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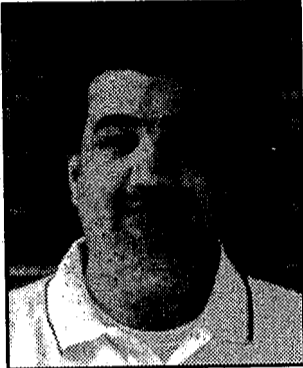
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Recount set for Springfield Township election

BY DON SCHELSKE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

The results were certified, and the margins were sizable. Alleged "mistakes" in handling ballots in the Aug. 3 primary election have prompted a recount in Springfield Township, however.

The Oakland County Board of Canvassers is expected to conduct the recount Thursday, Sept. 2 at the Springfield Township Hall, in response to the request of three unsuccessful candidates, all backed by Citizens for a Progressive Springfield.



Bill Sahutske

Similar petitions were filed by Bill Sahutske, who challenged incumbent Supervisor Collin Walls; Christine Reilly, who ran against incumbent Clerk Nancy Strole; and James Ashley, who tried to unseat incumbent Treasurer Jamie Dubre.

"The numbers didn't add up," Sahutske said, noting the victory of "slate" candidate Marc Cooper in the trustee race and the wide diversity of votes among the other three slate members. While not taking away from Cooper's win, Sahutske said "voter history" and "human nature" say the variance should not have been more than 10 percent.

Sahutske said he could not remember all the specific complaints in the petition, noting the filing work was done by attorney Angelique McNamara.

Reilly refused any comment on the recount, referring questions to McNamara. Ashley was unavailable for comment.

(Attempts to contact McNamara were unsuccessful prior to *The Clarkston News* production deadline.)

Petitions filed with the county board of canvassers cited "mistakes" such as ballots jamming in at least one optical scanning machine, the failure to deliver all ballots in their proper metal cases, the failure to deliver all ballots via independent election inspectors and an observation of a scanning machine left unattended in a private vehicle.

Strole declined specific comment on the complaints in the petitions.

"The precinct chairs, the election inspectors and this office administered the primary election with the utmost honesty and integrity, and to imply anything else would be outrageous," she said.

The closest contested margin of victory was 165 (Dubre over Ashley) in an election in which 2,500 votes were cast. The trustee race had a closer margin among the competitors.

Sahutske said the recount petition is not expected to change the outcome of the election, but that was not the point.

"It's the inconsistencies and the mistakes that were made," he said. "I had no choice but to file [for the recount]."

Ellen Davis Halsey, director of elections for Oakland County, said canvassers will first hand-count the number of ballots completed and compare it with the computer record. Then all ballots will be scanned again to produce a second count.

Springfield Township must pay the cost of the canvasser's time and expenses, and Halsey estimated



Nancy Strole

Springfield Township Primary Election Results

(Certified results before recount)

Supervisor

X Collin Walls (Inc.) 1,319 (59.79%)
Bill Sahutske 887 (40.21%)

Clerk

X Nancy Strole (Inc.) 1,381 (62.4%)
Christine Reilly 832 (37.6%)

Treasurer

X Jamie Dubre (Inc.) .. 1,132 (53.93%)
James Ashley 967 (46.07%)

Trustee

X Dave Hopper (Inc.) . 1,429 (21.83%)
X Dennis Vallad (Inc.) . 1,358 (20.75%)
X Roger Lamont 1,308 (19.98%)
X Marc Cooper 1,247 (19.05%)
Dean Baker (Inc.) 1,203 (18.38%)

Ballots cast: 2,500 (25.1%)

the total cost to be between \$900 and \$1,000. The petitioning candidates must pay \$10 per precinct for the recount, for a total of \$270.

Sahutske said it is worth the tax dollars to conduct the recount, noting township expenses for land condemnation and litigation.

"It's pennies per voter when you divide it up," he said, "It's my right as a citizen of the United States of America."

Committee finalizes Spraypark grand opening plans

BY ALICIA DORSET
Clarkston News Staff Writer

The countdown is on.

"Countdown to the Big Splash" is set for Sunday, Sept. 12 as the Renee Przybylski Memorial Spraypark is opened to the public one year after fund-raising began.

"It will be a party atmosphere, but we're going with a countdown theme," Kelly Arcello, Spraypark committee chairperson, said.

The celebration begins at 2 p.m. inside Clintonwood Park in Independence Township. Throughout the afternoon, games and activities, such as a moonwalk, face painting and a basketball shoot from the Palace of Auburn Hills, will keep young guests entertained and food from local businesses will keep everyone full.

Raffle tickets will be available for purchase that day to win one of many donated items, such as merchandise autographed by Tom Izzo, coach of the Michigan State University's men's basketball team.

In addition to the games, the park will be open for an inaugural run. Wristbands will be given to children for 15-minute intervals inside the park.

"We know it's going to be busy that day," Terry Bendes, committee member, said. "We made sure to plan lots of fun stuff."

A formal dedication is scheduled for 3 p.m., at the park's memorial sign, with remarks from committee members Arcello, Bendes, Parks and Recreation Director Mike Turk and the Przybylskis.

"We'll tell the history of the spraypark," Michele Przybylski, committee chairperson, said.

All park sponsors and benefactors will be invited to the event, according to the committee. The grand opening will end at 5 p.m.

Planning for the event has gone on for a month. Committee members waited until finishing touches on the park were ready before officially unveiling it to the public.

"We've been waiting to see where the park was at," Przybylski said. "We wanted to make sure everything was set."

The Sept. 12 date was chosen to reflect the one-year mark of the park's planning. Fund-raising began Sept. 13, 2003



Terry Bendes, Michele Przybylski and Kelly Arcello, spraypark committee members, welcome the latest piece of equipment inside the Renee Przybylski Memorial Spraypark. A grand opening celebration is planned for Sunday, Sept. 12 from 2-5 p.m. inside Clintonwood Park. Photo by Alicia Dorset.

Please see Spraypark continued on page 9A

Briefly

Fight, breakup lead to suicide attempt

A fight with a boyfriend at a local concert Aug. 28 allegedly led a 17-year-old St. Clair Shores woman to attempt suicide, according to Oakland County Sheriff reports.

Deputies were called to the Shell service station for a report of someone slashing her wrists. When responding units arrived, they found the young woman crying. They observed some bleeding, but not severe, reports said.

The woman surrendered a disposable razor, and deputies reported she had three small cuts on one wrist. She said she had been with her boyfriend at a concert at the DTE Energy Music Theater when they had a fight and decided to break up.

After treatment at the scene, Independence Fire Department paramedics took the victim to St. Joseph Medical Center. Because of her age, there were some problems in admitting her, but a parent eventually arrived.

After consultation with a hospital psychologist, it was decided to transfer the young woman to a New Baltimore psychological facility for 72-hour evaluation.

Legals can be found on page 10 of the Millstream section

Labor Day breakfast planned

A pre-parade breakfast is being held outdoors at the Clarkston United Methodist Church before the Labor Day Parade on Monday, Sept. 6.

Breakfast items will be served and all donations will benefit Oakland County Habitat for Humanity. The public is invited to stop by between 8 a.m. and 10 a.m.

Chamber looks for volunteers

The Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce is hosting the 7th Annual Taste of Clarkston on Sunday, Sept. 26 from noon to 6 p.m.

Once again the Chamber is partnering with the Independence Parks and Recreation Department and Fall Fun Daze.

The groups are looking for enthusiastic and energetic volunteers for the event. There is a wide variety of volunteer jobs available.

If you are interested in being a part of the event, contact the chamber office at (248) 625-8055.

Office closed for Labor Day

The Clarkston News will be closed Monday, September 6 for the Labor Day holiday.

Classified deadline is Friday, September 3 at noon.

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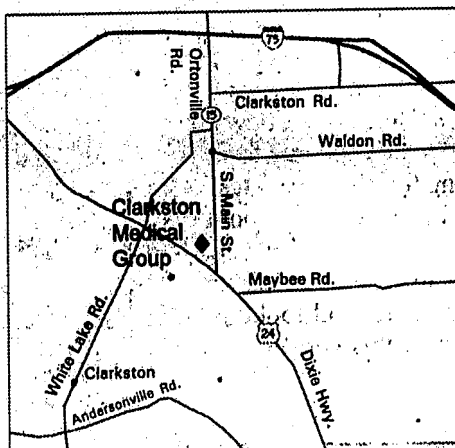
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The Second Front

Rotary set for another Labor Day Parade

McCrary named Grand Marshal of Labor Day Parade

BY KYLE GARGARO
Clarkston News Editor

The final parade of the summer is fast approaching as the Clarkston Rotary is set to present the 64th annual Labor Day Parade Sept. 6.

"We are all set to go," Rotary President John Halleran said. "All we have left to do is hope for decent weather."

The parade, which began when the Rotary first started in Clarkston in 1940, will begin at 10 a.m. It will start on Church Street and travel north along Main Street through downtown Clarkston.

The grand marshal of the Labor Day Parade is retiring Independence Township Clerk Joan McCrary.

"We generally try to recognize individuals who have been in our area awhile and really served the public," Halleran said. "This is a 'thank you' for all the years of service Joan has provided this area."

McCrary has been township clerk for the last 16 years. She was appointed to the vacant clerk's position in 1988 and earned re-election three times. She preceded that service with five years on the zoning board of appeals, having received her first taste of active involvement with a supervisor's election campaign.

The 32-year township resident says being the grand marshal is a great honor.

"I was so excited when I got the call. It was right before the primary election and we were feeling a little stressed," McCrary said. "Once they told me I was so thrilled. I went to the middle of the room and told everyone and there were tears in my eye. I am excited, thrilled and honored for this opportunity."

McCrary has also served the community outside of her work as clerk. Her outside involvement includes work with the Clarkston Junior Optimist (involving middle school students), the Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce, the Clarkston Coalition for Youth and First Baptist Church of Clarkston.

While she is retiring in November, McCrary plans to stay active and stay in Independence Township. She has enjoyed her time as township clerk.

"I think the best part is being able to see the fruits of your labor all the way through. It is like watching a movie because you see it from its beginning to its end. It has been a wonderful experience," McCrary said.

McCrary will be joined by nearly 50 other organizations, businesses and individuals who will be a part



Retiring Independence Township Clerk Joan McCrary will be the grand marshal of the Labor Day Parade. Filephoto.

of the parade. There will be awards for the best float, best theme and the President's Award. The theme of the parade is "Hometown Value."

Anyone interested in participating in the parade can

call Halleran at (248) 625-7645 to register. Labor Day check-in for the parade will begin at 8 a.m. at Clarkston Elementary School.

