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Moving forward

Council issues go-ahead for water system

The Clarkston City Council has approved the first phase of the water system project, which will be completed in the next few years. The project involves the construction of a new water treatment plant and the installation of new water mains throughout the city. The council also approved the issuance of bonds to help finance the project.

The first phase of the system, construction of the new water treatment plant, is estimated to cost \$15 million. The council has authorized the issuance of \$10 million in general obligation bonds for the project. The remaining \$5 million will be provided by the city's general fund.

The council also approved the establishment of a special assessment district to help pay for the project. The taxes will involve an average millage of approximately 4.8 mills for 21 years.

The council has already supported the financing for the project, however, it still must authorize the sale of bonds for Phase II. Special assessment districts will be established at the project site and along the new water mains. The council will also have to approve the project's final plan.

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Following that, a fact sheet was mailed out to city residents with their November water and sewer bills, and a necessary hearing was held Nov. 28 at the fire hall to further discuss the project.

An American hero...

World War II POW recalls time spent in German camp

BY JEFF PATRUS

Clarkston News Staff Writer

During a 14-month stretch of World War II, U.S. Air Force Technical Sergeant Clarence N. (Bud) Watterworth experienced harsh living conditions as a German prisoner of war.

However, he said his faith in God helped him persevere through that ordeal, and he was released in May 1945. Now, over 56 years later, the Clarkston resident talked about his World War II experiences, from the time he first enlisted until the time he was freed from captivity.

"I enlisted in October 1942, and I served in the Air Corps (then the Army Air Force)," Watterworth recalled. "From there, I was in school, learning navigation and radio repair. I became a communications officer — that's what they finally decided I was. Then I went to gunnery school in Kingman, Ariz., where they taught us how to shoot. I went to Moses Lake, Wash., and took my formal training there."

From there, he made his way to the 96th Bomb Group, 337th Bomb Squadron of the Eighth Air Force during the U.S. air offensive in Europe during World War II. He successfully flew 11 missions with the Air Force during that time.

In March 1944, on his 12th air mission, he was shot down while flying over France.

Watterworth and two other crew members were rescued by the French



World War II hero — Technical Sergeant Clarence N. (Bud) Watterworth of the United States Air Force, who spent 14 months as a German prisoner of war in World War II, received the Purple Heart Award and a former Prisoner of War Medal for his bravery during the war with his wife Christine. Photo by Jeff Patrus.

Resistance, who sheltered them from the Germans. He recalls the French kept them under close surveillance for fear of them being captured by the Germans. "They wouldn't let us go to the movies," he said.

With the help of the French, he and the rest of the airmen began a trek across the Pyrenees to meet up with contact who would get them into England. Watterworth, struggling with a leg injury,

realized he would not be able to keep up with his comrades.

"After about three nights, we were in Spain," he said. "When we got there in the mountains, we got into the foothills of Spain. I couldn't keep up with a swollen leg. We had an appointment with someone to get us to the American consulate."

Rather than put his colleagues in Please see POW Page 13

Clarkston High School earns highest honor

The North Central Association of Colleges and Schools (NCA) recently announced Clarkston High School was awarded top school improvement honors.

CHS was among the Michigan schools honored this fall for completing a five-year, eight-phase improvement process.

In addition to meeting the traditional accreditation standards (teacher preparation, number of instructional hours, etc.), CHS has adopted a school improvement approach that requires a new level of accountability. Administrators and staff make a commitment to implement a plan of continuous effort to improve student performance in selected

areas. The documentation of results throughout this demanding improvement cycle reveals the effectiveness of the plan.

A vital component to the overall evaluation process is peer review. CHS has been successful in demonstrating to the visiting peer review team that students are indeed performing better in the selected target areas than they were before the process was implemented.

"The NCA school improvement process demands more of schools than any other change process," said State Director Mr. Michael Bugenski. "Schools must document that their efforts improved achievement for all students. I congratulate Clarkston High School for

voluntarily pursuing this highly accountable approach."

The report from the final visit of the peer review team resulted in a recommendation of CHS for endorsement of the Michigan NCA State Committee. This committee, which is elected by the membership of the Michigan North Central Association, reviewed the documentation both from the school and the team.

Upon their approval, the NCA, Commission on Accreditation and School Improvement, awarded CHS its highest school improvement honor. They are now one third of the approximately 1,600 NCA accredited schools in Michigan, which have completed the entire process successfully.

Briefly

Indian Springs Metropark groundbreaking set

Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority and Springfield Township officials will break ground for a new multi-million dollar Environmental Education Center to be built at Indian Springs Metropark near White Lake/Clarkston on Wednesday, Dec. 12 at 1 p.m.

HCMA commissioners James Clarkston and William Kreger, and Springfield Township Supervisor Collin Walls are expected to participate. Metropark staff will announce details of the facility at the groundbreaking.

Clarkston Post Office extends hours

The Clarkston Post Office is joining many in the Metro-Detroit area in extending their hours for the holiday season. The post office will be open Saturday, Dec. 15 from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Postal representatives are encouraging everyone to take advantage of the postal units at local Farmer Jack and Meijer stores as well. Most function as full service postal centers.

As always, the Postal Service wants everyone to remember to mail early. The earlier in the day and the season you mail, the more efficiently the Postal Service can process your mail.

"You couldn't ask for better weather to take care of holiday errands. Hopefully folks won't wait for the ice and snow to inspire them to send their cards and packages," District Manager for the Postal Service Danjta Aquiningoc said.

Planning Commission announces hearing

The Planning Commission of Independence Township announced they will hold a public hearing on Jan. 3, 2002 at 7:30 p.m. at the Independence Township Senior Center-Carriage House located at 5980 Clarkston Road.

The Planning Commission will hear a petition from Michael Parks, Talon Development Group, about a rezoning request from C-1 (local commercial) to PUD (planned unit development). The intended use is independent and assisted living for the elderly.

Clarkston News sets advertising deadlines

The following deadlines have been set by The Clarkston News for classified and display advertising during the holidays.

For the Dec. 26 issue, the classified deadline is 9 a.m. Friday, Dec. 21 and the display deadline is 5 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 19. The Clarkston News will be closed Dec. 24-25.

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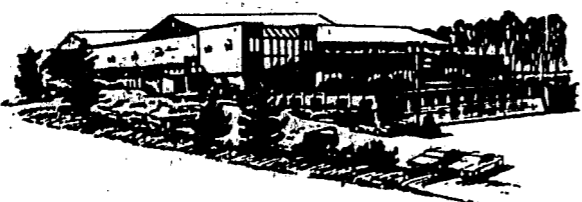
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The Second Front

Despite multiple charity donations for Sept. 11...

Clarkston schools holiday giving hasn't slowed

BY JENNIFER NEMER
Clarkston News Staff Writer

The spirit of giving has been very strong in the Clarkston School System this year, especially during this holiday season, according to one school official.

Sandy Grider, public relations chair for the Clarkston Education Association (CEA), said, "It seems Clarkston schools are doing more than ever."

During a recent CEA meeting, teachers representing all of Clarkston's schools shared information about their schools' charity programs this season.

"With the multiple charity donations that occurred because of 9/11, everyone wondered what would happen during the holidays," Grider said. "Would people continue to give to those in our community who need and depend on the goodness of others?"

From elementary to high school, the generous nature hasn't slowed for Clarkston schools.

Bailey Lake Elementary, for example, has decided to use this time to assist another school system.

"Davisburg Elementary, part of Holly schools, was hit by a tornado earlier this fall, and as a result lost a lot of supplies," said Grider. "Bailey Lake has begun an extensive campaign among staff and students to collect books to give to Davisburg Elementary."

Staff at Andersonville Elementary will be adopting families within their school district.

"When a family is adopted, they create a list of items needed and some that are wished for," Grider said. "The adopters will usually supply all of these items as well as food for a holiday meal and throughout the season. A generous supply of personal products is usually provided along with the gifts. The idea is to help make lives a little more comfortable at this time of the year."

Pine Knob Elementary is adopting five families as well as collecting hats, mittens and coats for a mitten tree to be donated to Lighthouse Emergency Services.

"The first-graders have also made a financial and food supply donation to the Humane Society to help animals," Grider said, adding, "At the same time, the teachers and staff have a fundraiser called Casual for a Cause and are raising money for Afghan children. All of these programs help build bridges for our future."

Almost every grade level at Springfield Plains has a giving program of their own.

"The kindergarten, first- and second-graders are bringing in books they will donate to the Lighthouse Emergency Services," Grider said. "Some of these books will go to Children's Village. The students have de-

ecided to do this instead of getting gifts for each other."

Instead of Springfield students bringing in gifts for their teachers, the teachers have asked the Learning Resource Center and many of the upper grades to bring in toys or donations for Lighthouse.

"These are wonderful lessons all are learning on how to be a good neighbor," Grider said.

(Other schools have already been recognized in *The Clarkston News* for their goodness this season.)

Clarkston High School just ended a campaign which motivated first-hour classes to bring in close to 1,500 brand new items to help 300 families through Lighthouse for their Holiday Store.

"The students had a lot of fun with this, and the class that brought in the most won a pizza party," Grider said. "Some classes held smaller competitions where the winner was served breakfast from the loser."

Senior Mike Puente, a member of the Octagon Club which sponsored the fundraiser, said "It's important to give back to the community. Especially when we have so much. We want to give them to have a good Christmas."

"It feels good to give back to the community," said fellow Octagon member Stacy



CMS Christmas shoppers—The Junior Optimist Club at Clarkston Middle School went on a recent Meijer's shopping spree for Christmas goodies for their adopted families. Pictured are Kaitlyn McDonald, Katie Smith, Lindsay Stone and Courtney Chase *Photo by Jennifer Nemer.*

Guttenberg, a junior. "When they open up their cupboard, they don't always have what they need. This way we can help."

Grider added, "The school

system often needs a lot of help from the community to survive, and the holiday season provides an opportunity to give back, and to give as much as possible."

Clarkston teacher nominated for Grammy Award

BY KYLE GARGARO
Clarkston News Editor

Danielle Blanchard has accomplished much in her life, and she just might add a Grammy to the growing list.

The Clarkston Middle School teacher's CD "Jazz Portrait" has been placed in nomination for Grammy Awards in three categories: Best Jazz Vocal, Best New Artist and Best Liner Notes.

"I actually have a slim chance in winning the Best Liner Notes category," Blanchard said. "It is voted by committee only, so it is easier for an independent like myself to win."

But win or lose Blanchard is still having the time of her life, because she is doing the two things she loves to do in teaching and playing music.

"Basically since childhood I had one main passion, which was self-expression in music. It is my main love," Blanchard said.

The Waterford resident got a degree in Music Education from Oakland

University, because it seemed like an obvious choice. Upon graduation, she found teaching jobs difficult to come by in Oakland County.

So while teaching part time at Oakland University, she performed music around the Metro-Detroit area.

"For six years I relied on performing as my main income. It was the right age to do it and get it out of my system. I played in every kind of band you can think of from big band, to rock to a wedding band," Blanchard said.

Blanchard, who was honored with a Newsweek WDIV Teacher of the Year award, has been teaching choir and computer science at the middle school for 14 years. During that time, she has continued with her music.

If you've turned on a radio or television in the past 18 years, there's a good chance you've heard Blanchard sing. She has recorded more than 2,200 commercials and songs, and has sung on more than 10 projects that were placed in nomination for Grammy Awards in the

Contemporary Gospel and Children's categories.

"Jazz Portrait" is receiving airplay on several National Public Radio stations.

"Jazz Portrait was a labor of love that involved several Michigan musicians in a live recording session. Several of the songs we'd been performing together for years. It was time to add some fresh perspective to the arrangements and put them down live in an acoustically controlled setting," Blanchard said.

Blanchard is already working on her next recording of original material and has a list of at least five other album projects she's always wanted to tackle.

"I am excited and working on my next project," Blanchard said. "We are taking our time doing it. It is definitely an investment in time, heart and money."

More information on the project, including where to purchase a copy, can be found at www.DanielleBlanchard.com, or by



Singing teacher—Clarkston Middle School teacher Danielle Blanchard has been nominated for a Grammy award. Photo courtesy of Danielle Blanchard

writing to : D.B. Associates, P.O. Box 1174, Clarkston, MI 48347.

Stuart raises questions about township facilities construction, plans on hearing public input

BY KYLE GARGARO
Clarkston News Editor

The Independence Township board once again discussed possible construction of additional township facilities at the Tuesday, Dec. 4 meeting.

Township Supervisor Dale Stuart raised questions the board needs to think about before debating them at the Dec. 18 meeting and eventually bringing them to public hearings. Items brought up by Stuart included:

- Decide on a possible new township hall. Discuss where it should be located and how big it should be. Also, decide if it will be a joint facility with the school system.

"That is a decision that has to be made with the school," Stuart said.

Stuart is planning on contacting Clarkston Community Schools Superintendent Dr. Al Roberts to find out the school's position.

- Decide on whether to construct a senior center or a civic center. A senior center was estimated to be around 30,000 square feet at a cost of \$4.5 million. If a civic center was chosen it would probably be 50,000 to 70,000 square feet at a cost of \$10.5 million.

A civic center would also probably mean an addition in staff. The board also needs to decide how to fund the civic center. Options are attempting to pass an operating millage or charge for use much like a gym.

- Decide on what renovations, if any, should take place at Bay Court and how much the cost to repair would be.

