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'Clowning around' at Monday's parade



Thousands of people lined Main Street from Church to Miller streets to watch Clarkston's Labor Day Parade Monday. Cloudy skies and cool temperatures didn't stop viewers or participants from having a good time. The Clarkston Rotary Club sponsored the parade, as it has for over 50 years. Photo by Ed Davis.

Annual Crafts and Cider Festival returns this month

The Clarkston Community Historical Society's (CCHS) 26th annual Crafts and Cider Festival will take place Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 16th and 17th in Depot Park in historic City of the Village of Clarkston. This outdoor show features more than 100 fine artists and craftsmen from all over the country. The festival will be held Saturday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sunday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Admission is free at the quaint location of Depot Park, whose picturesque setting includes a running stream, tall trees, and open spaces surrounded

by lakes and beautiful historical homes. A playground area, face painting, sand art and other children's activities are available during the Festival. History buffs will enjoy touring the historic district which dates back to the 1840's.

The Crafts and Cider Festival is the CCHS' main fundraising activity with recent proceeds having been used for the society's 1999 opening and operating of The Heritage Museum located at the

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Almond Lane flooding solutions still under debate

BY JEFF PATRUS
Clarkston News Staff Writer

More than a month after a public forum was held to discuss flooding concerns on Almond Lane, the two key parties are still working to find a solution.

A public meeting July 27 brought together representatives from Clarkston Community Schools and Independence Township, as well as engineers from both parties, to discuss these issues.

Now, the task at hand is to find out what to do to combat the problem.

Craig Kahler, director of business services for the Clarkston Community Schools district, said the district is currently working with the township to find the best possible solution to the problem.

"We're looking at options right now," he said. "We're working with the township engineers to come to a solution. We're actively seeking solutions. We are wrestling with what is going to be best long-term and most cost-effective."

Independence Township Supervisor Dale Stuart concurred with that assessment, commenting that the two parties are currently looking at "any and all alternatives" to the problem.

"We haven't come to a conclusion as to what will be the best solution," he said.

At the July meeting, Independence Township engineer Tom Biehl, of Hubbell, Roth and Clark, was on hand to give the officials from the two parties, as well as approximately 30 people in attendance, an understanding of the situation at hand.

Biehl presented a list of four options to combat the problem: 1) installing a gravity outlet, coming out of the wetlands, south of the high school retention pond; 2) looking at an off-site storm sewer, staying in the Waldon Road right of way and building a storm sewer down Almond Lane; 3) looking at a permanent pump outlet on the property; 4) putting a pump station on the school property.

Earlier in July, a group of Almond Lane residents voiced their concerns about flooding in the area. A debate ensued as to whether responsibility of finding a solution fell with the township or with the school district.

At that point, members of the Clarkston Board of Education suggested a meeting between the two parties to work toward a solution.

The News in Brief

Clarkston Creek information on local cable

An outline of the proposed transaction between Independence Township and developers for purchase of Clarkston Creek Golf Course and stormwater management rights will run every day on Channel 67 as a continuous feed.

Copies are also available at township offices, 90 N. Main St. and the Independence Township Library, 6495 Clarkston Rd.

Repeat airings of the Aug. 17 information meeting are being shown on Channel 65 at unscheduled times. The Sept. 6 information meeting will be televised and run on Channel 65 on Sept. 7 and 11. The times will be announced.

You may call AT&T cable at 625-7069 to find out the airing schedule.

Don't forget to vote on Tues., Sept. 12.

After-school options for middle schoolers

Are you looking for creative, supervised after-school activities for your middle school students?

Dave Reschke, assistant superintendent of Clarkston schools, will discuss options available to local families at the next Clarkston Coalition for Youth (formerly Clarkston Community Task Force for Youth) meeting Thurs., Sept. 14 from 7 to 8 a.m. at the Clintonwood Park Carriage House on Clarkston Road west of Sashabaw.

The meeting, a fall kick-off for the Coalition, offers a continental breakfast and is open to the public. Call 922-3004 for more information.

Sashabaw Road to be resurfaced

The Road Commission for Oakland County (RCOC) has announced that Sashabaw Rd. will be resurfaced from Dixie Highway to Pelton Road beginning this week.

It is scheduled to be completed by mid-September.

In addition the closure of Big Lake Road from Hillsboro Rd. to Andersonville Rd. has been extended to September 14 for railroad crossing repairs. The detour route is Andersonville and Hall roads.

Girl Scout recruitment fair

The Fair Winds Girls Scout Council -- Clarkston Neighborhood -- will hold a recruitment fair Monday, Sept. 11 from 7 to 8 p.m. at St. Daniel Catholic Church 7010 Valley Park Dr. at Holcomb Rd. in Clarkston.

The fair is for new Girl Scouts -- girls from kindergarten through 12th grade -- and for potential leaders and co-leaders.

If you cannot attend the recruitment fair but are interested in Girl Scouting, please call Beth Fenton at 674-2513 or Fair Winds Girl Scout Council at (800) 482-6734 for more information.

Do you have information for The News in Brief? Call 625-3370.

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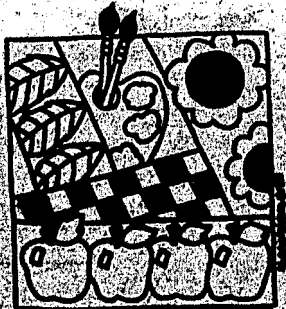
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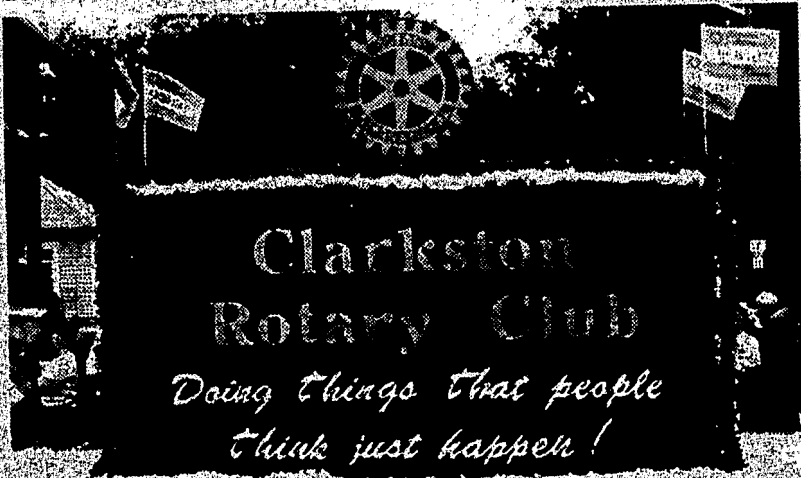
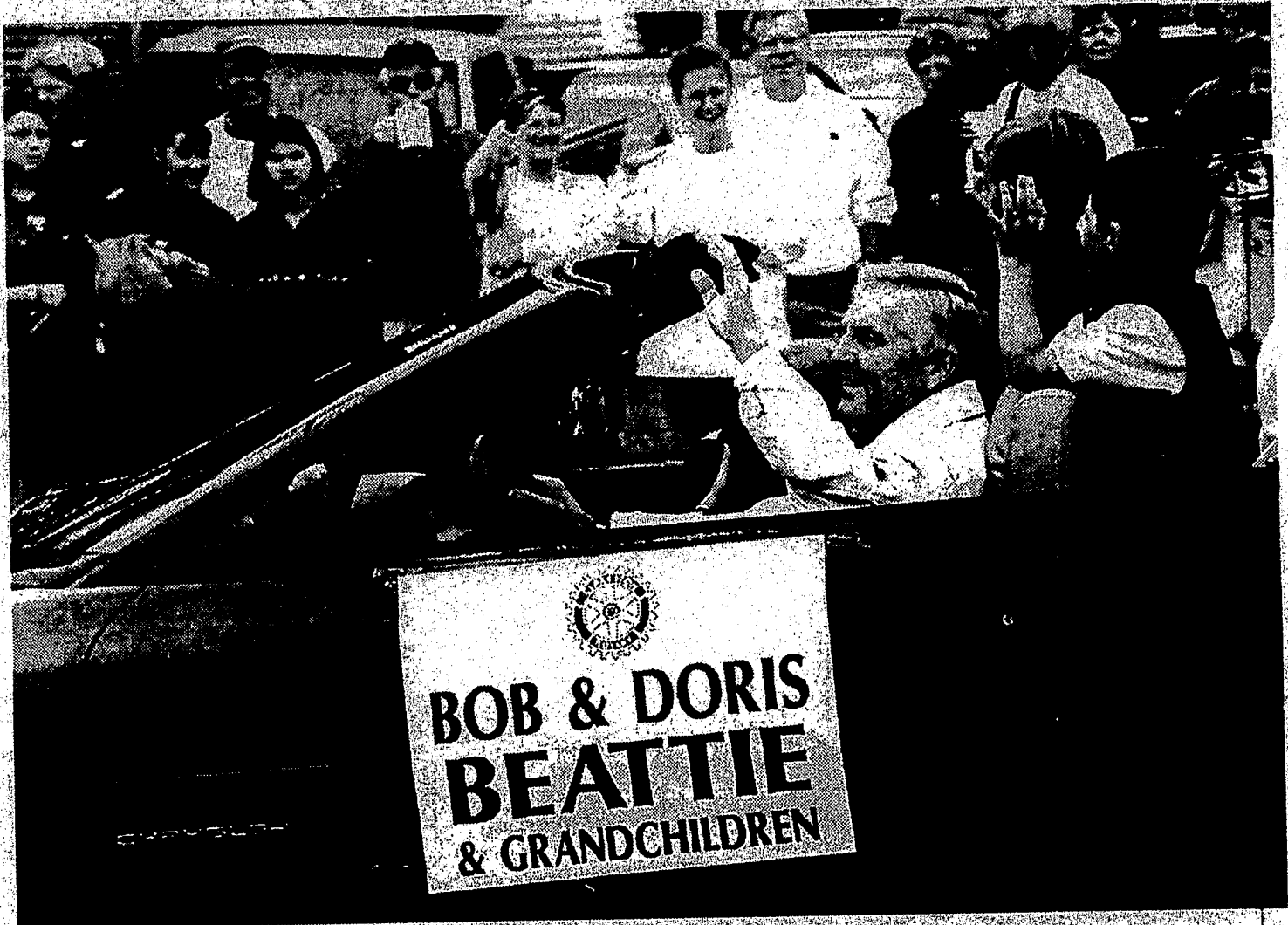
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The Second Front

*In
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loves the
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In Clarkston, if you plan a parade, they will come. The annual Labor Day Parade, sponsored by the Clarkston Rotary Club, is the third of four annual parades. It follows the Memorial Day Parade and 4th of July Parade.

Next up is the Clarkston High School Homecoming Parade, scheduled for Saturday, October 14 at 10 a.m. in downtown Clarkston.



Clockwise from above, the Clarkston Rotary Club float says it all. The Rotary Club has sponsored the Labor Day Parade for over fifty years. Bob Beattie performed Grand Marshal duties with his wife Doris and their grandchildren. Right, these lovely girls wave to the crowd.

Photos by Ed Davis

Near right, this young fellow holding a water hose strikes fear in the hearts of parade watchers as he gets ready to spray the crowd from atop a fire truck. Far right, always a crowd pleaser, the Clarkston High School Marching Band performs Monday morning in the Labor Day Parade.



Springfield continues steps toward preservation

(Editor's note: This is the second in a two-part series of articles about wetlands in Independence and Springfield townships.)

BY ELLY SPINWEBER
Clarkston News Staff Writer

"Our destiny today was determined 1,000 years ago by glaciers."

Proving these words before they were even spoken by Springfield Township Clerk Nancy Strole are the wetlands near Long Lake.

The meadows there are filled with waist-high grasses, black-eyed susan and goldenrod; the woods quietly bursting with trees and foliage.

Long Lake itself is serene, bordered in some places by very large oaks and in others by lush wetlands.

Springfield Township is blessed with these and other tremendous natural resources. Recently, with the help of two grants from the Environmental Protection Agency, township officials have launched a campaign to preserve wetlands such as those surrounding Long Lake.

The campaign began several years ago with the Shiawassee-Huron Headwaters Resource Preservation Project.

Through a \$75,000 EPA grant, the project inventoried the natural features of six communities, including five townships and one village: Rose, Springfield, Highland, White Lake and Milford townships and the village of Milford.

After the natural assets of the township were determined, their status was "ranked" based on the pureness of the natural elements in the area.

For example, the Long Lake area is ranked at a 13, the highest rating on the scale. This area of prairie fen wetland is the "most pristine area in the midwest," said Strole.

Based on the rankings, township officials and



Preserving open space has been a goal of Springfield Township's board for several years, said Clerk Nancy Strole, right.

planners decided which areas were to be untouched and which could be developed.

"We looked at the qualitative value of the resources," Strole said.

Since the area around Long Lake was judged at such a high value, it will not be touched by development, Strole said.

Another area the project found to be valuable

in terms of wetland purity was the Huron Swamp. Not only is it home to plant life and valuable water sources, a nesting pair of red-shouldered hawk also reside in the swamp. The hawks are rare because very few nesting pairs can be found, Strole said.

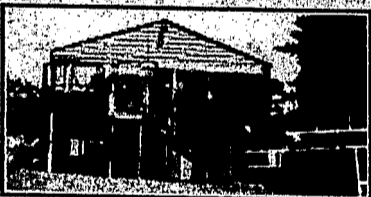
"To effectively protect these areas, we need to plan for them as ecosystems," she said.

