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Holiday projects



An artist's touch—Danielle Savage and fellow third-graders paint holiday sponges for stamping. Please see more photos on page 19. Photo by Jennifer Nemer

Almond Lane drainage improvements to cost \$60,000 more than expected Clarkston Schools deny request for more project money

BY JENNIFER NEMER
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Talks of drainage issues on and around Almond Lane aren't subsiding.

The Clarkston Community Schools Board of Education, at their Dec. 10 meeting, denied a request by Independence Township Supervisor Dale Stuart for additional funds for drainage improvements within the Clarkston Gardens subdivision, which includes Almond Lane.

Because the district is faced with possible cuts in funding from the State of Michigan next school year, board members agreed unanimously it would be a misappropriate use of funds and couldn't support a motion.

The Independence Township Board, on Nov. 20, approved bids to go forward with drainage improvements located on and adjacent to Clarkston High School. However, cost projections are approximately \$60,000 higher than anticipated.

The project, which involves installing a gravity pipe system that would drain water runoff to Gulick Lake, was estimated to cost a total of \$312,000.

The schools previously approved approximately \$60,000 to the project. This amount represented approximately half of the least costly solution—the building and maintaining of a pump station on the Clarkston High School site.

The assumption for school officials was Independence Township and the Road Commission of Oakland County would also be contributors.

And, indeed they are. Road Commission is contributing \$40,000, along with the township's \$112,000 from Oakland County Infrastructure funds, and in September, township officials agreed to contribute an extra \$102,000 out of general funds.

Stuart said the infrastructure fund contribution now will most likely be upped to about \$200,000 to cover the balance of the project.

Earlier this year, the township applied for Hazard Mitigation grant funds, which the schools supported. The grant would have covered 50 to 75 percent of the costs for the township, but was not approved.

Environmental center breaks ground at Indian Springs

BY JEFF PATRUS
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Huron-Clinton Metroparks officials took the first step toward the building of a \$9.6 million environmental education center at Indian Springs Metropark in Springfield Township with a Dec. 12 groundbreaking.

Officials on hand included Gary C. Bartsch, director of the Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority; James Clarkson, a member of the authority's board of commissioners, and Springfield Township Supervisor Collin Walls.

Michael Magee, secretary for the authority, said the planning for the center began in earnest about 1-1/2 years ago.

"In early 2000, our planning staff was directed to begin development of the center," he said.

"It's one of the most exciting projects that Huron-Clinton has taken on in years."

According to Sue Nyquist, supervisor and park planner for Huron-Clinton

Metropolitan Authority, the project is expected to be completed by 2004. She said the money for the project will come from the authority's capital improvement budget.

She said the centerpiece of the project will be the education center building itself.

"It will handle crowds of 200 people, and will have classrooms, a display area, and a series of ponds which flow to the demonstration area," she said.

Surrounding the center will be three different complexes: wetland, prairie, and forest. These will contain seven different ecosystems: open water, emergent marsh, sedge fen, wet prairie, tallgrass prairie, shortgrass prairie, and prairie barrens.

In addition, a children's adventure play area will be located near the center, featuring a sledding hill, a maze, a climbing wall, and sculpted landforms. Picnicking and observation areas will be located in the play area.



Environmental center groundbreaking—Several dignitaries were on hand Dec. 12 to kick off construction for the new center at Indian Springs Metropark, which is slated to open in 2004. Those involved in putting the project together are: Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority Director Gary Bartsch; Deputy Director James Bresciam, Controller David Wahl; Secretary Michael Magee; Park Superintendent Kimberly Jarvis; Board of Commissioners members Jack Brandenburg, James Clarkson, John Hertel, William Krieger, Robert Marans, James Nicholson and James Young; and Springfield Township Supervisor Collin Walls. Photo by Jeff Patrus.

Briefly

Optimist Club

sponsors essay contest

The Clarkston Area Optimist Club is sponsoring an essay contest for Clarkston area children. The original essay needs to be on the theme "My Place in a Changing World."

The contest is open to all 10th, 11th and 12th grader who live in the Clarkston area and are under the age of 19 as of Dec. 31, 2001. The contest runs from Dec. 3 to Jan. 17 and winners will be announced the week of Feb. 11.

Those who enter could win a scholarship of up to \$5,000 from Optimist International.

Official rules are listed on the application form and are available at Clarkston High School, Renaissance High School or by calling Sherry Regiani at 625-5222.

Road Commission eliminates projects

The Road Commission for Oakland County has identified the road improvement projects that will be cut from next year's road improvement program as a result of the recent state budget cuts.

The resurfacing projects the RCOC will be cutting includes Nelsey Road, Maceday Lake Road to Andersonville Road in Waterford Township and Independence Township.

"We deeply regret having to eliminate sorely needed road improvement projects," Board Chairman Larry P. Crake said. "Unfortunately, because of the state budget cuts, we have no choice."

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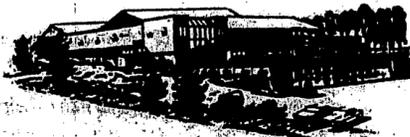
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Decorating Clarkston for the season...

Locals 'go all out' for Christmas

BY JENNIFER NEMER
Clarkston News Staff Writer

It gets bigger and bigger as the collection grows more and more each year.

From a "Seasons Greetings" sign on their deck made from sewn bed sheets and paint, wired three-dimensional figurines including 20 lighted deer and so much more, longtime Clarkston residents Darwin and Nancy Baldwin love decorating for the holiday season.

Their daughter, Tami Paraffin, joked that her parents have become obsessed.

It takes Darwin and Nancy about two weeks to decorate their home and yard, but they've said people have driven from Flint to see their lights. They've also found notes in their mailbox from passersby who have enjoyed the sight. And, probably most importantly, their three and a half-year-old granddaughter, Danielle, loves the lights and reindeer.



"We've gone all out for years. It's an accumulation of 20 years of collecting," said Darwin, who can't put a number on the amount of "stuff" that's actually been collected.

Though decorations are aplenty around the Baldwin home right now, Nancy said, "we still have stuff stored away in the garage."

Before moving to their Big Lake home, Darwin said, they had a much smaller lot which made it hard to decorate.

"I always say that's why they moved here, to just have a bigger yard," Tami said.

"It's a nice setting for it," said Darwin, of his home that sits atop a hill where drivers along Andersonville can get a great view of all the holiday decor.

With neighbors' homes also decked out for the holidays, Darwin said, "it looks nice. It enhances our house."

This year the couple entered the Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce lighting contest at the urging of their neighbors who brought the Baldwins entry forms to fill out.

Within the family, it seems Darwin has started something.

One year, Darwin found a big, wired reindeer he set up in his daughter and her husband's front yard when they weren't home.

Later, Darwin got a call from his son-in-law who



Decorating the season—Darwin and Nancy Baldwin with daughter Tami Paraffin and Danielle, 3 1/2, at left. Of years of decorating their home above, Nancy said, "We just do this to say Merry Christmas to everyone." Photos by Jennifer Nemer.

kidded he found a deer in his front yard and shot it. He insisted to Darwin he wasn't into the decorating thing.

"Now my husband is just as bad as he is," Tami said, pointing to her dad.

But, Tami admitted, "Everybody has always loved (the decorations) over the years."

"We just do this to say Merry Christmas to everyone," said Nancy.

Resident's Christmas includes large nativity scene

BY KYLE GARGARO
Clarkston News Editor

It took the three wise men three days to reach the baby Jesus' manger in Bethlehem, but it took Mike Mazurek from Clarkston four days to set up a recreation of the event in his living room.

That is because Mazurek's nativity scene is 15

by 6 feet, an estimated 2,000 to 3,000 pieces and on three different sections of wood. The scene, which takes up a

good portion of his living room, includes more than 20 buildings including a market, census building, temple, bakery and of course the manger. Basically, the entire town of Bethlehem.

The collection dates back to Mazurek's youth when he grew up in Detroit one of eight children.

"Because of the number of kids there was not a lot of extra money, so instead of buying a nativity

scene my dad made one out of plastic. I wanted to get the family a nice manger," Mazurek said.

So when he was 12-years old, Mazurek took his own money and purchased six figurines from Woolworths and added to it during the next few years.

Mazurek began buying the figurines again about 15 years ago. The company Fontaninni began selling the

products which included buildings. Mazurek is part of the Fontaninni Collection Club.

"Every year I try to pick up some pieces and keep adding

to the collection," Mazurek said. "It is a great part of Christmas."

Mazurek has taken pictures of the display so he can replicate and add to it every year. He must set each piece individually. This year he had help from his friend Melvin.

"I asked him to help me set up my nativity scene and I don't think he knew what he was getting into. He

helped me for two days," Mazurek said.

Mazurek's nativity scene has become a fabric of Christmas for his family and friends. A few years ago, Mazurek did not set it up because he was busy and he received many complaints from his loved ones.

So the nativity scene will not be disappearing any-

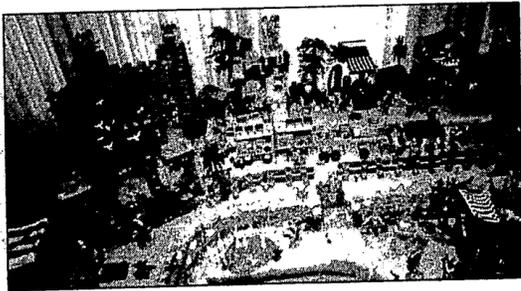
time soon. In fact, the display usually gets taken down the third week of January, but Mazurek told his wife Denise it is going to stay up until February this year.

