Students will 'Pay to Play'

BY DON SCHELSKE

Clarkston News Staff Writer

They still have "soft numbers" and not enough details, but Clarkston school officials have adopted a "conceptual plan" to save \$1.9 million in the 2004-2005 bud-

The Monday school board vote was not unanimous, as Trustee Tony Miller opposed "pay-to-participate" athletics and a yet-to-be-finalized proposal to privatize custodial services.

The success of the plan will depend, in part, on getting at least 20 top level teachers to agree to a severance plan intended to cut personnel costs.

The administrative package was a revision of plans floated at a Jan. 19 workshop, at which officials said there could be a \$2.5 million deficit in the 2004-2005 budget.

With state aid and enrollment uncertainties, officials are assuming no increase in the per pupil

"foundation grant" and an enrollment increase of 100 for next school year.

Tony Miller

The board has already endorsed use of fund equity to balance the current year's school budget after state aid cuts, lower-than-projected enrollment and higherthan-projected expenses. In the 2004-2005 year, officials want to protect enough fund equity to ensure operational funds for new facilities scheduled to open in fall 2005 and to prevent fall cashflow borrowing.

In the former category, officials changed their estimate from \$1.8 million to \$1.4 million. Also changed was an estimate of the effective reduction of 7.1 teachers from the K-12 program down to "about three" if the severance package proves successful.

Most of the board debate centered on a proposal nnual fee of \$200 per high school athlete and \$150 per middle school athlete in 2004-2005. Athletic Director Dan Fife said it is a better option than cutting any individual sport or any level of sports (such as freshman sports or middle school sports);

We feel this is the best way to not lose programs or kids," Fife said.

Miller questioned why the athletic budget was being called upon to find \$250,000 is savings, and Deputy Superintendent Dave Reschke said it represents about 10 percent of the overall reduction package.

There was no science to it," Reschke said. "That was just the number picked."

With the athletic budget being cut the past two years, and with the spectre of continued fund-raising to cover already-cut items such as equipment purchases, Miller said more cuts are unfair.

"We have money in the bank," Miller said. "I think there could be a better way to do this without pushing these budget cuts."

Miller said there should be a more detailed investigation of the district budget, including "company cars and cell phones," to seek other savings. Rleuse see Builge continued on page A.





The dance floor was packed at Clarkston Middle School's cafeteria during the annual Daddy/Daughter Dance. Photo by Alicia Dorset.

Residents will pay more for water

Independence rate increase needed to pay for improvements

BY KYLE GARGARO

Clarkston News Editor Residents of Independence Township will soon be paying more in water rates. However along with the increase in price, there will be improved service ac-

cording to township officials. Managing Consultant of ACI Finance; Inc., the trustees voted 6-1 to increase rates. Trustee David Wagner

voted against the measure. In the first water/sewer rate study since 1986, Traciak recommended the board raise the rates to both help fund the \$17 million improvements the board had. already passed and also to get in line with other surrounding communities which charge a higher rate for the user fees to pay for the entire project. We would

The water rate per 100 cubic feet will increase from \$1.02 to \$1.35 on March 16, while the one-time connection fee will increase from \$1,000 to \$2,000 on March 1, then go up to \$2,600 on June 1.

"We set the fee after the study in 1986 and we were doing fine," Independence Township DPW Director Linda Richardson said. "But now that we are doing a large capital improvement project we needed to change. In order to pay for the improvements we needed to increase the rates."

There was debate between Wagner and the rest of the board on whether increasing the hook-up fee would be wise.

"We need to add users. My biggest fear is that After a presentation by Tom Traciak, President and , we raise up the hook-up fee so high that people will not touch it," Wagner said.

However, the rest of the board disagreed.

"We need to protect our investment," Trustee Dan Travis said. Richardson believes this is the most fair way to

pay for the improvements. "It is not fair to our current users if we raise up

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Briefly

Stakoe distributes taxpayer guides

State Representative John Stakee is distributing guides to help residents fill out their tax forms.

Free taxpayer guides are available at senior centers, libraries and township offices throughout the 44th District.

The booklet outlines many Michigan tax laws including property taxes, homestead property tax credits, farmland and open space tax relief and the Single Business Tax. It also includes a list of phone numbers for assistance.

Anyone unable to pick up a taxpayer guide from a local location should contact Stakoe's office toll free at (866) 334-0010.

Independence Trustees to discuss non-union benefits

The Independence Township Board of Trustees will have their regular board meeting on Tuesday, Feb. 17.

The agenda includes approval of the 2004-08 Parks and Recreation Master Plan, 2003 investment report and a discussion of non-union benefits.

The meeting is set for 7:30 p.m. at the Independence Township Library.

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Friends announce used book sale

The Friends of the Independence Township Library will hold its Spring Book Sale from Wednesday March 31 through Saturday, April 3 at the Independence Township Library.

Hours will be 10 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. on Wednesday and Thursday, 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. on Friday and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday.

All proceeds go to the Independence Township

Independence approves ambulance purchase

The Independence Township Board of Trustees approved the purchase of two new ambulances for the Independence Township Fire Department at their Feb. 3 meeting.

The two rescue vehicles will cost a total of \$183,700 and be purchased from Wheeled Coach Industries.

Board sets special meeting for Feb. 12

The Independence Township Board of Trustees have set a special meeting for Thursday, Feb. 12.

On the meeting agenda is a study session on pending ordinances. The meeting will consist of the township board, township planner, building and planning director along with the township attorney.

The meeting is set for 5:30 p.m. at the Township Library.

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Resident continues plea for repair of ditch

BY ALICIA DORSET

Clarkston News Staff Writer

A growing ditch is the cause of frustration for property owner Carole Overall and the Road Commission for Oakland County as an ongoing battle for repairs continues.

For the past seven years, Overall has watched the ditch at the bottom of her property in Davisburg continue to grow and become a greater safety problem for drivers who pass her house.

"It's very disturbing," Overall said. "The ditch takes the focus away from our yard and our little stone house."

The ditch was a result of a long-standing runoff problem. Overall's 1929 stone cottage sits on top of a large hill

on Big Lake Road. When heavy rainfall occurs, the rainwater collects at the bottom of the property, causing compiled soil erosion that continues to worsen over time.

"There's been a tremendous washout problem there for quite some time," Tom Meszler, RCOC Highway Maintenance, said.

Currently a cross tube, installed by the RCOC, is located in the ditch to try and help with

the erosion problem. The velocity that the water moves at continues to be an ongoing challenge for Meszler and crews. Overall believes that an additional tube, to redirect the water across the road, is needed to fix the problem once and for all.

Over the years, the RCOC responded to the problem as the ditch's condition worsened. The ditch has been widened in an attempt to correct the erosion problems. Stone dams were

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Carol Overall

Davisburg resident

added in an attempt to slow the water's velocity and the rate that the ditch expands. Black top was added over the cross tube to level out the fourfoot-deep hole.

According to Overall, the dams and ditch widening have—done

nothing but create an unattractive eyesore at the bottom of her property.

"You can imagine our shock, great disappointment and crying, on my part, when we discovered this horrible, ugly black monster of a ditch which we have to live with until you fix it," Overall stated in a July 2003 letter to Meszler.

She is concerned that repairs similar to these will do nothing but lower her property's



Carol Overall measures the expanding width of the ditch located in front of her home on Big Lake Road. She believes that the Road Commission for Oakland County is ignoring her requests for additional repair work. Photo by Alicia Dorset

value.

"We offered to extend the ditch," Meszler said. "Another pipe will not pick up the water. You can't collect water under black top."

Overall believes that the RCOC is ignoring her continued requests for the black top to be removed and the ditch corrected once and for all.

She and her husband have

spoken with attorneys about the matter, but have not pursued a legal course of action any further

"We're senior citizens on Social Security," Overall said. "We didn't want to go through the heartache."

Overall sent a letter to Meszler in July 2003 requesting that the black top be removed so the additional pipe could be added.

Meszler followed up with Overall's husband, but no further contacts have been made since that time.

According to Meszler, everything that has been able to be done with the ditch has been.

"Nothing else would work better," Meszler said. "You can't remove the ditch."

In addition to the ditch's aesthetic problems, Overall is concerned about the safety of drivers passing by her property.

According to her, a minimum of three cars end up in the ditch each winter since the black top is covered by snow and is misleading.

"My only concern is that someone coming around the corner, in summer or winter; could get really hurt;" Frank Prudhomme, Overall's nextdoor neighbor, said.

Meszler believes it is very feasible that cars might end up in the ditch, but attributes it to the L-shaped road that drivers

must maneuver around when passing Overall's property.

So far this winter, one car has slid off into the ditch and had be towed out.

The various debates over the ditch maintenance is just part of an overall problem dealing with the RCOC, according to Prudhomme.

"Nothing we can do' is the standard comment," Prudhomme said. He has lived on Big Lake Road for 19 years and himself dealt with the RCOC over proposed right-of-ways the county wanted at one point.

"For the taxes we're paying out here, we're not getting anything," Prudhomme said. "We pay taxes for them to use."

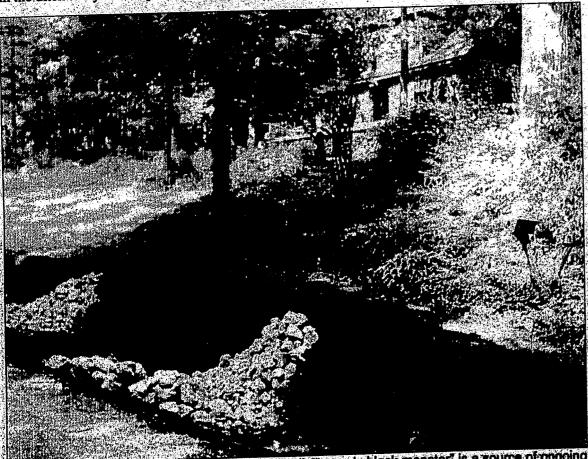
Meszler believes that appropriate help has been extended to the Overalls.

"We're not picking on her,"
Meszler said. "We're impacted
just as much as she it. We can't
remove the ditch, but we're trying to deal with the problem."

Overall maintains her crusade to have the ditch fixed for the last time.

She has vowed to give a copy of the letter she wrote Meszler for help to every driver that ends up in her ditch so that they, too, might help end the debate once and for all.

"They're (RCOC) the big giant and I'm just the little guy." Overall said.



What Davisburg property owner Carol Overall calls "an ugly black monster" is a source of ongoing controversy. Photo provided

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"If we ever had any frivolous costs, they were gone a long time ago," board Secretary Steve Hyer responded.

As he did at the Jan. 19 workshop, Miller again asked about pay freezes for coaches and other personnel. Administrators said some employees are concerned about retirement benefits, which are computed based on the progression of their pay scales.

"We've already studied salaries," said John Diliegghio, executive director for middle and high school education. "It's a contract, and part of our master agree-

Fife stressed that coaches will work hard to establish scholarship programs to help athletes in financial

"This is not a happy time for Clarkston athletics, but our coaches will find a way to make it happen," he said. "We will make sure these kids will be taken care of. We don't want kids turned away."

"This is temporary," board President Karen Foyteck said, promising to remove the pay requirement as soon as circumstances warrant. "I didn't like doing it in 1989 and I don't like doing it in 2004, [but] we have to make plans now."

"I don't want it thought that I don't believe in academics," Miller said. "I just want to know that the cuts are even and justified." -

Trustee John Koval noted the lack of promised details on the real cost of running the overall athletic program.

"I'm not convinced that the flat \$200 fee is the way to go," Koval said. "I need the rest of that information complete to make a decision on that."

Others said the pay-to-participate fee will only help cover the expenses currently in the formal athletic budget, and donations from parents, booster groups and fund-raisers will still be needed. Koval eventually voted in favor of the overall package:

Miller also criticized the ongoing budget woes in light of new facilities under construction.

"We're adding bricks and mortar to help our kids, but we don't have enough money to pay for what we have now," he said. "That scares me."

Board Vice President Ronald Sullivan said the decision to build new buildings came from a voter-approved bond issue. "We listened to the community," he said.

"Regardless of what we do, we have to house 8,000 kids," Superintendent Al Roberts said.

Bruce Beamer, executive director for business and financial services, explained the proposed severance plan, developed in-house after consultation with financial planning firms and the district legal counsel.

Teachers, administrators and support staff will be offered the one-time severance package, but all offers will be withdrawn if fewer than 20 teachers accept it. In the teaching category, the offer will be made only to those in the top step of the wage scale.

this school year, they will receive \$30,000 in January 2005 and \$15,000 in January 2006. The same payment will be offered to administrators, while support staff would receive payments equal to about 73 percent of their base salary in 2005 and about 36 percent in 2006.

If at least 30 teachers accept the offer, the buyout price will be higher, Beamer said.

"Teachers are getting more dollars, because there's a bigger variance in their scale," he said.

If the plan attracts enough participants, Beamer estimates first-year savings to the district of at least \$500,000.

Employees have until April 8 to accept the offer, after which the administration will have to decide whether layoffs will be in order for fall 2004.

"We know we're going to lose some great experience," Foyteck said, "but that's part of the package."

Roberts defended the possibility of "outsourcing" custodial services, but said he will not propose it unless it can achieve savings of at least \$200,000.

"We still need to work on that. I don't see how we can do that without losing positions," he said. "We're not ready to set this in stone."

Nonetheless, he asked the board to approve the move as part of the "conceptual plan."

"We need a completed agreement so we can move forward," he said.

Koval also asked reconsideration of the proposal

to phase out participation in the Oakland Science Math and Technology Academy. By not sending freshman to the cooperative program next year, the district will be able to hold on to a bigger share of those student's foundation grant.

"If we pull out of that, I think that program will be gone," Koval said, noting the financial challenges currently faced by OSMTech.

Roberts sympathized, but said the administration could have proposed a total pullout. He also said other districts have contributed to the problem.

"This program was more significant when it had five partners," he said, noting the withdrawal of Waterford from the OSMTech consortium several years ago. The Lake Orion district has also decided not to send freshmen to the program next year.

Trustee Sheila Hughes voiced concern about proposed cuts in textbook purchases. Diliegghio said staff would attempt to accomplish that with alternative plans or with a delay of new curriculum.

"I don't want a child without a textbook," Hughes said.

"None of us likes anything we're looking at here," Sullivan said, but administrators said they are simply doing their best in another year of financial challenges.