St. Daniel's welcomes new pastor

Father Chris Maus was recently installed as the new pastor of St. Daniel Catholic Community in Clarkston. He moved to the Clarkston area from southwest Detroit, where he has lived the past six years while serving as pastor of St. Hedwig.

Although he misses his previous home in Detroit, Maus says he is really beginning to like the Clarkston area.

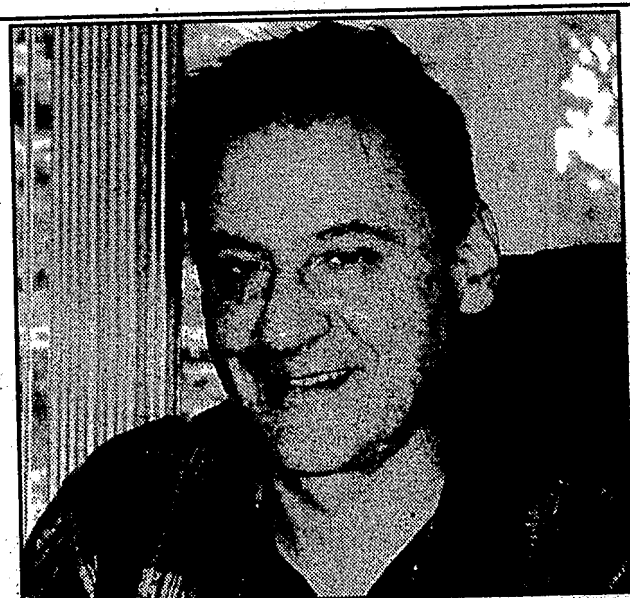
"The parish and the community here both seem very active, very socially involved, and a good place to raise a family," Maus said. "I especially enjoy walking around the downtown area and have found a new favorite restaurant in the Clarkston Cafe."

Maus grew up in the Dearborn area and attended Michigan State University, where he graduated in 1980

with a degree in business. He graduated from Sacred Heart Major Seminary in 1993 and has worked at three other metro-area parishes prior to joining St. Daniel.

In his short tenure at St. Daniel, Maus has already begun to seek advice and input from the active parish of more than 1,800 families. He has developed and circulated a questionnaire designed to generate new ideas and suggestions as well as address concerns from parishioners, and has been hosting frequent meetings with staff and parishioners in an effort to learn about his new parish.

"Clarkston is a very warm and friendly community," Maus said. "I'm excited to be here, and looking forward to being an integral part of this very active and involved parish."



Father Chris Maus

Historical Society is building a field of dreams

"If you build it, they will come." That was the key line in the baseball movie "Field of Dreams" and it seems to be true for CCHS, too! We are continually receiving Clarkston artifacts for the Clarkston Heritage Museum, which we opened in 1999. We want to thank all that have made contributions to the museum and remind you that your Clarkston artifacts will be a part of history for the rest of time! Here is the latest list of interesting acquisitions that provide a link to our past:

From Ethelyn Hyde came clothing items that once belonged to Hattie Petty, as well as school programs from both the high school and the Clarkston Station School. The Station School was once located near White Lake and Andersonville Roads and it's great to have a photo of their 1935 class reunion. Many thanks to Mrs. Hyde.



Historical Society
Toni Smith

From the estate of Howard Stamp came hundreds of paper items. Some of you may remember that Mr. Stamp was the owner of *The Clarkston News* for many years. This collection includes early photos, announcements and letters, as well as items from when Mr. Stamp was in WWI. There is a lot here and I haven't gone through it all yet, so there are sure to be more surprises. One of the more interesting things is what seems to be an autograph card from Wild Bill Cody. This will surely need to be researched.

We have also received additional donations from Marilyn Hanson. These newest items included a Clarkston Jayettes cookbook, high school and middle school booklets and even a 1975 Deer Lake Beach membership card. Thanks again Marilyn!

We'd also like to thank the Clarkston Cedar Lodge Mason's. They have graciously loaned us several wonderful early portraits to copy and also some of the meeting minutes dating back as far as 1871.

Most people don't realize that this lodge was first formed in Clarkston in 1854, and that this year they are celebrating their 150th anniversary! Congratulations and thank you gentleman.

We do have a small budget for purchasing Clarkston items that we find

for sale. Here are some of the artifacts we recently acquired for Clarkston Heritage Museum exhibits:

I was really excited to find a Clarkston vase made of red "flash" glass at an antique mall in Northville. The name "Clarkston" is written in gold across it and these were popular souvenirs back in the early 1900s. It's in excellent condition and it was wonderful to have the budget and freedom to purchase this when it was discovered. Items like this don't come around very often!

I also purchased a group of photo postcards. The most unusual one is of the inside of the Clarkston Mill, something I have not seen in a photo before.

Another interesting lot came from attending an auction at Sadows Auctions in Clarkston. They notified us that they had a small lot of items that included a token from H & H Pool Room, a 1948 fifth grade Easter party invite and an 1863 Clark store copper token. I went to the auction and was happy to purchase these items.

And finally, the historical society recently bought a large collection of items from the Alger family estate. Included were many photos, a beautiful autograph album, early post and greeting cards and a wonderful child's school desk (complete with glass inkwell). Another interesting item came from the Alger family Hardware store that occupied 6 S. Main for many years. It is the original wooden till that was mounted under the hardware counter. This till has a very early "bell" alarm system and is marked Tucker's Alarm #1. It must date to around 1910 or so and is very unique. What a great artifact to have in the museum. Robert Hutchinson donated most of the value of this collection and we certainly thank him for his generosity.

Hopefully you can see the importance of preserving these collections and will support Art in the Village (formerly Crafts & Cider) on September 18 & 19 at Depot Park, the historical society's largest fundraiser. And we also hope you enjoy supporting our newest effort, the Antique Tent Sale which will take place at Art In The Village, so that we can continue to collect and preserve what is most important. Please call the historical society, (248) 922-0270, if you have any antiques you are tired of and would consider donating to the society for the Antique Tent Sale.

All donations to the CCHS are tax-deductible.

Free food available through OLSHA visit

Oakland Livingston Human Service Agency (OLSHA) will be distributing free food, through the Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP), at the Independence Township Senior Center on Wednesday, Sept. 8 from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.

All people who eligible based on in-

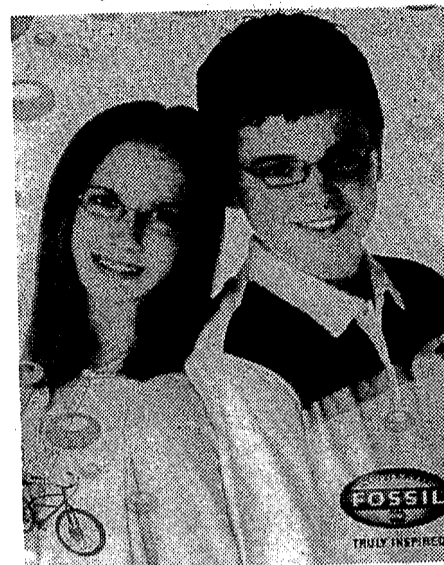
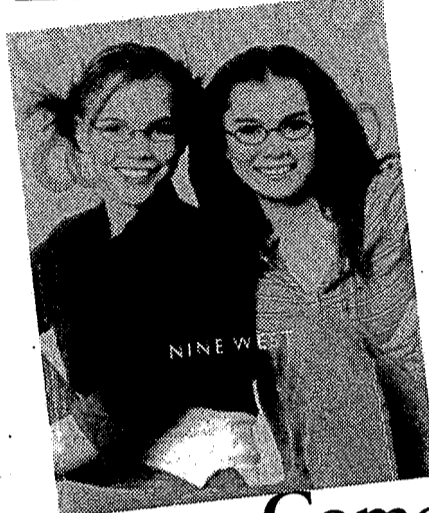
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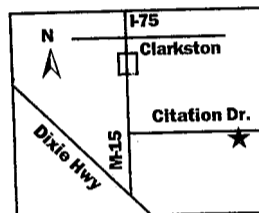
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Clarkston group lends a helping hand to Habitat for Humanity

BY ALICIA DORSET
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Members of the Clarkston Christian Coalition were in full force Aug. 22-28 as they donated \$20,000 and helped build new homes for Habitat for Humanity of Oakland County's "Blitz Build" in Pontiac.

The blitz was designed to be a practice for the group's participation in next year's Jimmy Carter Work Project, an endeavor hoping to build more than eight homes.

With guidance from coalition chairs Paul and Karen Yackell, Onie Morgan was able to call the one of the four quickly-built house her home by the end of the week.

"Churches are really the backbone of the coalition," Brenda Asselin, development director for Habitat for Humanity of Oakland County, said. "That's what we're really all about. That's where 2/3 of our support comes from."

Paul became involved with Habitat after he retired from General Motors in 1997. Wanting to do volunteer work, he began helping Habit one day a week. Wife Karen later became involved and the devotion to the organization grew.

"They've been instrumental as liaisons," Asselin said.

The CCC came together to work on building projects with Habitat. Seeing the success of past houses, a joint effort will come together next year with churches from Oxford and Lake Orion to form one North Oakland group for the Jimmy Carter project.

With a \$40,000 donation from the Handelman Corporation, the CCC was able to create a house for Morgan and her two children, 7-year-old Reggie and 2-year-old Ravyn. Members of Clarkston-area churches worked with Morgan on the labor required for the house to be completed.

"The crew that has worked on my house has worked so hard," Morgan said. "They all came together and worked really hard. This is proof."

Morgan is a medical assistant for Henry Ford Medical Center in West Bloomfield and was present at the Clarkston house all week.

"My hands have been into everything," Morgan said.

In addition to the building requirements, volunteers had a chance to help with landscaping elements as well.

To raise money for the house, the CCC sought contributions, ran fund-raisers and sold joint items with the entire coalition. Next year the group plans on



Crew members continue working on the exterior of Onie Morgan's new home as part of Oakland County's Habitat for Humanity "Blitz Build" Aug. 22-28. The Clarkston Christian Coalition helped sponsor the home Morgan moved into and were on site all weeklong to volunteer help. Photos by Alicia Dorset.

donating the entire money for one of the houses entirely on their own.

A dedication ceremony on Aug. 28 marked the conclusion of the project and the start of a new home for Morgan.

For all those involved with the project, the experience meant something a little different.

"The thing that I wasn't expecting and I received was talented people," Jim Stuenkel, house leader and CCC member, said. "Any task we had to do there was someone willing to do it. It was truly a blessing."

Paul had similar feelings. "I'd say it's emotional in a way. It's not just our house. Everyone puts their efforts into it," Paul said.