The board also needs to decide how to seek out funding for the possible construction. A decision needs to be made whether to combine all the requests into one vote or separate each section out.

The time table for action from the board is fast

approaching. They are looking to have the language for the ballot done by April 1 if they decide on construction. Final decisions on the previously mentioned topics and public hearings would need to take place in the next few months.

The board voted to authorize township planner Dick Carlisle to seek out a restoration architect to do a preliminary estimate for work on Bay Court lodge for as much as \$4,000. The board is looking into different options to put that area to use and what it would cost.

Also taking place at the Independence Township board meeting:

- The board accepted a \$7,741 bid from Jet Pump & Valve for the installation of all underground conduit and concrete pads for the generators, which was discussed at the previous board meeting.

- The annual grant to participate with SMART for Municipal Credit Funds was approved.

- The board accepted the bid from Great Lakes Coach for the purchase of a van with rear lift. The van is for the senior center transportation program. The bid was \$42,287.

- The board authorized the engineers to proceed with taking bids for the 2002 Safety Path Program.

The safety paths recommended for the township board at the committee meeting were: Dixie Highway from Parview to Mill Street; Waldon Road from Clintonville to I-75; Holcomb Road from Bluegrass to Allen Road; Clarkston Road from Wyngate to Everest Academy; and Oakhill Road from Ashford Condominiums to Windy Hill Court.

The cost estimate for the five routes total \$1.464 million.

- Heather Kosbab was hired as the Library Tech I-Circulation effective Dec. 5. She replaces Sandra Meyer, who retired Aug. 31.

- The board approved the purchase of two tornado sirens as recommended by Fire Chief Steve Ronk. They also heard a presentation by the Fire Department to help fund the FIRE FIT program which is an exercise program for the department. The \$2,500 cost includes the purchase of exercise equipment.

- The board set their meeting schedule for 2002.

Board investigates new technology

The Independence Township board is looking to make some improvements in their technology. The board received a report from Childs Consulting Associates on a fiber optic solution at their Dec. 4 meeting.

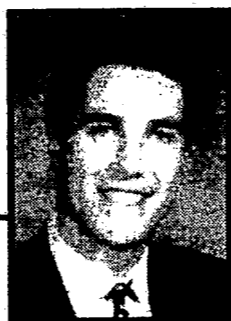
Independence Township currently transmits data applications (Internet, e-mails, etc.) across seven township buildings over leased ISDN circuits. These circuits are too slow and unreliable for the amount of data the township currently supports. Expansion plans including digital video and a statewide network are being discussed which would bring the current network to a stop. The board authorized a study to be conducted to address the township's long-term Wide Area Network needs.

The board was presented with five options.

- Option A is a shared fiber optic WAN

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Wild emu has heyday with Springfield and Independence township police

It must have been quite a sight.

On Wednesday, Dec. 5, Springfield Township police as well as Animal Control spent an hour attempting to catch a wild emu, but without any

luck.

"That thing could run," said Sergeant Frank Schipani, of the Oakland County Sheriff's Department Springfield Township substation. "I grabbed the back of it

once but couldn't hold on to it. It was pretty elusive."

This is a first for Springfield Township.

"Cows and horses on the loose are quite common--never any emus,"

Schipani joked.

The emu was actually caught in Independence Township the next day near White Lake and Dixie Highway.

It's unsure where the emu came from.



Out on the town--Deputy DeRosia of the Oakland County Sheriff's Department Springfield Township attempts to catch a wild emu.

Students sing for a good cause

BY KYLE GARGARO
Clarkston News Editor

A small group of children at Independence Elementary made a world of difference earlier in November.

The school's fifth-grade chorus had a sing-a-long to benefit the children of Afghanistan. A total of \$1,440 was raised.

The school's music teacher, Gwen Stewart, thought of the idea while listening to President Bush's speech to the American people about helping the children of Afghanistan.

"He was telling the children to find ways to raise money and for adults to help," Stewart said. "I thought I would do something to raise money since we could use some good right now."

The sing-a-long took place on Nov. 8 and ran from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the school.

"The children were very receptive to the idea and were very excited to take part. They thought it was a neat thing. We had a great turnout," Stewart said.

The group had an open phone line during the three hour sing-a-long and people called to donate. Parents brought snacks and drinks so 100 percent of the money raised could be used for the children of Afghanistan. The chorus of 51 children wanted to thank everyone who contributed during the evening.

The chorus put on a real good show for a great cause.

"The children started off with a lot of energy and kept it all the way through. They put on a good performance. Everybody felt real good about the money that was raised," Stewart said.

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Opinion

Letters To The Editor

Veteran writer shows area spirit

In my first few weeks as editor of *The Clarkston News*, I have had the pleasure of meeting many interesting and kind individuals. However, none more so than veteran Detroit sports writer Joe Falls. Never have I met someone who has accomplished so much, yet has no ego.

I was doing a story on the *Detroit News* columnist, who was recently voted into the Baseball Hall of Fame. I called the News to set up an interview with the area resident and got a return call from Falls later in the day. After playing phone tag, Falls invited me over to his home to conduct the interview.

It is always strange interviewing someone you are familiar with, yet they have no idea who you are. This was the case with Falls, since I have been reading his writing for years. I must admit I was a little apprehensive when I pulled up in his driveway.

However, Falls and his wife, Mary Jane, immediately put me at ease. They asked me questions about numerous topics before me and Falls went down to his basement to do the interview.

Falls was a great interview, probably because he has spent so much time on the opposite side of the situation. He took me through his rise to a Hall of Fame journalist, stopping to spell out all names he spoke of, knowing I needed the correct spellings.

After spending more than an hour talking to the newspaper legend, I knew it was time to wrap the interview up soon. I was enthralled by his stories and had about 100 more questions I could ask, but I had more than enough for a quality story, and did not want to take up any more of his time.

Falls was nice enough to offer his advice on journalism any time I needed it. He said many people helped him along the way and he wanted to return the favor. Falls even gave me one of his books documenting his career as a sports writer.

The only problem was attempting to write the perfect story for the paper. I thought he might read it so I didn't want to disappoint his high standards.

It was like trying to cook a meal for Emeril, attempting to make a craft for Martha Stewart or making a bad movie for Pauly Shore. You are attempting to do what they do best.

So I just did my best and hoped I would not make an idiot of myself. Although it would not be the first time for yours truly if it did happen.

All in all it was a thrill to do a story on someone I have looked up to for years. Even more importantly, the way I was treated by Falls and his wife was great.

In my brief time with *The Clarkston News* I have found Falls is a microcosm of the individuals in this area. Everybody is very approachable and will do anything in their power to help.

Gargaro's World



Kyle Gargaro

Resident upset about lack of response

The other night I was watching Channel 7 News about the Independence Township not allowing the Big Boy statue to be placed outside of the Big Boy restaurant on Dixie Highway because of township ordinance. It is too bad that the township does not enforce their ordinance on amusements (speed exhibitions) the same way.

I have written several complaints to Mr. Dale Stuart, Township Supervisor, for violations of the ordinance with no results.

I did receive a letter from Mr. Stuart dated June 11, 2001 stating that he had requested the building department to investigate the current operations at the race track, and he will send me a copy of the report. As of this date, I have not

received a report, so I assume it was not done.

My question is what good does it do to file a written complaint in accordance with the ordinance? I guess the owners of Big Boy don't have the influence that the Oakland County Sportsman Club has.

James K. Conway
Clarkston

(Editor's note: The Clarkston News contacted Dale Stuart who informed us the township has hired sound experts to identify whether Waterford Hills Race Track is in violation of the noise ordinance. He added every complaint by Mr. Conway was passed on to the building department and that he has contacted Mr. Conway on various occasions. Stuart is not sure of a time table in which this issue will be solved.)

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Student enjoys drama club activities

Mime makeup has to be the worst form of torture I have ever endured. As soon as you get that thick white makeup caked on your face, I guaranteed your nose will start to itch. However, you can't scratch or your face is ruined. Just ask a mime sometime.

Last week, I dealt with liquid eye liner and white face makeup quite a lot. The Mime and Children's Theatre crew went touring to local elementary schools Belle Anne, Independence, Pine Knob, Andersonville, Springfield Plains and Clarkston.

Children's Theatre performed a play called "The Big Bad Wolf" which had three little pigs, (Lauren Hunt, Kevin Crofton, Hannah Trager) Little Red Riding Hood (Sarah Benson) her grandmother (Tori Lauzen) and an "all talk no walk" French woodsman (Jeff Green) in cahoots against Cornelius B.B. Wolf (Christ Allen).

The play was interactive, as the woodsman asked everyone to stand and howl like a wolf (the mimes tried with all their might, but no luck) or when the Big Bad Wolf asked elementary students questions.

The children were perceptive the whole time, pointing and shouting out where the wolf was hiding. The directors, Matt Davenport and Susan Smith, should

be very proud.

Then it was time for Mime, directed by Jenn White. We did what all mimes do; made complete fools out of ourselves to get laughs. Starting out, we hid, sitting crossed legged next to the elementary school students, playing "Hide and Seek" as Jenn searched us out. The kids were eager to get us caught, standing and pointing. I did all I could to shush them by pouting and covering my head. They were great sports.

The mime troop consisted of: Jenn White, Katie Julian, Sarrah Julian, Alex Skrisson, Ashley Doyle, Rachel Simms, Cheyenne Albarkat, Russell Dorn, Jackie Laforge, Liz Hunt, Maureen McIntyre, Amber Risdon and myself.

It felt strange to be the performer. I remember loving when Mimes and Children's Theatre came to my school. I saw kids leaning forward, mouths hanging open, eyes lit up and I hope they will want to perform on stage someday. I know I did.

I don't think I would be the same person without drama. I don't think any of us would. There are so few places in high school where people can feel accepted, and the drama club takes all types. We are the extroverts, the techies, the wood shop kids, the drama queens and more all mixed together.

Sure Mime and Children's Theatre took a lot of work, many rehearsals and planning. But we got to inspire kids for three days and that makes everything worth it.

CHS Life



Christine Wilkowski

Oh tanenbaum, how quickly things change

Christmas trees, Christmas trees, Christmas trees. Everywhere you look there are Christmas trees. They're sold at churches, like St. Joe's in Lake Orion. They're sold as fund-raisers like for the Goodrich Lions Club. Heck, they're even sold for profit.

Entrepreneurial types stake their fortunes on Christmas tree sales, like that there family in Brandon Township -- the folks who own the Candy Cane Christmas Tree Farm.

Everywhere you gaze, to the north, south, east and west, somebody's making a buck selling Christmas trees.

I was once of the mind that all Christmas trees must be of the live (but slowly, agonizingly dying) pine persuasion. All those other fake ones were in a word... well, fake.

Plastic and tin, greens, blues, whites and reds and characterless. An abomination to the spirit of the great Yule in the sky.

This thought-process was passed on from father to son -- Dad to me. Growing up, we lived in the ghettos of Clarkston (excuse me, Independence Township). Back in those thrilling days of yesteryear, pig-farms, cornfields, dirt roads and lots of one-time Walter's-Lake-cottages-turned-full-time homes was the name of the game along the Clarkston Road curves, west of Eston Road.

And, begorra' there were Christmas tree farms. As a matter of factuality, two farms were right next to our home. In the summer we played hide and seek in the trees and in the winter the Rush Clan always had a fresh cut, fresh smelling, real, by-gum, Christmas tree.

Dad would give the okay and then his only slave

(excuse me, son) would trek back into the pine forest to pick the family tree. Being a relatively short lad, with no sense of depth or size, the trees I usually drug back home were like nine-feet wide and six-feet tall.

Dad never said anything bad about my tree selection, even if he had a gripe. I reckon, he figured he didn't have to go out in the snow and cut one down, so all was right with the world, even if it included a tree that took up a quarter of the front room. What could be better than the smell of fresh cut pine to cut the smell of Winstons smoked by the pack?

I'll tell you what... if that fresh smell of pine was free of charge.

Which is not to say Dad was the ringleader of a group of Christmas tree snatching grinchies, with me as the patsy. "What did you say, officer? My son was caught stealing Christmas trees? My, my and I try so hard to raise good children. Oh well, take him away, if you must."

No, a thief I was not. Our neighbors gave us permission to cut one tree down a year.

Year after year, as I and the trees grew, the one thing I was sure of was, dang-it, I would always have a real tree.

That was until children came into my life.

I'm a fake tree man, now, I'm proud to say. We have three in the house. Jen has them decorated most beautifully. She has one done up in a down-to-earth fashion, one for the kids and one with antique ornaments she has collected.

It is most festive.

There are no needles to vacuum or poke up against and they pack up nicely.

Yep. Christmas trees are everywhere and they're all real, even if they are fake.

Comments for Rush can be e-mailed to: dontrushmedon@aol.com



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Just jotting...

Car-people in this area might enjoy this exchange between WOMC host Dick Purtan and his comedy guest. Purtan, "I understand you have remarried?"

Guest: "Yes, I like the smell of a new wife!"
Forget it. I thought it was funny.

Morning radio, and that's about the only kind there is in my house, promotes callers to report road tie-ups. I wonder if some callers, when they first get up, call in false accidents? Say their route is I-75. There is always a back-up at Sashabaw and Rochester Road. Couldn't a caller report a non-existing tie-up so others will avoid the area, thus giving the caller an 85-mph trip to work?

