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## Schools shorten days for teacher training

## Send kids home early for 'development days'

## BY JENNITER NEMER

Clarkston News Staff Writer
Despite objections by some parents and even Clarkston School Board members, a plan to periodically shorten elementary and middle school days for teacher developmetitwas adopted for the district.
After nearly two hours of discussion at Monday nights meeting the board voted unanimously for the implementation of the developmental day s. program for the 2002-03 school yeat, with an amendment to the recommended schedule:

The proposal by the ACEORD subcommittee, made up of teachers, adiministrators and recenty added par ents, was presented revised from their previously sug gested plan brought out ata board meeting earlier this month

A first attemptroinclude 28 shortened days a year has now been cut to 14 days, schedaled on full weeks,


All sintitered days will be on Vednesday
Many parents in attendance Monday expressed concerns on safety transportation and how this plan will affect their special needs child and many educators and parents were out to show suppot of the plant
Büt Supernteident $D$ r Al Robets said if something abont professional development washt done now it would be disastrous for the communitys future

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## A closer look at Developmental Days

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$3: 45 \mathrm{pm}-$ teacher day ends

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Full days for middle school
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7:301am-doors open
7440 a m.-advisory time for students
TBD-25-minutes forlunch
2:30 p.m-school ends
2:45 p.m.-teacher day ends
Developpnent days for middle school
6:55 a m.-teacher day begins for profes sional development
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2:45 p.m-teacher day ends
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unhappy with this (plan), and I oon tike hat I want 100 percent happy bit we have to focus on giving the kids the besteducation humanly possible, Robeits said:
Some board members were concerned with the rush
to implement he program for the nex school year, and felt October gave nore time to communicate the change to the community and ot parents to prepare. A major concen expressed by parents at the last board meeting was the issue of child care, and the sub-

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## Bonior's campaign stops in Clarkston <br> BY KYEEGARGARO

Clarkston News Editort
Clarkston has long been considered Republican country but that didn't stop candidate for governor David Bonior from making a campaign stop Monday night,

The Democratic Whip in the U.S, House of RepTesentatives held Neighorhood Cookout for Change at the home of Jacqueline Veal.

Approximately 100 individials attending the cookout which consisted of a townhall type meeting where Bonior made a short speech then fielded questions from the audience.

Among the items Bonior touched on included:
Hhydrogen fuel cells in automobiles In the next 10 y ears we are ging to be moving into some different fechnology with hydrogen fuel cells. Is itgo ing to be the Asians, the Europeans or us? If we dont Win that we are going to 1 se another slice of the mar ket, suant this state which has the greatest engineer: ing $4 x i 150$ any where in America and possibly the Worf the the home of his kind of energy research techinology. That will create tens of thousands of good payingjobs.

Public transportations, If youidonnt have good public transportation the tounists aren going to t t : come It is going to beafactorin whether business decides to locate here Dhe O tho reason why we

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Radlating work Lor Blum and Jennifer Blair's foulth gradé Bailey Lake Elementan classes recently got creative buing models of a variety of Michigan lighthouses as they studied the state's history, Social Stugies teacher Blum said this is the first time she's assigned the project obtainligg the idea through a feacher workshop hos teo at the St. Helene lighthouse Patents we winvilod to a special skit and presentar.




## Briefly

## Springfield Library offers

## reading programs

The Springfield Township Library will be of fering two summer reading programs this summer from lüne 24 August 1.

Registration begins Tuesday, June M1. Preschool to grade 5 can participate in the join the Winner's Circle? program Middleschool and high school teens can join the RIP Through Summer* Teen Reading Program.

Join the Winner's Circle'readerswill qualify fora paperback book if they iead 600 or more pages during the six week. Special events include a magician, meet the racecar driver a book swap and crafts.

RIP Through Summer" teen readers will be having a weekly drawing for prizes and be eligible for the grand prize if they read seven books. The. program willend with a Make Your Own Sundae" party.

The library is now located at 12000 Davisburg Road in Davisburg in the upper level of the new Civic Center Hours are Monday, Tuesday and Thursday 10 a.m. $108 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Wednesdays $12.8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$.; Fridays 10 a.m- 6 pm , and Saturdays 10 a.m. 4 p.m. Formore information, call the Springfield Township Libraryàt 846.6550 .

## Boyd appointed by governor

Clarkstons Pamela Boyd wasappointed by Governor John Engler to the Michigan Workforce Investment Board.

Members of this board serve in an advisory capacity to the Governor and the director of the Michigan Department of Career Development, and arecharged with the development and continupus improvement of a statewide workforce investment system.

Boyd is the president of Workforce, Inc, She is appointed for a term expiring May 27,2004 and wíl represent business.

## Road Commission receives

 Dixie Highway bidThe Road Commission for Oakland County received bids from contractors for road construction on Dixie Highway, from $1-75$ to Davisburg. Road: The work will begin in early July.

This road in Springfield Township will be widened from four lanes to five, with the addition of a center, left-turn lane. The road will remain open during construction, but motorists should expect some delays. The low bid of approximately $\$ 2.5$ million was received from Thompson McCully of White Lake. The target date for completionis Oct. 30 .

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## New children's librarian busy in Independence <br> <br> BY KYLE GARCARO

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Recently hited Independence Township Chidrens Libratan clarefoynte has been busy in he first monthand halfon the ob

It has been great Poynter sald Whas been hectic butin agood way. They haye not had a children'ls librarlan here since January of 2001 so there is a lot to do\% One of the major items Roynter has been working on th the development of a summel reading pro gram. The program entitled Join the Winner s Circle, recently kicked off with an ice cream social at the library The festivities included ive music and presenta: tions by the Independence EIre Department.

The youth reading program is for children from first grade to entering fifth grade: The program is based on hours read rather that books read so all different levels can reach their goals.

We are going to have contests and draw for prizes,: Poynter said: We will have entertainment every Thursday wehave every thing induding nusic; uggling and comedy.

Poynter is also in the initial stage of a reorganization of the children's section of the library to make it more specific forkids.

We got a generous donation from the Eriends of the Library organization, I amvery excited about it; Poyntersaid

Poynter came to the Independence Township Library afteranminenship at the Bloomfield Township Library and working full time athe Wyandotte Library

The English graduatelives introy and yas look ing for ajob which would be a better commute

Theard about this wob from a book dealer? Poynter said ${ }^{3}$ istopped in one day with a resumeand interviewed. Lus very happy when got the job,


Good times - New childrén's librarian Clare Poynterwith Allison Yardley, Emma Yardley, Lauren Tait and Eric Tait at the ce cream social: Photo by Kara McCallum.

* Poynter has nany ideas for thechildren s section cially with dutal caree families. 1 want the library to be of the library:

I want to have more evening programs espe- $\$$ adestination for families?

## Parent volunteers honored at Bailey Lake luncheon



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Laughs galore-the Bailey Lake Stage Door Players presented a comic skit the Wizardot voly 10 dedication


## Thomas reflects on changes in schools during time on board

## by Jeff patrus

Clarkston News Staff Writer
During her 27 years on the Clarkston Board of Education, Janet Thomas hás seen many new develop. ments and influences on learning

Althougheducation may have changed during that: sa time, Thomas, who was named as one of Clarkstons Citizens of the Year last month, believes the basics have remained the same since she was first elected to the board.

According to Thomas, she first decided to ruin for the board so she could haye some inflitence in the edu: cation of her children in the district.
"I was involved in the PTA and other things;" Thomas said. "I had four children that were in the schools. I felt like I wanted to have a say in what was going on for them.

As partof the school board Thomas has a say in hiring the superintendent of schools, as wellas a yote in approving personnel decisions made by the superintendent. When she first started on the board DitLeslie EGreene was the superintendent Since then, she has had a voice in hiring Milfred Mason, Gary Häner, and current superintendent Dr Al Roberts.

She believes the nuts and bolts of being a board member hasn't changed much since she first started "Being a member, you represent the people, but the more important thing is learming to develop consensus,' Thomas said.

However, she pointed out education itself has changed, When she first started, television wasn't the influence it is today, and technology plays a much more significant role in the everyday education of students, Despite that, she still said teaching the essentials such as reading, writing, math and science remains the foundation of learning.

Education has changed, but it had to change, because students are different; she said.

Thomas cited different social factors that influ: ence students today, such as single-parent families, movement between districts, and child care facilities located within school districts.

There are things that have to beaddressed, she said.
. As a member of the Clarkston school board, Thomas said the most rewarding partis directly impacting the lives of students, I really think it energizes you When you see the accomplishments and developments of stutdents," she said.

For Thomas, the main challenges have been mak ing wise use of the per-pupil funding allocated to the district especially since Clarkston is annual near the bottom of Oakland County districts in terms of school funding.

In addition she believes space issues, class sizes, and accommodating students, with special needs are issues that the district will continue to face in the years ahead.

In additionto her tenüre on the Clarkston school board, Thomas is also a member of the Oaklandintermediate School District board, a position she has held for eight years.

As a member of that board, Thomas attends dif ferent education-related functions in Oakland County and has an influence in programs such as the Northwest Oakland Technical Center, which has a branch in Clarkston.
"That's a different perspective," she said Your re not dealing with students on a local level, instead, we act as a consulting service to local distriets. That's been aninteresting thing.

Thomas is also in her 22nd year on the Oakland County School Board Association, a group which is elected by other county school board members. She pointed out how the association presents several programs aimed at educating school board members.

In her "day job", Thomas runs Thomas Account ing, which has beenin business in Clarkston since 1984. The company specializes in tax preparation forindividuals and professionals.

She is a 1961 graduate of the University of Detroit, and has been married to Michael for 42 years. They haye four children: daughter Gina Ornberger (who has two children, Katie and Elizabeth, with her husband), daughter Cartie Hartt (who has a daughter, Lauren, with her husband); daughter Kim Thomásand son Kevin Thomas:

In her spare time, Thomas enjoys reading ("except I don't have a lot of time") and traveling.


Service to school community - Janet Thomas, pictured at the offices of Thomas Accounting in Clarkston, has been a trustee on the Clarkston Board of Education for 27 Years. Photo by Jeff Patrus.

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## Knight final candidate to vie for District Court judge

## BY JENNIEER NEMER

## Clarkston News Staff Writer

Citing veteran experience in law, John W. Knight feels he is the right choice to fill the seat of the retiring Judge Gerald McNally at the 522 District Cour in Clarkston.

At age 56 , Knight has spent the las 29 years as a courtroon litigator, representing individuals and large corporations in a variety of legal issues both civil and criminal

For 23 years, he has been a managing partier for the firm Clark \& Knight, P.C. based in Southfield. The full service law firm handles both civil and criminal matters in all state (trial and appellate) and federal courts withinMichigan. Knight has spent his entire time with the firm specializing in trial litigation,

I' ve been in and out of virtually every court in the state of Michigan," Knight said, who felt itrightin his career, with his experience and knowledge, to take the next step forward to a judicial seat.

For more than a decade, Knight has dedicated his time and energy in improving the community, for which he feels is important to give back to

He has served 12 years on the Huron Valley Schools Board of Education as president, vice president and currently as treasurer, overseeing an $\$ 80 \mathrm{mil}$ lion a year budget and 1,500 employees. He was appointed in 1990 and reelected three times.