Out of the large volunteer base, both Paul and Karen agreed on the continuing sense of camaraderie throughout the event.

"Just meeting the people and working with them. People just walk up and help," Karen said of her favorite experience. "I enjoyed meeting with the homeowners."

Whether it was helping with the construction of a new home or becoming the recipient of one, the experience is one that Clarkston residents won't soon forget.

"The generosity of the people involved is amazing," Asselin said. "For a lot of people, it changes their lives."



Onie Morgan, center, stands with Karen and Paul Yackell as progress continues on her new house. The Yackells served as co-chairs for the Clarkston effort in the project.

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Opinion

Play a real sport

Stop me if you have heard this one before: Gold medal is awarded to athlete in a competition any sane human being should not call a sport; after competition scoring error is noticed, annoying athlete and supporters claim another gold medal needs to be awarded.

This happened two years ago in the Winter Olympics when ice skaters Jamie Sale and David Pelletier (the most annoying people from Canada since Alex Trebek) complained they rightfully deserved a gold medal. As was expected with today's culture, the large amount of whining was followed with the Canadian babies getting their way.

Fast forward to the summer Olympics this year and we have the big, fat Greek annoyance in the gymnastics competition. Paul Hamm, the pride of Waukesha, Wisc., won the men's all-around gold medal by recovering from early trouble to make an unprecedented comeback.

Then, faster than Hamm could put on a cheesehead, South Korean gymnast Yang Tae Young was crying foul claiming he was incorrectly scored. After reviewing the competition, Hamm believes he deserved the gold since the judges did not dock the South Korean for some obvious errors.

Two years ago I wrote the Canadian ice skaters need to deal with their disappointment because sometimes life is not fair. I say the same thing to Young.

This is what happens when you spend your entire life preparing to play a game, not a sport. Now before I have a pack of male gymnasts attacking me (although I am pretty sure I could take them), let me explain myself.

When you participate in a competition that awards points for style and creativity, as well as ability, how can you be surprised when the results are heavily subjective? In basketball if the ball goes through the hoop you score. In football if you get into the end zone you score. In gymnastics, you are at the mercy of a judge's interpretation of how you performed.

I don't mind gymnastics being part of the Olympics or being broadcast in prime time because that is obviously what the viewers want. However, when the scoring of your little exhibition does not go how you want it I do not want to hear any complaints. And I would like to repeat, this is not a sport.

Nevermind that these Olympic Games are getting out of control. I swear the Olympic Committee is just creating new competition so every channel NBC owns will have something to broadcast. I was channel surfing the other day and ran across the trampoline competition. I was not quite sure whether NBC was broadcasting the Olympics or a high school graduation party.

Evidently our attention span has gotten so bad that we are no longer entertained by a simple diver. Now we want divers to jump at the same time and perform exactly the same way.

I am so glad football season is starting. (Kyle Gargaro is the editor of The Clarkston News. His e-mail address is KyleG44@aol.com.)



Gargaro's World

Kyle Gargaro

Letters to the Editor

Fortinberry letter was vicious attack

There is only one appropriate word for Judge Dana Fortinberry's ill-timed, vicious attack on Kelley Kostin, who is running for the second judgeship in district court 52-2 in Independence Township come November 2: Outrageous.

In her hateful, single-spaced, 5-page letter to Dave Curtis, vice-president of the Oakland County Sheriffs' Association, Fortinberry demonstrated that her emotions outstripped her good sense by drafting a letter whining about every subject she could think of relating to Kostin's candidacy. She was still miffed about the group's decision to endorse Kostin in the primary, which Kelley won handily. Fortinberry put her chips on Colleen Murphy, and questioned everything but the color of Kostin's shoes as she lambasted the winning candidate from every possible perspective. She says she didn't expect that the letter would be made public. If you believe that, I have a couple of acres of swamp land behind the Whoopee Bowl I'd like to talk to you about.

As a friend of the Kostins, I have watched them work their bunions off to earn the election victory fair and square. Despite a horrendously busy schedule, Kelley has chaired the Clarkston Area Optimist Club

Oratorical contest for kids for the past two years and will be the president-elect next year, in line to assume the presidency of our club in 2005-2006. In that role, she will be devoting her time, gratis, to projects enriching the local environment for kids. Somehow, Fortinberry forgot to mention those facts in her castigation of Kostin.

Little wonder. Fortinberry knows almost nothing about Kelley because she's never bothered to meet Kostin face-to-face! She prefers to stick needles in a Kostin doll from a distance, acting like anything but a respected judge. If she runs for a second term, voters ought to insist that she submits to a test measuring her coherence quotient.

Let's hope the Judicial Tenure Commission, which has received an official complaint from the Kostins about the matter, takes a harsh approach to Fortinberry's illogical and ill-conceived letter. This is one situation that will not be resolved by a simple rap on the knuckles.

Anything less than a substantial penalty will be, in a word, outrageous.

Harry Knitter
President
Clarkston Area Optimist Club

Supervisor Stuart thanks many supporters

Thank you to everyone who supported my re-election campaign. Thank you to everyone who went to the polls and voted.

More than in any other campaign in which I have been involved, kind people provided important support

when I needed it most. I will never forget your words of encouragement.

Dale Stuart
Independence Township Supervisor

Transition talk for supervisor is premature

Immediately after the primary election, the current Independence Township Supervisor, Dale Stuart, was asked about the "transition" to the winner of the primary. His response was understandably, "I haven't thought about it." For some strange reason the editor of this paper took that to mean that Stuart was not going to cooperate in handing over the office after the November general election. Then based on that erroneous assumption he then unnecessarily scolded our current Supervisor.

This editorial shows a lack of understanding of the process, was premature and was a disservice to both supervisor candidate. First, this was just the Primary, not the general election. Although there is no Democrat running, until November no one will be elected the next supervisor. This is not some technical quibble. It demonstrates the law does not provide the time for a "transition" of township offices inasmuch as newly elected officials take office Nov. 20, just a matter of days following the general election. This also demonstrates the supposed "transition" is not all that difficult if a couple of weeks are plenty of time. All that really needs to happen is for the current supervisor to prepare a memo summarizing for the new supervisor of the then-status of matters that he is handling.

This editorial also seemed to contemplate that it was up to Stuart to now teach his successor how to do the job. That is simply inaccurate. Moreover, the successful primary candidate ran for the office representing to the community that he knew how to do the job. I am certain that Dave Wagner knows he has not yet been elected and doesn't expect to have the current supervisor give him "lessons." I am just as sure he doesn't want to waste the taxpayer's money on what would be a ceremonial and meaningless "transition."

As it happens I have served on two significant transitions at the county level; one when Brooks Patterson first became County Executive and the other when

David Gorcyca first became our County Prosecutor. These are much larger offices with much greater responsibilities, personnel and budget and two months for the transition. Although they faced only token opposition, neither of those transitions began until after the November election. The important lesson from those transitions is that it was up to the newly elected successor to conduct the transition. The then-current office holders merely provided information. We should expect no more at the township level.

We don't really have "transitions" in the office of Township Supervisor. In fact, over the last several decades I have had the opportunity to observe the succession of several supervisors in Independence. There has never been any "transition" that involved extensive meetings or the like. Actually, in that time there was never even been any cooperation.

Nonetheless, I am quite confident that from the time of the general election until the successor actually takes office, Stuart will have plenty of time to compile the necessary summary of information about the then-currently pending township matters. I am confident that Stuart will provide the appropriate cooperation without having to be publicly scolded, particularly by someone who has not taken the opportunity to understand the process. Again, I think Stuart's benign response, so soon after a loss that he did not plan, is understandable.

In the short time he has been our new editor of The Clarkston News, I have called Kyle Gargaro several times to compliment him on the editorials he has written. But this time he is wrong. It is important for our community to have an editor who is willing to comment on the local news of the day. However, we will be better served if those comments are based on knowledge of the facts and an understanding of the situation.

Neil Wallace
Independence Township

Faded Ink

Hot damn! I got a sty in my eye!

Last week I got some great news. News that had me whistling happy tunes, snapping my fingers and tapping my toes. I had a sty in my eye -- left to be exact.

That's it.

That is my happy news.

I went to the urgent care center in Oxford, sat down on the table-bed thing with the white, crinkly rolled paper. Talked to the nurse for a minute or two, then the doctor entered the room. He kept his distance -- about four feet between your hero (that would be me) and him and said, "Yep. You got an eye sty. Put a warm compress on it a couple of times a day and I'll write you a prescription."

He turned and vanished out the door.

Hot damn! I'm feeling all warm and fuzzy all over again just reliving the moment. I got a sty in my eye and I am thankful. Thankful I had an infection of the hair follicle of an eyelash in my left eye. I am happy I had a sore similar to a boil or a pimple that formed on the inside of my eyelid. I was happy to know by doing the warm, moist compress thing I would speed up the process of bringing said sty to a head so pus could go on my eye once the thing popped. All this information made me happy.

Before the doctor issued his eye sty proclamation I was under the firm belief I had that most dreaded of ocular sicknesses, PINK-EYE.

Oh gosh, I thought I had pink-eye. I have never had pink-eye (or an eye sty for that matter). I didn't know how it felt to have pink-eye and only knew it looks yucky. It's unpleasant and I thought I had it because a fellow female worker (who shall remain anonymous to protect her social standing in the community) said she actually had pink-eye. I wouldn't know, once the word was out I couldn't look at her for fear of being grossed out by seeing pink, pus-y eyes.

Oh man, I was bumming. The vision from my left eye was foggy and blurry. My left eye was swelling, it was itchy and the thing looked like it was starting to turn pink.

I was positive it was pink-eye. Dang it!

If I had pink-eye, I reckoned, then Jennie and the boys would get pink-eye. I followed the slippery slope down and found out that dogs too can get pink-eye. And, wouldn't you know it, if I passed pink-eye on to the kids and Jennie and the dogs, then they would in turn pass it on to our cat, who would then pass it on to the two guinea pigs. A whole house of icky pink eyes.

Does anybody remember the episode of the Dick VanDyke Show, where he has a nightmare of walnut eating turning his friends and family into aliens with eyes in the backs of their heads? I was certain a similar nightmare would strike our home, except all eyes would be gooey pink.

Oh, the horror!

I don't know why, but there is a certain negative stigma surrounding those befallen with pink eye. It is not a new phenomenon. As a matter of fact, the shunning of pink-eyed people is old. I am almost positive there are parables about people with pink-eye in Jesus' time being stoned before He had the chance to touch and cure them.

"Look, he has pink eyes! Stone him!" Stone.

"Ouch."