One of the minor perks empty nesters have is they no longer have to concern themselves with which way a child-proof aspirin bottle cap is turned. We have to look for perks to offset remembrances of baby smiles, first steps and baby-smell hugs that are like no other.

My favorite sandwich is toasted bacon and tomato. Forget the lettuce, as in blt.

My sandwich is only available in Michigan during its tomato-growing season, which is almost over.

This has been a lousy year for growing tomatoes. You may have read of this column's crop failure this year, but, according to my roadside observations, others have had the same luck.

I came cross-country from Ithaca this past harvest season, purposely to buy some tomatoes. There's nothing but farm-garden land along M-57. Got to be

lots of tomatoes for sale. As miles empty of road-stands passed, I reasoned, surely someone in Montrose would have them.

Ah, there's a sign. "Nope, don't have any, try around the corner." This gardener had some fresh-picked. In other years I bet this man would have been ashamed to put this selection out to the public.

Few were "select." But, I selected a bag. And, they were good. Had fine, Michigan taste, but wouldn't make a calendar.

So much for the tomatoes, now for the bacon. My sandwich takes six strips of bacon, three each way. So, I cook a pound at a time. A pound often has 12 acceptable slices, plus one skinny one cut to make 15 ounces 16 ounces.

Right here, let me interject, don't talk to me about cholesterol. That's why they make Lipitor, to allow us to eat the food we love.

Back to bacon, or more precisely, the cutters of bacon. I think bacon slicing should be an Olympic sport. There must be a million cutters who think they can slice slabs of smoked pig thinner than anyone else. And each has name brand, or store brand sponsors.

What makes these ultra-thin bacon slices really bad is they make it impossible, when laid in the pan with normal slices, for them all to get done at the same time.

Hazel could make a Thanksgiving dinner of turkey, dressing, mashed potatoes, squash, veggies and hot buns presentable at the same time, but couldn't get all the slices of bacon in a pan to be crisp at the same time. And, it was never her fault.

Name brand bacon pushers would do better to put 17 ounces in a pound package, especially when their name costs \$4.45 a pound verses the \$2.59 on store brand. Pass the Miracle Whip.

Jim's
Jottings



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the People Poll

By Jennifer Nemer

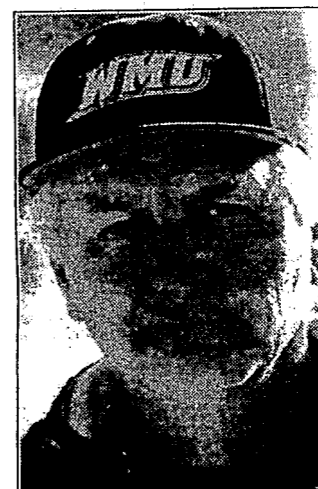
The Clarkston News asks:

What's your favorite
Christmas dish?



"Cheese potatoes. They're so creamy and flavorful."

--Emmett Rich



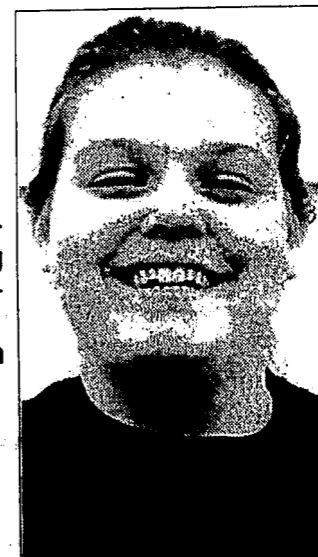
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--Al Zee



"Turkey. It's the all-American food."

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"Turkey and cranberries. Combining them together is superb."

--Alexa Johnson

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Local Boy Scout troop honors 'hometown heroes'

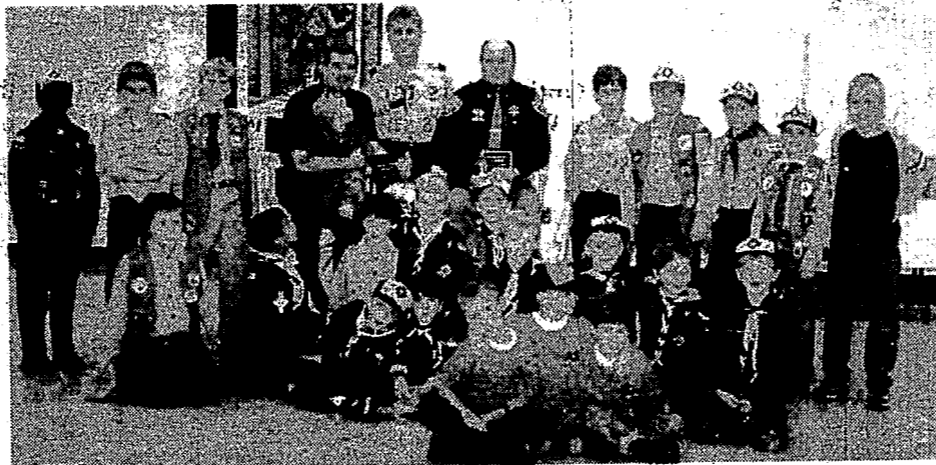
BY JEFF PATRUS
Clarkston News Staff
Writer

John Cowan, cubmaster for Cub Scout Pack #11, posed the question to the young men in the pack at the start of their Nov. 27 meeting: What is a hero?

Members of the troop, based out of Cedar Crest Academy in Clarkston, gave their responses to that question, which included such descriptions as kind, brave and likes to help people a lot.

The youngsters then had a chance to meet two people that fit that description: Vietnam veteran Tom Hughel and Oakland County Undersheriff Tom Quisenberry, who helped with the rescue efforts after the Sept. 11 attack on the World Trade Center.

The scouts and their parents gathered at the Cushing Center, located at St. Daniel Catholic Church in Clarkston, to listen to the two men tell their tales. Afterward, Cowan presented Hughel and Quisenberry with "Hometown Heroes"



Local scouts - Cub Scout Pack #11, out of Cedar Crest Academy in Clarkston, poses with Vietnam veteran Tom Hughel and Oakland County Undersheriff Tom Quisenberry during their presentation Nov. 27 at St. Daniel Catholic Church in Clarkston. Photo by Jeff Patrus.

awards in honor of their bravery.

First up to speak was Hughel, who told the Scouts how he felt when he received a letter in the mail in 1966 telling him he'd been drafted into the service.

"You can't begin to describe that," he said. "I had been at Indiana University, and I joined with the Indiana National Guard units in Muncie and Greenfield, Indiana."

After serving his time with the National Guard, Hughel spent a year serving in the Vietnam War, and said it was

a tense situation throughout, because of not being sure who he could trust.

"I returned 32 years ago on Nov. 26, and I haven't returned to southeast Asia since then," he said. "You never knew who was friendly and

who was not friendly. It was a year of constantly not knowing what might or might not happen. It was a long year, and it was scary. I can only hope you young men never have to face anything like that in your lifetime."

After Hughel spoke, Quisenberry took the microphone and talked about his involvement with the rescue efforts stemming from the recent attacks in New York and Washington. He said the situation came as a shock to the members of the Sheriff's Department when they first heard about it, but they quickly mobilized into action when they received teletype messages from New York asking for help.

"I was at work in the Sheriff's Department," he said when describing where he was when he first heard of the attacks. "We were very confused, very bewildered about what was happening...About 20 of us left that evening to go to New York City. We ar-

rived the next morning at Giants Stadium in New Jersey, then we went to Manhattan."

The team of rescue workers from Oakland County stayed in Manhattan for a week, helping the rescue workers in whatever way they could. Quisenberry downplayed his role in the situation, and said the credit belongs to the policemen and firemen of New York who arrived on the scene to help immediately after the attacks.

"I certainly never thought of anything we did as heroic, because we arrived there afterward," he said. "I did meet some real live heroes in the policemen and firemen from New York. I take my hat off to them, and they'll all be heroes in my eyes."

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Independence township looking into new technology

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The Independence Township board is looking to make some improvements in their technology. The board received a report from Childs Consulting Associates on a fiber optic solution at their Dec. 4 meeting.

Independence Township currently transmits data applications (Internet, e-mails, etc.) across seven township buildings over leased ISDN circuits. These circuits are too slow and unreliable for the amount of data the township currently supports. Expansion plans including digital video and a statewide network are being discussed which would bring the current network to a stop. The board authorized a study to be conducted to address the township's long-term Wide Area Network needs.

The board was presented with five options.

Option A is a shared fiber optic WAN plan with Clarkston Community Schools. The schools have installed a fiber optic network connecting 12 strands of fiber from each school building to the new high school. The fiber cable is attached to utility poles throughout the community. The schools are currently using six of the 12 strands and is willing to allow the township to use two spare fibers at no cost. This option requires all "new construction" costs to be covered by the township. The estimated cost is \$95,238. Advantages of the plan are a reduced construction cost and a quicker installation time frame, while the disadvantage is the limited fiber count which is a problem for future expansion.

Option B is the over-lashed fiber optic WAN. This plan allows the township to install 12 strands of new fiber optic cable to each remote building by over-lashing, or tying, the new fiber cable over the school's existing cable. Over-lashing is a process where additional cables are securely tied to an existing cable bundle that is following the same path. The township would be able to share approximately three miles of pathway with the schools, but also be required to construct approximately 3.5 miles of new, outside fiber optic plant.

The estimated cost of option B is \$116,450. The advantage is added space for future expansion and saving money on cable, while the disadvantages are it is subject to district cooperation and requires pole owner's inspection and approval.

Option C is the 100 percent new fiber optic WAN. This has the township constructing its own 6.5 miles of outside fiber optic plant totally independent of the schools' plant. The township would be free of any cooperative

restraints that option A and B pose. Option C could also provide revenue with the option for the township to lease its unused fibers to different parties. The estimated cost of option C is \$162,738. The advantages are abundant spare fibers for expansion and total independence. The disadvantages are highest cost and longest construction time.

Option D is the wireless WAN. This involves constructing a microwave wireless WAN network.

The estimated cost of option D is \$112,000 to \$245,000.

The advantages are a short installation time and lower cost than private fiber, while the disadvantages are lack of reliability and security.

Option E is a leased


provider WAN. Currently, the township is leasing from Ameritech but would need them to make some improvements since the existing agreement is not a viable option.

The estimated cost of option E is \$48,545 per year. Advantages are the shortest installation time of all the options and it keeps the township out of the WAN networking business. Disadvantages are

the yearly cost and the lack of reliability.

"We are all using the same taxpayers' money so we should try to work something out with the schools without a whole system of our own," Township Clerk Joan McCrary said.

The board tabled the issue to give the members more time to look at all the information.



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Just in time for Christmas...

Annual Cat's Meow fundraiser begins, support Clarkston H.S.

BY JENNIFER NEMER
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Coming up with nada for a gift this Christmas for that hard-to-buy-for someone?

Maybe you'd like to treat yourself to a little gift after all the efforts you've been putting into this season.

Well, here's an idea.

The Clarkston High School Parent Teacher Student Association (PTSA) announced the start of this year's Cat's Meow holiday fundraiser.

Clarkston lovers can bring Main Street into their very own home with this set of ten local landmarks.

New for 2001 are these three additions:

■ The old Clarkston Post Office at 21 S. Main. Built in 1914, it was used as the Independence Township Hall. The post office occupied the building from 1942 until 1976. The building is currently owned by Dennis Kacey.

■ The Wilford House located at 91 N. Main. Built in 1881 by H. Harmon Howe, this Victorian home has been owned by Gerry and Lucia Wilford since 1954.

■ The Welcome to Clarkston Sign. The Village of Clarkston covers one half of a square mile in North Oakland County.

Plus old favorites including:

■ The Clarkston Country Store, built in the 1860s by Wiltse Vliet to house a cabinet shop and purchased by James Schultz in 1971.

■ The Clark House at 71 N. Main which was built in 1839 by Nelson Clark.

■ The Clarkston State Bank, 15 S. Main, built in 1908 and owned by Henry Ford during the depression.

■ The Lambert House at 43 N. Main, built in the 1880s and owned by the Lambert family for 90 years until it was bought by the Olafssons in 1994.

■ The Clarkston Independence Township Clock, which was created in

1986 for the Independence Township Sesquicentennial and stands in front of the Clarkston State Bank.

Brought out of retirement earlier this year was:

■ The Independence Township Hall, at 90 N. Main.

■ The Clarkston News Building, at 5 S. Main St., formerly called The Walter Building.

Rudy's Market, the collection's eleventh piece, is currently sold out, but more should be in stock after Christmas, said Kathie Valeri Carroll, who co-chairs the Cat's Meow fundraiser with Susan Leigh.

Each piece, which includes a historical description of the landmark on the reverse, is approximately one-inch thick and varies in height.

Monies raised will support CHS Reflections, a fine arts program supporting visual arts, music, literature and photography.

The PTSA hopes to also give out four scholarships.

Last year, the fundraiser brought in between \$2,000 and \$3,000, plus four scholarships. (The Cat's Meow is the only fundraiser for the CHS PTSA.)

The Cat's Meow, an Ohio company, produces the wood creations from the handiwork of an artist named Faline. A trademark of her work is to place a tiny black cat somewhere on the piece, and one can find on each of these artist-signed Clarkston collectibles.

Buildings are \$16 a piece. The clock and sign are \$10 each.