At the same time, for 11 years, Knight has served on the Oakland

County Foster Care Review Board, as, an advocate for Oakland County's abused and theglected children, where he has performed system oversight responsibilities and was named the Oakland County Representative to the State Fóster Care Advisory Board.

Knight-who received a bachelor in business administration from Centra Michigan University in 1969 and a juris doctorate from Detroit College of Law in 1973-said he wanted to nun for judge because it is as an extension of his dedication to the community.
"I don't look at this as a job but an opportunity to serve the community in a different capacity."

If elected, Knight said he will bring a genuine work ethic to the bench.
"The job of the district judge will be performed by the district judge, not by others," he said.

Knight-who was admitted in the State Bar of Michigan in 1973, the U.S. District Court Eastern District Bar in 1973 and the U.S. District Court Western District Bar in 1995-will insist that all court personnel, including himself, treat all persons who come before the court with the utmost dignity and respect.

He plans to bring his public school passion to the bench by developing various programs to reach out and engage the youth of the community, helping them to become more knowledgeable and productive citizens

Other goals Knight has for the court include giving full attention to the probIem of drinking and driving; expanding


Running for judge - John W. Knight is running for the 52-2 District Court judge seat Photo provided.
the implementation of alternative sentenc ing; increasing the efficiency of the court's time and resources; focusing on the problem of repeat offenders; devel oping more efficient relationships with all police officers to better serve the community; and researching and implementing a "have court will travel" program for "off-site justice."

Backed by endorsements from Wil-
liam Dwyer, president of the Michigan Chiefs of Police Association and currently chief of police in Farmington Hills; and virtually the entire school community from Oakland Schools down to many superintendents that make up the district," Knight looks forward to the challenge a District Court judgeship would bring.

He believes he should be voted Clarkston's next District Court judge because of his 29 years of experience, his involvement in the community, his successfuul business ownership since 1978, and that he possesses the knowledge, understandinga and disposition to do the job.

A White Lake resident for 24 years, Knight and his wife Bonnie Jo have been married for 31 years and have three children, Peter, 28; Carrie, 24; and Timothy 33.

The 52-2. District Court in Clarkston serves most of northern Oakland County. The court's jurisdiction currently includes the villages of Holly, Ortonville and Clarkston in addition to the townships of Holly, Brandon, Groveland, Springfield and Independence. New legislation has mandated Rose Township and White Lake become part of the 52-2 district, Jan. 1, 2003.

Knight is running against four others including Daná Fortinberry, Kelley Kostin, James T. Houlihan and Kevin McNulty.

For more further campaign information, E-mail KnightforJudge@cs.com or call (248) 887-3903 or (248) 352-7980.

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## Battle of

 the bulgeSouthwest Airlines made asound decision buta pubilicrelation blunder recently:

In case you haven theard, the airline announced it would force overweight passengers to purchase two seats so as not to inconvenience those seated next to them.

My opinion on their new policy is "it's about time." Thave had numerous uncomfortable trips on airplanes, at sporting events and movies because the person next to me was spilling into my seat.

Irealize my opinion will be in the minority of this politically correct society we live in but if you don't want to pay double lose the weight.

While some will argue those with weight issues should be classified as a chemical problem, 1 believe that argument applies to
 very few. I am nottalking about being a little poitly or having abeerbell, for Lwould probably fall into that category) but rather Lspeak of individuals who are pushing five or six bills on the scale.
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For those who believe the airlines ara being greedy, they would not hayecome up w ith this plan if they had not recelved considerable complaints about the situation It stime for people to stop point ting that finger and begin looking in the mirfor.

Change yourifestyleand get in somesemblance of shape. Lam not talking as someone $w$ ho eats ex tremely healthy ot has the metabolisn of Manute Bol. Ialso am not going to be confused for a int way modetat $62^{2}$ and 220 pounds.
Whovedoteat For the love, fam thlian so my eating habits should bee welithocumented However Know how to control my self I do not enjoy Spending four or five days a week in the gym but to do becausel like to eat.

Sure I wouldenjoy a steady diet of Whoppers: fries and Bairy Queen Blizzards buticonsume them In moderation so I will not end up on the Maury Poyich stiow with them knocking down the wall to my aparment and arifing me out of there:

Maybe the deciston by Southwest Aitlines will motivate some to get healthier If they do get healthier. and add years to their life it would be well worth hurting a few people's feelings

However I realize Southwestwiliprobably buck underpoliticaly correct pressure or have to chaige policies becauseof lawsuts. Howeve, tapplaud dithem for not standing pat.
(Kyle Gargaro is the editor of The Clarkston News. His e-matl adaress is KyleG44@aolicomi)

## How to prepare for an emergency

There has been a lot of talk about the need sto be prepared for emergency situations. Throúghout the tasteight months, the nation has ex perienced vary ing degrees of alertness, and thave hiad numerous requests on how the public should preparefor emergencies.

Jam writing this column to ensure local residents know how to protect their families during an emergencyand where they cango

From the
Capitol to find more detailed information.

Whether you re preparing for an ice storm or for a hazardous materials leak, you should develop. an emergency supplies kit with enough supplies to meet your needs for at least three days. You should store the supplies in sturdy, easy-to-carry containers, such as backpacks or duffle bags. Include the following items:

- At least a three-day supply of water, one gallon per person per day, and food that won't spoil.
- One change of clothing and footwear per person, and one blanket or sleeping bag per person.

A firstad kit including any prescripion medicines family members take.
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Remenbering the following ips also will help.

Postemergency phone numbers (fite police, am bulance, family, close friends and neighbors, etc.) by the phones in you house.

Teach your children how and when to call 911 or EMS.
. Learn how to locate, and if necessary disable, electric fuses or circuit breakers and the water and natural gas mains (Never attempt to restart gas service on you own; call a professional.

- Install smoke detectors throughout your home, particularly near bedrooms, test them monthly and replace batteries annually (A good time to do this is when the time changes.)
- Install fire extinguishers (ABC types), teach family members how to use them, and remember to maintain it according to the instructions on the equipment.
- Find two escape routes from every room in the house andidentify safe spots inside your home for different emergency situations.

The Oakland County Emergency Response and Preparedness Unit is prepared for all types of emergencies. Should the need arise, the unit will soon be equipped with two hazardous material vehicles, four inflatable decontamination tents and a decontamination trailer.This equipment, because of its mobility, can be used anywhere in the country to respond to chemicalor biological maidents.

The ERP also is working with the Department of Defense tocordinate emergency military suppotand, assistance to local goyornmentsthe unt has rained morethan 2000 county employe cinhomb earch and
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## Ru-ro Raggy, Poppy's in trouble

It wasn't supposed to play out the way it did 1 thocence as he was too busy staring at out vaitress as Just assumed during all those hours of sitting in front of the television set with little two year old Sean that he was paying attention to the shows and commercials, not his Poppy, But, 1 guess he was listening to me and that attention starting to pay off. Unfortunately.
The other evening it was hot Too hot to cook dinner at home, but not too hot to eat, if somebody else did the work. The newest sitedown oint in Goodrich is Toms Coney, and we opted for their air conditioned bliss:

After we all sat down, Shamus and Ion one side, Jen and Sean on the other side of the booth, our waitress dutifully came to our side. Let me say this up-front: Some would call the wait staff at Tom's. "eye candy, as they are sweet to look at. Still others may look at the slender young women there and

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don't rush say "Tis, tis".
When the waitress came to our table, all Sean said was, "Hubba, hubba:" And the little Don Juan couldn't keep his baby blues off her.

IIl add, it was cute up until the point when dear wife Jen asked of her then squirming husband. "Where did he learm that?"
Some quick thinking on the part of your hero that would be me) and 1 was able to come up with, Shamusl How many times do 1 have to tell you not to corrupt your younger brother? Just because you seem to think it's perfectly all right to say crude and demeaning remarks, to a woman, no matter how physically fit and attractive she is, doesn't make it correct. Your mother and I are trying to teach you boys how to treat all people, even the good looking ones, with dignity and respect. You should be ashamed of yourself,"
Ton't think Jen bought it.
If don thin Shamus heard my declaration of in-
his ounger brother piled on the Irish charm onisame said female.

We made it through dinner with no further outbursts of chauvinsm and after our meal 1 was able to teave with my skin intact Jen stopped the filleting as soon as our mealarrived.

The days passed, 1 took four year old Shamus to see the new Scoobie Doo movie (which he enjoyed immensely) and I figured everything was hunky dory I should have noticed, however, that at every gathering of the clan or friends, the story of Sean's "Hubba, hubba" kept on being brought up. The seamy little incident wouldn't go away I didn't know what was going on, except after each time said affair was brought up; all eyes turned to yours truly.

Where did he leam that?"
"I wonder why he said that?"
"Hmmm?
Each time I would shrug my shoulders, smile weakly and respond, "What? Ask his mother,"

I didn't realize I was being set up for the big "sting" until a few nights later Jen, the boys and 1 were out in the backyard, all doing our own thing. The lads were playing, was in my vegetable garden and den was fussing with her honeybees. She was all decked out in her beekeeping attire. Gloves to protect her hands and arms; mesh hat to protect her neck, face and head, and even though it was 85 degrees she had long sleeves and pants to protect the rest of her.

Her bees live adjacent to the veggie garden. And, they have never, ever been a problem. They're tame. They re docile. And, I now believe trained.

I can't say for sure, but as I was bending over, pulling some weeds, Ithink I heard her whisper, "Sick him, girls."

After the first POW on the nose I lit out of there fast, but as I ran I thought I heard, "Hubba, hubba that."

I don't think we'll be going to Tom's any time soon, at least not until $I$ can deprogram Sean.

Comments for your hero (that would be Don) can be can be addressed to dontrushmedon@aol.com

## Some of this and a little of that

I don't like (and immediately avoid) columns, speeches or stories that start out with a question. But, why do television and radio stations refer to another station with the same ownership as their sis. ter's station?

Why not brother station? Mother? Father? Are advertisers more willing to spend their dollars when Sisters are the reference? Is there
a warmth that the word brothers

## doesn't conjure?

Does anyone else care?
Well apparently someone cares, because tight there in Monday's paper the Infinity Broadcasting radio and television. stations were referred to as cor porate-cousins. Aint that just politically cortecl?

Isaw a lineup for The Palace and DTEEnergy Music Theater (Pine Knob) summer shows and recognized two names: Kenny
 Loggins and Anne Murray

Whats Kanack IIsnt B 52 a World War I bomber? And Nazzareth is acity notaniact. Oh yehh appeating with The Knack are The Smithereens and. Missing Persons.

Did I mention I'veseen free tickets to these events laying on store counters? Therels a reason free tickets are being offered Youcertainy didnt seef free tickets to Red Wing game
cates affordable housing. Like any governmental type group they hired some researchers to come up with the answers they wanted

Fannie Mae wants to loan more people money, so their hired researchers found that half of America's low: and moderate-income families see down payments and closing costs as majoriobstacles to buying a home.
As our 14 -year-old granddaughter would say, Well, Duh! ${ }^{2}$
The surveyed people made $\$ 54,000$ a year. My unsolicited survey proves those who make over twice that much would say down payments and closing costs are major obstacles in buying a home

Wonder how much longer the slob dressing phase willast

Went to a kids show at the fabulous Fox Theater not too Tong ago. Parents, guardians and grand parents dressed theirkids to the nine
Parents. guardians and grandparents dressed as if competing for a how to make an awfulimpression: contest Had it been such a contest it would have been a tie among hundreds.

