fall 1999 semester: **Daryl L. Fougne**, a sophomore music major; **Heather Mustonen**, a junior biology major; and **Adrienne M. Trager**, a first-year student at Albion.

Daryl is the son of Gary and Theresa Fougne of Clarkston and a graduate of Lake Orion High School. Heather is the daughter of Joyce Mustonen of Clarkston and a graduate of Clarkston High School. Adrienne is the daughter of Aaron and Victoria Trager of Clarkston,

and a CHS graduate.

■ Two local students will be among those featured in small ensembles or as soloists during Hope College's 12th annual Musical Showcase March 6 at DeVos Hall in Grand Rapids.

Jeanette Johnson, a junior piano soloist, and **Jessica Schulte**, a sophomore, will each perform pieces at the showcase. Johnson will perform "Gardens in the Rain," composed by Claude Debussy, and Schulte will play the flute in the woodwind trio's performance of "Divertimento, No.1," composed by Malcolm Arnold.

Jeanette is the daughter of Ellsworth and Mary Johnson of Davisburg and a 1997 graduate of The Roeper School.

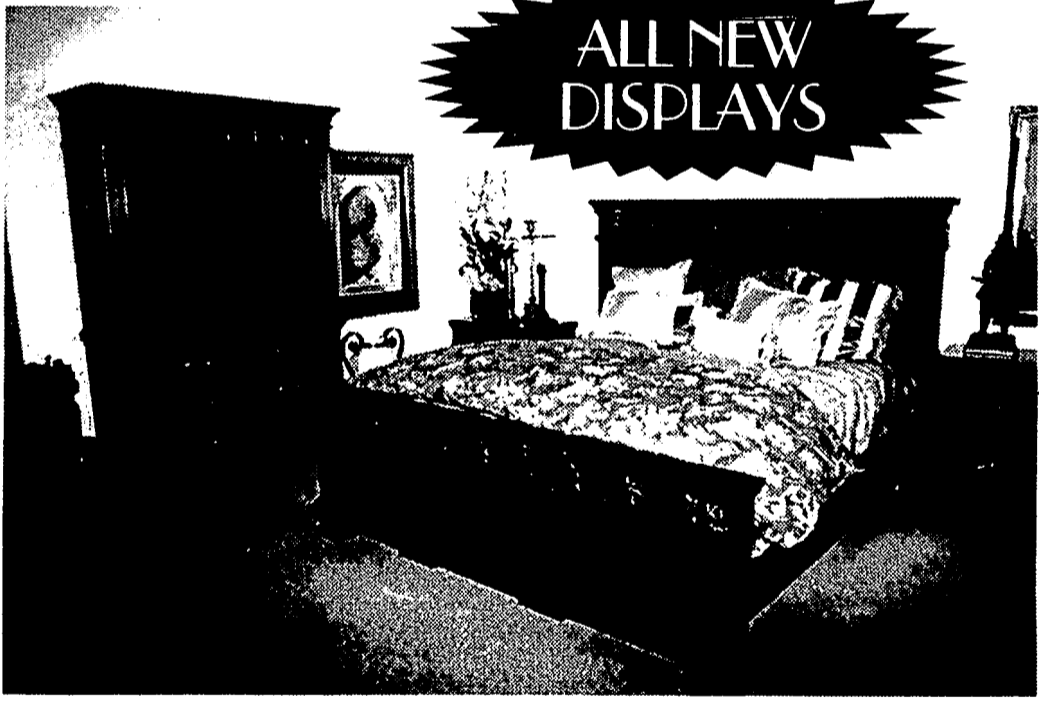
Jessica is the daughter of John and Mary Schulte of Clarkston, and is a 1998 grad of Clarkston High School.

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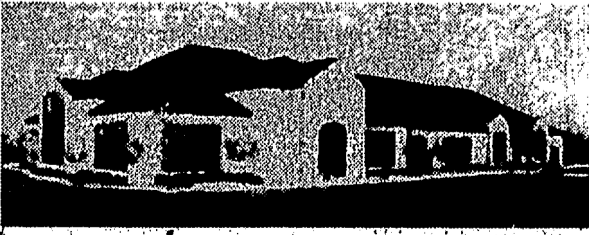


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CHS instrumental music students receive top honors

Clarkston High School's instrumental music students cleaned up at the District 4 Michigan School Band and Orchestra Association Solo and Ensemble Festival this month. More than 130 students from CHS participated in the all-day event.

In total, 54 First Division (superior) ratings and 16 Second Division (excellent) ratings were given to CHS soloists, small ensembles and chamber ensembles Feb. 12 at Lake Orion High School. All student performers were judged by state MSBOA representatives and instrumental music specialists in the areas of tone, intonation, rhythm, technic and interpretation.

Students earning superior ratings will compete in the State Solo and Ensemble Festival March 25.

District 4 MSBOA Solo and Ensemble Festival Results

FIRST DIVISION RATINGS

Jackie LaForge	Trumpet Solo
Stacy Mercado	Trumpet Solo
Paul Mueller	Trumpet Solo
Melissa Nicol	Trumpet Solo
Carl Schulte	Trumpet Solo
Kevin Way	Trumpet Solo
Karen Zynda	Trumpet Solo
Laura Arpke	Flute Solo
Sarah Benson	Flute Solo
Erin Browe	Flute Solo
Lissie Okopny	Flute Solo, Piccolo Solo
Lauren Kreager	Flute Solo
Jenifer Way	Oboe Solo, English Horn Solo
Kathleen Moniaci	Bassoon Solo
Lauren Trager	Bassoon Solo
Ben Kosbab	Trombone Solo
Ryan Schwarb	Trombone Solo
Emily Zarzycki	Trombone Solo

Heather Jones	Clarinet Solo
Jim Shanks	Clarinet Solo
Nichole Peters	Clarinet Solo
Tory Lauzun	Clarinet Solo
Debbie Vander Kolk	Clarinet Solo
Eric Baer	Alto Sax Solo
Tom Wisniewski	Alto Sax Solo
Amanda Walsh	Flute Solo
Jessica Glover	Flute Solo
Marja Kerney	Marimba Solo
John Fitzgerald	Vibraphone Solo
Charlie Kraut	Piano Solo
Brian Witkowski	Piano Solo
Ryan Schwarb	Piano Solo
Brent Griffith	Baritone Solo
Jeremy Hertzler	French Horn Solo
Christine Witkowski	French Horn Solo
Kathryn Zarzycki	French Horn Solo
Jeff Driscoll	French Horn Solo

SECOND DIVISION SOLOS

Adie Verla	Clarinet Solo
David Hall	Piano Solo
Marissa Combs	Baritone Solo
Pat Heber	Baritone Solo
Blake Coe	Trombone Solo
Bryan Kolano	Trombone Solo
Katy Manojlovich	Flute Solo
Amy Schwarb	Flute Solo

FIRST DIVISION ENSEMBLES

Natale Sisk, Heather Carlile	Woodwind Duet
Caitlin Ufer, Sabrina St. Peter	Woodwind Duet
Ashley Vander Weel, Tina Sommers	Woodwind Duet

Erin Browe, Amanda Walsh	Flute Duet
Jessica Seaton, Lindsey Samuel	Flute Duet
Laura Arpke, Courtney Bates	Flute Duet
Elise Broadwater, Claudia Lara	Clarinet Duet
Melissa Nicol, Maureen Jones, Jackie LaForge	Trumpet Trio
Kathryn Zarzycki, Emily Zarzycki	Brass Duet
Shaunna Barr, Mary Ann Treder, Kathryn Zarzycki, Ryan Schwarb, Jenni Salata	Brass Quintet
Jeremy Hertzler, Karen Zynda, Caleb Borschers, Alicia Findora, Ray Smith	Brass Quintet
Lissie Okopny, Heather Jones, Kathleen Moniaci, Becky Hart, Jenifer Way	Woodwind Quintet
Marja Kerney, Robert Koch, Erin Keesling, Scott Miller, Bryan Brehmer, Emily Tate	Percussion Ensemble
Michael Fischer, Maureen McIntyre, Matt Davenport, Matt Arquette, Lindsey Townsend	Percussion Ensemble

SECOND DIVISION ENSEMBLES

Marissa Combs, Ben Kosbab	Brass Duet
Lauren Bendes, Marley Brown	Woodwind Duet
Jessica Glover, Tina Cziwey	Flute Duet
Terri Joseph, Sarah Larson	Woodwind Duet
Kevin Way, Jeremy Zito	Trumpet Duet
Jessica Arsenault, Kristen Harris, Andrew Crandall, Rachael Raetzke, Stacey Mercado	Brass Quintet
Heather Carlile, Lisa Champagne, Debbie Vander Kolk	Clarinet Trio
Emily Audette, Katie LaMonda, Kelly Katnik, Beth Fante	Clarinet Quartet

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New Concept in Weight Control Helped Linda Crosby Shed 52 Lbs.