"We're getting pretty good at this," Reschke said, "and it's not necessarily a good thing to get good at."

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be talking about something like \$2 or so instead of the \$1.35 (per 100 cubic feet)," Richardson said. "Some people are just not going to want to hook up which is their right. If we raise the hook-up rate that will be the reason, but if we had to raise the user fee real high then that would be the reason they give."

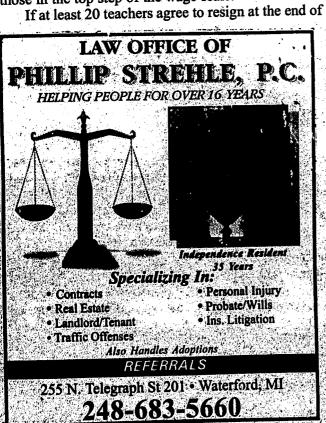
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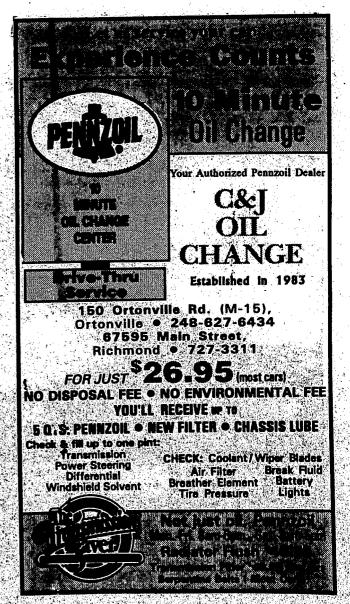
lowering the levels of arsenic and iron and building additional water mains.

Wagner said he would like to keep the hook-up fee at \$1,000 for older neighborhoods, while raising the fee for new subdivisions coming into the area.

"I have talked with people in Waterford Hills and they said if the connection fee is this high they are not going to be a part of the program," Wagner said. "I mean, what are we doing? In these economic times we are gouging our residents with higher rates. It is just not right."







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nesses the amazing end result of so many in the com- incomes. When there is so much uncertainty of what

The staff of Lighthouse Emergency Services provided Thanksgiving and Christmas food and gifts to Clarkston thank you for your support this past year and look forward to working with you again in 2004.

Wishing you a safe and peaceful new year.

Clarkston Lighthouse Staff

Accountability of public schools is key

The "No Child Left Behind" legislation has been getting a lot of press both locally and nationally recently. The idea is for individual schools to be held accountable and make sure our children are receiving the best possible education.

Sounds like a pretty good idea, doesn't it? Well, like everything else in life, the more bodies of government a particular issue needs to go through the more trouble that ensues. The education issue is no different as legislation from the federal government leads to mandates by the state government which affects our local school district.

" Michigan's answer to No Child Left Behind is Education Yes which, among other things, gives individual schools a report card in an affempt to have all students proficient in basic academic

subjects by 2014. Well the grades came out recently, followed shortly behind by complaints from school officials. Our very own Clarkston school district was distraught by their grades, which were mostly in the B range. While I was usually happy with a B back in my school days, I refuse to fault anyone for lofty goals.

While I freely admit I am not a No Child Left Behind scholar, on the outside looking in it seems like a good plan. I feel accountability in all walks of life is a positive. Without accountability you will most likely.

not fulfill your potential. And while some in education think we are picking on them, the simple truth is we are funding the American educational system so it is a perfectly reasonable request to expect to see some re-

I, for one, have been getting sick of hearing the administration whine about the process. When people start to complain it sounds exactly like the teachers on Charlie Brown to me. So I thought I would call up our Superintendent Dr. Al Roberts to let him explain his concerns and more importantly see if he had any ideas on how to fix the problem.

In my conversation with Roberts he made three major points as to why No Child Left Behind was unfair including:

Tests vary from state to state and it is unfair for Michigan schools that have much higher standards than some of their counterparts. To me this was a valid point and one that should be easily corrected. Why can't we have one test for all fifth graders in America and another for all sixth graders?

We have tests like the ACT that cross over state boundaries so how hard would it be to come up with one for each grade level. Since this is a federal program, all districts in the United States should be on a level playing field.

Instead of measuring how the schools are teaching by comparing fourth grade test scores from one year to the next, compare the fifth grade test scores from this year to the fourth grade test scores from last year so you can measure the same students. Sounds to me like Roberts is right again as this is a classic example of not comparing apples to

oranges. The key issue is how the children are progressing from year to year. It just does not make sense to me to compare test results from two different groups.

We also need to look at other issues such as poverty, home life, preparedness for schools and other items in order to see the entire picture. This one I am not on board with. To me it would fall under the category of items you need to deal with. Everybody's job has specifics you need to overcome. Part of being held accountable is showcasing how you overcome the road-blocks being placed in your way. If it was an easy job anyone could do it. You need to step up to the plate and overcome obstacles.

So while this is obviously not a perfect system, I believe we are headed in the right direction. If government and school officials would get in the same room and hash out these differences we would be a lot better off.

However it is my opinion that school officials from around the country do not want a perfect system-because they truly do not want to be held accountable. You see if No Child Left Behind was perfect they could not blame anybody but themselves for the terrible shape our nation's schools are in at this time.

The simple fact is we are throwing a lot of money at education and are not getting the results. This is no knock on teachers because I believe they work hard and do admirable work. However, I would like to see more money going directly into the classroom and less going to administrative costs.

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Have we seen enough?

At Large

Don

Schelske

flash of flesh at Super Bowl XXXVIII is still in full Reporter

(Some thought the Grammy Awards would supersede the Super Bowl, but apparently most everyone behaved themselves.)

There's a problem with at least some of the Hollywood handwringing. It is the failure to recognize how we got to this point. Why are we shocked that some believe indecent exposure can be a legitimate part of a prime time, familymarketed entertainment event dipoadcast on the public airwaves? 115 TePut more simply, one bare

Breast is not the fundamental problem:

For example, would there have been outrage over the MTV-produced halftime show had Jackson remained fully-clothed? There should be, based on the lyrics of the songs and the dress and dance moves of the performers: (One commentator well suggested the

captioning on to get the rull meaning.)

of the hormone-laden performance, some would de- sic to which they perform. fend it based on the acceptance of such "entertainment? in other venues; including multiple channels which also go into people's living rooms.

(Please note, the Federal Communications Commission only has authority over public broadcast frequencies, but the public marketplace holds sway even over the private cable industry.)

The unfortunate truth is too many have tolerated too much of a decline in standards in too many instances for too long a time. There was no "wardrobe malfunction? on Super Bowl Sunday, but there was a morality malfuhetion/2.1970101-3.18-11-11-3.38-11-11

Let's bring it closer to home. A colleague at anplaint from some readers over a photograph of high seek ways to push the moral envelopes to according school cheerleaders. The photograph was deemed by Fig. In this office we sometimes have conversation some to be too immodest for publication.

At this writing, the furor over Janet Jackson's practice of watching such performances with closed- tograph the primary issue? How many parents or other citizens have protested the costumes worn by some Even if there had been outrage over other aspects squads, the moves some of them perform and the mu-

> We're not picking on the young people here, but let's remember that Justin Timberlake and other exhibitionist pop stars were once members of the Mickey Mouse Club ...

> Such protests are likely to be viewed as Victorian and prudish. Others will use a misinterpretation of the First Amendment to defend the so-called "freedom of expression" (which, like "separation of church and state," does not appear in the Constitution).

. These protests are valid, based on the time- and court-honored principle of community standards, and it is good to hear of people standing up for principles of modesty and good taste. We need more to join the other community newspaper recently related a com- cause, because those on the other end will continue to

about the difficulty of "putting the toothpaste back in Even without seeing the photograph, it was easy to the tube." It can be difficult, but it salso worth the sympathize with the protesting readers. But is the pho- effort.



I shouldn't pop off at readers

Don't

Rush Me

I get lots of mail in response to the stuff I write here in nounce place local names and Michigan left turns. the hallowed halls of Don'trushmedom.

Old teachers (and you know who you are) e-mail me when I passionately write about things sacred to those left of center. Pastors e-mail me when I passionately write about compassion for all folks, even the non-Christian ones. Old classmates write me, usually opening with this statement, "Were you the Don Rush who graduated in 1981 from Clarkston High School?"

When I write about my love of canines, cat lovers write me hate mail. When I tell the joys of eating a hamburger, folks from PETA vent their anger with some really eloquent prose like, "Don, you big meany!"

When I write about trying to walk the walk and talk the talk and live a life personified in many John Wayne movies (with traits like honesty and integrity, you know, little things), I get letters from women complaining that I am turning my boys into prehistoric thugs and playground bullies. That's all right. Most folks like to vent

and if they are passionate about something, good for them. (They may be kooky, but that's okay, too.)

I usually laugh it off, run the letter and let it go. So, it was to my great surprise that I leveled and fired both rounds of a double-barreled shotgun (figuratively only folks) via an e-mail response to "Tracie," 35, of Rochester. Tracie wrote me last week in response to that, "You know you're from Detroit if" column a few weeks ago.

Wrongly, I ended my response back to her this way: "So, don't get all hi-falootin' and self righteous with me ." You can guess what was in between the "Dear Tracie" part and the parting shot.

She started her e-mail this way: "Please see the attached comments to your Detroit-Bashing column which closed the minds of suburbanites even more than they already were! . . . Most of your comments in "Some things to remember" were based upon stereotypes, close-mindedness, fear and ignorance."

She forgot to mention it was written tongue in cheek about stuff Metro-Detroiters (which includes Detroiters) say all the time. The column poked fun at how fast traffic is on Highway I-696. It made fun of the way folks pro-

Tracie grew up in Oxford and somewhere along the way got married, had kids and moved to Rochester. She works in Detroit somewhere near Woodward Avenue, the library, Wayne State University and the Detroit Institute of Arts -- a nice part of town. When the day is done and sun goes down, she packs up and heads north back home.

Says she, "I get out of my car every day in Detroit and walk across the street, walk to pick up lunch, walk to take photos, bring my children down here to enrich their lives, etc . . . and guess what? I've NEVER been mugged! I've never been shot at! Go figure! I have however, met some incredible people that have enriched MY

She went point by point and counter-pointed me. It'd take too much space to run her letter in its entirety. But, here is an example, "Every city has their unpleasant sights, yes, even Oxford. Take a look around your town, Mr. Rush." And, "If you are in the fast lane on the highway, you're stupid, whether it is I-75 near Clarkston or Holly or on I-75 near Jefferson Avenue in Detroit. The fast lane is for passing only, not for driving in."

You get the idea.

She ended her letter with: "No, that wasn't nice. The people who live and work in Detroit are so tired of some small-minded suburbanites.'

I think I went into something akin to what the Vikings of old did. I went berserker. I went medieval on her. I told her of my ties to the city. I told her of my 45-yearold Uncle Jerry, who just last Labor Day, was shot and killed in his Detroit home . . , the home he grew up in. I told her the one about Great Grampa Fletcher, who at 85, was sleeping in his Fourth Street Home, when thugs broke in, stole about \$20 bucks and then beat the snot out of him for fun. I told her of sweeping up glass and blood in a parking lot after biker gang stabbed some guy outside a party store on Five Mile Road. I told her many, but not all, of the personal stories from my family's Detroit.

I told her I was born there, glad Ma and Pa Rush moved up north in 1971 and that I still liked Detroit, despite the pain and suffering I know happens there on a daily basis. I told her to relax, laugh a little.

I wasn't very nice. I apologize, Tracie.

Comments for the very big and mean white suburbanite Don can be sent to: dontrushmedon@aol.com



15 YEARS AGO (1988)

 Residents of Independence and Springfield townships have once again reported suspicious calls soliciting money. Some residents have received calls for the "Clarkston Fire Department" and the "Davisburg Fire Department," neither of which exists. There is an Independence Township Fire Department and a Springfield Township Fire Department, but neither is or has been soliciting any contributions.

· A new, 7,000-square-foot golf starter building which will also serve as a cross-country ski center in winter months is planned for Indian Springs Metropark. The Huron-Clinton Metropark straddles Springfield and White Lake Townships. A site plan, with a main entrance off White Lake Road, is in the process of adding a public 18-hole

golf course.

 After many months and much haid work, a new addition to St. Trinity Lutheran Church, 7925 Sashabaw Road in Independence Township, was dedicated last Sunday. Groundbreaking for the addition, which almost doubles the size of the church, took place last June. The dedication took place during the 11 a.m. service on Feb. 12. Following the service, there was a congregational pot luck

25 YEARS AGO (1978)

• Proposed rates for Oakland County Sheriff's deputies show a cost increase of 10 percent over last year. The proposed budget for Independence Township police services suggests dealing with higher costs by cutting "one or two daytime deputies" and providing daytime police protection with officers from the local department, according to Supervisor Whitey Tower. Tower stressed, however, that the township budget is only proposed and could change drastically before approved by the township board.

· A new Clarkston junior high school would be built next to the school district administration building, if voters decided to finance the project. The 45-acre parcel on the south side of Clarkston-Orion Road was picked as the site for the proposed school because it is served by sewer and

water lines.

· A low turnout of Clarkston voters is expected on the none-race village primary elections Monday, said Village Clerk Bruce Rogers. The polling place, located in the village hall, 375 Depot Road, will be open between 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Ballots can be cast for members of one party only, and ballots on which electors have split their tickets will be voided. Seven candidates have filed for five offices on the Clarkston Village Council.

50 YEARS AGO (1953) · Clarkston High's basketball team defeated Holly Friday night in a one-sided game at Clarkston. Dom Mauti's five had an eight point lead at the end of the first quarter, 15-7. At halftime, the Clarkston Wolves had a 32-14 lead. The reserves played most of the third and fourth quar-

ters, but Holly still couldn't click. On Tuesday the Clarkston Home Extension group met at the Community Center for an allday meeting. There was a splendid attendance. The lesson on "Color in the Home;" was presented by Mrs. Keith Lowrie and Mrs. Walter Barrows. The presentation was made in an effective and interesting manner.

Caddying for the blind is a real eye-opener

This column is more about life than golf, though the headline may make you think otherwise.

A Christmas present from son Jim was the book, "Who's Your Caddy?" by Rick Reilly. In real life he's a back page columnist for Sports Illustrated.