Haried mother of a large family. What gets me is why the nations of the world want to live together ike. one big family : Wife to husband after peeling layers off small, snow suited figure: George, he isn tours,

After a difficult day with the children, a young mother says, Ilike to take the car and go for a drive, 1 like to have something in my hands i can control.
Wastly woman, trying on furcoat, to salesgirt $1 /$ wish there something besides broadiail, My husband fancies himself a comedian*:

The Fannie Mae Foundation is a group that advo.

## 15 YEARS AGO (1987)

At the M-15 widening public hearing June 25 , suggestions from the audience of approximately 60 people included using Sashabaw Road as M-15, making part of $\mathrm{M}-15$ a boulevard and doing nothing until further studies have been completed. Twelve members of the audience spoke at the nearly two hour long hearing.

With the suiccess of the fledgling summer school program at Clarkston High School, plans are to expand the program next year, says Dr Robert Burek, principal. During the pilot six-week summer program, 60 students are enrolled in government, creative writing and two portions of United States history.

With patriotic music, the Emil Sutt Band is to kick off the Concert in the Park series at 7 p.m. Friday, July 3 at the Clarkston Depot Park, 375 Depot Road. In his fourth season with Clarkston, Sutt's 17-piece band will also perform swing tunes, popular music and a children's march, said Joan Kopietz, organizer of the event.

## 25 YEARS AGO (1977)

minishing touches are being put on floats and parade costumes are being readied for Clarkston's big 4th of July parade which begins at $10 \mathrm{a}, \mathrm{m}$. Monday, in the downtown area. Participants will meet between 9:15 and 9:45 a m. at Clarkston Junior High, and the parade will proceed along East Church to Main Street, north on Main to Clarkston Road where mobile units and hotses will be detached.
-Clarkston area residents will be able to view a gigantic fireworks display from the comfort of a lawn chair in their own backyards July 3. Pine Knob will put on the fireworks display, setting off some 250 aerial blasts from atop of the ski slopes making the display visible for miles around, according to George White, community liaison officer for Pine Knob.

In an effort to speed local government approval of the Hawke's Cove proposed mall and shopping area, engineer Frank Walker submitted a revised parking plan to the Clarkston Village Council June 27 In the original proposal, developers showed parking for 100 cars, approximately 80 short of that required by village ordinance.

## 50 YEARS AGO (1952)

On June 23, the members of the Clarkston Rotary Club entertained their wives at dinner and a program at Raven Hill Lodge in the Haven Hill Section of the Highland State Recreation Area. On ar tiving at this beautifut, large log building many of the guest smade a touy of the grounds and the house.

At he Methodist Conference held in Detroit last week the Reverend Marshall Sänders was appointed pastor of the Dävisburg Methodist Church Reverend Saunders is a young man with considerate ministerial experience and is well trained in youth organizational work. He comes here from Norwalk, Connecticut Mr: Saunders is a graduate of New York University and Wentyorth Institute in Boston.

TOODJne 14 Basil Ash was one of the 353 in the graduating class at Michigan Cenfral College in Mt. Pleasant He received his Bachelor of Science Degree, Hisfratemity was Alpha Bela Sigma. He will start teaching at Ostego, Mich in the fall and will work for his Mastefs, Degree at Kalamazoo College. Basil graduated from ClarkstonHigh Sthool in 1946 and then spent two years in the U S Navy,

The Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce Con certs in the Park series presents the dixieland music of The Red Garter Band, Friday, June 28, from 7.9 pm. at Bepot Park There is no cost to attend. Doug Jacobs, leader of The Red Gaiter Band, came to Detroit by way of San Francisco, his hometown New York, New Onleans and Chicago. He was tesponsible for establishing dixieland styleclubs in those cities and decided to stay when he came to Detroit. Jacobs owned, operated and played banjo at the Red Garter Saloon on Liberty Street in downtown Detroit when in 1974 decided to devote his popular band to country club events,
private and corporate parties. The band has since entertained every Michigan governor since John Swainson and president since John F Kennedy (with the exception of Bill Clinton) as well as made appearance on major radio and television stations.

The WidowedSupport Group will meet Thursday, July 14 at 7 pm . The topic for the evening will be Uournaling and Visualizing Your Way Through Grief Healing Tools." Meetings are held at the Independence Township Senior Center at Clintonwood Park on Clarkston Road. There lis no registration, and all men and

## This week Around Town

Eriday, Inne 28, at 7 p .m. The Red Garter Band dixieland music; performs at the Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce Concerts in the Park Depot Park:
women who have recently been widowed are invited: Refreshments will be served. Call Lewis E. Wint and Son Funeral Home at 625-5231 for more information.

## Business Briefs

Coldwell Banker Schweitzer-Clarkston announced the expansion of its business services to include a full line of commerciäl services, an effort spearheaded by Bryan Pe ters, an associate broker and long time resident of North Oakland County.
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Scott R. Hazelton of the financial-services firm Edward Jones in Clarkston has achieved the professional desigination of accredited asset management
specialist (AAMS) Hazelton successfullycompleted the AAMS Professional Education Program from the Den-ver-based College for Fi nancial Planning. This advanced training offers investment professionals the hands-on information needed to provide plan-ning-oriented asset management advice.

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## Iressel tomeet with Pinehurst Bridge homeowners <br> Phase II of the city's Water project. The city will adver

## Carkston News Staff Writer

City engineer Gary Tressel had a number of items on his plate to talk about with the Clarkston City Coun cil at their June 24 meeting.

Heading up the list were two itens discussed a the previous council meeting June 11 , the Pinehurs Bridge and the Depot/White Lake Road Holcomb in ersection

Tressel said he plans to meet with Pinehurst Bridge homeowners Wednesday, June 26 to discuss possible alternatives regaraing hooking up to the city's water system. Tressel said it would cost the homeowners a total of $\$ 47,500$ to make the necessary repairs to hook up to the system

At the June 11 meeting, Tressel informed the council that the city's engineering firm, Hubbell, Roth and Clark, inspected the area this month and determined it would be unsafe at this time for the property owners in the area to hook up to Phase II of the city's water system.

Tressel's next item of business was the intersection of Depot, White Lake and Holcomb road, Currently, motorists heading off of Depot eithergo straight and merge into Deer Lake Road or go up a hill before turning right on Holcomb. An island separates the two paths.

Tressel proposed two main alternatives for the intersection at the meeting:

Eliminate the islandin the middle, and have the road curve over to the north end, so motorists can have better visibility on both sides

Leeave the intersection the way it is, except flattening the road out to give motorists better vision.

Deputy Police Chief Emest Combs expressed his concerns about whether residents would be able to tuin left from Depot under either of those plans. However Tressel assured him that would not be a problem

You'llbe able to tủ left undereither concept"


In addition, the council voted to oppose a resolut tion by the Springfield Township Board to oppose aplan by the Oakland County Drain Commission to impose Chapter 20 drains in various communities throughou the county, until the city receives more information about what the Drain Commission plans to do.

City Manager Art Pappas said Mayor Sharron Catallo and City Councilman Scott Meyland are diaft Ing a letter to be sent to John McCullogh of the Drain Commission, requesting more information on the project prior tothe city taking official action.

The council also approved the bid schedule for

tise for bids $u$ uly 17 and 31 , and the plans and specifica-
$\times 3$ Approved a series of budgets for the 2002 03 year. The general fund budget is set at $\$ 666,512$; offices of the township's engineering firm, Hubbell, Roth. road bal road budget is set at $\$ 25,300$; and the major and Clark

Bids will be due at 11 arm. Wednesday; August 7 and will be awarded at the council's August 12 meeting In other business; the council

Set the dates for the Christmas and Home coming Parades. The Christmas parade will be held Saturday, Dec. 14 and the Homecoming parade will be held Saturday, Oct 12

## Independence Township has $\$ 21$ million flow through community <br> BY KYLE GARGARO

Clarkston News Editor
The Independence Township Board of Trustees heard an audit presentation frôm Plante\& Moran at their June 18 meeting

Plante \& Moran's Shane Ferguson handled the presentation to the board and reported the township's finances in good standing. In 2001, the township had revenue of $\$ 19.1$ million while expenditures totaled $\$ 16.8$ million. Independence gathered $\$ 8.6$ million in property taxes last year

Independence Township's general fund was re ported to have $\$ 900 ; 000$ in designated funds and $\$ 968,137$ in undesignated funds.
"This shows the general fund is relatively healthy," Ferguson said. "It shows the ability to keep the fund ctive."

Ferguson also presented total revenue or receipts of Independence Township are $\$ 20.7$ million.
"Almost $\$ 21$ million flow through the community, Ferguson said. That is a lot of activity when you step back and look at it?

Ferguson also touched on the issue of state rev enue shating which accounts from approximately 21 percent of the general operating funds.

The slow down of the state's economy is now di rectly impacting the township's general fund Ferguson stated the year 2001 saw an increase of 19 percent as
the result of an increase in the township's popula tion but the year 2002 will likely see a 7 percent drop as a result of the slowdown in the economy **

- A Comcast representative was at the meeting to answer any questions about the recent merger of Comcast Cable Communications and AT\&T.

The merger will not effect the rates for cable customers. However, it will allow subscribers to receive more advanced services such as cable modems for the Internet and the expansion of digital cable.

The board approved the merger $6-0$, with Su pervisor Dale Stuart absent due to vacation

The board approved a classification upgrade for Renee Kittredge from clerk/technical to secretary in the Building, Planning and Zoning Services Department.
"I think Renee is an excellent employee and a very pleasant young lady," Clerk Joan McCrary. said.

- The board also improved July 4 fireworks at Clintonwood Park by the Chamber of Commerce: and Lake Oakland by the American Legion.

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## Independence Township <br> Sunday, June 23, an $18-y$ year old mantwas found

 walking along Mesa Cout, intoxicated, and registerng a . 20 PBT. He was ariested and cifed for being a minor in the possession of alcohol.A vehicle accident ar the M-5 and Dixie intersec tion resulted in an assaultafter the suspecty 25 year old man, got out of hisvehricle and hit the vietim, who caused the accident, across the face.
A malicious destruction of property and arson oc curred on Dark Lake Unknown responsibles cutout a front window screen of a home and threw a smoke bomb on the carpet of the front room. The responsibles also slashed the tires of a vehicle belonging to the complaintant. The case remains open for investigation.

Medicals on Princeton and Chanto.
Saturday, June 22, a domestic assault and simple assaultand battery occurred on Fox Creek. A woman and her boyfriend were assaulted by her husband of three and a half years. The 28 -year-old man was arrested.

A 56 year-old man on Pine Knob Lane was arrested for a domestic assault on his sister. The man was intoxicated at the time of his arrest
Medicals on Amy Drive, Michigamme, Pine Knob, Mann, E. Church, Waldon and Middle Lake.
Friday, June 21, a highly intoxicated 53 -year-old woman was arrested for trespassing after refusing to leave a bar on the premises of DTE Energy Music Theatre on Pine Knob. She was later released from custody with an appearance ticket:
A burglary, with force, occurred at a service organization building on Maybee. A door had been forced open and only empty cans and bottles appeared to be
a malicious destruction of property occurred at a
home Underconstructionon Oakhurst Ridge. Windows Were broken, the door was kicked in and the stairway was danaged.