Linda Crosby's wedding day was one of the happiest of her life. She was 54 years old, a size 12, healthy, active, and thrilled with her new husband, Ken. Linda and Ken enjoyed eating at fine restaurants. Linda enjoyed firing home cooked dinners, desserts and late-night snacks. "I had ballooned up before I knew what hit me, and was incredibly uncomfortable," says Linda.

Linda was shocked to find that she had gained over 50 pounds. "I felt like I was 7 months pregnant!" says Linda. One day Linda realized that her eating was out of control. She panicked. She knew dieting wasn't for her. She had been down that road before losing and regaining the same 20 pounds for years. Then she found a weight loss secret that Linda says, "Gave me my life back." What follows is Linda's story, in her own words.

Hello, I'm Linda Crosby. I live with my husband, Ken. I am a technical illustrator. I have two children and a wonderful new baby grandson. In my wildest dreams, I never imagined I'd participate in an ad like this. I decided to go public with my story for one reason. If I can help even one person who is miserable about their weight like I was, it's worth it.

"My 52 Lbs. Disappeared Like Magic!" Linda Crosby

"Dieting Disasters" I was overweight for nearly three years. It was wonderful to have someone to plan and cook for again. Food became a big part of our married life. The pounds piled on so fast it shocked me. One day I was a size 12 and the next I was shopping the 'big girls' store. I remember purchasing a size 2X and wondering, how did this happen to me? I was mortified.

"Out of Control" I had seen the Positive Changes Hypnosis ads in the newspaper for years. I was impressed with their results. Hypnosis made sense to me. Especially since hypnosis had helped me kick my 2 1/2 pack-a-day smoking habit nine years earlier.

My eating habits were out of control — at home, at the office — it didn't matter. I was a vending machine expert. I craved snack foods and binged at night. I guzzled coffee all day long. One day I told myself,

"Enough!" I picked up the phone to schedule my free hypnosis screening. It was my first step toward a new life.

"Marvelous Experience" I felt comfortable at the beginning. My consultant made hypnosis easy to understand. I never felt pressured. The fee was definitely reasonable. I thought about a friend who had spent a fortune on a treadmill and never lost an ounce. I signed up.

Being hypnotized is a marvelous experience. It's like being awake while having a lovely dream. I've never felt so relaxed. I left my first session feeling invigorated and refreshed. I found myself craving water and fresh fruits and vegetables.

That was a first! During the hypnosis session my hypnotist suggested that fattening and sugary sweet foods would lose their appeal, and that my cravings would immediately vanish. All of this happened! It was effortless! Hypnosis makes it all so easy. I haven't given up a thing — I eat less and eat healthy. It's that simple!

I lost eight pounds my first month. I averaged two pounds a week — until my entire 52 pounds had melted away. I have easily maintained my slim figure ever since.

I actually lost 2 pounds during a weeklong, first-class California vacation staying at Bed & Breakfast's. That's when I knew hypnosis was my ultimate weight loss solution!

Admiration and Respect Being overweight was embarrassing. I had to wear jeans with elastic waists and billowy over-blouses. Thanks to hypnosis, I'm wearing designer jeans! At 57 I feel like I'm 30 something!

When I was heavy, I saw concern in my children's eyes. Today I see admiration and respect. That's worth a hundred times more than the small fee I paid for my hypnosis program!

My doctors were leery when I first mentioned hypnosis. When they see what I've transformed into, and how effortless it has been, they have changed their minds.

Surprising Benefits! Positive Changes Hypnosis gave me more than a slender new shape and healthy body. They've given me my life back!

My best benefit of all is peace of mind — and you can't put a price on that! I simply can't express how satisfied I am with the results I achieved through Positive Changes Hypnosis. I'm certain I'll never regain my weight. And that's why I'm



"I felt like I was 7 months pregnant!"
Linda Crosby
Before 52 Lb. Weight Loss

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Call Positive Changes Hypnosis for your free hypnosis demonstration and screening. They won't pressure you and it takes only 20 minutes. Hypnosis worked wonders for me. I believe it will work for you too (or I wouldn't have written this article).

I read the Positive Changes Hypnosis stories for months before I called. I waited and suffered needlessly. Don't let that happen to you. Look at it this way, if I hadn't gone to Positive Changes Hypnosis I would still be overweight and miserable about it. Pick up your phone and call now.

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Former Diet "Leader" Praises New Weight Loss Program!

My name is Melissa Hayden I lost 30 pounds with Positive Changes Hypnosis. I went from a size 16 to a size 8 in four short months. I am at my ideal weight and I feel great!



"I want people who are struggling with dieting like I was to know that it can be different."
Melissa Hayden, Before



"I shed 30 Lbs. in Four Months!"
Melissa Hayden, After

My free hypnotic screening was fun and informative. They answered all my questions and the fee seemed reasonable. I was confident that being hypnotized at Positive Changes was something I wanted to embark upon.

100% Satisfied! I am completely satisfied with my results with Positive Changes.

On diet plans it seemed that every minute of my day was consumed with planning meals or thinking about food. With hypnosis the changes come from the inside. After my first week it became automatic to me. At 37 I am in much better shape than I was when I was 24! Hypnosis made it easy.

Stop Suffering Positive Changes Hypnosis was one of my smartest investments. I recommend Positive Changes Hypnosis to anyone who wants to lose weight. But I would add a warning label to it that says, be prepared to have other positive changes happen in your life!

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1 large onion, finely chopped (1 cup)	2 medium green peppers chopped (1½ cups)
1/2 c. reduced-sodium chicken broth	8 ounces frozen peeled, cooked medium shrimp, thawed
2 tbsp. tomato paste	1 c. quick-cooking rice
3 cloves garlic, minced	4 ounces fully cooked smoked turkey sausage, halved lengthwise and cut into ¼-inch-thick slices
1 bay leaf	Lemon wedges (optional)
1 tsp. dried Italian seasoning	
1/2 tsp. chili powder	
1/4 tsp. black pepper	
Few dashes bottled hot	

Combine undrained tomatoes, onion, broth, tomato paste, garlic, bay leaf, Italian seasoning, chili powder, black pepper, and hot pepper sauce in a large saucepan. Bring mixture to boiling; reduce heat. Simmer, covered for 5 minutes. Stir in green pepper, shrimp, uncooked rice, and sausage. Return to boiling; reduce heat. Simmer, covered, about 5 minutes or until mixture is heated through and rice is tender. Stir mixture. Discard bay leaf. Serve with lemon wedges, if desired. *Makes 4 servings*

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Police and fire

Sunday, March 5, a 23-year-old Clarkston man was cited for driving with a suspended license and for possession of marijuana on Holcomb in the city.

Two men were detained at a Sashabaw gas station after an officer noticed one of them might have been drinking. A 19-year-old Waterford man was cited for minor in possession of alcohol after he admitted he used a fake ID to purchase it at a local store. He was also cited for expired license plates and possession of marijuana. His 18-year-old passenger, also from Waterford, was cited for possession of intent to deliver marijuana after police confiscated six baggies of the substance he said belonged to him.

A Rochester man found his car's left rear window broken out at the Park and Ride on Sashabaw.

A 15-year-old was cited for carrying a concealed weapon after an officer witnessed two 7-inch kitchen knives sticking out of his pants at Clarkston Christian Association on Sashabaw. He said he was using the knives to protect himself because he had been threatened in a fight earlier. He was taken to Children's Village.

Saturday, March 4, a Davisburg resident found stereo equipment and 24 CDs missing from his 1994 Chevy after returning to the parking lot at a Dixie bowling alley.

A Ford Mustang was scratched at a Dixie bowling alley.

A Dixie restaurant employee said a customer walked out without paying \$1.21 for a cup of coffee.

Larceny of a coin video game at a Dixie restaurant; \$100 in change was missing from an opened coin box.

A 15-year-old girl and 20-year-old man reported they were assaulted while walking to a video store on Sashabaw. They said their assailants were a 15-year-old boy and his older friend, who pressed the 20-year-old mentally impaired man to buy cigarettes. When he refused, he said he was attacked. The 15-year-old girl said she was also attacked when she tried to help him. Both received minor injuries. The 15-year-old boy was taken to Children's Village.

Friday, March 3, a witness saw three males in a car ring a Morning Mist resident's doorbell, drive over the lawn and hit a mailbox.

Officers assisted the Michigan State Police when a couch was reported on I-75, creating a traffic hazard between exits 93 and 91. Several couch parts were removed from the roadway.

A 34-year-old Clarkston woman was cited by city police for driving with a suspended license after she was stopped for erratic driving on Clarkston.

Thursday, March 2, A 16-year-old Clarkston boy was cited for retail fraud after he was caught taking three packs of cigarettes from a Dixie grocery store without paying.