"It takes so much work to put it up I want to enjoy for as long as possible. It is a lot

easier to take down than put up," Mazurek said.

The Real Estate One employee said he is more than willing to open up his home for church groups or religion classes to view his nativity scene.

"When most people come over here they can't believe how big it is. When they hear it is a nativity scene they don't think it would take up most of my living room," Mazurek said.



Waterford firefighter runs for County Commission

BY JEFF PATRUS
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Waterford Township resident Gary Featherston has served the public for 23 years as a firefighter for the Waterford Fire Department.

Now, he hopes to do the same on the Oakland County Board of Commissioners. Featherston, 50, is one of seven Republicans that have filed to enter the race to succeed former commissioner Frank Millard, who resigned in October to become deputy Oakland County clerk.

The seven Republican candidates will run in a special primary election Jan. 8, 2002, and the winner will face Democrat Charles Inman of Clarkston in a special general election Feb. 5. Whoever wins that election will have to run for reelection in November, when the two-year term expires.

A lifelong resident of Oakland County, Featherston grew up in Pontiac, and graduated from Pontiac Central High School. From there, he did a stint in the Navy, and was assigned to an aircraft carrier. He said that period of his life was valuable experience.

"I really enjoyed the Navy," he said. "I think it was really important what we were doing."

After his time in the Navy, Featherston returned to Oakland County — more specifically, Waterford, where he settled in 1971 and has remained to this day. In 1978, he joined the Waterford Police Department, based on the advice of someone from another part of the country.

"A friend of mine that lived in Oakland, California was the captain of the fire department," he said. "He told me how good the career was, long-term. It was one of the best moves I've ever made. I've been there ever since."

Featherston said he is grateful to work in a capacity to help others.

"I have been thoroughly blessed with my occupation," he said. "I'm a big proponent to help the pub-

lic. I have a lot of compassion and empathy for people. I'm very fortunate to work with the caliber of people I have."

In addition to his work with the Fire Department, Featherston has training in the data processing industry, and used to work as a realtor.

"I have a good, diverse background," he said. "I've been a public servant for 24 years, and I'm very proud of it."

Featherston said the country in general, and Oakland County in particular, are facing a period of change, and he believes he is well-equipped to take on that responsibility.

"We're facing a lot of different challenges that America and Oakland County have never seen before," he said. "I think with my background, I could be a very strong asset to the community."

He also said he would not use the commission seat, if elected, as a steppingstone to other political opportunities. "I'd be happy to stay there and be effective at the local and county levels," he said.

Featherston said it is important for elected officials to realize that citizens expect their government to be responsive when dealing with economic and safety issues.

"People want to feel confident that government is taking care of them," he said. "I realize that government can't be all things to all people, but they can certainly be proactive."

One particular issue of concern to Featherston is roads. He said that was a "major issue" in the 2000 campaign, and continues to be an issue today.

"My concern is with the roads being reconstructed



Gary Featherston

so that they last," he said. "People are going to be very disappointed if they have to redo the Telegraph corridor in five to six years."

Another issue Featherston talked about was the economy. He said the economy was in a downward cycle before the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks, but that event hastened the downturn.

He also said a number of businesses and private citizens have felt the pinch since that time. However, he said raising taxes is not the answer; rather, he said the county needs to look for creative ways to stimulate the economy, such as seeking out grants.

"If we have a slow economy, there's less tax dollars being created, less money going back to government," he said. "Nobody wants a tax increase, or can afford a tax increase."

He also said promoting Oakland County to other communities will be an effective way to help stimulate the economy and job growth.

"I think we have to work a little harder at selling Oakland County," he said. "It's a fine place to work."

Featherston, who is single, enjoys music, including playing the trumpet, as well as golf and the outdoors.

He said if elected, he would start right away to tackle the issues facing county residents. "I'm ready to go to work right now," he said. "This isn't going to be a walk in the park for anyone."

He also said getting to know the residents of District #4 and staying in touch with their concerns would be a top priority if elected.

"I want to be more visible," Featherston said. "You can't lose the base of things. Once you're out of touch, you lose your finger on the pulse."

District #4 currently encompasses the southwest portion of Independence Township and the western half of Waterford Township. The redesigned district, which will take effect after the November 2002 election, would include the northwest corner of Waterford Township and all of Independence Township.

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Clarkston Board of Education eager to explore joint venture with Independence Township

BY JENNIFER NEMER
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Despite somewhat strained relations in the recent past, two governing boards in the community are looking into a unique partnership to save funds, plus providing residents with a "one-stop shop" facility.

At their Dec. 10 Board of Education meeting, Clarkston Community School officials, in a unanimous decision, approved a Letter of Understanding to give board members and administration authority to explore the possibility of building a joint administrative complex with Independence Township.

The township has been looking closely into the need for a new hall or civic center as of late. And with rising student enrollment and space issues for the school system, the Board of Education has been working to create positive solutions for the future.

Uniting both boards would serve the community for years to come, school officials feel.

The goal would be to develop a plan to save members of the community time, effort and energy. In addition, the project has the potential to help both organizations improve services and control costs.

"This could be a very creative solution to meet both of our needs," said Clarkston Board President Karen Foyteck. "The community should know that by working together there would be dramatic cost savings for residents and benefits that will last a lifetime."

Residents could register for school, pay their taxes, receive township and school information and complete a myriad of other community-related tasks at the same time, all at one joint complex.

The facility itself would be designed to eliminate duplication and make offices more functional. The boardroom, conference space and other core areas would be shared, and savings could be gained by shar-

ing costs for utilities, printing services and more.

"The district believes that we owe it to the community to explore all options that can save money, while improving our ability to serve our youngsters and residents," said Superintendent Dr. Al Roberts. "I strongly believe that this is a unique opportunity that has a long-term vision for how schools and townships can work together to benefit a community. This is an exciting possibility and I am eager to investigate it further."

Over the past two years, discussions related to the matter have casually taken place. At one point, members from both units visited a South Lyon Adminis-

trative Complex with a similar concept implemented.

Of course, there are still many questions to be answered including legalities, financial concerns and more.

Further discussion will take place at the Jan. 14 board meeting.

The township plans to discuss a similar Letter of Understanding at their Dec. 18 meeting. (Meeting is held after press time.)

Independence Township Supervisor Dale Stuart had no comments on his stance on the issue, but simply said, "We'll wait to see what the board wants to do."

Internet filtering software set to be installed on Clarkston school computers

BY JENNIFER NEMER
Clarkston News Staff Writer

With all the good technology can provide in education today, there is a dark side.

This, in part, has led Clarkston Community Schools to adopt an Internet filtering software program to be installed on all board-owned computers, approved at the Dec. 10 Board of Education meeting.

The school system, since 1997, has added nearly 2,000 computers, almost all of which have access to the Internet, said Matt McCarty, director of technology.

"These computers are used every day to gather information, communicate with other students, or-

ganize research, supplement coursework and provide access to on-line educational materials."

"However," McCarty said, "these same computers can be used inappropriately to access pornography, hate material, drug paraphernalia sites, 'gross-out' sites and even on-line gambling."

McCarty says there must be more vigilance in monitoring.

"Up to this point we have relied on the supervision of our teachers, administrators and other staff members to keep our children from accessing inappropriate Internet sites. Unfortunately, the issue has outgrown our ability to manage it through su-

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Opinion

Receive the ultimate gift

It's almost here. I think I look forward to Christmas just as much, if not more, as when I was a kid. But instead of dying with anticipation to open my presents like when I was younger, though when the day actually comes I'm pretty excited about that too. I can't wait for everyone to open up the presents I bought for them.

For the last three weeks I've been going crazy, having had the majority of my Christmas shopping done by Dec. 1. (Usually, I'm a last-minute Christmas shopper. I don't know what happened this year, this year is the best I've ever done.)

I'll admit, it feels good to have all the shopping over. It's quite a relief to not have to deal with those crowds. But it's been prolonging the anticipation for me.

When I buy a gift, I just want to be able to immediately give it to its respected receiver. It's so hard to keep that secret for too long.

Plus, I've found there's always stores to go along with gift buying that you have to keep to yourself until the gifts been opened.

I don't know how many times something funny, or not so funny, has happened at the store that is noteworthy—but, of course, I can't tell the person I want to tell since saying I was at such and such store would give something away. Or I can't tell a story without mentioning the particular item that was bought.

Last year, I got my mom and dad a gift certificate for a bed and breakfast, which I ordered on-line. A few days later, I received a phone call from the owner with a question.

Unrelated to the question, I had a feeling that something was wrong.

I was right. I had indicated I wanted the certificate sent to my dad. But, so not to be sent to the house where the surprise would be ruined.

The owner admitted to having the gift certificate already sealed in an envelope slung in the package. I had to be sent the surprise, therefore, to my house. I could only reveal on Christmas Day that I wanted to share a secret.

This season, throughout my ever-building excitement, I was reminded there is a story of a gift that would actually be a shame to keep to myself.