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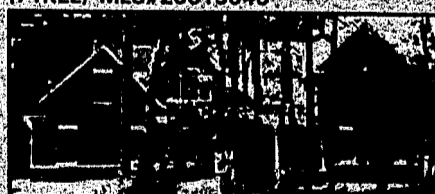
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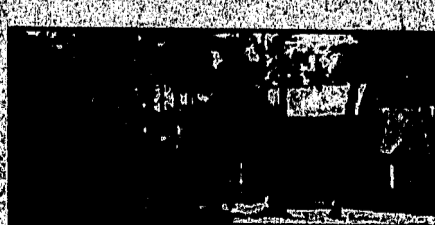
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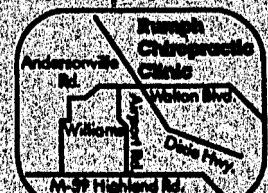
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Land Conservancy endorses Clarkston Creek proposal

The North Oakland Headwaters Land Conservancy (NOHLC) has endorsed the September 12 Clarkston Creek ballot proposal, and recommends a yes vote by the electorate. The NOHLC Board of Directors and Auditors took this action at its monthly meeting on August 12, in Clarkston.

Bob Inskeep, NOHLC President, says, "Endorsement of the ballot proposal is consistent with our mission to preserve open space and to protect the water resources in this community."

The "Proposal for the Preservation of Land and Resources, prepared by Independence Township, is to "Preserve 120 (plus) acres of the property known as the Clarkston Creek Golf Course, facilitate a Regional Storm Water Management System and provide area for a Wetland Mitigation Program," north of Maybee Road and west of Sashabaw Road.

This plan is to be accomplished "by paying cash and transferring certain

township property for certain lands, easements, improvements and a restriction against" the development of the golf course and for the continuation of it as a recreational site, thus maintaining the area as open space.

This ballot proposal is advisory to the Independence Township Board of Trustees, and provides guidance for the negotiation of a possible agreement between the township and the proposed developers and owners of the area.

"It would be very sad indeed to lose such a major open space in this community, particularly in this area of intense development," said Inskeep. "The preservation of this area provides a significant buffer between several residential areas and the expanding commercial corridor along Sashabaw Road."

"Perhaps, more importantly," con-

tinued Inskeep, "The plan proposes to provide a system for managing the storm water in the area. If done properly -- collection and treatment of the water run off and filtration of it through

existing and created wetlands as well as the open spaces on the golf course -- the project can provide protection of this portion of the Clinton River and related waterways to the south and west, such as Spring Lake and Townsend Lake," said Inskeep.

The management of growth and development by the purchase of "development rights" is a time-honored technique. For example this approach has been, and is continuing to be, used to preserve the character of the Old Mission Peninsula, north of Traverse City.

The North Oakland Headwaters

Land Conservancy is dedicated to protecting the rural character and quality of life in Northwestern Oakland County, by conserving the woods, fields, streams and other natural resources in the headwater areas of the Clinton, Shiawassee, Huron, and Flint Rivers.

Incorporated in 1972 as the Independence Land Conservancy, the North Oakland Headwaters Land Conservancy has worked in and for the community for about 28 years. Currently, the Conservancy has stewardship of 30 parcels of land comprising over 620 acres, some properties totally owned and some protected by conservation/scenic easements.

Questions for the Conservancy may be directed to North Oakland Headwaters Land Conservancy (NOHLC), P.O. Box 285, Clarkston MI 48347; e-mail at NOHLC@hotmail.com or by calling 620-4700.



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The polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. at the following locations:

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3. Calvary Evangelical Lutheran Church, 6805 Bluegrass
4. Free Methodist Church, 5482 Winell
5. Pine Knob Elementary, 6020

6. Bailey Lake Elementary, 8051 Pine Knob Rd
7. Independence Elementary, 6850 Hubbard Rd.
8. Clarkston Elementary, 6595 Waldon Rd.
9. Clarkston Elementary, 6595 Waldon Rd.
10. Independence Elementary, 6850 Hubbard Rd.
11. North Sashabaw Elementary, 5290

12. Bailey Lake Elementary, 8051 Pine Knob Rd.
13. First Congregational Church, 5449 Clarkston Rd.
14. Pine Knob Elementary, 6020 Sashabaw Rd.

The purpose of this election is to vote on the following ballot proposal:

Proposal for the preservation of land and resources:

"Should the Charter Township of In-

dependence preserve 120 plus acres of the property known as the Clarkston Creek Golf Course, facilitate a regional storm water management system and provide area for a wetland mitigation program, by paying cash and transferring certain township property for certain lands, easements, improvements and a restriction against developing or using that portion of the golf course property for other than golf and certain limited recreational uses."

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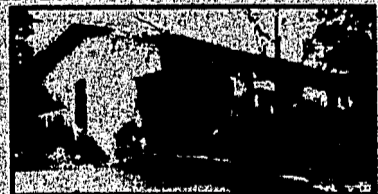
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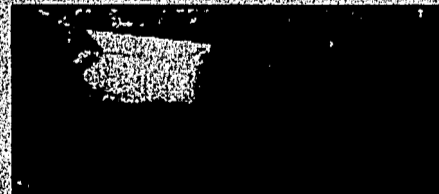
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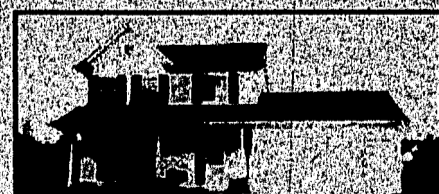
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Opinion

6A Wed., Sept. 6, 2000

The Clarkston (MI) News

Guest Editorial

By Neil Wallace
Independence Township Trustee

Embrace open space

At the September 12 election, Independence Township voters will be able to participate in deciding whether we should enter into a unique transaction to preserve a significant amount of open space in one of the most densely populated parts of our community and to establish an important part of the regional storm water drainage system.

Although the Township Board could have made this decision without the referendum, we felt that this was such a community-defining decision that everyone should have the opportunity to participate. In the short time that we have had to distribute information, several of us have been working very hard to get out full and accurate information. Frankly, I look forward to the questions and I believe the significant level of participation and interest in this question is itself good for our community.

In last week's editorial, *The Clarkston News* identified what it characterized as lingering questions. So I appreciate the opportunity to respond. First, however, there was a letter next to the editorial concerning taxes. Let me repeat that this proposal will not result in an increase in taxes, period.

Next, the essential components of this proposal will not change. Attorneys for the developers and township are in the process of documenting our agreement. It is common in this process to work out the specific language and protections. But the proposal will not change.

The next question was: "What happens if the developers do not live up to their part of the bargain and make the specific designated improvements over the five-year scheduled upgrade program? Answer: They will have to pay the township \$1,000,000 and they will lose certain protections that are important to them.

This ties into the question: "What is the worse case scenario if golf utterly fails?" We do not believe this will happen in the 12-year protection period. But if it does the township board will make their decision based on the circumstances that exist at that time. The worse case scenario, I suppose, is that the golf course may become a park. And after 12 years, it can't be developed, except for certain limited recreational uses consistent with the goal of green, open space.

Why not just make it a park? Answer: (1) the township does not control the property, (2) it would cost the township \$5,000,000 just to acquire the property and more to improve it as a park, and (3) if it were to become a park, we would no longer receive property taxes from it.

Next question: "In an already upscale community, why is it necessary that the townhouses, retail center and restaurant be upscale and not aimed at moderate-income families?" Answer: (1) There is already mod-

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Letters To The Editor

Thanks for helping with 'Rush for Food'

Thank you, thank you, thank you—to all who helped our third annual "Rush for Food" for Lighthouse North. The Clarkston High School football teams came through again and collected over 200 bags of food and personals.

Thanks to the generous people of Clarkston for all their contributions, the Independence Parks Department for use of the park and grill, the football coaches for lend-

ing us your "boys" for the night, all the parents who cooked, sorted, loaded and unloaded, and most of all the players who gave us their time and spirit.

Mary Ann Kenerson, Julie Moehlig, Jane Carr, Anne Chesley, Molly McCallum, Nancy Hanna, Carla Endrezel, Linda Kaul

What 'Strange Fruit' really means

Dear Mr. Sherman,

After reading your column (*The Clarkston News*, 8/9/00) about the 10 greatest songs "ever", I feel compelled to write.

I suppose most of us could list a dozen or so of our all-time favorites, and I have no quarrel with your selections. I enjoy most of the songs on the "official" list and also those on yours.

But, just FYI, I would like to explain why "Strange Fruit" made the official list. Of all the songs in my life, it is the most powerful I've heard.

It's a song that would be impossible for anyone to claim to "enjoy", but, without fail, it sends shivers down the spine.

A British music publication once wrote that "Strange Fruit" is one of 10 songs that actually changed the world.

"Strange Fruit" was written by a Jewish educator, Abel Meeropol of New York City, who is perhaps better known for adopting—with his wife, Anne—the sons of

Ethel and Julius Rosenberg.

Meeropol was a prolific writer, often under the name Lewis Allen, and produced "Apples, Peaches and Cherries" by Peggy Lee.

With "Strange Fruit", he wrote both the music and the lyrics.

Billie Holiday first performed the song at Cafe Society in 1938 or 1939. Once you've read the words, or listened to a recording of her version, it shouldn't be hard to imagine the pin-drop silence that resulted from her introduction of "Strange Fruit".

You see, the song is about the heinous practice of lynching in the American South. It is, no doubt, one of the first civil rights songs.

Billie Holiday's "Strange Fruit" still is available (on CD), and a new book might be of interest: "Strange Fruit/Billie Holiday, Cafe Society, and the early cry for

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MTV would love this setup

Editor's note: although former Clarkston News intern and 1998 Clarkston High School grad Elly Spinweber has returned to Penn State for her junior year, we are running the columns and stories she wrote before she left.

This is the true story of seven strangers, picked to live in a study lounge...

Due to some faulty apartment leasing on my part, I am living in temporary housing on campus. This means sharing a converted study lounge with seven other girls, two of which are freshman. MTV could have a field day.

Since this is the third time I've left for school, it's gotten considerably easier than it was that first summer. I remember walking in to my dorm room with 12 boxes, two teary parents and two curious little sisters, thinking how great being on my own was going to be.

And it was, but if I could go back to that first semester, there are a few things I would have wanted to know. So, for all you incoming freshman (especially girls), here goes:

- 1. Overindulgence: inevitable, but controllable.** Overindulgence, in all forms, is bad. I overindulged in everything my first semester—food, drink, song and dance. I have since learned control is very important, because there's always someone who wants to party, get coffee or go play frisbee. You don't have to go every time, because eventually you'll fail chemistry.
- 2. Sorority Girls:** Girls, if this is your thing, go for it. If it's not, be prepared. At Penn State, sororities don't have houses, they have floors in the dorms. I lived in a dorm with three sororities last year. It's a unique experience. Stay away from elevators and lobbies anytime after nine o'clock Thursday through Saturday nights. Be advised if you do venture out, you will be greeted

with an abundance of black pants, big hair (I go to school on the east coast) and shrieks of sisterly encouragement travelling across the lobby. However, boys love them, so there are usually two or more suspiciously beautiful boys following them around, which makes for some worthwhile eye candy.

- 3. Fear and Loathing on campus: Fraternities.** Always a source of the aforementioned overindulgence, it is important to have a strategy when going out for a night of frat-hopping. Girls, stick with a buddy. Don't go upstairs with a random brother, because the fish tank/blacklight/Dave Matthews poster he wants to show you is probably just an excuse to get you up there. However, to be fair, this rule should be applied to all parties, not just those at fraternity houses. Also, getting in can be a pain in the neck. Apparently fraternities at some schools have a cover charge, but the ones at Penn State don't. So, aside from money, you basically have to smile a lot, bat your eyes and act like there is no other place you'd rather be on a 40-degree night in party clothes than standing in a line outside this particular brother's front door. They might ask to see your student ID and want your student number, in which case you should make one up. You don't want to get in trouble if the police show up. Finally, and most importantly, do not travel in groups over four *anywhere*. You will be spotted, labeled as freshman herds and then appro-

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As the world
'interns'



Elly Spinweber

School days mean rule days

It was cool and crisp Tuesday morning. It was the kind of morning that when recalling in later life will make you smile. It was a fall morning — perfect, right down to a light breeze carrying leaves across the road.

Puffy white clouds drifted across a light blue sea of sky. There was dew on the deep green grass. Yellow school buses rumbled over the road in front of our house — one, two, maybe twenty, all taking kids to school.

It was the day after Labor Day, the day — in my book — school is supposed to start. And for two-year, 10-month and 4-day old Shamus it was. The first day at his new school.

Shamus was a little nervous. Mommy cried — her first little baby was now a boy. Brother Sean, nearly a half year old, could care less, he just sniffled — he was up all night with a cold and his nose and cheeks were red. Poppy, yours truly, just smiled. I didn't know what to think.

I wasn't sad. I wasn't happy. Maybe I was just nostalgic. Maybe melancholy.

I remember holding my mother's hand and walking down an empty hallway on my first day of kindergarten. That day is as far away from me now as my new school, Ascroft Elementary, is.

What effect did that have on my life?

Was I changed?

What effect will this have on Shamus' life? His teacher, Mrs. Giza, looks to be on the ball. And I am sure most of the teachers he'll have will be on the ball. But, what will they change in my little boy?

Will his natural energy be sapped? Will he be subdued by rules and regulations of the state? What kind of indoctrination will he be put through?

I don't remember much about Mrs. Maugh (pronounced mow) and kindergarten. I have snippets of memories about my first year in school. I can picture the room, where we sat in a circle — each kid on his or her own square of carpet. I recall having to stand in front of Mrs. Maugh and having to count as high as I could. And I remember a girl named Suzzie, who was a skinny kid, with brown hair and

black leotards luring me up onto this wooden jungle-gym thing we had in class and then pushing me off, four feet to the floor.

I shoulda' learned that lesson then. Shoulda', coulda', woulda' — didn't. It would have saved a lot of heart ache later in life. I guess dames don't change.

A couple of weeks ago, Shamus' teacher gave us a form to fill out — things he likes; favorite color, food, his brother's name, etc. Also, there was a question: "What I hope to learn."

