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New leadership changing 52-2 court

BY JENNIFER NEMER
Clarkston News Staff Writer

These are new times at the 52-2 District Court in Clarkston.

It's been a long time since there was any significant change at the court where the recently retired Judge Gerald McNally presided for 34 years. But now there are new people, new programs and Judges Dana Fortinberry and Michael Batchik have new plans.

Because of an increased jurisdiction this year, (52-2 serves the villages of Clarkston, Holly and Ortonville, the townships of Independence, Springfield, Holly and Brandon, and now Rose Township and White Lake as well), Batchik was transferred from the 52-1 District Court in Novi where he began his judicial career in 1979.

Batchik isn't seeing the Clarkston court for the first time, however. He was, in fact, behind the bench every other month for the past year to get accustomed to everything and everyone at the 52-2, before starting permanently at the start of this year.

He has two more years of his six-year term at which time he will be forced to retire because of his age. He will be 70 then, and the constitution says judges are not allowed to run for term after that age.

"I'm going to go kicking and screaming," the 36-year White Lake resident said. "I've been a judge all these years and I've enjoyed it." Prior to becoming judge, Batchik was a general practitioner for 13 years.

He has been married nearly 47 years to Connie, and the two have five children and seven grandchildren.

For Fortinberry, she said of her recently acquired position, "It's exciting. It's a new challenge which I was ready for."

Fortinberry was voted judge in the November election against opponent Kelley Kostin. Fortinberry received 18,689 votes to Kostin's 12,844. "I love the opportunity to work with Judge Batchik and all the wonderful staff at the court."

Together Fortinberry and Batchik plan to bring changes to 52-2. "That's what happens when you bring in different personalities," Batchik said.

For starters, they have already accelerated the docketing of domestic violence cases. Anybody charged with the crime on a weekend gets a pretrial date on Monday and anyone charged during the week will see a pretrial date within seven days.

Prior, the responsible party would be arraigned



Judge Dana Fortinberry and Judge Michael Batchik have big plans for the 52-2 District Court in Clarkston. Photo by Jennifer Nemer.

and face a pretrial date a month or two later. Fortinberry said the problem with that is after that much time passes, the complainant is less likely to follow through with the charges and often dismisses them.

With accelerated docketing, Fortinberry said, "we can hopefully save some lives, prevent someone from being hurt and prevent children from being exposed to constant violence in the home."

The judges have also been hearing a lot more cases daily. "We're adamant things are heard right away," Fortinberry said. Both recently met with police agencies on how to speed up the process and paperwork for bringing cases to the court.

"We're fortunate the staff is hugely efficient as

well," she said. New to the court staff is court recorder Jill Palulian, who can also be seen on the Independence Township Planning Commission. White Lake attorney Colleen Murphy is expected to be approved at the Jan. 30 County Commission meeting as the court's new magistrate, replacing Kostin who is now at the 52-3 Rochester District Court.

Fortinberry sought Murphy because she brings perspective from one of the jurisdiction's new communities. "She is highly respected and a hard worker."

New to the court in terms of programs is the Oakland County Teen Court which allows trained high

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Murder charge reinstated for young Springfield mother

BY JENNIFER NEMER
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Carmen Rappuhn, the Springfield Township woman who allegedly kept her pregnancy and baby's birth secret and left the newborn boy in a hamper for dead, is facing second degree murder charges, again.

Originally charged with second degree murder, the now-retired Judge Gerald McNally of the 52-2 District Court in Clarkston dismissed it and reduced the charge to manslaughter at a preliminary exam Nov. 21.

However, Judge Nanci Grant of the Oakland County Circuit Court reinstated the second degree murder charge Friday, Jan. 24.

Rappuhn, 26, faced the judge on Tuesday, Jan. 28 for a pretrial where a final pretrial date was set for April 15 at 8:30 a.m. and trial date set for April 28 at 8:30 a.m.

Rappuhn's charge stems from an incident which occurred on Saturday, Sept. 28. Oakland County Sheriff's Department deputies were dispatched to assist the Springfield Township Fire Department with a medical call at a Norman Road residence for a young woman bleeding. The woman, Rappuhn, had to be transported to Genesys Hospital in Grand Blanc for further treatment.

There it was determined after examination, Rappuhn had delivered a baby within the past 24 hours

and at approximately 34 weeks into the pregnancy. She denied this, according to police reports, but rather said she had a miscarriage two months ago and was still bleeding because of it.

Springfield Township deputies were notified, went to the home early Sunday, and found her baby, deceased, and inside a clothes hamper in the middle of a messy bedroom, reports said.

Examination determined the baby was born alive.

Rappuhn's stepfather, who called 911 that Saturday night, said in police reports he and his wife had a feeling their daughter was pregnant, but she denied it when confronted.

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Briefly

Daddy/Daughter dance set for Feb. 13

The Independence Township Parks and Recreation Department is planning a Daddy/Daughter Dance.

The dance is set for Thursday, Feb. 13 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. The Parks and Recreation Department says the evening is filled with dancing, light refreshments, door prizes and a commemorative photo. They urge dads, uncles or a special someone to find your favorite little girl and take her to a special evening. The event will take place at the Knights of Columbus Hall at 5660 Maybee Rd.

Daddy/Daughter tickets are currently on sale at the Parks and Recreation Department at 90 N. Main Street. The cost is \$5 for residents and \$7 for non-residents. Space is limited and tickets are sold on a first come, first serve basis. Tickets will not be available at the door.

For more information call Parks and Recreation at (248) 625-8223.

Board of Canvassers members approved

The Independence Township Board of Trustees unanimously approved a measure for Sue Leamont, Carolyn Place, Jeanette Barks and Cecilia Yarber to be members of the Board of Canvassers.

All four have served in prior years. The term is four years and expires on Dec. 31, 2007.

Optimist Club set to hold essay contest

The Clarkston Area Optimist Club is again sponsoring an Essay Contest. Students have an opportunity to win up to \$5,000 in scholarships by writing an essay on the topic, "When our Freedom is Threatened."

Applicants have to be a high school student under age 19 as of Dec. 31, 2002. Deadline for the submission is Thursday, Feb. 13.

For complete details, pick up the official rules and application from the Clarkston High School counseling office or call Essay Chairman Sherry Regiani at (248) 625-5222 to have a copy mailed or faxed to you.

Historical Society plans program

On Monday, Feb. 10, the Clarkston Community Historical Society will be sponsoring a Civil War program with the talents of storyteller, Maureen Esther Latimer Passalacqua.

Passalacqua will take us on a journey back to the days of the Civil War using photography and captivating story telling. The program will be held at the Independence Township Library from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Admission for CCHS members is free and \$1 for non-members. Admission includes dessert and coffee.

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The Second Front

Innovative fire suppression system...

Saving lives, saving homes, saving memories

BY JENNIFER NEMER

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Dousing gallons of water inside your home may not sound like the greatest idea in the world, however, it's a fantastic idea when it means saving lives and more.

A relatively new residential multipurpose fire suppression system, which integrates plumbing and a sprinkler system, is currently on the market and the first home in Michigan to have it installed is right here in Independence Township.

The 6,000 square foot home on Forest Valley is still under construction by Guido Grassi of P.E.G. Construction in the Hilltop Estates Subdivision, but the sprinkler system has passed all acceptance tests with flying colors, Independence Township Fire Marshal Greg Olrich said.

"The idea behind the system is to suppress the fire, to minimize property damage and get people out safely," Kirk Vigil, regional sales manager for the system's manufacturer, Wirsbo, said.

For more than 100 years, fire sprinklers have been around in commercial and industrial settings, but have been used in residences only 15 to 20 years.

Unfortunately high costs, installation difficulty and accidental activation have steered homeowners clear of installing a sprinkler system.

But the Wirsbo system was built to nearly erase these concerns when a change in the residential fire protection standard NFPA 13-D came about in 2000.

The revised standard allows the use of 1/2" tubing in a combination plumbing/sprinkler system for single-family homes, compared to the previously required minimum 1/2" tubing separate from the plumbing system. The larger tubing and separate system were more difficult and expensive to install and required a sprinkler installer.

Vigil said there is a one in 16 million risk for failures, and the cost of the Wirsbo system is one and a half to two percent of the cost of the structure. "On a 2,000 to 2,400 square foot home, it's like the upgrade of carpet," he said.

"If we factor in the greater safety of your loved ones and the protection of your irreplaceable belongings the cost becomes much less objectionable," Olrich added.

Though it's new to Michigan, the system has been installed in homes across the southwest and northeast.

As long as the plumbing system in a home is working, so is the system. "There is no separate piping system eliminating standing water in the system," Olrich explained. "This means every time a toilet is flushed the water is flowing through the entire system. There is no fear of the water to the sprinkler system being shut down as there are no separate shut offs."

Each sprinkler head is a heat sensitive nozzle. The sprinklers are recessed into the ceiling and a glass bulb covers the head. When heated to 150 degrees the bulb will burst, releasing a plug to allow water under pressure to spray and extinguish a fire.

"Generally, most fires are controlled by one or two heads," Olrich said. "A switch will sense the activated head and will set off an alarm warning the residents of a fire. Additionally you can have your alarm company monitor this and notify the Fire Department."

The radius of the water is determined by its pressure, but most of the heads installed in a home cover 16 feet. The heads are spread out through a room, so they don't wash each other out, Vigil said. The system pushes out 12 to 18 gallons of water per minute.

"There will be water damage, but it's minimal," Vigil said, especially given the fact the Fire Department dumps 250 gallons or more per minute to extinguish a blaze.

Olrich agreed the in-home sprinklers should cause little damage. "You or your insurance company can

probably clean it up and stay home in the process. Your family is probably safe and most of your belongings are unaffected."

In a home without a sprinkler system, Olrich said, a fire which burns at 1,200 degrees and is left unchecked for only six minutes would extend into other parts of the home, cause additional risk to the family, and considerable loss of belongings. When extinguished residents would most likely have to relocate for six months or longer during the course of repairs, he said.

"I believe this is a good system," builder Grassi said. "People should have the option of having it installed. Family memories are something that can never be replaced. It's something people should consider."

The system can be designed to work off a well, with some minor changes to the pump and tank, Olrich said. "If municipal water is available it is as simple as in-

creasing the size of the pipe entering the home."

Vigil said a retrofit can be done on preexisting homes, but the system really should be installed during the framing process of construction.

The only person, so far, in Michigan trained and certified to install the Wirsbo system is John Muse of John Muse Plumbing in Lapeer. He can be contacted through his website www.johnmuse.net.

"While this may not be the answer to all our fire problems it at least gives us a fighting chance," Olrich said. "Remember the Fire Department's goal is to be no longer needed."

For more information on this system log on to www.wirsbo.com. For other fire related questions contact your local fire department. Independence Township residents can call Fire Marshal Greg Olrich at (248) 625-1924.



Plumber John Muse works on a sprinkler head for the new Wirsbo multipurpose fire suppression system, a plumbing/sprinkler system for single-family homes. The first home in Michigan to have the system installed is located in Independence Township. Photo by Jennifer Nemer.

Commissioners 'getting into the swing of things'

BY JEFF PATRUS

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Bill Bullard Jr. and Tom Middleton are off to a good start on the Oakland County Commission.

Bullard (R-Highland) and Middleton (R-Clarkston) began their work on the commission earlier this month. Bullard, a former state senator, represents the 2nd District, which includes Springfield Township, on the commission, while Middleton, a former state representative, represents the 4th District, which covers Independence Township.

Since defeating Democrat Roy Dennison of Fenton to win the 2nd District seat in the November election, Bullard, who left the state Senate last year due to term limits, has been busy moving his files back to his Highland Township home.

"I've had three committee meetings and we had our first board meeting Jan. 9," he said. "We did some routine business, such as getting to know one another and each other's families. We're getting into the swing of things."

Bullard has been appointed to two commission committees: Planning and Building (he is vice-chairman of that committee) and General Government, which supervises the county's judicial operations.

The latter committee has already made a decision relevant to Clarkston residents: the recommendation to appoint Colleen Murphy as the new magistrate of 52-2 District Court in Clarkston, replacing Kelley Kostin, who was reassigned to 52-3 District Court in Rochester.

According to Bullard, the appointment is expected to be approved at the commission's next meeting Thursday, Jan. 30.

Bullard stated one of his top priorities this year will be helping some of the communities in his district, such as downtown Highland and Davisburg, with economic development. "I'll be working with some people in the county on that," he said.

Another objective is to balance the county's budget without raising property taxes, a job Bullard said will be difficult because the state of Michigan is decreasing the amount of revenue-sharing money sent to the county.

He also stated County Executive L. Brooks Patterson will make some proposals on balancing the budget to the commission in the near future, but cautioned "things may be a little bit slow" as far as achieving that objective is concerned.

Bullard is pleased with the working relationship he has developed so far with the rest of the commissioners.

"This is a unique year because we have 12 new commissioners and 13 returning commissioners," he said. "Most of the new ones I know, and most of the returnees I know. I think it will be a good group."

Meanwhile, Middleton begins his first full term after completing the remainder of former commissioner Frank Millard's term. Millard, a Clarkston resident, resigned from the commission to become Oakland County Deputy Clerk.

Middleton, who defeated Democrat Charles Inman of Clarkston to win the 4th District seat in November, is actually in the upper half of seniority on the commission, with the number of new faces on hand. As such, he was eligible for a chairmanship of one of the commission's committees. He is currently chair of the Personnel Committee and also serves on the Finance committee.

According to Middleton, the county has been offering early retirement packages to county employees to address the county's budget concerns. Middleton estimated the county will have to cut about \$25 million

from the 2003-04 budget, a sharp increase from the original estimated budget cuts of \$13 million. He stated the increased cost of health insurance, combined with the state revenue-sharing cuts, account for that increase.

About 200 employees have accepted the county's offer of early retirement, Middleton stated. He also noted for every two employees retiring early, the county will replace them with one employee.

"We have to address personnel cuts," he said. "We're a service organization — about 80 percent of our budget goes to pay wages. That's where our savings will come. We'll be busy doing that stuff. Then the presentation on the cuts will go to the Finance Committee, so I should be well-informed on that stuff."

Based on the first Personnel Committee meeting Jan. 22, Middleton is optimistic about the group's ability to work together. He stated there is only one returning Personnel Committee member from last year, so the first meeting was designed to get everyone acquainted with one another.

"I think the meeting went very smoothly," he said. "I'm encouraged. There was a lot of good questions asked. One of the things I don't think anyone on the committee felt bashful about was asking questions."