"Stay away!" Stone.

"Ouch!"

"Unclean!" Stone.

"Ouch!"

"Don't look at us!" Stone.

"Ouch."

Then, I believe a sandaled Jesus stepped forward and said, "Brothers and sisters with eyes of pink let me heal your pain."

* * *

I got on-line and Googled "eye sty" and "pink eye" to find out more about them, to be more understanding and wiser in the ways of eyes. I recommend all pious and caring people do this because knowledge is power. Don't however type in "eye sti" because STI in the health world stands for Sexually Transmitted Infections and you'll learn of more yucky stuff than pink-eye.

Comments for the blue-(not pink)-eyed Mr. Rush can be e-mailed to: donrushmedon@charter.net



Don't Rush Me

Don Rush

Hazel's apron prompts recall of mother's

A chickadee passed along an item about aprons that brought back memories of Mom on the Farm. You know, the good ol' days when mothers did everything that didn't require a team, tractor or doodlebug.

Moms did fetchin', hoein', milkin', cookin', pumpin', laundry, etc.

And they did it all in aprons. During our married life Hazel wore an apron mostly when guests were coming. Frilly things. One is still hanging on our refrigerator through magnetic force.

On the farm, my mother's apron was not frilly. It would reach past both hips and since my mom was not slim, her apron took a big chunk of cloth. I'm almost sure it was cotton, but it was a heavy cotton. Durable.

My Webster's says, "aprons were usually tied onto the front of the body with strings around the waist and used to protect clothing or adorn a costume."

With the chicken coop half the length of a football field away it apparently seemed easier to retrieve eggs via her apron than find a bucket that we kids had probably filled with stones, hickory nuts or snowballs for the next defense of our forts.

The strength of an apron over her dress (slacks, shorts and even skirts were never seen on our Mom) made it impossible for a grandchild, puppy, or suckling, persnickety pig to fall through.

I called my mother Ma just once and that was in jest when I was 16 years old. I came down stairs one morning, mother was in the kitchen and I drawled like a Southerner, "Mornin' Maw."

She drawled in kind, "Mornin' son."
She cooked over an iron range with removable plates, reservoir and warming oven high across the back until

I was 12 and she was 48.

With immovable, uninspired kids with no ambition to do anything we deemed work, Mom would bring the kindling in for the range in her apron and add a couple larger pieces on top. At least mom didn't have to carry much of the big stuff because my ol' man was a railroad man. He'd bring coal from the yard that had fallen off coal-cars.

Our garden saw a lot of the "apron." Mom would put a vegetable dinner in that apron: cukes, tomatoes, carrots, lettuce, radishes, peas, zucchini, sweetcorn and later even pumpkins, cabbage and squash.

You know what? I don't remember ever seeing a stain on her apron. I suppose it got a little extra pushing up and down the washboard, but so did my underclothes.

Today we have towels, paper and cloth, handy for wiping. Mother's apron did all the wiping duties whether it be tears, dust, spills, spots on mirrors, milk moustaches and/or last minute shines when company was coming.

Mother was graduated from Albion College and taught in North Dakota while her boyfriend (my dad) was infantrying in France during WWI, or as he called it "The Big War." (Dad may have had three sons serving in WWII at one time, but WWI was the big war.)

Mother must have learned aproning the old fashioned way, by doing it. Though some credit probably should go to her mother who owned a rooming house in Albion.

Mom could not only use her apron as a pot-holder, she could do it quick as a cat's wink. On occasion, an ear could be apron-cleaned as we stepped out of the tub on the kitchen floor after our Saturday night bath. Then, too, the drippings on the linoleum joined other soils on the apron.

Hmmm... That apron hanging on our refrigerator just took on added meaning. I know I'm going to leave it there now.



Jim's Jottings

Jim Sherman

A Look Back

At our community's history through the pages of The Clarkston News

15 YEARS AGO (1989)

- Four teachers were recalled in Clarkston schools due to a resignation, a request for a half-time teaching position and increased enrollment at elementary schools. Larger kindergarten class sizes caused an extra section of kindergartners to be added to four elementaries in Clarkston School district -- North Sashabaw, Pine Knob, Andersonville and Bailey Lake -- although enrollment figures were not available.

- A new drug-free policy in Clarkston schools won't change how employees with drug problems are treated. The Clarkston School Board unanimously adopted a Drug Free Work Policy Aug. 14, based on the Drug Free Work Place Act passed by U.S. Congress Nov. 18, 1988. But disciplining an employee will follow the same guidelines under the union contract already in existence.

- Roommates in college, two doctors in the Clarkston area extended their relationship to the business world. Physicians Matthew Kulick and Paul Haduck both reside in Waterford Township and plan on working in the Clarkston community for a long time. Besides the newly opened office at 5885 M-15 in Independence Township, the doctors also work out of the Springfield Medical Clinic on Dixie Highway.

25 YEARS AGO (1979)

- A state mediator was called into the one-day-old Clarkston teachers' strike Wednesday, which was to have been the first day of school for students. A 10 a.m. meeting with a mediator was scheduled for Wednesday after a Tuesday afternoon negotiating session failed to bring the two sides in the labor dispute any closer.

- The debate continued over what kind of police protection Independence Township needs. A special township board meeting is scheduled Sept. 11 with the township's police advisory board, and the matter was discussed at last week's special meeting for millage requests.

- Walt Wyniemko isn't harboring any illusions about the task he faces as Clarkston's new head football coach, but you can bet he's looking forward to the challenge. "This is a great opportunity for myself and my family," Wyniemko said, assessing his new position. "We've got over 100 kids involved in the football program (56 at the varsity level, and 50 JV's), a lot of community interests and a hard-working staff. I'm really looking forward to coaching here."

50 YEARS AGO (1954)

- A fire of unknown origin started in the swamp just north of the Dixie Pottery on Dixie Highway and threatened to destroy the entire building and residence of Mr. and Mrs. Cass Day, the owners. It was necessary to call three pieces of fire equipment to get the blaze under control and prevent the Pottery from being destroyed.

- Clarkston High School students will begin school Monday, Sept. 13, with an all-day schedule. The elementary school will begin school on Sept. 13, but will attend in the morning session only.

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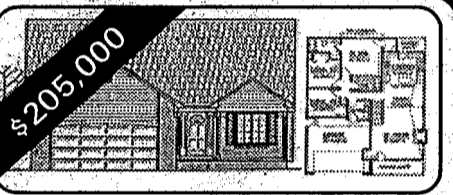
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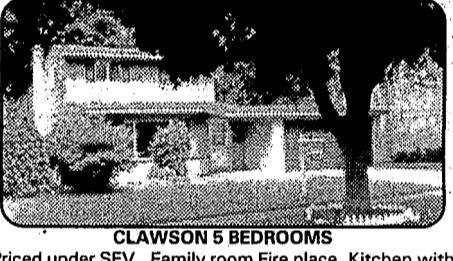


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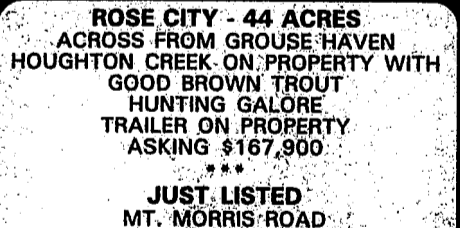
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Doctors look to teach kids about health and safety awareness

If you have young children, mark your calendar for Saturday, Sept. 11. That's the date this year that Dr. Greg Ramboer and Dr. Becky Simmons will be hosting their third annual Kid's Day Celebration, a Health and Safety Awareness Day for the families in our community.

The fun lasts from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., rain or shine, and will be held at Lifepointe Chiropractic Center at 5896 Dixie Hwy. (between Maybee and Andersonville Rds, across from Brose Electric).

An Oakland County Sheriff Dept. officer will have his police dog, Niko, and car on site. He will be donating special child fingerprint ID cards to every child that attends, and will be fingerprinting them for free.

Ramboer and Simmons will provide essential information on crime prevention, child safety, and health & wellness. A highlight of the day will be free computerized spinal screenings. The doctors will be distributing vital information on disease prevention and specific health issues that affect children.

"We will also provide free balloons and snacks donated by Whole Foods Market. There will be special giveaways and prize drawings throughout the day! Grand prize drawings compliments of The Detroit Red Wings, Affordable Moonwalks, and Oakland County Parks and Recreation. Connie Hoffman, CMT will be providing FREE massages for everyone. Clowns, face painting, carnival games, a rock wall, a dunk tank and a moonwalk will entertain the kids, as well as visits from Elmo and "Blue" from Blues Clues," Ramboer said. "We will also gladly accept your generous donations for The Grace Centers of Hope Children's Charity, which will help enable them to continue their efforts to help abused and underprivileged children. My team and I invite all of our friends and neighbors to join us at this unique, fun-filled community awareness event."



The third annual Kid's Day Celebration, a Health and Safety Awareness Day, is set for Saturday, Sept. 11

Spraypark

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with a \$10,000 donation from the Clarkston Optimists. To date, more than \$250,000 has been raised for the park.

"We started at \$25,000 and now we've gone over \$250,000 in less than a year's time and it's all due to the goodness of this community," Przybylski said. "We couldn't have done it without them."

From Sept. 13 on, the park will be open everyday, depending on weather conditions, from 2-7 p.m. under the supervision of an Independence Township Parks and Recreation employee, according to Arcello.

"Make sure to come ready in your swimsuit and towel," Arcello said. (Since bathroom space is limited inside the park, children are recommended to come "ready" to play).

Although the park is ready for its wet guests, fundraising efforts are still taking place a year later. Commemorative bricks, placed at the park's entrance, are still available and will help fund the maintenance and enhancement of the park in the future.

The park is dedicated to the memory of Renee Przybylski, a Clarkston resident who died from leukemia in 2000.

As the grand opening nears, the committee is extremely grateful for the support of the community in making the spraypark a reality.

"Even people who didn't know her (Renee) wanted to contribute because it was a labor of love," Przybylski said.

For more information about the grand opening or to purchase a commemorative brick, call the Independence Township Parks and Recreation department at (248) 625-8223.

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Clarkston hockey players win European Cup

BY KYLE GARGARO
Clarkston News Editor

Three Clarkston hockey players played a big roll in helping Team USA-Midwest come home with the European Cup.

Steve Morin, Adam Peters and Trevor Johns spent Aug. 8-15 competing at the tournament in Prague, Czech Republic. The team was 5-0-1 with wins against the Czech team, Russian Dinamo, Team USA-East and two wins against the Slovakia Junior National Team.