It's not going to ruin any surprise by letting the cat out of the bag now. It's not about a gift you have to wait until Dec. 25 to unwrap. This one can be opened any day of the year.

Really, it shouldn't come as too much of a surprise since it's something we're reminded of during the Christmas season.

It's the gift of Jesus: birth, and the life that led to a death and resurrection, which has brought the gift of salvation to all those who believe today. And He's offering this gift to each and everyone of us. And our lives are saved. And I give unto them eternal life, and they shall never perish; neither shall anyone snatch them out of my hand. For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord. Romans 8:24

Why wouldn't you want to receive a gift like that?



Jennifer Nemer

Commentary

More lights to see than ever this Christmas season

For a really fine, uplifting and warm feeling take an evening drive this week.

The high spirit of the season can be seen in the way people have taken to decorating their homes, trees, fences and yards with lights, ornaments and fixtures, some bought and some homemade.

It's the decorator's imagination that is most wonderful. Making tree trunks in solid colors, rimming the eaves with icecycle lights, displaying lighted moving deer, lighted spiraled trees and making areas multicolored works of art has been achieved by so many people this year.

Maybe the terrorist attack September 11, which brought about so many showings of our flag, caused people to think about adding more Christmas lighting this year.

Maybe people didn't need a reason, they just thought the first year of a new century should have additional recognition.

Maybe new lighting on the market was too much to resist. The clumps of red, green and white lights are popular, attractive tree hangers. Lower prices for the icecycle strings of lights have made exterior house lighting contagious. And, the wire-formed trees and deer have been made affordable.

We encourage you to take a drive through your town, subdivision and countryside to view the displays.

You are no doubt already in the holiday mood by now, but your feelings will be heightened even further by what you'll see.

Happy Holidays. JAS

Letters To The Editor

Parks and Recreation thanks paper

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community the chance to come together for several wonderful programs/special events.

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Lisa Goforth
Recreation Coordinator
Springfield Township Parks & Recreation

Oakland Sheriff's Association endorses McCrary

The Oakland County Deputy Sheriff's Association is pleased to endorse Joan McCrary for County Commissioner of District four. We are always pleased to see candidates that are dedicated to Oakland County politics, especially deputies, continue to move into these

key positions. We look forward to McCrary having a successful campaign.

Sharon Zagorny, Director
Government Liaison Committee

Commissioner signs disobey township ordinances

As you know we have a special election coming up for County Commissioner. If you didn't know, just look around at all the signs. You would think that these two guys would know better but for some reason they have decided not to obey our ordinances. Even in the last election we had the same problem with the signs.

Are these the kind of people that we want to represent us? I would ask of them to please pick their signs up immediately and put them out at the appropriate time.

Dave Wagner
Independence Township Trustee

Write a Letter To The Editor

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A little of this and a little of that

How 'bout starting with a holiday note? (I don't know why I bother asking, I'm gonna' do what I want anyway -- just ask my wife.)

The Christmas Spirit is swelling within me. It has coursed through my veins. I know, cuz' I have not yelled at all the other idiot drivers muckin' up the roadways. Not once in two weeks have I cursed, cursed, giving the hairy-eyeball nor the American single-digit salute, even when warranted.

Actually, I'm putting this in writing, in front of the reading audience (all six people, my wife, grandmother, mother, Carolyn and Howard Gray of Arizona and Oxford dentist Greg Gossick) because either my reserve of patience is running low, or I'm up to my eyeballs with pent up emotions over these smackin', frackin' people on the roads and in the parking lots, fighting for every last parking spot,

or bleepin' schleepin' tailgating, cuz the blankity, blank, blanks. . . I need to take a breath, that sentence was starting to run on, and I, to ramble.

If I put forth my intentions of being a calm, nice, Christ-like driver publicly, chances are I'll have to stick by my word -- at least until January 2, when I can shift into a resolution to not tolerate anybody, anyhow, anywhere.

Now for some humor from ye ol' e-mail box.

From Oxford's Chuck Alcini came this:
I don't understand this world. Let's see if I understand how the world works lately . . .

If a man cuts his finger off while slicing salami at work, he blames the restaurant.

If you smoke three packs a day for 40 years and die of lung cancer, your family blames the tobacco company.



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If your neighbor crashes into a tree while driving home drunk, he blames the bartender.

If your grandchildren are brats without manners, you blame television.

If your friend is shot by a deranged madman, you blame the gun manufacturer.

And if a crazed person breaks into the cockpit and tries to kill the pilot at 35,000 feet, and the passengers kill him instead, the mother of the deceased blames the airline.

I must have lived too long to understand the world as it is anymore.

So, if I die while my old, wrinkled butt is parked in front of this computer, I want you to blame Bill Gates . . . okay?

And from my dear wife Jen . . .

A saleswoman is driving toward home in Northwestern Montana, when she sees a Native American Indian maiden thumbing for a ride on the side of the road.

As the trip had been long and quiet, she stops the car and the Indian maiden gets in. After a bit of small talk, the Indian maiden notices a brown bag on the front seat.

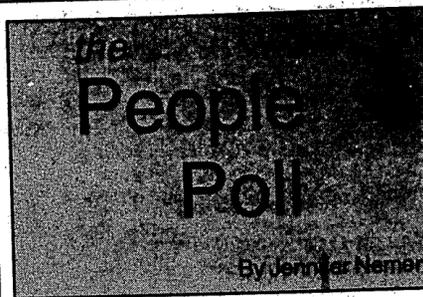
"What's in the bag?" asks the Indian maiden.
"It's a bottle of wine. I got it for my husband," the saleswoman says.

The Indian maiden is silent for a moment then says, "Good trade."

Ever notice how sexist jokes are okay if the sex skewered is male?

What kind of child are we raising, if said child lies down under the kids' Christmas tree and diligently, carefully lines up a manger scene (complete with two mangers and Jesuses -- Jesi?); get every thing just right and then smash the scene to smithereens with a Lincoln Log?

Answers to that and other questions Rush may have asked can be e-mailed to dontrushmedon@aol.com



The Clarkston News asks:

What Xmas memory stands out most in your mind?

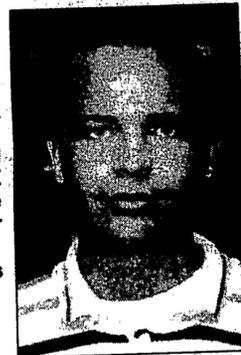
"There was five of us kids in the family. When I was seven, we were all sleeping in one bedroom waiting for Santa to come. My older brother, who didn't believe in Santa, ran to the window and said 'Look, there's Santa!' And I was convinced I saw Santa that night."

—Sara Hogan



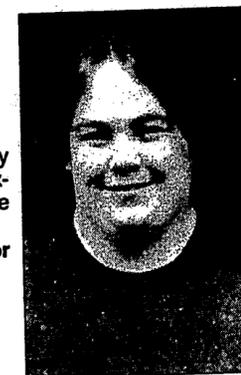
"When I was four, I got my first BMX bike. That was the best present I ever got."

—Dan Ogles



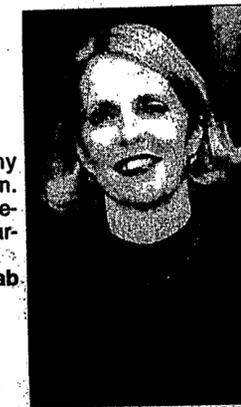
"I think we gave my dog carbon monoxide one year. But he was fine."

—Stacy Taylor



"Waking up my brothers at 4 a.m. and opening our presents before my parents got up."

—Heather Kosbab



Merry Christmas!



Season's Greetings from Jim's Jottings and the grandchildren. May our season be blessed and your New Years rewarding. On the left is Dan Offer holding Trevor Speed. I'm holding Trevor's twin sister, Haley. Beside me is Savannah Speed and behind her is Karen Offer.

Springfield considers ideas for civic center management

BY JEFF PATRUS
Clarkston News Staff Writer

As Springfield Township Clerk Nancy Strole put it, a proposal by Troy-based Kirco to manage the township's new civic center is "not ready for prime time."

With that in mind, the Springfield Township Board, at its Dec. 13 meeting, decided to look at other options for managing the center once it opens next year. Kirco had submitted a proposal for review at the meeting.

While Strole said the township would not rule out Kirco in the future, she also said a number of possibilities need to be considered, including managing the facility on a part-time basis.

"We just don't have the information we need to make an informed decision," she said. "There was a concern that the board needed alternatives."

Among the issues raised by the board was the projected cost for Kirco to manage the facility, which was \$2,500 per month, or \$30,000 per year. That cost

would include the cost of Kirco's corporate staff, accounting personnel, administrative support staff and property manager assigned to the Springfield facility.

"That's just to manage it," Strole said. "It doesn't include costs for any technicians, or to fix or repair the facility."

In the end, Strole said there was a "lack of sufficient information" provided by Kirco to consider going with that company to manage the center, including a lack of information on operational costs, exterior management or storm water management.

Trustee Dean Baker said another alternative would be to have someone on-site on a part-time basis to do some management of the facility. Strole said that remains a viable option, along with finding out what other companies are out there that could manage the facility.

In their proposal, Kirco said their property manager, along with their building systems manager, would be responsible for the management of the following aspects of the facility: HVAC, electrical services,

plumbing, fire protection, communications, snow plowing, salting, and snow removal from walkways, building structures, lawn and tree fertilization and maintenance, security, and housekeeping.