Tom Middleton

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Rogers: Diverse backgrounds important in all walks of life

BY JEFF PATRUS

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Whether it's in the halls of Sashabaw Middle School or the U.S. Congress, everyone has a unique talent to offer.

That was the main theme of United States Representative Mike Rogers' visit to Sashabaw Middle School Wednesday, Jan. 22. Rogers (R-Brighton) addressed about 40 Sashabaw students that afternoon on topics ranging from the situation in Iraq to the most rewarding aspects of being a Congressman.

One of the students asked Rogers what courses one should take if they want to get into politics. Rogers responded there is no set background required to become a politician. As proof, he noted members of the United States Congress include former teachers, businessmen, actors and football coaches.

"I think that is a strength," Rogers said of having people of diverse life experiences in Congress.

He applied the same theory to the students at Sashabaw. Rogers stated those in politics are not the only ones that have leadership potential. He challenged the students to get to know each other a little better and discover each other's talents.

"You have leaders in class," he said. "Leadership is not a title you ever get. There are leaders in business, education and politics. Everybody in this room has something to offer."

Rogers offered up his own background as an example of the diverse nature of Congress. A former state senator who is in his second term in the U.S. House, Rogers was a special agent for the Federal Bureau of Investigation, working in the organized crime unit in Chicago. He also was an officer in the U.S. Army, stationed with the rapid deploy unit in Central and South America.

Less than a year into his term as a U.S. Representative, Rogers' background would prove to be necessary in the Congress. After the Sept. 11 attacks, Attorney General John Ashcroft contacted Rogers for assistance, knowing of his FBI and military background.

"Little did I know I'd be using my past life experiences in Congress so soon," he said.



U.S. Congressman Mike Rogers (R-Brighton) fields questions from Sashabaw Middle School students during his Jan. 22 visit. Rogers challenged the students to discover the talents each one has to offer to society. Photo by Jeff Patrus.

Now, with the possibility of conflict with Iraq, Rogers talked about the tough choices Congress faces in that regard. Although he hopes the situation doesn't come to war, Rogers stated the country has to safeguard its own interests and protect its citizens.

"We're trying to make decisions based on what is best for America," he said. "We need to protect ourselves first."

One of the students asked Rogers about what restrictions should be placed on the media regarding war coverage. While Rogers stated war coverage and discussion about the issues that lead to war is impor-

tant, he cautioned that broadcasting troop movements is ultimately detrimental to the country.

Rogers also talked about the biggest obstacles and rewards he experiences as a Congressman. He stated the biggest challenge he faces is managing his time and commuting back and forth between Washington and his home district.

His favorite part of the job is getting to help his constituents, particularly those who have contacted his office "at wit's end."

"We're not always successful, but we try," Rogers said.

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Opinion

Trip to medical center makes it official

I believe I have officially arrived as a Clarkston resident.

Despite being editor of *The Clarkston News* for more than a year, and renting an apartment in town for the same amount of time, I did not become an official member of the community until I was worked on by legendary Dr. James O'Neill last week.

Dr. O'Neill has been in this community many years and has recruited some great medical professionals to our town. I had met Dr. O'Neill before but was never a patient of his. And I had certainly heard numerous stories about the man from various individuals who held the doctor in the highest regard.

Actually, I am not a big fan of going to doctors. I am one of those men who assume my body will just bounce back and a trip to the doctor is usually unnecessary.

However, that was not the case last week when I found myself in somewhat of a medical emergency. I was home making myself a sandwich for dinner since I did not have the time to cook a real meal. I was ready to have corned beef on some Italian bread from Farmer Jack.

I had to slice the bread myself because I became impatient at the grocery store when no workers were in the bakery to slice my bread. I should have waited longer because while slicing my bread I also sliced into my left index finger. After noticing the bleeding was not stopping anytime soon I decided to drive myself to the North Oakland Medical Center.

After waiting about 40 minutes for the bleeding to stop, Dr. O'Neill froze up the finger and gave me six stitches. Within the hour I was on my way back home to nurse my wound.

While me and doctors tend not to have a great relationship, I was greatly satisfied with the urgent care unit that treated me last week. They were quick, courteous and knew exactly what they were doing.

This was in stark contrast to some of the stories I have heard in recent weeks from friends and family members who have dealt with emergency rooms in other metro Detroit cities. I have been told about bleeding patients sitting in the waiting room for close to an hour before being called back to be looked at by a doctor.

Everybody in the Clarkston area should be proud and relieved that the area has the fine medical establishments it does. It puts your mind at ease when you and your family's health is well taken care of in the city in which you live.

I found that out last week although I obviously wish it had been under different circumstances. I thank Dr. O'Neill for what he has helped build for our community.

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Gargaro's World

Kyle Gargaro

This and that from just Jen

I've broadened my list of impressive accomplishments. Yes, that's correct, I, Jennifer Nemer, operated a power drill over the weekend. And let me just say, I enjoyed it very much.

In the process of helping a friend redecorate her apartment, and borrowing my dad's drill, I was elected to create a hole in the back of a T.V. stand for a VCR cord to pass through.

Needless to say, my friends who witnessed this task were quite entertained. Laughs were shared and cameras flashed as I intensely focused on the project.

However, I now completely understand the whole man and tool thing. The power one holds in the palm of their hands...the adrenaline rush from the danger involved...the feeling of a job well done upon completion...in Tim Taylor-like fashion, I say to my fellow carpenters, "arrgh, arrgh, arrgh."

Just Jen



Jennifer Nemer

In California last week they passed a law banning the declawing of cats.

Can I just express how ridiculous I think this is, even though I'm sure it will be quite some time before this type of law would ever spread to Michigan? And yes, I am a cat lover and (part) owner of two.

First off, declawing isn't a cruel act when done in the development stage of a cat, and not cruel if the cat will be kept indoors for its life.

Secondly, are there not more important issues we could be focusing on?

And, thirdly, let's have some consistency to rules we decide we want to make. For example, we can kill our cats, or nicely said, "put them to sleep," but we can't declaw them. Makes sense. Or, if I can go even farther, we're allowed to abort our babies, end-

ing the life of another human being though unborn, but declawing our cats is so cruel.

What's next?

I recently heard this story of twin boys who were given up for adoption when they were born, and unfortunately, found themselves separated as two different families took them into their lives.

Both grew up in happy families but never knew each other. Juan grew up in a loving Hispanic family, while Amall in a loving Middle Eastern family.

One day, after years had passed by, Juan's family received a letter from Juan's twin sharing details of his life and family.

Juan's mother said to her husband, "I sure wish Amall would have sent a picture along with the letter."

"Why?" Juan's father said. "If you've seen Juan, you've seen Amall."

A special thank you to Sailloon Woodski for the thoughtful letter and gift. It uplifted me on a day when I was feeling melancholy. Your kind words as well as the effort you put towards doing this kind act mean a lot to me. It is very much appreciated.

I'll leave with you a verse, or actually verses, for the week. This passage, found in Philippians 2:5-8, has really been speaking to me these last few days. They were part of a memorization plan out of a study guide I've begun reading as part of a new church class I'm taking. The study guide, "The Mind of Christ," by T.W. Hunt and Claude King, I recommend.

"Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus: Who being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: But made himself of no reputation and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men: And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross."

Survey says... We have a winner



Reader Sandra Borgensen was the winner of The Clarkston News online survey drawing. Borgensen won \$500 for participating in the survey. Photo by Kyle Gargaro.

Bleeding Text

Nonprofit gets \$4 million

Now that I'm 40 I guess I look at things differently.

Last week I was reading about Oakland County's Intermediate School District in a front page article by the *Oakland Press*. (For those not in the know, the ISD is under fire for financial manipulations -- in particular using funds -- around \$28 million -- slated for special and vocational programs to build buildings and update technology. By the way, the Oakland Intermediate School District is made up of the 28 individual school districts.)



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Another sore point for the district is their relationship with the "nonprofit" organization called the MINDS Institute. The OP reported that, in two years the school district paid the "non-profit" group four million bucks. For that \$4 million school districts get to use MINDS Institute programming for "free."

The programming involves audio and visual stuff that MINDS' for-profit affiliate charges other districts across the United States \$50,000 to use. Sounds great -- others pay \$50,000, locally we get it "free."

Like I said, I am now firmly ensconced in middle age (if I last until 80), I look at things differently. So, I divided \$4 million by the two years and got an answer of \$2 million dollars a year Oakland schools have paid MINDS. I then divided the yearly payment of \$2 million by the number of school districts and found that each district paid MINDS \$71,428.57 a year for the privilege of using the organization's services for "free."

I often read and hear that U.S. President Bush's goal of "No Child Left Behind," while worthy, is nothing more than an unfunded mandate on locals from the feds.

I know there is more to the mandate than meets the eye -- more than "all children should be able to read by the third grade or else." I know there are

probably a gagillion excuses/reasons why schools cannot teach children to read by the third grade . . .

but . . .

How many kids locally are there that cannot read by the third grade? How many will never be able to read? And, then the question is, "Why?"

Is it that parents are not helping? Is it a learning disability? Dyslexia? Poor eyesight? Poor hearing?

Concerns like this are usually addressed by kindergarten. Kids have vision tests and hearing tests. Individual teachers know which kids are falling behind. These same teachers are currently recommending programs for these children.

The point is, there are programs now, to help our children and for school types to say, "E-gads, man. How can you expect us to accomplish this monumental, albeit worthy, hurdle" is disingenuous. Schools have the mechanisms in place now for all kids to read by the third grade. Schools are doing it now. They have the resources now.

And, if a kid can't read by the third grade, if all else fails, can't they hold that child back a year?

Instead of bemoaning a worthy goal with negativism, schools should get on board now, take advantage of what they have access to, and live up to the goal . . .

. . . and in the case of Oakland County schools, if they need more money, they should use more of their special education resources for special education programs, teachers and para-pros and less for building new buildings.

As I am now 40, I ask these questions to all districts -- How could you have used \$71,428.57 a year for the last two years? I know it wasn't earmarked for, but could that have helped your special education programs or not?

Or, have I missed the point totally and should leave the business of education to those with six-figure incomes and no-termination clauses in their contracts?

Comments to the under-educated, over-opinionated and too-simplistic Rush can be e-mailed to: dontrushmedon@aol.com

She loves me, she loves me not

At Christmas (I hope the ACLU doesn't come after me for using that word in my column) gift-giving time I learned which daughters loved me and which daughter doesn't.

Daughter-in-law Linda gave me a fine robe. Daughter Luan gave me a fine DVD player.

Daughter Susan (I call her Suz-z-z cause she slept her way through five colleges) gave me a jigsaw puzzle with 1,000 pieces.

First, the ACLU should go after jigsaw puzzle makers for cutting a piece of cardboard in more than 500 pieces. Second, there should be retroactive abortions.

It took an hour for me to just turn all the 1,000 pieces picture-side up. My first call to Susan to alert her to her disinheritance was when I couldn't find two pieces to the frame. In her youth she was known to stow a puzzle piece or two away so she could say she found the last piece, thereby taking credit for completing the puzzle.

Not long after that call she showed up with twins Trevor and Haley, both of whom wanted to work on the puzzle. When they left it took me another quarter hour to turn 'upright' puzzle pieces Trevor had handled.

This is the same 3-year-old boy who came into his family room recently, pointed his finger at his dad, winked, and said, "I just went to the bathroom just like you, Daddy."

Naturally, I had to tell others how Susan's gift was affecting our relationship. "Anyone who would give a 1,000 piece jigsaw puzzle has to hate them," I announced to everyone in *The Oxford Leader* office.

And an employee responded, "My folks were given

Jim's
Jottings



Jim Sherman

a 3,000 piece puzzle. They had to buy two folding tables to display it." "Your parents are obviously hated," I said.

That damn puzzle became like a magnet. I'd find myself trying to find 'just one piece' before breakfast, and two hours later I was still looking for that piece.

Two days in a row I was so intent I didn't even hunger for lunch. For a week I missed evening news tv shows, which I always see. When a particularly 'easy piece to find' wasn't, I'd search the floor. I did that a lot.

When I hit a brick wall on the big picture, I'd start assembling pieces outside the frame, to be put in place later.

I had people over for pre-dinner refreshments one puzzle solving night and stipulated they each had to find one piece before being served. One person found one piece, they all took credit and I was forced to start pouring.

I thought maybe I could find the pieces easier from the other side of the table. I couldn't. I even connected the puzzle maker to a terrorist organization in my mind, but decided driving people out of their minds was too slow for an authentic terrorist.

I started on that puzzle January 3. I should have clocked myself. For the three days prior to completion I never left the house, except to get the mail and one day I forgot that.

I completed that puzzle at 9:10 p.m. January 13. I called Suz-z-z and told her, "I'm done!" She laughed. I said, "The monkey's off my back. Now I've closed the doors to the dining room and if you want to see the completed puzzle you're going to have to pay to get in."

"And, don't bring Trevor!"

P.S. January 14 I found myself feeling disappointed that the puzzle was finished.

A look back

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The Clarkston News

15 YEARS AGO (1988)

Two Clarkston Rotary members, Gerald McNally and Stewart McTeer, have made public their decisions to resign in the wake of the club's rejection of the first application from a woman. Although the rejection was officially based on classification rather than the sex of applicant Betty Simmons, both members have based their resignations on the issue of sex discrimination.

The Independence Township Planning Commission decided last week to let the Village of Clarkston lead the way in a site condominium project that lies in the village and township. The commission unanimously approved tabling the conceptual site plan for Village West until the village makes a decision and planned to give the village a copy of its opinions on the matter.

Slowly but surely, the village and the Oakland County Sheriff's Department are reaching an agreement regarding police coverage for Clarkston. After a year of fruitless negotiations in 1987 with the township to get a contract that would provide the village with police coverage, the village council decided it was time to part company.

25 YEARS AGO (1978)

Swift and coordinated actions of police and fire departments working with local officials and the Oakland County Sheriff's Department, averted tragedies and kept stranded motorists warm and safe after the great blizzard of '78 struck the area. Emergency shelters were set up at the fire hall, Fire Station #2, Clarkston Junior High School and the Campbell-Richmond American Legion Post 63.

An ongoing budget struggle regarding who will be funded to police Independence Township may be headed for a vote Tuesday. The struggle is between Oakland County Deputies who are hoping to hold on to their contract and Independence Township Police Services Director Jack McCall, who has lobbied heavily for his own police force.

Keith Hallman, Clarkston village council president, and Independence Township Supervisor Whitey Tower came away from a meeting with federal officials with the impression that federal funds are not going to pay for the overtime work by township and village employees during last week's blizzard.