We — or I should say, I — filled in, "learn to share." Jen instructed me to add something about social skills. So, I did.

Not that Shamus is a bad kid. Just the opposite, he's a great kid. (And, I'm not saying that just because I'm his pappy.) He's a serious kid, but loves to make others smile. He's starting to rhyme words and make up jokes that only a two-year-old gets, yet makes us all laugh.

I'm sure he'll do okay and I know it's good for him to be with all those other kids. It's just, I don't know, did we sign his personality

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Don Rush

away by giving Mrs. Giza the go-ahead on teaching social skills? We don't want his spirits dashed, yet we know he can't just run freely in a society with strict rules of behavior.

We want him to retain his individualism, but not be an outcast.

The first day of school.

We took him to class, took pictures (as did other parents) and it took him all of two point three nano seconds to forget we were there. We left without him noticing.

The first day of Shamus' school was probably tougher on us than him. I guess that is, as they say, life.

Goodbye little boy.

Hello Shamus.

E-mail Don at: dontrushmedon@aol.com

But does it have the national anthem?

It is time, once again, for the annual Back-to-School column.

What is there to say? The halls are crowded, with our enrollment up by a hundred students. We are in classes, and we like some of them, and others make dryer lint seem lively. And as usual, it has been nice to see our friends on a regular basis.

The most noticeable change in the school routine showed up on my desk in anatomy last Tuesday. Instead of the student handbook of years prior — a document prone to being thrown away — the handbook had merged with a bright, perky student planner.

How nice! you might think. How thoughtful of the school to help us get organized by providing us all with planners. And they certainly are complete: in addition to the obligatory calendars, address book, and planning pages, there are places to write a personal mission statement and monthly fitness goals, tips for studying and writing, an envelope for inspirational writings, stickers to mark important days, and even the lyrics to "The Star Spangled Banner" in case we find ourselves feeling patriotic!

Well, I'm sure usefulness was the idea. The planners are well intentioned without a doubt, but they weren't provided as a convenient option. There was no choice involved; we've been told we must use — or at the very least, carry these planners.

People of my age tend to make a stink whenever a new requirement is made of us, and that holds in this case. Your first thought might be that the people most annoyed by the compulsory planners are those who have never used a planner, but they'll just toss the thing aside like every other organizational tool they've been given. The ones most ticked off are those of us already using a planner religiously.

As scatterbrained as we might seem, there are plenty of high school students that carry and use planners. I, for one, wouldn't have a clue what homework I was supposed to be doing if I didn't write it down, and even with my calendar I sometimes have trouble knowing where I'm supposed to be.

But regardless of our current organizational state, the school-supported planners are to be strictly enforced. I, along with many others, had already invested in a planner, and — silly me — assumed it would be sufficient. My planner is a PalmPilot, and as anyone who is familiar with these computerized organizers knows, paper planners do not even compare.

My planner, the problem was, did not contain a Hallway Passport. Starting this year, gone are the days of paper slips giving students access to bathrooms, lockers, and the like. Now we simply write our destination in the Passport section of the planner, have a teacher sign it, and off we go, letting the necessary customs officials inspect it on the way.

This in itself, of course, is not a bad idea. It saves paper, and teachers don't have to scrounge for hall passes every time one of us needs to visit the loo. I would be happy to tear the Hall-

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Life



Kevin Kosbob

Visit centennial Holly, 1838-1938

It was sort of a 'busman's holiday' when Nelson and Sylvia Garland, of Lake Orion, loaned me their centennial issue of The Holly Herald. It's dated June 30, 1938.

I quickly recalled a 75th anniversary issue of weekly newspapering in Oxford, which we published in 1957. Newspaper production did not change much from 1926 to 1964.

Those were the days when larger headlines and display advertising were done in hand-set type. Sections had to be printed weeks early so type and lead for Linotypes could be reused.

E. A. Stankrauff had only owned The Herald 18 months when Holly Township turned 100. It was (is) a broad-sheet weekly, like The Oakland Press, Flint Journal, etc.

That issue had 18, 4-page sections. Their hand-fed press could print only two pages at a time. When 2 pages were printed, the sheets were turned over and two more pages were printed on the other side.

I don't know if I can show you the magnitude of that printing job. The 4,000 run issue had 72 pages. That means the pressman hand-fed 256,000 sheets of paper into their press.

Then, because The Herald had no folder, the sheets had to be folded by hand. The printing took 192 hours. Two people did the folding. No time was given.

(When we at The Oxford Leader junked our 2-

Jim's
Jottings



Jim Sherman

page hand-fed press in 1964 and "went offset", our printing time dropped from 12 hours a week to 20 minutes.)

This edition of The Herald could not have been a money-maker. There's about a page of advertising in the first six sections.

Editorially, of course, it was a huge task. Mr. Stankrauff admitted he wrote very little of it, and relied on volunteers to do histories of people, hotels, industry, schools, churches, societies, farming, tragedies, etc. Once written, a single Linotype operator put it into lead. The Linotypist, pressman and Stankrauff made up the Herald staff.

The founder of Holly, Jonathon T. Allen, named the town after Mount Holly, New Jersey. The township had 54 lakes in its boundaries.

180 Holly businesses and professionals are listed in this anniversary issue which contained over 500 pictures — also an expensive thing because they all had to be sent someplace to be engraved.

In 1838 only 160 names were on Holly's rolls.

The Herald circulated in Grand Blanc, Rose and Groveland Township, thus some histories of those communities was included.

Grand Blanc was never a village, always a city. It's name means "great white." In 1833, you could buy a gallon of whiskey in Grand Blanc for 50 cents.

One of the early tragedies was the cyclone of 1896, which hit Oakwood and Thomas in north Oxford Township after going through Holly and Groveland Townships.

That Herald was a great reading trip for me and I thank Nels and Sylvia for letting me read it.

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'Strange Fruit'

civil rights" by David Margolick, contributing editor for "Vanity Fair".

If you care to read the lyrics, here they are:

STRANGE FRUIT
Southern trees bear a strange fruit,
Blood on the leaves and blood at the root.

Black body swinging in the Southern breeze,
Strange fruit hanging from the poplar trees.

Pastoral scene of the gallant South,
The bulging eyes and the twisted mouth,

Scent of magnolia sweet and fresh,
And the sudden smell of burning flesh.

Here is a fruit for the crows to pluck,
For the rain to gather, for the wind to suck,

For the sun to rot, for a tree to drop,
Here is a strange and bitter crop.

Sincerely,
Terry Duke

Clarkston Creek proposal will not change

For many years the Township has tried to be proactive regarding the future. A good example of this is the Sashabaw Storm Water Drain plan. Realizing that Sashabaw was going to be the next major growth area, we wanted to avoid a series of unsightly retention ponds. We also wanted to make sure that the wetlands in the area were preserved and enhanced. Maintaining or improving water quality was a major goal.

To reach these objectives, the Township, through its civil engineers, has studied the entire Sashabaw area to determine how we can achieve those results. This does not mean that we will be destroying wetlands or allowing developers to use their properties more intensely than they could have otherwise. Exactly the opposite will happen. We will expand and improve existing wetlands and potentially create new wetlands. The new developments along Sashabaw will have more green space, not less. The result for the community is that we will have better quality and aesthetic enhancements.

This proposal is final in all of its specific elements.

If you visit the Township's web page, www.twp.independence.mi.us, or get a copy of the summary we have prepared which is available at the Township Library and the Township Offices, you will know all of the specific components of the final transaction.

The specific, agreed and disseminated components of the transaction are not going to be further negotiated. What is true is all of the legalize hasn't been finalized. We have our attorneys and the developer's attorneys working on the actual documents. As the drafting occurs issues may arise that deal with minor changes but the specific components — the substance of the transaction — will remain exactly as it has been outlined to the voters.

The Township Board needs your opinion. The Township Board needs your input.

Remember to vote on September 12.

Dale A. Stuart
Supervisor
Charter Township of Independence

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erate income housing in our community, including the adjacent apartments, (2) the upscale town homes will be targeted at empty nesters meaning less pressure on our schools, and (3) it is unlikely that moderate income housing would be a good fit with golf course frontage.

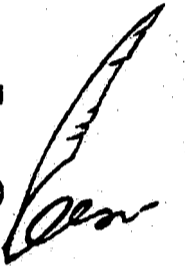
Finally, there is a misunderstanding about "wetlands mitigation." This proposal will not result in the destruction of any wetlands. Rather, certain areas of the golf course will be designated for the township to create wetlands. This would occur only if any when there is an unavoidable destruction of existing wetlands somewhere else in the community. No one who understands wetlands would ever want them lost, but it happens. This will give us the chance to do something about it.

At the information presentations I have participated in, folks have said that once they understood the proposal they favored it. I urge everyone to review the information we have provided, ask questions, and vote "Yes" on September 12.

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Write a Letter To The Editor.

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Clarkston Foundation grant will provide treasured story for students

Editor's note: The following letter has been forwarded to us from Dave Harrison, president of Clarkston State Bank and chairman of the Teacher of the Year Committee for the Clarkston Foundation. He wanted to share with the community the comments of Phyllis Ness, the Clarkston Foundation Teacher of the Year for 2000. Ness won the use of a new car for a year from Flannery Ford and a \$250 grant. "This letter shows why she was so de-

serving of the award," Harrison said.

Dear Members of the Foundation,
Thank you for this wonderful grant. On Curriculum Night at Pine Knob (Elementary School), our first grade teachers plan to model reading aloud and retelling, using the book *Goldilocks and the Three Bears*. We will then send every first grader and his/her family home with a copy of this favorite story.

I have enclosed the invoice for this order, along with a stamped envelope, so that the payment can be sent directly to Scholastic. I have also enclosed a personal check for the balance due, minus the \$250 grant money provided by the Foundation.

The Pine Knob first grade teachers thank you for providing the funds necessary to give this incredible reading gift to our children.

Yours truly,
Phyllis Ness

Kevin Kosbab

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way Passport out of the provided planner and place it in my own. This simple solution, for whatever reason, is not permitted.

I really do not see the benefit of carrying two planners simply so you can go to the bathroom every now and then. If anyone out there has discovered the key of doubleplanner organization, please share it with me!

I do appreciate getting a planner from the school, and I would without question use it if only I didn't already have a planner that, for me, is better. But I have plenty of weight in my backpack without things I don't use.

Maybe the extra weight would help build my arms as I lug my backpack around.

Hmmm ... I could write that down in the fitness goals section for this month, and then the second planner would be useful! Problem solved; please disregard this column.

Elly Spinweber

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privately mocked; it's not pretty, trust me.

4. Studying

This works best for me when done with a partner in a study lounge. Then you've got someone to distract you when you need distracting and keep you in line when you lose focus. Somewhere on campus, there's also a library. That always works for someplace quiet to read, but it gets creepy in there after dark, so I say, as with parties, use the buddy system. Review sessions, though usually scheduled at some god-awful hour like 10 a.m. on Saturday, are going to be more of a help than you think. Teaching assistants and professors are usually more approachable and willing to answer questions than they are in the middle of a 300-person lecture. Cram-

ming for an exam is inevitable, but it needs to be said the reason I am living with seven girls in a study lounge is because cramming definitely did not work out for me.

5. Lifestyle changes. This is the hardest thing to get used to. Living in a college town is like living in a big bubble. You tend to lose sight of reality and everything you do anywhere else becomes related to what you do at school. For example, you come home and think you can order pizza at 4 a.m.; your whole world becomes divided into semesters and quarters; you never wake up and go to sleep on the same day; you have "school" friends, "party" friends and "real" friends; your average walking speed increases by 20 miles an hour, etc. It's a vicious cycle, one you learn to love and hate and love again.

So, freshman, have fun. And for everyone else going back...aren't you glad we've already learned this?

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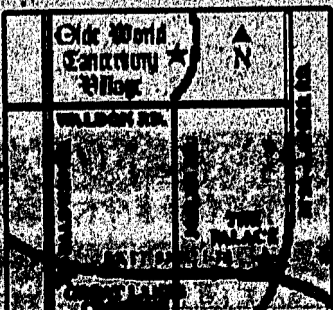
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Rotary members get a lesson in robotics

The Clarkston Rotary Club had an unusually animated meeting on August 21. Rory Windrim and two students, Ray Smith of Notre Dame Prep School and Mike Windrim of Holly, gave a presentation of the competitive robotics program sponsored by GM Bus and Truck.

Part of the FIRST (For Inspiration and Recognition in Science and Technology) program, all three are members the Truck Town Terror (T3) team that has competed in Ypsilanti, Houston, Chicago, and finally in Orlando. The Orlando competition had 267 teams and T3 was the seventh seed. The robotics competition is also Orlando's largest non-Disney event drawing more than 15,000 people.

Ray and Mike represent two of the eleven area schools that had students involved up to four hours a night, three times a week. In January of each year, the team receives the sup-

ply kit with which they must build their originally designed robot.

Six weeks later the completed project is locked away by representatives of FIRST until the first competition in early March. Rory, Ray, and Mike showed the Rotary Club members how the robot could maneuver and demonstrated some of the tactics and skills required to compete. FIRST was conceived as an effort to allow high school students to take their science and mathematical lessons from school and actively apply these concepts to real-world situations.

The Clarkston Rotary Club invites business leaders residing in Clarkston or with enterprises in the Clarkston community to visit a meeting and learn more about Rotary. They meet on Monday evenings from 6:30-8:00. Call Joe Jackson at 248-922-0220 for more information.

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A Look Back

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It's full speed ahead for the new 52nd District Courthouse off M-15 in Independence Township. The Rademacher Group's proposal won unanimous approval by the Oakland County Planning Commission, the Independence Township Planning Commission granted final site plan approval in a 5-0 vote, and a 10-year lease agreement was signed with the county.