In addition, some of the property manager's other responsibilities, as listed in the proposal, are as follows:

■ Prepare and submit annual operating and capital budgets.

■ Provide on-site inspection for all building systems, prepare reports of findings, and prepare budgets and schedule for repair/changes.

■ Receive and discuss monthly reports from subordinates regarding functions for which they are responsible, namely engineering, construction and security.

■ Prepare a monthly operating expense statement report, expanding on planned performance against actual expense (variance report). Report all pertinent information, good or bad. Make recommendations where action is required.

Family activities abundant at Clifton's holiday

BY JEFF PATRUS
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Whether it's looking for a Christmas tree or getting together for dinner, Clarkston City Councilwoman Anne Clifton can usually be found doing holiday activities with the family.

She said the most prominent tradition among her family is the trip they take to select their Christmas trees together. With the exception of last year, when the snowstorms impacted their travel, she said the family has made the trip each year. Six of the seven Clifton siblings (the other lives in California) get together to make the trip, Anne said.

"The siblings have plenty of fuel to get themselves ready to cut the trees. My mom brings Christmas cookies and cocoa," she said.

Before Christmas Eve, Clifton's husband, Bruce, gets together with his siblings.

"My husband is one of six kids," she said. "They always get together for Christmas dinner before Christmas. They're all brothers-- he's one of six boys."

On Christmas morning, the Cliftons and their daughter Haile, 3-1/2, get up to open their presents. She said the family has always been early risers, although their schedule has been impacted since Haile's birth.

"We get up early, then we go to my stepson's and open presents and have brunch with them," she said. "Somewhere in there, we always go to church. We used to go to midnight Mass, before Haile was born. I think we'll hit the Children's Mass this year."

Christmas Eve holds a double meaning for Anne -- her birthday happens to be on the same day. She said her folks held separate birthday and Christmas celebrations when she was younger, although that is not the case now.

"When I was young, my parents always made sure we celebrated my birthday," she said. "I got my favorite meal, (as well as) cake and ice cream."

Another tradition Clifton, as well as several Clarkston residents, take part in is a Christmas Eve run, which takes place at 8 a.m. Christmas Eve. She said members of the Wolfpack Running Club, which she belongs to, gathers at her home, wearing bells and a Santa hat, and then go through the neighborhood.

"We go for about a four mile run, and sing Christmas carols," she said. "Everybody brings food, and we gorge ourselves after."

She said Christmas has definitely taken on a whole new meaning since Haile's birth.

"Christmas is more exciting now than it's been since I was a little kid," Clifton said. "Having a child



Yuletide greetings -- Clarkston City Councilwoman Anne Clifton and daughter Haile, 3-1/2, take time out to pose by the family Christmas tree. Photo by Jeff Patrus.

makes it more exciting and a little more meaningful. We make sure she understands the real meaning of Christmas, but we don't neglect the fun side."

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Finally you arrive at school and walk through the parking lot, which at this hour of the morning is nearly empty and resembles nothing of the chaos to come. You sleepwalk to your zero hour gym class. It's swimming day and you've

forgotten to take out your contacts. Nevertheless, you must submerge your face in the water. Paddle, stroke and lap. As you float above the water, you close your eyes and imagine the sea. Ah, an angle of repose.

Soon it's time to change out of your swimsuit and into regular clothes. However, you can only find one sock and it is drenched with chlorine. Only bare feet for you today. Leaving the lockerroom you dash through the hallways constantly running into people. You are trying not to be tardy, even though you know it is inevitable. So you get your tardy along

with a dirty look and loss of breath.

All of this and it's not even 7:30 a.m. yet.

Another bell rings and you walk slowly to your next hour, believing lack of speed will somehow prolong the time between classes. When you sit down you realize your bag is missing, which happens to be where your lab results are sitting. You tap your finger on the desk, passing the time, and wishing you had made that doctor's appointment after all. You've read somewhere stress can cause heart failure and today just might be the day. Your headache begins.

Thinking of stress, you recall the previous afternoon. Some kid, in a moment of frustration and impatience, revved his car in the parking lot at the drivers who would not let him in line.



Mary Wisniewski

He charged the cars three times, only stopping inches before, feigning an accident. But you felt all right since you already had a dent in your car from past siblings backing into stationary objects.

You try to make yourself feel better by concentrating on what will happen Friday pending successful navigation from the parking lot.

On your way down the hall, you glance out the large glass windows. Outside an old couple holding hands walks across the parking lot. (Don't worry there's no traffic) The woman is frail with weathered hands and the man holds her like a figurine, as if she would break. His ocean blue eyes gaze at her face and she looks up. Eyes meeting they look at peace. Then you see your friend smiling and waving as you descend down the staircase.

On second thought maybe things are not so bad. Looking out at the world your worries seem smaller and eventually subside. Your going to be okay you tell yourself. It's life and it's hard. But people will survive and so will you.

You take a deep breath and exhale.

Internet software installed at schools

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supervision alone." For example, he said, if someone were to print out one day's log of the Internet traffic that flows through the school's system it would fill over 3,800 pages.

"We've stressed supervision, and it has been reasonably successful. But supervision alone is not quite adequate to make sure kids aren't getting into what they shouldn't."

In addition, the federal government, in December 2000, passed the Children's

Internet Protection Act as part of Public Law 106-554, McCarty said. This act mandates that any school district or public library that receives federal dollars through the E-rate or Title I must implement Internet filtering technology to continue to receive the funds.

"Typically our direct E-rate funds are awarded for telecommunications only and are exempted from the law," he said. "However, as part of the Oakland Schools 2000 ONE consortium we receive a discount based on the E-rate discount that is awarded to the consortium. If we choose not to

implement an Internet filter we would no longer receive that discount (about \$5,000 per year)."

To implement and maintain an Internet filtering system will cost the district about \$5,000 per year, so the financial impact on the district will balance out. Money for the software will come from the general fund.

"We will continue to stress adult supervision because no filter can stop all inappropriate access," said McCarty. "Adult supervision remains the most critical element of any Internet safety policy."

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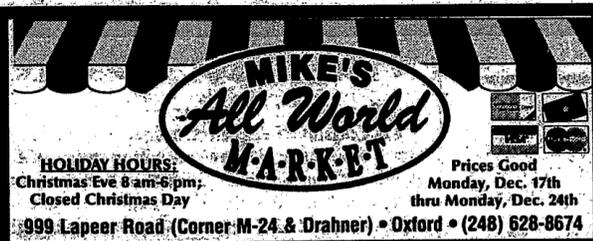
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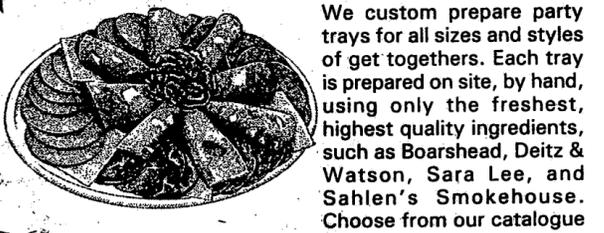
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Saturday, Dec. 15, assault with hands/fist/feet between brothers on Oakhill. The complainant's brother fled before deputies arrived.

A home invasion, first degree, on Brookpines. A snowblower was removed from the resident's garage. The resident admitted a door may have been left open when the house was unattended.

Mail tampering on Church. The complainant reported going to the mailbox and discovering some of the mail had been opened. There are no suspects.

Thursday, Dec. 13, fraud and larceny from a building reported on Meadowbrook. The complainant said his son stole a rifle and a TV/VCR combo from the

home and also used the credit card without permission.

Wednesday, Dec. 12, larceny at a gas station on M-15. An employee reported someone stole her credit/debit card from her purse while she worked. It wasn't noticed missing until use of the debit showed up on the account.

An unlawful entry on Tappan. A resident reported, being in the kitchen of his home, when an unknown woman walked into the house. She was intoxicated, screaming and demanding to know where her daughter was. The woman left after the resident repeatedly asked her to leave.

Arson was reported by an employee of a park on Maybee. Someone attempted to light a fire against the north wall of the park's pole barn. It appeared the responsible used newspaper as fuel. There was a small burn mark on the north side of the building.

An \$18,000 Pontiac Grand Am was stolen from a dealership on

Dixie.

Tuesday, Dec. 11, larceny from a vehicle on Dixie. The complainant said he walked into a store and upon returning noticed many of his tools were taken from the bed of his truck. The tools were not locked up in any way and there was no cap on the truck.

Monday, Dec. 10, a malicious destruction of property on Clintonville. An unknown person damaged the hood, fender and doors of a vehicle. Damage is estimated at \$1,000.

Springfield Township

Sunday, Dec. 16, a malicious destruction of property on Big Lake. An unknown person slashed a resident's nylon inflatable snowman sitting in their front yard.

Saturday, Dec. 15, domestic assault on Bluewater. A 26-year-old woman was grabbed by the throat and struck in the face three times with an open hand during an argu-

ment with her live-in boyfriend. The man fled the scene before deputies arrived.

Friday, Dec. 14, vehicle fire on Burrus. The Fire Department determined it was a small electrical fire caused by a pre-existing problem. Fire was confined to the driver's door.