50 YEARS AGO (1953)

The Clarkston School Auditorium was crowded last Thursday night for the senior play "Melody Jones". This play, a comedy-drama, was just a little different than the usual run of presentations and the students in the cast and their director, Richard Parmater, are to be congratulated on very fine work.

The Clarkston Rotary Anns held their regular monthly business meeting and program on Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. Charles Robinson on Robertson Court. Assisting Mrs. Robinson were Mrs. Earl Terry and Mrs. Russell Coltson. Mrs. Robert Atkins, club president, conducted the business meeting at which time the group voted to donate \$25 to the March of Dimes.

The Clarkston Merchants won their fourth straight game on Monday night by tripping Crescent Lake 52-49 at the Waterford Township High School. Ed Hintz and Dom Mauti led the team in scoring with 18 and 12 points, respectively. The Merchants have won games against Beattie's, Crescent Lake, Family Beach, and Manning's Ringside.

Volunteers wanted for committee

BY JENNIFER NEMER
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Clarkston Community Schools want your input.

Anita Banach, director of communications and marketing, announced, at the Jan. 27 Board of Education meeting, the need to form a Committee for Student Opportunities in preparation for grade reconfiguration within the district if the June 9 bond passes.

The committee will explore extracurricular and student opportunities, which Banach said was a key concern that arose from the public feedback sessions the school board held in December.

"We need to know what questions have to have answers by June 9," she said. "Some will be easy to solve and others will require some thinking."

The goal of the committee is to create a comprehensive list of what student opportunities may be affected by the planned configuration change and how. Banach said the committee will give input to the appropriate leadership to create solutions as well as have the opportunity to review solutions

and provide feedback regarding recommendations.

The committee will be made up of three to five parents, one office administrator, one athletic director, one community education director, one fine arts department representative, one board member, two teachers, two students and one to two community members.

The schools are asking committee members to be open-minded; work collaboratively to support and enhance student opportunities; consider student needs first; foster communication and understanding of this process to colleagues, friends and neighbors; look for the good of the whole district; and attend three to five meetings.

The meetings will be held mid-February through early March, tasks will be delegated by mid-March, and the committee is expected to review and complete their tasks by April 15.

Members of the new committee will be identified at the Feb. 10 Board of Education meeting.

If interested contact Banach at (248) 623-5420.

Judges

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schoolers to take on the identity of jurors, prosecuting and defense attorneys, bailiff and clerk during cases in which juveniles are charged with minor crimes. Clarkston schools had their chance at the roles Jan. 13 and other sessions with various schools are already scheduled through March.

Batchik and Fortinberry are hoping to set up a community service program by spring which will feature a garden defendants of minor crimes will be sentenced to work in. Batchik implemented this program in Novi in 1986 and found it a success.

The produce grown in the garden will be donated to charitable centers. "It's a win-win situation," Fortinberry said. Volunteers and land are still needed before it can become a go.

The judges also hope to establish a

sobriety court if they get the program funding; a court-in-schools program where docketed cases are taken to school auditoriums and court is held there for government classes to view; and begin video arraignments as soon as possible. This will save a lot of time and money not having to transport defendants from the jail to the court. Arraignments will be done over the camera while defendants are still in jail. The 52-2 building is already wired for the procedure.

"We're both just pleased to be here," Fortinberry, who will have her investiture Jan. 29, said. "We both see eye to eye. We have the same vision on how to run the court and how to serve the public. I think we're gonna see great things happen."

Batchik joked, "We're number two, but will be number one shortly."



Judge Fortinberry works with the youth during teen court. Photo by Jennifer Nemer.

Clarkston Village Players host Comedy Night 2003 Feb. 1

The Clarkston Village Players will be presenting Comedy Night 2003 at the Depot Theater in Clarkston Feb. 1.

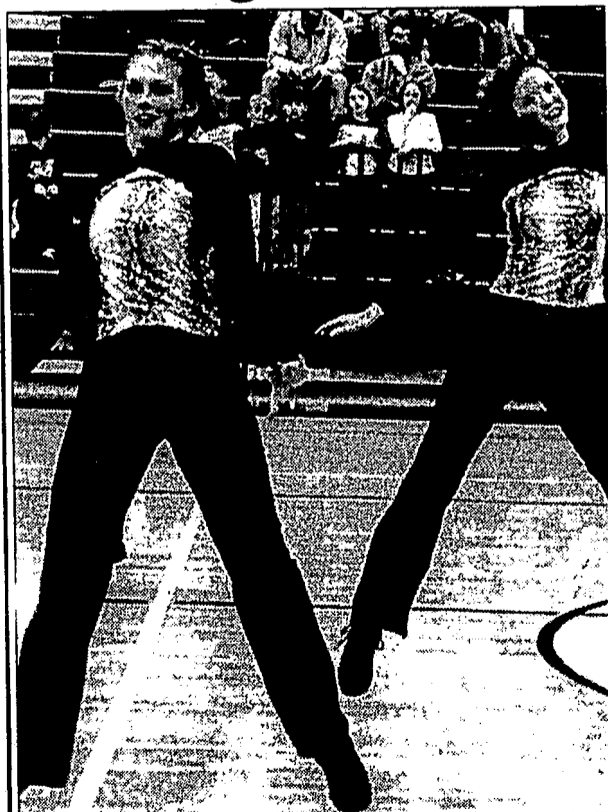
Master comedian and storyteller Norm Stulz, comedian Jesse James Lundy and master of ceremonies Gerry McAvoy will be on hand for the

evening. Two shows will be held on Feb. 1, at 7:30 p.m. and 9:30 p.m. Tickets are \$12.

For directions to the theater or to reserve your tickets, please call 248-625-8811. For further information, please check out their Web site at www.clarkstonvillageplayers.org.

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The big show



Clarkston's pom pon team performed at halftime of the basketball game Friday against Southfield. Photo by Jeff Patrus.

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Obituary

Myrtle F. Chavey

Myrtle Frances Chavey of Clarkston died Tuesday, Jan. 21 at the age of 87.

She was preceded in death by her husband Edward. She was the mother of Suzette (James) Deevey of Clarkston and Barbara (Kevin) Dingle of Howell; also survived by five grandchildren.

A memorial service for both Myrtle and Edward Chavey was held Saturday at the Clarkston United Methodist Church. Arrangements entrusted to the Lewis E. Wint & Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home, Clarkston.

Ruth C. Howard

Ruth Conwell (Jones) Howard of Waterford died Saturday, Jan. 25 at the age of 81.

She was preceded in death by two daughters, Cande Lou Jones and Cathy Gray; mother of Dickie Ray (Lynn) Jones of Port Austin, Caren Frances of Waterford, Erv (Dina) Jones of Rochester Hills and Dave (Anita) Jones of Tennessee; mother in law of Gina Jenkinson; also survived by 11 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren; sister of Jimmy (Martha) Hambrick of Alabama and the late Dorlene McLean.

Ruth retired from Fisher Body, and was the first pioneer member of Associates of Rochester College Committee, since 1960 and was a member of Waterford Church of Christ.

A funeral service was held Sunday, Jan. 26 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home, Clarkston. Interment at Perry Mt. Park Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Associates of Rochester College.

Robbyn J. Moore

Robbyn J. Moore of Clarkston died Friday, Jan. 24 at the age of 49.

She was preceded in death by her husband James; mother of Lynsey (Larry Hoeflein) of Waterford, James and Carly, both of Clarkston; daughter of Lawrence and the late Dorothy Schroeder of Pontiac; sister of Steven Schroeder, the late Laura Agree (Rob), Charles Schroeder, Martin Schroeder, Eric (Dyanna) Schroeder, Kurt Schroeder and Carrie Schroeder. Robbyn was formerly employed at Transmatic, Inc., Waterford.

A funeral service was held Tuesday, Jan. 28 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home, Clarkston. Any donations to the family will be used for the care of her three children.

Rosalie F. Ditch

Rosalie F. Ditch of Clarkston died Monday, Jan. 20 at the age of 83.

She was preceded in death by her husband Robert, son Raymond and grandson Robert; mother of Robert (Nancy) Ditch of Ohio, Susan (Charles) Wolfe of Ortonville, Leon (Susan) Ditch of Redford and Richard Ditch of Clarkston; grandmother of 18; great grandmother of 34; great great grandmother of 10; also survived by two sisters and three brothers. Rosalie retired from De-Sta-Co.

A funeral service was held Thursday, Jan. 23 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home, Clarkston. Interment at Lakeview Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Cranbrook Hospice.

Upgrade of water system set

BY KYLE GARGARO
Clarkston News Editor

The Independence Township Board of Trustees focused on improvements and upgrades of the community well system.

The 2003 water system upgrade and improvement plan, approved by the board at their Jan. 21 meeting, will cost more than \$600,000.

The plan includes:

- a new booster station in Oakhurst, near the intersection of Waldon and Clintonville, at an estimated

cost of \$295,000.

- upgrades at the Pine Knob Well Site for \$162,000.

- a new pump at the Pelton Well House for \$46,000.

- improvements at the Hillview Well Site for \$114,500.

"Last year we had a drought and the pressure was extremely low. We want to make sure that doesn't happen again," Clerk Joan McCrary said. "This is purely maintenance. We need to update and plan for the future."

Business Briefs

- Victor International, one of the top developers of luxury residential, resort and commercial real estate in the United States, has announced the groundbreaking of the Stonewood Center, a new commercial site coming to Clarkston.

The new commercial development will feature several restaurants, a gourmet market, upscale boutique shopping and office space. Comerica Bank has recently opened a new location in the Stonewood Center, becoming the development's first official tenant.

- Clarkston Financial Corporation Board Chairman Edwin Adler announced they have added Howe Barnes Investments, Inc. as a marketmaker.

"This is an important step forward for Clarkston Financial Corporation. We believe Howe Barnes' election to become a marketmaker will raise our visibility before investors, increase our exposure before key members of the investment community and help us to build

sharevalue," Adler said.

Clarkston Financial Corporation also elected Thomas Kimble to the Clarkston State Bank's Board of Directors.

- Seniors who need advice about their homes and rental properties can turn to Marie McEvoy, a realtor with Century 21 Executives. McEvoy, who has been in the real estate business since 2000, was recently awarded the Seniors Real Estate Specialist professional designation by the Senior Advantage Real Estate Council in Murphys, California.

- Clarkston State Bank has entered the mortgage sector with the appointment of Joseph C. Shalla. Shalla, 56, has joined the bank in the newly created position of senior mortgage banker. He has worked in various parts of the mortgage and real estate industries for more than 20 years and most recently served as the lending manager at New Century Bank.

Jones named member of the year

The American Legion Auxiliary of Chief Pontiac #377 has named Miranda Lee Jones as Junior Member of the Year. Jones is a first grader at Davisburg Elementary.

Jones has helped promote the Auxiliary and its programs by serving as Junior Miss Poppy. She is responsible for promoting the veterans and their needs. While doing this, Miranda has worked really hard in the community visiting nursing homes and sending letters to veterans. Jones has also raised money for Muscular Dystrophy research, children with AIDS, respite care and Pendrickton School for the Blind. She has helped with handicapped bowling and the 18th District Presidents Robin Puckett's special project to raise money for the P.O.H. Veterans Clinic.

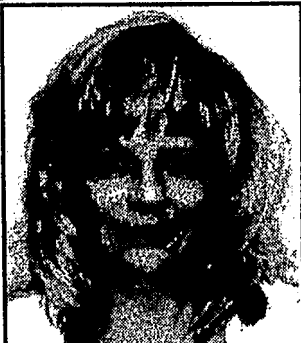
During the holidays she has helped raise food for the Oakland County food bank, mittens and toys of the Lighthouse, socks and diapers for the Bethel home in Pontiac and was present for the Martin Luther King Day program in Pontiac.

Mirandas's mother, ShyLynn Jones, grandmother, Darlene Jones, and great-grandmother Leona Puckett are all Auxiliary members and have helped their community for many years.