## Building fire on Madison.

Medicals on Deer Lake, Princeton, Clarkston and Glenalda.
Personalithury accidents on Andersonville, Main at Citation, and Dixie south of Maybee.
Thursday, June 20 , investigation on Bullard Grass fire on Ortonville.
Medicals on Reese, Wyngate and Westyiew.
Personal injury accident on White Lake at Andersonville.

Yehicle fire on Sashabaw.
Wednesday, Jume 19, an outside pay phone, valued at $\$ 700$, was stolen from a plaza on Dixie. There are no known suspects

A woman on Whipple Shores reported harassment from a man she had been in a relationship with, who she met through an Internet dating service.

Medicals on Eastlawn, Sashabaw, Clarkston, Clintonville and Dixie.
Personal injury accident on Upland Drive.
Tuesday, June 18, a fountain was stolen from property on Glenwood Creek.
An attempted breaking and entering was reported on Crestview. The homeowner noticed the rear door wall had been damaged in a possible attempt to enter the residence.
Medicals on Citation and Horseshoe Circle.
Personal injury accidents Clintonville and Pine Knob, and Sashabaw at $1+75$.
Monday, June 17, a malicious destruction of property was reported on Shelley. The complaintant said
omeone keyed his vehicle causing $\$ 2,000$ in damage.
Complaint on Frankwell and Maybee.
Personal injury accidents on Big Lake and Farley, and Mann and Clintonville.

## Springfield Township

Sunday, June 23, domestic assault on W. Ellis. A 21 -year-old woman reported her father assaulted her by punching her in the face and pushing her to the ground. The mother was a witness. The 51 -year-old father was arrested.
Saturday, June 22, a 24 year-old woman was stopped on Hutchinson for driving without a seat belt. It was found she was driving with a suspended license and was arrested. A passenger, a 23 -year-old man, was arrested for a warrant on a misdemeanor out of Holly.
Disorderly conduct occurred between residents at a group home on Andersonville. There were no injuries. Tuesday, June 18, arson on Kropf. Four juvenile boys between the ages of eight and 10 entered an abandoned trailer in the Spring Grove Trailer Park off Dixie and set fire to a towel covering a door window. An employee of the park extinguished the small fire, Parents were contacted and all boys were questioned by police. A nine-year-old boy admitted to starting the fire. One of the 10 -year-old boys admitted to taking a jar of pennies and a dartboard. The stolen items were returned and the boys have been referred to youth assistance.
Neighborhood trouble was reported on Sleepy Hollow after name calling began between residents.
Monday, June 17, malicious destruction of property and larceny on Springfield Circle. The complaintant stated his car was vandalized and the license plate taken There were no suspects at the time.

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## Hennessy takes to the friendly skies to fulfill dream <br> BY JEFF PATRUS:

Clarkston News Staff Witter
It was just a matter of time before Clarkston resident Mike Hennessy learned how to fly.

Hennessy, who recently left his dental practice in Clarkston and is now freelancing, had wanted to get his pilot's license for approximately 20 years, but said he never had the time and energy to put into it.

A piece of reading material changed Hennessy's View:

Finally, I was reading a flying magazine," he said "I saw where they had a flight school in Hawaii. My wife (Diane) absolutely loves Hawait, so I figured I could go out and get a pilot's license."

Hennessy went on and did just that Now, he is currently licensed to fly under visual flight regulations - more specifically the weather has to be very clear. for himito fly Im leaming how to find airports and navigate with radios," he said.

The day he was interviewed for this article, he flew from the Oakland County Airport to Howell and then to Linden before returning to Pontiac. He said he relays a lot on the navigation tools once he's up in the air.

He said he put in about 50 hours of flight time in preparation for getting his license, spanning a 21 -day period. He said it isn't that easy for many people be cause of évery day obligations like work and family,

Things get in their way, like businesses and jobs," Hennessy said. They may not get up for 2-3 months, then have to relearn skills. Life just gets in the way. Many never finish what they start.

Hennessy's start in getting his pilot's license began last September, when he ran a marathon in Port land, Oregon, while his wife and sister walked the marathon course. After the marathon, they visited Seattle and toired Mt. St. Helens, then got on a plane from Portland to Hawaii.

He then started with the flight school, and he said that proved to be relatively cost effective. Hennessy said his whole stay costabout $\$ 13,000$, with the flight school itself costing about $\$ 9,000$. The school can be located on the Web at www.fly hawaii.com.

Hennessy, who turned 50 on Oct. 17 , received a birthday present when he flied a plane solo for the first time.

When he's not busy flying, one of Hennessy's other passions is running marathons, He has ran the Boston Marathon twice and has participated in several others throughout the years.

He is part of a group of runners, called the Wolfpack, that meets every Saturday at 8 a.m at Depot Park to get in some running.


Leaming to fly - Mike Hennessy eamed his pilot license after attending flight school in Hawaii. The school took him 21 days to complete. Photo provided.

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Dance to the music - A crowd came out for the first week of the Clarkston Chamber of Commerce concert series. Night Shift performed at Depot Park Friday night Photos by Kara McCallum:


## Betty L. Koop

Betty L. Koop of Waterford died Saturday June 22 at he age of 75.

He was preceded in death by her husband Leonard, mother of Fred of Harrison; Karen (Bob) Harrington of Clarkston, David (Judy)Koonof Virginia; the late Kathie (Greg) Scott of Clarkston, Kerry (Mike Irwin) Sennings of Waterford and Leonard $1 /$ (Rebecca) of Waterford; also survived by 15 grandchiildren and seven great-grandchildren, ister of Jean (Jeny) Miller and virginia
(Duane) Miles
A funeral service will be held Wednesday, June 26:at 12:30 p.m. at the Lewis E. Wint \& Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home, Clarkston. Interment follows at Waterford Center Cemetery Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society. Funeral arrangements entrusted to the Lewis E. Wint \& Son Funeral Home, Clarkston.

Annie

## Thomson

Annie Thomson of Clarkston died Sunday,

June 9 at the age of 84 .
She was preceded in death by her husband Edward mother of Thomas (Yon-Cha), Timothy (Tina) and Teri Anne; grandmother of Erica, Angie, Tommy, Jeffrey, Therese and Mary, best friend of Taffy and Cinnamon.

A funeral Mass was held Thursday, June 13 at Our Lady of the Lakes Catholic Church, Waterford. Rite of committal followed at Lakeview Cemetery. Funeral arrangements by the Lewis E. Wint \& Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home, Clarkston

## Bonior

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can'thave public transpor tation on the same scale they have in Washington. We need to connect Detroit to Clarkston, Detroit to Pontiac, Pontiac to Mount Clemens, Detroit to Dearborn."

Education: " want to make sure we have good schools. We need small class sizes, good number of teachers in schools with discipline and attention. After school programs soif the parents, grandparents or guardians aren't home the kids are not wandering home and geting into the liquor cabi net or doing other things we know that happen when they are leftalone

Health insur: ance: IT want to make: Cable show "Perspec: c sureevery child has heatthetives, If she organizeda
care. We have money for every child to have health care yet we have over. 300,000 who don't have insurance,"

Bonior explained to the crowd the campaign has been having stops like this all around the state of Michigan, although usually not as large as Monday nights, He also joked about the amount of Republicans in the area

The big news tonightis that Clarkston has never had as many demoavision in the history of this \& Democrat who would city, Bonior saids, come out was Bonior All

The candidate made? the other candidates a deal with Veal that he thought coming out to Would make an appear Clarkston was a waste because it is so Republ can.

candidates and the onl

I wanted it that bad and that is why idid it; Veal said. A Iot of these people are my neighbors. and I went door-to door. I think it was very nice of my neighbors to come out and support him," Veal said.

The resident added other than Republican candidate Joe Swartz, Bonior was the only one who would make the trip to Clarkston:

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# Clarkston student earns 'gold medal' at Math Olympiad <br> Rains Elementary Schoo 

Hoisington one of 54 students to earn perfect score in yearlong math competition
BY JEFF PATRUS Clarkston News Staff Writer

Katelyn Hoisington
can stand up on top of the math mountain with 53 of her peers.

The Springfield
ifth grader achieved a perfect score in the Math Olympiad, an intemational contest for students in grades 4-6. A total of 83,045 students took the test worldwide, and only 54 answered all 25 questions correctly.


Number cruncher - Springfield Plains Elementary School fith grader Katelyn Hoisington displays some of her math prowess. She was one of only 54 people worldwide to achieve a perfect scoresin the Math Olympiad, an internationalicontests for students in grades 4.6 . Photo by Jeff Patrus.

## Schools

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committee presented a variety of options for families:

For middle school students a $\$ 98$ fee based homework supervision and $\$ 98$ feebased computer láb supervision will be implemented. Supervisín willbe provided most likely by paraprofessionals.

A needs assessment will be conducted. before July I to determine the exac needs of middle school families, and other options that can be provided forithem.

For elementary students, Kids Connection, a parent paid before and after school child care provided throughi the Clarkston Community Education, will be offered ata reduced rate a one tume $\$ 98$ fee) between the hours of 130 and 4 p in. for Wednesday participants, The cost comes outto $\$ 280 /$ hour, a reduction from the regular rate of $\$ 3.40$ hour. Due to the one-time payment, no registration fee Will be tackedsong The program canact commodate 80 to 100 children ate each school building.
For the elementary, early release will beat $130 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. Whichat that time teach? ers will remain for developmental active ties including cumculumganing and analysis anfluilaing initativest, or
Instructoriafime tillincrate to rive
minutes at the startof each full day, from 8:30am. . as itwas ths year, to $8: 25 \mathrm{am}$. next year:
Móning and afternoon kindergarten students will attend alternating develop ment days which means A.M. kids will have seven develop ment days throughout the year as will PM. kids.
For midaleschool, students will have
10.50 am start on developmental Wednesdays. Däily instructional time will increase by 10 minutes at the start of each day and dismissal, will remain the same as the $2001-02$ yearat 2.30 pm .
The State of Michigan mandates 1,098 hours of instructionalime By including the 14 hours of state allowed professional development, instructional time for the upcoming school year for bothelementary and middle school wil be at 113 hours, remaining the same as the 2001 . 02 schoolyear.
Developmental days are currently scheduled for Oct 2, 16, 23 and 30 Nov. 20, Dec 4 and 11 Feb 26 , March 19 and 26 and May 14 and 21 . The board voted to eliminate andor reschedule a Sept 18 developmental day, stating it was too soon to startithe new program.
A progrann evaluation will be presentod to the board prior to implementing deve. opmental days for the 2003.04 , school
the honor by completing five monthly tests given from November to March with each test contawin five story problems. Students are given approxi mately 25 minutes to solve all five problems each month.
"She solved all 25 problems perfectly," said Susan Banworth, a Springfield Plains teacher who worked with Hoisington through the school's Talent Develop ment Program. She was really anoutstanding problem solver,"

For her efforts, Hoisington earned the Dr. George Lechner medăllion for achieving a perfec score, as well as the Out standing Mathlete for being the perfect scorer on the Springfield Plains team.