Wednesday, Dec. 12, a malicious destruction of property on Big Lake. An unknown person damaged the hood and put a chip in the windshield of a 1997 pickup truck as it sat in the owner's driveway overnight.

Monday, Dec. 10, medical on Dixie. Subject, highly intoxicated, was passed out in the parking lot of an apartment complex with possible injuries. Subject was transported to Genesys Hospital.

Around Town

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 Dec. 26-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. Large quantities leftover from commercial lots will not be accepted. The parks system will process the trees into wood chips, which will be available free to the public on select Saturdays at Orion Oaks in the spring. Call (248) 858-0906.

Children first-through fifth-grade can register for a Holiday Camp adventure at the Detroit Science Center, Dec. 27 and Rochester Skating Center and Bumper Bowling at Avon-North Lanes, Dec. 28 from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. both days. Register with the Independence Township Parks and Recreation office, at 90 N. Main St. in Clarkston, before Dec. 21. Cost is \$25/residents, \$30/nonresidents. Call 625-8223 for more details.

The Widowed Support Group will meet Jan. 3 at 7 p.m. at the Independence Township Senior Center in Clintonwood Park on Clarkston Road. For men and women of all ages who have recently been widowed, the topic for the evening is "A New Year - Beginning Again." There is no cost to attend. Any questions, call the Lewis E. Wint and Son Funeral Home at 625-5231.

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Superintendent finds joy in area residents

As we approach the end of another calendar year, it is natural for most of us to do some soul-searching. How well did I do this year? Have I met my goals? Did I live by my principles? Have I made a difference in the lives of family members, friends, neighbors, or those with whom I work? Is my community better off today because I got involved? I know that I have a tendency to judge myself a bit harshly and my guess is I am not alone.

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Dr. Al Roberts

Maybe that is why the film classic, "It's a Wonderful Life" is so popular at this time of year. The lead character, Mr. George Bailey is a hard working, dedicated family man, who is deeply committed to his community. He is everything one would want in a friend or neighbor. The interesting part of his story, however, is that he doesn't even have a clue! While George quickly recognizes his imperfections, he is reluctant to allow himself to see the joy he has brought to others, or the good he has done for his fair town. In fact, it takes heavenly intervention for him to understand the world is a better place because he exists.

I believe we have many characters like George Bailey right here in Clarkston. These are the individuals that work their fingers to the bone on a project or activity that is important for their church, school or community.

Like the character in this movie, they never realize the positive impact they have made and they rarely receive the credit they deserve. Like the leading man in this film, our hometown heroes are not looking for accolades or recognition. Their motivation is as pure as George Baileys, and their effort is tremendous.

Our local heroes take on challenges with a smile on their face and a song in their heart. They are there whenever we need them and they always seem to downplay their role. It seems to me that the lessons learned by watching this 1946 film provides us with an opportunity to make a difference in their lives. That's right. I believe now is the time to do something to let them know we appreciate the work that they do. Here is the challenge - I am asking readers to "do some homework." No, grades

will not be given, but doing something special for someone else is a reward in itself.

Think of three Clarkston Area individuals who have made a positive impact upon you, your family, or upon our community - church, school, township, city, etc.

Write each of these three people a note of thanks, and specifically explain why you chose to write to them.

I think you will agree that it should not take heavenly intervention for an individual to realize that his/her efforts are appreciated. So, please take me up on this challenge. If you are really feeling energetic, send a copy of your note/letter to the newspaper. Our local papers do a great job of accentuating the positives. While we are all busy at this time of year, this is a real chance to take an active role in developing our asset-driven community. You can be assured that I will follow my own advice by writing to at least three individuals.



Don't forget to vote - Independence Township Clerk and Oakland County Board of Commissioners candidate Joan McCrary visits the Senior Center last week for lunch. The special primary election is set for Jan. 8, while the general election is slated for Feb. 5. Photo by Kyle Gargaro

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Obituary

Eugene B. Attaman

Eugene (Gene) Bernard Attaman, 55, of Clarkston passed away in his home Dec. 13, 2001.

Mr. Attaman was born March 28, 1946 in Detroit and attended St. Florian Catholic Church School and Hamtramck High School. He received a Bachelor of Science in Education from Central Michigan University and later Master's and Education Specialist Degrees from Eastern Michigan University.

He is survived by his wife of 19 years and loving life partner, Jane, their children Jason, of Chicago, IL; Jill (finance Erik Nane) of Grand Rapids and Jeremy of Clarkston; mother in law Celia

Betena; brother of Diania Cholakian; and brother in law of Robert Betena.

He was preceded in death by his parents Sophie and Henry Attaman and his brother Gregory.

After a courageous battle with cancer, Mr. Attaman slipped quietly into God's hands, accompanied by the love and support of his family members and close friends at his bedside.

He had a long and distinguished career of 33 years in the Utica Community Schools as a teacher, coach and administrator. He will be dearly missed and fondly remembered by the thousands of young people he taught, coached and mentored in the sports of baseball and track and field. Gene was a faithful and

generous volunteer in heading the local Hershey Track and Field Program, training hundreds of area youths to compete at the State and even National levels.

The family invites all that knew and loved Gene to join them in a celebration of his life at a memorial service to be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 22 at St. Hugo of the Hills Chapel on Opdyke Road in Bloomfield Hills. Donations may be sent payable to the Attaman family for the establishment of a Utica Schools Alternative/Adult Education Fund, or directly to the Independence Township Parks and Recreation Department. The family requests photos, videos or mementos of Gene.

Jean L. Heikkuri

Jean L. Heikkuri, 68, of West Bloomfield died Dec. 16.

She was preceded in death by husband Ray. She was the mother of Laurie (Mike) Smith of Clarkston, Sue of Kalamazoo, Mike of Wixom, Dave of Wixom, Joe (Andrea) of West Bloomfield, Jan of Missouri and Jon (Anne Sula) of Clarkston, grandmother of Julie, Andy, David, Chris, Katrina, Steven, Sara, Lindsay and Jake, and the sister of Edward (Peggy) Miettinen.

She retired from The Accident Fund as a supervisor.

The funeral service will be held Thursday, Dec. 20 at 10 a.m. at the Lewis E. Wint & Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home, Clarkston. Memorials may be made to Hospice of Michigan.

15 YEARS AGO (1986)

■ About 20 acres belonging to Independence Township were sold to the Oakland County Parks and Recreation Commission for \$48,000. The back half of 40 acres of Sashabaw Road, the property is to be added to Independence Oaks County Park, said Clerk Richard Holman after the Dec. 16 township meeting.

■ A new fire station is planned at the corner of M-15 and Waldon Road in the next three or four years, said Independence Township Supervisor Frank Ronk. At the Dec. 16 meeting, the township board approved spending \$83,000 from the fire fund plus \$17,000 over the next five years to buy the five lots. A portion of the corner lot was donated to the township by the owners, James and Dorothy Leon of St. John's.

■ Starting Jan. 1, 1987, more Oakland County Sheriff's deputies will be on duty in Independence Township. But just how many is still a question, said Supervisor Frank Ronk at the Dec. 16 Township Board meeting. Eventually, an additional six will be hired to double the current police force of six deputies on contract until April 1987, he said.

A Look Back

25 YEARS AGO (1976)

■ Youth for Understanding is looking for students from the Clarkston area to participate in its international student exchange program. Sandra Thornberry, assistant area representative, said the program gives an excellent opportunity for high school students aged 15-18 to experience life in another country.

■ The Independence Township Zoning Board of Appeals has temporarily revoked Bit-Con Corporation's gravel extraction permit for the operation of its Sashabaw-Strickney Roads site. According to Ken Delbridge, building supervisor, since the permit was issued five years ago the gravel extractors have failed to provide the township building department with statistics on restoration proceedings at the site.

■ Four members of Clarkston's girls' varsity basketball team were selected in the Greater Oakland Athletic League All-League voting by the league coaches: Sue Frazier, Jane Tatu, Marcia Mason and Mary Jane Anderson.

50 YEARS AGO (1951)

■ The 1951 community party for the children will be held Christmas Eve as usual. Rotarian Fred Beckman, who was delegated to arrange for a Christmas tree, has been on the job and a beautifully lighted tree stands on the lot at the corner of Main and W. Washington streets. The party, sponsored by the Clarkston Rotary Club, will be held around the tree and Santa Claus will arrive at promptly 7.

■ At the annual meeting of the Clarkston Firefighters Association Dec. 13, the following officers were elected for the year 1952: president, L.D. Hemingway; secretary, Glenn Kerton; treasurer, Kenneth Craft. As no vice-president was elected at the meeting, the incoming president will appoint someone to fill that office at a later date.

■ The annual Goodfellow paper sale held by the Clarkston Rotary Club brought in more than \$416 and more than 900 copies of *The Clarkston News* were sold. The amount ranks very favorably with former years. The committee, headed by Byron Nolan, wishes to thank all who purchased a paper, and all the Rotarians who helped make the sale the success it was.



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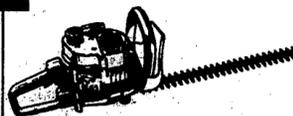
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Springfield sets employee salaries

BY JEFF PATRUS
Clarkston News Staff
Writer

Springfield Township's 2002 salaries have been set, despite the wishes of a township official who wanted to see smaller raises for the township supervisor, clerk and treasurer.