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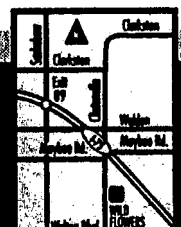
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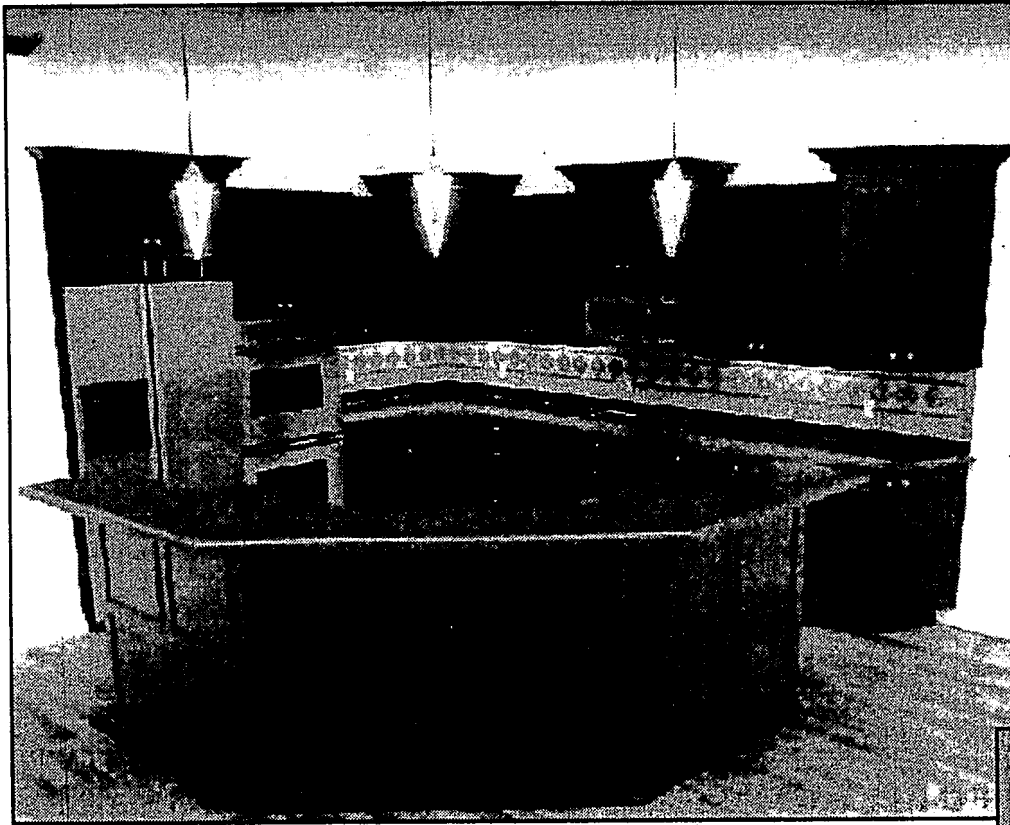
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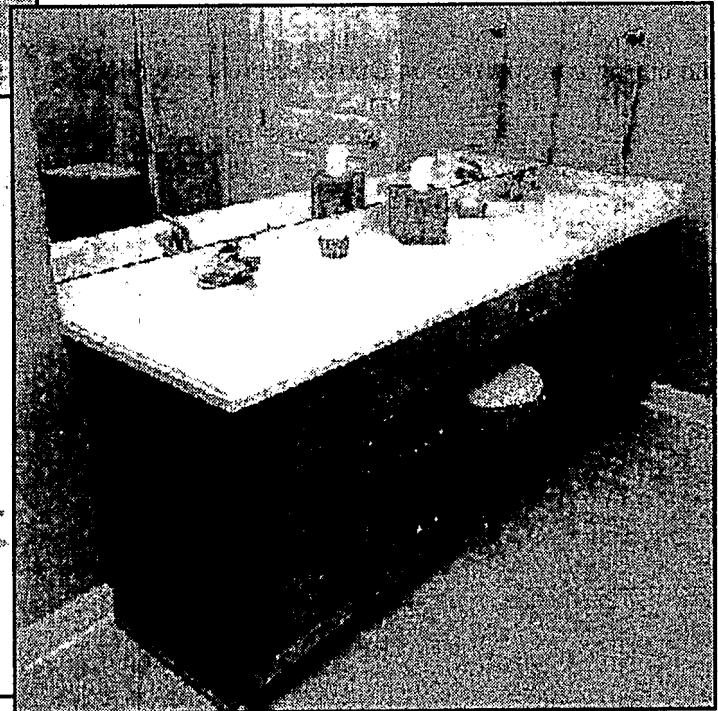
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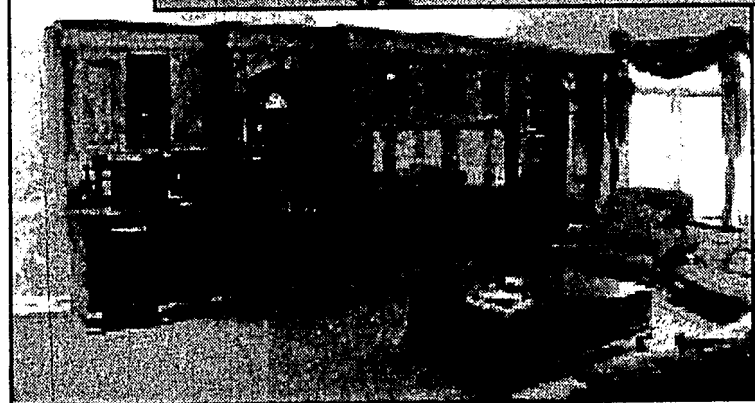
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Independence Township

Sunday, Jan. 26, larceny of a \$3,500 wedding ring on Parkwood. The woman suspects her soon-to-be ex-husband.

Saturday, Jan. 25, suspicious circumstance on Lingor. The complainant said her elementary-age son noticed a purple Jeep with a man in it watching kids get off the school bus. The man had long hair and several earrings in one ear.

Larceny of a \$5,500 ruby/diamond ring and \$3,000 in cash from a home on Deerhill.

Thursday, Jan. 23, threats on Deerhill Court. The complainant said her 14-year-old daughter has been receiving threats from an acquaintance over the Internet.

A 19-year-old man was cited for the use of marijuana on Dixie.

Lost or stolen property was reported on Dixie. Lottery tickets, worth \$250, were missing from a gas station.

Fraud on Dixie. A counterfeit \$100 bill was used in a \$4,000 cash deposit at a furniture store.

Wednesday, Jan. 22, malicious destruction of property with a vehicle to a lawn on Ridge Trail.

During a traffic stop, a 23-year-old man was cited for the use of marijuana and driving with a suspended license.

An unknown man committed retail fraud at a drug store on Ortonville as he opened a drug test kit, valued at \$14.95, and stole the form, valued at 25 cents, from within.

A 19-year-old man was cited for the use of marijuana while parked in a restaurant lot on Dixie.

A 23-year-old and two 20-year-old Flint men were arrested for the sale and manufacturing of marijuana, found during a traffic stop on Dixie. Approximately \$700 cash, two scales, several 9mm rounds, a registration card for a firearm, marijuana seeds and leaves, and two pocket knives were found either in the vehicle or on a person. The case remains open pending re-

view from the prosecutor's office.

Tuesday, Jan. 21, credit card fraud of \$5,461 was reported from a home on Caribou Lake.

Credit card fraud of \$3,832 was reported from a home on Paula Ave.

Springfield Township

Saturday, Jan. 25, malicious destruction of property on Bluewater. An unknown person broke the rear window of the complainant's vehicle parked under a car port. Damage is estimated at \$300.

Friday, Jan. 24, a 23-year-old Clarkston man was arrested for operating a vehicle under the influence of liquor, a first offense. The man had a blood alcohol level of .20.

Wednesday, Jan. 22, family trouble between a husband and wife on French Lane. No threats were made and no assault and battery occurred.

Family trouble on Tindall. The complainant said her soon-to-be ex-husband moved her truck, violating a restraining order.

Larceny of construction equipment on Shoreside. An unknown person entered a home under construction and stole various tools. There were no signs of forced entry.

Tuesday, Jan. 21, home invasion on Rattalee Lake. The complainant discovered her front door open upon returning home and noticed her stereo equipment was moved and the telephone answering machine was missing. There were no signs of forced entry and no witnesses.

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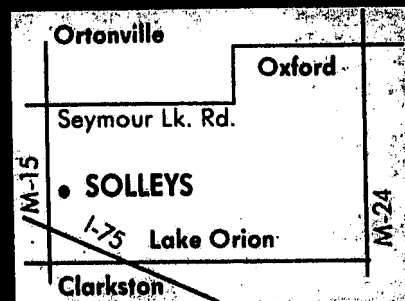


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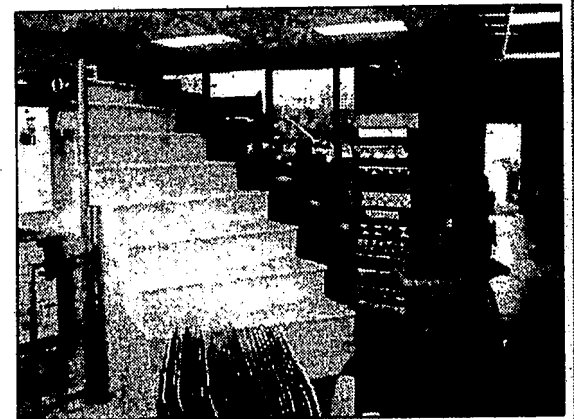
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Goodman, Johnston pace cagers to victory



Clarkston's Chris Johnston (left) looks to hit the open man Friday against visiting Southfield. Johnston scored 16 points as the Wolves defeated the Blue Jays 60-50. Photo by Jeff Patrus.

Four Wolves score in double figures as Clarkston earns 60-50 victory against Blue Jays

BY JEFF PATRUS
Clarkston News Staff Writer

It wasn't pretty, but the Clarkston basketball team got the job done against visiting Southfield Friday night. Junior forward Chris Johnston and sophomore guard Brad Goodman contributed 16 points apiece as the Wolves defeated the Blue Jays 60-50. The win squared the Wolves' season record at 6-6 and improved their league record to 3-1.

Junior Ryan Kaltz added 12 points off the bench, while senior Justin Whetstone added 10.

The Wolves' bench proved to be almost as potent as the starting lineup in the game, as the reserves scored 28 points to the starters' 32.

"That was a hard-fought game," Clarkston coach Dan Fife said. "We got a big lift from Goodman and Kaltz in the second half, and Johnston played pretty steady."

The game started out evenly fought, as a three-pointer by Whetstone in the first quarter helped the Wolves to a 9-8 lead at the end of the period.

However, the Blue Jays would stay on the Wolves' heels, and took a 14-13 lead with 4:31 left in the second as Clarkston called a time out. The Wolves answered

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Reed propels swimmers to win against Harrison

CHS senior sets two school records, part of third record

BY JEFF PATRUS
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Clarkston senior Dan Reed had a significant influence in the boys swimming team's home meet against Farmington Hills Harrison Thursday.

Reed set school records in the 200 yard medley and the 100 yard freestyle, and was part of a school record-setting performance in the 200 yard relay event as the Wolves defeated the Hawks 114-71 in a meet at Clarkston, improving the Wolves' record to 5-1-1 overall.

The 200 yard medley relay team of Troy Quantz, Jeff Driscoll, Nick Riegel and Dan Reed got things started on the right foot for Clarkston, as they won with a time of 1:49.81. Louis Seaman followed that up with a win in the 200 yard freestyle, notching a time of 2:06.47, then Reed won the

200 yard medley with a time of 2:13.05, setting a school record in the process.

After Harrison's Charlie DeMaltia won the 50 yard freestyle, the Wolves' 1-2 punch of Bobby Johnson and Greyson LaHousse answered in the diving competition, taking the first two places with scores of 158.10 and 148.85, respectively.

Derek LaHousse won the 100 yard butterfly with a time of 59.70, then Reed took the 100 yard freestyle with a time of 52.46.

Harrison's Paul Haapaniemi set a pool record in the 500 yard freestyle, finishing with a time of 5:00.01 to defeat Clarkston's Nick Oldenburg, who finished second with a time of 5:40.02.

The team of Derek LaHousse, Reed,

Ryan Kurrle and Seaman set another school record for Clarkston, this time in the 200 yard freestyle relay, as they finished first with a time of 1:36.41. The Wolves' other event win of the meet came in the 100 yard breaststroke, as Driscoll finished with a time of 1:10.18.

The Wolves edged the host Troy Athens Red Hawks in a key Oakland Activities Association Division II showdown, defeating the Red Hawks 95-91 in a Jan. 21 meet.

Athens took a 10-4 lead after winning the 200 yard medley relay, but Clarkston came right back in the 200 yard freestyle to tie the meet at 15. Nick Riegel finished first in that event with a time of 2:00, while Andrew Riegel finished third at 2:03.57 and Nick Oldenburg fourth at 2:05.88.

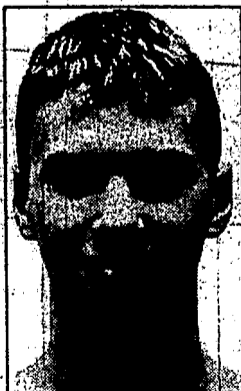
The two teams remained tied after the 200 yard individual medley before Clarkston grabbed a 32-30 lead in the 50 yard freestyle. Although Athens' Mark Chrobak finished first in that event with a time of 23.63, the Clarkston trio of Ryan

Kurrle, Louis Seaman and Mike Nelson finished second through fourth, enabling the Wolves to take the lead.

Athens tied things back up at 39 after the Red Hawks' Kendall Rahn won the diving competition with a time of 246.35. However, Clarkston reclaimed the lead in the 100 yard flystroke, as Nick Riegel and Derek LaHousse finished one-two, pulling the Wolves in front 51-43.

The Wolves retained their lead, even though Athens' Dale Mills won the 50 yard freestyle. Clarkston bounced back in the next event, the 200 yard freestyle relay, after the team of Nick Riegel, Kurrle, Nelson and Nick Curdy won with a time of 1:42.06. The win put the Wolves up 75-65.

Clarkston's Troy Quantz earned the team's last event win of the meet, taking the 100 yard backstroke with a time of 1:02.40 to put the Wolves up 84-72. Although the Red Hawks won the 100 yard breaststroke and the 400 yard freestyle relay, it was not enough to overtake Clarkston for the win.



Troy Quantz

Bleeding Text

Netters go the distance in league win against Troy

Gaines, Parkin lead Wolves to defeat of visiting Colts Monday

BY JEFF PATRUS
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Clarkston's volleyball team went the distance against the visiting Troy Colts Monday night.

However, the Wolves had enough gas left in the tank to defeat the Colts in an Oakland Activities Association Division I contest, 17-15, 16-18 and 15-13. The win improved Clarkston's record to 16-10-1 overall and 4-2 in OAA I.



Stephanie Parkin

Several players distinguished themselves in the win. Megan Gaines was 62-for-64 setting with 20 aces, and was 13-

for-14 serving with 12 kills. Colby Gardner was 16-for-16 serving

Ashley Bramble led the team in digs with 17, while Caitlin McLean added 16, Corey Sadowski 13 and Stephanie Parkin 10. Stephanie Reitano led the Wolves with 10 blocks and added 10 kills, while Parkin added 11 kills.

The Wolves made it to the semifinals of their own invitational before running into a Clio buzzsaw.

The Mustangs defeated the Wolves in two consecutive games, 13-15 and 6-15, to eliminate Clarkston from the invite. Clio went on to defeat Rochester Adams in the finals of the invite.

The Wolves began pool play with a 15-0, 15-9 victory against Lansing Waverly. Megan Gaines was 10-for-10 setting with nine aces, and was also 11-for-11 serving with five digs, while Alex Heinrich was nine-for-10 setting with four kills and five digs.

Clarkston continued their winning ways with a non-league win against OAA I foe Rochester Adams, 15-8 and 15-3. Gaines was 31-for-31 setting with 11 aces and 13-for-14 serving. Heinrich led the team with six digs, while Stephanie Parkin contributed five blocks and six kills.

The Wolves rounded out a sweep

of their pool with a 15-2, 15-3 defeat of Royal Oak Kimball. Gaines was 12-for-12 setting with four aces, while Lindsay Bramble was 13-for-14 setting with six aces and Ashley Hudson was 14-for-14 serving with five kills.

In quarterfinal action, the Wolves handed Lapeer East a 15-5, 15-7 loss. Gaines was 29-for-29 setting with 10 aces. She also made nine-of-10 serves and had five kills. Heinrich was 11-of-12 serving with seven digs and four kills, while Parkin chipped in with five blocks and five kills.

The Wolves started their busy slate of games this week with a key win against the host Rochester Adams Highlanders Thursday, defeating their Oakland Activities Association Division I rivals 15-3, 14-16, 15-6.

Ashley Bramble had 13 service points on 16-for-16 serving and added 14 digs for the Wolves.