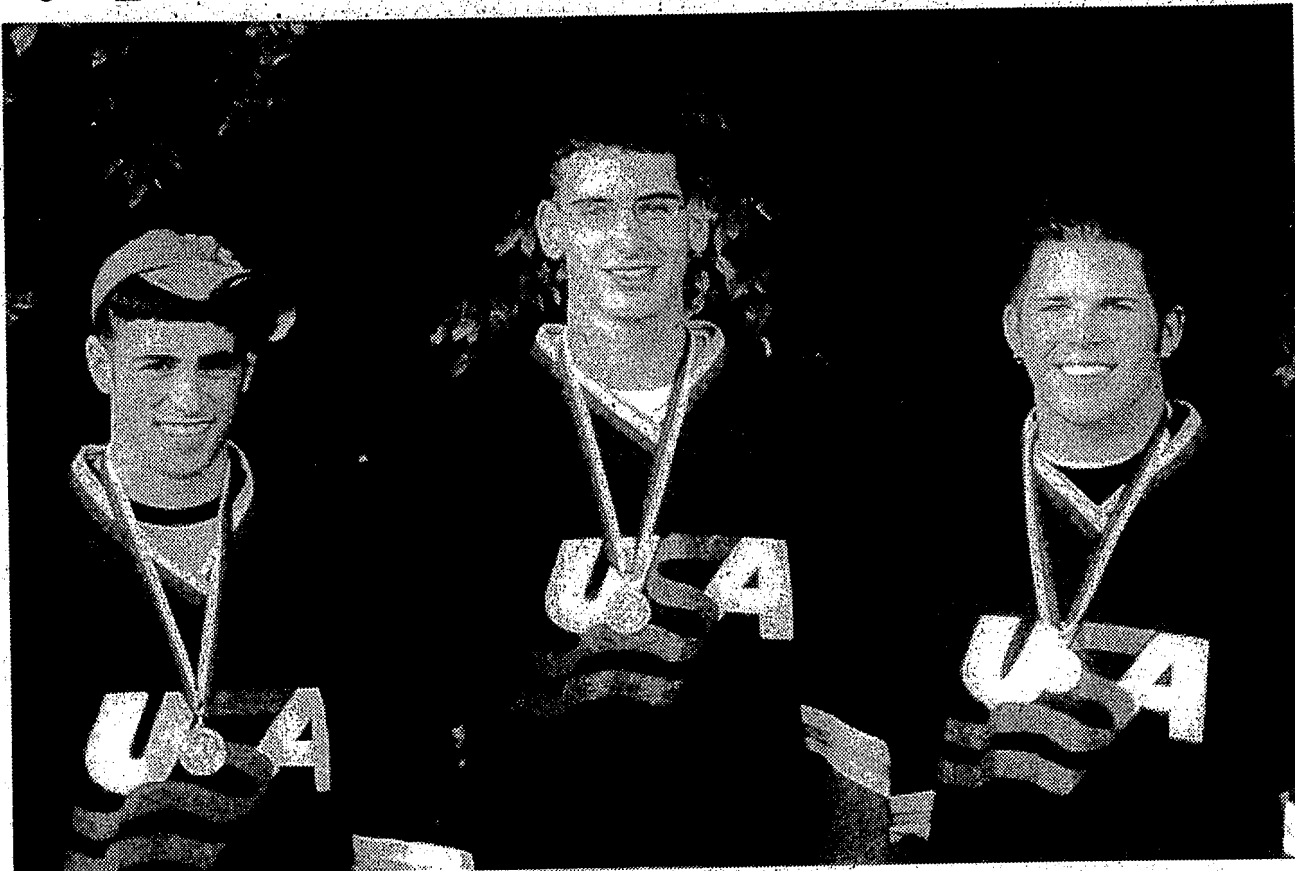
The team of 20 players won despite playing together just one week before the competition started.

"In the scrimmage we played you could see we needed some work but we had so much talent that by the second game in Europe we were molding as a team," Johns said. "We were traveling together, eating together and living together. It felt like we had been together for years."

The three Clarkston players were on the ice together as one forward line. They scored nine total goals which was good for about 33 percent of the team's scoring. Team USA-Midwest outscored their opponents by a combined 29-4.

"There were some solid hockey players with a lot of talent but they couldn't handle the physical play," Peters said. "It was an amazing feeling. It was an unbelievable experience I'll never forget."

Team USA-Midwest also overcame illness as eight of the 20 players had to sit out at least one game due to a virus that was going through the squad. The team received their gold medals in an on-ice ceremony.



CHS hockey players, from left, Trevor Johns, Steve Morin and Adam Peters were members of Team USA-Midwest. Photo provided.

"I knew we were a good team, but I did not expect us to be the best," Morin said.

Peters and Morin are 2004 graduates of Clarkston High School. Johns is scheduled to graduate in 2005.

Annual Catallo Run benefits SCAMP

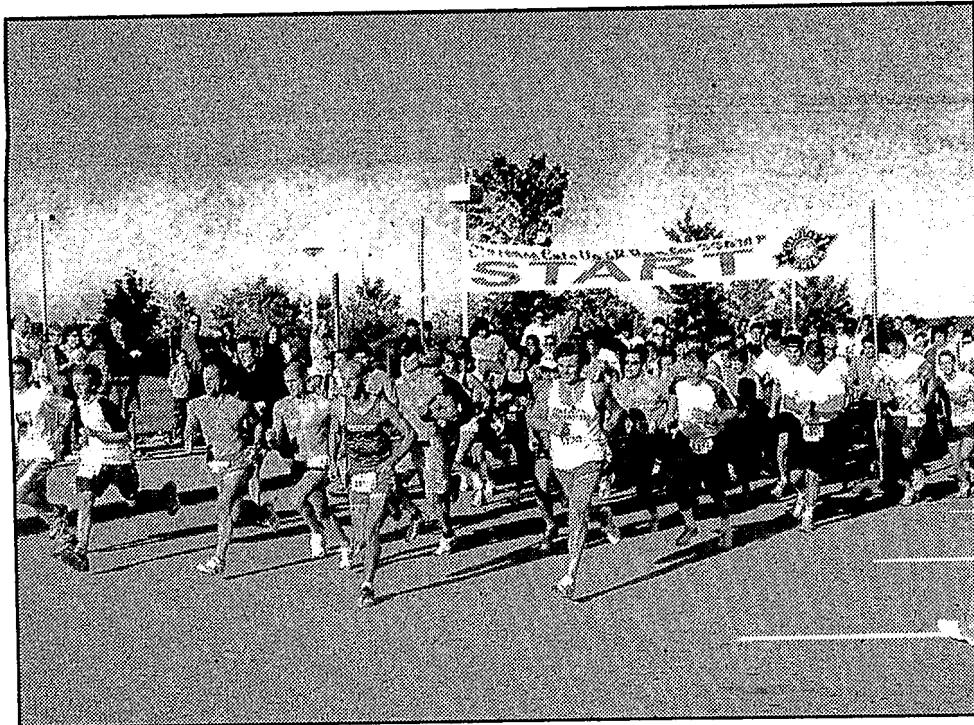
Close to 200 runners gathered at Clarkston High School for the fourth annual Clarence Catallo 5K Run for SCAMP on Aug. 21.

"What a perfect day," Donna Clancy, SCAMP executive director, said. "It was just a dream come true."

Event coordinators expected to clear \$5,500 for SCAMP with the funds raised.

"That's really, really good for us on an event," Clancy said.

Clancy saw a mix of both new and old SCAMP supporters while at the run. The entire event was filmed for Clancy's "Oprah Come to Clarkston" project.



Close to 200 runners participated in the fourth annual Clarence Catallo 5K Run for SCAMP. Held at Clarkston High School, the event was held Aug. 21. Photo provided.

Tennis team takes second

The Clarkston High School girls tennis team beat Farmington 7-1 and tied Andover last week.

In their victory against Farmington, the Wolves got victories from #1 singles Luran Little, #2 singles Staphanie Parkinson, #3 singles Alissa Lucas and #4 singles Darylann Trout.

In their tie against Andover, winning for the Wolves were #1 singles Little, 6-1, 6-1; #2 singles Lucas, 6-1, 6-0; #3 singles Parkinson, 6-1, 6-2 and Trout, 6-1, 6-1.

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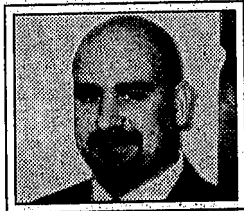
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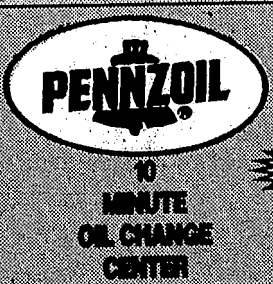
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Obituary

Ruth Helen Teggerdine

Ruth Helen Teggerdine, of Harrison and formerly of Clarkston, died Aug. 24, 2004 at age 92.

She was preceded in death by her husband Erwin J.; mother of Marion Cooley and Edith (Duane) Bailey; sister-in-law of Ann Frick, also survived by eight grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren and three great-great-grandchildren.

A Funeral Service was held at the Lewis E. Wint & Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home, Clarkston. Interment Lakeview Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Community Baptist Church of Harrison.

Dale Roy Maline

Dale Roy Maline, of Raleigh, NC and formerly of Auburn Hills, died Aug. 27, 2004 at age 42.

He was the husband of Sue; brother of Rev. Linda (Ken) Rock, Donna Giroux, Terry (Shelly), Peggy (Tom) Gaffney; preceded in death by his parents Glenn and Loraine and his sister Debbie Fogg; son-in-law of Tom and Rose Mark.

Mr. Maline was employed by Cisco Systems as a network engineer. He loved his dog George, working in his yard and playing guitar in his band, Blackdog.

A Funeral Service was held at the Lewis E. Wint & Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home, Clarkston. Interment Ottawa Park Cemetery. Memorials may be made to American Heart Association.

Elizabeth L. Cross

Elizabeth L. Cross, of Chelsea, died Aug. 24, 2004 at age 89.

She was preceded in death by her husband Leonard; mother of Larry (Shirley) Cross of CA, Patricia (Jack) Thams of Drummond Island and Shirley (Robert) Spencer of Belleville; also survived by 13 grandchildren and 22 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

A Funeral Service was held at the Lewis E. Wint & Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home, Clarkston. Memorials may be made to Arbor Hospice & Home Care, Ann Arbor.

Richard L. Arnould

Richard L. Arnould, of Clarkston, died Aug. 25, 2004 at age 71.