Carroll urges readers to buy early since inventory is limited.

To begin a collection, or add to an already established collection, call Kathie Valeri Carroll at 620-8906. You can find the collection at The Clarkston Country Store as well.

Also, ask to be put on the mailing list. Those on the mailing list get first dibs.



A jolly time at the Village Apparel

Ho! Ho! Ho!—All the way from the North Pole, Santa and Mrs. Claus stopped by Village Apparel and Gifts in downtown Clarkston, recently, to greet customers and passersby. Photo by Jennifer Nemer.

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Clarkston schools building up Lego maniacs



Andersonville El. Lego Maniacs: Dennis Klein, left, and Ryan Dillon test run the team's robot. Photo by Jennifer Nemer.

BY JENNIFER NEMER
Clarkston News Staff Writer

The competition's theme this year may have been "Arctic Impact," but its participants came out of this season hot and burning with knowledge.

Andersonville Elementary's Lego Mindstorm team of the F.I.R.S.T. (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology) Lego League, since September, has prepared for competition.

But more importantly, the team of 12 fifth-graders--dubbed the Arctic Eagles (the school's mascot)--ended this season with lessons learned. Plus, they've had fun

along the way and love to tell others about it.

For starters, each team member is more than happy to tell you why they wanted to be a part of this league.

"My brother was in it last year," said Samantha Wint. "I was pretty involved when he was on the team. I helped make stuff and cheer at the tournaments. I saw a flier this year and decided to be in it."

Ryan Dillon said he wanted to be on the team "because it's fun and I love building Legos."

"My sister was in it," said Jill Roberts. "I like the fact that we're working with Legos. I've always liked building Legos with my friends

when they come over."

Jesse Martin said, "I'm really interested in Legos. I have lots at home and my favorite things to build are cars. That's what interests me."

"My sister was in it and my brother has lots of Legos I like to experiment on," said Eileen Gemborys.

So what did they enjoy most about being on the team?

"I love working with computers," said Wint. "The best part is you get to use your brain. And I like competing."

"I like going on the computers and just being together," said Gemborys.

"I like being able to help the whole team," said Martin.

And what they've learned is quite varied.

"I've learned a lot," said Dennis Klein. "I never used to be able to get along with groups very well and now I can do it easy. I like at the end

of the day when you test the robots and it works. It feels really rewarding."

"It's easier to work together then do it by yourself," said Roberts.

"One robot can do many things," said Martin. "Design matters most for how the robot will do. If you make a mistake it can mess up the entire thing, so you have to watch what you're doing carefully."

Gemborys said, "It's good to be a part of a team and learn how to work together."

"I've learned teamwork and how important it is to be friends with your partners," said Wint.

Regional competition was held Dec. 1 in Flint. Though Andersonville didn't go on to compete in the state finals Dec. 8 in Detroit, they don't mind. They've had a great time anyway.

"They did such a great job," said coach Tom Klein.

Another winning Lego team

The Independence Elementary Lego League Robotics Team finished 20th out of 60 teams at state finals at the University of Detroit, Dec. 8.

The team had finished in the top 12 out of 42 teams at the previous week's regional competition at Lakeland High School.

As a brand new team,

they had an impressive year, coached by parents Rich Sanders and Judy Schreiber.

"The students should be very proud," said Principal Chris Turner. "Not only are we a new elementary team, we compete against middle school students in our division. This is quite an accomplishment."

They're winners!



Go Robowolves!—The Clarkston Middle School Lego Robotics Team--dubbed the Robowolves--include Jordan Bellant, Rocky Bullard, Daniel Dobbins, Josh Frailey, Drew Fries, David Hart, Danny Rathsburg, Alex Roy, Rachel Winston and Andrew Wint.

Ten sixth-graders at Clarkston Middle School are gleaming with pride.

Their Lego Robotics Team, the Robowolves, placed 18th out of 60 teams during state finals at the University of Detroit, Dec. 8--bringing home the Judge's Award.

During competition, the team's robot (affectionately named S.P.O.T.), must pick up three scientists and earn points along the way. The team earned 240 points out of a total 340

points available.

Earlier in their season, the team was awarded the Rookie of the Year Award for the Mini GM Truck Town Robotics Invitational.

"We learned a lot from each other," said Drew Fries. "Let's just say we had a lot of ups and downs."

David Hart added, "We learned there's no 'I' in teamwork."

And, now, the team can't wait until next year's to do it all over again.



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Financial Focus

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Put Some of Your Investment Losses to Work

If you're like most investors, 2001 has been a year you'd just as soon forget. Even before the tragedy in September, the stock market had been slumping - and it's been volatile ever since. As a result, you may be considering selling some stocks at a loss this year to improve your tax situation.

Your investment losses are tax-deductible - to a point. You can use your losses to offset any capital gains you may have achieved, plus \$3,000 of income. This capability can prove quite useful to you, because even when the markets are down, you can still rack up some capital gains by selling investments that, over time, have increased in value. Capital losses also may offset year-end capital gains distributions you may have received from your mutual funds.

To claim a capital loss, however, you must actually sell the stock - and you might not really want to part with it. You may believe that, despite its current decline, this stock still has good prospects for the future and fits in well with your diversified portfolio. So, can you sell the stock to establish your tax loss, then buy it back at a lower price? It's not that simple. In the eyes of the IRS, if you sell a stock and repurchase it - or if you buy a "substantially identical" security - within 30 days, you're making a "wash sale," and you won't be able to deduct any losses resulting from this transaction. And this rule applies to purchases you make within 30 days before or after you sell your stock.

Essentially, you have three strategies for avoiding this wash sale problem. First, you can wait at least 31 days after the sale before repurchasing the stock. Second, you can double your position and then sell your original shares after 31 days. And third, you can sell your shares for a loss and purchase stock of a different company - one that's in the same industry and that has performed similarly to the stock you sold. You can then wait at least 31 days, sell the new stock and repurchase the original stock.

Keep in mind, though, that any purchase you make within the 61-day time frame could violate the wash sale rules. So you'll have to be particularly careful if you've set up a dollar cost averaging plan, under which you buy the same amount of stock shares each month. You'll also have to be alert if you automatically reinvest dividends and capital gains.

Before making a stock trade that could conceivably fall under wash sale rules, consult with your tax adviser. You won't want to make any expensive mistakes. Remember, you have many other options for reducing taxes associated with your investments.

Also, make sure that any moves you make won't upset your long-term investment strategy. It's clearly tempting to try to lock in tax-deductible losses, but it's even more important to maintain a portfolio that's designed to meet your individual needs, goals and tolerance for risk.

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POW recalls World War II

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 danger. Watterworth told them to go ahead with out him. However, he was captured shortly thereafter by the Germans while in Spain.

"I lasted one day without the two other," he said "The Germans had more patrols Aon the Spanish side than on the French side. We went into the German gestapo, and were turned over there. I was in a civilian jail; I was never turned over to the military."

On Aug. 12, 1944, Watterworth said the U.S. attempted to free the captives who were held prisoner in the old Bastille.

"I was not in uniform," he said. "I was in civilian clothes. They called us political prisoners in Germany. We could hear the guns. We thought we had it made."

However, the rescue attempt was unsuccessful, and the prisoners were soon moved to Stalag Luft IV. On Feb. 6, 1945, they were forced to walk nearly 600 miles on the "Black Death March". The group started out in East Prussia, and made their way to Germany proper.

He said during that

time, the Germans were "very lax" when it came to distributing food to the prisoners. Watterworth said when he played football in high school, as well as when he first reported for duty in the Army, his weight was 182 pounds. However, by the time he was released, he weighed less than 100 pounds.

"This caused the majority of problems for the prisoners, the rapid weight loss," he said.

In May 1945, around the time World War II was ending, Watterworth was liberated from prison. He was awarded a Purple Heart and a former Prisoner of War medal for his efforts.

Shortly thereafter, Watterworth moved to Clarkston and built the very home he lives in today with wife Christine. The couple has five children, nine grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

"I came out here in 1946," he said. "I found this piece of property (off of Dixie Highway) and bought it. I built a house in 1947. I borrowed money to build it from the guy that sold it. I moved in the house in 1948."

A display honoring Watterworth's courage

can be found in the "Wall of Heroes" at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Ann Arbor.



Clarence N. Watterworth

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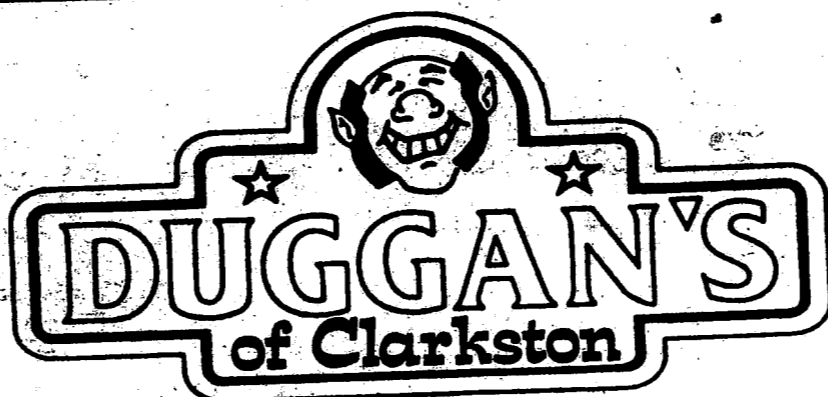
Rocker Marilyn Manson, previously scheduled to face Judge Gerald McNally of the 52nd District Court in Clarkston, will now appear in court Dec. 28 at 11 a.m.

Manson is charged with fourth-degree criminal sexual conduct and assault and battery stemming from an incident at a July 30 concert at DTE Energy Music Theatre.

Raises in store for Clarkston school employees

At the Dec. 10 Clarkston Community Schools Board of Education meeting, officials approved a 2001-04 Master Agreement for the Clarkston Association of Support Personnel (CLASP/MEA/NEA) and Clarkston Board of Education.

The board approved a three-year agreement to include a salary increase of 2.32 percent in the first year, 1.48 percent in the second year and a wage/fringe benefit opener in the third year.



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12/12 vs. Birmingham, 7 p.m.

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Volleyball:

12/13 vs. Troy, 6 p.m.

Wrestling:

12/12 vs. Athens/Lapeer West/South Lyon, 5:30 p.m.

Boys' basketball:

12/14 vs. Carmen Ainsworth, 7 p.m.

12/18 vs. Rochester Adams, 7 p.m.

Boys' swimming:

12/13 at Southfield, 7 p.m.
 12/18 at Clawson, 6:30 p.m.

For more information, call the CHS Athletic Office at 623-4003.

Icers prepare for league foes



Slap shot — Clarkston junior forward Eric Hall (9) fires a shot past the Royal Oak goaltender during the Wolves' Dec. 8 showdown against Royal Oak. Hall scored two goals in the game as the Wolves triumphed, 5-1, improving their mark to 7-0 overall and 3-0 in the Oakland Activities Association Division I. Photo by Jeff Patrus.

Wolves triumph over Bloomfield, Royal Oak to remain unbeaten

BY JEFF PATRUS

Clarkston News Staff Writer

The Clarkston hockey team strengthened themselves for a pair of conference games this week by winning a pair of contests last week.

Clarkston improved their mark to 7-0 overall and 3-0 in Oakland Activities Association Division I by defeating Royal Oak, 5-1, at the Polar Palace in Lapeer Dec. 8.

In a non-conference game Dec. 6, the Wolves defeated Bloomfield, 5-1.

Clarkston coach Bryan Krygier said the Wolves faced a challenge when they played Oakland Activities Association Division II opponents Bloomfield and Waterford Kettering.

"It's hard when you cross over and play a Division II team," he said. "Those teams are up to beat us and make a statement."

However, he said they turned things up a notch during their contest with Royal Oak.

"I thought we played well the first two periods against Royal Oak," he said. "We picked it up in the third period."

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Cagers defeat Pontiac Central in opener

BY JEFF PATRUS

Clarkston News Staff Writer

The Clarkston boys' basketball team passed their first test of the season Dec. 7.

The Wolves hit the road that evening for their opening game of the season to play Pontiac Central, a place where Clarkston coach Dan Fife said the Wolves have had trouble winning in the past.

Nonetheless, the Wolves received solid efforts from its starting five and held off the Chiefs, 60-51.

"We played pretty well for our first game," Fife said. "I was happy with our effort. That's been one of the toughest places to win at."

The Wolves used a balanced scoring attack to hold off Pontiac Central. Senior guard Mike Blicher led the Wolves with 16 points, while Matt Mahrle added 14 points. Mike Loveless and Dave Ritzema each chipped in with 12 points. Fife said the Wolves' starting five

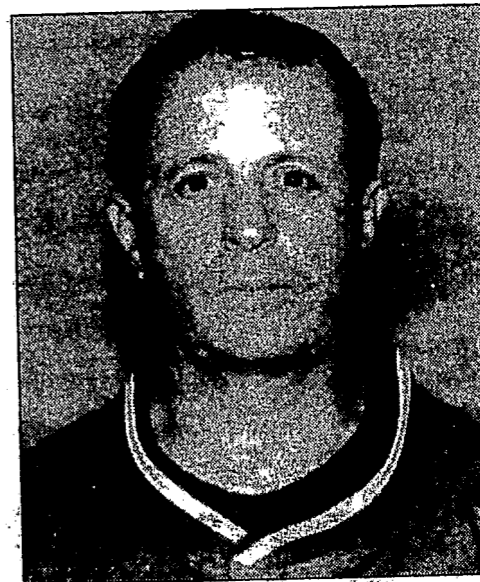
of Blicher, Ritzema, Loveless, Mahrle and Eric Kieras all played key roles in the victory.