The board, by a 5-1 vote, approved the 2002 salaries for township officials and board members at its Dec. 13 meeting. Clerk Nancy Strole cast the "no" vote; Trustee Dennis Vallad was absent.

Before the board approved the raises, Strole suggested that herself, Supervisor Collin Walls and Treasurer Lois Stiles receive 2.5 percent increases from their 2001 salaries, as opposed to the customary 3.2 percent increase. She said while that may have been a small gesture, it would have been a way to acknowledge the recent economic downturn.

"It's taxpayer money, and we're in a significant recession," she said.

However, the board

ultimately approved 2002 salaries of \$53,780 for Walls and \$48,030 each for Strole and Stiles, as well as \$1,200 a year plus \$100 per meeting for township board trustees.

The 2002 salaries for other Springfield Township employees and officials are as follows:

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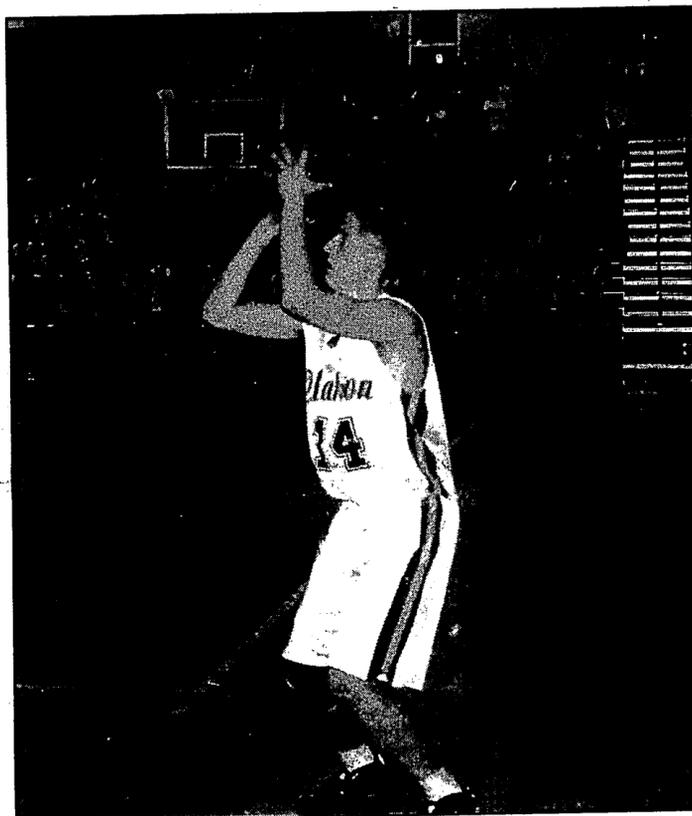
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12/21 Oakland County Tournament, 3:30 p.m.
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Cagers shut down Cavaliers



Taking aim — Clarkston's Matt Marhle (14) prepares to fire in a jumper against Carman-Ainsworth Dec. 14. Marhle and Dave Ritzema each scored 14 points to lead the Wolves to the win over the seventh-ranked Cavaliers, 56-37. Photo by Jeff Patrus.

Ritzema, Mahrle each score 14 points as Wolves triumph, 56-37

BY JEFF PATRUS

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Someone forgot to tell the Clarkston boys' basketball team that they were playing the seventh-ranked team in the state Dec. 14.

Before a spirited crowd in their first home game of the season, the Wolves shut down the Carman-Ainsworth Cavaliers, who came into the game with that ranking, and came away with a 56-37 win.

Seniors Dave Ritzema and Matt Marhle scored 14 points apiece for the Wolves, who also defeated Southfield-Lathrup, 63-45, on Dec. 11. The Wolves are now 3-0 on the season.

"These kids, they just played their hearts out," said Clarkston coach Dan Fife. "I really don't know how else to describe it. Their effort in practice and in games is something that I'm proud of. They know how to make adjustments in the middle of a game. When the game's over, they're exhausted."

The Wolves started out the game feeding the ball to Ritzema in the post and taking advantage of Carman-Ainsworth turnovers to gain the early

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Icers continue winning ways in OAA I action

BY JEFF PATRUS

Clarkston News Staff Writer

The wins just keep on coming for the Clarkston hockey team.

The Wolves garnered two wins in Oakland Activities Association Division I play last week, the most recent being a 6-2 win at host Troy Dec. 14. The win improved the Wolves' record to 9-0 overall and 5-0 in OAA I play.

Clarkston coach Bryan Krygier said the team has been playing responsibly on defense, not turning over the puck in their own zone and showing good puck movement. He also said a number of players have contributed to the team's start, as opposed to one or two players getting the majority of the goals.

"We've been pretty good defensively," he said. "Goaltending has been a real key for us. We've been getting scoring from five or six different players."

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He scores! — Clarkston's Kyle Buzzo (16) and Myles Purdy (6) celebrate a goal during the Wolves' 4-0 win over Birmingham Unified Dec. 12. Photo by Jeff Patrus.

Grapplers look to bring home county championship

BY JEFF PATRUS
Clarkston News Staff Writer

The Clarkston wrestling team is heading into the Oakland County meet having tested their mettle against the two-time defending Division II state champions.

The Wolves lost a close match against Lapeer West, 38-33, in their second match of a dual meet Dec. 12 at Clarkston High School. Clarkston is now 8-3 on the season.

The highlight of the match came at 103 pounds, where the Wolves' Elliot May defeated Lapeer West's Keristen LaBelle, who was the first girl to qualify for the state wrestling meet when she turned the trick two years ago. May took the match by a 6-1 decision.

"That was probably our biggest win," said Clarkston coach Mike DeGain.

In their first match of the dual meet, the Wolves easily defeated Troy Athens, 71-6.

Clarkston wrestlers triumphing in their respective meets were: Elliot May at 103 pounds, who defeated Mike Szymula by technical fall, 15-0; Bryan Webb at 112 pounds, who defeated James Shaheen, 4-0; Josh Hendrix at 125 pounds, who defeated Matt Zsifkov at 3:14; Tony LaJoie at 130 pounds, who pinned Vince Licari at 1:41; Dave Gardiner at 140 pounds, who defeated Matt Griffen, 11-9; Sean Turner at 145 pounds, who pinned Matt Stoian at :24; John Langdon at 152 pounds, who pinned Jake Romesburg at 1:10; Nate May at 160 pounds, who pinned Brandon Dowty at 2:52; and Derek George at 189 pounds, who pinned Chris Milliron at 5:00.

In addition, the following wrestlers won their matches by default: Branden L'Amoreaux at 119 pounds, Kyle Hester at 171 pounds, Jason Talbott at 215 pounds, and Joe Wood at heavyweight.

Swimmers defeat Southfield in opening meet

BY JEFF PATRUS
Clarkston News Staff Writer

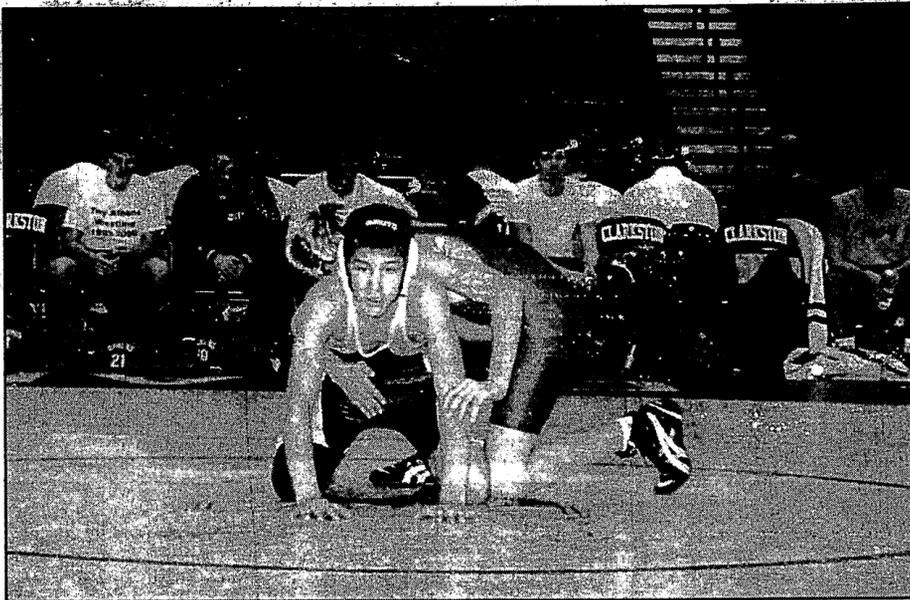
The Clarkston swim team won their first meet of the year in emphatic style, defeating non-conference opponent Southfield, 138-62, on Dec. 13.

The Wolves took first place in the following events: Dan Reed in the 200 freestyle, Nick Riegel in the 200 individual medley and 100 butterfly, the team of Riegel, Travis Roche, Jeff Driscoll and Andrew Breen in the 200 medley relay; Breen in the 50 freestyle, Rob Johnson in diving, Reed in the 100 freestyle, the team of Jeff Driscoll, Matt Kuhn, Reed and Louis Seaman in the 200 freestyle relay, Troy Quartz in the 100 backstroke, Nick Curdy in the 100 breaststroke, and the team of Reed, Greyson Lahousse, Kuhn, and Riegel in the 400 freestyle relay.