Eleven people agreed to let him caddy for them. People like John Daly, Donald Trump, Jack Nicklaus, Bob Newhart, Casey Martin, Jill McGill

and Bob Andrews

Daly comes off a little uncouth, Trump an egomaniae, Nicklaus a roll model, Newhart an anti-Trump, Martin a hell on wheels (as in golf cart wheels), McGill a relier on caddies and Andrews as a blind golfer who

As a blind golfer's caddy you line up their shoulders, position to the ball; club face, describe the hole for whatever club you and the golfer thinks they need and make the golfer "see" what you see:

Andrews, 57, lost his sight when hit by two enemy hand grenades in Vietnam. His recovery, marriage and life is very touching.

When Reilly finished his caddying for Andrews he decided to blindfold himself, get a friend to caddy for him and play nine holes. His whiffs, shanks and chucks made it a three hour, 25 minute round with 121 strokes. He wrote that when he started the book he thought golf was all about beer, bets and long drives.

When I took off the eyeshades, I was floored by the color everywhere; the blue of the skies, the hundreds of shades of green, the aqua of the lakes, the Crayola set of flowers, the crisp, whipping flags on the sticks, even the caramel brown of the bunkers.

ball hurtling great distances and to be able to watch it fall. follow my vacuum around the house.

against sky, cloud and mountain. Being suddenly sighted again after three and a half hours, I vowed never to take the game for granted again, not as a player, not as a caddy and not as a writer."

I don't know if it's an old golfer's or aging columnist's comment, but it's always timely, "Stop and smell the roses along the way."

Jottings Quickies:

The way things are changing, or the way we are allowing things to change, next Christmas I expect this to be a refrain: "What a laugh it would have been if Mommy had only seen Daddy kissing Santa Claus last night."

If you think you are too small to have an impact, try going to bed with a mosquito in the room.

Politicians and their spouses; two examples. Michigan governor Jennifer Granholm's husband is cochairman of Massachusetts Sen. John Kerry's Michigan political campaign. Jennifer waited until a short time before the Democratic caucus here before endorsing Kerry for president. Only people living on Mars thought she might do otherwise.

And, wouldn't you like to be a mouse in the Kerry house when John says to his multi-multi millionaire, Heinzcatsup-fortune-heiress wife, "You're just not paying enough taxes," which he says of rich people.

This is a true story, not that the others haven't been Her husband had recently retired. She had her stay-athome routine, he had his go-to-work routine. Retirement changed his routine, but not hers. Almost daily, after his morning freshening up, he'd ask, "What are we going to do today?"

After having enough of that, one day she responded, "You forget what a rush it is to send a tiny little white ... "I don't know what you're going to do, but I'm going to



Jim Sherman

Police arrest suspected purse-snatchers

BY DON SCHELSKE

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Two women and a man with two-way radios and an apparent heroin addiction have been charged with at least one count of attempted larceny after a Friday, Feb. 6 incident at the Dixie Highway Farmer Jack store.

They may also be implicated in other thefts of wallets from local grocery stores, according to in-

Vanessa A. Gomez, 29, of Essexville; Marie E. Denman, 24, of Fenton; and Patrick M. Holloway, 27, of Fenton were arraigned last weekend, and will face Judge Dana Fortinberry in 52-2 District Court on Feb. 19, according to Oakland County Sheriff Detective Jerry DeRosia.

The count is a "high misdemeanor" carrying a potential two-year jail term. The two women faced full bond of \$10,000, while Holloway was released on 10 percent of that amount, DeRosia said.

According to reports, Denman (who was carrying a baby) engaged a Clarkston woman in conversation about cooking at the meat counter. Gomez then removed the woman's wallet from her purse, which was in the shopping cart basket.

The woman noticed the action, however, and confronted Gomez. With the help of store employees, both suspects were detained until deputies arrived at the store. They later discovered Holloway (described as Denman's common-law husband) in a car in the store parking lot.

Holloway was taken into custody after it was discovered he was driving on a suspended license, reports said.

A search of the vehicle found syringes and small foil containers, and in an interview with police Denman allegedly admitted a \$50 a day heroin habit.

Deputies also found all three suspects in possession of two-way radios.

While giving credit to the would-be victim and store employees, DeRosia said a distraction scenario such as that reported in the Feb. 6 incident is fairly easy and effective.

"Unfortunately, people don't pay attention while they're shopping," DeRosia said.

A similar incident appeared in Independence Township sheriff reports on Monday, Feb. 2 at the Farmer Jack store. While there may be further investigation, DeRosia on Monday said no further charges have been filed against the trio.

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Foran proud of daugther-turned-TV star

BY ALICIA DORSET

Clarkston News Staff Writer

"Mom, I'm on a reality television show."

As reality TV grows in popularity with American audiences, that phrase might just be one that family members of participants hear over the phone. It was the case for Clarkston Middle School principal Linda Foran.

Foran's daughter, Dani Armstrong, was one of seven contestants on Country Music Television's "Cowboy U", a reality show that took 'city slickers' and turned them into cowboys by the show's end.

"She never really had an interest to be on a reality show, but when I think of some of the other shows she could have been on...," Foran said.

Armstrong, a singer/songwriter based in California, saw an ad in an entertainment industry trade paper looking for participants willing to work with animals.

"I like animals, so I thought the show might be something to do with vets," Armstrong said. She went to the casting call and made it to callbacks.

The show's eight episodes were filmed in 23 days during November 2003. Foran knew her daughter was working on the show, but didn't know where Armstrong actually was or details about the production.

"All little girls like horses, but she never wanted to be a cowboy," Foran said. "A singer, dancer or Broadway star- ves."

Not knowing became especially hard when Armstrong broke her wrist midway through taping. Foran and her family had to see it happen on TV.

"When we saw her break her wrist, that was the hardest for us," Foran said. "Her wrist was never even in a cast. But it's okay now: I know she's gone through it. I have more of an understanding of her.'

Some of the skills Armstrong had to acquire included roping animals, trail riding, and participating in a rodeo

during the show's final episode.

"The hardest was training with the bulls," Armstrong said. "Everything related to the bulls was hard."

"I've seen her do some pretty unusual things," Foran said. "I could never do it. I really admire her."

Back home, Foran and family members kept friends and even her students updated on Armstrong's progress after each episode, making her a bit of a celebrity.

"People come up to me and say, 'Cowboy up!', a phrase from the show," Foran said. "When they say that, I know they're talking about Dani."

When the show debuted, Armtrong spent the day dealing with media inquiries, which included 18 radio interviews.

"She's really modest about the whole thing, but taking it all in stride," Foran said.

Although Armstrong didn't win the \$25,000 grand prize, Foran couldn't be prouder. The entire family came together to watch the final episode on Feb. 6 and cheer

"Since she rode a bull, roped a heifer, and went barrel riding, she's a winner," Foran said.

The entire process proved to be an important lesson for both Armstrong and her family.

"She was isolated from her family, her friends, and her support system," Foran said. "Yet, she showed integrity and a great sense of humor. I'm proud of her as an individual.

Armstrong hopes the show will aid in her career as a performer. For Foran, it was a chance to see her daughter in an unusual situation that made her proud as a mother.

"People connect her with me," Foran said. "How could you not be proud of your own child?"



Clarkston Middle School principal Linda Foran poses with a picture of her daughter, 'Cowboy U' star Dani Armstrong that ran in a recent edition of "US" magazine. The reality TV show lasted eight episodes that Foran never missed. Photo by Alicia Dorset.

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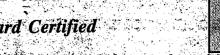
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Local family letters from a Civil War soldier

News will publish a column by members of the Clarkston Historical Society once a month. If any other service groups would like to have a similiar column, call Kyle Gargaro at (248) 625-3370.)

The Clarkston Historical Society

has been working to preserve the history of our community for over 30 years. With the opening of our Clarkston Heritage Museum in 1999, we have had the opportunity to exhibit many wonderful historic artifacts. As director of the museum, I am always pleased to receive new donations to our collection. We recently



Historical

Toni Smith Director

received the transcripts of several letters that we thought would make an interesting series of columns. These letters were written to George W. King and his wife Henrietta Stout King. The King family lived for many years in a home on Holcomb Road where most of their land is now known as Bridge Valley. Mr. King was a distinguished member of the school board for 19 years and was also the village postmaster, a teacher and a farmer until his death in 1892. His wife Henrietta had three brothers who served in the Civil War. The letters that were written to her by her brothers offer a wonderful opportunity to read a firsthand account of life as a soldier. We have included two of these letters here and will have another next month. Written by Henrietta's youngest brother, James B. Stout, he was only 17 when he enlisted in Michigan's 6th Cavalry, Company I. These letters are reproduced as written, creative spelling and all.

Letter one from James to George & Henrietta King:

Dear Sister,

I got a round to answer yours and George's letter. I hav bin sick for 2 or 3 weeks and did not feel able to right so I kept pooting it off. I am feeling better now. We hav had to be outdoors a round in the cold and no place to warm only round a little fire out in the snow and it was enough to make enny boddy sick. We have had som verry cold weather hear. One night thare was about 6 inches of snow fell. Last night it rained and took the snow about all of it. They is a going to be a reb hung here to morough or the next day. I will probly tend the performance, most likely.

I got a letter from the gal that had

(Editor's note: The Clarkston ought to of had the first premium at the fair in Pontiac this year. You see she got secont. I think she had ought to of had the first, don't you Netty? If you make plenty of butter when Spence comes home he is going to bring back a box with him and I want you to send me a role if you make plenty, I mean. I shant be home this winter. Spence will be there in about 15 days. The captain is home now. The papers tells you all about the war better than I can so I will close for this time.

From Bro,

James Stout, ESQ

Write soon and let the worst be noun (excuse mistakes).

Letter two from James to George & Henrietta King

Straws Burg, VA

October 10th (likely 1864) Bub and Sis,

I thought I would write you a few lines to let you know how I am getting a long and what I am striving at. I am with Mc and Spence at Sheradins head quarters. I am driving ambulance. I have been hear just a weak today. I suppose you know more about what Sheradin has don and doing than I do.

George, I wish you had ben with me at Winchester the day we had the fight. It was a sight for enny man. We had a boolly time when we got the rebs to running, you would of thought to seen one man running after a nother all over the ground that they was playing tag but it was a cruel way to play tag. I think the ground was covered with ded and wounded rebs, som with their legs nocked off and som with their arms off and others with their paunches knocked out and they were crying all sorts of murder.

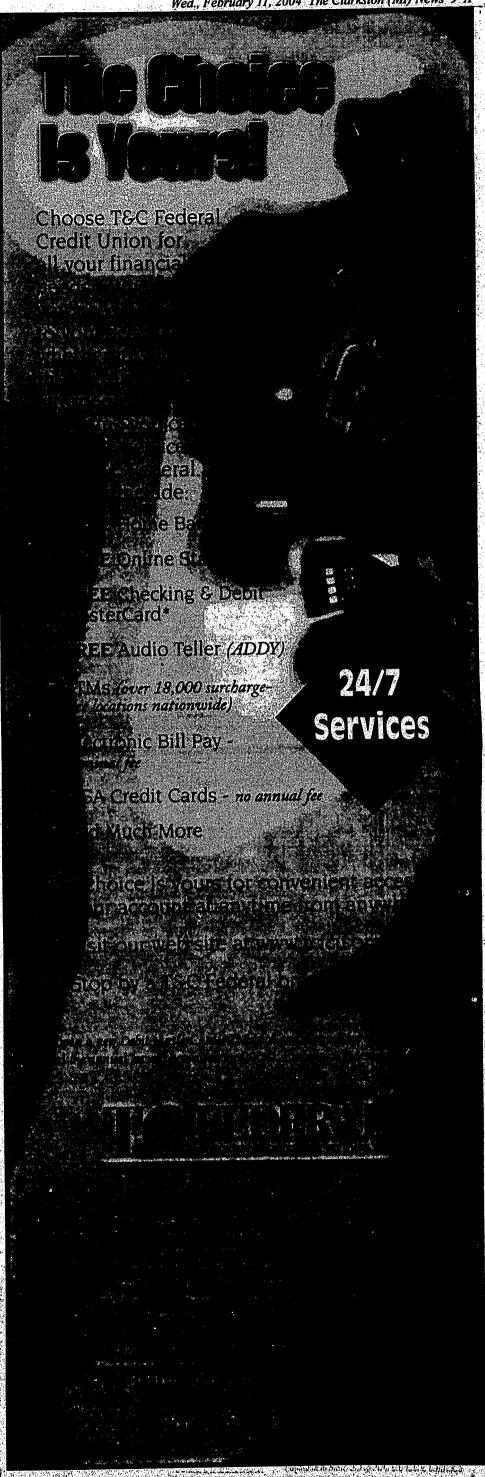
We drove them clear to Harsonesborg and then we stopped thear 5 or 6 days and then we started back and the devels folored us clear to Strasburg and then old papa Sheradin turned on them and gav them an offle whoping a gane. Took 900 prisoners, 2 brigadeer jenarals and 1 mager jenaral and 11 pieces of artilory and a lot of their train and amblances and so forth. I must close and go get some corn for my team.

Write soon and let the worst be

This from J. B. Stout, E. S. Q. To George King and wife J. B. Stout

Next time I will include a letter from James older brother Spencer. I will also let you know what happened to James, does he ever make it home to his family here? Watch for our next Clarkston Historical Society column to find the an-

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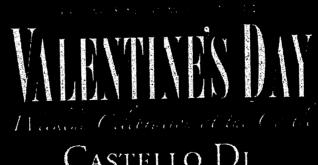


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Phyllis C. O'Grady

Phyllis C. O'Grady, of Rochester Hills, died Monday, January 26, 2004 at age 74 at Lee Memorial Hospital in Fort Myers, Florida.

She is survived by her husband of 51 years, Charles H.; daughter, Robin L. O'Grady of Clarkston; son, Charles P. O'Grady (Rene) of Fort Myers; grandchildren Caprice, Ryan, Patrick and Alex; sister Lois (Johnson) Krutchik of Florida; several cousins; six nieces and four nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents Everett "Skip" and Eva Johnson and sister Ruth Caroline (Johnson) Petrie of Holden, Mass.