She said her tough est question was on the
Look for
Independence Day
pictures in July 10
edition of
The Clarkston
News,
fifth test in March. The fand practices them when question was If 3 bads 10 . kever she can. Because wickeds and 6 wickeds $=9$, 1 m good at doing them, it means, how many means, makes me feel good about does it take to equal 2 myself,

lifigured one would be $2 / 3$ of another one, so I used that to multiply and figure it out, Hoisington said in explaining her ap. proach to figuring out the problem.

She said she enjoys working on story problems

In her spare time, Hoisington enjoys playing soccer. She has a sister, Amanda, a sixth grader, who also took part in the Math Olympiad. She is the daughter of Rene and William Hoisington of Clarkston.


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## 14. Wed. June 26,2002 The Clarksion (M) Nepls <br> Elementary pen pals meet for day of fun



Goofin' around-Aboye; Clarkston's Jason Schick and Bailey Lake's Vinny Post and Griffen Schroeder hang out on the caboose. Photo by Jennifer Nemer.
Say cheese-Top left; from lett to right, pen pals Clarkston's Morgan Todd, Andrea Moultrup and Bailey Lake's Kelly Henckel get their smiles on for Mrs. Henckel's camera: Photo by Jennifer Nemer.
New friendships formed--Left; First graders from Miss Michaelson's Bailey Lake Elementary class and Miss Siveeney's Clarkston Elementary class, meet for the first time after being pen pals since January: Michaelson said she introduced the project into her curriculum to teach writing can be fun andiexcring. The two classe met at Depot Park on June 10 for lunch and games. Photo by Jennifer Nemer.

## Pine Knob Elem. students sign off for school year



Takin five-Above;Third graders Courthey Stratton and Leah Sanchez take a break: from signing
 Words in writing bevore taking off tor a stimmer of fun


## What is the one freedom in this country you most appreciate?


"Probably the freedom to vote" Bobbi Erdmann


Liberation of women." Carole Herbert


I definitely have to say freedom of speech. including the freedom 10 read whatever you want to and witte whatever you want to

Patience Beer


Freedom of religion. Rosemary Lilienthal


Freedom of speech. Diana Lindebergh


Wreedom of speech - without that, you lose all your freedoms, 4. Lynn Avey:

16. Wed, June 26, 2002 The Clarkston (Mi) News



# Thomas to be inducted into hall 

Former Clarkston resident starred in baseball and track at Hillsdale College

BY JEEF PATRUS
Clarkston News Staff Writer
Terry Thomas participated on the baseball and track teams at HillsdaleCollege in Hillsdale, Mich.for only two years before leaving for professional baseball.

However, those two years were enough for Tho: mas, a former Clarkston resident, to be nducted in the côllegels Athletic Hall of Fame. Thomas, the co-captain will officially be inducted, along with his teammates from the 1949 team, on Sept 21.

He played at Hillsdale in $1948-49$ before signing, a professional baseball contract with the Chicago White Sox. He spent three Years in the White Sox organization before breaking his leg and ankle while with the White Sox' Double A affiliate, the Memphis Chicks.

Thomas grew up in Defroit and was an allcity pole vaulterateooley High School, After graduatiog from Colley, he served a threeyear stint in the United States Coast Guard, beginning in 1943 before attending Hillsdale:

He recalled many fond memories of his second year with the Hillsdale baseball team in 1949. Despite the fact Hillsdate hadonly 500 s sudents and no athletic scholarships, the college managed to field a top-notch baseball tean, according to Thomas.

The team 1 played on in 1949 was a great team," Thomas said. 11 was a co captain. It was one of the best college teams in the country"

Whileplaying in the White Sox organization Thothas experienced several highilights, One of them was batting against Johny VanderMee, who eatier in his ecaree threw two consecutive no hitters for the cinPlease see terngthomas on page 21 A

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Receiving honor, Forme Clariston resident Terry Thomas , pictured here with a photo from his playing days in the Chicago White Sox organization, will beinducted into the Eilisdale. College Sports Hall of Fame Sept 17. Photo by Ueff Parris,

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# carem Milestones 

## At School

Paul J. Talbot graduated cum laude from, Alibon College receiving a degree in philosophy with a con centration in the Gerdd $R$ Ford Institute for Public Policy and Service The Clarkston High School gradut ate is the sonof Stephen Talbot and Elizabeth Talbot of Clarkston.
Clarkston's Anna Green and Lindsay Brand, both 2001. ClarkstonHigh Schoolgradiates ivere named to the Central Michigan University Presidenits List with a 40 GPA

Curtis Brewer of Clarkston graduated from the University of Michigan-Ann Arbor with a bachelor of business administration. A 1998 Clarkston High School graduate, Breweris the son of Phil and Cindy.

Sgt, Gregory Bradford Paddison, son of Mr and Mrs Bradford James Paddison. graduated June 2 from. St Johin's Northwestern Military A cademy in Delafield, Wis, He was co-captain of the golf and hockey teams and senior editor of the school newspaperand yearbquk Paddison will at tend Kalamazoo Coillege on academic scholarship pursuing a degree in prelaw and business.

Eauren Giordano of Clarkston
 was named to the Dean's Eist for the 2002 winter tem at Alma College.

Clarkston resident Brian Charles Witkowski will study opera performance and participate in the summer music festival at the Brevard Music Center in the Blue Ridge Mountains of Nöth Carolina:

Witkow ski competed with more than 1000 music students from the United States, Canad. Asia and Europe to win one of 370 places available at the music center. Hewill perform in ensembles and recenven struction from guestartists and a professional artist faculty whocome to Brevard from the nation's top sym phonies, operacompanies and music schools.

Clarkstonss Carrie Beals, DavidgGoss, George Hamilton and Davisbuifg's Leo Leddy were named to the Dean's List at Kettering University for he Win$\operatorname{ter} 2002 \mathrm{term}$


Engaged lessica Schulte of Clarkston and joshua Rasdall of Edmond, Okla, announce their engagement The daughter of Sohnand Mary of Clarkston, Schulte is a giaduate of tope College with a bachelor's in music performance, Rasdall, the son of Steve and Janna of Hutchinson, Kan, is also a Hope College graduate witha master's in musie per formance. A uly 2002 wedding s planned at he Dimnent Chapel inHolland, Mich.

## In Service

Army Put Nicole M, Back graduated from basic combat training gat Fort Jackson, Columbla, S.C.
During the nine weeks of training, Back, the daugh ter of Catherine $R$. Gavin of Clarkston, received instructionand practice ind drill and ceremony, marching, ifle marksmanship, arned and unarmed combat, map reading fieldactics military courtesy, military justice system, physicalfitness, basie first adid kidaf amy oall Les, principles and traditions.
Navy Petty Officer 3rd Class Philipd. Thibodeat, nephew of Mike Thibodeau of Davisburg, recently reported for duty aboard the aticraft carier Precommissioning Unit RonaldReagan, based at Newport News, Va:
Thibodeauis al 1999 graduate of Waterford Kettering High School and joined the Novy in August 1999

## At School

Sarah Iürnblom, a 1996 Clarkston High School graduate, received a master of aits in humanities on May 14 from Pennsylvania State University. She was awarded a fellowship for her first year and an assis tantship for her second year there in which she was responsible for deyeloping and implementing the process for online thesis submission, designing a website andinstruction gulde, and running seminars for training faculty and students.

Tumblom was a 2000 graduate of Geneva College in Beaver, Penn, She graduated Summa Cum Laude and was awarded a bachelor of science degree in math education, She was also the recipient of the William M. Ewing Mathematics Education Award.

Turnblom, will return to her undergraduate alma mater in the fall as an adjunct professor of humanities.
Staci Hill, a 1993 Clarkston High School graduate, received the degree of doctor of medicine from The College of Human Medicine at Michigan State University:
The daughter of Bill and Sharyn Hill of Clarkston, she received her bachelor of science and bachelor of
 arts degrees from Alma College in 1997. Sheplans to begin her residency programspecializing infamily practice athomas Jefferson University Medical Centerin Philadelphía, Pên, in June,

Jonathan Edward Robinson, son of Michaeland Michele Robinson of Clarkston, was named to the Deant Eist for the Sping 2002 semester at ontio Wesleyan Giviversity.
SorthwoodUniversity senione Iffanylut Honeyof Clarkston recelved the David and Baniel GoetzAca demic Athlete GD. Crain, Ir. Foundation Awardepresented to a four-year graduate who was a starteren a Yarsity tean earned a 30 cunulative GPA and was selected by the A thietic Committee. Honey is the daughter of William and Tammy
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Clankston Auto Wash team- The squad competes in the Boys $9-10$ Major Division of the Independence Township Parks and Recreation league. Pictured are; (front, 1 -r) Luke Locrichio, Connor Dolven, Brett Eberle, Billon Drayer, Chase Toth, Jack Schiau, (middle, 1 - ) Andrew Camphell, Jeffrey, Tumer, Justin Baetz, Matt Millery 1 Rogers Adam Frank, Alex Topham, Brent Cousino, (back, LG) Assistant Coach Sohn Schiau, Coach Chris Turner, Assistant Coach Mark Toth. Photo by Joff Patrus.

## Clarkston Auto Wash team learning baseball basics

## BY JEFP PATRUS

Clarkston News Staff Writer
In their first four games of the season, the Clark ston Auto Wash youth baseball team has notched a peifect record:

However, the team, which competes in the 9-10 boys major division of the Independence Township Parks and Recreation leagues, is accomplishing another goal that goes beyond wins and losses, according to coach Chris Tumer

They all contribute well and work hard, he said. They supporteach other real well:

He said the team be gan practicing quite a bit in May, and now have settled into the twice-a-week league schedule. The season lasts antil uily 16 and will comprise a total of 12 games.

The kids are learming about the game and play ing, learning about different situations and positioning? Tuinner said That's one of the most difficutt aspects

## Sports shorts

MeMillen competes in PowerBilt Junior Tour golf events

Clarkston's DustinMcMiilen recently took part in two consecutive Power-Bilt Junior Tour golf events.

On Thurscay dune 20 hetook part in the tour's thifd event at The Hawk at Patridge Creek. McMillen finished witha ound of 80 while compet ing in the boys 16 atidupdivision.

He forlowedthatup with an appearance at StonebridgéfinAnt A boo Friday, June 21 , finishinig With a round of 86 in the boys th and up division.

of the game."
He also said the team's parents have been very positive and encouraging of their sons, win or lose.

It's a good group of parents that understand how importantit is to stay supportive, Turner said.

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## Girls take sixth in national meet

> Coach said Kuhta; Mengyan. Nordquist and Oltman performed in race of lives'

## BY JEFF PATRUS

Clarkston News Staff Whiter.
Clarkston girls cross-country coach Jamie LaBrosse saíd the four Clarkston girls who competed in a national track meet June 15 would have to have "the race of their liyes.

The four runners nn question - Liz Mengyan, Gillian Nordquist, Anne Oltmän and Mo Kuhta - did just that at the Adidas Outdoor Track and Field Championships Saturday, June 15.

The girls placed sixth out of 25 teams nationwide entered at the meet, and as a result earned-All-American certificates, medals, T-shiirts and bags for their ef forts.