Coach Kenwyn Chock said she was happy the team won its first meet of the year.

"We had a really solid swim for the first meet," she said. "One person that stood out was Rob Johnson (a sophomore diver who won that event). When he started the season, he knew how to do a front dive, and that's it."

The team traveled to Clawson Dec. 18 for a 6:30 p.m. meet.



Opening stance - Clarkston wrestler Elliot May prepares to do battle with his Troy Athens opponent in the 103-pound weight class during the Wolves' dual meet with Athens and Lapeer West Dec. 12 at Clarkston High School. The Wolves split the meet, defeating the Red Hawks while falling to Lapeer West. Photo by Jeff Patrus.

The Wolves turn their attention now to the Oakland County meet, which will be held Dec. 21-22. Clarkston is looking to wrest the title from defending county champion Oxford.

"I think we have a good chance," said DeGain.

"We're hoping to bring the trophy back."

In addition to Oxford, DeGain said some of the tougher opponents at the county meet will be Novi, Rochester Adams, Troy, Walled Lake Western and West Bloomfield.

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Netters 'embarrassed' in conference loss to Troy

BY JEFF PATRUS
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Clarkston's volleyball team will have a long time to think about their loss to Troy Dec. 13.

According to coach Gordie Richardson, the Wolves were "just plain flat" in their 15-4, 15-3 loss to Oakland Activities Association Division I rival Troy at the Clarkston High School gym. The loss left Clarkston with a 4-4 overall record and 1-1 in OAA I.

Richardson said the fact the team was playing in their first home meet of the season may have been a contributing factor.

"I think the kids got caught up in the emotion of the day," he said. "We played well for eight or nine serves, and then they seemed to just become unfocused. I thought we were a little scared."

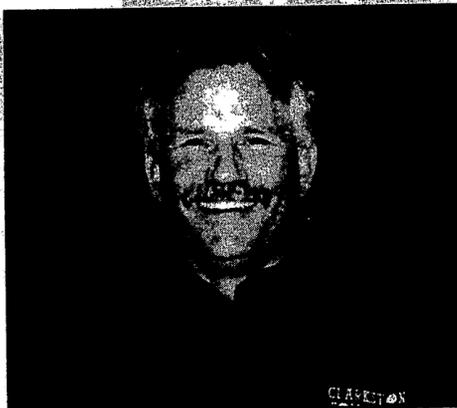
Jenni McLeod, Diana Doyle, Sheena Moran, and Bonnie Edgar each had a kill for Clarkston, while Alyssa Bergkoetter had a dig. Alex Heinrich, Edgar, and Stephanie Reitano each had a block.

"I know the kids were as embarrassed as I was by the outcome," Richardson said. "When things started to go bad, we were never able to turn the momentum around."

On Dec. 10, the Wolves defeated Groves in their

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Gordie Richardson
Clarkston volleyball coach



Mixed results — Clarkston volleyball coach Gordie Richardson's team split its first two conference matches of the season, defeating Birmingham Groves Dec. 10 before losing to Troy Dec. 13. Clarkston News file photo.

opening league matchup of the season. Richardson said the team's performance was a reflection of losing eight seniors from last year's team.

"We played inconsistently," he said. "We had trouble maintaining momentum, and we showed our inexperience. We were able to persevere in a very emotional game."

The Wolves do not play again until Thursday, Jan. 3, when they travel to Birmingham Seaholm. In the meantime, Richardson said his focus is on getting his team in the right frame of mind, and he said the team

will spend a couple of days trying to "relax and have fun."

"We'll see if that helps us get back on track," Richardson said.

DeGain helps Indiana grapplers win two dual meets

The Indiana wrestling squad recorded its first two dual meet victories of the 2001-02 campaign with victories over Southern Illinois-Edwardsville and Central Missouri State on Dec. 17.

In Indiana's 36-6 win over SIU-Edwardsville, Clarkston native Pat DeGain scored a win by forefit in the 197-pound weight class.

Hockey

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Clarkston struck quickly against Troy, scoring two goals in the first period. Senior forward Nick Turner found the net on assists from senior forward Adam Postal and senior defenseman Mike Cholette at 7:21 of the first. At 13:56 of the period, sophomore forward Kyle Buzzo connected on assists from junior forward Eric Hall and junior forward Myles Purdy.

The Wolves' only goal of the second came at 13:03, as Postal took a pass from Turner and fired it past the Troy goalie.

In the third period, Clarkston would cap off their scoring with three goals. At 1:49 of the period, Purdy scored on an assist from Hall; at 2:37, Turner scored on assists from sophomore defenseman Nick Ranck and Postal; and at 10:41 of the third, sophomore forward Adam Peters connected on assists from Ranck and junior defenseman Jim Lattanzi.

Senior goalie Jordan Conley stopped 11 shots for the Wolves.

On Dec. 12 at the Polar Palace in Lapeer, Clarkston defeated Birmingham Unified, 4-0.

Junior forward Myles Purdy and sophomore forward Kyle Buzzo each tallied a goal and an assist for the Wolves. Sophomore forward Adam Peters opened the scoring for the Wolves in the first period, while senior forward Nick Turner added a goal late in the third period to cap off the scoring. Junior forward Eric Hall and senior forward Adam Postal also tallied assists in the game.

Senior netminder Jordan Conley turned back all nine Beaver shots to record the shutout and drive his goals-per-game average down to a state-best .85 gpg. His save percentage is now at .976.

On Dec. 21-22, the Wolves will test their skills against some of the state's best at the High School Showcase, held in Trenton. The event features the top 18 teams in the state, according to Krygier.

The Wolves' first game of that event will be Friday, Dec. 21 against Sault St. Marie beginning at 8:40 p.m. The following day, Clarkston will face off against Muskegon Mona Shores beginning at 3 p.m.

"We've never seen either school, which makes it kind of exciting," Krygier said. "They're both in Division II. They're both respectable teams. It's going to be a tough game."

Local 'fat tire' bicycle race to be held New Year's Day

The Flying Rhino Cycling Club will present its 13th annual Polar Rhino Ride on Jan. 1, 2002, New Year's Day, at noon.

More than 300 cyclists will ride from Independence Township Library on Clarkston Road, through the city of Clarkston towards either an 8 or 17 mile route on frozen dirt roads in northwest Oakland County. Mountain ("Fat Tire") bicycles are recommended; helmets are mandatory.

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Athlete of the week: Diana Doyle

BY JEFF PATRUS
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Senior Diana Doyle, in her second year on the Clarkston volleyball team, is expected to be one of the main cogs in the Wolves' attack this season.

Doyle, in her second year on the team, is one of the starters on this year's team, which defeated Groves Dec. 10 before losing to Troy Dec. 13.

She said she started playing volleyball when she was in seventh grade at Sashabaw Middle School, but recently honed her game against some of the country's best during the Amateur Athletic Union (AAU) national competition this summer. Doyle took part on an AAU team through Madonna University.

"We went to nationals, and we went up against a lot of competition," she said.

Doyle said Clarkston coach Gordie Richardson has helped her become a more fundamentally skilled player. "He's been helping me out a little with the little things, making sure I'm technically sound," she said.

She said a prime characteristic of this year's Wolves is their chemistry and willingness to cooperate with one another. "Everyone on this team has gotten along good," she said.

She also said she hopes her teammates look up to her as "someone that can be looked to as a leader, mentally ready to play."

As far as the future is concerned, Doyle said



Varsity netter — Clarkston senior volleyball player Diana Doyle.

she has no plans to play volleyball in college, instead focusing her energies on schoolwork. She said she doesn't know where she'll be going to school next year, but she hopes to eventually attend the University of Wisconsin and get into sports medicine.

In her spare time, Doyle said she enjoys fishing with her father and archery. She is the daughter of Mary and Brian Doyle of Clarkston, and has two younger sisters, Jessica, 12, and Marlayna, 9.

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Additional replays of girls basketball finals scheduled

Fox Sports Net Detroit has added replays during the month of January for the four Michigan High School Athletic Association Girls Basketball Final games it originally telecast on Dec. 1.
The January replays are: Class D — Jan. 5 — 4 p.m.; Class A — Jan. 12 — 2 p.m.; Class C — Jan. 13 — 2 p.m.; and Class B — Jan. 19 — 2 p.m.
Remaining December replays of the football telecasts are as follows: Division 5 — Dec. 22 — 12:30 p.m.; Division 3 — Dec. 23 — 1:30 p.m.

WISL registration form available on-line from MHSAA

Registration forms for the 14th annual Women In Sports Leadership Conference, sponsored by the Michigan High School Athletic Association, Feb. 3-4 in Lansing, are now available on the MHSAA Web Site (mhsaa.com).
The first, largest and longest-running conference of its type in the country, registration is limited to the first 500 applicants. The Women In Sports Leadership Conference is designed for anyone who is interested in becoming a high school coach, administrator or official. The conference annually fills quickly, with many of the attendees being student-athletes. Adult registration is \$50, and student registration is \$25.
Information about the annual Program of Athletic Coaches Education and the TWO-DAE (Trained Women Officials — Dedicated, Accomplished, Educated) Clinic for officials, conducted the day before the conference, is also available on the registration form. Hotel registration information is also available. Forms will soon be mailed to MHSAA member schools.