Mrs. O'Grady was born in 1929 in Worchester, Mass. She graduated from Commerce High School in Worchester, where she was a Horace Mann scholar. She later attended Clark University and worked as a flight attendant in Boston for Northeast Airlines, at which time she met her future husband, Charles. Following their wedding May 10, 1952, the couple moved to Michigan. Mrs. O'Grady later attended Oakland Uni-

versity in Rochester and earned a Bachelor's degree in 1980.

She was active Meadowbrook Theater Guild, Rochester, and the local TWA "Clipped Wings" chapter, a national charitable organization established by former airline flight attendants. She also was a member of the American Lung Association, Birmingham Chapter. She enjoyed golf and tennis, was an expert skier and participated in NASTAR ski racing events in Michigan. She traveled to the Rocky Mountains and the Matterhorn in pursuit of her hobby. She also enjoyed ice skating and recently participated in figure skating events at the Birmingham Ice Arena and Onyx Arena in Roches-

"Phyllis will be remembered most for her beautiful smile, positive attitude and loving spirit," family members said.

A Funeral Service was held in Mount Clemens. Memorial contributions may be sent in Mrs. O'Grady's name to the Lee Cancer Care Center, c/o Lee Memorial Hospital, 2776 Cleveland Ave.; Fort Myers, FL. 33901.

Michelle M. Yarbrough

Michelle M. "Shelly" Yarbrough, of Brandon Township, died Feb. 9 at age

She was the beloved wife of Scott; dearest mother of Eric and Joseph; loving daughter of Gary (the late Helen) Easlick of New Baltimore; daughter-inlaw of Lori and Robert Yarbrough of FL; dear sister of Mike Easlick, Pam Kearney, Laura (Doug) Bardy and Teresa (Lynn) Umbarger; sister-in-law of Amy (Bobby) Tribo and the late Chris

Yarbrough; also survived by many other family members.

Mrs. Yarbrough was an active member at Seymour Lake United Methodist Church.

A funeral service is scheduled for Friday, Feb. 13 at 11 a.m. at the Seymour Lake United Methodist Church, Clarkston. Friends may visit Thursday, Feb. 12, from 3-9 p.m. at the Lewis E. Wint & Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home, Clarkston. Any donations made to the family will be used for the future education of Eric and Joey.

Harold M. Bolton

Harold M. Bolton, of Hartland, died February 7, 2004 at age 93.

He was preceded in death by his wife Helen; the father of Sandra (Phillip) Litherland of Clarkston, Debra Bolton of Prescott and Violet (the late Jay) Mathews of Mayville; grandpa of Dana and Craig Litherland, Melissa, Selena, Scarlett and Derek Reyes, and Brad Mathews; also survived by three great grandchildren; brother of Rosa (the late John) Rupp; preceded in death

by his siblings: Ruth Barbour, Lillian Upton, Vern Bolton, Carl Bolton, Earl Bolton, Gladys Cumberworth and baby Lewis Kay.

Mr. Bolton retired from Pontiac Motor, having never missed a day of work in 42 years. A Funeral Service was held at the Lewis E. Wint & Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home, Clarkston. Interment Mt. Hope Cemetery, Lapeer. Memorials may be made to Hospice of Lansing or American Lung Association.

Bowling team hosts fund-raiser

The Clarkston High School Bowling Team will host its second annual bowling fundraiser at Cherry Hill Lanes on Dixie Highway in Clarkston on Sunday, February 22, 2004 at 1:30 p.m., with check-in at 1:00 p.m. The fee for bowling is \$20 per adult and \$15 per child (17 and under). The price includes bowling, a piece of pizza, a soda, and a cookie, shoe rental, use of house bowling ball, and numerous door prizes from a wide variety of area businesses and individual supporters. For an extra minimal cost, a 50/50 drawing, mystery

game, and additional food will be available. In the Clarkston High School Bowling Team?s first full year as a recognized school club, the team roster boasts 26 high school bowling athletes. Within the group are three teams; a Boys Varsity, Girls Varsity, and Boys Junior Varsity. As a self-funded sport, the Clarkston High School Bowling Team relies greatly on this fundraiser, its largest of the year. For additional information or to purchase tickets or make a donation, please contact Cherry Hill Lanes at (248) 625-5011.



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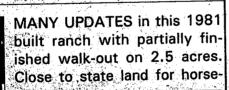
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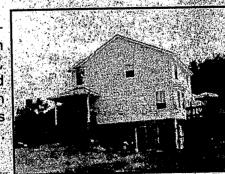
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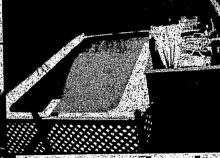


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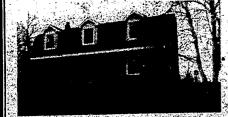
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Diver works hard to become record holder

BY KYLE GARGARO

Clarkston News Editor

A couple years ago Greyson LaHousse was in the middle of an uphill battle to make the Clarkston High School diving team. Today he is a school record holder and looks to continue diving in college.

"As a sophomore trying out for the team I was not good at all," LaHousse frankly states. "The coach would have to literally throw me off the diving board

so I could do a somersault." LaHousse's first experience at the high school pool was his freshman year when he was on the swim team. LaHousse was encouraged to participate by his father but in Greyson's words, "I hated it."

When he came back for his sophomore year, LaHousse decided to give diving a try. The hard work began as LaHousse made diving a year round project.

"I came in everyday and listened to coach and did exactly what he said. I almost did not make the team but I have improved a lot since then," LaHousse said.

LaHousse also credits his brother Derek for his improvement. Derek was a year ahead of Greyson and was also on the dive team.

"He would wake me up and make sure I practiced. Derek was always helping me improve. My goal was to be right up there (on the record board) with him," LaHousse said.

LaHousse got part of the equation right when he set a school six dive record in his junior year and his name replaced his brother's on the wall.

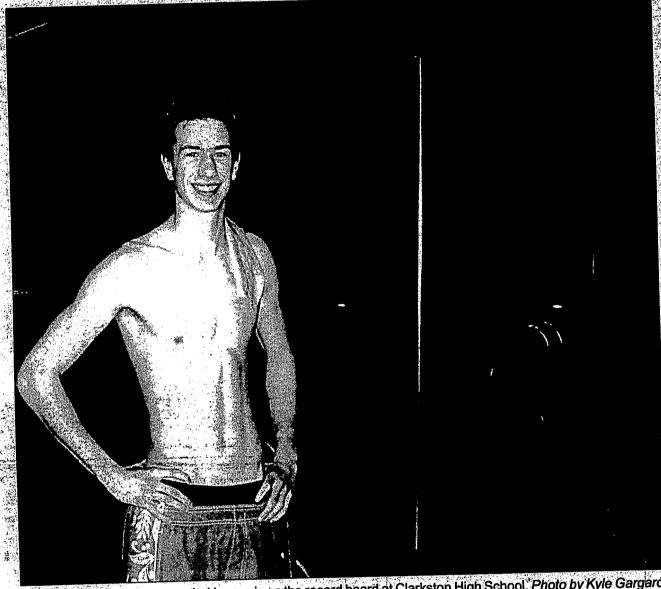
While a school record would have been crazy talk a few years ago, LaHousse definitely earned it. LaHousse, along with teammate Bobby Johnson, has taken only four weeks off from diving over the last 2

1/2 years. This kid eats, drinks, sleeps and dreams diving," mother Beth Sulek-LaHousse said.

LaHousse was named one of the captains for the swimming/diving team this season and is having a solid senior year. Most recently, the diver took eighth place in the Oakland County Meet.

There was some tough competition," LaHousse said. "I really wanted to do well in that meet."

LaHousse is now turning his attention to the state



After much practice, Greyson LaHousse is on the record board at Clarkston High School. Photo by Kyle Gargaro.

meet and is hoping a good showing will help him continue his diving career. LaHousse has already been accepted to Michigan State, University of Michigan and Indiana University.

"They all have really good dive teams and I want

to dive in college but I will have to see if I am good enough," LaHousse said. "I need to do well in states to have something to tell the college coaches."

In addition to attending CHS, LaHousse goes to OSMTech. He carries an "A" average at both schools.

Wolves fall into first place tie

Clarkston has two league contest remaining

BY KYLE GARGARO

Clarkston News Editor

The Clarkston volleyball team dropped a contest to Lahser 16-14, 5-15, 9-15. The two teams are now fied for first place with 8-2 records.

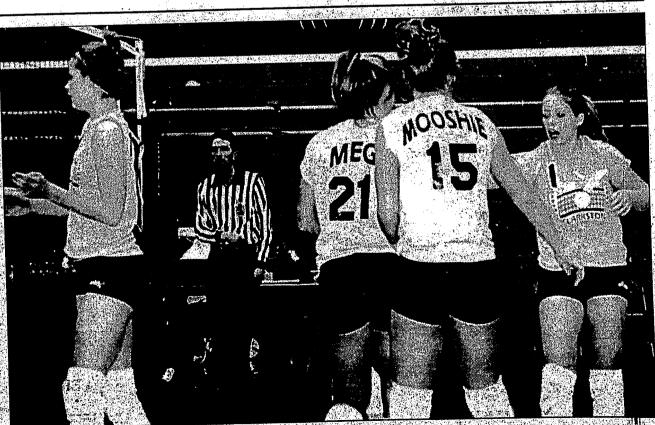
Stephante Parkin had 12 kills for the Wolves while

Colby Gardner added 30 assists.

Clarkston rallied from a 14-10 deficit to win the first game, but they could not sustain the momentum. Lanser opened up the second game with a 9-0 run:

"Every point was a rally but we just couldn't hang with them in that second game, After the first game I thought momentum was in our favor,". Clarkston coach

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After an important play, Clariston's Varsity volleyball team members get ready for the next move against Troy Athens. Photo by Alicia Dorser.



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Athlete of the Week: Stephanie Parkin

BY KYLE GARGARO

Clarkston News Editor

The Clarkston volleyball team is striving for a league championship and Stephanie Parkin is leading the way.

The junior is enjoying her third year on varsity.

"This season is going really well," Parkin said. "I have improved since last year. I am hitting a lot more and my all-around back row game is really improv-

Parkin is also happy with how the entire team is playing this year. After a slow start, the Wolves are fighting for first place in the league.

"The team is playing really well. We are playing as a whole instead of six individual players. We did not know what to expect at the beginning of the year but now our goal is to definitely win the league," Parkin

As far as personal goals, Parkin just wants to "play as hard as I can every game."

Parkin has been playing volleyball since sixth grade. She became interested in the sport after watching her older sister Lindsey play. The daughter of Tim and Lynette Parkin also has a younger sister named Emily.



Wolves split weekend meet

Wrestlers beat Armada, but lose to Lapeer West

BY KYLE GARGARO

Clarkston News Editor

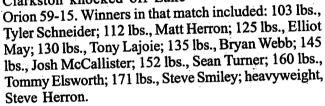
The Clarkston High School wrestling team lost to Lapeer West 44-22, but beat Armada 68-11 last week-

Individual victories for the Wolves against Armada included: 103 lbs., Tyler Schneider, 125 lbs., Elliot May;

130 lbs, Bryan Webb; 140 lbs., Mitch Miller; 145 lbs., Brandon L'amereaux; 152 lbs., Tommy Ellsworth; 171 lbs., Steve Smiley; 189 lbs., Steve Cooper; 215 lbs., Bryan Klein and heavyweight, Steve Herron.

Individual victories for the Wolves against Lapeer West included: 130 lbs., Tony Lajoie; 140 lbs., Branden L'amereaux; 152 lbs., Sean Turner; 171 lbs., Steve Smiley and 189 lbs., Bryan Klein.

Earlier in the week Clarkston knocked off Lake





Tony Lajoie

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Hockey team outlasts Troy

It was a fight to the finish, but the Clarkston hockey team hung on to beat Troy last Saturday night, 4-2.

It was an entertaining one-goal game until Chris Degen sealed the victory with an empty netter with 16 sec-

Troy scored first on a power play, as a shot from the point was redirected in front and slipped in off the glove of Aaron Catanese. But the lead was short lived, as Adam Peters tied the game on the next shift, scoring on a bang-bang pass play from Degan and Trevor Johns.

With a minute left in the first period, Steve Morin made it 2-1 as he took a pass from Kyle Buzzo, skated between the circles and hesitated just long enough to get the open shot.

In the second period, the Blackhawks tied the game 2-2 when Catanese never saw a blast from the

After killing a minor penalty, Peters scored his second goal of the night, the game winner. He looked like Brett

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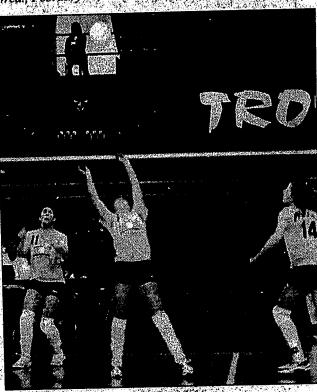
The Wolves are 17-10-1 overall and 8-2 in the league with two league games left on the schedule.

Earlier in the week Clarkston picked up a win at Troy Athens by defeating the Red Hawks 15-11, 14-16, 15-11.

"We played well. A lot of the girls stepped up and played a nice game," Avenall said.

Parkin led the way with 13 kills and five blocks. Ashley Hudson added 16 kills, while Gardner had 32 assists. Carolyn Murdock chipped in with eight kills.

Clarkston volleyball player Heather Colpaert gets ready to assist on a play heading back over to the opponent's side. Photo by Alicia Dorset.



Hockey

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Hull as he skated to the familiar left circle and cocked is stick high in the air. Johns then threaded a cross-ice pass that Peters one-timed top shelf.

The third period was all Wolves, as they outshot their opponents 15-3. Troy goaltender, Scott Tasker, made several big saves to keep the game close.

With Tasker on the bench, Degen hit the empty net at the 14:44 mark on passes from Mike Fogg and Johns. The Wolves had 25 shots on goal while Catenese faced

"There was no flow to the game - a lot of whistles," Clarkston coach Bryan Krygier said. "They pressured us all game and forced turnovers. We sat back and let them dictate the play. We didn't play to our potential, but we got the win. I think both teams worked hard and in the end, our team was more skilled and in better shape."

Hockey notes

• The Wolves (13-3-3) and Birmingham (14-0-5) are tied for first place in the OAA with two league games remaining.

• Bryan Krygier, in his sixth season coaching the Wolves, has led the team to three league titles and two runner-up finishes.