"There wasn't one time in which one of them didn't excel at some part of the game," he said. The game was back and forth. They would cut our lead, and we would come back and hit a big basket."

Fife said the Chiefs zeroed in on shutting down Blicher, but the other starters picked up the pace.

"They tried to take Blicher out of the game, but Loveless hit four big free throws," he said. "Blicher had six big free throws. Ritzema had several blocks, and Mahrle had some big baskets. Eric Kieras (who scored six points) had a big basket."

Clarkston traveled to Lathrup Tuesday, Dec. 11 for a 7:30 p.m. tipoff before competing in their first home game of the campaign Friday, Dec. 14 against Flint Carmen-Ainsworth, beginning at 7 p.m.



Season opener — Clarkston varsity boys' basketball coach Dan Fife began his 20th season at the helm Dec. 7 as the Wolves battled Pontiac Central. Clarkston defeated the host Chiefs, 60-51. Clarkston News file photo

Grapplers take dual meet against Troy and Edsel Ford

BY JEFF PATRUS
Clarkston News Staff Writer

The Clarkston wrestlers opened Oakland Activities Association-Division I competition Dec. 5 on a high note.

The host Wolves defeated the division rival Troy Colts, 47-20, and Dearborn Edsel Ford, 47-27, in a dual meet to improve their season record to 7-2.

Two Clarkston wrestlers fared particularly well, according to Clarkston coach Mike DeGain. Tony LaJoie, at 130 lbs., wrestled what DeGain called "a great match" in defeating Nick Best of Troy, who was the state runner-up last season, by a 12-9 decision.

The other wrestler cited by DeGain was John Langdon, who at 145 lbs. defeated Edsel Ford's Eric Zimmnicki by pinfall.

DeGain said the team as a whole contributed to the victory over two quality opponents.

"The whole team wrestled well," he said. "Defeating Troy was a good way to start off the league. Edsel Ford seemed to be a pretty tough team."

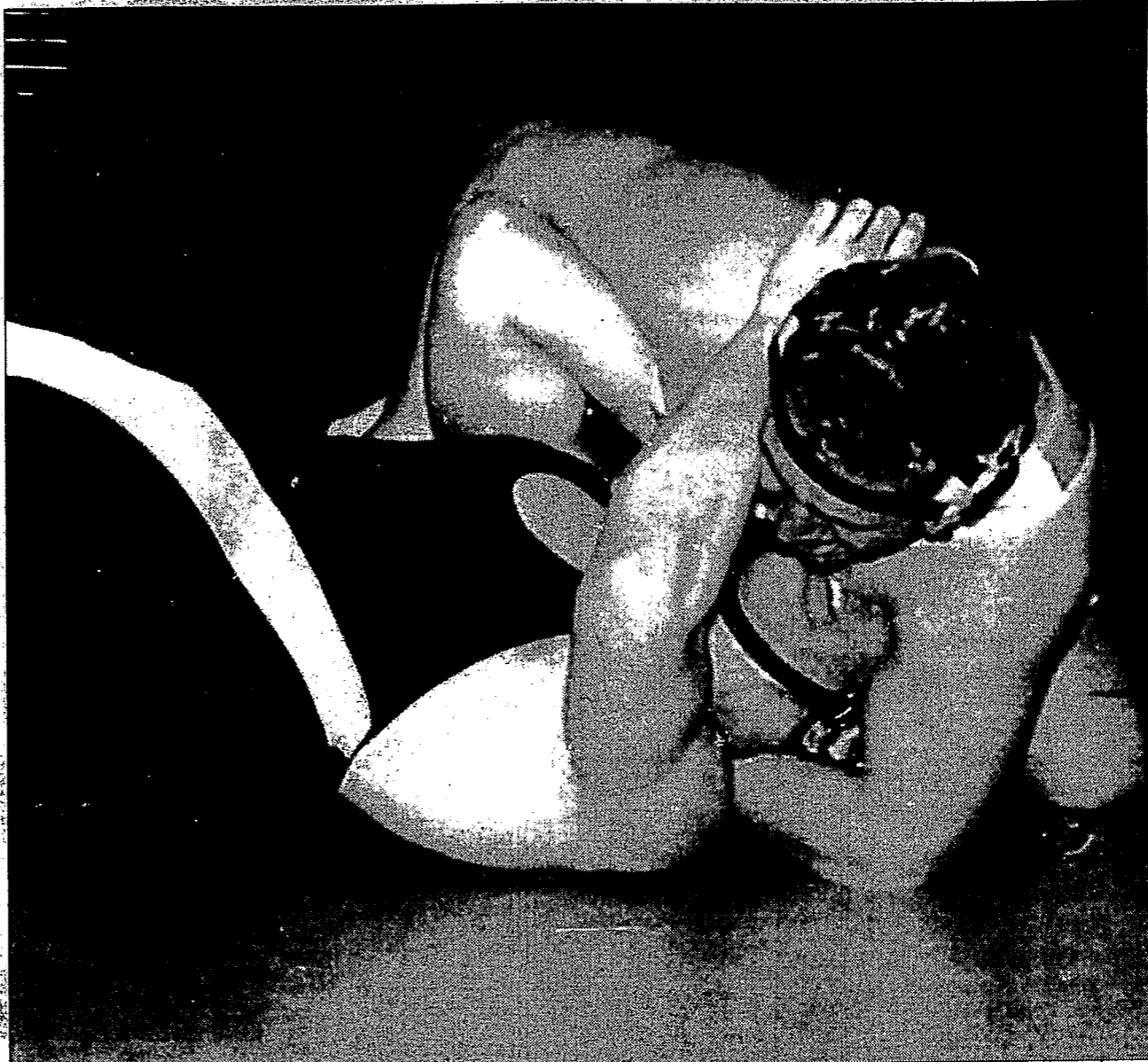
The Wolves hit the mat for another home contest Dec. 12, as they take on another league rival in Troy Athens, as well as Lapeer West, in a dual meet at 5:30 p.m.

Hearn scores season-high 13 points in Albion victory

Clarkston native Erin Hearn scored a season-high 13 points as the Albion College women's basketball team defeated Rochester College, 89-22, Nov. 25.

The win improves the Britons' season record to 5-1. For the season, Hearn is averaging 9.7 points per game.

He who is in love with himself has at least this advantage—he won't encounter many rivals.
—George Christoph Lichtenberg



Prime position — Clarkston's Derek George (right), competing at 189 pounds, takes down his opponent during the Wolves' dual meet Dec. 5 against Troy and Dearborn Edsel Ford. The Wolves defeated both opponents during the meet to improve their record to 7-2 on the season. Photo by Jeff Patrus.

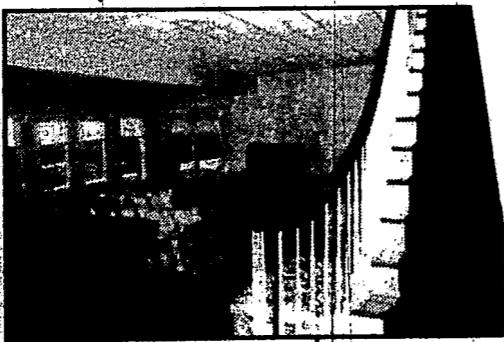
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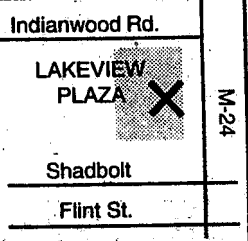
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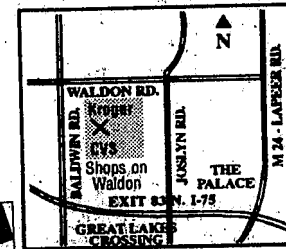
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Hockey

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The teams battled to a scoreless tie in the first period. The Wolves lit the scoreboard first at 5:45 of the second period, when junior forward Eric Hall scored the first of his two goals on the game.

Hall scored again at 5:21 of the third period on assists from sophomore forward Kyle Buzzo and junior forward Myles Purdy to increase the Wolves' lead to 2-0. Royal Oak would turn around and score their only goal of the game, capitalizing on a Clarkston penalty to score a power play goal at 5:45 of the third, narrowing the Wolves' lead to 2-1.

However, from that point on, the Wolves seized command of the game. Sophomore defenseman Nick Ranck took a pass from Buzzo and fired it into the Royal Oak net for a 3-1 Wolves lead.

In the waning moments of the game, Royal Oak pulled their goaltender for the extra attacker in hopes of getting back into the game. However, the Wolves foiled that strategy, as senior forward Adam Postal scored two empty-net goals; the first came at 13:19 of the third period, on an assist from senior forward Eric Plante, while the second came at 14:35 of the third on assists from senior forward Nick Turner and Plante.

Clarkston enjoyed a distinct advantage in shots on goal, as they fired at the net 24 times, while limiting Royal Oak to eight shots on senior goalie Jordan Conley.

"We pretty much controlled the play," said Krygier. "Their goaltender played well and made some big saves. It took 2-1/2 periods, but the shots finally went in."

The Wolves took their other nonconference game earlier in the week, defeating Bloomfield, 5-1, at the Detroit Skate Club Dec. 6.

Bloomfield actually drew first blood after a scoreless first period, lighting the lamp at 1:45 of the second period to take a 1-0 lead. However, from that point on, it was all Wolves, as Clarkston scored two goals in the second period and three in the third.



Anticipation — Clarkston sophomore forward Kyle Buzzo (16, left) waits for the pass during the Wolves' Dec. 8 game against Royal Oak. Photo by Jeff Patrus.

The Wolves tied the game at 4:35 of the second period, as Purdy scored a power play goal on assists from Hall and Buzzo. Clarkston then took the lead at 7:09 of the second period, as junior forward Brent Harris scored on an assist from senior forward Alan Marchio.

The Wolves' third period flurry started at 1:40 of the third period, as junior forward Jim Lattanzi scored unassisted to increase their lead to 3-1. Less than a minute later, Clarkston scored again, as Ranck found the net on an assist from Marchio at 2:20 of the third to

increase the Wolves' lead to 4-1. Clarkston would wrap up the scoring at 5:23 of the third, as Marchio scored a power play goal on an assist from senior defenseman Mike Abrams.

The Wolves again enjoyed a decisive advantage in shots on goal, 30-11.

The Wolves return to the Polar Palace Wednesday, Dec. 12 for a 7 p.m. faceoff with conference rival Birmingham. Following that, they head to Troy Friday, Dec. 14, for a game against the Colts at 7 p.m.

Getting into the swing of C-Town winter sports

The snow hasn't hit yet, but the Clarkston winter sports season has — and it looks like it's going to be an interesting ride.

Of course, the hockey team has already started off its season, and done so in style. The Wolves have been getting contributions from numerous team members during their run, and senior goalie Jordan Conley has been steady in net, enabling the team to play with more confidence.

The wrestling squad has also kicked off its season with a couple of home meets, as well as a first place finish at the Jenison Invitational Dec. 1. The Clarkston grapplers have competed hard during these meets, and look to do so again. The Wolves have received strong performances so far from Elliot May, Tony LaJoie, John Langdon, Clint DeGain and Joe Wood, among others.

Over the past weekend, the boys' basketball and girls' volleyball teams have also kicked off their seasons, and both teams figure to be in the thick of things in the OAA Division I.

Like I suspect, many of my predecessors, I was a little nervous when I first met Clarkston athletic director and boys' basketball coach Dan Fife, due to his accomplishments and those of his sons Dugan, Jeremy and Dane.

However, he has been very cooperative whenever I've dealt with him, as have all the winter sports coaches: wrestling coach Mike DeGain, volleyball coach Gordie Richardson, boys' swimming coach Kenwyn Chock and hockey coach Bryan Krygier.

In speaking with Fife about the upcoming season, he was optimistic about his team's chances this sea-

What's up with that!



Jeff Patrus

Athlete of the Week: Dave Ritzema

BY JEFF PATRUS
Clarkston News Staff Writer

At 6'10", Clarkston senior center Dave Ritzema towers over his classmates. However, he's not even the tallest person in his own family.

Ritzema has an older brother, Pete, a former member of the CHS varsity basketball team, who is 7'2" and plays for Cleveland State University. In addition, his younger brother, Stephen, 13, a student at Clarkston Middle School, is already 6'7".

"I'm going to be the runt of the family," he quipped.

Nonetheless, Ritzema played a key role in Clarkston's 60-51 win over Pontiac Central Dec. 7 in their opening game of the season, as he scored 12 points and had several key blocks in the game, according to Clarkston coach Dan Fife.

Ritzema, in his second year on the varsity, said he is feeling more confident as a member of the team. "I have a lot more aggressive approach to the game," he said.

He said Fife has helped him along in learning more about the game. "He keeps giving me pointers whenever I'm out there, and he motivates me to keep working," he said.

When he's not playing basketball, Ritzema enjoys teaching it. He and other members of the CHS varsity are involved with the McGrath basketball camps, which are geared toward area youth.

The sessions are held each Saturday, with the first three weeks spent working on skills, and then the kids play each other in a series of games.