Wednesday, March 1, A 1992 Pontiac was found on Upland with molding to a passenger-side door missing.

A 41-year-old Waterford man was cited for retail fraud at a Dixie grocery store. A store security officer saw him take a bottle of pain reliever and not pay at the checkout.

A man was found rolling a suspected marijuana cigarette on top of some beer cases in the back area of a Dixie bar. He was cited for possession after the substance tested positive.

A 39-year-old Clarkston woman was cited for shoplifting at a Dixie grocery store after a loss prevention officer witnessed her put some vitamins and skin lotion into her purse without paying.

Tuesday, Feb. 29, larceny of a stereo, radar detector and 30 CDs from a car on Waldon Glen.

Three Clarkston High school students on Flemings Lake were ticketed for possession of marijuana and tobacco.

A 17-year-old Clarkston boy reported his \$300 leather coat was taken from Clarkston High School on Flemings Lake, with his truck keys inside. He later found a speaker amplifier box, CD player, sport watch and 25 CDs missing from his truck.

Attempted larceny at a church on Clarkston. A church worker found an exterior door damaged and the top drawer to a file cabinet open. Nothing was

reported missing.

Larceny at a Dixie grocery store. A store detective saw a Davison man take six ribeye steaks from the meat section, and conceal them in his pants and up his shirt. He walked through the checkup without paying, and fled on foot, chased by the officer and an assistant. The man also tried to get rid of a drug pipe by throwing it onto the ground. He was wrestled to the ground, handcuffed and taken to the substation. He cited for retail fraud, fingerprinted and released. The drug pipe was placed in the property room at the Oakland County Jail.

A 39-year-old St. Clair Shores man said his \$450 ski board was stolen from Pine Knob Ski Lodge on Sashabaw. He said he later found it at a sports store in Keego Harbor and was told to file a report so he could get it back. Police obtained a copy of the sales receipt, which traced the sale to a Rochester Hills resident.

Monday, Feb. 28, a 72-year-old Ravine man was taken to a local hospital after he found a desk on fire in his home. Police found an ashtray full of cigarette butts had been dumped into a wicker trash container under the desk, which started the fire.

A mailbox was damaged on Maybee.

A 1998 Cadillac Deville's hubcaps were removed on Timber Cove.

Larceny of three video tapes from an unlocked car on Riverview.

Police followed a car weaving on Maybee and stopped the driver in an apartment complex off Dixie. Two marijuana roaches and less than one gram of cocaine were found in the car. The driver, an 18-year-old Clarkston man, was cited for driving with a suspended driver's license, possession of marijuana and defective car equipment. His 18-year-old passenger, a Davisburg man, told police the cocaine was his. Police are seeking a warrant to arrest him for possession. Depending on the amount of the substance, cocaine possession carries a penalty that could range from probation to up to 10 years in prison.



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Obituaries

Eldon C. Rouse

Eldon C. Rouse, of Central Lake, formerly of Ann Arbor, died Feb. 21, 2000 at South Baldwin Hospital in Gulf Shores Ala. He was 73.

He was a 1944 graduate of Clarkston High School. After high school, he served in the United States Navy from 1944 to 1946. He graduated from Michigan State University in 1949 and was an educator for 33 years before retiring from Ann Arbor Public Schools in 1982.

He was a well known high school basketball coach for many years and was named Michigan Coach of the Year in 1978.

He held life memberships at the Central Lake

Masonic Lodge No. 426 where he was a worshipful Master, the National Education Association, the Michigan Coaches Association, the Charleston American Legion, Michigan Sports Sages and the Pe Kaffa Phi National Fraternity.

He was also a volunteer at the museum of Naval Aviation in Pensacola, Fla.

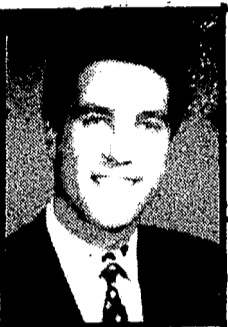
He is survived by his wife of 50 years, Valoise Rouse of Central Lake, five children, Michael (Lynn) Rouse of Granger, Ind. Also surviving are three sisters, Bernice Powell, Ina Powell and Dorothy Koop all of Clarkston and one brother, Clark Rouse of Grand Rapids.

A memorial service will be held at a later date. Arrangements will be announced by the Central Lake Chapel of Mortensen Funeral Home.

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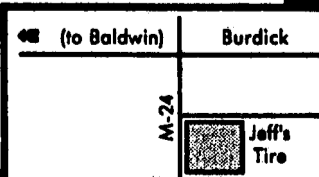
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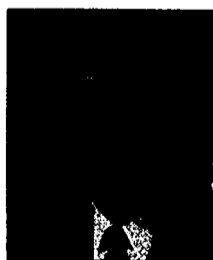


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The Clarkston News' monthly entertaining ideas in and around Clarkston



Matt Trumper, Clarkston resident and kitchen manager at Outback Steakhouse of Clarkston, shows off the pride of the restaurant -- the Bloomin' Onion. Gary Harchelroad, managing partner of the Clarkston Outback, says the "Ab-original" is the restaurant chain's signature appetizer. Other favorites include the Outback Special 12-ounce sirloin steak and Alice Springs Chicken, served up with a healthy portion of bacon, mushrooms, Monterey Jack and Cheddar cheeses. The restaurant, located at 6435 Dixie Highway, has been open since September 1997.

Photo by Renee Wightman

'Anything on this menu, I would eat'

Aussie cuisine tempts palates at the 'Outback'

BY RENEE WIGHTMAN
Clarkston News Staff Writer
G'Day!

Just a kangaroo's hop from downtown Clarkston, you'll find a heaping helping of Aussie-style cuisine at Outback Steakhouse. The Australian-themed restaurant, located at 6435 Dixie Highway, has been in operation since September 1997 and features a variety of dishes -- straight off the barbie.

Gary Harchelroad, managing partner of the Clarkston Outback, said the idea for the restaurant came from two friends in Tampa, Fla. who originally wanted five of the themed diners.

"They were tapping into a new niche in the market," Harchelroad said. The first Outback opened in 1988. There are now 550 of the restaurants in the

United States, and another 50-plus internationally, including in Canada and Mexico.

Harchelroad stresses the chain doesn't stick to steak, although the 12-ounce Outback Special sirloin is a favorite among several steak dinners. Chicken, seafood, ribs, pasta and vegetarian fare also are popular, he says.

Perhaps the most requested item on the menu, however, is the Outback's "signature appetizer" -- the Bloomin' Onion. The secret behind the slicing and cooking of the gigantic onion remains in the kitchen, but Harchelroad said the sauce has a horseradish and mayonnaise base, which "gives a little bite to it."

Three prep cooks and the kitchen manager create sauces and soups each morning -- from scratch -- and meat is

brought in fresh each day, he said. He adds the menu is limited, in order to perfect those dishes. "Anything on this menu, I would eat," Harchelroad said.

There is also a Joey (kids') Menu, desserts, lunch items and a selection of beer and wine which includes Australian originals Foster's and Black Opal brands.

For those who are on-the-go, a drive-thru service is available. Patrons can call in and order their meal for pickup from the restaurant's take-away room on the east side of the building.

Harchelroad said community involvement is important to the staff at Outback. His team participated in the 1999 Taste of Clarkston to benefit the Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce, and are looking to sponsor area youth

baseball, soccer or other team sports.

The Outback chain continues to grow. It is a publicly-owned company, traded on the NASDAQ exchange with the symbol OSSI.

Currently, there are 18 Outbacks in Michigan, and another is scheduled to open in Detroit near 7 Mile Road this year. Other nearby Outback locales are in Shelby Township, Flint, Saginaw and West Bloomfield.

The Clarkston Outback Steakhouse is open from 4-10:30 p.m. Monday-Thursday; 4-11:30 p.m. Friday; 3-11:30 p.m. Saturday; and 3-10 p.m. Sunday. All credit cards are accepted; seating is by arrival and dress is casual. Call 620-4329 for more information. The Web site is www.outback.com.

Whether it's local entertainment or cuisine you're looking for, you'll find it all on The Mainstreet Page, only in The Clarkston News

It's Mardi-Gras time! Clarkston Optimists Dinner Dance Supports Youth

The Annual Dinner Dance, sponsored by the Clarkston Area Optimist Club, will be held on Saturday, March 11 as a fundraiser to provide financial support for several groups and agencies that subscribe to youth. This is their only fundraiser held each year.

This fundraiser provides prizes for oratorical and essay contests, scholarships for high school graduates and financial support to youth programs at the middle schools and high school to young people who have specific needs, as well as various community needs.