He was the loving husband of Catherine for 49 years; father of Robert (Sandra) of Livonia; preceded in death by his son Mark and his sister Charlene Pizzuti; grandfather of Jesse, Hannah and Mark; brother of Denise (Dave) Hoagland of NY.

Mr. Arnould retired from General Motors after 30 years of service. A Funeral Mass was held at St. Daniel Catholic Church. Funeral arrangements entrusted to the Lewis E. Wint & Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home, Clarkston. Rite of Committal Lakeview Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the American Lung Association.

Lloyd D. Fay

Lloyd D. Fay, of Clarkston and wintered at his home in Delray Beach, FL, died Aug. 29, 2004 at age 78.

He was the husband of Barbara for 55 years; father of Cynthia Sue of Sylvan Lake and Lloyd Byrns "Chip" (Norma) of Clarkston; loving grandpa of Adrianna; brother of Barbara (Arthur) Handren of KY; also survived by two nieces and two nephews.

Mr. Fay attended Cranbrook School and Riverside Military Academy in Gainesville, GA and Hollywood, FL. After graduating from Pontiac Central High School in 1943, he served in the Army during World War II. Fay returned home to run the family Fay Hardware Stores located in Pontiac, Waterford and Clarkston. He later worked for Fisher Body, Detroit and transferred to GM Tech Center where he retired in 1980. He was loved for his sense of humor and love for family and friends. Fay was loved for his sense of humor and love for family and friends. He enjoyed hunting, deep sea fishing and playing cards. While working at the Tech Center every time someone would ask him how he was, he would say, "wonderful, just wonderful." He soon became known as Mr. Wonderful and that name will always describe him.

A Memorial Service is set for Thursday, Sept. 2 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home, Clarkston. Memorials may be made to St. Joseph Mercy Hospital Oncology Unit or Cranbrook Hospice.

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Independence Township

August 23: Malicious destruction to vehicle at More Than Hair salon on Main near Citation. A vehicle was found keyed; a fired employee is suspected.

Found property at Maple Ridge Condominiums. Someone found three street signs and a yellow arrow sign.

Family trouble on Allen Road.

Possible attempted auto theft at Clarkston Medical Center on Dixie Highway. The victim found wiring pulled down from under the dashboard of the unlocked vehicle.

Suspicious circumstances at DTE Energy Music Theater. Someone believed a drink may have been spiked.

Lost cell phone at Mr. B's Roadhouse on Dixie Highway.

Family trouble on Church Street.

Threats report on Rioview. A mother reported her son was afraid to go to school because of threats received during the summer.

August 24: Family trouble on Mann Road.

Malicious destruction to property at Main Street and Dixie Highway. Vehicle was scratched while parked in the plaza lot.

Fail to pay at the Speedway service station on Dixie Highway. A clerk said it was a regular customer who may have forgotten to pay. A letter was sent advising the person to make restitution.

Fraud report on Waldon near Almond. A person paid a 35-year-old Waterford man \$800 for materials for fence job, but the job was not completed. The suspect's telephone was disconnected and it was learned he was evicted from his address. Deputies later found him at the Oakland County Jail.

Harassing telephone calls at Oxford Bank on N. Main Street.

Malicious destruction of property on Clarkston near Clintonville. Someone caused approximately \$1,400 damage by driving over a lawn, hitting an ornamental light and breaking a tree.

Home invasion on Brandeis Circle. A window was found broken with a door-knob taken from a door, but nothing was reported missing.

Assist to Michigan State Police with felony warrant arrest at Hidden Lakes apartments.

Juvenile runaway on Paramus Drive.

A 15-year-old girl was reported missing; case was turned over to the school liaison officer.

August 25: Open door check at East Fairways Condos.

Burglary on Maybee near Ava Lane. Someone entered through an unlocked basement door and took an unknown amount of cash.

Firearm discharge on Pelton Road. A deputy put down an injured deer.

Unwanted person at Las Piramides Restaurant.

Arrest for check fraud at the Best Bank on Sashabaw Road near Maybee Road. A 33-year-old Clarkston man attempted to open an account with a check for \$2,000 written on a closed account at another financial institution.

Under-21 consumption DTE Energy Music Theater. A 16-year-old Linden girl was found vomiting in the first aid tent after drinking.

August 26: Disorderly conduct arrest at DTE Energy Music Theater. A 32-year-old Clinton Township man allegedly pulled up a woman's skirt.

August 27: Arrests for possession of marijuana, carrying open intoxicants and expired license on Waldon near Timber Creek. Arrested were a 33-year-old Brighton man and a 24-year-old Canton man.

Larceny of \$150 cash from a purse at Sunrise Senior Living Center.

Assist Michigan State Police and Independence Fire Department with car fire on I-75 at Clintonville Road.

Malicious destruction of property at Clarkston schools bus garage on Middle Lake Road. An employee's van window was smashed.

Assault report at DTE Energy Music Theater. Two men were apprehended after a fight, but neither wanted to press charges.

August 28: Lost or stolen cell phone at DTE Energy Music Theater.

Malicious destruction of property on Park Valley Drive. A basement window was hit with a rock.

Larceny of license plate at DTE Energy Music Theater.

Damage to property in construction area on Sashabaw Road near Willow Park Drive. Someone drove over a wood form designed for concrete.

Under-21 consumption at Dixie and Andersonville. A 19-year-old Redford man registered a blood alcohol level of 0.115 percent after he allegedly yelled a profanity at a deputy.

Possession of marijuana arrest on Coulter Lake Boulevard involving a 19-year-old Ortonville man.

Arrest for operating while intoxicated, carrying open intoxicants and possession of marijuana on Pine Knob Road. A 26-year-old Clarkston man was apprehended after a vehicle crash in which he said a dog and cat ran out in front of his vehicle after he left a concert at DTE Energy Music Theater. He registered a blood alcohol level of 0.159 percent.

Possession of marijuana arrest on Marysue. Deputies responded with the Independence Fire Department for a subject not breathing. After the patient was stabilized, deputies confiscated suspected marijuana found in the 19-year-old Clarkston man's vehicle and \$5,400 cash.

August 29: Disorderly conduct arrest at DTE Energy Music Theater. A 28-year-old Clarkston man was allegedly fighting in the parking lot.

Operating while intoxicated arrest at Main and Amy. A 53-year-old Metamora man was observed driving erratically by an off-duty police officer. He registered a blood alcohol level of 0.14 percent.

Springfield Township

August 25: Attempted larceny from vending machine at Mill Pond Park.

Warrant arrest on Dixie Highway near Oak Hill Road.

August 26: Larceny from vehicle on Haylock. Someone took a wallet, glasses and gift cards from a woman's purse. She feared a suspicious person and took her child into her home, forgetting the purse in the unlocked car.

August 27: Missing person report at Bluewater Apartments. A parent reported her son failed to return home after the Clarkston High School football game. (The boy returned home the next day.)

August 29: Assault report at Bavarian Village Apartments. Two 16-year-olds were allegedly fighting outside the

building. No charges filed.

Malicious destruction to vehicle on Kropf. A rear window was hit with a stone.

Open door at Szott Ford on E. Holly Road. A K-9 search was conducted, but nothing suspicious found.

K-9 drug search at the Sunoco station on E. Holly Road. A vehicle repossession agent reported a smell in a repossessed car. The dog had two successful hits on marijuana residue.

City of Clarkston

August 27: Vehicle theft report on Surrey Lane. The victim believes her ex-boyfriend may be the suspect.

August 28: Operating while intoxicated arrest at Main and Miller streets. A 40-year-old Clarkston man allegedly was sounding his horn after midnight to no surrounding traffic. In a preliminary breath test, he registered a blood alcohol level of 0.11 percent.

Operating while intoxicated arrest at Main and Waldon. A 39-year-old Ortonville woman was speeding and crossing the center line. She registered a blood alcohol level of 0.18 percent.

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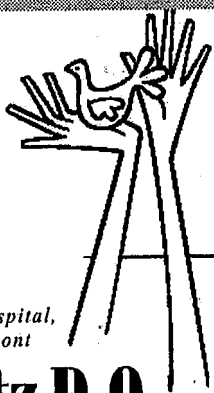


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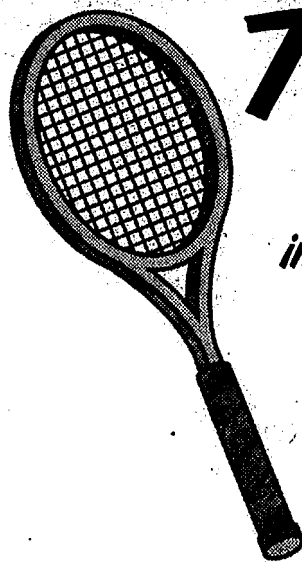
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Clarkston United Methodist youth group travels on mission

Members of the high school youth group from Clarkston United Methodist Church traveled to North Carolina this past July for a mission trip through the Youth Works organization.

A total of 52 young adults and eight adults took part. During the week students worked on homes, painting and doing construction, and also ran a children's club. The mission took place in Swan Quarter and Engelhard, N.C. Each evening there was recreation and times of worship.

The following youth from Clarkston United Methodist went on the mission: Thomas Beattie, Kaitlyn Brown, Stephanie Carlson, Samantha Carter, Leigh Christy, Drew Coatney, Kate Cooley, Scott Cooley, Blake Curdy, Jenny Driscoll, Erik Ejups, Tyler Foote, Weston Gleiss, Kirsten Graham, Austin Handley, Jade Handley, Emmalilly Hoxsie, Allison Kanous, Matt Keagy, Nicki Keusch, Kaya Khani, Chelsea Kouri, Jill Kouri, Andrew Lyons, Scott Lyons, David Lawrence, Kendra Linenger, Kelsey Merz, Todd Merz, Jono Moehlig, Brandon Newman, Gillian Nordquist, Anne Oltman, Dan Osterhage, Elizabeth Osterhage, Brittany Rogers, Chelsey Roth, Tara Roth, Megan Salada, Andrea Scarlett, Thomas Schmidt, Lindsay Sawyer, Elliot Shafer, Shelby Schulte, Brook Trowbridge, Kevin Vahlbusch, Megan Valley, Katie VanderVeen and Kim Vincent.

The adult leaders were Jim and Abby Whiteford, Jeremy and Jenny Dean, Mary Shafer, Sherrie VanderVeen, Laura Curdy and John Leece.



Mission team members, from left, Chelsey Roth, Lindsay Sawyer, Kelsey Merz and Emmalilly Hoxsie. Photo provided.

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Business Briefs

• Local real estate professionals Sandy Dubre, Ann Hernandez-Gabler, Jill Valko and Ed Tindall, of Coldwell Banker Schweitzer Real Estate in Clarkston, have been named Coldwell Banker Premier Agents.