· Clarkston has been scoring in bunches this season. After 19 games, they have 98 goals (5.2/ games.) At this point last season, the team had 66 goals (3.5/game.) The goals against average in unchanged at 2.3/game.

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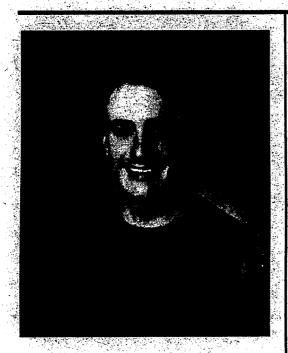
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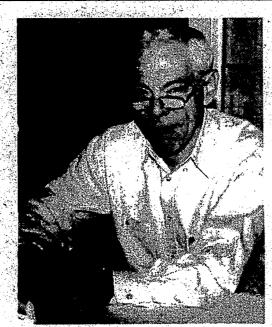


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Couple serve community on the water

BY DON SCHELSKE

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Lakefront living has led to years of community service for Skip and Sheryl Wendt.

The Springfield Township couple have lived on Big Lake since 1975. After a couple years, both found themselves with positions in the township government. Since 1987, however, their biggest contribution has been their work with the Spray Masters Water Ski Show Club.

"It has such a great emphasis on family and character building," Skip Wendt said, summarizing their motivation for involvement with the all-volunteer organization.

With the cooperation of several lakefront owners and a permit from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, the club has about 1,100 feet of shoreline from which to conduct team practices several nights a week each summer. (Winter doesn't slow the team down much — the team is currently practicing their pyramid-building skills at the Deer Lake Athletic Club.)

There are about 50 people in the program, including boat drivers and land support teams, with participants ranging in age from two to 50. While the youngest stay busy learning how to water ski, the main team travels several times each summer for competitive and show events on other lakes, not to mention shows given for the community on Big Lake itself.

Although the emphasis is on family fun, several members of the team have gone on to professional skiing at various points

around the world. Skip Wendt is the current president of the club, while Sheryl is the lead costume coordinator.

"I like to sew," she said. "It's a hobby." It's a busy hobby, because the show theme changes each year and she tries to alter costumes at least a little every year to keep the look fresh.

A former member of the Davisburg Rotary, Skip Wendt said he was drawn to the group when Bob Dowling started Spray Masters as an offshoot of a Fenton-based ski team. He was content to be behind the scenes for awhile, was a skiler for awhile, and now is a boat driver.

The couple's two children and their children have participated in the program (and still live in the neighborhood), so they and

'My children have gone through this, and

now my grandchildren are going through it. We



Skip and Cheryl Wendt enjoy their home on Big Lake in Springfield Township, and they enjoy helping others enjoy the water through the Spray Masters Water Ski Show Team. Photo by Bob Flath

others have seen the family benefits first right."

"My children have gone through this, and now my grandchildren are going through it," Skip Wendt said. "That's three generations. We must be doing something

There are challenges, of course, including finances. The cost for equipment and insurance is about \$800 per skiier per year, and membership dues are close to \$300. Fund-raisers and sponsorships are needed to close the gap, and they are committed to welcoming anyone regardless of ability to

"We're a community organization, not a privileged organization," he said. "It's open to anyone."

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must be doing something right.' Skip Wendt, President Spray Masters Water Ski Show Club



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Spend the day at the Davisburg Pioneer Craft Show, Feb. 21 and 22 from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The event takes place at Springfield Oaks, located on Andersonville Road, will also be recruiting for a colonial military reenactment group (French-Indian Wars, circa 1750-1760). Demonstrations, antiques, period style clothing, craft supplies, musket supplies, information on military encampments and books will all be available. Cometalk with military reenactors and learn some history.

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The Davisburg United Methodist Church will hold an all-you-can-eat fish fry on Feb. 28 from 5-7 p.m. at the church. This year's menu features a new item: baked potatoes! Friends and family are all welcome. Tickets are \$8 for adults, \$5 for children ages 5-12, and \$2 for children 4 and under. Proceeds from the evening will go to church and community projects. For more information, call (248) 634-3373.

Pam Aughe, dietician and member of the Clarkston Women's Club, will be speaking on power foods Feb. 19 at 7:30 p.m. Aughe will be discussing and eating the foods that help our body be at its best and reduce the risk of cancer, diabetes, cardiovascular disease, and

symptoms related to menopause. The discussion will take place at the Independence Township Library, with the club's business meeting starting the evening. For more information, call Kathy Cleveland at (248) 394-

Calling all artists! The Clarkston Area Artist Group will meet Feb. 19 at 7 p.m. inside the Clarkston Christian Association building. The meeting will feature a demonstration by artist Gary McKinney. For more information, call (248) 623-6992.

Club 5529 hosts Back From Nowhere and Silent Hero on Friday, Feb. 20. Doors open at 8:30 p.m. and tickets are \$7 in advance for general admission seating. The club is located at 5529 Sashabaw Rd. inside the Clarkston Christian Association. For more information, call (248) 620-4900 or visit www.5529music.com.

The Holly Area Chamber of Commerce will hold its 2004 Business Expo, 'Presenting the Past, Exploring the Future', on Apr. 24 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The event takes place at the Springfield Oaks Activity Center (4H Fair Grounds), 12451 Andersonville Rd. in Davisburg. The eventis free of charge. For more information, or to participate, call the chamber at (248) 634-1900 M,W,F between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m.

Register now for **Winter Youth Enrichment!** The Clarkston Community Education Youth Enrichment Department will be offering a wide variety of classes for youth. Activities include tumbling, volleyball, and many more. Stop by the Community Education office on Waldon Road or at the South Sashabaw Early Childhood Center on Maybee to pick up class fliers and brochures. For more information, call (248)618-9352 or (248) 623-4321.

Edward Jones will host a free satellite CPE/CLE course, 'Marketing Your Profession: Ideas for the Successful Practitioner', on Wednesday, Mar. 10 from 2-5 p.m. The course will be sponsored by James E. Wilhelm, local Edward Jones investment representative, at his office on 7183 N. Main St., suite C, in Clarkston. For more information or to register, call (248) 625-1232 before Feb. 25.

Singing Valentines are being offered by the Pontiac-Waterford Barbershop Chapter Feb. 13 and 14. The package includes two 'love songs' sung by a male quartet, a flower for the honoree, and a picture of the event. The signing will be done at a location of your choice for only \$45. For an appointment, call (248) 698-4052.

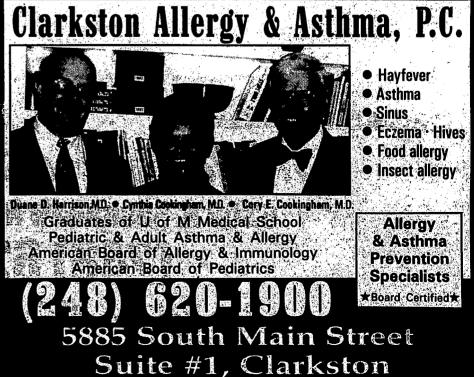
The Clarkston Village Players are holding auditions for it's next production, 'The Absence of a Cello'. Auditions are Sunday, Feb. 15 at 2:00 p.m. and Tuesday, Feb. 17 at 7:00 p.m. Roles are available for four women and three men. Readings will be from the script. The play dates are May 5, 7, 8, 12, 14, 15, 16,

For more Around Town, please see 18B



The Pontiac-Waterford Big Chief Chorus will be covering local communities providing Valentine's Day surprises with barbershop quartet songs Feb. 13-14. File photo





Local stores prepare for last-minute Valentine's Day gift rush

BY ALICIA DORSET

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Valentine's Day is Saturday, Feb. 14. Are you ready?

If you own a store that features Valentine traditions such as flowers or chocolate, you've-been ready for quite some time.

"It's a mad rush to get ready in a week," Christie Kojima, owner of The Chocolate Moose, said. "They're here and then they're gone."

Finding the right treat for that special someone is often left to the last minute, so local stores have been preparing for the holiday to make the process smooth for frantic shoppers.

""We stay pretty organized, but it still gets crazy," Shari Schulz, owner of Clarkston Flower Shoppe said.

Schulz makes sure her shop works one day ahead of all orders to stay on top of the high demand for flowers, especially since Valentine's Day falls on a Saturday.

"We won't have as many deliveries for flowers during the week," Schulz said. To combat this, the store plans on having extended hours on the holiday itself depending on what demand is like.

Roses aren't always the most popular choice for Valentine flowers, according to Schulz.

"It's a misconception that women always want red roses," Schulz said. "Women tend to prefer colored roses. The show is better on them."

Popular choices this year have included Oriental lilies and Gerbera daisies.

If flowers aren't what you had in mind, The Chocolate Moose has a wide variety of chocolates to choose from, a variety they've been working to perfect since New Year's Day.

"It's not a long holiday," Kojima said. "You have extremes. People know exactly what they want or they have no clue. They're either in to buy their favorite treat or look for the prettiest package."

While Kojima's store features traditional chocolate

roses, Valentine candy bars, and boxes of chocolate 'smooches', a new item this year reflects current events.

Low-carb chocolates have arrived to The Chocolate Moose just in time for the holiday.

"Valentine's doesn't have to be a no-chocolateholiday," Kojima said.

The store works with only the best ingredients to create the diet-friendly treat. While sugar-free products have already been available at the store, new twists, such as low-carb Belgian chocolate, are ready for the Valentine rush.

"I love experimenting with new ideas, that's the fun part," Kojima said.

Watching what sells and what doesn't is an important job for Kojima and her staff. They keep an extensive log of sales numbers to help start planning for Valentine's Day 2005.

As with a florist on the actual holiday itself, The Chocolate Moose is a busy place to be.

"We're hit really hard until the middle of the afternoon, usually with men," Kojima said. "Most of them are just happy to grab something and go. This year will be particularly stressful since it's on a Saturday."

Whether you need a dozen pink roses or a box of low-carb candy bars, Kojima reminds the Valentine's



Christie Kojima, owner of The Chocolate Moose, has a store filled with unique gift ideas for a Valentine's Day surprise, from chocolate CDs to chocolate-covered apples. Photo by Alicia Dorset

Day shopper to keep their sweetheart's favorites in mind.

"Everyone thinks truffles are the ultimate Valentine's gift," Kojima said. "But just make sure that the person likes dark chocolate- lots of dark chocolate."

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High-profile couples share special Valentine memories

BY DON SCHELSKE

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Valentine's Day provides the opportunity to reflect on memories of love's first blossom. The effect of pulled heartstrings is a common one, regardless of a persons vocation or position in the community.

One example is Chuck and Dana Fortinberry. He is owner of Clarkston Chrysler Plymouth Jeep and was senior co-chairman of the North American International Auto Show. She serves as a judge in the 52nd District Court.

How did they get together?

"I met her at the mailbox," Chuck Fortinberry said. They were each living in a Bloomfield Hills residential complex with a cluster mailbox, and he had seen her on several occasions.

One day, when he noticed her at the mailbox, "I thought it would be a good time to get the mail."

"I was an innocent victim," the now-Mrs. Fortinberry remembered. "He set it up."

At the time, he was beginning a career with the Chrysler Corporation and she was beginning law school.

"We dated on and off," Dana Fortinberry said. "He kept asking me to marry him, [but] I really felt a need to focus and finish law school. I just wasn't ready."

Three years later, then ran into each other in a restaurant. She was then working in the county prosecutor's office and he was considering the purchase of the Clarkston dealership.

That night, they had dinner together and he proposed.

"I said yes right away," she said. "I thought about him a lot. I knew he was a good guy and the kind of guy I would want to marry.'

Chuck Fortinberry bought his dealership in July 1985 and the couple married in August 1985.

"It was kind of a quick progression of major changes

in my life," he said. They've raised three boys and continue to love liv-

ing in the Clarkston area. "I truly love my wife," he said. "I couldn't ask for a better partner in life.'

Steve Hyer and Kelly Arcello are still near the beginning of their love story.

Hyer is a local computer consultant who serves on the Clarkston Community Schools Board of Education and the board of directors of the Clarkston Chamber of Commerce. Arcello is recreation programmer for Independence Township Parks and Recreation.

They met while middle school students in Clarkston, and knew each other through high school. The romantic sparks didn't light until their college years (he attended the University of Michigan while she went to



Dana and Chuck Fortinberry at the Dave and Wanda Harrison Memorial Bike Ride. Photo provided.

Kelly Arcello and Steve Hyer. Photo provided.

Michigan State).

They started seeing each other as schedules allowed. On the day before Thanksgiving 2000, they ran into each other at Mr. B's Roadhouse. Hyer invited Arcello to go to the Detroit Lions game the next day, but she declined.

"It's not that I didn't want to go," she said, but a family gathering was already planned. "I wanted to spend time with them."

Hyer said Arcello sent an e-mail apology the next

day, and the relationship grew from there.

Hyer's proposal was unique. During a game night with parents and friends, Hyer rigged a "Taboo" game by pre-stacking a bunch of cards with marriage-related

"I didn't get it," Arcello said, until after she drew the word "surprise" and Hyer presented the engagement ring. They plan to marry in October.

The couple already have a great story to pass along. They have two "first date" stories, and for once it's not the man's fault.

"I have a terrible memory," Arcello admitted, but they both have a sense of humor and can laugh about such foibles.

"Kelly and I are complete opposites in a lot of ways," Hyer said. "She's outgoing and creative, and I'm more concrete and sequential.'

Nonetheless, she believes he has a good sense of humor and is willing to accommodate her "crazy life" which includes working on multiple holidays with parks and recreation activities.

"He's willing to be my permanent volunteer," she said.

"We both have an interest in the community," Hyer said.

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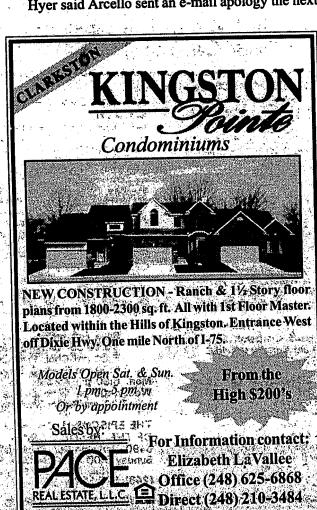
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Real Estate company plans fund-raiser for cancer victim

BY KYLE GARGARO

Clarkston News Editor

Employees at Real Estate One are rallying around one of their co-workers as he battles cancer.