The event is being held at the Deer Lake Athletic Club in Clarkston and will include dinner,

dancing and chances to win fabulous items through live and silent auctions. Prizes include: a trip to Hilton Head and Palm Beach, a big screen TV, sports memorabilia and tickets, digital camera, gift certificates for local jewelers, restaurants, retail shops, and local services such as tennis lessons, spring cleanup by Jr. Optimists, health care, baked goods, sporting events, and a hosted dinner, to name a few.

For more information or to buy tickets, call Wendy Halsey at 625-6971. If you would like to make donations, contact Craig Judd at 620-1112. Come enjoy the fund in an effort to benefit our youth!

"A Case of Libel" premieres Friday

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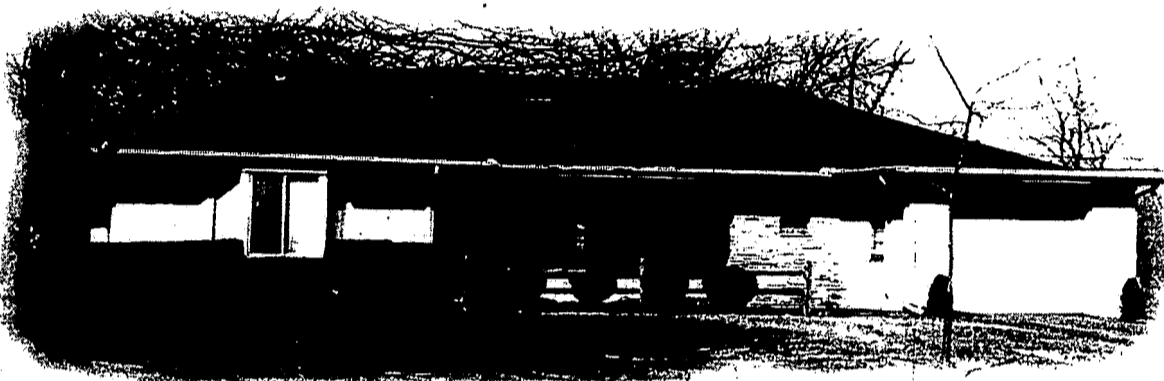
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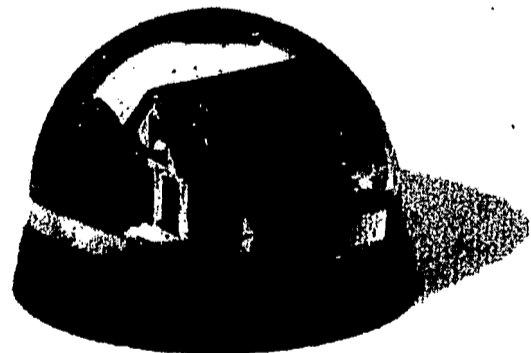


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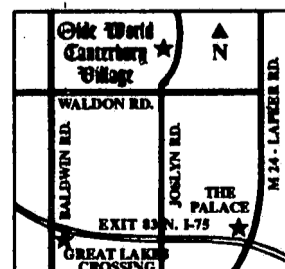
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Last weekend, I registered for the ACT, the first in a string of standardized tests I'll be taking this year.

The registration took enough time to be a test itself - they wanted to know what classes I'd taken, what classes I'm going to take, what grades I'd gotten, the size of the community I live in, my expected college major, what career field I planned to go into, the highest level of education I expected to obtain, what extracurricular activities I've participated in and plan to participate in at college, how many siblings I have, my religious affiliation, my out-of-class accomplishments, and - my personal favorite - my "evaluation of high school experience." Some of my responses to these questions are sent to colleges I requested my ACT scores be sent to, but isn't that what my application would tell them? As for the high school evaluation, I haven't seen any purpose aside from being nosy.

I took the PLAN, a pre-ACT last year, and earlier this year the PSAT. But neither of these tests counted - they weren't being reported to colleges. They were for practice, as suggested by the P at the beginning of each of their names.

And I won't be finished after I take the ACT. Still, I will have three AP tests, the MEAP, the SAT I, and probably SAT II subject tests. Each, in its own special way, will count for something.

Does this seem redundant to you?

The counseling department has been assuring us since ninth grade that there were only about three circumstances that would warrant taking the SAT I over the ACT, one being that colleges on the east coast prefer it. They tell us the only reason the SAT is generally publicized more is because both it and news come out of New York, which is out east. For whatever reason, our school instead recommends the ACT. Because of the colleges I want to apply to, I'll be taking both.

The MEAP, if I do well on it, can at least get me scholarship money, so I can't begrudge it too much. If nothing else, there's a concrete reason to take it.

The Advanced Placement tests I'm going to take are completely voluntary, if not fun. But what gets me here is the addition of the SAT II subject tests, which, as far as I can tell, test the same things as the AP tests I've taken or will take. For example, I took the AP Language & Composition test last year; many colleges require the SAT II Writing Test. I've also taken the AP U.S. History exam, which seem fairly equivalent to the SAT II American History & Social Studies Test. Strangely,

SAT and AP tests are both developed, owned, and run by the same company, the College Board. The primary difference is that AP tests are on a college level while SAT II tests are more geared towards standard high school material. So if I've already done decently in AP tests, why must I still take lower-level tests in the same subjects?

It seems like such a waste of time to take all these tests that report more or less the same thing, especially when some of them aren't even being managed by different people. On top of that, it's costing money - my parents have already spent about two hundred dollars between the ACT and AP exams, with more tests to pay for on the way - not to mention college tuition. Do we really need the extra expense and stress when we're about to enter college? Though I recognize the expense to my parents, the stress factor is the one I have to deal with more personally. Between school, after-school stuff, and searching for a college, one more thing just doesn't look appealing. Hopefully, I won't have to retake any of my tests - I want to get them all out of the way the first time. I guess that's what it all comes down to: I have to get it out of the way. What alternative is there? It's a fact of life: like eating, breathing, and sleeping, one must take standardized tests. It'll be over soon enough, but I better start sharpening those number two pencils now!



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The ninth commandment: Thou shalt not bear false witness

No lie is worth a broken relationship

By Pastor David Coleman
Clarkston Free Methodist Church

Few of us debate the need to be truthful. The Bible is saturated with directives on the topic.

Speak the truth in love. Don't bear false witness. Lay aside falsehood, speak truth to one another (Ephesians 4:16; Exodus 20:16; Ephesians 4:25). We agree at least in theory that honesty is the best policy.

But in those awkward moments when we stand face-to-face with someone, knowing that they may not readily receive the truth, truth telling doesn't sound like such a great idea.

You know the moments . . .

"If I tell my boss the truth he will blow his stack."

"If I tell my husband how I really feel about his constant traveling, he will get defensive and withdraw even more."

"If I tell my teacher the real reason I didn't finish the papers, she will dock my grade."

"If I tell you how I really feel, I'm afraid you won't like me anymore."

At moments like this, honesty may be okay for someone else, but not for me. So the "false witness" is born. It may be a small "white lie", purposeful wrong impression, or a flagrant mistruth. And for at least the time being, we think we are off the hook. But are we really?

Don't be fooled. Bearing a false witness always comes at a high cost. Of all the price tags for lying, the loss of one's integrity would be very costly.

The word integrity comes from the same Latin word from which we get the mathematical word integer. It means to be whole. When we bear false witness, relationships become fragmented and broken. Most importantly, lying comes between us and our relation-



Pastor David Coleman
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ship with God. He detests a deceptive heart and deceitful mouth (Psalm 101:7). What lie can possibly be worth a broken relationship with our God who loved us enough to send His only Son to die for us?

In lying, valuable relationships with one another also become broken. Another result of bearing a false witness is the loss of honesty in one's life. Most rela-

tionships can handle tough honesty. Few can endure deception.

An inevitable result of bearing false witness is dishonesty. If lying is the method, dishonesty is the result. In bearing false witness we become dishonest not only with others but also with ourselves.

When we submerge, camouflage, or lie about our true feelings, we undermine the stability of our relationships. We may buy peace on the surface, but underneath there are hurt feelings, troubling questions, and hidden hostilities waiting to erupt. A third casualty of dishonesty is trust. We have all seen this from national political levels to personal friends whom we once trusted, but now we fight off feelings of suspicion. It's a lot easier to keep trust than rebuild it after it's fallen.

So if bearing false witness has been a problem where does one start to correct the problem? Here are some practical suggestions. First, clear your heart with God and those you know you have deceived. Take a moment and read I John 1:9

Second, put a conscious and tight muzzle on the muscle in your mouth. Publius, the Greek sage, once said, "I have often regretted my speech, never my silence." King David put it more bluntly in Psalm 39:1 "I said, I will guard my ways. That I may not sin with my tongue; I will guard my mouth as if with a muzzle . . ." Third, think first. Before you start talking, pause ten seconds and mentally review your words. Are they accurate or exaggerated? Wholesome or sinful? The truth or a falsehood? Fourth, talk less. Conserve your verbal energy. Make your words like good shampoo: concentrated and rich. Finally, start today. Bring your tongue into submission to truthfulness. Get ready to enjoy the benefits of integrity, honesty and having the trust of those around you.