Towering presence — Clarkston senior center Dave Ritzema, who is 6'10", scored 12 points and had several key blocks in the Wolves' opening-game win over Pontiac Central Dec. 7. Photo by Jeff Patrus.

"I think it's a lot of fun working with the little kids," he said.

Ritzema said he hopes the team will make it to regionals this season, and also said he hopes to land a Division I basketball scholarship. He said Oakland University, the University of Detroit-Mercy, Cleveland State and Bucknell University (in Pennsylvania) have expressed interest so far.

He is the son of Ken and Deb Ritzema of Clarkston.

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A Look Back

15 YEARS AGO (1986)

■ Variances to allow a shopping center off M-15 near I-75 were denied by the Independence Township Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) for the second time Dec. 10. About 50 people created standing room only at the rehearing, ordered by Judge Robert Anderson of Oakland County Circuit Court after the ZBA denied a variance request in July.

■ Thanks to the efforts of the Clarkston Goodfellows, about 130 local needy youngsters are wearing new shoes. As the culmination of the annual Goodfellow Paper drive conducted earlier this month by members of Clarkston Rotary and the Independence Township Fire Department, most of the shoes were selected at Kinney Shoes on Dixie Highway.

■ Salaries for Springfield Township employees and elected officials will reflect at least a 5 percent raise in 1987. The 1987 standard salary grade structure was set by the board at the Dec. 10 township board meeting, with employees' salaries as follows: secretary, \$12,000; office coordinator, \$13,900; assessor, \$26,000; building inspector, \$13,200.

25 YEARS AGO (1976)

■ The Clarkston School Board was told Dec. 13 that it would cost approximately \$5 million for renovations and additions to present facilities in the next five years. The report, the second of three to be presented to the board, calls for extensive renovation to the Clarkston Junior High School and the addition of four classrooms through remodeling the school's interior.

■ Breathing a sigh of relief, Chris Rose now has that feeling of security in his job as clerk now that the recount has confirmed his election victory over Bob Lay. The final results of the election show Rose with 3,553 votes to Lay's 3,443, narrowing the official tally from an initial 12-vote margin to 10.

■ Over 2,000 children and adults turned out to watch the annual Clarkston Christmas parade Dec. 11. Sponsored by Police Services, the parade featured the American Legion Post #63 color guard, both the Sashabaw and Clarkston junior high bands, Brownie Troop #16, Girl Scout Troops #692, 453, 488, and 210, the Clarkston Junior Miss contestants, Independence Township Fire Department, and of course, Santa.

50 YEARS AGO (1951)

■ For the twelfth time the Clarkston Rotary Club will sell the Goodfellow papers on Friday evening, Dec. 14 and on Saturday, Dec. 15. The proceeds will be used to give the children of this community a treat on Christmas Eve and also to care for the needs of the less fortunate in this area.

■ Christmas comes to the Clarkston school Dec. 13 when the two grade schools and the Bailey Lake school will present a Christmas program. The kindergarten will open the program by depicting the nativity scene. The grades will then do their parts and to climax the evening Santa Claus has delegated Senator Rejd of Detroit to be present to greet the children and to give each one a candy gift.

■ The auditorium of the Clarkston school was crowded Dec. 6 when the senior class presented "The Perfect Idiot." Arthur G. Heimburger, director, is to be complimented for a cast well chosen. This comedy in three acts kept the audience laughing from start to finish. The characters seemed at ease on the stage and they acted as though they were having fun unfolding such a ridiculous story.

Around Town

The Carriage House Bed and Breakfast at 5967 Andersonville Rd. in Waterford will host a Victorian Tea for the holidays on Friday, Dec. 14 from 4-7 p.m. Cost is \$12.95/person. The Carriage House plans another Victorian Tea for Jan. 6. Reservations are requested. Call (248) 623-0025.

After the twinkling lights are turned off, cut Christmas trees can be turned into gardening mulch thanks to a free tree recycling program at Oakland County Parks. Christmas trees will be accepted beginning Dec. 26 and through Jan. 13. Local sites include Independence Oaks, who will accept trees through Feb. 3, and Springfield Oaks Activity Center in Davisburg. Drop them off from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., seven days a week. Trees must be free of all decorations, metal objects, string and plastic. Large quantities leftover from commercial lots will not be accepted. Call (248) 858-0906.

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Christmas happenings Around Town

Take time for nature during the holidays. Learn about birds at the feeders, make simple ornaments, enjoy hot cocoa, a sing-a-long and more at a "Holiday Open House," Sat., Dec. 15 from 2-4 p.m. at the Lewis E. Wint Nature Center at Independence Oaks. Bring a camera to photograph your family with a special guest. Cost is \$3/person. Pay in advance to register. Call 625-6473.

Good ol' fashioned caroling with the Tuesday Musicales of Pontiac will be held in the Historic Church of Waterford from 6-7:30 p.m., Dec. 18. This is a free event and everyone is invited. Call 623-9389 for further information.

On Tuesday, Dec. 18, the Waterford Cultural Council, the Waterford Historic Society and Carriage

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The Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce is hosting a "December Holiday Mixer," Wednesday, Dec. 19 from 5:30-7 p.m. at the Clarkston Cafe, 18 S. Main St. Delicious appetizers, cash bar, \$10 admission at the door. This is a networking/social event. R.S.V.P. to Terri by Monday, Dec. 17. Call 625-8055.

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What's Up With That

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son, although he recognized the Wolves will be playing plenty of tough competition in the OAA.

Fife said three players, all seniors look to play key roles for the Wolves this year: Mike Blicher, who will be counted on for leadership at the point; Mike Lovell, who is expected to bring mental toughness and desire to the team; and center Dave Ritzema, who Fife complimented on his improvement. All three, plus several other seniors, will give the Wolves some much-needed experience in close situations.

On the flip side, the Clarkston volleyball team lost

eight seniors from last year's team that finished 33-13-2. To make up for that, Richardson said the team will rely a lot on its depth, and will expect contributions from each member on the team. Seniors Bonnie Edgar, Diana Doyle and Rockie Tripi, along with juniors Megan Gaines and Jenna McLeod, are expected to be some of the key members of this year's team.

The boys' swim team will kick off its season with a meet Dec. 13 against Southfield. The Wolves hope to improve from last year's finish of 6-5 overall and 3-3 in the league. Senior captains Travis Roche and Adam

Casper lead a team of 22 members into the season, and coach Kenwyn Chock said they hope to make up for the relatively low number of team members by having everyone play their part.

All in all, it looks like it will be a fun winter sports season in C-Town — definitely a good reason to take your mind off the impending cold weather, not to mention the disaster that is the Lions' season.

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Holiday traditions plentiful for local doctor

BY JEFF PATRUS
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Dr. Anthony Aenlle, wife Bev, and their four children have called Clarkston home for 21 years, and they have developed several holiday traditions during that time.

"We love Clarkston," Bev said. "It's the only home we've ever known."

Dr. Aenlle, who operates the Clarkston Clinic on Dixie Highway, said the holiday season begins in earnest for his family around Thanksgiving.

"That's the week we put up our tree and our socks," he said. "Usually, we keep it through January. Traditionally, the kids have helped put up the tree. The two older kids are at graduate school this year. My younger two have helped this year."

The Aenlles' four children are: Jeffrey, a graduate of Michigan State University who is doing graduate work in computer science; Lisa, a graduate of both MSU and Emory University who is back at MSU for medical school; Michele, a junior at Clarkston High School who is on the ski team; and Jennifer, a freshman at CHS who is on the tennis team.

Bev pointed out a tradition that she said might be a little embarrassing to their children, but is a tradition nonetheless: Christmas pajamas.

"We get Christmas pajamas with everybody's name on them. Usually, we get up at 4 a.m. to open the presents. If they want their presents, they have to wear them."

Before they open the gifts Christ-



Holiday traditions — Dr. Anthony Aenlle, owner of the Clarkston Clinic on Dixie Highway, and wife Bev pose by the family Christmas tree. Photo by Jeff Patrus.

mas morning, the Aenlles take time to share holiday wishes with their other relatives.

"We celebrate with the extended family every Christmas Eve," he said. "Our own family gets together on Christmas morning. Usually, we get home about 3 a.m. from the trip to the extended family."

Another family tradition they take part in is seeing a Christmas-related mu-

sical production each year. They take turns seeing different performances.

"We always take the kids to The Nutcracker or the Rockettes," Dr. Aenlle said. "This year, we're going to the Detroit Symphony Orchestra on the 15th. We switch off every year."

A unique feature of the Aenlles' home is the Christmas village, which is reconstructed each year.

Dr. Aenlle said the village was a gift from one of his patients, who keeps contributing miniature "homes" to be added each year. He said the village has been a staple for about 16 years. "I've known this particular person a long time," he said.

Both Dr. Aenlle and Bev said the holidays are a very enjoyable time of the year.

"To me, it means family," Bev said. "Our older kids come home and stay with us. It's the best time of the year, even with the shopping and all the other pressures."

They also said this Christmas is particularly meaningful because of recent world events pertaining to the Sept. 11 attacks. They both said an extra holiday wish for the year is "peace for the world."

Lighthouse has successful holiday

The Clarkston Lighthouse North is finishing up a productive holiday season. This year, Lighthouse will help service almost 400 families.

A total of 272 families were helped with the family Christmas store, while an additional 100 families were aided by the adopt a family program.

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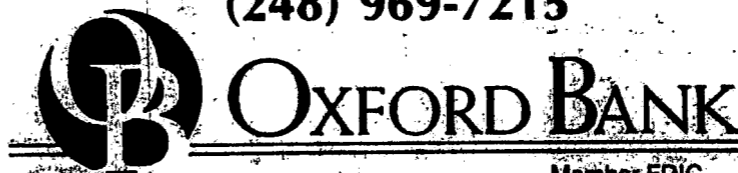
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Sunday, Dec. 9, deputies were dispatched to Mountainview Trail for a possible party with minors drinking. Two 17-year-old males were found to have been drinking. One had a blood alcohol level of .13, the other .09.

Saturday, Dec. 8, investigation on Parkwood. Medical on Pine Knob Trail.

Friday, Dec. 7, domestic violence occurred between a father and daughter on Whipple Lake. The father was in a fight with his roommate when his daughter tried to stop the fight. She was slapped on the right side of her face. The girl was intoxicated, registering a .12 PBT. Her father was arrested for domestic violence and furnishing alcohol to a person under 21.

Thursday, Dec. 6, a home invasion; first de-

gree, was reported on Fay Street. A front window was broken out. The resident had caught the suspect jumping from the window, but could not get a description. Nothing appeared to be missing.

Personal injury accidents on northbound I-75 at Clarkston, White Lake at Mustang, Andersonville and White Lake and Maybee and Sashabaw.

Vehicle fire on Sashabaw at I-75.

Wednesday, Dec. 5, a bicyclist traveling southbound on Clintonville was hit by a 77-year-old woman in a vehicle as he attempted to cross Maybee. The woman was turning westbound on to Maybee from northbound Clintonville when she struck the bike. The bicyclist was thrown over the vehicle, landing on the pavement of Maybee. He was transported to POH for injuries.

An auto theft was reported from the Sashabaw

Park and Ride at I-75.

Monday, Dec. 3, medicals on Briarwood, Mann and Bow Point.

Springfield Township

Sunday, Dec. 9, unlawful discharge of a firearm was reported on Ember Street. Residents reported hearing loud gunshots in their neighborhood. A search found a man shooting his rifle at a target near or on his property line. There was no reported damage or injuries. The man agreed to discontinue shooting.

A burglary, with force, was reported from a business on Dixie. A skylight had been busted out as a way to gain entry. Cash and cigarettes were stolen. There was a partial footprint on the roof near the skylight area that was photographed as evidence.

Saturday, Dec. 8, a malicious destruction of property on Davisburg.

An unknown person broke a drywall sheet that secured a doorway to the Springfield Township offices under construction. Nothing appeared to be missing.

Friday, Dec. 7, a 21-year-old man was stopped on Dixie for driving through a stop sign. The man was found to have a warrant out of Troy for improper plates as well as a suspended license, a second offense. He was arrested.

Tuesday, Dec. 4, a malicious destruction of property on Eagle Hill Drive. An unknown person loosened the lugnuts on the front passenger side of a resident's vehicle. The owner was unaware of the problem until the tire and wheel shifted while being driven, causing approximately \$300 in damage.

Monday, Dec. 3, a malicious destruction to a lawn was reported on Chestnut Ridge Court. An unknown person drove across three residential lawns.

Fifteen-year-old severely injured after driving mom's car

On Saturday, Dec. 8, a 15-year-old Clarkston boy was injured in a personal injury accident on Reese, after his mother allowed him to borrow the car.

The crash occurred at 3 p.m., only 100 feet north of his home. The boy was trapped in the Dodge Intrepid which collided into a tree and mailbox. The Independence Fire Department extricated him from the vehicle. He was the only occupant in car.

Police reports stated the boy was conscious, but was very erratic. It was apparent he had several injuries, the reports continued.

He was transported to Genesys Hospital. A hospital official said the boy was put on a ventilator; was bleeding from the spleen and liver and suffered a severe concussion. The boy is in stable condition.

His mother told police the home phone was not working so she allowed her son to drive the car down the road to use the cell phone. He had been gone about 30 minutes.