From 28 letters and 13 applicants, three men were selected as new driver/engineers for the Independence Township Fire Department. The hiring of Keith Bailey, David Stover and Larry Wormnest is contingent upon the men passing intensive physical examinations.

25 YEARS AGO (1975)

Improvements at Clintonwood Park, the township owned facility on Clarkston Road, are due for completion before winter. The Independence Township board voted to award a bid in the amount of \$46,925 to Doherty Paving Co. of Walled Lake for construction of four tennis courts and a 200 by 120 foot all-purpose court, the tennis courts to have fencing at either end.

Clarkston teachers are back in school, despite failure of the Clarkston Board of Education and the Clarkston Education Association to reach agreement on a new contract. Salary and fringe benefit provisos of the old contract have been extended until a new contract is reached, spokesmen for both sides said.

Duke Ellington's Band under the direction of Mercer Ellington was to play at Clarkston High School in a benefit performance for the Independence-Clarkston Bicentennial Commission.

50 YEARS AGO (1950)

As was anticipated the Labor Day Parade sponsored by the Clarkston Rotary Club was bigger and better than ever. The parade was handled by the colors and the Clarkston American Legion Drum and Bugle Corps. The stirring music added much to the event.

The Clarkston Fire Fighters will sponsor their Fourth Annual Firemen's Ball at the Clarkston High School Auditorium. The firemen are working hard to give the people in this and surrounding communities a wonderful evening of dancing and entertainment. The music will be furnished by Bill Dobyn and his Orchestra.

An advertisement for Rudy's Market featured Salay's Ring Bologna, 45 cents/lb.; Booth frozen peas or mixed vegetables, 2/45 cents; chuck roast beef, 58 cents/lb., and smoked picnics, 47 cents/lb.

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Bleeding Text

Crafts and Cider

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local library. The themed exhibit features artifacts and interpretations that relate to Clarkston's history and change on a regular basis.

Several books have been published by the CCHS including a second-grade Clarkston history book used by the local

school system, titled Our Children's Heritage. The CCHS is also active in providing educational programs to the local school district and other groups that wish to know more about Clarkston's history.

This is the CCHS' 26th year sponsoring the Festival which began with only 10 artists set up in the parking lot of the Rudy's grocery store at Washington and Main St. Now the Festival has grown into one of the area's favorite arts and crafts shows drawing at least 15,000

people over the fall weekend.

In addition to sponsoring the entire event, the CCHS provides a cider and donut tent for the traditional fall snack and also designs and sells Clarkston merchandise, including items such as the children's history book, flags, clothing, afghans and tote bags.

Also, local community service organizations provide a wide array of tempting foods for purchase, including gourmet caramel corn and roasted al-

monds, just to name a few. The festival atmosphere is completed with local performers, providing music and dance.

The Crafts & Cider Festival is located in downtown Clarkston at Depot Park at the intersection of Main Street and Depot Rd.

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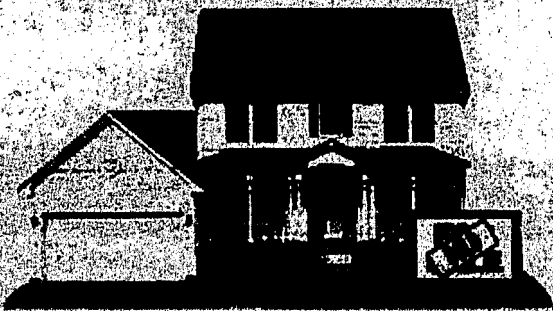
Attire: Females should wear pink tights & solid colored leotard. Bring pointe shoes if you can dance on pointe. Males should wear a tight fitting t-shirt or leotard (black or white), black tights, jazz pants or gym shorts.

Cost: \$10.00 cash or checks made payable to The Classy Dancers (Lakes Area Civic Ballet is a subsidiary of The Classy Dancers). Rehearsals will take place every Saturday and some Fridays, excluding Thanksgiving weekend.

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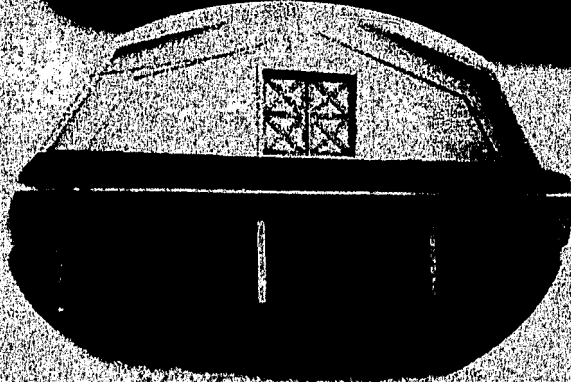


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MARKETING PREMIER PROPERTIES

Springfield continues to focus on preserving open space

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Strole said an important concept to grasp when looking at wetland preservation is the idea that areas outside the wetland affect it.

Things like storm water management systems, non-indigenous plants and pollutants can harm wetlands miles away.

Also unique to the township is the fact it is situated at the headwaters of the Huron, Clinton, Shiawassee and Flint Rivers.

Because of the number of headwater systems it has, the township is home not only to wetlands, but lakes, slopes, woodlands and meadows.

However, as with many other areas in Northern Oakland County, the big question for Springfield Township remains how to accommodate growth while preserving the land.

"Our resources are what attract people here," Strole said. "For us, it is not the nightlife downtown, it's the ambiance and the scenery."

After completing the Shiawassee-Huron Headwaters Resource Preservation Project in June of this year, Strole said the next step was to "develop, modify and implement what we've learned."

In an effort to do this, the township has worked very closely with the developers of two subdivisions in the area: Hummingbird Ridge and Forest Ridge.

Not only are the homes in the developments clustered to provide more room for natural features, Strole said both developers are using plants native to the wetland areas around the subdivisions in their landscaping.

"One of the biggest assets to a wetlands is to plant native plants in and around it," Strole said.

Both developments border a wetlands and, through the clustering of homes, have worked the open space into final site plans. "We are trying to cluster the homes, not fragment the wetlands," Strole said.

Piggybacking from the idea to encourage developers to use native plants in their landscaping plans is what Strole calls the "Plant Grant."

Like the project grant, the Plant Grant is funded by the EPA.

The association gave Springfield Township \$25,000 to develop a database which will catalog all the native plants in the area, then tell a developer where to buy them and how much they cost.

"We're really trying to make it easy for developers to do this," Strole said. "There's a lot of excitement about it."

Another project the township is working on is the construction of a new civic center.

Landscaping plans at the center call for plants in the area which will provide it with a natural storm water management system.

The water will flow through the roots of the native plants into a mean-

dering creek running alongside the civic center, Strole said.

Sally Elmiger, with Carlisle/Wortman Associates, is the project's landscape architect. Elmiger said her office is working in cooperation with Springfield Township to plan building the center.

She said the storm water management system will draw water off the parking lot and the roof of the building, run it through a natural wetland in the front of the building, then take it west to retention basins on the side of the civic center.

"The series of pools in the front of the building will be used for demonstrations of environmentally-friendly storm systems and wetland plants education," Elmiger said.

Currently, the civic center has received final site plan approval from the Springfield Township Planning Commis-

sion, though not from the township board, she said.

"The board has not approved it yet because there were several public comments at the last planning commission meeting that need to be addressed," she added.

Strole said these grants and projects help the township think differently and develop its own ideas concerning land preservation.

The community is also a part of what the township is doing concerning wetland preservation. "Residents like the area and they don't want the disruption (development would cause)," Strole said.

She added it is important for residents to make decisions that will not do harm to the wetlands.

"I think we need to help residents be more informed," Strole said. "It's just a matter of being more aware."

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Don't forget, school speed zones are in effect

The Road Commission for Oakland County (RCOC) reminds motorists that the start of school means school speed zones on county roads will again be in effect.

"The fact that we have established a school speed zone or a road means that children walk along the road to school," explained RCOC Managing Director Brent Bair. "Consequently, the speed limit in the school zones is reduced to ensure the children's safety. It's important to obey the school speed zones not just because it's the law, but because the children's safety depends on it."

Drivers can be ticketed if stopped by police for exceeding the speed limit in school speed zones during the times they are in effect.

According to state law, the speed limit in school

zones must be set at 25 miles per hour if students walk to the school and there are no sidewalks. If there are sidewalks, the school zone speed limit can be no less than 15 miles per hour below the posted speed for the road, but not less than 25 miles per hour.

School speed zones are generally defined as the portion of the road 1,000 feet from the property line of the school in both directions, if appropriately posted. State law also dictates that a school zone speed can be in effect from 30 minutes before the first class begins until the beginning of classes; from school dismissal until 30 minutes after the last class; and during the lunch period if students are permitted to leave the school.

"We're all in a hurry at times," Bair observed, "but it's far better to be late than to risk hitting a child."

Please be sure to obey the school zone speed limits and help to keep our children safe."

Bair also reminded drivers that the law requires that drivers stop for school buses that are picking up or dropping off children, when their red blinking lights are on, regardless of which side of the road the bus is on. Drivers must stop at least 20 feet from the buses.

Drivers may notice that in a few places, the traditional yellow school speed zone or children crossing signs have been replaced by fluorescent yellow-green signs. Over the next several years, RCOC will begin installing these new signs because they are more visible than the traditional yellow signs.

Players' 'Bus Stop' opens this week

On with the show.

The Clarkston Village Players kick off their 2000-01 schedule at the Depot Theatre Friday with their production of "Bus Stop, a William Inge production set in the small-town atmosphere of the 1950's.

This year marks the 40th anniversary season for the Clarkston Village Players. With that in mind, they are reviving one play for each decade that the group has been existed. "Bus Stop" was originally performed by the CVP in 1980.

The play opens as a bus out of Kansas City discharges its passengers at a small-town roadside diner as the roads are closed down due to a blizzard.

Among the cast of characters that stop off at the diner are Cherie (Debbie Vanderklok), a young would-be nightclub singer, Bo (Taggart Smith), the Montana cowboy who is pursuing the singer, and Dr. Lyman (David Kramer), a middle-aged scholar.

These characters, along with the local residents, come together to learn about themselves and each other.

One of these local residents is Grace, the owner of the roadside diner, who is portrayed by Clarkston resident Melissa Breckenridge. "The diner is where the action takes place," Breckenridge said.

As it turns out, Grace has a romantic interest in the driver of the stranded bus, Carl (John McCaffrey); Grace insists that "I always serve Carl."

She is assisted at the diner by Elma (Megan Wright), a 17-year old girl whom Grace takes under her wing.

The performance is scheduled for Sept. 8-9, 14-16, and 21-23. The Thursday shows start at 7:30 p.m., with tickets at \$9 each; the Friday and Saturday shows start at 8 p.m., with tickets at \$11 each.

The Depot Theatre is located at 4265 White Lake Road in Clarkston, between Andersonville Road and Dixie Highway. For more information, call the ticket hotline at (248) 625-8811, visit their website at <http://www.geocities.com/cvpdepot> or e-mail them at cvpdepot@juno.com.

Correction

A couple of errors occurred in last week's article about Bob Beattie, grand marshal of this year's Clarkston Labor Day parade.



The article stated that the Beattie family owned Morgan's for 14 years, from 1930-1944, when, in fact, their business was across the street from Morgan's.

In addition, the article also stated that Beattie's father came up with the slogan, "Rotary-Doing things that people think just happen." In actuality, a past member of Rotary, Tom Murphy, came up with the slogan.



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Obituaries

Joseph D. Miller

Clarkston lost one of its friendliest, well-liked men when Joseph D. Miller of Clarkston and Pontiac died Aug. 28, 2000.

Miller died after a long courageous battle with pancreatic cancer. He was 65.

Miller lived in Clarkston for over 30 years, after he married his wife Marilyn.

He owned and operated Highwood Die & Engineering in Pontiac for over 30 years.

His daughter-in-law Heather Miller, spoke highly of him.

"He never had an enemy. He was an all around good guy. I don't know anyone who didn't like him," she said.

Miller graduated from Pontiac Central High School and went to a trade school through General Motors. From there, he became a journeyman dye maker. He won an award from Michigan Governor John Engler for his business accomplishments.

In his spare time Miller enjoyed the outdoors by hunting and fishing. Twice he traveled to Alaska to enjoy his favorite hobbies. He was also a classic car enthusiast. His favorite car was the '56 Chevy.

"He touched the lives of everyone he met," Miller said. "He was a very humble, low key, compassionate and strong willed person. He was an all around sweetheart," she said.

He and his son Mike were business partners of MJB Industries.

"He was a very well respected man in the Pontiac community," Miller said.

He was the husband of Marilyn and the father of Jodi Miller Sheridan-Dimichele (George) of Rochester Hills and Michael (Heather) Miller of Oxford.

Celebration of Life was Sept. 1 at the Lewis E. Wint and Son Trust 100 Funeral Home in Clarkston with Director of Support Donald Kevern officiating.

Interment was at St. Mary's Cemetery in Hannah.

Memorials may be made to the Pancreatic Cancer Foundation.

Ruth M. Anderson

Ruth M. Anderson of Waterford died peacefully Aug. 30, 2000 at the age of 90.

She was preceded in death by her husband Roderick and daughter Laura.

She was the mother of William (Mildred) of White Lake, Dolores (Walter) Pontasch, Dani (Don) Statton, Paul (Theresa) all of Fla. and Susan (John) Helzer of Waterford.

She is also survived by 16 grandchildren, 25 great-grandchildren and one great-great grandson.

She was the sister of Emma Garrison of Davisburg, Beth Thornton of Clarkston and Kenneth (Shirley) Gidley of Fla.

Mrs. Anderson loved to knit, crochet and china paint.

Funeral service was held Sept. 2 at the Lewis E. Wint and Son Trust 100 Funeral Home in Clarkston with Rev. Glen Ray Jr. officiating.

Interment was at Crescent Hills Cemetery.

Leon R. Grogg Sr.