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Crime stats show crime down in Independence Twp.

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friend's house and came home later."

Every county in the nation is required by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) to provide the numbers, Quisenberry said. "It's intended to paint a really large picture, demographically across the U.S." The statistics are basically only useful to local police departments "as a tool to decide deployment of resources. That is, if we see something that's a big concern, we can speed up patrol." Quisenberry said an example would be a ring of "smash-and-grabbers" breaking into a neighborhood.

But if a large number of assaults were traced to one group, it wouldn't be an accurate reflection. "It's an OK guideline," Quisenberry said. "But it needs to be dissected to be of any use to local law enforcement."

Quisenberry compared the situation to the schools' MEAP (Michigan Educational Assessment Program) tests each year, saying if some students are absent, for example, test scores wouldn't mean as much.

Quisenberry said it's also important to remember that Independence's population keeps growing. So if the numbers are less, it's even more significant. Summing things up, he said the 1999 report shows "major crimes are decreasing here, as well as all over (Oakland County)."

The substation currently staffs one lieutenant, two sergeants, four detectives and 16 patrol officers, who cover a population of 33,400 people. Three officers were added to the department two years ago from a federal COPS (Community Oriented Policing Services) grant.

Quisenberry said the substation has an excellent track record for keeping citizens safe and protecting their quality of life. "We have a successful, tremendous rate of investigations, apprehensions and convictions of these offenders. That's what I feel says the most about crime in the Independence area," he said. "Our detectives solve a lot of crimes."

City Police Chief Paul Ormiston said crime also did not escalate in the City of Clarkston last year. Reported incidents were recently compiled and compared

with the two previous years.

The department took 520 complaints in 1999 and conducted 28 criminal investigations. Like Independence, there were no murders. There were also no armed robberies. But major categories like larcenies (16) and burglaries (eight) rose slightly. Ormiston attributed that to residents reporting them.

"I think the basic measure is those incidents were reported to us," Ormiston said. "General complaints were down somewhat but it's important to look at the citizens reporting, like a burglary or larceny, not something an officer would catch on patrol. Generally, this shows a more accurate reflection of crime."

Also in the report, the number of traffic crashes, which includes non-injury and injury accidents, changed little from the past three years, in the low sixties. OUIL violations were down from 23 in 1998 to 16 last year, as were other drug violations.

More people are keeping their doors locked too. Statistics show 86 open buildings in 1998 and only 11 unsecured in 1999.

World famous boxing trainer speaks to CHS students

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day. Accept aging -- you will take care of your parents one day. It all is a cycle."

Steward, who grew up in a single parent household, said the problems today's youth face stem from a dysfunctional family environment.

"It's not about money. . . . 'I just bought my son a car. . . . ' With a good, solid family structure, you're not going to have those problems."

He said being a role model is important to children. His boxing coach, who was like a parent, "believed in me, and it came to a point I didn't want to let those guys down."

Steward said stereotypes about "hoodlums" liking rap music and wearing baggy clothes serve no purpose in society.

"You cannot lock up everybody and put them in jail. There are kids showing no remorse, and then they're locked up like an animal."

"One day you will all be mothers and fathers. You've got to spend time with your kids."

Steward said because of his impact on young pro boxers he's trained and managed, he has maintained relationships with them well into their forties.

"Plant good seeds, because whatever you plant will come up," he said.

Licata said he and the mentor program steering committee, made up of Barbara Greenstone; Katie McKay, a special education teacher; and school psychologist Tina Verlinden, hope to bring more inspirational speakers as the mentor program grows.

Licata said he already has a confirmation from former Detroit Piston Isaiah Thomas to speak in the

fall.

Ashley Bonneau, a sophomore in the mentor program, says it "just makes life a lot easier" with a teacher aiding her progress, as a mentor.

"It makes life a lot less stressful. It's helping me get through high school," Bonneau said.

Another student in the program, senior Andy Cote, said juggling school with playing sports is difficult, but mentoring has helped him balance them both.

"(My mentor) talks to me once a week," Cote said. He hopes to play hockey out of state next fall.

Mentor and freshman science teacher Lori Kinsey is pleased with her student's progress this year.

"She found that science was her difficult area, so it was a perfect match," Kinsey said.

"It's a place to touch base." She will mentor again in the fall.

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Milestones

Welcome, Benjamin



Above: Sam, Jack and Mark Waddell with new brother, Benjamin.

John Waddell Jr. and Jeanne (Herron) Waddell of Clarkston announce the birth of their fourth son.

Benjamin Ronald Waddell was born on Jan. 8, 2000 at 7:29 a.m. He was 8 pounds and 20 inches. He is welcomed home by his three big brothers -- Mark Garland, 13; Jack, 8; and Sam, 6 1/2.

He is named after his maternal grandfather, Ronald Herron of Grayling (formerly of Clarkston). Other grandparents are Cindy Herron of Grayling; Karen White and Moe Jorgenson of Lady Lake, Fla. (formerly of Clarkston); Marianne and Rick Stamper of Temecula, Calif.; and John and Lisa Waddell of Anaheim, Calif.

Brown - Kokoszka



Mr. and Mrs. Robert Brown of Clarkston are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter Jennifer to Michael Kokoszka. Jennifer is a graduate of Indiana University and Clarkston High School and is employed as an Investment Consultant at Comerica Securities.

Michael is the son of Michael and Mary

Kokoszka of Highland. He is a graduate of Michigan State University and Detroit Catholic Central.

He is employed as an Investment Consultant at Standard Federal Bank and is currently studying for his Certified Financial Planner certification. A September 2000 wedding is planned.

Great-grandmother is Iva Herron of Rochester. Aunts and uncles -- Mike and Kathy Herron of Clarkston; Don and Ann Herron of Waterford; John

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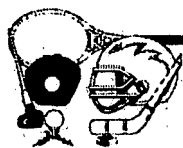
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College

Wolves hold on to beat Troy

**Clarkston 58,
Troy 53**

BY ED DAVIS
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Troy fans chanted 21-14 throughout the game, but the scoreboard read otherwise after the final buzzer.

Clarkston concluded its regular season by holding on to beat the Colts in front a packed house at Clarkston High School.

Clarkston coach Dan Fife said his team's win was the result of a hard week of practice.

"Our kids worked a lot harder this week. I apologized for being so nice to them," Fife said. "It's hard to play these kinds of games, but our kids did a good job of keeping their poise."

After scoring only six points in the first quarter, the Wolves picked things up in the second. Mike Blicher's three-pointer with less than three minutes to play in the half cut the Troy lead to one. Ryan Marino followed suit with a three of his own to give the Wolves a 20-18 edge.

But Troy answered back with a three of their own and enjoyed a three-point halftime lead.

The lead didn't hold up long once Marino got the hot hand. His two quick second-half threes gave Clarkston a 28-23 edge. Add in two great plays by Brian Endreszl and suddenly the Wolves had built a 37-29 lead heading into the fourth.