Mengyan finished with a time of $5: 07$, while Kuhta finished witha time of $5: 15$, Oltman a time of $5: 17$ and Nordquist a time of $5: 19$

Going into the meet, LaBrosse said the girls were seeded about 15 th out of the teams He noted a goal of theirs was to place in the top.six to earn the All-American certificates.
"Gilian had probably the best race of them all," LaBrosse'said. "She teally came up big. The girls were

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Earning their stripes - Foun Clarkston girls track runners received All American certificates for placing Sixth overall at the Adidas Outdoor Track and Field Champlonships June 15 in Raleigh North Carolina: Pictüred are (l- C Cochtuanie LaBrosseiliz Mengyan, Gillian Nordquist, Anne oltman an̆ Mö Kuhta, Photo by Ueff Patrus:
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## 10 YEARS AGO (1992)

The Independence Township Parks and Recre ation iloat, which featured 'Our Future Olympians? captured first place with the judges at the a annual Clarkston Fourth of July parade last Saturday.

The theme of the parade was Made in America* Red Beatie, co-ownerof Moon Valley and Sun Valley Furniture, was the parades g gand marshal WLLZ 98.1 EM disc ockey SO Io and Byron Mackicgor $w e r e$ the masters of Ceremonics.



 Boys concet The First Congrgationd Churatwas Third, eceiving $\$ 75$ and four C Arkstonenema movie passes.

The Clarkston News won the Judges Award receiving $\$ 100$ and four tickets to the Beach Boys concert Hediand Gretchen Bretzwon the Children's AWard, earning a Chery Hill Lanes North Bowling Party for six and two Playland birthday party certifi cates.

## 15 YEARS AGO (1987)

A concert, pancake breakfast town clock dedi cation and parade are to be featured in the unly 4 festivities in Clarkston this weekend.

Concerfhthe Parte On Friday, July 3 , the Emil Sutt Band is to se the tone with the first Concert in the Park in the monthlong series from 7 to 9 pim. in the Depot Pake 375 Depol Road, Sutt'S 17 piece band is to play patriotic music as well as swing funes popular music and a children's march, said foan Kopietz, concertorganizer

Pancale Brealfast At 7 am. Saturday, July 4, a pancake break fast with sausage scrambled eggs, orangejuice, milk and coffee is to be prepared by the Clarkston Masonic Temple board inthe Clarkston

## ALook Back

Masonic Templeat the corner of Main and Washing ton streets:

Clock Denletion After breakfast, the town clock, purchased in honor of Independence Township's Sesquicentennial, is to be dedicated at $9: 45 \mathrm{a} \mathrm{m}$ on Main Street, just before the parade begins.

## 20 YEARS AGO (1982)

Grabold Glory and a brassy blowing hornand hithe sireets of downtown Clarkston early on Mon

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Marches should line up a 930 am atcharkson Jinior High, 6300 Church 1 he route follows Church Street to Main Street north to Miller Road

Farticipants should gear their fiotst to this years theme: A red, white and blue salute to Independence:"

A $\$ 25$ award goes to the following winning entriess Mosit original floaty best childrenk float best theme float:

In addition, three awards will be given to those Judged to be the best made up clowns prior to the parade as marchers line up atclarkston Junior High

## 25 YEARS AGO (1977)

Clatkston area residents will be able to view a gigantic firewors display from the comfortofalawn chair in theirown backyards Jaly 3 ?

Pine Knob will put on the fireworks display, set ting off some 250 aerial blasts from atop of the ski slopes making the display visible formiles around, act cording to George White community liatson officer for Pine Knob.

Thedisplay willgetunderway inmediately following the Chicago concett approximated at 10:30 and will last for about 15 minutes.

Finishing touches are being put on floats and pa rade costumes are being readied for Clarkston's big

4 th of July parade which begins at 10 a.m. Monday in the downtown area

Participants will meet between 9.15 and 9.45 am. at Clarkston Junior High, and the parade will proceed along East Church to Main Street, north on Main to Clarkston Road where nobile units and hotses will be detached. All walking units will continue to Miler Road. The following is a list of 4 th of Jüly activities in Clarkstorand the surrounding area:

Saturdty fily 2 :
Chicago matinee at Pine K nob Music Theate;, pm .

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pm
Betrol Symphony Orchestra al Meadowbrook, $8.30 \mathrm{~m} . \mathrm{m}$
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Deer Lake Sailboat Club regatta at Deer Lakenoon

Chicago evening performance at Pine Knob 7.30 pm .

Up With People at Meadowbrook - $7: 30$ p.m.
Fireworks at dusk at Pontiac Mall.
Meadowbrook fireworks - -after the show.
Mo diny, July $4:$
Parade through Clarkston sponsored by IndependenceTownship Firefighters- 10 am .

Deer Lake Sailboat Clüb regatta at Deer Lake noon.

Chicago performance at Pine Knob $-7,30 \mathrm{pm}$. Jobs Daughters pancake breakfast at Clarkston Masonic Temple, 2 N Main, 7 am to 1 pm . Tuesdry, July 5 .
Shop and Save Days in downtown Clarkston stores. Win a $\$ 25$ savings bond in particpating businesses.


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## Look Back

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## 30 YEARS AGO (1972)

Deer LakeSail Club will sponsora 4thof ofuly sailing regatta at noon on Deer Lake: Members hope to double the num ber of entries for the Memorial Day race.

All interested in entering must at tend the skippers' meeting at 11.30 a:m. prior to the race in order to compete for trophiles

Aregistrationfee of $\$ 2$ forall boats whose skippers or crew are over 16 years of age and not members of the club will be accepted. The fees will beused to help pay for the trophies

Membership in the club is available for $\$ 5$. Youngsters under 16 are admit ted free and are equally eligible to win trophies.

Further information about the regatta and the club is available from Brooke Bennett, Keith Hallman, Everett MacDougal, Bill Pfahlert, Jim Vollbach, Mark Witherup or Vince Luzi

## 35 YEARS AGO (1967)

Several of the Summer Recreation playground units are preparing floats for the 4th of July parade in the village. It is hoped that the parade scheduled for 10 a.m. will be one of the best and the biggest.

It will commence in the north end of town at Miller Road and M15. Participants are urged to be there and ready to get into position at $9: 30$ a:m. Johin Ronk is the parade chairman, $A$ is is usual the parade is sponsored by the independence Township Firemen.

Three cash prizes of $\$ 10$ each will be offered There will also be candy and treats for the kids.

Firemen are hoping that many clubs and organizations are ready to enter floats in the parade. The new Waterford Township Fire Truck which has never been used will be participating There will also be antique cars, M-cycle entries and about 18 cars of the Beattie Mustang Club. There are also two Reserve Units expected.

There will not be a fireworks display this year in the vilage, however there will be a small display at Granberry Lake:

## 40 YEARS AGO (1962)

The growthofindependenceTown. ship is much in evidence with each 4 th of July parade. Time was when the pas rade was held and streets cleared in half an hour. This year titook two hours 1 The largest parade in the history of elarkston was observed by a record crowd. An evening fireworks display was equally wellattended.

A float fashioned from a pontoon boat, and decorated with crepe paper, flag's and four maidens, Leslie Hursfall, Trudy Kobrak, Carol Walter and Carol Sage, took first place in the adult float competition Sponsored by the newly or ganzed Jayeees in Clarkston, the theme of the foat was dual, 4 th of July and announcing the new organization in Clarkston.

The Clarkston News float, runter up, basically was a ${ }^{\text {Jeep pickup truck }}$
from Bill Spence Rambler, Inc, covered completely with shredded Clarkston newspapers and carrying a treadle operated press which printed programs of the day's activities. The programs were passed out to viewers, The press, believed to be 75 to 100 years old, was the first pressever operated by youreditor, some 16 years ago.

The Northview subdivision float took first prize in the individual children's float, composed of four children in white wigs sitting in frontof a large document of the Declaration of Independence. The float was decorated with 4,000 colored and white paper napkins.

## 50 YEARS AGO

 (1952)Again the people of Clarkston and vicinity enjoyed the Fourth of July in their own balliwick Crowds assembled on Main Street in plenty of time to see the parade at ten o'clock.

The parade was headed by the colors and the American Legion Drum and Bugle Corps. In line were decorated cars, trucks, machines from the Dearborn Motors, children in costume, some with pets, and last in line were the riders of the Dixie Saddle Club. The parade terminated in front of the Hawk Tool and Engineering where the prizes were distributed.

Following the parade races took place on the Hawk grounds. There were races for all ages and the participation Was very gratifying to those in charge From these races attention was given to the canoe and swimming races which took place in the Mill Pond and to close the morning's program a group of Clarkston boys and a number of boys from the Dearbom Boys' camp at Walter's Lake vied for honors in a water batte.

During the aftemoon many of the townsfolk rested while others picnicked and all were ready to enjoy the big display of fireworks in the evening. The downtown area was crowded as wellas along all side roads leading into town. The firefighters deserve credit for a job well done, they took charge of the program for the day. The merchants played a big part in the day'scelebration. They made the big day possible by furrishing the cash and the generosity of the Hawk Tool and Engineering meantan ideal space for the program and also electricity for the loud. speaker.

## 60 YEARS AGO (1942)

The Fourth of July patade in. Clark Ston, sponsored by the American Legion Post and the Rotary Clüb, was a grand success. A large crowd lined along both sides of Main Street and the local police controlled the traffic

The local school baid led by Bill Radoye and three snappy majorettes headed the parade of fappy children and adults who marched along, nost of them in costume. There Were Gir1Scouts, Red Cross nurses, gypsies, Uncle Sam, old fashioned women, many children with their pets, some children on decorated bicycles, some on ponies. Inthe lineup was the Clarkston fire fruck manned by members of the Legion and Rotary Clúb.

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# Respect the flag: learn to treat it properly 

## BY JENNIFER NEMER <br> Clarkston News Staff Writer

It's a symbol of our freedom in the United States of America, and it should be respected and treated ac cording to its correct etiquette.
Tom Lynch, adjutant at the Clarkston American Le gion Post 63 , said he often sees our country's flag mistreated such as citizens no saluting it as it passes in parade or a wom flag still flown. To en whags
oo encourage others to properly respect the flag he suggests calling a veteranorganization. requesting a copy To help and reading i
To help, proper flag etiquette is printed below:

## Standards of Respect

The flag should never be dipped to any person or thing. It is flown upside down only as a distress signal. The flag should not be nsed as a drapery for signal ing a speakers desk, draping a plat a drapery, for cove ration in general Bunting fiue, whiter any decoration in general. Bunting of blue, white and red stripes is available for these purposes. The blue stripe of the bunting should be on top.
purpose It should never be used for any advertising purpose, It should not be embroidered, printed or oth erwise impressed on such articles as cushions, handdiscarded iscarded after temporary use. thletic uniform except used as part or a costume or athletic uniform, except that a flag patch may be used on the uniform of military personnel, fireman, policemanand members of patriotic organizations.
The tlagshouldgever have placed on it, or attached to it, any mark, insignia, letter, work, number, figure or drawing of any kind.
The iflag should never be used as a receptacle for When, holding, carrying or delivering anything. When the flag is lowered, nopart of it should touch the ground or any other object; it should be received by
waiting hands and arms. To store the flag it should be folded neatly and ceremoniously When ing in a dignifis worn, it should be destroyed by burning in a dignified manner

Displaying the Flag Outdoors
When the flag is displayed from a staff projecting from a window, balcony or building, the union (stars) should be at the peak of the staff unless at half staff. When displayed from the same flagpole with another flag, the flag of the United States must always be at the top except the church pennant may be flown above the flag during church services for Navy personnel when conducted by a Naval chaplain on a ship at sea. When the flag is displayed over a street, it should hang vertically with the union to the north or east. If the flag is suspended over a sidewalk, the flag's union Should be farthest from the building.
cieties on separate flag po states, communities or societies on separate flag poles of the same height and in a straight line, the flag of the United States is always placed in the position of honor--to its own right. The other flags may not be larger, and the flag of the United States is always the first raised and last lowered When flown with the national banner of other coun tries, each flag must be displayed from a separate pole of the same height, raised and lowered simultaneously.