"We actually played pretty well," Clarkston coach Gordie Richardson said. "I was really pleased with the first game. The second game, we weren't quite as focused."

After the Highlanders defeated the Wolves in the second game, Richardson gathered the team to remind them about

not putting too much pressure on themselves. "We talked about being on the court and not being able to make mistakes," he said. "We used the second game as a learning tool."

The Wolves heeded their coach's advice and got off to a fast start in the third game. However, Adams came back to narrow the score to 11-6, so Richardson called a timeout.

"We talked about staying in the frame of mind you have when you play well and not trying to do too much," he said.

The Wolves then scored four straight points to put Adams away for the win.

Richardson is pleased with how the Wolves are improving during the course of the season.

"We have a lot of kids playing a lot," he said. "We're spreading the wealth around. These kids really believe in each other. We've really started to come together."

The Wolves hit the road Thursday for a match against Birmingham Seaholm, beginning at 6:30 p.m., then travel to Birmingham Groves for a match Monday at 6 p.m.

Grapplers overcome illness to win Portage tourney

Three Wolves miss tourney; Herron, May and Hester take individual championships

BY JEFF PATRUS
Clarkston News Staff Writer

The flu threatened to take Clarkston's wrestling team down for the count before the Portage Central Tournament Saturday.

However, the Wolves overcame the absence of three of their starters to take first place at the tourney. Clarkston finished with 278 points, more than 50 points ahead of second-place Grandville, which finished with 224 points. Grand Ledge finished third and Grand Haven fourth.

Other schools taking part in the tourney were host Portage Central, Northview and Lansing Sexton.

The Wolves left John Langdon, Sean Turner and Clint DeGain home due to illness. However, their teammates picked up the slack, as three Clarkston wrestlers — Matt Herron (103), Elliot May (112) and Kyle Hester (189) — won their weight classes at the invite.

In addition, six other Clarkston wrestlers took runner-up honors in their weight classes: Tony LaJoie (125), Braden L'Amoreaux (130), Steve Smiley (160), Brenton Place (171), Jason Talbott (215) and Joe Wood (275).

Other Wolves who placed at the invite were: Nate May (third, 152), Bryan Webb (third, 119), Nate Parker (fourth, 140) and Josh McAllister (fifth, 135).

Clarkston coach Mike DeGain was especially pleased with the team's showing, given the absence of three of their top competitors.

"That was a good competition," he said. "To do that (win the invite in spite of the three absences) was a treat. We had the flu bug hit us hard last week."

The Wolves got ready for the Portage Central tourney with a 57-12 win against West Bloomfield Jan. 22.

Clarkston (16-3, 4-0 in Oakland Activities Association Division I) triumphed in 11 of 14 weight classes against the Lakers. Matt Herron (103) defeated David Pfeiffer by a 15-0 decision, while Elliott May (112) pinned Jared Jackson in 3:40.

Bryan Webb (125) defeated David Rudoi by an

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Mike DeGain
Clarkston wrestling coach

11-3 decision. Tony LaJoie (130) pinned Justin Belskey in 2:19, while Braden L'Amoreaux (135) defeated Chris

Kinaya by an 11-10 decision.

Other match winners for Clarkston were as follows: Nate Parker (145) pinned Maynard Arafat in 1:53; Brenton Place (160) defeated Jason Przyblowicz by an 8-5 decision; Kyle Hester (171) pinned Pat Scanlon in 4:25; Clint DeGain (189) pinned Steve Schwartz in 4:26; Jason Talbott (215) pinned Ben Welch in 1:36; and Joe Wood (275) pinned Matt Kinaya in 4:40.

The Wolves return home Wednesday, Jan. 29 for a key league showdown against archrival Lake Orion, starting at 6 p.m. Clarkston then hosts Detroit Catholic Central, Center Line and Chippewa Valley Tuesday, Feb. 4 beginning at 6:15 p.m.

Athlete of the Week — Dan Reed

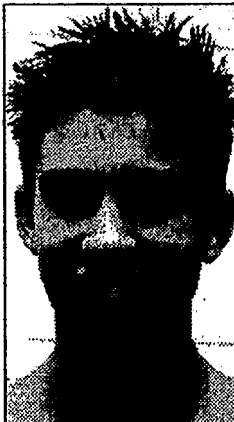
BY JEFF PATRUS
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Clarkston swimmer Dan Reed is determined to make his senior season a memorable one.

Reed set school records in the 200 yard medley and the 100 yard freestyle, and contributed to a school record in the 200 yard relay as the Wolves defeated the Hawks 114-71 in a meet at Clarkston, improving the Wolves' record to 5-1-1 overall.

He feels he has come a long way since his freshman year, when he decided to give the CHS swimming team a try.

"I've got a lot more experience under my belt," he said. "I have a lot more mental toughness and a greater desire to race, since



Dan Reed

it's my last year."

When he first started on the CHS varsity team, Reed believes he learned a lot from veteran Clarkston swimmer Paul O'Connor. This year, it's fellow senior Derek LaHousse that keeps pushing Reed.

"He keeps me going — he's my drive," Reed said of LaHousse.

This season, Reed stated the team has two main goals: to win the Oakland Activities Association Division II championship, and to send at least a couple of relay teams to the state meet.

He is optimistic about the Wolves' chances to win the league title. "We're going to be in the mix, definitely," he said.

Once he graduates from Clarkston, Reed hopes to continue his swimming career at Eastern Michigan University, where he hopes to study Japanese and eventually become a translator.

He is the son of Kathy and Butch Reed of Clarkston, and has three younger brothers: Chris, 12; Drew, 9; and Tommy, 6.

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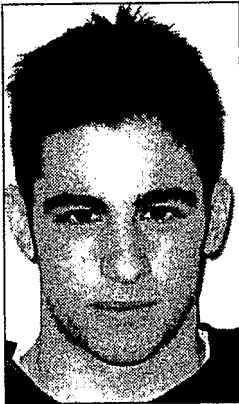
BY JEFF PATRUS

Clarkston News Staff Writer

The Clarkston hockey team found the right mix of defensive play, timely goal-scoring, and hot goaltending against host Birmingham Saturday.

The end result was a 2-0 win that improved the Wolves' season record to 8-5-4 overall and 4-2-2 in Oakland Activities Association Division I, good for second place in the league.

Junior Aaron Catanese posted the shutout in goal for Clarkston, while Trevor Johns (on an assist from Eric Hall) and Hall (an empty-net goal on an assist from Johns) provided all the scoring the Wolves



Trevor Johns

would need.

"Aaron Catanese played exceptionally well," Clarkston coach Bryan Krygier said. "He made some big saves for us. We played a good defensive game, and we had a hot goalie to go along with that."

On Wednesday, Jan. 22, the Wolves dropped a 3-2 decision to host Grosse Pointe North. Matt Brady (on assists from Jacob Gibson and Matt Prasil) and Trevor Johns (on assists from Myles Purdy and Adam Peters) provided the scoring for Clarkston.

The Wolves also had a game scheduled Tuesday, Jan. 21 at Berkley, but that was postponed to Feb. 18 at Berkley due to a scheduling conflict, according to Krygier.

Clarkston's next action comes Thursday evening when they travel to Royal Oak for an 8 p.m. contest. The Wolves play again Saturday, when they visit Troy for another 8 p.m. game.

Rosengren, Weiland set pace as skiers continue roll

BY JEFF PATRUS

Clarkston News Staff Writer

The wins keep on coming for the Clarkston boys and girls ski teams.

In a Jan. 21-22 meet, the boys team defeated Rochester Adams 20-59 and Waterford 20-62, while the girls squad triumphed 22-59 against Adams and 20-69 against Waterford.

Brandon Rosengren set the pace for the boys team, winning the slalom with a time of 41.99 and the giant slalom with a time of 34.41. John McNew took second in both events, finishing with a time of 42.77 in the slalom and 34.51 in the giant slalom.

Ryan Parrott finished third in the slalom with a time of 45.12, while Alex



Brandon Rosengren

Rosengren took fourth with a time of 45.69. The finishes were reversed in the giant slalom, with Alex Rosengren finishing third in the giant slalom with a time of 34.65 and Parrott fourth with a time of 34.95.

For the girls team, Mo Weiland took top honors, finishing first in the slalom with a time of 48.55 and the giant slalom with a time of 37.02. Pam Wylie took runner-up honors in both events, finishing second in the slalom with a time of 50.31 and the giant slalom with a time of 37.36.

Jody Piechura finished third in the slalom with a time of 51.96, while Lindsay Mozer placed fourth with a time of 53.96. Mozer also finished third in the giant slalom with a time of 38.49, while Nina Jackson took fourth in that event with a time of 38.56.

The Wolves return to action with a meet Jan. 28-29 against Rochester and Bloomfield Hills Lahser at Pine Knob Ski Club.

Stars & Stripes Gymnastics competes in first meet

Stars & Stripes Gymnastics Academy of Clarkston attended their first gymnastics meet Jan. 18 in Fenton.

In all, ten gymnasts from the team competed. Coaches Cassie Nelson and Becky Foster established the team in September 2002 with the grand opening of Stars & Stripes. The team finished in second place all-around, behind Fenton Gymnastics.

Other teams competing were: Riley's Gymnastics (third place); G.O.B. Gymnastics (fourth); Huron Valley Gymnastics (fifth); Vassar Gymnastics (sixth); and Fowlerville Gymnastics (seventh).

The following gymnasts competed for Stars & Stripes:

■ Leah West, 6, first place on the vault and third place all-around.

■ Madison Orr, 7, second place on

the balance beam.

■ Melissa Vandewege, 8, second place on the floor and third place all-around.

■ Allison Bicknell, 8, first place on the floor and first place all-around.

■ Kristina Poore, 8, first place on the vault.

■ Molli Simpson, 11, first place on the uneven bars.

■ Rachel Ross, 12, first place on the vault.

■ Annie Jones, 13, first place on the floor, second place on the uneven bars and second place all-around.

■ Ashley Rashke, 13, first place on the balance beam and first place all-around.

■ Sara Wulbrecht, 13, fifth place on the balance beam and fifth place on the floor.

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Handley heading to Quebec for hockey tournament

BY JEFF PATRUS

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Clarkston Middle School seventh grader Austin Handley will be joining some select company in February.

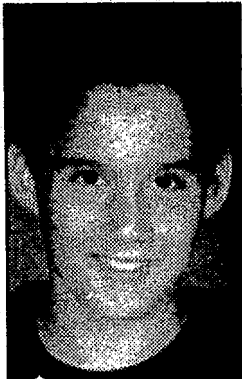
Handley and his Honeybaked 90 AAA team, comprised of boys ages 11-12, will be traveling to Quebec Feb. 13-23 for the 44th annual Quebec International Pee-Wee Hockey Tournament.

"It's the highest level of hockey for boys age 15 and under," Chris Handley, Austin's mom, said. "They've been working at this for years. This tournament is only for 11-12 year olds every year."

Austin has been playing hockey since he was about four years old, and he currently competes on the Honeybaked team in the Midwestern Elite Hockey League, which competes against teams from Chicago, Cleveland and Pittsburgh. He said his favorite National Hockey League players are Brett Hull and Brendan Shanahan.

Approximately 2300 hockey players, ages 11-12, from 16 countries will be participating in the tournament, held at the Pepsi Coliseum in Quebec. The tournament was founded in 1960 and annually draws crowds of about 200,000 fans.

Many current and former National Hockey



Austin Handley



Austin Handley of Clarkston is a member of the Honeybaked hockey team which will participate in the Quebec International Pee-Wee Hockey Tournament Feb. 13-23. Photo provided.

League stars have participated in this tournament in previous years, including Wayne Gretzky, Mario Lemieux, Eric Lindros, Marcel Dionne and Guy Lafleur, to name a few.

According to Chris Handley, Austin will be staying with a family in Quebec for the duration of the tournament.

Handley's Honeybaked team is currently the first-

place team in his age group in the state of Michigan, with a 38-2-2 record. At the Big Nickel hockey tournament in Sudbury, Ontario from Oct. 30-Nov. 2, the Honeybaked team took first place, the first American team at their level to do so in 23 years.

He has high aspirations for the team's trip to Quebec. "I'm hoping to make it to the finals," he said.

Boys basketball

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with a Johnston basket to reclaim the lead 15-14.

Clarkston was leading 21-16 as the second period was coming to a close, but a three-pointer by Southfield's Melvin Jones (who led the Blue Jays with 15 points) closed the gap to 21-19 at the half.

The two teams then opened things up offensively in the third quarter, as the Wolves nearly doubled their point total for the game, scoring 19 in the period. Though Southfield would continue to keep it close in the third stanza, Goodman drained two three-pointers and added a couple of free throws at the end of the period to put the Wolves ahead 40-32.

The Wolves continued to pull away in the fourth, and Goodman's basket off an assist from Kaltz with 3:20 left in the game gave the Wolves a double-digit lead, 52-41, and Clarkston had the game in hand.

At the end of the game, Fife stated the win was

not pretty, but one the Wolves had to have. He added the final exam period at Clarkston had an effect on the team's mental approach

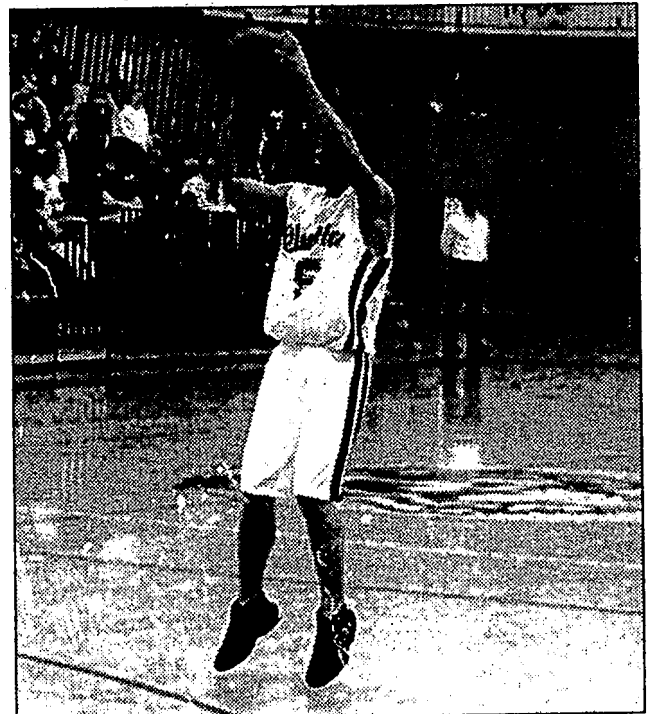
"That one is one of those games you have to grind out," he said. "Both teams are young and make sloppy mistakes. You have to win those games in your gym. Every win is not easy for us."