Leon R. Grogg Sr. of Clarkston died peacefully at his home Aug. 31, 2000. He was 77.

He was the husband of Nancy, the father of Nancy (Jerry) Pitstick of Utah, Barbara (Lance) Fisher of Minn. and Leon Jr. (Karen) of Rochester.

He was the stepfather of Leslie Portrey of Oxford, Steve (Julie) Wayne of Ohio and Kelley (Fred) Saber of Goodrich. He is also survived by 10 grandchildren.

Mr. Grogg owned and operated Pontiac Steel Co. and was an Army veteran having served in WWII.

He was an amateur radio operator for 50 years and a private pilot for 40 years, owning his own plane.

He also devoted much of his time to the Republican Party.

Funeral service was held Sept. 4 at the Lewis E. Wint and Son Trust 100 Funeral Home in Clarkston. Interment was at Ottawa Park Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Leader Dogs for the Blind or the National Kidney Foundation. (www.legacy.com)

Joseph Ciaramitaro

Joseph Ciaramitaro of Orion Twp died Sept. 1, 2000. He was 70.

He was the husband of Barbara and the father of Jennifer Fichera, Dean, Alyssa Johnson, Tamara, Stephanie and Ida Rogers.

He was the grandfather of Angela, Sierra, Hannah and James. He is also survived by two sisters.

He was the son-in-law of Helen Ventura.

Memorial mass was held Sept. 4 at Christ Redeemer Catholic Church in Orion.

Memorials may be made to the American Lung Association.

Funeral arrangements entrusted to the Lewis E. Wint and Son Trust 100 Funeral Home in Clarkston. (www.legacy.com)

George C. Wade

George C. Wade of Clarkston died Sept. 4, 2000 at the age of 78.

He was the husband of Harriet for 58 years. He was the father of Sue (Vern) Myers of Clarkston, Kathy (Tom) Risinger of Metamora and Cindy (Wayne) Dabbs of Davisburg.

He was preceded in death by his son Gary and was the brother of Robert (Virginia) Wade of Auburn Hills.

Mr. Wade retired after 30 years from Ford Tractor in Birmingham.

He served as a WWII Veteran in the US Army and was a member of the American Legion, Chief Pontiac Post No. 277.

Funeral mass will be held Sept. 7 at the at 10 a.m. at St. Daniel Catholic Church in Clarkston. Rite of Committal will be at Ottawa Park Cemetery.

Scripture service will be Sept. 6 at the Lewis E. Wint and Son Trust 100 Funeral Home in Clarkston where friends may visit Sept. 6 from 3-5 p.m. and from 7-9 p.m. and Thursday at the church after 9 a.m. (www.legacy.com)

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This Pandora's Box should be opened

BY MARALEE COOK
Clarkston News Editor

A fortuitous accident has helped an Ortonville woman turn a love of shopping and decorating into a business in Independence Township.

After 19 years of making and marketing porcelain dolls in her home-based business Priscilla Pandrak has opened Pandora's Box, a gift shop adjacent to Waterford Hill Florist on Dixie Highway in Independence Township.

The shop, which opened in February, features an assortment of gifts in Pandrak's favorite themes: Artsy and Victorian.

Pandrak had taught porcelain doll making and marketed her own dolls. But following an influx of inexpensive dolls into the doll market, she realized she couldn't compete.

"It was time to change," she said. "I needed an income and went to work for (shop owner) Theresa (Petherbridge). Pandrak had been working at Waterford Hill Florist for several months, when she went into a storage room at the shop with Petherbridge. "We came down here to look for something. We turned on a light bulb and it was like a light bulb went off in my brain. (Opening a shop of her own) was something I always wanted to do, but never had the resources."

After Pandrak decided to lease the storage area from Petheridge, she and her husband set about renovating the area, which is on the south side of the Waterford Hill Florist building. After the renovations were complete, Pandrak's husband asked her, "So what are you going to sell here?"

"It took shape from what I liked. I'm a shopper," Pandrak said. "I also like to dabble in home decorating and have helped my friends over the years." Pandrak attended gift shows and sought out artists whose work she had admired during her days making porcelain dolls.

"But few things are very local. I don't want to compete with craft shows and I have to have different things. People need a reason to stop here," she said.

One of the local artists who creates for Pandrak is a Livonia woman who makes lampshades, "the most unusual I've ever seen," Pandrak said.

A southwest Florida woman hand strings glass beaded necklaces, bracelets, earrings and eye-glass holders.

Pandrak said gift baskets have become one-third of her business so far. "We do them for any occasion." Pandrak said she likes about a week's notice for creating her baskets, but will do them on short notice. Baskets featuring teas and coffees are popular as are toiletry baskets built around

glycerine and vegetable soaps.

Pandrak said she recently took over an employee birthday gift list from a business owner. It's Pandrak's responsibility to choose gifts or create gift baskets for the employees and make sure the gifts are delivered on time. Petherbridge offered Pandrak use of her delivery truck and driver. "She's been very good to work with," Pandrak said.

Candles, stationery and whimsical tea pots and clocks are also in abundance at Pandora's Box.

Pandrak's daughter, Jennifer Cook, makes some of the functional ceramic pieces sold at the store. After Pandrak's doll business failed, the pair began teaching sponge painting classes together. "The bisque pieces are sponged and stenciled. They're easy and fun, and it's not stressful work," she said.

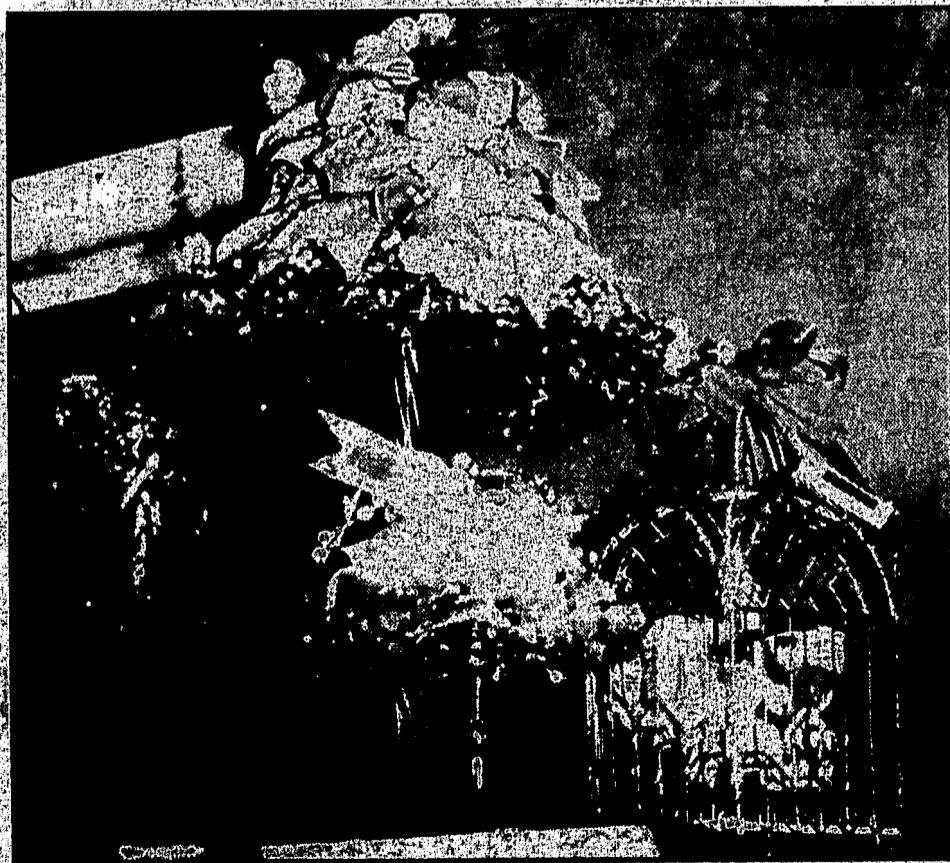
Pandrak has received requests to sell angel products, and offers a variety of items. "We have a fair amount of people who come in and have a connection to angels," she said. "I have done angel baskets for customers. It's a good way to notice people who have been exceptionally kind."

You will find a few dolls at Pandora's Box. Two of them are Pandrak's creation, and the rest are commercial, she said. She also sells stuffed animals, Celtic music and relaxation-theme music.

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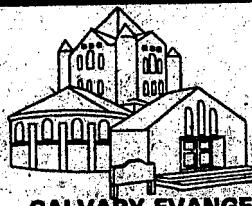


Pandora's Box features a variety of gifts in owner Priscilla Pandrak's favorite themes: artsy and Victorian. Whimsical porcelain clocks and teapots, serene angels and gift baskets are just a few of the gift lines she carries. Pandrak is holding a man's fine fishing or hunting knife. She will also offer boxes of chocolates trimmed with fancy ribbon to go with flowers from Waterford Hill Florist for Sweetest Day and other upcoming holidays, she said.



Pandora's Box features hand made lampshades shown above, crafted by a Livonia woman. Owner Priscilla Pandrak upholsters jewelry chests with customers' master fabrics and coordinated fabrics. She will purchase the jewelry chest and the fabric or customers may supply their own. "That's what I'm best at -- fabrics and colors. Having my little store vents that," she said.





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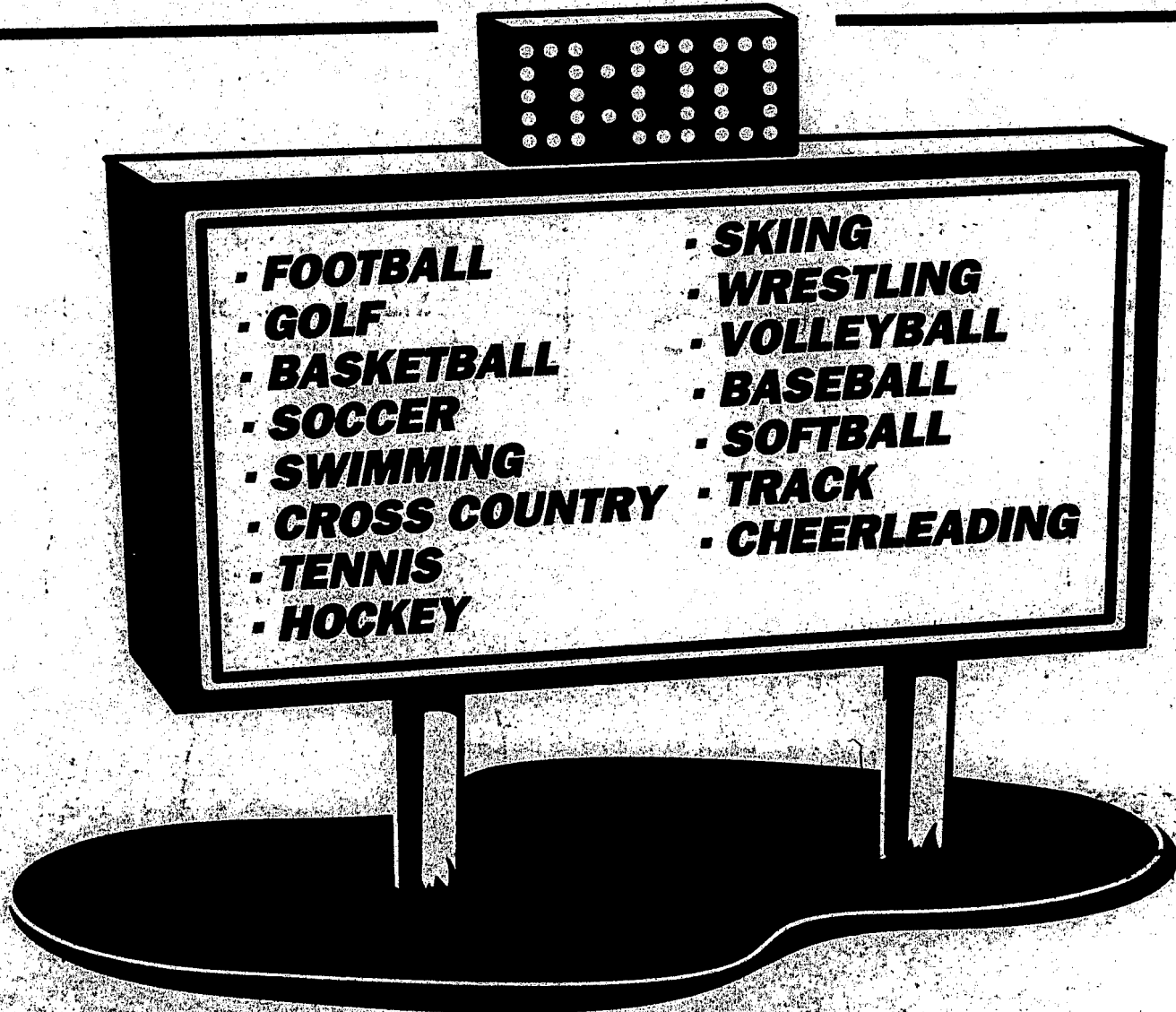
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This Pandora's Box should be opened

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Currently, Pandrak's line of gifts for men is limited. She sells a handsome porcelain fishing or hunting knife that comes with a case, and said she is increasing her men's gift lines.

Packaging is also important to Pandrak and she offers complimentary gift wrapping. "My whole idea is that you can buy something different. Packaging is important. It means a lot. I've held on to bags for years if they're special. Part of the reason you would frequent a store like this is an old-fashioned way of doing business," she said.

Pandora's Box is located on the south side of Waterford Hill Florist at 5992 Dixie Hwy. It's open from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Tues., Wed., and Fri.; Thurs., 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Sat. 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The shop is closed Sun. and Mon. For more information, call 623-9912.

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Chamber members will also vote on six three-year terms open on the 18-member Board of Directors. The terms will expire in 2003.