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Unattended candle cause of recent house fire

On Saturday, Dec. 8, a home on Ranch Estates caught fire and Independence Township Fire Chief Steve Ronk said it appeared to have been brought on by an unattended candle.

Damage was limited to the dining room. Investigation revealed the fire started on the top of a credenza. The wall directly above the credenza was charred.

The call came in at 1:44 p.m., and no one was home at the time. A fam-

ily member was notified by an alarm company. Another family member admitted being in the house the night before, but said all the candles were extinguished when leaving the house at 1 a.m. The actual residents were vacationing in Florida.

Ronk would like to put out a warning to readers regarding candle burning. He said the department has had their share of house fires from unattended candles this year, and sees it often during the

holiday season.

"That's something we see at this time of the year because of all the Christmas decorations," he said.

"People light so many candles and let them go. They get busy, and just forget."

PUBLIC NOTICE Because the People Want to Know INDEPENDENCE TWP.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Planning Commission of Independence Township, Oakland County, Michigan, will hold a Public Hearing on:

January 3, 2002 at 7:30 p.m.

At the Independence Township Senior Center-Carriage House, 5900 Clarkston Road, Clarkston, Michigan, 48348 to hear the following petition:

FILE PC#2000-021

Mr. Michael Parks, Talon Development Group, Petitioner

REZONING REQUEST

FROM: C-1 (Local Commercial)

TO: PUD (Planned Unit Development)

Parcel Identification Number: 08-27-100-030 & 031

Common Description: Sashabaw Orchard Acres

West Side of Sashabaw Road, South of Waldon & I-75

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

JOAN E. MCCRARY, CLERK

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLIC ACCURACY TEST

The Charter Township of Independence announces a Public Accuracy testing of the computer program for the Special Primary Election on January 8, 2002.

This testing will be held on Wednesday, December 19, 2001 at 2:30 p.m. at the Independence Township Supervisor's Conference Room, 90 N. Main Street, Clarkston, Michigan.

Joan E. McCrary, Clerk

Charter Township of Independence

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SYNOPSIS TAKEN BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE

Supervisor Stuart called the December 4, 2001 meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. at the Independence Township Library. Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Present: Kelly, McCrary, Rosso, Stuart, Travis, Wagner, Wenger.

Absent: None.

There is a quorum.

1. Approved the minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 20, 2001 as amended.
2. Approved the payment of the list of distributions in the amount of \$18,485.58.
3. Approved of Accounts Payable Check Run in the amount of \$171,510.43.
4. Approved of agenda as submitted.
5. Approved motion to table Fiber Optic Solution.
6. Approved motion to Second Reading and Adoption of the Amended Ordinance on Disruption Permits.
7. Approved motion authorizing the Clerk to seek necessary permits for preliminary plat for the Court lot to amount \$4,000.00.
8. Approved motion to table further discussion of Township Facilities and December 18th meeting.
9. Approved motion of bid award for installation of Generator Concrete Pad.
10. Approved motion authorizing purchase of Senior Handicap Accessible Van.
11. Approved motion authorizing the Approval to participate with SMART For Municipal Credit Funds.
12. Approved motion authorizing Township Engineers to proceed with preparation of plans and specifications for bids with regard to Safety Path Proposal.
13. Approved motion authorizing purchase/installation of two Tornado Sirens.
14. Approved motion to table the Firefighter Fitness Program.
15. Approved motion to hire Library Tech I.
16. Approved motion to accept the 2002 Township Board meeting schedule as amended.
17. Motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:10 p.m.

Published 12/12/01

Respectfully Submitted,
Joan E. McCrary
Township Clerk

PUBLIC NOTICE Because the People Want to Know INDEPENDENCE TWP.

TOWNSHIP BOARD AGENDA 7:30 P.M. TOWNSHIP LIBRARY

DATE: December 18, 2001

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Opening Statements and Correspondence

Minutes of Previous Meeting

Approval of Purchase Orders

Approval of Accounts Payable Check Run

Approval of Agenda

Public Forum

Public Hearing - Consumer's Energy, Disruption Permit

Hidden Acres

Public Hearing - Consumer's Energy, Disruption Permit

Waldon Road

Second Reading and Adoption of a Resolving Ordinance

Section 27, Planning, Lake Road & Sashabaw, Article 1

08-22-326-002 From: C-1 To: OS-2

08-22-326-003 C-4 OS-2

08-22-326-004 C-4 OS-2

08-22-326-003 C-4 OS-2

08-22-326-002 C-4 OS-2

08-22-326-001 C-4 OS-2

08-22-326-010 C-4 C-2 & OS-2

08-22-326-007 C-4 C-2 & OS-2

2. Fiber Optic Solution

3. Township Facilities Discussion

4. Firefighters Fitness Program

5. Bid Award on Backup Generators

New Business

1. Consumer's Energy, Disruption Permit - Hidden Acres

2. Consumer's Energy, Disruption Permit - Waldon Road

3. Consideration of D.N.R. Properties

4. Approval of Carlisle Election Boundary Contract

5. Permission to Hire Children's Librarian

6. M.D.O.T. Annual Work Permit/Resolution

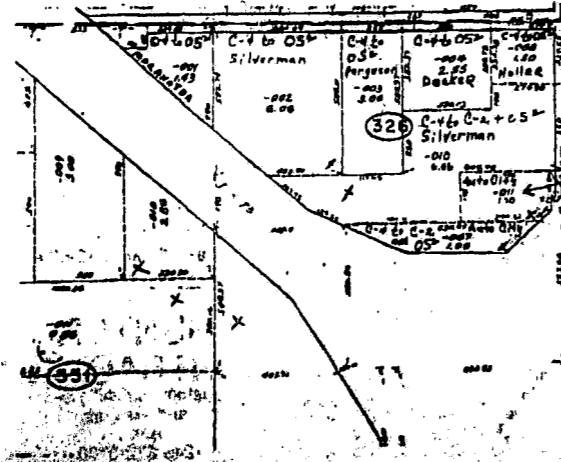
7. Permission to Purchase Copiers

8. Employee of the Quarter

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

PUBLIC NOTICE Because the People Want to Know INDEPENDENCE TWP.

At a regular meeting of the Independence Township Board held on November 20, 2001, the Township Board authorized a First Reading for a rezoning of Parcel 08-22-326-002 from C-4 to OS-2 as follows:

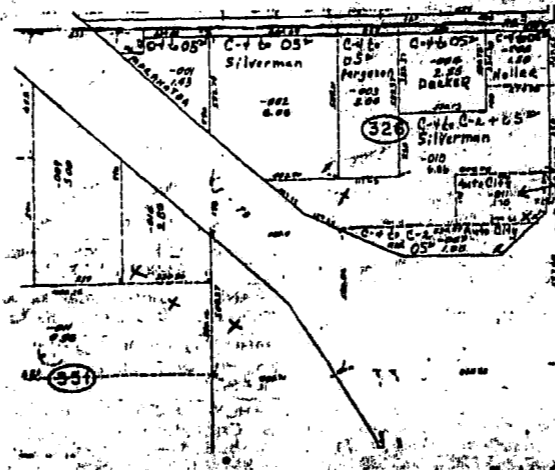


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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE

Registered voters may vote absentee ballot in the January 8, 2002 Special Primary Election if they qualify in one of the following categories:

I expect to be absent from the community in which I am registered for the entire time the polls open on election day.

I am physically unable to attend the polls without the assistance of another.

I cannot attend the polls because of the tenets of my religion.

I have been appointed an election precinct inspector in a precinct other than the precinct where I reside.

I am 60 years of age or older.

I cannot attend the polls because I am confined (a) to or awaiting arraignment or trial.

Independence Township residents who qualify and wish to vote absentee ballot should call the Clerk's Office at 425-5111 ext. 233 or write the Clerk at 90 N. Main Street, P.O. Box 69, Clarkston 48347 for an application that must be signed and returned before a ballot can be issued.

The deadline for ballots to be mailed is Saturday January 5, 2002 at 2:00 p.m.

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1993 DAKOTA 4x4, club cab, 112K miles. \$5,400. 248-814-8028 after 6pm. ILLX52-2

1994 GMC Sonoma truck with cap. Runs good, automatic. \$2800. 248-627-3580. ILLX51-2

1994 MAZDA B4000 LE, 4x4 Pickup, extended cab, bedliner, cap, auto, V6, air, bucket seats, power windows/locks. New front brakes. AM/FM cassette. 126K miles. Good condition. \$4900. (248)634-0435. ILLX13-12nn

1997 CHEVY SUBURBAN- 4wd, auto. Air, CD player, sharp green, very clean, 60,000 miles, 15,000 mile factory warranty available, tow package, electric brakes, plus much more. Very well maintained. \$19,000. Please Call 248-248-8791 or 248-249-8794. 9am-5pm. ILLX20-2

1998 GMC SAFARI Van. 6 passenger. Very clean. Excellent condition. \$3,900. 248-627-3654. ILLX13-12nn

2000 BLAZER LT, 4 door, 4x4. Loaded, sunroof, remote start, trailer package. 27,400 miles. Excellent condition. \$18,700. (248)627-4375, Ortonville. ILLX20-12nn

1997 BLAZER: 170,000 miles. PL, PW, 4x4, \$1500 obo. 810-721-1623. ILLX52-2

1992 ASTRO VAN: 190,000 miles. Runs great. \$3000. 248-627-7028. ILLX16-2

1992 FORD F-150 front end damaged \$400 obo. Rack for truck also. \$40. 248-394-1148 after 12pm. ILLX21-2

1994 CHEVY S-10 pickup, looks runs good, purple, 146,000K, \$3,250/ best. 393-1733. ILLX51-2

1994 S-10, 6 cylinder, 5 speed, 69,000 miles. One owner. \$3700. 248-693-3077. ILLX51-2

1999 DODGE CARAVAN S.E. 33,000 miles; loaded and pampered \$14,250.00. 248-825-4525. ILLX15-12nn

1993 PLYMOUTH VOYAGER: V-6, automatic, air, all power, CD, loaded. 107,000 miles. Very nice. \$3700. Call 248-622-9752. ILLX20-2

1994 FORD EXPLORER- 4X4. Loaded, excellent condition. \$9,100. obo. 248-627-5420. ILLX16-4

1994 JEEP CHEROKEE Country: 4X4. White; Loaded. New tires, brakes, shocks. One owner. \$44,950.00 obo. 248-622-9771 evenings. ILLX18-4nn

1994 SONOMA- extended cab, 6 cylinder, excellent condition, \$5,200/obo. 248-628-9471. ILLX18-4nn

1996 FORD PICK-UP: Very good condition. One Owner. 64,000 miles. \$3200. obo. 248-693-3985. ILLX52-12nn

1977 CHEVROLET 6 Passenger G-Van. One owner, some rust, clean, runs & drives great. 162,000 miles. \$1500 obo. 248-627-2494. ILLX7-12nn

1978 CHEVY SUBURBAN, good condition, runs good, many new parts. \$1500 obo. 810-667-4007. ILLX52-2

1982 CHEVY 1-Ton Stake Truck. Low miles. \$1,700 obo. 248-627-5334. ILLX51-9nn

1982 CHEVY ONE-TON Stake Truck. Low miles. New parts. \$1500 or trade. 3/4 ton truck. (248)627-5334. ILLX52-9nn

1995 FORD RANGER: Looks bad, runs good. \$500 obo. 248-394-1919. ILLX20-2

1996 MAZDA B2900 pickup, needs work. 4WD, new head and tires. \$500. 248-420-4008. ILLX21-4nn

1986 ONE-TON Chevy: 4 door, Dual 454, \$2000, or trade for Chevy with blade. 248-627-5334. ILLX52-2

1987 JEEP CHEROKEE Laredo: 4x4, runs good, body needs minor repair. \$1850 obo. 248-620-4954. ILLX18-8nn

1990 CHEVY FULL size van, air, loaded, 8 passenger, good condition, many new parts, \$2,900. 248-625-9465. ILLX20-4nn

1990 DODGE RAM Charger, good condition, new tires, runs great. \$3,500. 248-693-3413. ILLX52-2

1990 FORD F-150, 4x4, 120K, \$2,800. Evenings 248-375-3628. ILLX48-12nn

1991 DODGE GRAND Caravan: 3.3 with automatic overdrive, 138K miles, everything works, well maintained. \$2650. 248-391-4611. ILLX42-12nn

1991 OLDS BRAVADO: All wheel drive, loaded, good condition, 110K. \$2,850. 248-391-2104. ILLX52-4nn

1992 CHEVY LUMINA Van, power doors/ windows/ brakes. 153,000 miles, runs great, asking \$2,400. 248-620-9708. ILLX49-4nn

1992 JEEP Cherokee Limited: 4 WD, 127K, chrome, loaded. \$4800. 248-634-9030. ILLX17-12nn

1993 ASTRO 152K, runs and looks good, many extra's \$5,195. 248-628-8682. ILLZ51-4nn

1993 FORD EXPLORER Sport 4x4, green with gray interior, 2 door. New tires. Good condition. 135,000 highway miles. \$4,000 obo. 248-993-2434. ILLX45-4nn

1993 JEEP WRANGLER, 5 speed 4 cyl, looks and runs great. \$4,500 obo. 248-693-4421 or 810-615-5678. ILLX52-12nn

1993 NISSAN PICKUP, 5 speed, 76K, red, steering sloppy, \$1550. 248-620-8304. ILLX20-2

2000 JIMMY, 4WD, SLT, 4 door, lease buyout, 12 payments left at \$328.26/mo. \$275 needed for transfer. 248-620-0941. ILLX19-4nn