Three days earlier, the Wolves, who had defeated Pontiac Northern Jan. 17, fell short against the other Pontiac representative in OAA I, Pontiac Central. The Chiefs gained momentum in the first quarter and went on to defeat the Wolves 58-45.

The Chiefs (6-5, 3-1 OAA I) outscored the Wolves 17-9 in the opening stanza and maintained the lead the rest of the way, taking a 30-21 lead at halftime.

Junior Chris Johnston led Clarkston with 13 points, while senior Justin Whetstone added 12 points.

The Wolves traveled to Southfield-Lathrup for a Jan. 28 contest. Their next game is Tuesday, Feb. 4 when they travel to Ferndale for a 7:30 p.m. contest.



Clarkston's Kyle Rademacher attempts a three-pointer against Southfield Friday. Photo by Jeff Patrus.

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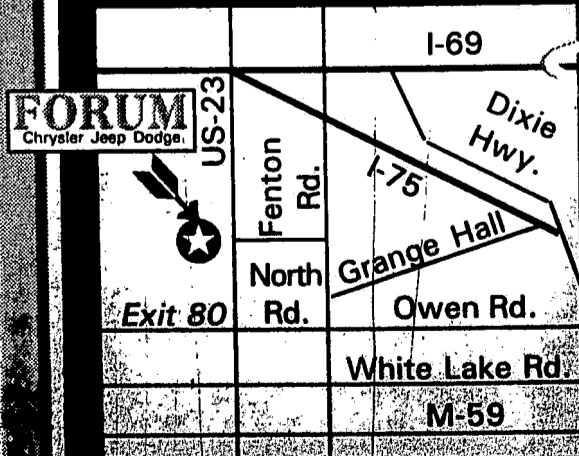
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Local churches realize completion of Habitat home

Henneman hopes project will become annual event; planning meeting set for Feb. 24

BY JEFF PATRUS
Clarkston News Staff Writer

With the help of a couple of Clarkston churches, Pontiac resident Kenyotta Gilmore will be realizing the dream of home ownership this Saturday.

That day, Gilmore will receive keys to her new home on 27 South Tasmania in Pontiac. The project was coordinated by Habitat for Humanity of North Oakland, with members of Clarkston Community Church and St. Daniel Catholic Church in Clarkston lending volunteer assistance.

In addition, DaimlerChrysler provided the majority of financial support for the project, according to Bob Hadden, youth ministry director at St. Daniel.

A press release by Habitat for Humanity of North Oakland describes the organization as "a nonprofit,

ecumenical Christian organization that provides simple, decent housing to families in need."

The affiliate has built 33 houses in Oakland County to date. Homes are sold to qualified families at no profit, financed with no-interest loans. In addition to making monthly mortgage payments, homeowners invest hundreds of hours of their own labor, known as sweat equity, into building their houses and the houses of others.

Keith Woodman, chairman of the Missions Committee at Clarkston Community Church, stated the amount of money needed to get started on a Habitat project is \$50,000. He noted the church had talked to Habitat "some years ago," and Habitat representatives informed the church they would need the \$50,000 to get started.

According to Woodman, the church didn't have that kind of money to raise, so they held off for the time being. However, they would have another opportunity last year, with the help of St. Daniel.

"St. Daniel Catholic Church, more recently, had been talking to local churches about pooling together to raise the \$50,000," Woodman said. "We took them up

on that offer, and the two of us went in together, and the rest of the money came from DaimlerChrysler."

According to Hadden, the groundbreaking for the project began last summer, and each church spent a number of weekends working on the home, under the supervision of a Habitat representative.

Other churches, organizations and people gave their time, talent and financial assistance to the project. They are as follows: Genesis Church of Rochester Hills, Christ the Redeemer Church of Lake Orion, Starbucks in Milford, GM Worldwide Facilities, architecture students from Lawrence Tech, friends and family of Gilmore, and individual friends and supporters of Habitat.

Pastor Greg Henneman of the Clarkston Community Church, chairman of the Clarkston Pastors' Association, is hoping the recently completed Habitat project isn't a one-shot deal.

"We're talking about rallying the Clarkston community to build a Habitat house each year," he said.

Henneman hopes local churches and civic organizations, along with the help of local volunteers, will come together to make that happen.

To that end, the first planning meeting will be held Monday, Feb. 24 at 7 p.m. at the Church of the Resurrection on Clarkston Road, across from the Independence Township Library. Kim Hale, executive director for Habitat for Humanity of North Oakland, will be on hand at that meeting.



Pastor Greg Henneman of Clarkston Community Church shovels some dirt at the Habitat for Humanity home in Pontiac. Volunteers from Clarkston Community Church and St. Daniel Catholic Church in Clarkston helped put the home together. Photo provided.



Barb Flores, a parishioner at Clarkston Community Church, helps put up some siding while volunteering for Habitat for Humanity. Kenyotta Gilmore of Pontiac will receive the keys to her new home Saturday. Photo provided.

Clarkston News adds Millstream section

The Clarkston News is proud to introduce a new section to our loyal readers.

Due to the feedback we received from our recent readers survey, we decided to move our sports coverage to section A and add the Millstream section to each week's paper.

The Millstream section will be interactive and focus on the people of the City of the Village of Clarkston, Independence Township and Springfield Township. The survey responses stated they wanted more feature stories on local residents and more coverage of events going on in the community.

With that in mind The Clarkston News is looking to deliver what our audience asks for. The Millstream section will include feature stories, milestones and special pages includ-

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ing the worship page which appears in this week's issue. Be sure to check out page two each week for our Around Town section which will run down all the activities taking place in Clarkston, Independence and Springfield.

However, in order to bring this coverage to the area, we need help from our readers. We want you to continue sending in birth, wedding and anniversary announcements. The Clarkston News is also looking for readers' recipes to be published in the Millstream section.

In addition, if you know someone in the community who should be highlighted in these pages please do not hesitate to contact us. We are looking for interesting individuals who are making a difference in the community and perhaps do not receive the recognition they deserve. Our community has many great residents and it is our pleasure to bring their stories to the community.

To get your information to The Clarkston News you can e-mail us at shermanpub@aol.com or drop it off at 5 S. Main St. You can also call us with a story idea at (248) 625-3370.

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Around Town

Visit the Clarkston Heritage Museum, located inside the Independence Township Library on Clarkston Road and check out the latest exhibit, "Windows in Time: A View Through Clarkston History." The exhibit is based on a "slice of life" theme with each display representing a different view of Clarkston life. The large window in the front of the museum is "A Farmhouse Window" with items from the everyday life of a local farm wife and farmer. Photos of the Stott family farm and the Morgan barn raising serve as the backdrop of this vignette. Once inside the museum, the displays feature: "Through the Doctor's Window," "A Window Into Communication," "A Political Window," "A Storefront Window," "A Window Into Childhood," and "A Window in Clarkston Society." The Clarkston Community Historical Society is very excited about this latest effort and hope you will plan to stop by the Clarkston Heritage Museum at your next opportunity.

North Oakland Counseling Associates presents "Strength in Numbers: A Woman's Prevention Group." This free 10-week education group focuses on issues such as building self-esteem, developing communication and conflict management skills, learning about alcohol and other drugs and practical ways to develop a healthy lifestyle. The group meets Saturday mornings from 9-11 a.m. Call (248) 620-1019 now.

The Friends of the Independence Township Library are holding their Annual "Mystery Dinner" on Feb. 1 at 6:30 p.m. at the American Legion Hall, 8047 M-15 in Clarkston. Linda Van Natta is the writer and director of this year's play, "Chaos in the Council Meeting." Tickets may be purchased at the library.

The Clarkston High School Bowling Club is having a **bowling fundraiser** Sunday, Feb. 2 at 1 p.m. at Cherry Hill Lanes North. Tickets are \$15/students and \$20/adults, which includes door prizes. Proceeds will be used to support the club, which is in the process of becoming a CHS Varsity Letter sport for both boys and girls. Tickets are available at Cherry Hill. If you have any questions please call (248) 625-5011.

The **Widowed Support Group** will meet Thursday, Feb. 6 at 7 p.m. The topic for the evening is "Sharing Our Grief -- Supporting Each Other," facilitated by bereavement counselor Alicia Brown. All



Clarkston Heritage Museum Director Toni Smith stands outside a new exhibit, located inside the Independence Township Library on Clarkston Road, entitled, "Windows in Time: A View Through Clarkston History." Look to the Around Town for more information. Photo by Jennifer Nemer.

meetings are held at the Independence Township Senior Center in Clintonwood Park on Clarkston Road. There is no registration and meetings are free. Recently widowed men and women, of all ages, are invited. Refreshments will be served. Any questions, or if anyone would like to be on a mailing list, call the Lewis

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On Monday, Feb. 10 the Clarkston Community Historical Society (CCHS) will sponsor a **Civil War Program** with the talents of storyteller Maureen Esther

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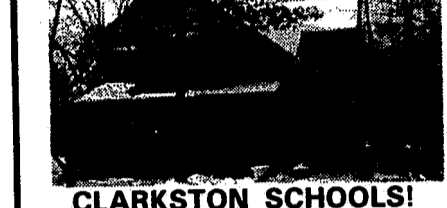
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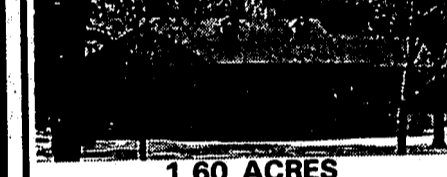
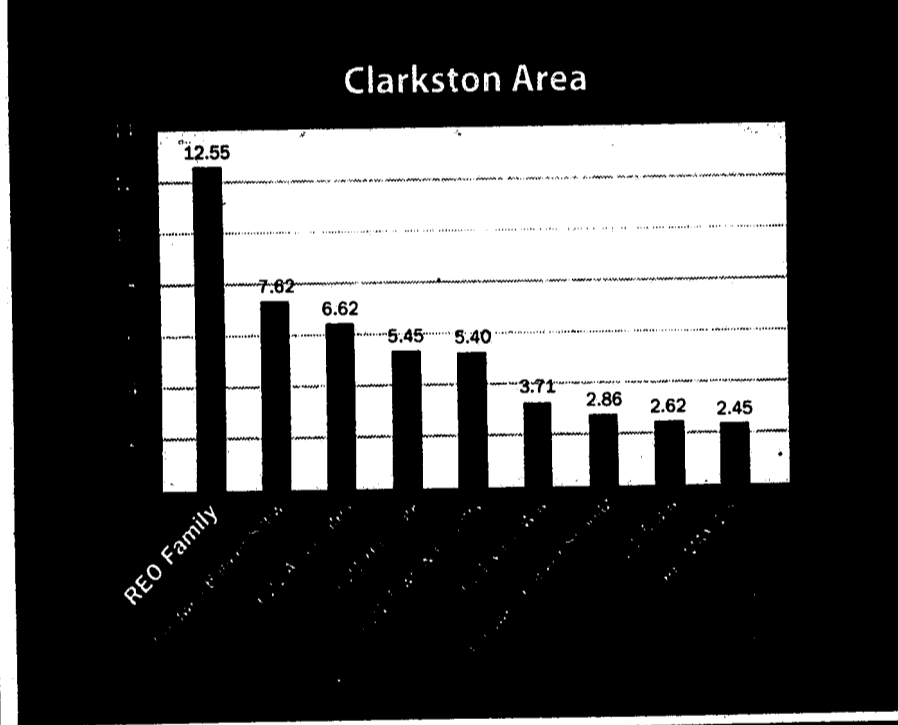
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Worship

What voices are you listening to?

Happy New Year Clarkston!

The New Year always brings so many things. Voices mainly. Voices that try and sway people into one camp or another: where we should go, how we should live, how to lose weight, and so on.

We wonder what 2003 will bring with it and so we listen to many voices. We listen to the scientist, to the philosopher, to the statesman, and to the economist sometimes as if they were divine oracles.

In these tense days of international crisis, when the president of our country has something to say, the channels or the air are cleared for all to listen. All these voices can be confusing.

As all the voices come crashing into our minds, there is still another voice striving to compete for our attention.

"Hear, O heavens! Listen, O earth! For the Lord has spoken..." (Isaiah 1:2a NIV) "The heavens declare the glory of God," (Psalm 19:1). "...God's invisible qualities...have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that men are without excuse." (Romans 1:20)

History also carries its ever-expanding testimony of God, declaring His sovereignty, justice, and truth. But nowhere is it more clear how God speaks to us than Hebrews 1:1-2. "In the past God spoke to our forefathers through the prophets at many times and in various ways, but in these last days He has spoken to us by His Son..."

What does it signify that God has spoken to men? Namely this -- that God made man capable of comprehending His speech, receiving His revelation, and entering into and understanding communion with Him. "Let us make man in our image..." (Genesis 1:26) is what God said. We were made for the knowledge of God, made to hear the Word of the Lord; and only as we listen and follow can the purpose of our lives be realized. Jesus said, "My sheep (meaning those who have a personal relationship with Him) listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me." (John 10:27)

The question is, can you hear the voice of God in

your life? As we begin 2003, maybe there are some voices we need to turn down or stop listening to all together. Maybe God deserves a little more volume and His word a little more time in our lives.

They say, and I believe by the way, that actions speak louder than words. If you agree, consider these two closing points. 1. In these last days God has spoken to us by His Son. 2. Jesus Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that He was buried, that He was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, and now is interceding at the right hand of the Father on our behalf according to the Scriptures.

So...can you hear God speaking? My prayer for you is that God's voice is the first and most important voice you listen to this year.

God Bless.

Out of the Woods



Pastor Bob Galey, Oakland Woods Baptist Church

Pastors, would you like to contribute a column to the Worship Page? If so, call Jennifer Nemer (248) 625-3370.

From the Bulletin

Calvary Lutheran Church in Clarkston is hosting a Christian singing duo, "Lost and Found." The concert will be Sunday, Feb. 2 at 7 p.m., 6805 Bluegrass Dr. Admission is \$7 per person or \$20 maximum per family. "Lost and Found" appeals to all ages, singing and entertaining many since 1986. They were awarded the grand prize in the 1999 John Lennon Song Writing Contest for their song, "Lions." For more about "Lost and Found" check out www.speedwood.com. For more information or to order tickets, call the church office at (248) 625-3288 ext. 205.