There are five nominees for the

six seats: Ron Davis, Lewis E. Wint Funeral Home; Brent Green, Republic Bank; Dawn Horner, Clarkston State Bank; Becky Ridley, Bank One; Karen Hermes-Smith, Clarkston Eccentric.

Any Chamber member who would like to be considered for the additional spot open on the board of directors should contact Chamber executive director Penny Shanks.

The dinner meeting includes a social hours from 6 to 7 p.m. Dinner and the program begins at 7 p.m. There is a menu choice of New York strip steak, whitefish or chicken Marsala.

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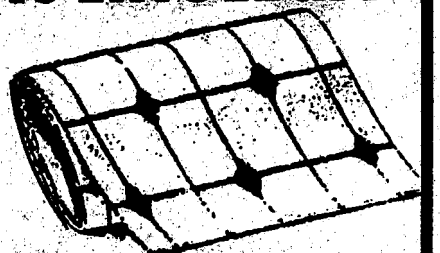
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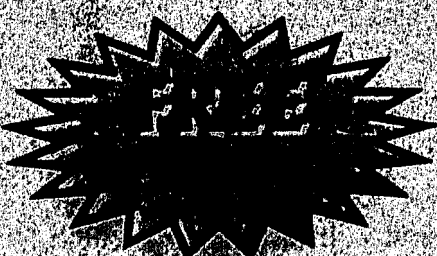
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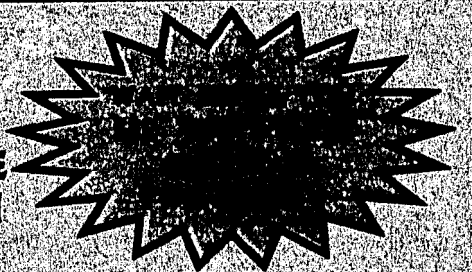
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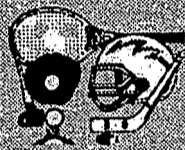
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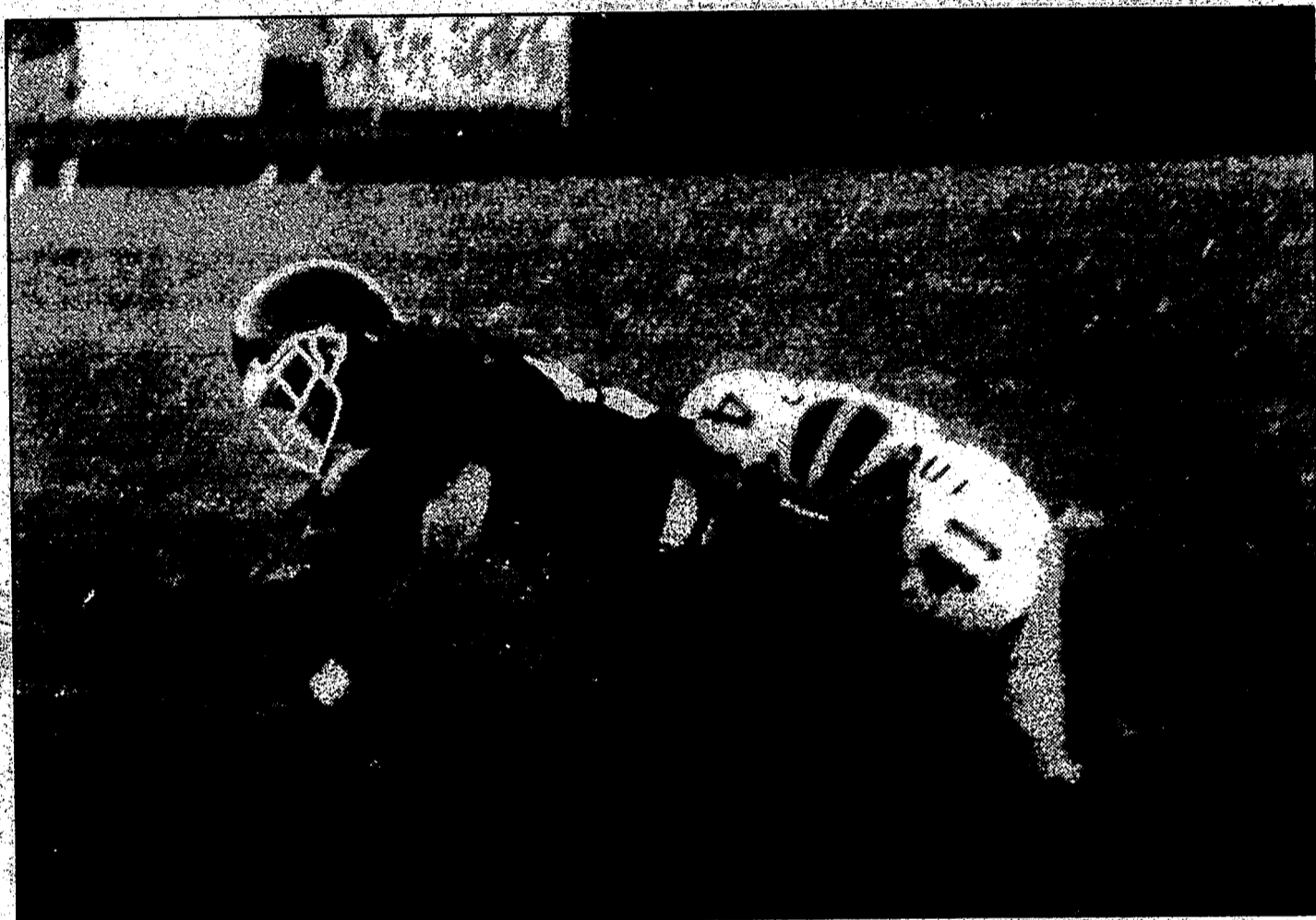
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Defense does it again

Wolves head into league play 2-0 after defeating West Bloomfield



Mike Loveless wraps up a West Bloomfield player in the Clarkston 20-10 victory Aug. 31

BY ED DAVIS

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Most football coaches would be happy to start their season 2-0. But Clarkston coach Kurt Richardson was far from grinning ear to ear after his team's second win of the season.

The Wolves did what they did in their opening season win over Sterling Heights Stevenson — played good defense and won the turnover battle. The Wolves will head into their league opener coming off a 20-10 win Aug. 31.

The Wolves home opener will be Sept. 8 against Rochester Adams.

Clarkston recovered two fumbles, made one interception and held the Lakers scoreless for over three quarters.

But even with another tremendous defensive effort, Richardson said his team wasn't prepared as they should have been and didn't play as well as he would have liked.

"We were not very good tonight, but I don't want to take anything away from West Bloomfield. They played hard. They did some good things and had a good game plan. We played like we practiced all week long. We're just lucky they turned the ball over to us," Richardson said.

The Lakers speed gave the Wolves

OAA I Football Standings

Team	Overall	League
Clarkston	2-0	0-0
Athens	2-0	0-0
Adams	2-0	0-0
Mott	1-1	0-0
Orion	1-1	0-0
Troy	1-1	0-0
Rochester	0-2	0-0

"It took us a few series to adjust to their speed. They had some great speed. They did a good job running their option, but then we made some changes and that helped us."

Kurt Richardson — Varsity football coach

some trouble early on as West take a 3-0 lead with 5:48 left in the Bloomfield got to Clarkston's six yard opening quarter. They never scored line, but had to settle for a field goal-to

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Girls cross country team wins Cavalier Classic

BY ED DAVIS

Clarkston News Staff Writer

The girls varsity cross country team started the season by winning the Cavalier Classic this year.

Clarkston did better than 22 other schools in the girls' first competition of the season held at Flint Carman-Ainsworth.

First year head coach Jamie Labrosse said his team had a strong showing and has improved a lot since a year ago.

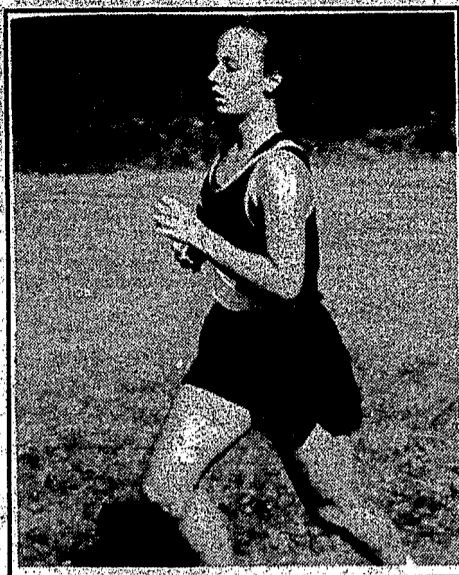
"Every runner really looked great," he said. "The whole team really ran well."

The Wolves had the same number of points as Swartz Creek, but because Clarkston's sixth place runner, Lisa Gauthier finished higher than Swartz Creek's sixth place finisher, the Wolves took home the first place prize.

Topping the list of varsity finishers for the Wolves were Carla DelVecchio, who finished fourth overall with a time of 21.20, Nina Zamora who finished 13th with a time of 21.59, Karyn Erkfritz, who ended up 14th with a time of 22.05, Megan Pocs, who finished 15th at 22.21, Leah Polczynski, who finished 20th with a mark of 22.37 and Gauthier who finished 27th overall with a time of 23.15.

The JV race was won by Marley Brown with a time of 23.31 She was followed closely by fourth place finisher Michelle Elmore with a time of 23.47 and seventh place finisher Sally Dickie who ended with a time of 24.25.

Last year Swartz Creek finished 20th in the state and had every runner return this year. Labrosse said seeing his



Photos courtesy Nancy Breen

Top left, Carla DelVecchio, bottom left, Karyn Erkfritz and above, Leah Pozinski run in the Cavalier Classic Aug. 31.

'I was really excited. To see us do so well against a team like that, and everybody else there was something.'

Jamie Labrosse — girls cross country coach

team beat out a program like that showed great promise.

"I was really excited. To see us do so well against a team like that, and everybody else there, was something," Labrosse said.

The Wolves even won the meet without the services of one of their top runners in Lauren Witt. Witt suffered from heat exhaustion and passed out at the three mile mark of the race. Had she finished the race Clarkston would have won by 15 points, Labrosse said.

"Lauren's fine. It was really hot, but we practiced today (Sept. 1) and she took it easy, but she was fine," Labrosse said.

Erkfritz finished this year's race a minute and a half faster than last year, Labrosse said.

"All our girls ran well, but I'd say I saw the most improvement out of Karyn. She really ran a good race," Labrosse said.

The Wolves resume action Sept. 12 when the host Rochester at 4 p.m.



Swimmers set records in opening meet versus Groves

BY ED DAVIS

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Four meet records were set by Clarkston's swim team in its first meet of the season.

The Wolves opened their season Aug. 30 with a home meet against Birmingham Groves. And while the Wolves lost the meet 135-51, Clarkston coach Kenwyn Chock had plenty of positive things to say about her young, hard working team.

"I thought they did a really nice job, especially for all the young swimmers we had," Chock said. "They all got to their events on time, they all swam well and they all finished their races."

Setting records for the Wolves were Casey Bolten in one meter diving, Meghan Williams in the 100 fly, Sarah Zerba in the 100 breaststroke and Katy Fisk in the 100 backstroke.

Bolten scored a 170 in the diving competition. Williams' 100 fly was timed at 1:15.93. Fisk's backstroke finished up at 1:10.71 and Zerba's 100 breaststroke was timed at 1:21.20.

The Wolves resume action Sept. 7 when they visit Berkley.



Andrea Forst swims in Clarkston's season opening meet against Birmingham Groves Aug. 30

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Cagers comeback falls short against Adams

BY ED DAVIS

Clarkston News Staff Writer

They didn't win, but they didn't quit either. And had the girls varsity basketball team played the first half, like it did the second they probably would have won.

The Wolves opened their season at the Oxford Invitational Tournament Aug. 30 with an opening season loss to Rochester Adams 53-45.

It was Clarkston's first game under first year head coach April Kosin, who said it took her team two quarters to get fully involved in the game.

The Wolves scored only three points in the second quarter and trailed 27-11 at the half.

"I went in and I asked where my team was. Where were the girls that I coached all summer long? That wasn't the team I know of. They were playing intimidated and were they going to let them beat us. If we would have played the second half, like we did the first we would have won that game. There's no doubt in my mind," Kosin said.

The Wolves were a different team heading into the third quarter. They got solid inside play from senior forward Sarah Morgan and good hustle from guards Kristen Falck and Kira Karlstrom. Karlstrom's three pointer with ten seconds remaining in the third cut the Adams lead to 42-29.

The Wolves cut the deficit further in the fourth thanks to key baskets by Morgan and sophomore Jenn Carlson. A late game change in defense to a half court trap also helped the Wolves close the gap.

"The girls were all over. I don't think the girls could have given any more. I think they gave everything they had," Kosin said.

Clarkston cut the Highlanders to four with 1:20 play, but couldn't close the gap as the Highlanders went on to win with clutch shooting down the stretch.

"Sarah really played extremely well. That's the Sarah that I've seen all summer. In the beginning she missed a lot of easy and layups that were important, but at the end she got herself more focused," Kosin said.