• Chase Plastics Services, a full-service engineering thermoplastics distribution, has hired John Hankis as Account Manager for the company's northeast district. Chase Plastics Services is located in

Clarkston.

• Erin Mann and Linda Wyse have joined Coldwell Banker Schweitzer as a full-time sales associates working out of the Clarkston office.

• Clarkston Financial Corporation, the holding company for Clarkston State Bank, won second place on Crain's Detroit Business Michigan Superstar 10 list for 2004.

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Kids can lift your spirits

By Ernie Harwell

If you ever need to get a different perspective on life or boost your spirits, talk to your children or grandchildren. I think being around children is helpful for everybody. Children bring an honesty and an outlook of life that we don't see in older people who might tend to get a little cynical. Kids aren't like that; they appreciate honesty and sincerity in people. And they have the same qualities themselves. It's a lot harder to fool a child than it is an adult.



I've always felt that when you deal with children you should treat them as adults. They won't lie to you, and they have an enthusiasm that hasn't been jaded; they still have a bright outlook about things. They think that things can be done. They'll go right into things, whereas older people have a tendency to fall back and not attempt something that might broaden their horizons.

So spend time with the youngsters, we can all learn from them. And maybe they can learn a little bit from the older people.

And remember, take care of your health before it's longgg gone!

Ernie Harwell, "the voice of the Detroit Tigers" for more than four decades, retired after 55 years behind a major league microphone. Today, at age 86, Ernie's days are filled with serving as a health and fitness advocate for Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan and Blue Care Network, public appearances, writing, traveling and taking long walks with "Miss Lulu," his wife of more than 60 years. His latest book, a collection of his baseball columns entitled "Life After Baseball," is available at local bookstores or by calling 1-800-245-5082.



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Clarkston Community Schools have reason to celebrate

On Aug. 19, the faculty and staff attended our annual opening assembly. As always, we try to make this meeting meaningful and motivating for our employees.

This year's focus, "Celebrating What is Right with the World" seemed to be particularly appropriate for the times in which we live. In today's complicated world, opportunities are often seen as problems and differing opinions are usually viewed as something negative. I think we can do better! As a community, we can help our children become problem solvers rather than complainers. We can teach them to respect differing opinions rather than portray those who see things from a different perspective as enemies. Lastly, we can help them to celebrate what is right with the world rather than lament in what's wrong with it!



Clarkston Schools
Dr. Al Roberts

The Clarkston Schools have many reasons to celebrate. Over the years, our school system has been recognized as one that is rich in traditions and quick to take pride in our young people. If you have ever attended a school activity, you know what I mean. If you haven't participated in the life of your school district,

you are really missing something special; and I invite you to join us at an event of your choosing.

In today's column, I ask readers to join me in appreciating the past achievements of our schools and I also seek your support in embracing our present challenges. I am asking for help in building an even better future. After all, the most powerful tool we have to create the future we want is our ability to build upon a community culture that:

- Values knowledge, wisdom and fiscal responsibility.
- Recognizes the importance of truth, honesty, integrity and ethical behavior.
- Understands the worth of hard work, loyalty, respect, and accountability.

Yes, we have a long history of success in the arts and athletics and our academic program is very strong! Nonetheless, we have much to do to reach our potential as a school system. We must work to resolve the ongoing state funding crises, address busing and redistricting concerns and plan the transitional strategies that will make our 2005-2006 grade level configurations work well for our students. With your patience and support, the district's plan to alleviate space needs, consolidate programs and services and group children in a way that will "keep them younger a little longer" will be the envy of schools across the state.

While the challenges are many, the qualities that make Clarkston such a special place will work to our favor. However, we must start with an understanding that *change is necessary to ensure our continued success*. We need to recognize that our community's culture has played, and will continue to play, a major role in helping us be the best we can be. The statistics are clear, our schools and our community are changing. For example:

- 191 new teachers have joined our family in the last five years.
- 27% of our teachers are under the age of 30.
- 50% of our community has children of school age.
- Of the total population, 52% have lived here 10 years or less.
- Of school-age parents, 70% have lived here 10 years or less.

Given such data, it is important to recognize that we could lose the unique character that defines the district/community if we do not stay true to our mission, maintain high expectations, work to build upon our traditions and live up to the values that make us who we are. I am confident that we are up to the challenge.

Happy New "School" Year!

Historical Society plans antique sale

BY KYLE GARGARO
Clarkston News Editor

If residents have any old antiques cluttering up their home, the Clarkston Community Historical Society is more than happy to take them off your hands.

Historical Society member Gini Schultz is heading up the first ever Antique Tent Sale. The sale will be held at Art in the Village, formerly known as the Crafts and Cider Festival, which is slated for Sept. 18-19 at Depot Park in Clarkston.

Schultz, who was the first president of the Historical Society 30 years ago, is accepting donations of antique items and will be selling them at the tent sale. All profits from the event will be used for the purchase of Clarkston artifacts to add to the collection at the group's Heritage Museum.

"We are asking for non-Clarkston artifacts and they need to be from the 1950's or earlier," Schultz said.

Donations can be dropped off at the Clarkston Heritage Museum on Thursday Sept. 9 and Friday, Sept. 10 from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. The museum is located in the Independence Township Library. Drop offs are also being accepted at the Clarkston DPW office on Depot Road on Thursday, Sept. 16 and Friday, Sept. 17 from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.

The Historical Society is a nonprofit organization





From left, members of the Clarkston Community Historical Society Toni Smith, Jennifer Arkwright and Gini Schultz pose with antiques that will be for sale at the first Antique Tent Sale. Photo by Kyle Gargaro.

so donations are eligible as a tax write-off.

Also on Saturday, Sept. 18, Schultz, owner of the Clarkston Country Store, will be providing basic ap-

praisal services at the tent from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. For \$3 per item, Schultz will give a verbal estimate of the antiques' worth.

 **Kelley Kostin**
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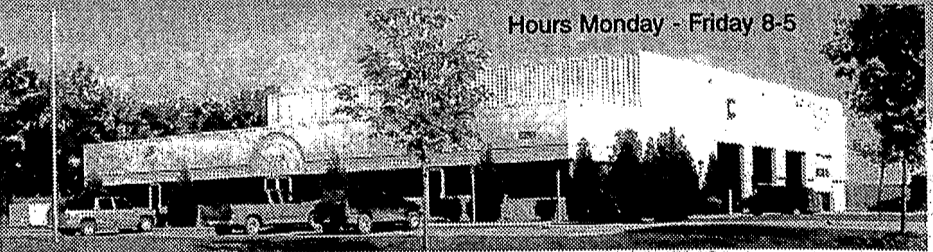
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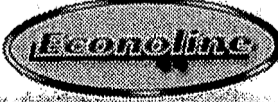

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Resident's call leads to tree-saving construction plan

BY DON SCHELSKE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Mary Hennig has lived at her Allen Road address since 1952. A naturalist told her a large White Oak tree outside her home has lived there at least 150 years, possibly 200 years.

Hennig believed it was worth saving, and those in Independence Township government apparently agree.

The large tree — and several others along the edge of Allen Road — were slated for destruction to make way for new water and sewer lines to serve a new residential development just north of Hennig's home.

Thanks to the cooperation of township officials, engineers and a developer, the trees appear to be guaranteed an extended life.

Thursday, Aug. 26, Hennig received notification of same from township officials. She called Clerk Joan McCrary, who put Hennig in touch with David Belcher, the township's facilities management director.

"They've been very cooperative in working with us to have an alternative," Hennig said.

As with most public roads, Allen Road is platted with an extended right-of-way, giving government the right to have access for utility work or road widening. Hennig said she understands the law.

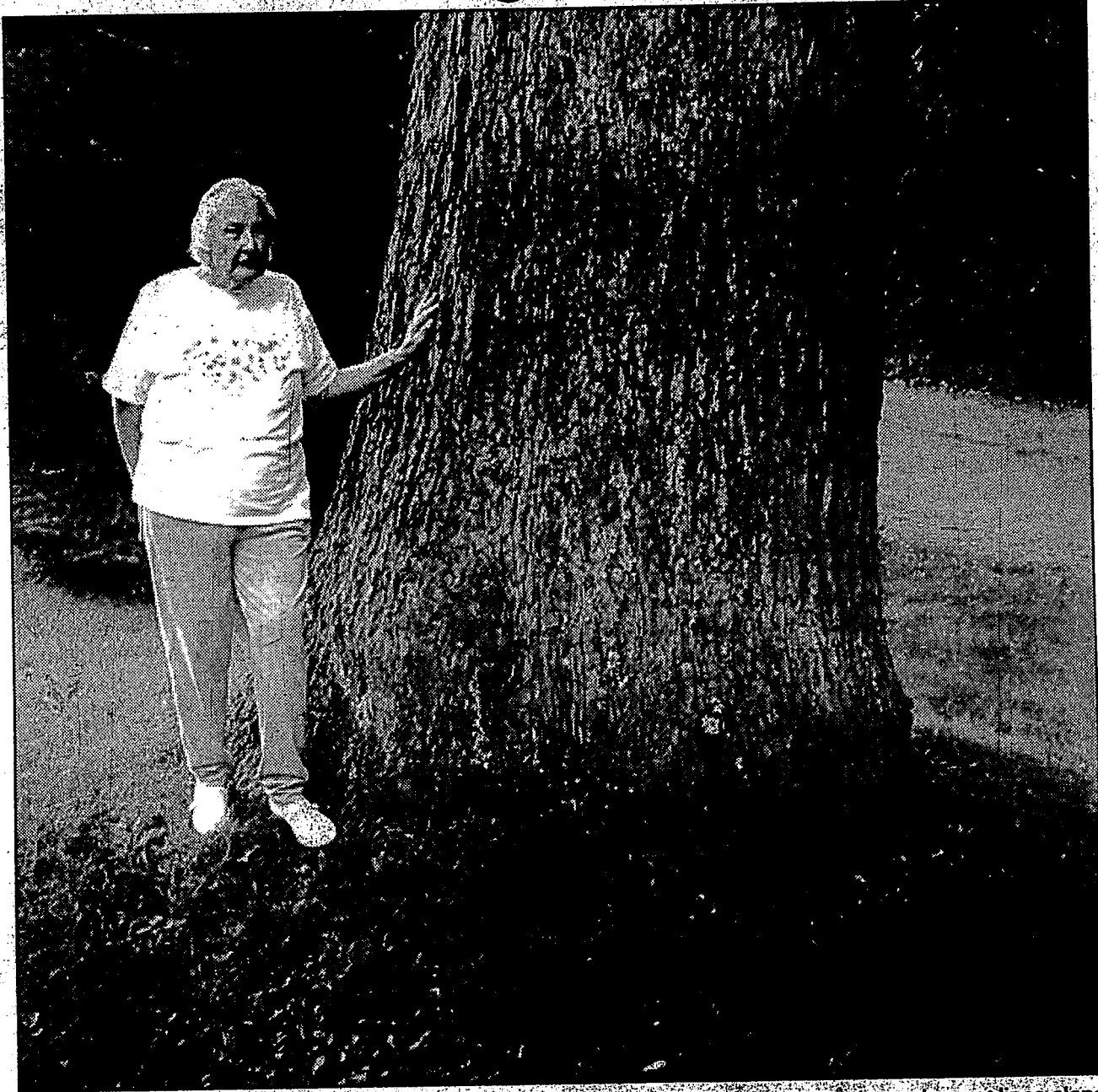
"They do have the right [to take out the trees], but they also have a moral right to try to save our environment," Hennig said. "I think the builders don't realize that."