## Raising and Lowering the Flag

-The flag should be raised briskly and lowered slowly and ceremoniously. Ordinarily it should be displayed only between sunrise and sunset. It should be illuminated if displayed at night. The flag is saluted as it is hoisted and lowered. The salute is held until the flag is unsnapped from the halyard or through the last note of music, whichever is longest

Displaying the Flog Indoors
When on display, the flag is always positioned to its own right. Place it to the right of the speaker, staging area or sanctuary. Other flags should be to the left. The flag should be center and highest of a group of flags of states, localities or societies displayed. When one flag is used with the flag of the United States and the stafts are crossed, the flag of the United States is placed at its own right with its staff in front. When displaying the flag against a wall, the flag's union should be at the top, to its own right and to the observer's left.

Parading and Saluting the Flag
When carried in a procession, the flag should be to the right of the marchers. When other flags are car ried, the flag of the United States may be centered in front of the others or carried to their right. When the flag passes in a procession, or when it is hoisted or lowered, all should face the flag and salute.

## The Salute

To salute, all persons come to attention. Those in uniform give the appropriate formal salute, Citizens not in uniform-salute by placing their right hand over their heart and men with head cover should remove it and hold it to left shoulder, hand over the heart. Member of organizations in formation salute upon command of the person in charge.

## The Flag in Mourning

- To place the flag at half staff, hoist it to the peak for an instant and lower it to inalf way The flag is to be raised again to the peak for a moment before it is lowered. On Memorial Day the flag is displayed at half staff until noon and at full staff from noon to sunset. The flag is to be flown at half staff in mourning for designated, principal government leaders and upon presidential or gubernatorial order.


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# Local Independence Day Celebrations 

## Fourth of July Crafts

## Tresday, July 2

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The class is open to children of all.
under 5 must be accompanied by be two crafts for each child to do an adult. There will of participants are required. Cost is $\$ 5$ per number more information call (248) $634-0412$ per child. For

## Independence Fourth

 of July Parade
## Thareday, July 4

10 am. te $11: 30 \mathrm{am}$
Mine Indepent
The independence Township Fourth of July Parade is set to begin at the Community Education building on Church Street. The parde runs to Main Street, to Miller Road, to Holcomb Road. The participants will dispense at St: Daniels Catholic Chuirch. The pariède is sponsored by the Indepenidence Fire Department. The parade will feature more than 100 cntriesi $\%$

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## Entertainment

## Thurnday, July 4

Neon to 10 p.in.
Clintonwoed Park
Enjoy a day of live entertainment. The fun will being at approximately noon and continue until the fireworks at approximately 10 p.m. The tentative program hedule includes:

Noon to 1:30 p.m.: The Rich Eddy Band (50's and 60's)

2-2:30 p.m. The Chris McCall Duo
3-3:30 p.m. Super Wayne
4-6 p.m. The Hits
6-8 p.m. DJ Mike Moran
8-10 p.m. Thique
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mogn to 10 p.m.
The fun will begin at approximately noon and continue until the fireworks at approximately 10 p.m The tentative program schedule:includes: K-9 Stray Rescue League: noon-10 p.m
Team Reptile: noon-10 p.m
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Michigan Disc Dogs Toss, \& Fetch Competitio
11:30 a.m.-2 p.m.
Agility Workout Society of Mid-Michigan: 3 p.m. 5 p.m

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Fireworks Display
Clintonwood at dusk
A great day has come to an end, now sit back, elax and enjoy fireworks by the world famous Zambelli Fireworks Company. The Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce and the Clarkston Rotary are the sponsors of this event.

Live entertainment will precede the fireworks so come eariy and get a great spot to watch the spectacu lar colors in the sky.

Absolutely tho petisonal fireworks will be permite ancen ted in the park. Violators will be ticketed.

Shuttle parking will be available at Clarkston High School, Clarkston and Flemmings at Clarkston

Check out The Clarkston News on July 10 for pictures from the Independence Day celebrations.
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44. Some investors have one eye on the news of the day to see how it may affect their socks, bonds and other holdings: And many events doinfluence the performance of investimpor to sher sher surcesstuly

Patt of the problem withmaking investmentdecisions based on news events is that the market reacts to such a wide variety of occurrences -eamings shortfalls, increases in inflation, political instability fetc. You cant predict such events, and you can'talways tell how they will affect your investments

This element of unpredictability is compounded by the fact that the market doesn't just react to news- it often opereacts. Bad news moves it down, while good news moves it up, but the level of movement is sometimes driven more by emotion than by logic. You've probably heard that Treed and fear drive the market - and unfortunately, there may be a great deal of truth to this theory

Instead of making investment decisions inireaction to daily headlines, you're much better off choosing investments based on more meaning fül factors. If you're considering a stock, look at the fundamentals of the company Is its management sound? Are its products competitive? Does it have a solid business philosophy?

You also need to ask yourself if a stock will be a good fit for your diversified portfolio. Suppose, for example, that you have ound a grow th stock that you like. You've done your research you undersand the company, youte impressed by its management:and you're convinced its fundamentals are strong and its outlook is bright. Sounds likeiagreat stock to buy, tight? Maybe : and maybe not If yout portfolio is already Strongly weighted toward growth stocks then the adation of one more- even one that:looks quite promising-could throw of your overall balance and even subject you to more investment isk than you're comfortable with In short keep the idea of "balance" in mind before you buy: 3 th - If you can concentrate on a stock's fundamentals and its effect on'your overall portfolio, and if you can mainlain your long-tem focus, then you'tefar less: likely to be swayed into making investment moves that spring from whátever events are currenty making news. Still, you won't want to ignore all the news.

If you see pattern of stories that indicate a particularindustry or company is heading into a longtem downards spiral, then you may wan to review yout holdings, Just make SURE youre tot responding to what may be a one time or shortterm eyent There's an old saying that today's pewspaper is totnorrow's trash: If you can keep those words in mind, youtl probably be a happièr and more productive - investor.

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* Before Independence and SpringfieldTownshipresidents light up the firework this Fourth of July they might want to check with their local fire departments:

Both townships fire departments caution residents to handle fireworks with safety and to make sure the fire. works they do use are within accept. able regulations
"If it makes a loud bang and leaves the ground, it's illegal, Springfield Township Fire Chief Charles Oaks said.

According to Oaks, the follow ing types of fireworks are allowed without a permit being filed flat paper caps, toy noisemakers, sparklers fountains (cone shaped), toy snakes, toy snake devices and signal flares.

Any of these should be used with adult supervision," Oaks said.

On the other hand, he said any type of commercial fireworks that are used, as well as any sale of fireworks requires a permit:

He said the types of fires that result from fireworks usually involve grass fires getting set from bottle rock ets.

Greg Olrich, Independence Township Fire Marshal, said the ownship's Fire Department goes by state guidelines as far as enforcing fireworks regulations are concerned They're pretty specific as far as what s legal and illegal," he said.

In a June 18 letter to subdivision residents in Independence, Olich fur ther outlines which fireworks are considered legal and illegal:

LLegal. flat paper caps, toy trick noise makers, sparklers, flitter sparklers, fountains, toy snakes, toy smoke bombs, signal flares and blank cartridge pistols.

Ilégale include butare not limited to the following: cherry bombs, comet or mines, firecrackers, M-80. M-250, M-1000, bottle rockets, Roman candles, silver salutes and what is referred to as torches.

He said any violation of these

TIit makes a loud bang and leaves the ground, it's illegal.

Charles Oaks
Springfield Township Fire
Chief
regulations is punishable by up to 90 days in jailand/ora $\$ 100$ fine.

In addition, Olrich said fireworks displays have to pass a number of tests. He said the displays have to follow the above state guidelines and be approved by the Independence Township Board Also, he said those that put on fireworks displays must have a federal license to do so.
"There's laws that regulate getting the product to the site and codes that say how far off bystanders have obe, he said.

Those that display fireworks aren't the only ones subject to stiff regulations, according to Oltich. He said those that sell fireworks must have a permit and liability insurance.
"We have to make sure it meets guidelines for sale; he said, They go through a rigorous approval process."

He said enforcing the correct use of fireworks is a challenge during the Fourth of July because the fireworks go against the message the department continually relays to the children of the community throughout the year.
"We spent the entire year preaching to kids that you don't play with fire," Olich said, "The same people that are preaching them to kids are handing them sparklers. If there's a holiday Idon't like, its the Fourth of July, because of the misuse of fireWorks. There's not anything safe about them".

Check out the July 10 edition of The Clarkston News for coverage of Independence Day festivities.


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# July 4 parade a longtime Clarkston favorite 

## BY JENNIHER NEMER

## Clarkston News Staff Witer

For more than 60 years the Independence Township Fire Department has made the streets of Clarkston come alive with the joys of the Fouth of July parade.
Time may have brought some change in technicalities, but the parade remains an event fullof fün, celebrating indepen: dence, and becoming a lasting tradition with Clarkston families.
Back in the day, when fire headquarters was the Station \#1 on Church Street where the city police call home today the parade was less structured.
"People Would dress up and justshow up at the old high school and they could be in the parade. There was no organization, said Fire Department secretary Peggy North, parade coordinator for the past 13 years.

The parade became a more assembled event when North came on board and was asked to directit:

Now the parade has doubled in size with on average 100 entries, and has grown to include grandstands a sound system donated by Eontiac Music and Sound; announcers Dale Ryan, the voice of the Clarkston Wolves, and sidekick" Dave Tinkus; an F16 fly over from Selfidge Air Force base; and much more.

And it used to be only "Clarkstonites" attended the festivities, now North said, people come from all over. "We.get calls (inquining about the parade) from all over Oakland County:

It seems spectators take the ir parade more seriously these days as well.