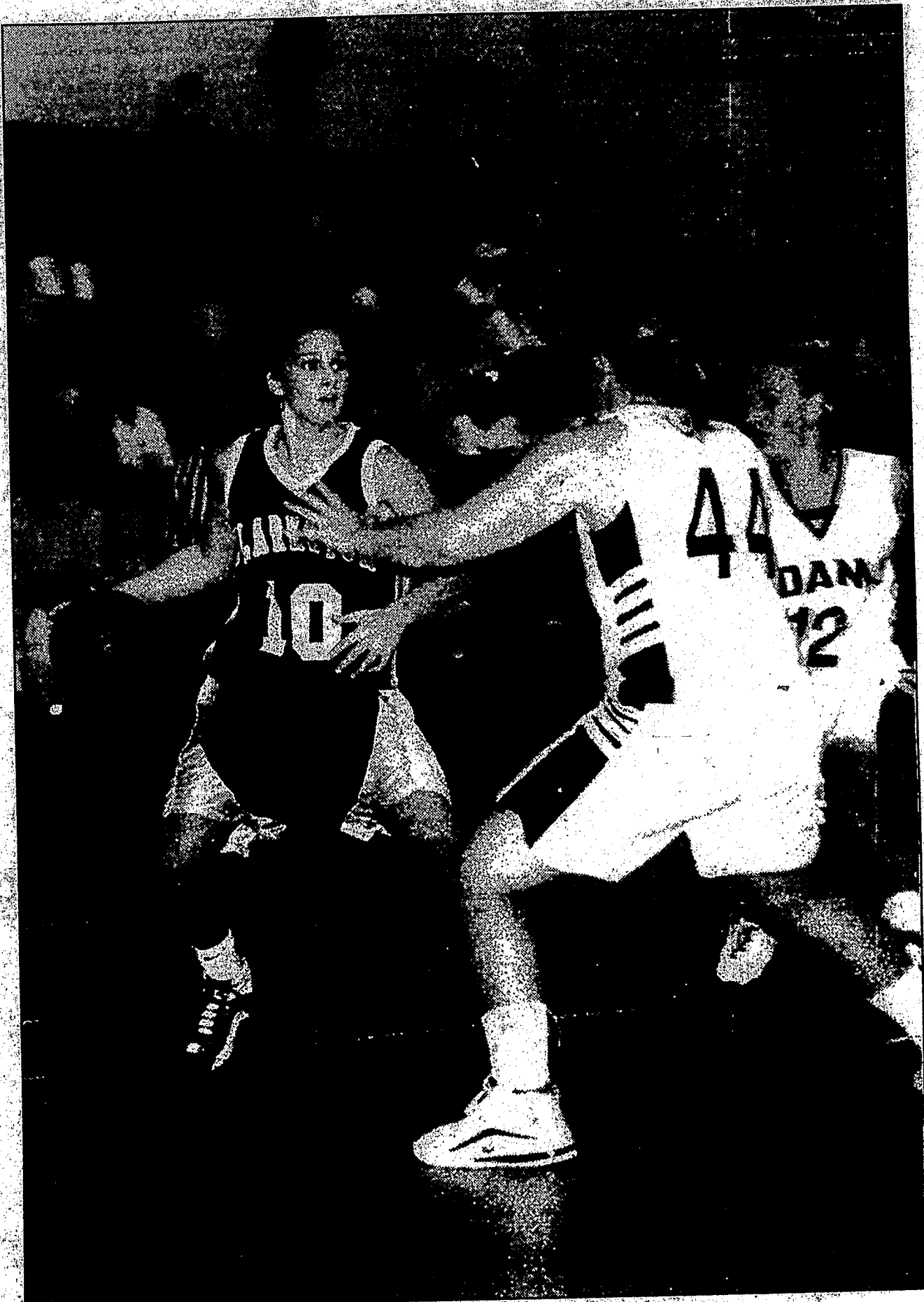
Kosin also praised the senior leadership of Falck after the game.

"She played pretty much the whole game. She just kept on going after it. Her leadership really showed up out there," Kosin said.

The game being the first under Kosin also played a role she said.

"They had first half jitters. They weren't sure of what to expect. That was their first time ever being with me in a real important game type situation. At the half time I just kind of gave it to them," Kosin said.

Leading the offense for Clarkston was Morgan who had 13 points. Karlstrom and Falck each added 11.



Jenn Carlson sets up the offense in the Wolves game against Rochester Adams Aug. 29.

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The Wolves won their second game of the Oxford Tournament in the consolation game.

The Wolves improved to 1-1 overall on the season.

The Wolves played better in the first half than they did in their opener, as they took a two point lead into the half.

A 16-9 Clarkston edge in the third quarter was helped by the efforts of Karlstrom who had 21 points for Clarkston and Carlson who added 15.

The Wolves will be back in action Aug. 7 at Southfield.

'If we would have played the second half, like we did the first we would have won that game. There's no doubt in my mind.'

April Kosin — Girls varsity basketball coach

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Kickers still searching for offense

Wolves shut out in losses to Troy and Holly, host Kettering on Thursday at 7 p.m.

BY ED DAVIS
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Clarkston varsity soccer coach Dan Fitzgerald didn't think offense would be lacking from his team. But after two games the Wolves are still searching for their first goal of the season.

After opening the season on the road with a 3-0 loss to Troy, the Wolves home opener didn't end up much better as Clarkston fell to Holly Aug. 29.

Fitzgerald said in the preseason he was more confident in his team's offensive capabilities than its defense and goaltending. However, it's the defense, he said that's hurting the offense.

"It starts in the defense. We don't win the ball quick enough. We don't give our forwards much of a chance. We're just knocking the ball over the top and asking them to run onto it. We don't play a lot of good balls into their feet. It's hard to play that way," he said.

Making matters worse for Clarkston is that the Wolves are still unsure of who will be their premiere starting goalie. Sophomore Eric Kammayer, who has the most experience, broke his arm and as a result Fitzgerald has had to flip flop between Ryan Cocciolone, who had some good saves in the Holly loss and Ryan Parrott, who lost in the opener to Troy.

"I'll probably flip flop those two guys until Eric can come back. Nobody's really stood out. But I can't blame the goalie for tonight," Fitzgerald said.

The Wolves best chance in the first half came with 14 minutes to play when senior forward Peter Klemm's shot sailed just over the cross bar.

After heading into the half with no score, Holly



Michael Hall in action against Holly Aug. 29.

got on the board at the 22:18 mark of the second half.

Clarkston then changed their strategy and tried to add some more offensive pressure. And while the Wolves did get more chances in the second half, they also gave up a great chance.

Cocciolone was left one on one with a Holly forward after a defensive breakdown. The goal with 9:32

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Dan Fitzgerald — Varsity soccer coach

added to the Holly lead, which they never relinquished.

"I think we didn't create a lot of chances offensively and they wanted to win worse than we did. They hustled. We took a chance when we were losing 1-0 we tried to push up and get more attacking and we just gave up the second goal. Some of our inexperience is showing," Fitzgerald said.

The Wolves will resume action Sept. 7 when they host Kettering at 7 p.m.

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Athlete of the week: Ian Ramsey

BY ED DAVIS

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Don't ask senior outside linebacker Ian Ramsey to brag about his football abilities. You won't get much of an answer.

The soft spoken senior believes his "lead by example" approach is what makes him a solid leader on the varsity football team and coach Kurt Richardson agrees.

"He's just a gamer. He's a very quiet kid, but I tell you what. On Fridays, Ian is always ready to play. He just shows up big time on game days. He's just a quiet kid who leads by example and rocks people," Richardson said.

Now in his second year on the varsity team, Ramsey, oddly enough considers last year's regular season loss to Troy his best game of his career.

"They had the best tight end I faced all season. That gave me the biggest challenge. If I can't get by him then I can't do anything," Ramsey said.

Although known for crushing hits, forcing fumbles and leading a solid defensive core, Ramsey has had an opportunity to see what it's like on the other side of the line of scrimmage. He has played tight end himself, but only on a few downs.

Ramsey said outside linebacker coach Steve Pearson has been his best football coach along the



Ian Ramsey

way.

"He keeps me focused and motivated. He's very knowledgeable about the game and knows what it takes to win," he said.

Ramsey, who also enjoys golf and fishing, has been playing football since the seventh grade.

"I just try to lead by example," he said.

Gridiron action

Home sweet home. That's what the Clarkston varsity football team must be thinking these days.

Clarkston has started the season 2-0 with both wins coming on the road. Don't forget those wins came against some pretty stiff competition in Sterling Heights Stevenson and West Bloomfield.

And as happy as Wolves coach Kurt Richardson is to be 2-0, he wasn't happy that his team has not made more progress.

"I'm happy that we're 2-0, but we've got some work to do," he said after last Thursday night's 20-10 victory over the Lakers.

Specifically, Richardson noted the offensive line needs the most improvement. Running backs Rob Conley and Nate Davis have both had good games this season, but Richardson is still looking for bigger holes for his backs, and more time for quarterback Ryan Kaul. When you add in the receiver threats posed by Adam Gebus and Ryan Briceland the Wolves have a variety of offensive weapons at their disposal. All Kaul needs is a little more time in the pocket and he should have a better day than he did last week when he went seven for 16 with two interceptions.

The schedule doesn't let up however. Friday the Wolves host Rochester Adams, who come in with a 2-0 mark of their own and Richardson knows what lies ahead.

Ed Davis



The Bottom Line

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Clarification:

In the Aug. 31 issue of the Clarkston News an article was written regarding the Clarkston varsity and junior varsity cheer teams. It was reported that those who make donations, which will be passed on to the Children's Leukemia Foundation of Michigan, would receive kisses from the cheerleaders. Those who donate will receive Hershey kisses.

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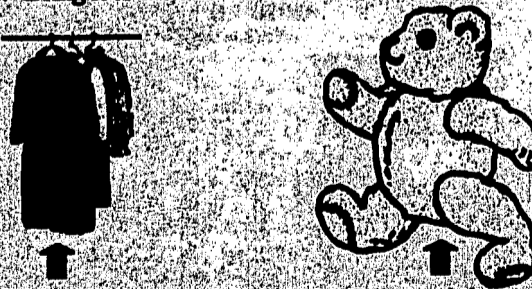
"We have a tough challenge next week," he said.
If the offensive line can improve the Wolves offense could give Adams plenty of trouble.
However, if the offensive line doesn't improve, Clarkston will have to rely on what's gotten them to the 2-0 point — stingy defense and turnovers. The Wolves forced four turnovers in their opener and forced three last week.
"It'll be a welcome change to be at home," Richardson said.
Another welcome change would be an offensive line that controls the line of scrimmage. Do that and the Wolves should control the game.
In the college football world, nothing unusual happened in the two games I was most interested in, the Michigan and Central Michigan games.
Michigan easily won their season opener, and didn't look like they missed Drew Henson one bit.

John Navarre tied the UofM record with four touchdowns. Great way to open the season for the old maize and blue. Although, I have to admit that I was hoping Bowling Green would cover the spread. They represent the Mid American Conference.
My Alma Mater, CMU didn't do very well. Well, that could be an understatement. Getting shutout 48-0 at the hands of Heisman hopeful Drew Brees didn't give my friends in Mt. Pleasant much to cheer about. There's hope that with a new coach and new attitude the Chips will be better than in years past. Anything would be a welcome improvement for the maroon and gold.
As for the Lions, I'll keep it brief. They won — ugly, but they won. Sunday will be a lot tougher though and they'll need more than Desmond Howard to beat the Redskins. There's talk Herman Moore may return in time and hopefully Charlie Batch will be throwing him the ball. It wouldn't hurt anything if Germane Crowell and David Sloan would catch it once in a while too.

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TEXT AMENDMENTS TO ZONING ORDINANCE #83
PC 99-1-052, Article V, Section 5.12, SITE PLAN REVIEW Require complete Grading Plan with Final Site Plan
PC 2000-030, Section 5.02, SCOPE, Subsection 3 & Article III DEFINITIONS Clarify regulations for Open and Enclosed Porches
PC 2000-031, Section 5.02, SCOPE, Subsection 2 Clarify regulations for Height Exemptions for Certain Structures
PC 2000-034, Section 5.28, OUTDOOR CAFE SERVICE Add regulations for Outdoor Cafe Seating & Service

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Township Clerk

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Purpose of this election is to vote on the following Ballot Proposal:
PROPOSAL FOR THE PRESERVATION OF LAND AND RESOURCES

Should the Charter Township of Independence preserve 120 plus acres of the property known as the Clarkston Creek Golf Course, facilitate a regional storm water management system and provide area for a wetland mitigation program, by paying cash and transferring certain township property for certain lands, easements, improvements and a restriction against developing or using that portion of the golf course property for other than golf and certain limited recreational uses.

Joan E. McCrary
Township Clerk

Published: 8/30/00 & 9/6/00

PUBLIC NOTICE

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PUBLIC NOTICE

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The Planning Commission of Independence Township, Oakland County Michigan will hold a Public Hearing on:
SEPTEMBER 28, 2000 AT 7:30 P.M.

At the Independence Township Senior Center-Carriage House, 5980 Clarkston Road, Clarkston, Michigan 48348, to consider the following:

FILE #PC 2000-036

ALLEN S. MILLER
REZONING REQUEST

From: R-1R (Rural Residential)
To: R-1B (Suburban Residential)

Parcel Identification Number: 09-09-100-001
Common Description: Approx 40 Acres,
NW 1/4 of the NW 1/4 Section 9

Intended Use: Single Family Residential Home Sites

Any further information regarding the above Public Hearing may be obtained at the Township Planning Office during regular office hours 8:00 am to 5:00 pm Monday through Friday or by phone at (248)625-8111.

JOAN E. McCRARY, Clerk

PUBLIC NOTICE Because the People Want to Know CLARKSTON

CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF CLARKSTON 375 DEPOT ROAD CLARKSTON MI 48348 AUGUST 28, 2000 CITY COUNCIL MEETING SUMMARY

Meeting called to Order by Mayor Catalo, at 7:03 p.m.
Roll: Present: Catalo, Clifton, Colombo, Gamble, Meyland, Sanderson, Absent: Savage.

Minutes of August 14 accepted as presented.
Agenda accepted as presented.

Mayor Catalo briefed Council on the MDOT meeting of August 24, and informed Council that Consumers Energy will be replacing the gas line on Main Street this Fall.

Pappas informed Council that a representative of Big Buck's brewery had contacted him about participating in the Taste of Clarkston which will be held in conjunction with the FUN DAZE on September 23. Pappas was instructed by Council and City Attorney Ryan to contact Meadowbrook Insurance to get the insurance company's view on this. Also, Pappas was to contact the Independence Township Parks and Recreation Department for their feeling on this issue. Pappas is to report to Council at the next Council meeting.