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Summary
December 10, 2001
Meeting called to order by Mayor Catallo at 7:04 p.m.
Roll. Present: Catallo, Clifton, Colombo, Gamble, Meyland, Savage, Werner.
Absent: None.
Minutes of November 26, 2001, approved as presented.
Minutes on the City-Wide Water System Improvements Necessity Hearing on November 28, 2001, approved with two additions.
Agenda approved as presented with one addition.
Bills in the amount of \$233,669.05 approved for payment.
Mayor Catallo expressed her gratitude to all those involved with the Heart of Clarkston Holiday Festival.
Resolved That the Council authorize the D.P.W. to investigate the water connection to the City Hall and further authorize expenditures up to a total of \$2,300 for permits and connection to the water system.
Pursley reported that he is working with DTE for the installation of the lighting in the Depot parking lot.
Gary Tressel of Hubbell, Roth and Clark, Inc., reported that some parking on Main Street had been removed by MDOT.
Tressel further reported that MDOT is reviewing downtown signage to reduce the number of signs posted in the business district. The sign at Waldon and South Main at Waldon indicating road end is required by MDOT.
Louise Kasl of Kinetics System, 60 South Main, was present to express concerns with the Main Street improvements by her property. She acknowledged that this was a monumental project in scope and in maintaining the character of the Village. She further complimented the lighting and the people involved in creating the effect the improvements have made. Ms. Kasl and Council discussed various items regarding the parking lot for her property on Main Street and Waldon Road.
Resolved That Based on the informational meeting in early October to discuss the water project with residents and the Fact Sheets that were distributed, information in the newspapers, and the outcome of the November 28, 2001, Necessity Hearing, resolve that the City Council move forward to complete the water system as described in the information that has been presented pursuant to those meetings.
Resolved That the Notice of Intent Resolution be adopted by the City Council.
Meyland expressed the Council's appreciation to Hubbell, Roth and Clark, Inc., Dennis Neiman, and Linda Richardson, Director of Independence Township D.P.W. for their work in presenting the information to the residents. Meyland further stated that moving forward at this time will take advantage of the financial situation at this time, i.e. interest rates and economy of scale.
Gary Tressel stated that the fire hydrants and water system have "passed the test" and MDOT is ready to turn them over; the parking lot is ready for use, and Tressel will confer with Linda Richardson, Township D.P.W. Department, about hose bibs.
A letter from the city Planner was tabled for further review by Council and City Engineer.
Resolution to designate City Manager to sign MDOT permit applications for work on State Highways in 2001.
Resolution passed to complete annual Performance and Indemnification Resolution for issuing an Annual Permit for Miscellaneous Operations within Trunkline (M-15).
Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.
Respectfully submitted,
Artemus M. Pappas, Clerk



Championship swimmer — Clarkston resident Samantha Ashby, a freshman at Notre Dame Preparatory in Pontiac, took fourth place in the 100-yard breaststroke event at the 2001 State High School B-C-D swim meet Nov. 17 at Eastern Michigan University. Photo courtesy of Kevin Ashby.

Local swimmer takes fourth at states

Clarkston resident Samantha Ashby has made a big splash as a member of Notre Dame Preparatory's girls' swim team.
Ashby, a freshman at Notre Dame Prep in Pontiac, competed at the 2001 state high school B-C-D swim meet at Eastern Michigan University on Saturday, Nov. 17. She took fourth place in the 100-yard breaststroke event, with a time of 1:08.40.
She was the highest placing freshman at the meet and earned a place on the Michigan All-State first team.
Ashby first learned to swim at the Deer Lake Racquet Club with Coach Jill Hancock and began swimming year-round with the USS team of the Oakland Live Y'ers under Coach Jeff Cooper (out of Oakland University) at the age of 10.
As a freshman this year at Notre Dame Prep, Ashby was on the varsity swim team under Coach Scott Teeters. Prior to attending Notre Dame, she attended Clarkston Middle School and Cedar Crest Academy, both in Clarkston.
Some of Ashby's other recent accomplishments include finishing in first place in the 100-yard breaststroke event at the Catholic League Championship Swim Meet, which was held at Royal Oak Dundero in November. She was the only freshman, and the only non-Mercy (Farmington Hills)/Marian (Birmingham) to win an event at this championship meet. Ashby won with a time of 1:08.70, which qualified her with a USS sectional (regional) time, the next step after qualification at the state level.

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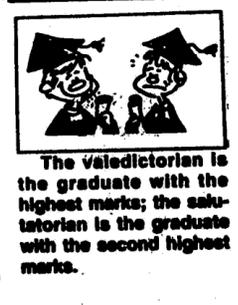
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Local runners take third place in national race

BY JEFF PATRUS

Clarkston News Staff Writer

A group of local Junior Olympic runners, including two from Clarkston, traveled to Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 8 and did themselves proud.

The team, known as the Panthers, won the bronze medal for their third place finish in a national championship race for boys age 15-16.

The team actually tied for second place, but since they did not have a sixth place runner (which would have been used for the tiebreaker), they wound up in third, even though their overall team time was better than the second place team.

A total of 22 teams competed in the race. Each member of the Panthers was awarded a bronze team medal.

The group included Mark Sitko and Jared Elmore, who competed on Clarkston High School's boys' cross-country team earlier this year. Sitko, along with teammate Adam Craig of White Lake Lakeland, won individual medals and an "all American" plaque for finishing in the top 25 out of 218 runners. Sitko placed sixth overall with a time of 16:34, while Craig placed 12th with a time of 16:41.8. Elmore placed 65th with a time of 17:35.



Junior Olympic runners — (top) Members of a local Junior Olympic team, the Panthers, took part in a national championship race for boys age 15-16 Dec. 8 in Lincoln, Neb. The boys who participated were: Chris Hammer of Troy Athens, Donnie Richmond of Oxford, Jared Elmore of Clarkston, Mark Sitko of Clarkston and Adam Craig of White Lake Lakeland. (above) Three members of the Panthers Junior Olympic team compete in a regional qualifying race Nov. 17 at Belle Isle in Detroit. Pictured (l-r) are Jared Elmore of Clarkston, Donnie Richmond of Oxford and Mark Sitko of Clarkston. Photos courtesy of Jim Sitko.

In addition to the two Clarkston runners, team members were: Brian Coats of Farmington Hills Harrison, Craig, Chris Hammer of Troy Athens, Bryan

Mullins of Rochester, Donnie Richmond of Oxford and Andrew Stewart of Troy.

Boys' basketball

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advantage. However, the Cavaliers would come back to take a 10-9 lead with 3:05 in the first. The teams would trade leads for the rest of the quarter, and the Cavaliers had a 14-13 advantage at the end of the first.

The teams would continue to play it close in the beginning of the second, and the game was tied at 17 with 5:20 left in the second. At that point, the Wolves took control of the game.

Senior Adam Kretz came off the bench to give the Wolves a spark, scoring four of his 10 points in the following 2-1/2 minutes to put the Wolves on top, 21-17. Marfile followed up with a three-pointer, and the Wolves took a 26-17 lead into the half.

'These kids, they played their heart out. I really don't know how else to describe it.'

Dan Fife

Clarkston boys' basketball coach

The Wolves would continue to press their advantage in the third quarter. Marfile scored off a feed from senior point guard Mike Blicher to give the Wolves a double-digit lead, 34-24, with 5:30 left in the third. Clarkston led the Cavaliers, 42-29, at the end of the third period, and outscored the Cavaliers, 14-8, in the final period to secure the win.

"That was an outstanding effort," Fife said of the win over the Cavaliers. "We never gave them any

easy baskets."

Fife said while both Lathrup and Carman-Ainsworth have talented players, the Wolves' mental toughness made the difference in both their wins. "We just wore both teams out," he said. "Honestly, they're probably more talented physically than we are."

He also said the Wolves have depended on effort for their scoring so far this season to make up for a low shooting percentage. Fife said, to his knowledge, the Wolves have not shot over 35 percent in any of their three games.

"We haven't shot very well," he said. "We've only hit a couple of jump shots. It's been through second effort and hustle points."

The Wolves hosted Rochester Athletics Dec. 18 in their last game before the Christmas break. They return to action Jan. 4 when they travel to Southfield for a 7:30 p.m. tipoff.

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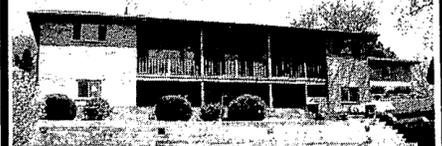
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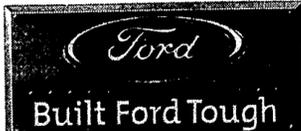
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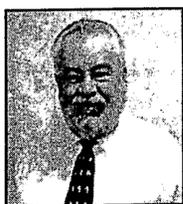
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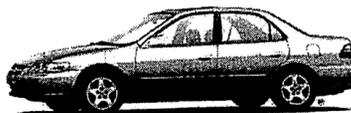


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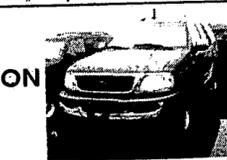
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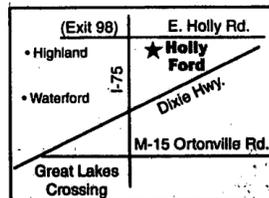


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