Richard Sidick was diagnosed with esophageal cancer in December. Sidick is a husband and father of three, in addition to a Vietnam vet and a realtor at Real Estate One in Clarkston.

With difficult days ahead for Sidick and his family, co-worker and friend Dan LaForest sprung into action.

"Richard was diagnosed with cancer and the prognosis was not real good. He was in the midst of reinstating his life insurance but did not do so and obviously was very upset about the possibility of leaving his family without financial security," LaForest said. "He just wants to make sure everyone is taken care of in case

he dies." LaForest wanted to do something for his friend of eight years. The two had owned a real estate company together in town, before selling it to Real Estate One. They continued to work for the new owners.

"It was a real shock when I heard. It was unbelievable," LaForest said. "Richard is a very caring person. All my kids love him like a grandpa. He is really a people person. He cares a lot about people."

LaForest and other co-workers at the company

decided to plan a fundraiser at Century Bowl in Waterford which is located on M-59 between Hospital and Williams Lake Road.

"Absolutely 100 percent of the proceeds will go to the family," LaForest said.

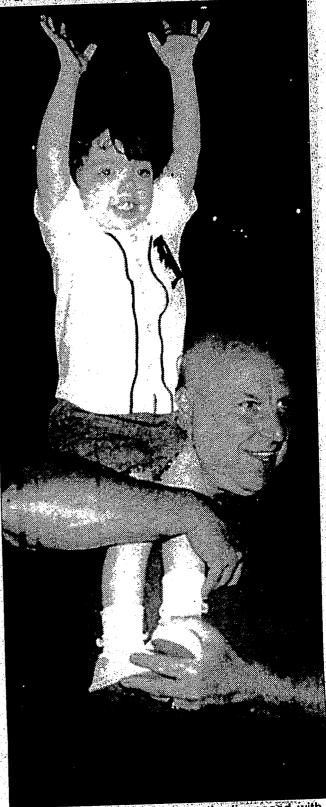
The event is set for 12:30 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 15. The cost is \$25 per person and will include two games of bowling as well as a raffle.

Real Estate One is in the process of securing lane sponsors and has already received many items for prizes from local businesses.

"To see the local companies coming together to help us has been great," branch manager Kay Pearson said. "A lot of the other real estate companies have been participating."

For additional information or to reserve your lane, call (248) 625-003 ext. 22 or e-mail richardsidickfund@yahoo.com. If you are unable to attend but would still like to donate, make checks payable to Richard Sidick, c/o Real Estate One, 31 S. Main, Clarkston, 48346.

"If we would have brought this up to Richard he would have never allowed us to do such a thing but we knew we need to help him and his family," Pearson said. "We want to create stability for his family and wife with financial support."



Richard Sidick, who was recently diagnosed with cancer, plays with his granddaughter Abbey. Photo

Legion post looks for applicants

BY ALICIA DORSET

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Applications are available for the 67th Michigan American Legion Boys' State, a program that introduces young men to the workings of government.

"This program shows we can make a difference on the grassroots level," Roger Deaton, Boys State Chair-

man, said. Scheduled for June 20-26, selected students attend the week-long program in Lansing. Housed on the campus of Michigan State University, students visit state offices while learning the inner workings of local politics.

Students also have the chance to meet important government officials and compete for a chance to participate in the national Boys' State.

"It's a really great program," Deaton said. "It looks good on a resume."

Eligible candidates should be completing their junior year of high school in 2004 and be at least 15 years old by Jan. 1, 2004.

Applications are due by Feb. 16 and are available at Clarkston High School from counselor Joseph Choma. Interviews will take place on Feb. 24 for those selected to go further with the candidate process.

Former 'staters' include Bill Clinton, Michael Jordan, and Tom Brokaw.

For more information, call CHS at (248) 623-4040 or Deaton at (248) 789-8808. Applications and experiences from former local 'staters' can also be sent directly to Deaton at 3175 Oakhill Pl., Clarkston, MI 48348.

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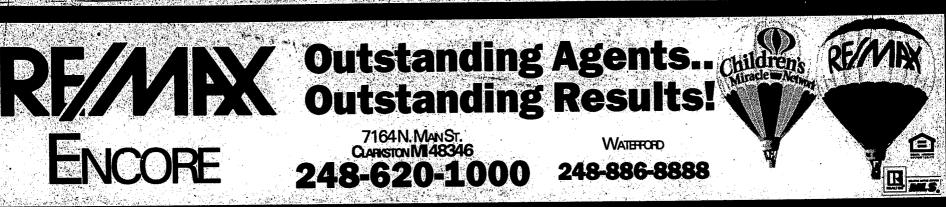
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Primping Player

The Clarkston Village Players share adventures in a roadside diner beginning Feb. 20 when the local theater group presents "Bus Stop." Kate Germuska appears in the comedy as a slightly tarnished nightclub songstress. For photos of other cast members and more details about the play, see Page 7.

Geologist hired for pit study

Independence Township is still on top of the condemnation of 80 acres off. Clarkston-Orion Road, slated to be part of the Edward C. Levy's proposed 400 acre gravel mining operation. The same design

At the Feb. 3 meeting, the board gave township attorney Richard Campbell the goahead to hire H. L. Bourne C.P.G., a geologist working out of Northville.

After the meeting, Campbell said Bourne was needed to determine the amount and value of the gravel at the proposed site. And the proposed site.

The township is in the process of purchasing the land to construct a municipal building or to add onto Clintonwood Park

Likely school cuts run deep

By Kathy Greenfield

The age-old question faced by school children-"How much is \$1 million?"—was answered by Clarkston schools Superintendent Milford Mason Monday night as he spelled out cuts that would balance the district's 1981-82 budget.

Mason proposed to the school board the following reductions that equal nearly \$1 million: The elimination of 32 teaching positions, three administrative slots, seven non-instructional employees, six special education aides and a reduction in supplies, activities and transportation.

The school board reacted to the news with uncharacteristic gloom and the crowd of over 125 groaned audibly when Mason recommended wiping out all interscholastic and intramural sports and extracurricular activities. Drivers' education was also tagged for elimination.

Support for the sports program was voiced by members of the crowd, and one high school girl put in a plea for music.

One man suggested cutting more administrators and keeping sports. Others suggested dropping transportation, shorter school days, four-day school weeks, eliminating study halls and changing the school calendar to three-month vacations in winter months rather than summer months to eliminate heating costs.

Each alternative had been studied and found either lacking ir savings potential or impractical, school administration members

"I'm pro activities and pro-athletics," Mason said. "It's just philosophically I can't see teachers being moved out of the classroom while we're covering expenses for athletics.

Before the school board formally adopts necessary cuts, a report from the 20-member citizens' reaction committee appointed by the board last month and more information from school administrators will be heard, said Janet Thomas, school board presi-

"I can assume that all the decisions will be made by

meeting," she said. The intention of the school board to go to voters in June for an increase in millage was clear, but how much to ask for would also be decided by April, she said.

The crowd applauded Clarkston Junior High School teacher Al Bartlett's comments when he pointed out that if voters approved an increase of 1 mill, all athletics and other programs could be main-

The district began the 1980-81 school year with a \$2.3 million surplus accumulated since 1977 when voters approved a 3-mill tax.

Dwindling state funding and increased expenses are expected to cut that amount by \$920,000 this school year, leaving \$1.13 million for 1981-82.

The extra capital just isn't enough, Mason said, as he spelled out the financial picture—in 1981-82, the projected budget was set at \$14.4 million if the district's programs stayed the same; revenue was projected at \$12.5 million, leaving expenses of \$1.9 million.

By subtracting the remaining surplus of \$1.13 million, the figure of \$745,500 was reached and operating capital of \$245,500 was added to reach the \$1 million figure needed to balance the [Continued on Page 2]

Schoenfeld helps local Legion members discover their history

BY JENNIFER NEMER

Clarkston News Staff Writer

As time passes, history can either become muddled or be lost.

Barney Schoenfeld didn't want that to happen at the Campbell-Richmond Post 63 of the American Legion in Clarkston.

The Junior Vice Commander and Post Historian thought it sad the local post's history was unclear to he and other members.

For the past year, he researched the post's history and came across some great discoveries.

Most posts have been named after a veteran of one of the great wars, and many have some type of memorial or other historical evidence documenting the deeds and events of the veteran's life they are honor-

"Unfortunately, that was not the case when I first came to the Campbell-Richmond some seven years ago," Ortonville resident Schoenfeld said. "Over time, information wasn't documented. I always thought it was funny we never had history here. I had always wondered about a young man named Richmond and another young man named Campbell."

As Post Historian, Schoenfeld was often asked by fellow members about Campbell and Richmond.

"Who were they? When and how did they serve?" "What was the link between these two men and our Post?" Schoenfeld recalls being questioned.

His quest to find the answers took him to several resources.

He started uncovering the life of Benjamin J. Richmond. Information on the Ortonville resident was quite

"My first stop was the (Ortonville) Cemetery where I was able to establish the date of his birth and the date of his death."

From there, he made stops at the Ortonville Masonic Lodge, where Richmond had been a member, the Ortonville Historical Society, Oakland County Historical Society, Brandon Township Library, the Ortonville VFW, Groveland Township Offices, and the Library of Michigan in Lansing.

At the same time, he began mailing out inquiries to various governmental agencies.

"The best possible source that was previously available to researchers was the Military Records Center in St. Louis, Mo. But unfortunately the records center had suffered a catastrophic fire in July of 1973 which destroyed almost all of the history of veterans of the first world war including our two veterans."

Schoenfeld didn't give up when bumps came up along the road, like that. Even when the search to find more about Campbell started out rough.

For Campbell, Schoenfeld only had a photograph and the name David Campbell. The Oakland County Historical Society and the Burton Historical Collection at the Main Library in Detroit really were not

It was through articles in The Clarkston News about Campbell's mother Jessie, that Schoenfeld found out Campbell's name was actually Lindsey, not David.

"Here at last it had been revealed to me why I was unable to gather, verify and document any information about David Campbell. Time had erased Lindsey's name from the preceding generations of members. Our founding fathers were gone. Second and third generation veterans just did not have the history of Lindsey Campbell documented anywhere so that they would have known."

It was upon the realization of Campbell's correct name, the full story came together.

The results of his research developed into a lasting memorial he and wife Ann donated to the post at their annual Veteran's Day program.

"And so today, I have memorialized many of the facts surrounding the short lives of these two young men," Schoenfeld said. "Today they are memorialized so that tomorrow's young men and women will know who they were."



Who were Campbell and Richmond?

Barney Schoenfeld, Junior Vice Commander and Post Historian at the Campbell-Richmond Post 63 of the American Legion in Clarkston, took a year of research to find the answer. Here is a portion of what he found:

Benjamin J. Richmond

Richmond was born Nov. 24, 1888 in Groveland Township and raised on an 80-acre farm, just outside of Ortonville.

He lived on Carter Street in Pontiac and worked as a body maker and mechanic at O.J. Beaudette, a Pontiac manufacturer of buggies and car bodies, before being drafted into service at 29.

Richmond was sent to Camp Custer, Mich. in September 1917. After basic, he received additional training at Camp McArthur in Waco, Texas and was then assigned to the 125th Infantry Regiment, United States Army, or as it was then called the United States Expeditionary Force. He was transferred to Camp Merritt, N.J. in January 1918, and left for Europe a month later. Three months later, while on duty with the Services of Supply, he was promoted to Corpo-

In May his unit moved to the front and proceeded to the region of Chateau-Thierry in France. There he was one of only a handful who survived one of the first great battles of World War I.

However, on Aug. 29, 1918, Richmond fell mortally wounded, at age 30, while his division, along with the French 10th Army, advanced and attacked the enemy at Juvigny.

Richmond's remains were brought back to Ortonville a year later.

Lindsey Field Campbell

Campbell was born in May 1892 and raised in Detroit. His family spent their summers at a cottage they built on Lake Maceday in Waterford.

He was an engineer by trade and employed by the Chalmers Motor Car Company in Detroit.

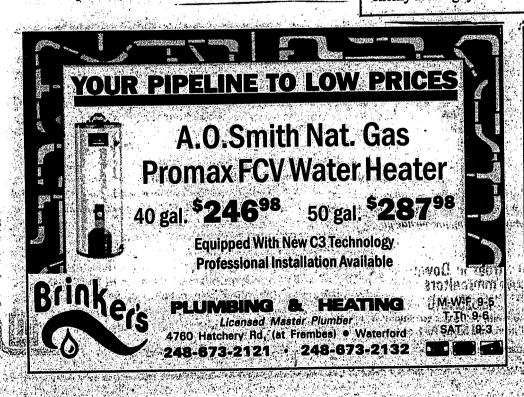
In August 1917 he entered the service, initially assigned to Ft. Sheridan, Ill. He was commissioned there in November as a 2nd Lieutenant in the U.S. Army Artillery Corps.

Soon afterwards he was sent overseas, arriving in France Dec. 21. His artillery brigade participated in several of the earliest and largest battles of the war. Campbell's unit fought a battle in the Fisme sector on Aug. 2, 1918, not far from where Richmond's unit was also staging for battle.

Nine days later, at 4 p.m., while on duty at his battalion headquarters, an enemy artillery shell struck the building Campbell's unit was occupying. He suffered fragment wounds to his chest and was evacuated to a nearby hospital, where he died the next day, at the age of 26.

Campbell is buried at the Oise-Aisne American Military Cemetery at Fere-en-Tardenois, France.

Several years after his death, his mother, Jessie, moved from Detroit to Clarkston. She became wellrenowned throughout the area for her knitting of afghans for war veterans.





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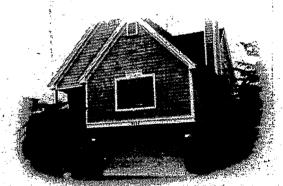
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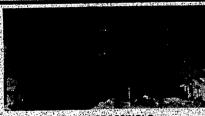
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Fund-raiser gives hope to baby awaiting heart transplant

BY ALICIA DORSET

Clarkston News Staff Writer

The Women's Auxiliary of Oakland County
Sportsmen's Club hosted a fund-raiser Feb. 7 to support the medical costs for Karolynn Bishop, a six-monthold awaiting a heart transplant due to a life-threatening heart condition.

While the final proceeds were still being calculated at the time of printing, estimated funds were around \$12,500, exceeding the goal of \$10,000 that was originally hoped for.