Resolved That the City Council adopt the Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of Special Assessment Bonds pledging for the payment collections on the Special Assessment Roll No. 1. Copy of this Resolution is attached to the official Minutes.

City Attorney Ryan conducted the first reading on the DTF Energy Marketing Electric Supply Franchise Ordinance
RESOLUTION

DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION 100TH ANNIVERSARY NOVEMBER 4, 2000

WHEREAS, The Daughters of the American Revolution has been serving the Community by its activities benefiting high school seniors and veterans, and

WHEREAS, The City Council of the City of the Village of Clarkston recognizes the valuable contributions by the Daughters of the American Revolution, and

WHEREAS, The Clarkston City Council wishes to recognize the efforts and contributions of the Daughters of the American Revolution,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, That the City Council of the City of the Village of Clarkston show its appreciation for these efforts by making this resolution a matter of record in the City archives and for the public's information.

Clifton reported that the architect was to talk with D.P.W. Supervisor Puralley on details of the proposed placement of the D.P.W. building. Due to the newer line location, special considerations are required for the placement of any additional building. Placement of garage doors and number of parking spaces affected also have to be considered. After discussions with Puralley, plans will be presented to the Council.

Meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Artemus M. Pappas
Clerk

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UNIT 122 EMILY EARLE Springs, mattress & twin bed frame.

UNIT 212 STEPHANIE SIMONS Washer, dryer, child car seat, table.

UNIT 424 DAVID RODA Chairs & boxes.

UNIT 510 JEANNIE HALL Playpen, high chair, stroller & golf clubs.

UNIT 512 JOHN WALTERS Shovels, tool box, hoe, wheel barrow & misc.

UNIT 806 ANGEL GUEITS 2 gas engines, 3 wheel barrows & misc.

UNIT 912 DENISE BALMGARDNER Desk, chair, table, dresser, TV & doll.

Sale will take place at Service Self Service Storage, 9850 Dixie Hwy., Clarkston, MI 48348. (248) 625-7040 at 11 AM, October 6th, 2000. Time and date may be subject to change or cancellation in the event of settlement between landlord and obligated party.

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ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

The Independence Township Board of Appeals will meet Wednesday, September 20, 2000 at 7:30 pm at the Independence Township Senior Center (Carriage House), Clintonwood Park, 5980 Clarkston Road, Clarkston, MI 48348 to hear the following cases:

- Case #00-0094 David Wulbrecht, Petitioner APPLICANT REQUESTS FRONT YARD SET-BACK VARIANCE OF 7' TO CONSTRUCT ADDITION TO ATTACHED GARAGE Dark Lake Dr., Lot 141, R-1 B Deer Lake Farms No. 2 08-19-254-004
- Case #00-0095 David Smith, Petitioner APPLICANT REQUESTS SIZE VARIANCE OF 217 SQ. FT FOR ADDITION TO ATTACHED GARAGE Ellis Rd., R-1R 08-18-151-006
- Case #00-0096 Nicolo Cardella, Petitioner APPLICANT REQUESTS VARIANCE FOR OUT-DOOR SALES OF CHRISTMAS TREES PLUS SIGNAGE Sasabaw Rd., 6.15 Acres, C-1 08-27-100-030
- Case #00-0097 Allstate Construction Company, Petitioner for Craig Carver APPLICANT REQUESTS FRONT YARD SET-BACK VARIANCE OF 15' TO CONSTRUCT NEW FOYER AND DORMER ON NON-CONFORMING LOT OF RECORD Ennlemore, Lot 64, R-1 A Woodhull Lake Sub 08-34-385-008

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

Respectfully submitted,
Joan E. McCrary,
Township Clerk
Beverly McElmsee
Director

Football

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the rest of the night.

"It took us a few series to adjust to their speed. They had some great speed. They did a good job running their option, but then we made some changes and that helped us," Richardson said.

The Wolves got their offense going in the second quarter. After wide receiver Ryan Briceland's fumble was recovered by the Lakers, the Wolves turned the tables on the next play forcing and recovering a fumble of their own.

Quarterback Ryan Kaul then scrambled for a nice gain, which was followed by a 45 yard touchdown run by running back Rob Conley with 9:20 to go in the first half.

"That was a huge play for us. It was the swinging point," Richardson said.

Conley added the two point conversion run as Clarkston enjoyed its first lead of the game, 8-3.

The Wolves special teams kept the momentum on, as they jarred the ball loose on the ensuing kickoff, but the Lakers recovered.

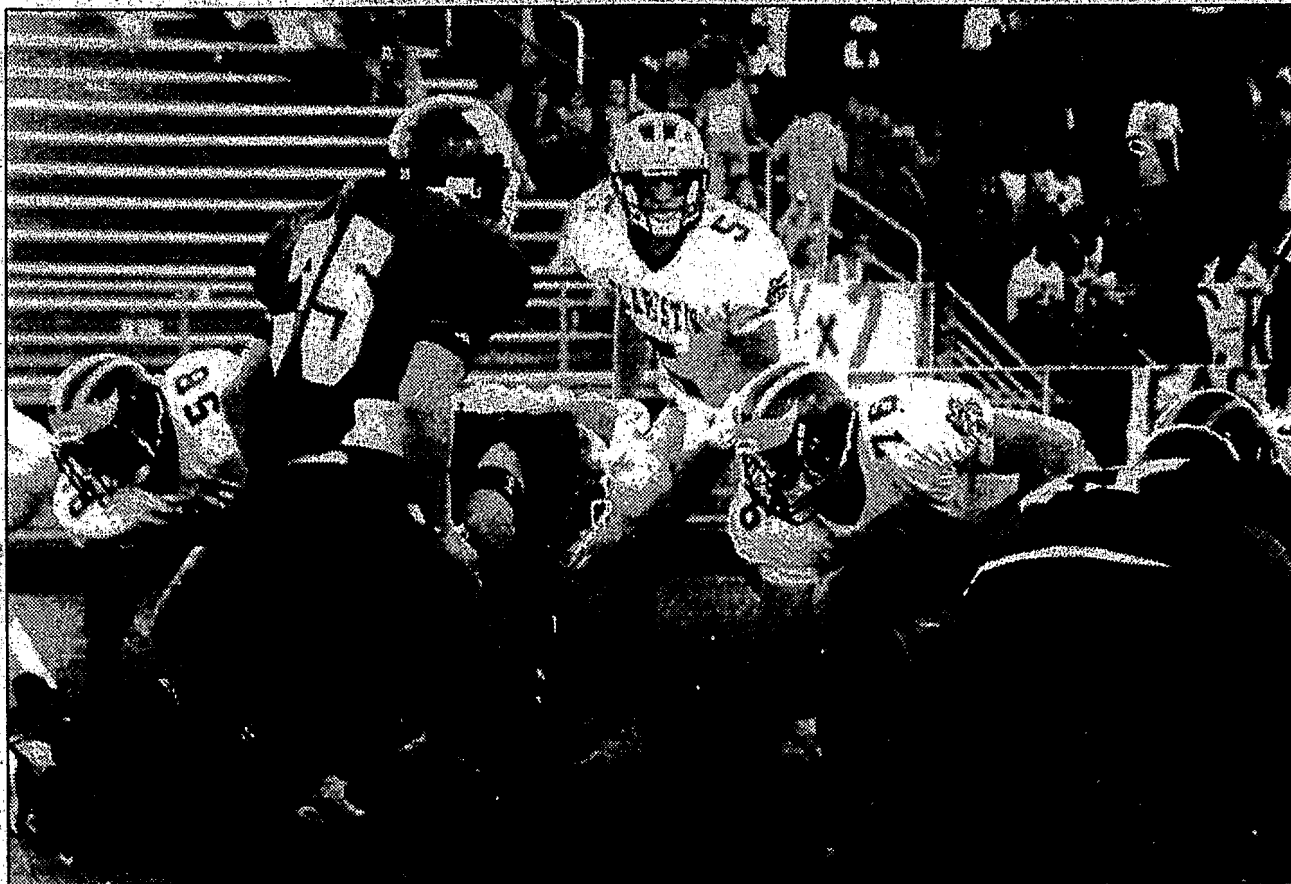
However, after getting the ball back, Kaul hooked up with senior wide receiver Gary Strutz on a 26 yard completion which gave the Wolves a first and goal at the Laker seven yard line. Running back Nate Davis picked up five yards to get the ball to the two yard line. The drive was capped off by Conley whose two yard touchdown run extended the Wolves' lead to 14-3 heading into half time.

The Wolves got a big defensive play to start the second half as Case Bannasch sacked the Lakers quarterback on a third and three play.

The Wolves didn't waste any time capitalizing, as Kaul hooked up with Briceland on a 57 yard bomb, which featured a great run after the catch by Briceland.

Nate Davis added to the Wolves lead as he scampered in from five yards out to give the Wolves a 20-3 lead heading into the final quarter.

The Lakers had a chance to get back into the game after intercepting a Kaul pass and returning it to the Clarkston 31 yard line. But two key defensive plays by Matt Pearsall, one a tipped pass, and the other a tackle for loss hurt the Lakers chances.



Quarterback Ryan Kaul calls the signals against West Bloomfield Aug. 31.

With less than eight minutes to play, Clarkston's Matt Mahrle intercepted a Laker pass, which kept the Lakers offense off the field even longer.

However, on their next possession the Lakers finally got a big play of their own as running back Kyle Brown busted through the Clarkston defense and rushed for a 60 yard touchdown with just over three minutes to play.

The Lakers on side kick attempt was recovered by Ian Ramsey and the Wolves held on thanks to late game power running by Davis.

"I think Nate ran better at the end of the game. I think he's one of those backs who needs 25 carries. He was running hard at the end," Richardson said.

The Wolves now prepare for their home opener against league rival Rochester Adams who are also 2-0. Last week Adams were 38-12 winners over Berkley.

"We have a tough challenge next week. It will be

nice to be home. I'm pleased that we're 2-0, but I'm not pleased that we did not make more progress. We have to get better," Richardson said.

Specifically, Richardson noted the offensive line needs to improve.

"It has not been productive," he said.

Kaul finished the game seven for 16 with two interceptions and 125 yards.

Briceland had two catches for 72 yards.

Leading rushers were Conley, who ended the day with 77 yards on 14 carries and Davis who had 64 yards on 15 carries.

Defensive leaders for Clarkston were Nick Beadles and Ian Ramsey who each had six tackles and one assist, Andy Kleinedler who had five tackles, Mike Atkinson with four tackles and two assists, Mike Loveless who had four tackles, one assist and a fumble recovery and Chris Jaroniski who recovered a fumble.

Clarkston Riverdaws play in tournament for 12-year-olds

BY GENSON LANGE

Special to the Clarkston News

The Clarkston Riverdaws 12 year old team played little league baseball Aug. 12-18 at the Cooperstown Dreams Park in up-state New York during the ninth week of an 11-week tournament.

They were the only team from Michigan participating during week nine. They finished 36th in a field of 48 teams from all over the country.

During their last non-tournament game, the Riverdaws team scored six runs in the bottom of the sixth inning to pull ahead 9-8.

As the 36th seed going into the single-elimination tournament, they beat their first opponent, the West Hartford, Conn. All Stars. In that game, Nick Potter and Andy Friedline each hit two run homers, and Mike Powell hit solo and three run homers. The Riverdaws scored eight runs in the 4th inning to pull ahead and win 15-6.

In addition to playing baseball games, other competitions are held as well. Each

team selects a member to participate in a home run derby called "King of Sat." A select team member also participates in the "Golden Arm" competition, which requires a fielder hit a 4-foot wide, 8-foot tall target at home plate while throwing the ball from a line in center field 150 feet away.

The team's fastest runner is selected to run the bases in the "Road Runner" competition. Michael Kittle of the Riverdaws placed seventh with a time of 13.97 seconds. The team participated in "Around the Horn Plus," contest which involves throwing and catching the baseball at each of the nine field positions in minimum time.

The Riverdaws have been playing in the Cooperstown tournament from the past four years, Riverdaws from age 11 to 16 host a "Tune Up" tournament at Clintonwood Park each spring to start the season for travel baseball teams in the North Oakland Baseball Federation, (NOBF).

Tryouts for Riverdaws baseball teams will be held at Clintonwood Park, fields four through seven on Sept. 16 and 23 in the afternoon. Contact Beth Walker at 625-8223 at Independence Township Parks and Recreation for details.

Sign up for softball

The Clarkston Riverdaws will be holding tryouts for 2001 fastpitch softball teams Sept. 17 and 24. Players must attend one at least one date.

Tryouts will be for a 16 and under team (age determined as of 1/1/01) from 2-4 p.m. at the Clarkston High School softball varsity field. Tryouts are free, however if the player makes a team, there are player fees of approximately \$135-\$150 for residents, in addition to team fees.

Game locations vary between surrounding communities and weekend travel is involved.

Sign up for basketball

The Horizon Hoop League, sponsored by Independence Township Parks and Recreation, in conjunction with Clarkston Athletics, will be held this fall at the Clarkston High School gym. The league is for girls in grades three through eight.

Each Saturday, under the supervision of Dan Stevens, JV girls basketball coach, and his coaching staff girls will be coached by members of the 2000 Lady Wolves varsity basketball team. During that time the coaches will teach them team concepts and individual skills.

Games will be held on Saturdays from Sept. 16 through Nov. 4. The first Saturday (Sept. 16) will be a clinic from 10 a.m. until noon. Schedules will be passed out on Sept. 16 and games will be at 10 and 11 a.m. at Clarkston High School, except for Oct. 21.

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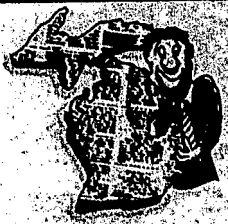
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