2001 CHEVY TRUCK, H.D. Series, 4WD, Duramax diesel, Allison automatic, LT trim, with every option including heated seats, memory seats, etc. 14,000 miles, burgundy with gray leather. \$34,500 obo. 248-628-8236 ILLX48-12nn

2001 GMC YUKON V-8, 4WD, Pewter, loaded, leather, electric sunroof. \$29,700. 16K miles. 248-628-4037. ILLX42-12nn

2001 OLDS Silhouette GLS, leather, CD, towing, 7 passenger seating, inc. 50,000 mile warranty, brand new condition. 16,000 miles, \$20,500. 248-328-0636. ILLX21-12nn

FOR SALE: 1995 Dodge Ram 1500 SLT, 2HD, AC, power seats, power windows, travel package, viper alarm. Tow package, cap. Many extras. Excellent condition. \$7200 obo. (248)623-9593. ILLX15-12nn

FOR SALE: 1991 Dodge Caravan, 180K, everything works, \$1,000 obo. 248-620-4635. ILLX21-2

1998 OLDS BRAVADA: Dark Pewter, 70K miles, Excellent condition. \$15,500. Lapeer 810-667-3018 after 5pm. ILLX42-12nn

1999 FORD EXPLORER XLT, 6cyl, green exterior, tan interior, loaded, 4x4, air, am/fm cassette/ cd, power locks, windows, mirror, cruise, and much more. 51,000 miles. Asking \$11,900. 248-628-1938. ILLZ51-4nn

1999 SUBURBAN (4WD), 59K miles. Leather, loaded. \$24,000. (248)391-8179. ILLX12-12nn

2000 BLAZER LT, 4 door, 4x4, loaded, sunroof, remote start, trailer package, 27,000K, excellent condition. \$18,700. 248-627-4375 (Ortonville) ILLX20-12nn

2000 BRAVADO AWD, memory, drivers seat, heated side mirrors, excellent condition. 36K. \$17,800. 248-391-4393. ILLX52-2

2000 GMC SONOMA 4x4 ext cab, highider, suspension pkg., insta-trac 4x4 electric shift, PS/PB/ pwr windows/ pwr locks, off-road tires, 4 speed auto trans w/OD, cruise, AM/FM/CD, cassette, 3rd door, jump seat, heated mirrors, remote keyless entry, sliding rear window. 4300 V6, custom lower (fiberglass) with slider, trailer hitch, nail bars, bedliner, bug deflector, only black. 31,000 miles. \$19,500 obo. Call 810-793-2703. ILLX48-12nn

1995 FORD RANGER XLT- Runs great, 167K, new tires, manual trans w/60,000 miles, new battery, \$2500 obo. 248-634-0444. ILLX12-12nn

1996 PLYMOUTH GRAND Voyager, mini van, seats 7, lots of extras, runs great and looks good, 100,000K, non-smoker. \$9,900. 248-627-8084. ILLX18-4nn

1995 PONTIAC TRANSPORT 116K, very nice condition. \$4,950 obo. 248-625-7039. ILLX21-12nn

1996 CHEVY ASTRO, customized, clean, well kept, low mileage, 4 captain's seats, A/C, power windows/ doors/ locks, new brakes, newer tires, trailer hitch, light blue exterior, gray interior. \$7,999. 248-225-9350. ILLX18-12nn

1996 CHRYSLER TOWN & Country LXI, 81,000 miles, fully loaded, new tires 501, trailer hitch, \$8,300 obo. 248-393-4441. ILLX21-12nn

1996 FORD EXPLORER XLT. Excellent Condition, Dark Green. Must See \$10,500.00. 810-678-8905. ILLX48-12nn

1996 FORD EXP Eddie Bauer, 120 M, \$6,000. Contact Greg 810-721-2100 x208. ILLX52-4nn

1997 CHEVY SUBURBAN, white, beige, 4WD, 70,000 miles, very nice/ clean. One owner, non-smoker. \$18,000. 248-693-9399. ILLX52-4nn

1997 DODGE RAM: Full size pickup. PS, PB, AC. 86,000 miles. Very dependable. \$8000. 248-640-2667. M-F 9am-5m. ILLX14-4nn

1998 CHEVY S-10 Blazer LS, 4 wheel drive, 4 door, 66,000 miles, beige, cloth interior, CD player, air, asking \$14,500 obo, good condition, must see! Call 248-980-2955 anytime. ILLX17-8nn

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055-MOBILE HOMES

1999 MOBILE HOME, 12x16, 2 bedrooms. \$3500 obo. 674-5634 daytime; 625-8092 evenings. ILLX51-2

1994 DOUBLE WIDE Mobile home, \$41,000. 248-467-4807. ILLX52-2

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FOR SALE: 1978 Mobile home with 1967 addition, completely remodeled. All appliances stay. 3 bedrooms, 2 full baths. Clarkston area. 248-373-0457, \$12,900 obo. 248-993-2434. ILLX45-4nn

1985 SCHULT single wide, nice condition, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, with front deck, shed. \$10,500. 377-4344 in Chateaux Orion. ILLX52-2

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PRICED TO Sell, great 2bd, 2ba. Good starter home on lake lot. C/A, appl & warranty. ILLX50-3

VACANT- MUST Sell, great 2bd, 3 seas. porch, C/A, all appl., nice lot, new carpet, Warr. & shed. ILLX50-3

COZY 2bd off M-24 has newer carpet, appl, shed, encl. porch. A must see! Home Warranty. ILLX50-3

1-800-281-4545 ILLX51-2

060-GARAGE SALE

MOVING SALE: Nintendo 64, 2 controllers, memory card, 5 games; Sega Pico with 4 games; Tiger ED Ultra Pack PC; motorcycle; furniture; clothes. Call for details 693-4610. ILLX51-2

ESTATE SALE: Children's clothes, infant-41; adult clothes; pool table; toys; misc. furniture. Come and see. Thurs. 12/13 and Fri., 12/14. 10am-4pm. No early birds. 1352 Brauer Rd., Oxford. 248-969-2839. ILLX52-1

066-CRAFT SHOWS & BAZAARS

NATURE'S-CRAFT OPEN House, December 15th, 10am-7pm. New line of all natural personal care and home care products. Free raffle tickets for door prize worth \$30. Many unique gift ideas. 2914 Wainmsley Circle, Keatington, Lake Orion. 248-393-5500 or 248-391-4298. ILLX52-1

080-WANTED

CASH FOR YOUR TREES- Made all 50 states. 16-30". 999-843-8043. ILLX45-8

ROOMATE WANTED: Mature, smoker ok. \$350 month deposit required. 248-993-8817 leave message. ILLX51-2

WANTED: Good Deceys. 248-625-7841. ILLX21-2

WANTED TO BUY 2 stage snow blower. 248-623-1761. ILLX46-2

WANTED USED GUNS. Regardless of condition. TOP CASH DOLLARS WE BUY-SELL-TRADE GUNS GALLERY. 629-5326 (Farmington) CT211-tfc

085-HELP WANTED

\$1500 Month P/T or \$4500-\$7200 full time. WORK IN HOME. International company needs Supervisors and assistants. Training. Free Booklet www.endlessrewards4u.com. 888-219-2777. ILLX52-2

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COMPASSIONATE COMPANION wanted to live in lovely condo in exchange for room, board, and modest salary. Must be clean and able to drive. 248-691-1096. ILLS2-1

EXPERIENCED HORSE farm help wanted to head up our roundup. Must be good w/ the horses and be able to operate machinery (mowing etc.). Located in the heart of Metamora Hunt Country. We're a modern facility with lots of history. Call 628-3382. ILLX52-2

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LARGE HORSE FARM Needs full time help cleaning stalls and other misc. farm work. 248-626-2296. IILX51-2

LOOKING FOR SOMEONE to watch 10 year old boy in my Lakeville home 1-2-3 nights weekly. 566-248-0800. IILX21-2

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PART TIME SECRETARY/HOUSEKEEPER 1-3 days/week. Easy work. Email drchca@aol.com IILX49-4

FLOWING SERVICE Looking for showmen, \$10.00 hour and experienced drivers. 248-674-3410 or 248-332-4520. IILX16-2

Rural Carrier RELIEFS

1 day weekly. \$15 per hr. Must have reliable vehicle. Contact Gary or Jan at L.O. Post Office. 693-8368. RX51-4

WANTED EXPERIENCED Horse Farm help. Part time, afternoons. Excellent pay. Call 248-989-1748. IILX52-1

OFFICE ASSISTANT with AUTOCAD (college student ok), Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint knowledge needed to work in our home-based business (fast growing commercial contracting company in Lake Orion). Must be reliable, organized, fast learner, self starter. Permanent, full time, day shift, benefits, \$10 hour to start. Fax resume to 248-693-9635. IILX51-2

OUR CHILDREN come to the office everyday! Earn an extra \$500-\$1500/month PT, \$2000-\$7000/month FT. Free booklet. www.oo-inow.com. 888-671-9237. IILX21-3

PART-TIME OFFICE ASSISTANCE: phone skills a must. Computer data entry, various other office duties. 10:30am - 2:30pm. M-F. Call Gary at 248-627-7360. IILX17-4

RECEPTIONIST

Woodward Hills Nursing Center in Bloomfield Hills is hiring a PT day receptionist. Must have exp. phone skills, organizational skills. Fax resume to Jeanne Smith 248-644-0555 or apply in person to 36312 Woodward Ave. LX52-1

WAITSTAFF NEEDED: The Oxford Tap now hiring 30 St. Washington, Oxford. Please apply in person. IILX52-21

INFANT AND TODDLER caregivers needed for Clarkston childcare center. Full time. 248-620-8600. IILX20-4

\$1500 MONTH Part Time or \$4500 \$7200 full time home based. International company needs supervisors and assistants. Training. Free B.O.B.O.K.I.E. www.endlessrewardsof.com. 888-218-2777. IILX51-2

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BUSINESS

Needs help, work from home, mail order E-Commerce, \$522/Wk. PT. \$1,000 - \$4,000/Wk. FT. www.yourum4dreams.com 888-684-8609 S51-3

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DIRECT CARE ASSISTANT-Assist and support special population adults in their home and in the community. Warm, friendly work environment. No experience required. We will train. \$7.90 per hour and good benefits. Call: Romeo 810-798-2517 or 810-752-1583. Lakeville 810-752-5470. IILX20-3

DIRECT CARE: Full time positions available on days and afternoons in Northern Oakland County. Higher starting wages paid to MORC/CMH/WCLS trained staff. B/C Insurance package after 90 days full time. Call Bonnie 248-628-4570 or Ruby 248-625-1025. IILX51-4

GROUP HOME Assistant Manager and Head Coordinator needed. 248-377-1940. IILX51-4

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087-DAY CARE

AFTER HOURS CHILD care, nurturing family environment. 248-629-8439. IILX21-1

AM LATCHKEY openings in my home. Pine Tree and Webber schools. 248-693-9616. IILX52-1

BABYSITTING in my Clarkston/Daivsburg home. Lots of experience. 248-620-9079. IILX16-4

CHILD CARE in my Clarkston home. M-F (openings available). 248-673-2149. IILX20-4

MOTHER OF 3: Has immediate full and part time opening for childcare in her home. 248-628-7068. IILX52-2

STUDENT NEEDED To watch three children, early afternoon and evenings. Oakhill and Indianwood area. Great pay. Call Monica. 248-628-9920. IILX21-2

CHILD CARE: Licensed dependable mother of two has full time opening available in her North Oxford home. CPR certified, 7 years experience, college degree. Please call 248-989-8705. IILX40-4

CLARKSTON LICENSED daycare has openings 7am-11pm. Monday-Friday, infant-5yrs. FT. PT. drop-off. 248-625-9063. IILX21-4

DAD CALLED To military service. Family requires daycare in my Oxford home. Mornings, 7am-12:45pm. Must have reliable transportation. 248-928-5622. Leave message. IILX51-2

LICENSED DAYCARE: 2 full time openings in my Keastown home. Call Roxann 248-393-1361. IILX52-1

MOTHER HAS OPENING Available in my Brandon Twp. home. 6:30am-6:00pm. Lots of TLC and nutritious meals. 248-627-8558. IILX17-2

NEED SOMEONE to watch your children while you Christmas shop, run errands, etc? Clarkston licensed daycare has drop-off care! 248-625-9063. IILX21-2

STATE LAW REQUIRES all childcare facilities to be licensed and some to be registered. Call Bureau of Regulatory Services (248)675-5050, if you have any questions. IILX43-dht

LICENSED CHILD care in my Oxford home. Loving environment. 248-989-7848. IILX52-2

CLARKSTON LICENSED home daycare has one opening. 248-628-1820. IILX21-1

WANTED- LOVING Childcare for ages 3yrs and 17mos. Full time, days. 248-814-8188 evenings. IILX52-2

090-WORK WANTED

HOUSE KEEPING: 15 years experience. Dependable and Honest. Pam 248-814-7164. IILX51-2

100-LOST & FOUND

FOUND 12-1-01 Beagle, male, older. Lake George/Premore area. 693-0068. IILX51-2

FOUND MALE BLACK Lab, with pink/red collar. Leonard/Lake George Rd. area. Call 968-2837. IILX51-1

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