Mt. Zion Church is offering "Steps to Life Enrichment" classes designed to help people experience the best of life. A new 10-week session begins on Monday, Feb. 10 from 7:30-9 p.m. at the church, located at 4900 Maybee Rd. Classes this session include Anger, Boundaries in Relationships, Man to Man, Coping with Divorce, Substance Abuse, The Grief Process, Life Controlling Emotions, Healing for Women, Prayer, Principles of Stewardship, Search for Significance, Steps to Healthy Relations, and Understanding Relationships. There are also two classes for children: Children and Anger (for eight to 12 years old) and Kids in Divorce Situations. Childcare is provided at no cost. Call Wendy Halsey at (248) 391-6166 for more information.

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Independence Library participates in reading program

BY KYLE GARGARO
Clarkston News Editor

For the second year, the Independence Township Library will be participating in the "Everyone's Reading" program.

The Metro-Area book club also includes libraries from Baldwin, Bloomfield Township, Canton, Farmington, Rochester Hills and West Bloomfield. The idea is to have everybody reading the same book.

This year the book is "A Lesson Before Dying," by Ernest Gaines. The 256-page novel is set in 1940s Louisiana and is about two black men - a death-row inmate wrongfully convicted of murder, and a teacher at a plantation school - who struggle to live and to die with dignity. Gaines was awarded the National Book Critics Circle Award for the book.

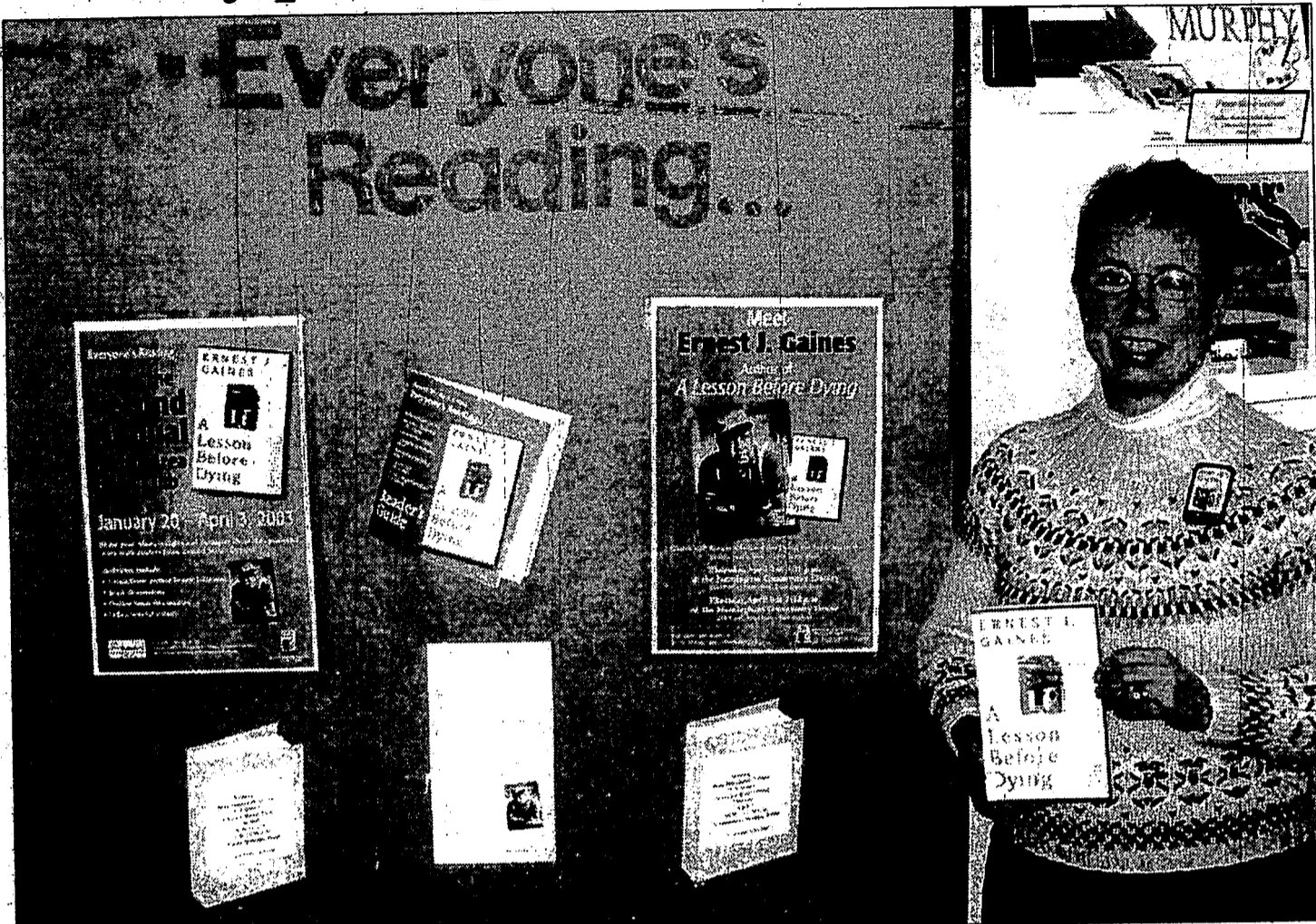
"We are excited about being one of the sponsors of the program," Patience Beer, head of adult services at Independence Township Library, said.

The Independence library will be holding two book discussion groups on the book. They are scheduled for Tuesday, Feb. 18 from 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. and Thursday, April 13 from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

"These are open to anyone who wants to come," Beer said. "The whole point is to promote reading by adults. Hopefully you will discuss the book with people you normally wouldn't discuss literature with."

The participating libraries have extra copies of the book and metro Detroit book stores have been notified that demand will be high on "A Lesson Before

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Patience Beer and the Independence Township Library are participating in the Everyone's Reading program. Photo by Kyle Gargaro.

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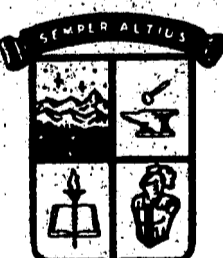

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Clarkston Milestones

Engaged



Karen Petersen and Matthew Ford, both of Sawyer, announce their marriage engagement. Karen is a Lake Michigan College graduate and attended Central Michigan University. She is currently employed as the operations manager for Zilke Brothers Nursery in Baroda. She is the daughter of Ken Petersen of Sawyer and MaryAnne and Roger Zilke of Baroda. Matthew, formerly of Clarkston, is a Western Michigan University graduate with a bachelor of business administration and teacher certification. He is currently employed in the River Valley School District where he teaches Spanish and is a junior varsity volleyball coach. He is the son of Beth and Thomas Ford of Clarkston. A July 2003 wedding is planned at St. Joseph Catholic Church in St. Joseph.



Tara Chastain of Davisburg and Patrick Ruff of Flint announce their engagement. The bride-to-be is a Clarkston High School graduate and is currently a pre-kindergarten teacher at Faithway Christian Childcare in Burton. Chastain is the daughter of Nathan and Tamara Miller of Davisburg. The prospective bridegroom is a Kearsley High School graduate and is a mason/bricklayer for Boettcher Masonry. Ruff is the son of Randy and Linda Healy of Birch Run. Both Chastain and Ruff are youth leaders at Faith Tabernacle. An August 2003 wedding is planned at Faith Tabernacle.

Welcome



David and Melissa Tinkis of St. Michael, Minn. would like to announce the birth of their son, **Jackson David Tinkis**, born Dec. 17, 2002 at Fairview-Southdale Hospital in Edina, Minn. Jackson weighed 7lbs. 2oz. and was 20 inches long. Jackson's proud grandparents are David and Karen Tinkis of Clarkston and David and Fritz Jackson of Lake Orion.



Jason Allen Bishop and Tina Marie Bishop of Davisburg announce the birth of their daughter **Jessica Marie Bishop**. Jessica was born Oct. 14, 2002 at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Pontiac. She weighed 7lbs. 0.8oz. and measured 20 inches long. Proud grandparents are Bruce and Nancy Sommers of Davisburg, Kerry and Anne Bishop of Shelby Township and Alan and Jane Schultz of Sterling Heights as well as great-grandparents Glenn and Zona Sommers of Davisburg, Gary and Ruth Bishop of Lake Orion, Edward and Ester Zabowski of Sterling Heights, Barbara Bell of Shelby Township and Theresia Schultz of Mt. Clemens.

Engaged



Mike and Diane Knakal of Clarkston announce the engagement of their daughter **Lisa Knakal** to **Brenton Bergkoetter**, son of Craig and Molly Bergkoetter of Clarkston.

Knakal will graduate from the University of Michigan in April, and Bergkoetter is a graduate of the University of Michigan and is currently working on his master's degree. Both are Clarkston High School graduates.

A July 2003 wedding is planned at Rochester Hill Golf and Country Club.

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Acey helps preserve township's character

Longtime Springfield resident relocated Ormond Road home to back of property in 1995

BY JEFF PATRUS
Clarkston News Staff
Writer

It didn't take long for Eugene (Chip) Acey to fight to keep the quality of life in Springfield Township.

Shortly after he and wife Noni moved to his 20-acre home on Ormond Road in 1971, Acey found himself at the center of a storm involving a potential sale of a square mile of a piece of farm property to a gravel mining company.

"I organized a committee and fought what everyone told me was a losing battle for more than two years," he recalled. "We eventually won. It got quite a bit of publicity at the time. That was an intense battle. Collin Walls, at the time, was part of the fight. He wasn't in politics at the time. It was a very interesting time. In winning that, we kept the character of the area and protected property values."

Acey, a Dearborn native, has grown to appreciate the Springfield Township community in the thirty-two years he's been here. A Western Michigan University graduate, Acey taught art at the junior high and high school level in the Cherry Hill school district (in the Inkster/Westland area) for three years before going into business for himself.

After the Aceys

were married, they moved to Cedar Island Lake, south of Springfield Township, where they lived for 3-1/2 years before moving to Davisburg.

He recalled what the house, which was built in the 1870s, was like when they first bought it.

"When we bought it, it was an old run-down farm house," Acey said. "It was not liveable. This was one of the old farms in the area. We bought the house because of the lake. My wife and I have always enjoyed the out-of-doors. We found this house and it was affordable because of the condition it was in. It was located in front of the property."

The Aceys stayed in the same location for 24 years, then a couple of factors prompted them to consider relocating.

"We were getting a lot of traffic on Ormond Road, and we wanted to be by the lake," he recalled. "Initially, we wanted to sell our house. The initial idea was to sell it and 2-1/2 acres and build a new one back here (on the back of the property). Then, we looked into the possibility of moving it back here."

After the Aceys committed to relocating the home, they needed a place to live in the time between they moved out



Davisburg resident Chip Acey demonstrates a bottle-flattening machine, a product he held a patent on in the 1980s. Photo by Jeff Patrus.

of old location and the new location, so they moved into a 30-foot motor home during the time of remodeling.

Chip Acey then contracted to have the house relocated, and after the house was securely on its foundation, Acey and Tom Doone began the remodeling. "We built decks all around, and we added quite a bit to the house," he said.

These days, Acey sells a product known as Nutra Surge out of his home. He started the business in the early 1990s. He holds two patents on the product, and is looking for help to expand his product to the gardening market.

According to Acey, Nutra Surge increases the population of bacteria and fungi in the soil, and creates more food factories for plants, ultimately giving the vegetables that grow from the plants a higher nutritional content.

In the 1980s, Acey held a patent on another invention, a bottle-flattening

machine that still allowed the user to turn bottles in for refunds in the state of Michigan. He co-held the patent with Warren Hieser, who has since deceased. The patent is now expired.

Another interest of Acey's is as a professional boxing judge in the state of Michigan. He stated he has worked as a judge for 20 years, judging several title fights. Among the fighters Acey said he has watched are Thomas Hearn, Milton McCrory, George Foreman (when he was making his come-

back in the mid-1980s) and Michael Moorer.

Overall, Acey is pleased with the life he and his wife enjoy in the township. Although the population has grown, he believes the township's commitment to preserving its natural features has remained the same.

"When we first moved out here, it was very rural," he said. "Things changed, and Springfield Township has grown into quite a thriving community."



He and wife Noni have lived on the property for 32 years, relocating the home to the back of his property in 1995 due to traffic concerns on Ormond. Photo by Jeff Patrus.

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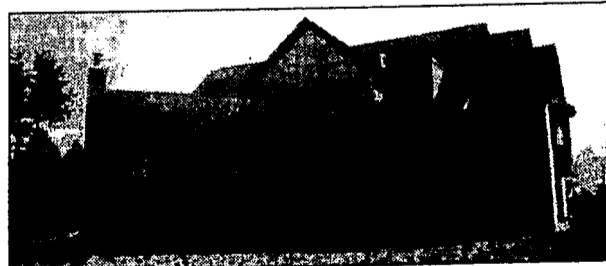


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Around Town

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The Clarkston Rotary is having their third annual Wine Tasting Gala on Wednesday, Feb. 12 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at Bordine's Nursery, 8600 Dixie Hwy. This year 11 Michigan wineries and 13 food establishments will participate. The proceeds will benefit local projects. This year, the Meijer store of Auburn Hills has joined in to help. Tickets are \$25/person, \$30 at the door. Tickets are available at the Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce at 586 S. Main St. Or call the chamber at (248) 625-8055 or Jeff Lichty at (248) 625-4244.

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Mesquite Creek in Clarkston will donate profits made on Monday, Feb. 17 to the Clarkston High School Student Council to help the group raise funds for Building with Books, an organization that raises money for schools in underprivileged countries.

On Wednesday, March 12 the Clarkston Community Historical Society (CCHS) will sponsor a benefit performance of "Run for Your Wife," a comedy performed by the Clarkston Village Players. Tickets are \$18 per person and include, wine, desserts, fruits and cheeses. The event begins at 7 p.m. at the Depot Theatre located on White Lake Road in Clarkston. To purchase tickets call (248) 922-0270. Tickets must be purchased in advance. This is a benefit performance that supports the CCHS and the Clarkston Heritage Museum.



Found inside the Clarkston Heritage Museum, as part of their "Windows in Time" exhibit is this portrait of Washington E. Clark, grandson of Clarkston founder Judge Amiah Clark. Washington was born in 1840 and died 1907. Photo by Jennifer Nemer.

Library

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Dying." "I encourage people to borrow or get their own copy," Beer said.