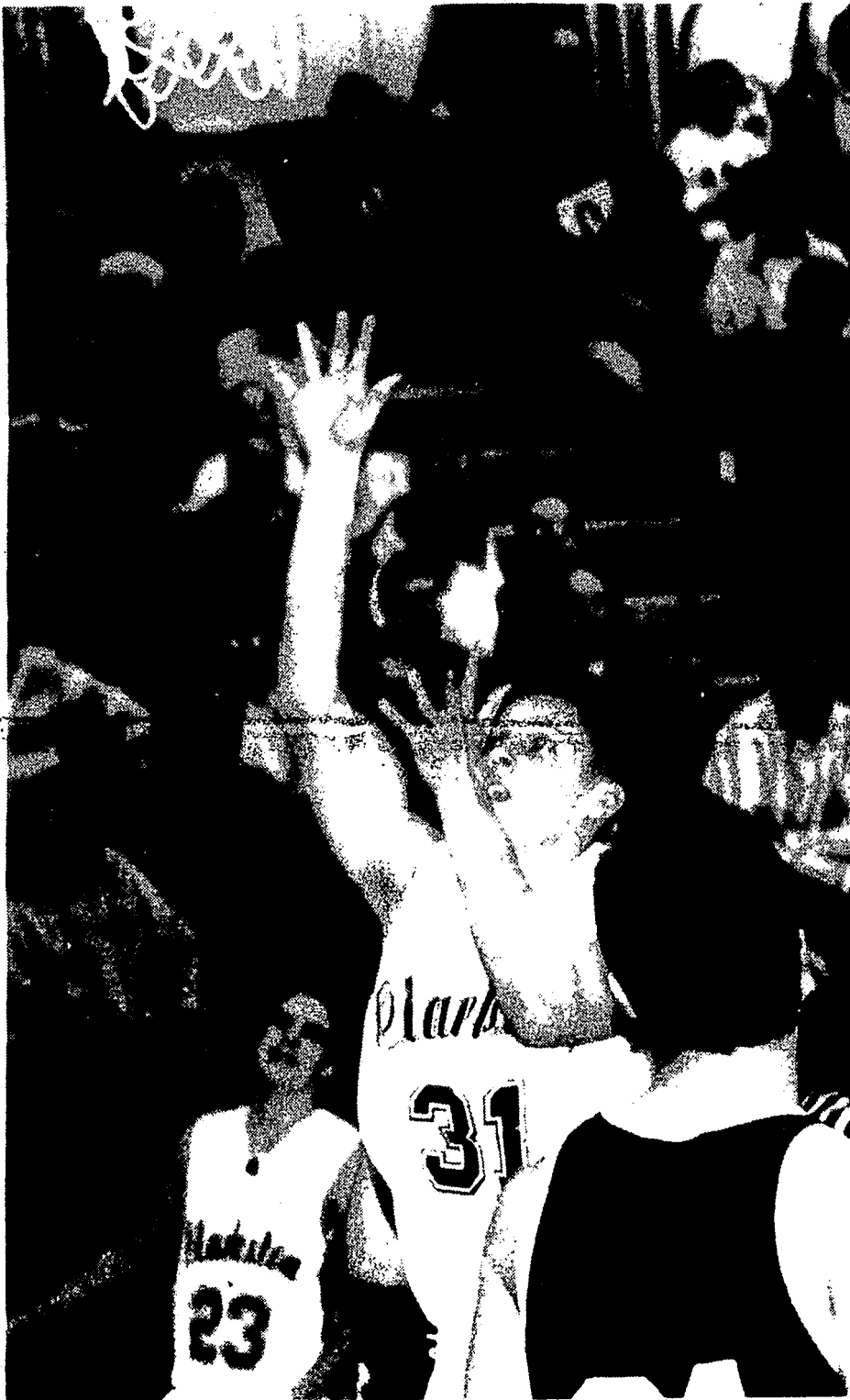
"Brian is deceptive in everything that he does, whether it be defense, rebounding, shooting or ball handling. I told him at Christmas if he really wanted to be a player he would have to decide that for himself, or if he just wanted to go through the motions at practice. Since then, he's taken a big step forward. It's given him more confidence. He'll be that much better for us next year," Fife said.

Another Marino three to start the fourth quarter gave Clarkston an 11-point lead. Andy North got into the act as he scored off a great feed from Ryan Kaul. The play put Clarkston ahead 43-29 with just over six minutes left.

Troy didn't quit however. Instead, the Colts put together an 18-8 fourth quarter run to put themselves only down three with 1:16 to play.

Time was working against Troy however, and the Colts were forced to foul Kaul, who made two pressure-filled free throws to put Clarkston back up by five.

Just as Clarkston had gotten a boost from Marino's outside shooting, Troy got a boost of their own. A three-pointer by Justin Fuller put the Colts



Clarkston's Andy North drives past a Troy defender in Clarkston's 58-53 win March 3.

within two with 44 seconds left.

The Colts were still forced to foul however, and this time it was Blicher's turn to head to the line. Blicher made both shots and the Wolves went up by four with 35 seconds left.

Fuller kept Troy's hopes alive by hitting two free throws of his own to make the score 55-53 with 24 seconds to go.

Troy then fouled Kaul, who made another two free throws to put Clarkston back up by four.

On the next Clarkston possession, Endreszl was called for traveling and the

Colts took possession with 13 seconds left.

On Troy's next possession, Matt Manosky was called for an offensive foul and Clarkston held on for the victory.

The win boosted Clarkston's record to 13-7 overall and 7-5 in the conference.

Fife said Kaul's play has improved as of late.

"Ryan's been outstanding the last month or so for us. He's become a better leader and has worked harder. I think he's really matured both as a

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Hockey team loses to Mott in regional final

BY ED DAVIS

Clarkston News Staff Writer

The third time wasn't the charm for Clarkston's hockey team. After beating Waterford Mott twice this season, the Wolves fell in the regional final 3-2.

Clarkston's loss came for two main reasons: 1. The first three and a half minutes 2. Mott's goalie, T.J. Harris.

The Corsairs scored all three goals in the first three and a half minutes. After Clarkston's Steve Badger let in two quick goals, coach Bryan Krygier made the switch to Jordan Conley, who didn't fare any better. Conley was scored on by the first shot he faced and Krygier put Badger back between the pipes. But the real story was who was standing between the other set of pipes — Harris, who finished with 27 saves.

Krygier said Harris made the difference.

"He won the game for them. He played outstanding," Krygier said. "This is a complete surprise to everybody. We should've gone a lot further in the playoffs than this. We'd beaten them twice already."

Early playoff exits have hindered Clarkston the last two seasons. Last year saw the Wolves fall to Milford in district action. Friday's win marked the second year in a row Mott has won the regional.

Clarkston goals came from Jeremy Gabriel and Tom Newman. Both were assisted by Alan Marchio.

Fourth-year senior captain, forward Anthony Facione, said it's hard to believe his four years on the ice are now over.

"They jumped out early, but everybody still had confidence and played hard. It was just their goalie — he played outstanding," Facione said.

"I can remember being a freshman and looking

forward to my senior year. Now it's over, but it was a great time," Facione said.

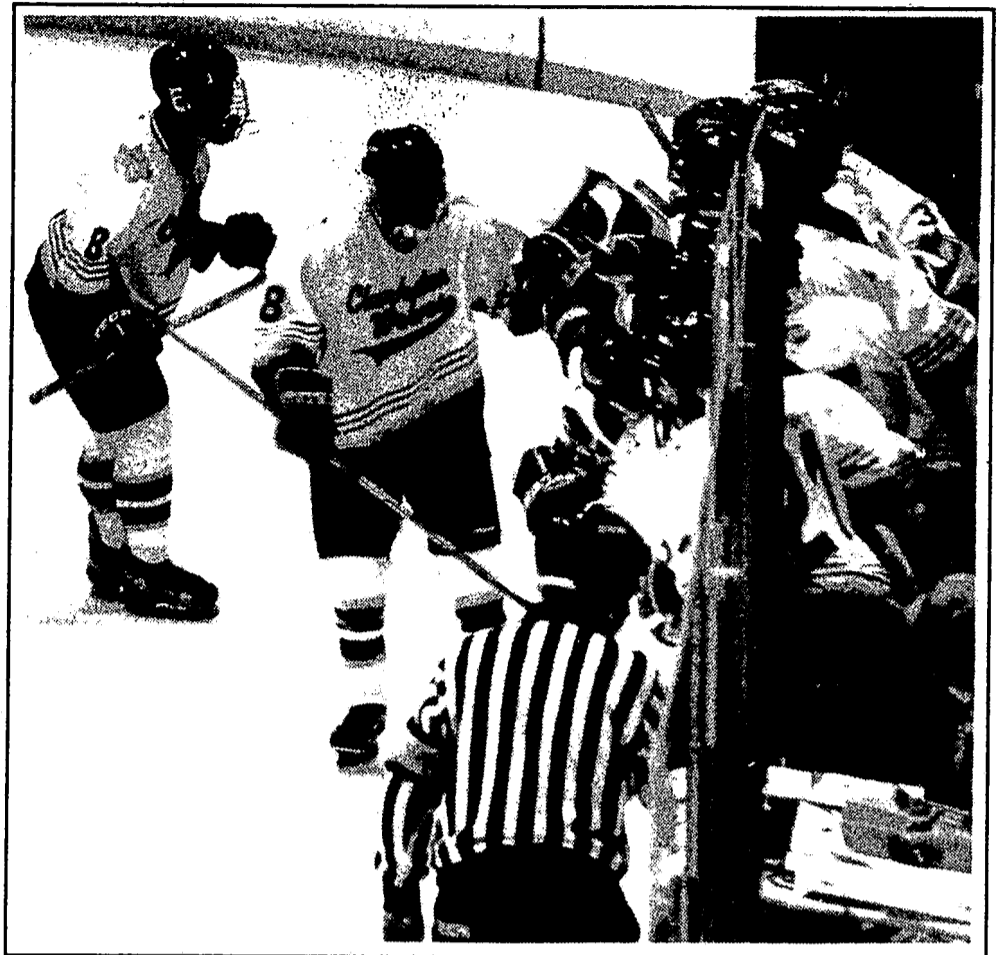
Facione credits coach Krygier with helping his individual game and the program as a whole.

"He's done a ton for the program. He taught me discipline on the ice and how to be a team player. He made the program what it is today. When we started playing we were all talent. He came in and developed our system," Facione said.

Facione said the overtime goal against Port Huron Northern Feb. 28 was his most memorable hockey moment.