Members of the auxiliary provided volunteer services in addition to paying for the event's food and facility. The group donated all money raised that evening to Karolynn's family.

Activities that night included a spaghetti all-youcan-eat dinner, various raffles, and games for the families that attended. "We offer a lot here," said office manager Sally Petherbridge. "It's a wonderful facility."

The evening was one of many fund-raising efforts performed by the auxiliary. The group tries to sponsor one major fund-raiser every year.

The idea to support Karolynn stemmed from one of the club's members, Terry Ondusky, Karolynn's uncle.

Ondusky submitted the idea to the auxiliary once they found out that Karolynn's insurance company would not pay for the needed heart transplant at the University of Michigan's hospital in Ann Arbor.

"We started planning Jan. 1," Tara Ondusky, Karolynn's aunt, said. "We have a month's worth of work here tonight."

Karolynn was born with a heart condition called Hypo Plastic Left Heart Syndrome. The condition is usually fatal. Karolynn's story is considered to be a

miracle by her family and friends, who appreciate the outpouring of support she has received, similar to the actions of the auxiliary.

"I feel kinda weird taking donations, but at this point, it's desperately needed," Thom Bishop, Karolynn's father, said.

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Hayley Albright recently won the title of Miss Junior America- North Clarkston. She will compete at the state level later this month. *Photo provided.*

CHS student earns local pageant title

BY ALICIA DORSET

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Clarkston High School freshman Hayley Albright recently won the title of Miss Junior America Teen-North Clarkston and will be competing for the state title Feb. 22 in Novi.

Albright was recommended to apply for the contest. She filled out an application that described her hobbies, interests at school, and plans for the future. The person who recommends a potential candidate remains anonymous.

"They don't tell you who it is, but I really wish they did," Albright said

A phone interview followed the application process.

At the state pageant, Albright will compete in a casual-wear event, a formal-wear event, and a 20-second interview that introduces her to the judges and audience.

"I get to meet tons of new people." Albright said.
"This is a whole new experience, something I've never done before."

At school, Albright is active in the Interact service club. She also enjoys ballet and piano.

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Whitney Dana Renz and Andrew Elders

Whitney Dana Renz and Andrew Elders announce their engagement for a May 2004 wedding at Clarkston Methodist Church.

Renz, of Wyoming, is a 1998 graduate of Clarkston High School. She teaches in Hudsonville.

Elders, of Grandville, is a 1998 graduate of Calvin Christian High School. He

is a project manager at S.A. Morman

Both Renz and Elders are graduates of Grand Valley State University.

The bride-to-be's parents are Randy and Rosella Renz of Clarkston, and the groom-to-be's parents are Linda and Duane Elders of Grandville.

Engagements

Dori Anne Freeland and Charles W. Munk, of Birmingham, announce their engagement and an August 2004 wedding at the First United Methodist Church in Gaylord.

The bride-to-be is a 1994 graduate of Gaylord High School. She received her bachelor of arts from Hope College and a doctorate of dental surgery from the University of Michigan. She is pursuing a master of science in orthodontics at the University of Detroit Mercy.

The groom-to be is 1993 graduate of Clarkston High School. He received his bachelor of science in zoology from Michigan State University, a doctorate of dental surgery from the University of Michigan, and a master of science in orthodontics from the University of Detroit Mercy. He currently practices orthodontics in Clarkston.

Parents include Dr. Theodore and



Dori Anne Freeland and Charles W. Munk

Susan Freeland of Gaylord and Dr. Charles and Margaret Munk of Clarkston



Heather Brolsma and Bill Larkin announce their engagement and a wedding scheduled for July 2004 in

Westfield, NJ.
Brolsma, originally from Matawan,
NJ, received her bachelor's in communications from Monmouth Univer-

sity in West Long Branch, NJ. Dave Larkin of Clarkston.

Larkin, of Clarkston, received his

bachelor's in marketing from Oakland University and his MBA from Wayne State University. He is a marketing analyst at Engelhard in Wixom.

The couple resides in Clarkston.

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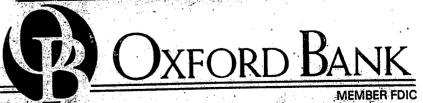
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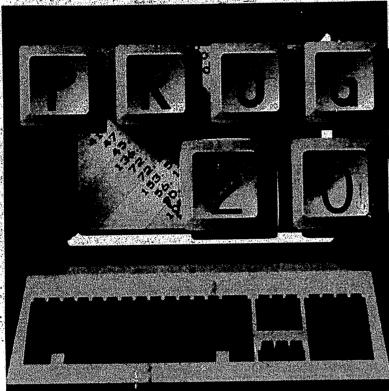
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Wendts

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gram. Sheryl Wendt said the evening practice sessions are frequently followed by a picnic on the beach.

"We'll have full meals after practice, with whatever food is donated by the parents," she said.

It takes a lot of work, however, and with today's busy culture that is a challenge, as well.

"The irony now is we're having a hard time drawing more families to join, because this is a commitment," Skip Wendt said. "This is all summer."

He smiles when relating another reason for his active involvement in the water ski program: "I hate golf."

The couple informally boasts of being second and third in seniority (behind Supervisor Collin Walls) in township government. Skip Wendt has been on the board of zoning appeals since 1976, while Sheryl Wendt has been a member of the board of review since 1977.

"We were asked, and we said yes," she said. "I enjoy socializing with the residents and trying to help in whatever way I can."

Skip Wendt said he was one of several Davisburg Rotarians recruited by Walls to fill board and committee positions, and he remembers the conversation well.

"What came out of that meeting that night was a pledge that we're going to do the best job we can so 50 years after we left, people are going to say we did a good job."

He is unabashed in his devotion to call (248) 625-0974.

maintaining the rural nature of Springfield Township, and he admits to having a bit of a reputation on the board of appeals.

"I'm in favor of controlled, environmentally and socially acceptable development," he said, but he also bought land adjacent to his home and pledged never to build on it.

"I need space. I need to be on the water, not in a subdivision," he said.

His wife has a special claim to the rural nature of the area, as her father came via train from downtown Detroit to Andersonville depot in 1947, walking to his land to build his family home.

Combining the interests of government and residence, in 1978 Skip Wendt organized the official lake board for Big Lake, and currently serves as Springfield Township's representative and as chairman.

By day, Skip Wendt is an owner and partner in a business supplying materials handling equipment for heavy industry. But he believes his greatest contribution has been through activities such as the water ski club.

"We've had young people start with us who were four and five, and are now in the late twenties and early thirties, who have become very successful, well-educated people who are taking the same standards and goals we've had and made them part of their life."

The Spray Masters continue to seek more members and more opportunities to perform.

For more information about the group, call (248) 625-0974.



Skip and Cheryl Wendt believe they help maintain family and community values through their work in service clubs and Springfield Township government. Photo by

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Independence Township

February 1: Operating while intoxicated arrest on Dixie Highway. A 27-year-old White Lake woman was driving 60 mph in a 45-mph zone and registered a blood alcohol level of 0, 14 percent.

February 2: Retail fraud and disorderly conduct arrest at RiteAid on Ortonville Road. A 40-year-old Clarkston man was apprehended leaving the store with an unpaid bottle of vodka.

Larceny of wallet from purse at Farmer Jack on Dixie Highway.

Assault and battery report at Clarkston Middle School. A 13-year-old girl allegedly hit a 14-year-old former female friend. in the face.

Larceny from vehicle at Pontiac Coil and Moody. Credit card fraud on Pear Lane. Someone made unauthorized charges of \$1,047.

February 3: Operating while intoxicated arrest at Maybee and Sashabaw. While at fire scene, an Independence Township Fire Department captain reported seeing an intoxicated subject. The 38-year-old Clarkston man registered a blood alcohol level of 0.254 percent.

Family trouble on Oakstone, husband-wife dispute. Fraud report on Greencove Drive. Someone at-

tempted to set up an unauthorized checking account withdrawal at an athletic club in Detroit.

February 4: Family trouble on Oakstone, husbandwife dispute.

Firearm discharge on White Lake Road, deputy put down injured deer.

Malicious destruction to speed limit sign on Stonewood.

February 5: Domestic assault on Rattalee Lake Road, stepfather-stepson dispute.

Violation of personal protection order on Pine Knob

Larceny of \$200 from day planner under cupboard at doctor's office on Dixie Highway.

February 6: Larceny of wedding ring from jewelry box on Westchester. Assisted Michigan State Police with personal in-

jury rollover crash on I-75 near M-15. Harassment on Sashabaw Ridge, malicious letters sent to children at school in connection with family prob-

Fail-to-pay for \$21.51 in gasoline at Citgo station on M-15. (Party later paid, citing confusion with credit card payment.)

Telephone harassment on Lancaster Hills Drive.

February 7: Domestic assault arrest on Cedargrove, 44-year-old man allegedly hit his wife.

Arrest for driving while license suspended on Wellsley Terrace.

Attempted home invasion on Wellsley Terrace, door found ajar, nothing discovered missing.

February 8: Possession of marijuana at McDonald's on Sashabaw Road. Deputies found a 19year-old Clarkston man in car in parking lot with suspected marijuana. Vehicle also contained several syringes, one with a clear liquid. Charges pending lab tests.

Springfield **Township**

February 1: Auto theft report in connection with personal injury crash on Dixie Highway on Jan. 2. Investigation revealed one driver did not have permission to drive a car involved in the crash.

February 2: Malcious destruction to tires on company van at General Inspections on Enterprise Drive.

Please see Police continued on page 18B



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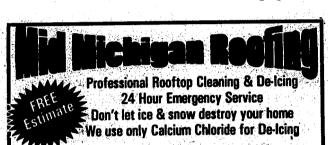
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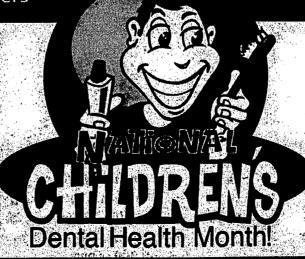
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Local looking for your family's story to put online

By Don Rush

Assistant Publisher

Internet access is changing the way folks research their families' histories. Debra Jean Faust has taken the on-line plunge and is looking for some local help.

Faust is Northeast Oakland County's Township Coordinator for the GenWeb program. What that means in English -- Faust is spending lots of time researching all the births, deaths, marriages and other interesting tidbits of area history to put them on her website, www.geocites.com/defleur@prodigy.net

"I spend at least two hours a night working on this," Faust said. "Genealogy is the Number One hobby in the United States. Last year over 100,000 people at least dabbled in it. Thirty thousand people are actually working on family history daily or weekly. On-line genealogy sites earned \$29 mil-

lion last year."

Faust's love of history is one reason she is volunteering her time as the local GenWeb coordinator. As part of The USGenWeb Project, information is put online and provided to the public for free.

Faust has taken on the responsibility to research and post information for the townships of Oxford, Addison, Orion, Oakland, Brandon and Groveland.

"We're still looking for somebody to 'adopt' the communities of Independence and Springfield," she said.

Involved with the GenWeb Project for about a year, Faust is transcribing information from *The Oxford Leader*, starting from the first edition published on April

15, 1898. She only has about 5,500 editions to go before she finishes. "I'm looking for volunteers to help," she said.

She also is putting local church histories on line.

"My goal for this year is to complete those histories," Faust said. "I have completed the history of Leonard United Methodist Church and I'm about half done with St. Joe's Catholic Church."

The GenWeb Coordinator for all of Oakland County, Mary Anne Wheeler, of Birmingham said, "Debra Jean is full of energy."

She needs to be, because Faust is also looking for personal biographies and family lore. "I'd like to receive information about pioneer men and women from all walks of life (from the townships I represent), regardless of their class held in society. It's my belief this will reflect the true melting pot our present society was built on. Most of the biographies I have transcribed from very early works, reflect men and women who could afford to have their life histories put in print."

Faust's love of history comes naturally.

"I've had it around me my whole life. My great aunt Eva (Mrs. Dr. Anthony V. Smith) was our family historian. She saw the importance of saving documents, newspaper clippings and writing on the back of pictures. She got me started when I was 18 years old."

Other mentors in her life include the driving force behind the Northeast Oakland Historical Museum, Mildred Schmidt, and Mrs. (Emiline) Hamilton of the Ortonville Historical Society.

"USGenWeb is picking up where the Mildred Schmidts and Mrs. Hamiltons of the world left off. It's the next step they envisioned. It is all possible because of people like them who have a true love of history and because they volunteered,"



Browsing back issues of *The Oxford Leader* is helping Debra Jean Faust, right, fill in local history, one birth, death and wedding at a time. Also pictured is Mary Anne Wheeler, the Oakland County Michigan GenWeb Coordinator. *Photo by Don Rush*

Faust said.

The internet has helped genealogists worldwide. "It's a lot easier to find information," Faust said. "But once you find it, it still needs to be verified. Information found on the internet should be used as a clue."

Folks who wish to volunteer or submit histories can e-mail Faust at: defleur@prodigy.net.

Other websites to check out:

■ MichiganMarkers.com (a site of hitorical buildings and Michigan history pictures.

underthedustnewsprint.com (a sit with a limited number of newspaper in dexes Faust has personally collected.)

■ rootsweb.com

heritagequest.com (a site with census data)



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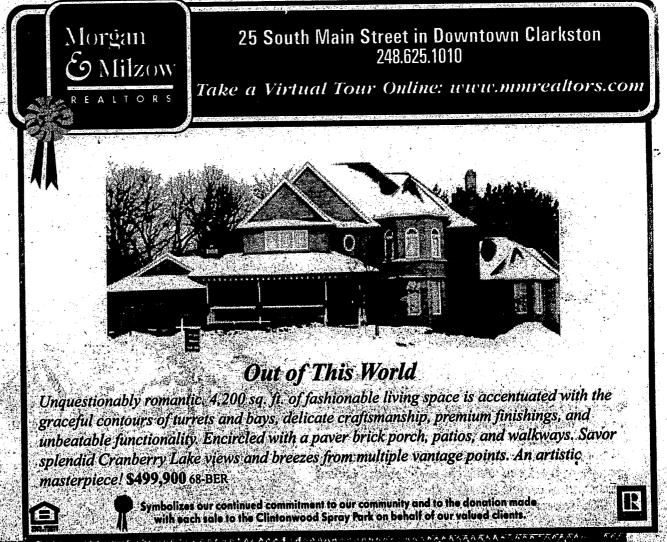
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script. The play dates are May 5, 7, 8, 12, 14, 15, 16, 20, 21, and 22. Auditions will be at the Depot Theater, located at 4861 White Lake Rd. in Clarkston. For more information, call Marlene at (248) 363-0188 or e-mail her at sewick@aol.com.