The idea to get everyone to read the same book originated in Seattle in 1998. The Seattle Public Library's "If All Seattle Reads the Same Book" has become an annual event with thousands of participants. Public libraries in Chicago and Buffalo have since followed suit, each starting their own citywide book groups.

Metro Net, a consortium of eight suburban Detroit libraries, brought the concept to Detroit, launching the first annual "Everyone's Reading..." campaign in January 2002.


This is the second year Independence Library has participated in the program. Last year the book was "Pay It Forward."

"Last year there was much less planning. The response was such that it

was worth making an effort to do it big time this year," Beer said. "It is bigger and better this year. There is a reading guide people can pick up at the library and more events."

Ernest Gaines will speak and sign books at Farmington Community Library on Thursday, April 3 from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. and at Birmingham Community House from 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. on the same day.

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SYNOPSIS

TAKEN BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE

Supervisor Stuart called the January 21, 2003 meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. at the Independence Township Library. Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Absent: None.

There is a quorum.

1. Approved the minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 7, 2003 as amended.

2. Approved the payment of the revised list of distributions in the amount of \$19,703.80.

3. Approval of Accounts Payable Blanket Purchase Requisitions in the amount of \$7,629,124.00.

4. Approval of Accounts Payable Check Run in the amount of \$1,090,908.92.

5. Approval of agenda as amended.

6. Approved motion to transfer Liquor License of 6761 Dixie Highway as requested.

7. Approved motion of First Reading of Rezoning Request from R-1R to R-1C, corner of Eston Road and Olde Oaks, parcel 08-12-200-010.

8. Approved motion of First Reading of the Zoning Ordinance Text Amendment for State Mandated Open Space Preservation.

9. Approved motion to authorize Well House Upgrades and Improvements.

10. Approved motion of Board of Canvassers appointments.

11. Approved motion to adjourn at 9:20 p.m.

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Respectfully Submitted,

Joan E. McCrary

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TOWNSHIP BOARD

AGENDA

7:30 P.M.

TOWNSHIP LIBRARY

DATE: February 4, 2003

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Opening Statements and Correspondence

Minutes of Previous Meeting

Approval of Purchase Orders

Approval of Accounts Payable Check Run

Approval of Agenda

Public Forum

Unfinished Business

1. Second Reading and Adoption of a Rezoning Request from R-1R to R-1C, corner of Eston Road and Olde Oaks, 4.58 acres, parcel 08-12-200-010.

2. Second Reading and Adoption of a Zoning Ordinance Amendment- State Mandated Open Space Option

New Business

1. West Circle Drive/Clarkston Road Drainage Project

2. Resolution to Set Public Hearing - Sashabaw Road

S.A.D.

3. Permission to Hire - Appraiser Aide

4. Performance Review and Salary Adjustment - Ben Weeks

Weeks

Only those matters that are listed on the agenda are to be considered for action.

A majority vote of the Board members may add or delete an agenda item.

Grand entrance



Clarkston's basketball team hits the floor before the start of their Friday game against visiting Southfield. The Wolves defeated the Blue Jays 60-50. Photo by Jeff Patrus.

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SUMMARY OF PROPOSED OPEN SPACE OPTION

ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at its meeting on Tuesday February 4, 2003, at 7:30 p.m., the Charter Township of Independence Board of Trustees will be considering amending the Township Zoning Ordinance, by adding a new section that would provide the option to develop certain residential property with 50% open space in order to comply with the mandates of Act No. 177 of the Public Acts of 2001. The proposed ordinance is summarized below. A true copy of the proposed Ordinance can be inspected or obtained at the office of the Charter Township of Independence Clerk, 90 North Main Street, Clarkston, Michigan.

SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE

SECTIONS AND CATCHLINES

Section A - Intent and Purpose

States that the purpose of the Ordinance is to encourage the long-term preservation of open space and to provide for recreation areas.

Section B - Eligibility Requirements. Makes Ordinance applicable to residential properties zoned R-1A, R-1B, R-1C and R-1R, if such properties are served by municipal sewers, or to properties zoned R-1B, R-1C and R-1R, if the properties are not served by municipal sewers.

Section C - Open Space Preservation Option. Provides property owners who meet eligibility requirements the option to develop the same number of dwelling units on a portion of their land that could have been developed under current zoning rules on the same land.

Section D - Density Calculations. Directs that the density of the dwelling units provided by the open space option shall not exceed the density customarily developable in the applicable zoning district. The maximum density is to be established by submittal of a parallel plan outlining how the parcel could be developed under conventional zoning district standards.

Section E - Design and Application Requirements. Provides design and application requirements including: a) preservation of a minimum of 50% of the gross site area as open space; b) preservation of the site's most significant environmental, agricultural and cultural features; c) required individual lot, building, and development standards; and d) the proposed Ordinance restrictions.

Section F - Open Space Maintenance and Preservation. Requires that a conservation easement be recorded to perpetually preserve all open space.

Section G - Review Process. Provides that all open space option development applications be reviewed in accordance with the proposed Ordinance and all other applicable Township procedures. Requires that all applications include a resource inventory.

Section H - Definitions. Incorporates the definitions set forth in Act 177 of the Public Acts of 2001.

The proposed Ordinance also provides that the Township Zoning Ordinance shall remain in effect, amended only as provided in this proposed Ordinance. In addition, the proposed Ordinance contains a savings clause, effective date and adoption provisions.

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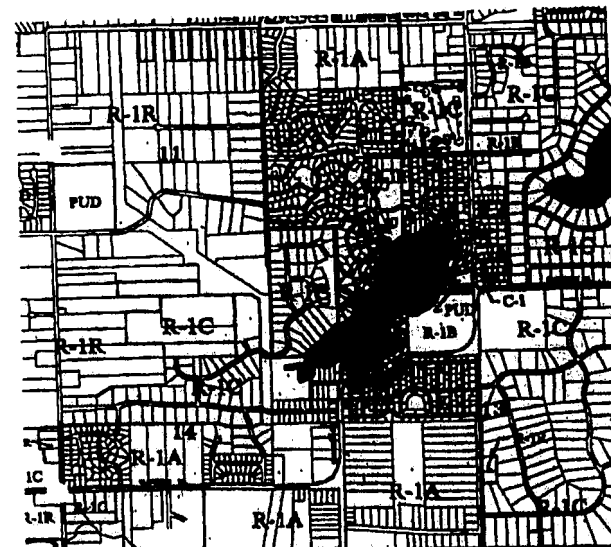
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At a Regular meeting of the Township Board held on January 21, 2003 the Board authorized a First Reading of a Rezoning Request from R-1R to R-1C, 4.48 acres, NE corner of Eston Road and Olde Oaks, parcel 08-12-200-010 as follows:

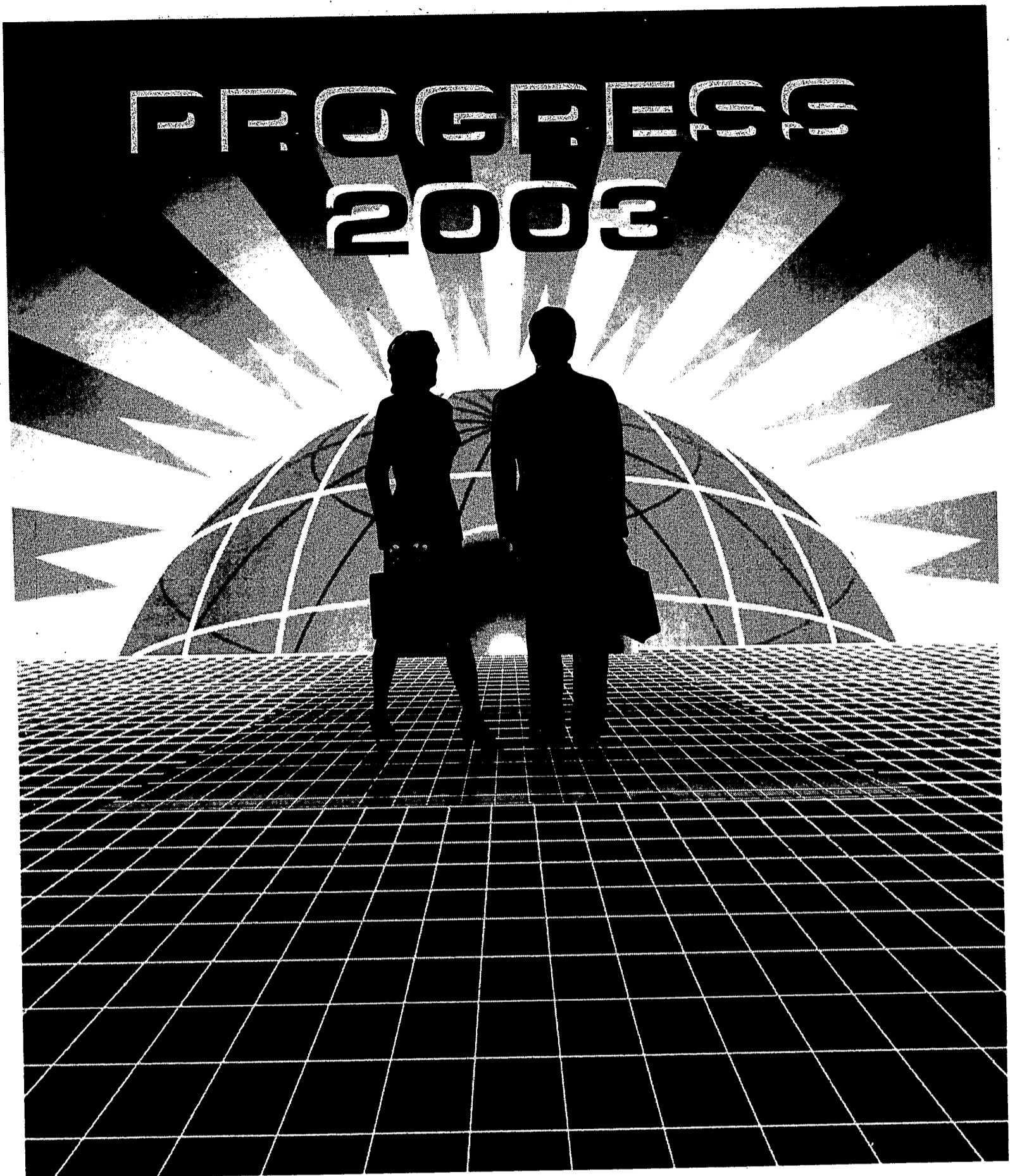


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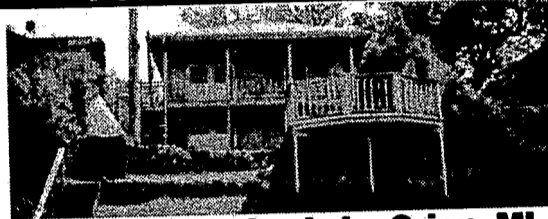
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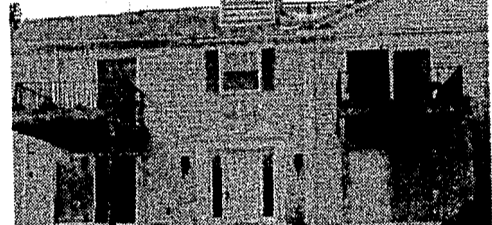
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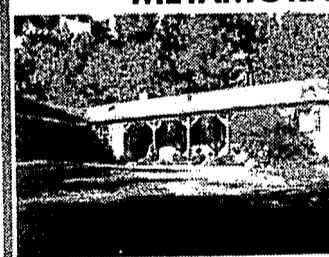
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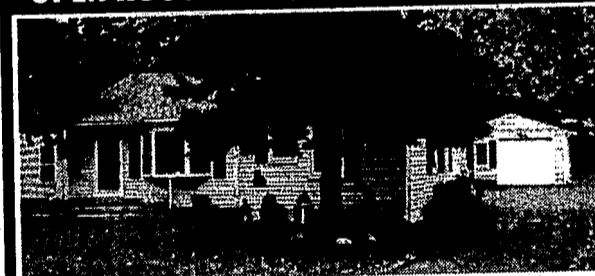
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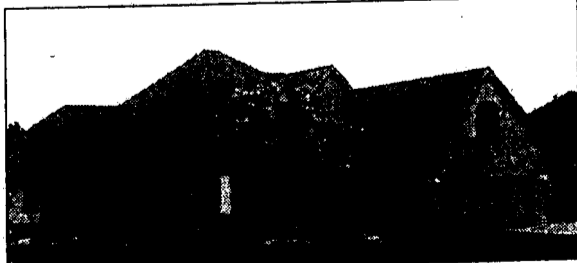


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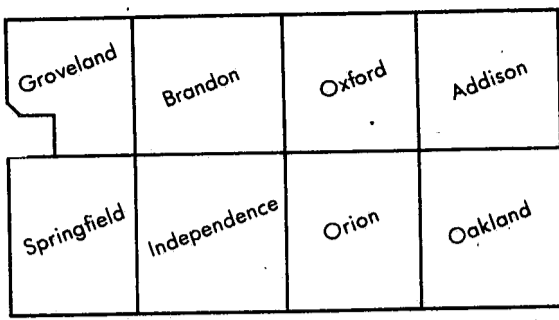
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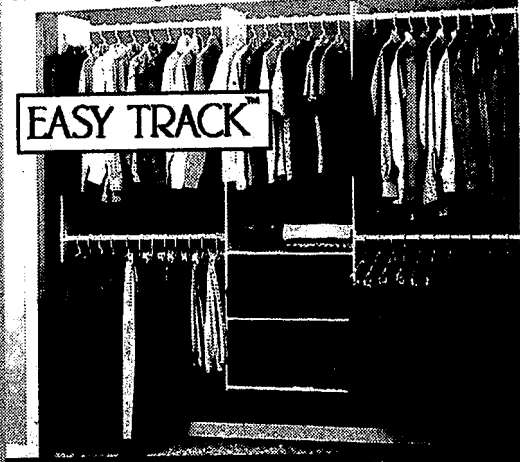
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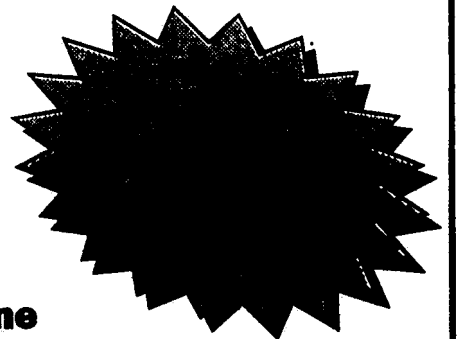
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