His favorite NHL player is Detroit's Steve Yzerman.

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Clarkston's Anthony Facione celebrates a goal with his teammates in the regional final game against Waterford Mott while Jeremy Gabriel looks on.

Cheerleaders prepare for state championship

Girls head to state for second year straight

BY ED DAVIS

Clarkston News Staff Writer

They've done it again. Clarkston's varsity cheer team has qualified for the state championships for the second year in a row.

A third-place finish at regionals March 4 at West Bloomfield was good enough to put the Wolves in the state championship meet. It will be held at Saginaw Valley College March 11 at 12:30 p.m.

Waterford Mott took first place in the competition while Rochester Adams and Walled Lake Central tied for second place. Clarkston tied with West Bloomfield for third. All five teams will be headed to the state competition, but Waterford Mott is the team Clarkston has its eye on most.

Senior Jenni Szilvagy, who was recently named MVP of cheer team, said the Wolves will be gunning for the Corsairs.

"I think we'll do very well at states this year. We're hoping to beat Mott. We haven't beaten them yet this year, but we have beaten them in each round, just not together," she said.

She added that winning the MVP was a shock.

"I was totally surprised. I feel really respected by the team. That really meant a lot to me. I love them all very much," she said.

Szilvagy said Clarkston's cheer team has a great coach in Debi Hool.

"She's a great motivator. She always believes in all of us. She does good speeches and really gets us ready for our competitions," she said.

Hool said her team had a strong first round and has a difficult routine.

"They had a great first round. In the second round we were a bit shaky, but because we do such a hard routine, we didn't really lose any points," coach Debi Hool said.

Another standout cheerleader this year has been senior Tesia Rezmer. The third-year varsity cheer member said she started in the sport because Clarkston didn't offer a gymnastics team when she was a freshman.

"I think we'll do better than we did last year when we took 12th at states. Our team is very close. We all trust each other and are very good friends. Coach Hool loves repetition. She's a good coach and believes in us all the time," Rezmer said.

Cheer competitions are split into two rounds and teams are judged by originality, creativity, precision, difficulty, floor mobility, leadership and overall impression.

The first round, or leadership round, is a flat cheer, which is strictly motion and floor mobility. At least seven formation changes must take place. Gymnastics and stunting are not allowed in the first round.

The second round, or stunting or creative round, allows gymnastics, stunting and gives the cheerleaders much more freedom than the opening round.

Previously this season, the Clarkston cheer team took first place at the Red Wing Classic Jan. 29 and took second at the Oakland Activities Association league competition.



The Clarkston cheerleading team performed its second annual guy/girl cheer at the Troy basketball game.

Netters season ends with first-round loss in districts

BY ED DAVIS

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Clarkston's volleyball team felt good heading into the district tournament March 4. Coach Gordie Richardson felt good heading into the tournament. But the feeling heading out of the tournament wasn't quite as positive.

Richardson said his team's first-round opponent, Holly, would put up a pretty strong test. The feeling seemed to be if the Wolves could get past the host Bronchos, they'd have a good shot at the district title. The Bronchos put up a strong fight alright, too strong for Clarkston as the Wolves lost in their opening round match in three games, 6-15, 15-8, 9-15.

The match, Richardson said was reflective of the entire season.

"It's indicative of how the entire season has gone for us," Richardson said. "We let some little things bother us and we got down on ourselves and didn't pick ourselves back up."

Clarkston finished the season with an overall record of 25-17-3, but Richardson was hoping for a 30 win season.

"There's been some matches this year that we lost that we shouldn't have. I really thought we had a good chance at the district this year. If we could have beaten Holly we would've had a good chance to win it."

Grand Blanc won the tournament, edging out Holly in three games, 13-15, 15-6, 15-6.

Richardson said Clarkston got up early in the first game, but hitting and service errors cost the Wolves the game.

In game two, Clarkston battled back and showed a solid effort Richardson said.

"We got ahead and stayed ahead in that one. We only had one service error and played pretty well," he said.

In the decisive game three, Clarkston was up 8-6, but then Holly rallied off nine unanswered points

to secure the match win.

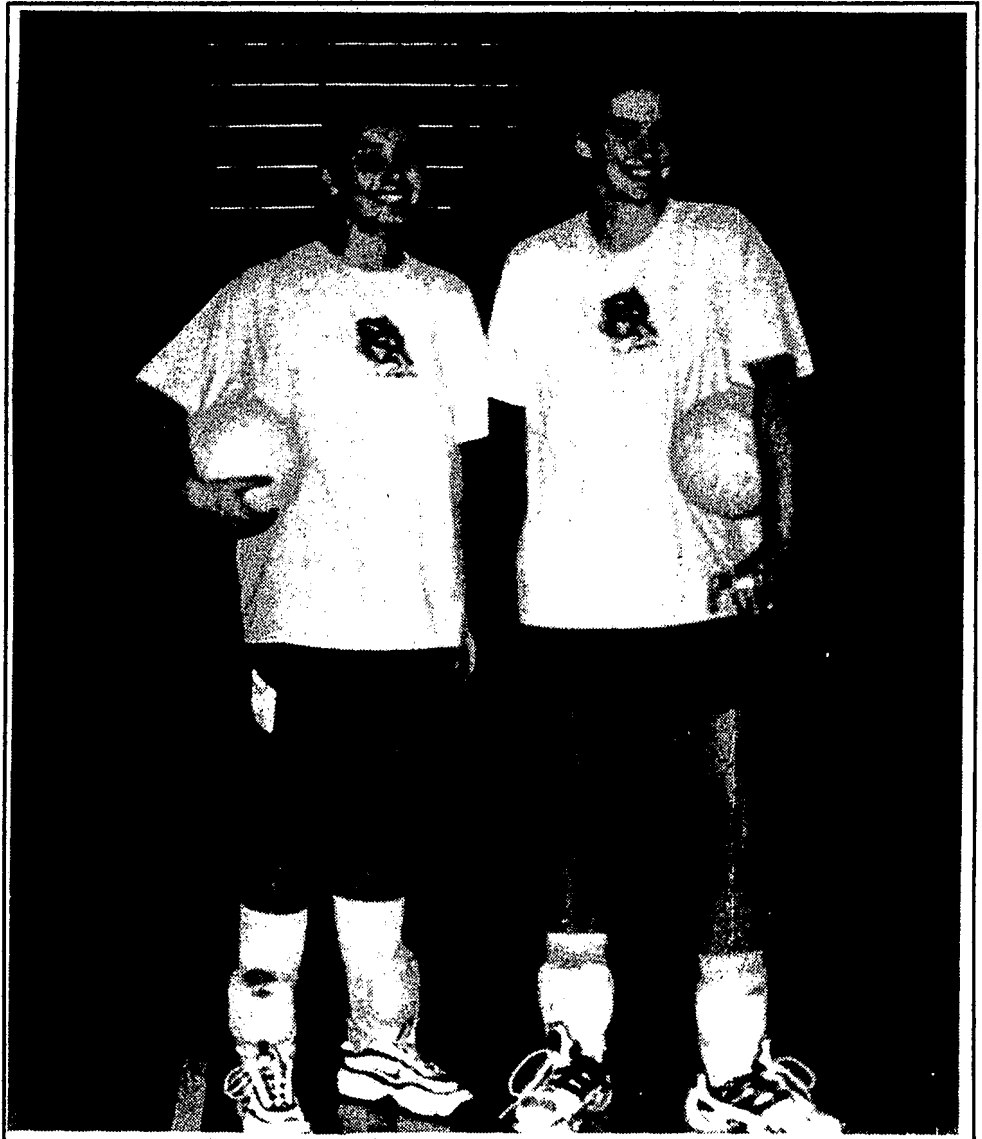
"It's a microcosm of the season for us. I was disappointed. We didn't do things that we had talked about. We didn't take advantage of their mistakes and let things get away from us," he said.

Clarkston got strong games from a variety of players. Senior Brittani Brewer had 13 kills and Mary Warchuck added six. Kristin Falck had eight kills, Andrea Gower six and Lindsay Vincent had seven.

Clarkston had four solo blocks and 10 assisted blocks.

"We blocked pretty well, but we just weren't aggressive enough," Richardson said.

Of the 14 players on this year's varsity team, only three will be seniors: Katie Tripi, Brewer and Jennie Winn. Perhaps with all those juniors becoming seniors, Richardson's next volleyball team will pick up those 30 wins.



Clarkston's Angela Humphrey's, left, and Brittani Brewer, right, were two of this year's most consistent volleyball players.

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Hockey

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Newman, who's been on the team the last three seasons, said the team might not have been as prepared as it should have been.

"Mott's been a pretty easy game for us. I don't think some of the guys came as mentally prepared as they could have. It just wasn't our day. They got some lucky bounces and the puck didn't bounce our way. We still followed our game plan and played a good game," he said.