Club 5529 presents Statis on Friday, Feb. 13. Doors open at 8:30 p.m. and tickets are \$8 in advance for general admission seating. For more invisit formation, www.5529music.com

Singing Valentines are being offered by the Pontiac-Waterford Barbershop Chapter Feb. 13 and 14. The package includes two 'love songs' sung by a male quartet, a flower for the honoree, and a picture of the event. The signing will be done at a location of your choice for only \$45. For an appointment, call (248) 698-4052.

Independence Township Parks and Recreation presents a Daddy/Daughter Valentine Gala on Thursday, Feb. 12. Dads, uncles, big brothers or that 'special someone' are encouraged to ask their favorite little girl! From 6-8 p.m. live music, light refreshments, dancing, and door prizes are all included at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Clarkston. A commorative photo will help capture the evening. Tickets are \$6 for residents and \$8 for nonresidents at the Parks and Recreation Office Tickets Department will provide are currently available and

will be sold on first come basis. Dates may also pre-order a corsage for \$5. For more information, call Parks and Recreation at (248) 625-8223.

Please join friends at fund-raiser to benefit Richard Sidick Sunday, Feb. 15 at Century Bowl, located on M-59 in Waterford. Richard, a Realtor at Real Estate One in Clarkston, has been diagnosed with esophageal cancer. Cost is \$25 per person and includes two games of bowling. Surprises and drawings will also take place. Children are welcome to attend. For more information or to reserve a lane, call (248) 625-0003, ext. 222 or ea richardsidickfund@yahoo.com.

The D.R. Wilson Rifle and Pistol Club of the Oakland County Sportsmen's Club will be hosting a Sportsmen's Swap Meet on Sunday, Feb. 22. The event runs from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the group's Indoor Range building. For more information or table availability, call the O.C.S.C. office at (248) 623-04449 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Satur-

Let your kids run loose at The Tot Lot at North Sashabaw Elementary! On Mondays, Feb. 23-Mar. 22 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. in the gym, the Parks and Recreation equipment for infants

and toddlers to play on or you can bring your own. It will be a non-structured environment for kids ages second grade and younger. Parent supervision is strictly required. Drop-in fee is \$2 for Clarkston school students and \$3 for nonresidents. Punch cards for all five evenings are available at the Parks and Recreation office (\$10 for residents/ \$15 for nonresidents). For more information, call (248) 625-8223.

Kids, hit the town on Rockin' Kids Night Out! Parents can enjoy a night to themselves while their children have an evening of fun. On Friday nights (Feb. 27 and Mar. 19), Independence Township Parks and Recreation will offer a rockin' evening for kids ages 5-11 beginning at 6:30 p.m. Dinner starts the night out at Clintonwood Park Carriage House and continues with activities and games until 9:30 p.m. Parks and Recreation staff will chaperone as well as participate in the event. Cost is \$10 for residents and \$15 for nonresidents. Registration is the

Gypsum is a crystalline rock made up of calcium and sulphur.

Wednesday prior to each night. Visit the Parks and Recreation office to register. Each child's birth certificate is required to register. For more information, call (248) 625-8223.

Springfield The Township Business Association is looking for other local business owners to join. The group meets at 1400 Davisburg Rd. every last Tuesday of the month from 5-6 p.m. Call Diane Wozniak at (248) 882-3180 for more information.

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF OAKLAND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Decedent's Estate FILE NO. 2004-291, 941-DE

Estate of Edna M. Zawacki, a/k/a
Edna Mae Zawacki, deceased Date of
Birth: May 11, 1927
TO ALL CREDITORS:
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Edna M. Zawacki, a/k/a Edna Mae Zawacki, deceased, who lived at 4576 independence Drive Clarkston, Michigan died January 5, 2004.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to the Sheila R. Roberts, named personal representative. or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 1200 N. Tele-graph Rd., Pontiac, Mt 48341 and the named/proposed personal representative within four (4) months of the date of publication of this notice.

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PUBLIC NOTICE Because the People Want to Know

INDEPENDENCE TWP. CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE

PUBLIC NOTICE The Charter Township of Independence Department of Public Works is looking for seasonal help for mowing Township properties and other miscellaneous tasks. Applicants must be 18 years old and have a valid driver's license.

Applications are available at the Department of Public Works office located at 6050 Flemings Lake Road, Clarkston. April 1 is the approximate start date and wages are \$10/hr.

Joan E. McCrary, Clerk

Charter Township of Independence

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE

At a Regular meeting of the Township Board held on January 20, 2004 the Board authorized a First Reading of a Rezoning Request from C-1 to OS-2, NE Corner of Sashabaw & 1-75, part of parcel 08-22-400-005 as follows:



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INDEPENDENCE TWP.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE TOWNSHIP, BOARD **AGENDA** 7:30 p.m. TOWNSHIP LIBRARY

DATE: February 17, 2004

1. Call to Order

. Pledge of Allegiance . Roll Call

Opening Statements and Correspondence

5. Approval of Agenda

6. Public Forum -Individuals in the audience have the opportunity to address the Township Board on an issue that is not on the agenda limiting their comments to not more. than three minutes.

7. Consent Agenda

a. Minutes - February 3, 2004

b. Approval of Purchase Orders c. Approval of Accounts Payable Check Run

d. Second Reading and Adoption of Rezoning Request from C-1 to OS-2, NE Corner of Sashabaw & I-75, part of 08-22-400-005.

Unfinished Business

1 DWRF Project Plan Proposed Revisions

2. Approval of 2004-2008 Parks and Recreation Master Plan New Business

1. Request for Promotion - Assessing Department Support for Oakland County Historical Connections Grant

DPW - Post A New Position

Permission To Purchase New Truck - DPW Approval of Festival of Fun Fireworks

Request to Purchase SMART Message Sign

2003 Investment Report

8. Discussion of Non-Union Benefits Items removed from Consent Agenda for action or discussion will be moved to the last item under Unfinished Business, Only those matters that are listed on the agenda are to be considered for action.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE

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INDEPENDENCE TWP. SYNOPSIS

TAKEN BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE

Supervisor Stuart called, the February 3, 2004 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. Approval of the Agenda as amended.

2. Approved the Consent Agenda as amended.

- Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting of January 20, 2004.

Approval of Purchase Orders in the amount of \$301,007.72. Approval of Accounts Payable Check Run in the

amount of \$490,152.68. 3. Approved motion entering into agreement of the Clarkston Creek: Transaction.

Approved motion of an initial investigation into the Certified Industrial Park Program to determine eligibility and

benefit to the Township. 5. Approved motion of a Second Reading and Adoption of a Rezoning Request from OS-2 to PUD, Proposed Sashabaw

Car Wash, 08-27-201-022. Approved motion of a One-Day Liquor License - Everest

Approved motion of Ambulance Purchases.
Approved motion of North Oakland County Mutual Aid

Interlocal Agreement without the modifications requested by Springfield Township. 9. Approved motion of Library Reclassifications, 10. Approved motion of transfer from Township General Fund

to the Library Fund for Library Reclassifications 11. Approved motion of Water/Sewer Rate Study in its entirety and approval of new rates as outlined.

12: Approved motion to increase user less effective March 16, 2004 for all users.

13. Approved motion to enter into Closed Session at 9:55

14. Approved motion to reopen the Regular Meeting at 10:35

15. Approved motion to ratify the I.A.F.F. Union Contract for the term 1/1/03 to 12/31/05.

lé: Approved motion to adjourn at 10:37 p.m Respect

Joan E. McCrary Township Clerk

Published 2/11/2004

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3/4 cup white chocolate chips, divided

1/4 cups toasted almonds, chopped

Preheat oven to 375 degrees. Combine oats, flour, brown sugar, baking powder, and salt in large bowl. Pour melted oleo over and mix until crumbly. Reserve one cup crumbs. Press remaining crumbs in eight inch square pan. Bake for 10 minutes

Recipe Corner

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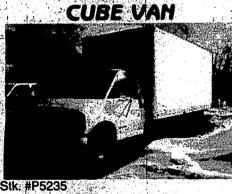
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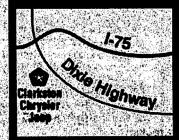
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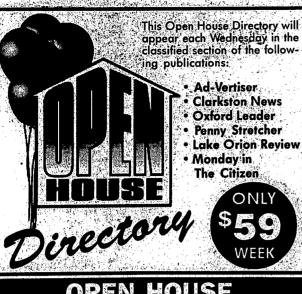


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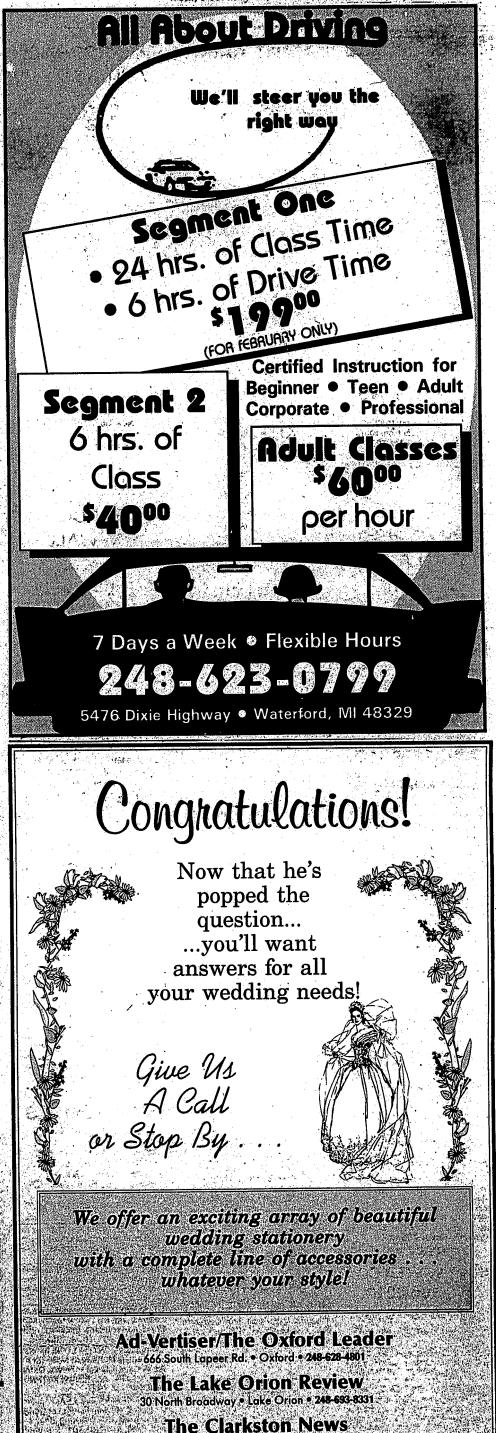
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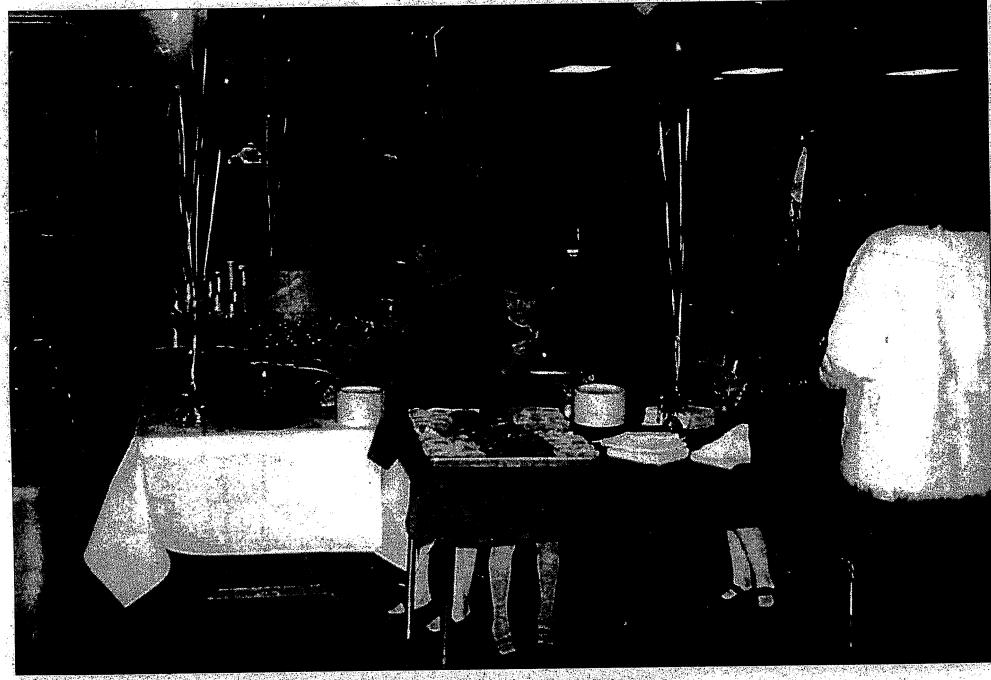
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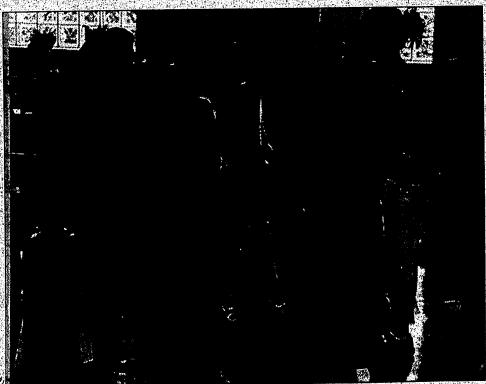


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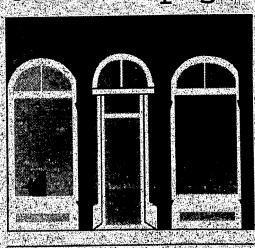


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The sounds of 'Girls Just Want to Have Fun' bring these young ladles (right) to the dance floor at Clarkston Middle School's cafeteria during the annual Daddy/Daughter Dance.



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