People start coming to town at six or seyen in the morning and tie their chairs down in place,'said Luke Studt fellow Fire Department secretary assisting North with parade coordination,
Since Desert Storm, the parade has grew significantly, That year, and the same as this year will be, people became more patriotic, North said
In light of the tragedies of Sept 11 this year's parade is entitled "America: Land of the Free, Home of the Brave" and features several fire tighters, police officers and service persons as grand marshals, and entries decorated to show their patriotism.
The parade will run from 10 a.m. to 11.30 a am, starting at the Community Education Building on Church Streetand traveling to Main to Miller and to Holcomb, dispersing at St Daniel Catholic Church:

Main Street has always been the path of choice, with the exception of lasty yar When the Fire Department cancelled the parade for safecty reasons due to down townrevitalization construction.
North and Studt said they are thankfül for all the community and business participation they receive each year "Clarkston State Bank has been most generous, The Parsonage and Carrols Flowers and Gardens typically donate flowers. The Clatkston Junior Optimists have faithfilly helped fill balloons, hand out flags and more. And the City of the Village of Clarkston does a wonderfuljob cleaning upafter the spectators have left:

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## Independence Day reminds editor of everything American

Independence Day is always a highly antici, Okay, will give you baseball just so we can fill up the pated holiday Really any holiday which falls in the summer months would be a big hitherein Michigan

However the Fourth of July is something special, sinceit allows sus to filly appreciate the fact we live in the greatest country in the woridititaly has their pasta. England has their tea and Canad has the annoying dimes, but nothing compares to the United States of America.

I thought on this Fourth of July 1 would share items, other than the obvious freedoms we are blessed with, Ifeel make this country great: They include:

Hot Dogo Never before has such a simple food been so powerful, Give me a Ball Park Frank hot dog at a baseballgame any day of the week.

ESatellite Television. Dolyou mean I can sit in the com-
 fort of my own home and flip through more than 900 channels? Clean out your desk Comcast, you're gone

For basically the same price as cableI Ican get a plethora of ESPNs along with any other channel imaginable:

What I will watch will depends on what mood Lam in at the time. In search of edication flip to the Discovery Channel, in need of humor purich in the Comedy Channel or if 1 want to know the true story behind Foghat I can look for VHI's Behind the Music-

Sports, Sport, Sport, While the rest of the world cares deeply about uninteresting games, Such as soccer, the United States hangs its hat on real sports such as football, basketball and hockey.
summer months.

- Itis no doubt players from other countries all want to come to America to compete. We have the greatestathletesin the world and are a measuring stick forall:

Where else can nationalities come together and reach the pinnacleof their sportin the city of Detroit much likeithe Red Wings recently accomplished?

To quoteIgor Lanonov, Hey, Hey Hockeytown, Whoo00, 0000,00000!?

EMichelBoiton. Okay so no country can be perfect

Fast Food. What country other than the United States could provide such tasty food so quickly prepared? The Whopper, Big Mac and Frosty are a big part of the American diet although not necessarily a healthy part

And please do not forget the McRib which graces us with its presence during the summer months In my book the McRib is the most underrated fast food tem of all time.

- Apple Pie. Not a huge fan butI feel would be remise if Idid not include it in the list-

AHithe thing calleir Rock R Roll Sure Great Britain can claim this as theirown due to The Beatles; The Roiling Stones and Eric Clapton but you look over the entire genre and the U.S. gets the nod.

America has produced the Allman Brothers, The Black Crowes, Böb Segar, Van Halen and the listgoes on and on.

T Ronie O'D Donnell. Please bear with my here. Ido not like O'Donnell but she provides the perfect example of how all can attain the A mericand dream,

If aportly, no talented comedian with an abnormally large head can be successfül in this country than there is hope for all of us.

YS FHollynood Movien Everything from Rocky beating a Russian on steroids to a talking pig American movies have something for everyone:

Plus no subtitles in A merican mavies.
 mightitiave you believe, our country produces fine automobiles, I come from a General Motors family and do not plan on buying any thing but G.M in the coming years.

- Comedy America can do many things well and laughing is one of them. Whether it is being cracked up on my ride to work by the WRIF Drew and Mike motning radio show or watching Seinfeld reruns in the evening hours, American comedy strikes my funny bone.

Sure Monty Python and Mr. Bean might make me chuckle at times, but much like the tock and roll entry, we have higher quantity.
-Sparklers You can't beat giving burning sticks to children as a form of entertainment. Just kidding and please hold the letters to the editor. Fireworks can be dangerous and should only be used with adult supervision.

- Convenience. We are a culture based on convenience and Loveit. You can get food without getting out of you car turn off your lights by clapping and start your car from the comforts of your home.

I hope everybody has an enjoyable and safe Independence Day celebration. This is my first Fourth of Suly since moving to Clarkston last year so Lam excited about watching the parade and all the festivities that surround it

Hope to see you there.
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## Independence Clerk enjoys local Fourth of July activities

## BYKMLE GARGARO

Clarkston News Editor
The Independence Day celebrathon in Independence Township is acommunity fixture. Many local residents look forward to the summer celebration and Independence Township Clerk Joan McCrary is one of them.

Every other year McCrary is part of the parade along with the old cars her family collects, The clerk has lived inIndependence Township for 30 years and can't remember missing a parade.

When the kids were young we use to get there early. We would try to get a good spot then sit and wait; McCrary said.

Since McCrary became clerk she has participated in the parade more. When she is a candidate, like this year where she is running for Oakland County Commissioner, she promotes her campaign but in other years she participates just forfun.

Independence Day here is really the most exciting day of the year for our community. We all come fogether. People come from all around and bring their families to the celebration. It is a very family oriented event," McCrary said.

Members of McCrary's family are coming from places including Florida, Taiwan and also locally. The clerk said it is an opportunity for her children to see some Independence Township friends they might not have seen in some time. McCrary's parents, who are 84 and 92 respectively, also will be coming out to watch her in the parade.

The clerk believes the parade ties
together the entire Independence Day celebration for the township, McCrary said that is why getting the parade put together last year by Gini Schultz was so important.

While McCrary is well known for displaying the American flag all year round, she believes having a day set aside to show our patriotism is vital.

There are kids with balloons and there are flags flying, It is about honor ing our countiymore than anything and Ithink that is what it should bel It is actualizing out principles rather than just talking aboutit "McCrary said. We are all there saying "We love our country"!

This being the first Independence Day since the attacks of Sept. 11, the day takes on additional meaning.
"Iam sure it will be touching because when you hear the patriotic music you can't help but remember Sept. 11 ,"McCrary said "At my age I have been through a lot of different wars. Some of my friends children went over to the Gulf War, my husband's age group was in the Korean War andmy dad and all of them were involved in World War II. I have heard about it my whole life but I think Sept, 11 brought it to our youth."

McCrary said there is a familiar schedule that occurs every Independence Day.
"Try to get everybody up and to the parade by 9 am . We try to have some semblance of breakfast as everybody is getting ready" McCrary said. "Then afterwards you are starving hungry so we have a big picnic. It is a lot of fun."


Independence Day festivtles - Independence Township clerk Joan McCrary enjoys the local Fourth of Juky celebrations. File phioto.

Mccrary also has fond memories of Independence Day from her youth. When she was a child, her family would go to Tiger Stadium if Detroit had a home afternoon game.

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## The July 4 fun continues after the parade at Clintonwood Park

## BY JENAVIRER NEMIER

## Clarkston News Staf tirit

The Fourth of July parade may end at $1.30 \mathrm{a} \cdot \mathrm{m}$. but the festive fun continues for the rest of the day at Clintonwood Park, thanks to the lidependence Township Parks and Recreation
For years the park off ClarkstonRoad has been the site of ghmes entertainment and of course, the all important frevorks. And this year will be no dif. ferent withe cin more to dazzle guests.
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New this y ear is a petting farm fiom Winstar Farms of Oxford. The portable, handicap accessible barn will feature a variety of animals kids, will be sure to love. Staff will beon hand withinformation on all the füry critters.
Also new for kids is the Caterpilar, a blow up tun nel- like replica of the insect the lithe ones can craw through.

The Super slidewilibe back for fin along with 10 to 12 Kids Games including balloon darts, ting toss; squirt guns, floating tic tac toe and a lot more. Pick up your 25-and 50 -cent Kids Games tickets that the ticket booth adjacent to the tennis courts. Games run from 11 am to 5 pm .

The Mens Class *C Sof ball Tournamentis a very popular part of the eventand wilitake place until 4 p.m. with awards given out to the top two teams. 3

Always a highlight is the arts and crafts, show, from 11 a.m. to $5 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. One hundred booths will feature thousands of quality hand-made goodies from all over Michigan varying from stain gläss, folk art, woodcrafts clothing, jewelry, ceramics, dolls and much more The
craft show was actually the stati of the Clintonwood Park festivities years ago, springboarding growth to incorporate games, entertainment and all that th itas. become today
Also this year, the Independence Township Senior Center will hold an open house from noon to 2 pimfor tours.
Arcello said the busies time of the day is arourth 7 pan when people sear up for the firework display: To accommodate guestrduring thistime parts ond
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 appoximately noonand lasting untilirework kikoff at $10 \mathrm{p}, \mathrm{m}$. The tentative program schedule includes. from non to 130 p in. 3 the 50 and 60 sty music of The Rich Eddy Band, from 2 to 3 pm . Whe Chris McCall Duo, a guitarist and singer encouraging autdiz ence participation, from 3 to 330 pm - comedian Su per, Wayne from 4 to $6 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. The Hits from 6108 pin- DJ MikeMoran, andiclosing it out from 8 to $10^{\circ}$ pim-Thique, a rock 2 n rollcover band of police officers frombetroit,
K 9 demonstrations, which Arcello said draws a big crowd, will mun until the start of the fireworks. The tentative schedư e program includes. K 9 Stray Rescue Ieaguefrom noon to 6 pm , Tream Reptile: from noon to $8 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. On a limited time schedule 's the MichiganDiscDogs Toss and Fetch Competition from 1130 am to 2 p m Residents can register their dog for the toss and fetch competition at the Parks and Rec offices at the township hall starting June $24 \%$
To the delight of everyone's stomachs, great food will be provided by The First Congregational Church in Clarkston as well as the Senior Center Erom hot Gogs, hamburgers, chips, pop, ice cream, candy, fryit
and even carnivalifavorites such as elephant ears and roasted almonds there is something for everyoneand proceeds will support these two organizations. "We have covered seating for picnics, Arcello added. But most people bring blankets:
At the close of the day is the colorfil fireworks display which for the past eightyears, parks and Rec has sponsored. Put on by the world famous Zambelif Fireworks Intemationale who are known for theit wort with the Betroit Windson Heedom Tetiva 1 thel2 minute presentationts sure to ting outheoohivid ahs of its viewers. A icello satd most people sit on the Softball or soccerfictas forag gratudy
The Carkston Area Chanbot ofomisterases allthe funds for the fireworks and a large donation comes from the Clarkston Rotary as well. Were so thank ful for that, sinceit costs $\$ 8,000$ to do the fireWorks.

Additional corporate sponsors inclüde Oxford Bank, Dana Fortinberry for District Court Judgêt Kelley Kostin for District Court Judge and Litile Poople's Place Mejersand Clarkston Eamily Dentalalsomade donations to the festival.

Free shutle parking will be available from Clark ston High School. Though there is parking at Clintonwood Arcello sald it fills up quickly and shuttle parking offers ane easier get-in and get-out which she suggests.

Arcellós said an event like this is important in Clarkston 4 Especially this year? People will be alot more patriotic This can help bring people together it's an opportunity for families to spend time together, make memories, and just have some fun?

Clintonwood Park is located at 6000 Clarkston Rd. For more information, call the Independence Township Parks and Recreation at 625-8223.


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