Newman said he'll greatly miss being part of the team.

"It's been great playing with my buddies over the years, but this is harder to take than last year's loss. Still, winning the OAA the last two years has been great," he said.

Newman said playing under Krygier has been a great experience.

"Playing for him has been an honor. He's got all the know how and experience you could ever ask of a hockey coach. He knows how to, and has the desire to win," Newman said.

Newman, who plays on the blue line, said he models his play after Detroit's Nikolas Lidstrom.

"He's got great hands and speed. Other than me hitting more often than he does, I'd say we have pretty similar playing styles," he said.

Newman isn't sure what his hockey future will be. He has been accepted to Western Michigan University and has interest in pursuing a college career.

Jon Bemis, a junior who plays left wing, said the Corsairs got three fluke goals, but Clarkston's desire may not have been as strong as it should have been.

"We wanted the win, but I think they came out wanting it a little more than we did. This loss hurts more than last year's playoff loss. We had such a good team. We should've gone further in the playoffs than we did," he said.

Bemis, who played in his third year of varsity, said he'll look back on the season and miss playing a line with Bill Kalush and Facione.

"We've all had a great time," he said.

Bemis started playing hockey when he was four years old and said coach Krygier has molded him into the player he is today.

"He's a great teacher. All the drills we do he puts into a game-type situation," he said.

Bemis will be returning for his senior year next year and is confident

that Clarkston will have another strong season.

"We should have a good group next year, but whoever plays in goal is going to have to step up. Badger has left some pretty big shoes to fill," he said.

Bemis said his favorite NHL player is Detroit's Steve Yzerman.

Clarkston loses seven seniors this year, but has an abundance of youth able to return for next year's season. Three freshmen and five sophomores played on this year's team. With all that returning experience one can be certain that expectations will be high once again come next winter.

Clarkston 10, Port Huron 0

BY ED DAVIS

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Two days after heading to overtime against Port Huron Northern, Clarkston didn't even have to play a full 45 minutes to get past Port Huron at McMorran Arena.

Clarkston got goals from Nick Tuner, Adam Postal, Jon Bemis, Derek Hool, Anthony Facione and Andy Florkey in the mercy rule win.

Steve Badger played in net for the first two periods before Adam Smith came in to finish up the game. Together, they turned aside 11 shots to give Clarkston its sixth shutout of the season.

Clarkston peppered the Big Reds with 55 shots. Wolves coach Bryan Krygier said the win was just a win, regardless of the score.

"It's a whole new season in the playoffs. I'm happy as long as we get the win. Our kids moved the puck real well and did a good job in the defensive zone cleaning things up. We didn't allow them many chances," Krygier said.

The win put sixth ranked Clarkston in a Region 6 matchup with Waterford Mott March 3.

Clarkston has beaten Mott twice this season by scores of 5-2 and 3-0.

Clarkston 17-year old sets world record

Clarkston's Adam Wheatcroft, 17, set a world record during the first weekend of the National Indoor Archery Championships, held March 3-5 in East Lansing.

Wheatcroft set a junior world record in the Compound division with an 18-meter score of 595. The old record of 592 was set by Great Britain's Chris White in 1997.

All world records are pending final approval by FITA, the international federation for archery.

The U.S. National Indoor Championships conclude this weekend with events in Harrisonburg, Va., Visalia, Calif. and Winder, Ga. Scores from the eight regional locations will then be merged to determine national champions in all divisions.

Basketball

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player and as a person," Fife said.

The next challenge for Clarkston was the district opener against Lapeer East.

"Our kids have a tendency to play to the level of competition. If our kids are focused they'll do well, but if they're not anybody can beat us. My expectation is to win every game. I want to win the district, league and regional every year," Fife said.

Playoffs tip off with win over Lapeer East

Clarkston 66, Lapeer East 47

All season long Dan Fife's crew has fought through injuries. But a healthy Adam Schapman proved to be a factor in the first-round playoff win March 8.

Schapman had 12 rebounds while Ryan Marino led Clarkston with 19 points and Rocky Lund added 13.

"It's great to have Schapman back from his foot injury and the flu. He's close to a 100 percent," Fife said.

The win sets Clarkston up with tonight's opponent, Oxford. Tip off is set for 8 p.m. at Holly High School.

"It's a whole new atmosphere in the playoffs. The thought process is different. If you lose you're gone. But our kids came out and played a strong game. Oxford should give us a tough game," Fife said.

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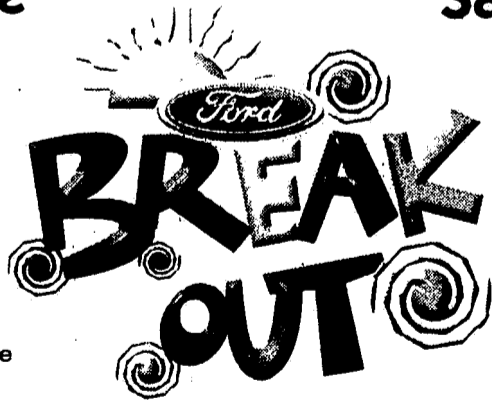
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OFFICIAL NOTICE
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE
PUBLIC NOTICE

The Charter Township of Independence Board of Review will meet for its organizational session, MCL 211.29(1), at the Township Hall's Office of the Assessor on Tuesday, March 7, 2000 at 9:00 am.

The Board of Review will meet at the Township Fire Station #1, Training Room, 6500 Citation Drive, Clarkston, Michigan to hear year 2000 assessment appeals of value, classification and poverty on March 13, and 14, 2000 from 9:00am to 5:00 pm, and on March 15, 2000 from 1:00 pm to 9:30 pm.

The year 2000 tentative equalization ratio is 50%, and the estimated multiplier is 1.0000 for all property classifications.

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

Please note that taxes are levied against the TAXABLE VALUE.

Sincerely,
David J. Kramer, ASA, CMAE3, Assessor

2/23, 3/1, 3/8

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375 DEPOT ROAD
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February 28, 2000
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
SUMMARY

Meeting called to order by Mayor Catalo.
Roll Present: Catalo, Clifton, Colombo, Gamble, Meyland, Sanderson, Savage.
Absent: None.

Minutes of February 14, 2000, accepted as presented.
Agenda accepted as presented.

Resolved That the Preamble and Resolution Calling Election and Submitting Bond Proposal for a City Water System be adopted by the City of Clarkston Council. (Copy on file in City Hall).

Mayor Catalo opened a Public Hearing at 7:35 p.m. to consider the reallocation of CDBG funds for 1997 (\$3,800), 1998 (\$2,000), and 1999 (\$2,000) from "Removal of Architectural Barriers" to "Senior Citizens Center Renovations." There were no comments from residents. Mayor Catalo closed the meeting at 7:36 p.m.

Mayor Catalo asked that the Budget Committee meet on Wednesday, March 29, at 7:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Artemus M. Pappas, Clerk

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Planning Commission of Independence Township CLINTONWOOD PARK SENIOR CENTER CARRIAGE HOUSE, 5980 Clarkston Road, Clarkston, Michigan, 48348 to consider the following:

TEXT AMENDMENTS TO ZONING ORDINANCE #83

PC 99-1-052, Article V, Section 5.12., SITE PLAN REVIEW
PC 99-1-053, Article V, Section 5.18.9, EXTERIOR LIGHTING & GLARE

PC 99-1-054, Article XXX, SCHEDULE OF REGULATIONS
PC 2000-005, Article V, Section 5.15, include HISTORIC FEATURES

PC 2000-006, Article XXV, PUD, include HISTORIC FEATURES
PC 2000-007, Article XXVI PRD, include HISTORIC FEATURES

Please contact the Building & Planning Department for further information and copies of the proposed language.

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Common Description:

Any further information regarding the above Public Hearing may be obtained at the Township Planning Office during regular office hours 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, or by phone at 625-8111.

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January 24, 2000
Stephen C. Albery
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COUNTY OF OAKLAND
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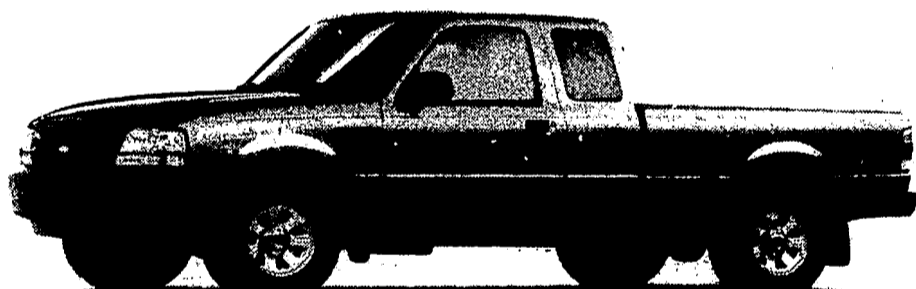
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