Land preparation has already begun on the Brookstone Hills single family residence development, and Hennig said about 20 acres has been clear cut, based on the view from her back porch.

McCrary said an alternative seems likely. Thanks to the willingness of county road engineers to rework the plans, and thanks to the developer's willingness to delay his construction, the water and sewer lines will be placed closer to the center of the existing roadway, thus saving most of the existing trees.

Revised engineering plans were scheduled to be hammered out Monday evening.

"At this moment, that's where it stands," McCrary said Monday afternoon, noting the developer has also



Mary Hennig stands next to a tree originally slated for destruction to allow for new water and sewer lines along Allen Road. Hennig's fast action appears to have led to an alternate plan to save several trees along the scenic roadway in Independence Township. Photo by Don Schelske

agreed to attempt replacement of any roadway trees which die up to two years after the construction.

None of this means a compromise in the township's legal right to the road easement, but in this case there was recognition that, "Everyone's been using it since time began," McCrary said. "It's a beautiful tree-canopy road."

It will still be a construction-laden road, and residents will have to tolerate road closings and lane shifts until the work is complete.

That appears to be alright with Hennig, who is hopeful the new plan will be workable.

"Otherwise I'll probably be chained to the tree," she said.

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PTA Council helps students achieve full school experience

BY ALICIA DORSET
Clarkston News Staff Writer

The Parent Teacher Association of the 21st century is not just for bake sales any more. School PTAs are responsible for helping mold the school experience. Just ask Clarkston's PTA Council.

The councils are designed to help facilitate individual school PTAs while providing valuable information from a larger scale. Representatives from each participating building meet monthly to discuss tasks, problems and ideas.

All schools in the Clarkston district are included in the council with the exceptions of Clarkston Elementary, Independence Elementary, Andersonville Elementary and North Sashabaw Elementary. Those four schools have a Parent Teacher Organization that governs the school.

"We exist to serve schools within the district that have PTAs," Joyce Nienhuis, council president, said. "We provide education services and information."

A chain-of-command model helps bring needed information to communities, such as Clarkston, which the council watches for its schools. On top is the national level, then state, districts and councils and finally local schools.

"The framework really promotes fiscal responsibility," Nienhuis said.

A legislative representative helps each council with any national problems or trends and apply it to the local level. The representative also helps raise awareness of council activities that might impact student welfare.

Such communication is key to keeping the community in tune with what the schools are doing, according to Nienhuis.

"We really do raise awareness," Nienhuis said. "If you don't tell people what's going on, they won't know what's been changed."

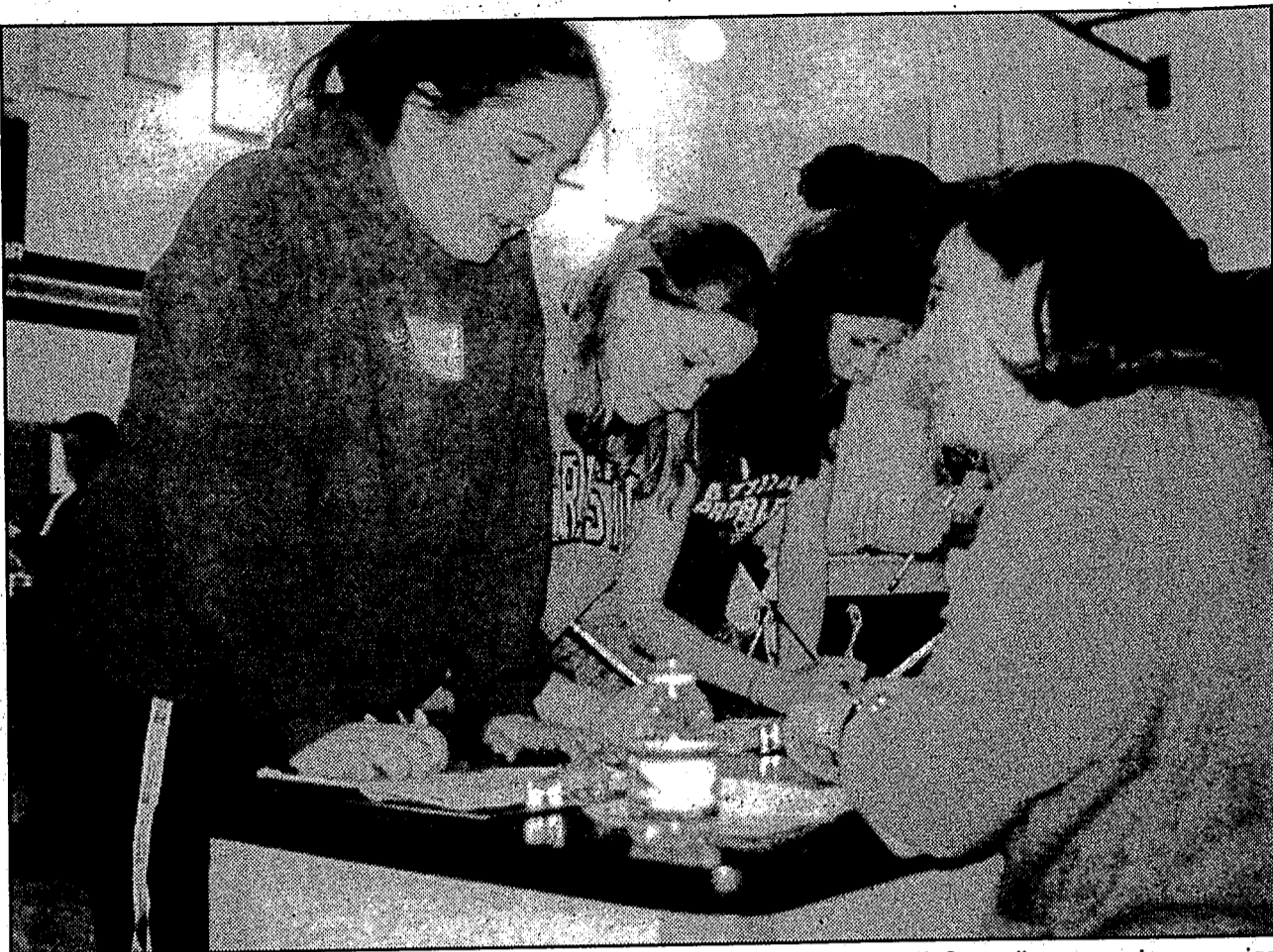
That change has been very evident in Clarkston over the past few years.

Recently, the Nutritional Initiative, a group within the council, met with Clarkston Community Schools food service supervisor Janet Allen. The two forces evaluated the growing trend in childhood obesity and how it could be prevented in Clarkston. Working together, the school removed all carbonated beverages from the Clarkston High School cafeteria this past summer and replaced them with more water, juice and sports beverages.

"The PTA is not about bake sales," Nienhuis said. "If you don't have something tangible, it's not worth it."

This year the council hopes to expand the initiative and take a closer look at the schools' entire lunch program. The council also is planning on continuing such district staples as the Reality Store and the Reflections contest. On a regular basis, the council holds training on various topics to increase awareness with its members about what actions best benefit students.

"I hope we meet our objectives and encourage more



The Reality Store is just one of the many initiatives headed up by Clarkston's PTA Council, a governing organization of the district's individual PTAs. In addition to the middle school event, the council has helped implement major changes to the food available during and after school hours. Photo provided.

people to participate," Nienhuis said.

A challenge Nienhuis believes all PTAs face today is recruiting volunteers. Nienhuis has found that many households now feature two working parents, which makes offering available free time difficult. Such restrictions have made spontaneous school events harder to come by.

"We still get volunteers that are dynamic and put volunteering at the top of their list, but there is less of them," Nienhuis said.

Meeting new people is another one of the benefits council members encounter.

"Working with the council gives you information about other buildings, classes and projects," Nienhuis said. "Networking in council is terrific."

One of the biggest goals of the council is to de-

velop new and exciting ideas to help benefit the schools. The council tries to avoid duplicate fund-raising ideas between buildings whenever possible.

"We've stopped strict fund-raisers and moved toward initiatives. We make sure the ideas are different to add variety," Nienhuis said of the council's current philosophy on support.

An important part to council support is the respect they receive from both the administrative level and throughout individuals in the community, keys to making the Clarkston group an important role of student's school career.

"We try to look left and right in the community," Nienhuis said.

The first meeting of the 2004-2005 PTA Council is Thursday, Sept. 23 at 9:30 p.m.

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Japanese swordsmanship brings new class to Clarkston

BY ALICIA DORSET
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Looking for a way to increase not only your physical well-being but your mental well-being? Look no further than the art of Tamiya Ryu Iaijutsu, one of the many new classes being offered this fall with Independence Township Parks and Recreation.

Lead by Clarkston resident Brent Eastman, the class will teach the basics of the 400-year-old Japanese sword art. The techniques have been only taught in Japan until recently.

"It's a really unique style," Eastman said. "I kind of fell in love with it."

In the class, Eastman will instruct students how to suppress a surprise attack by using one sword move. Basic fundamentals will be taught and students can move forward at their own pace.

"We'll start with the basics and have a section on learning technique," Eastman said. "The class will run very traditional."

Tamiya Ryu Iaijutsu is a martial art that provides many benefits from practice to students, such as coordination, personal growth and self confidence.

"The best benefit I have derived is self awareness you gain from the style," Eastman said. "It's very life changing. We try to live by a set of principles and adapt them to our daily lives."

Currently there is only one school outside of Japan that teaches Tamiya Ryu Iaijutsu. Eastman is hoping to start an official club for interested participants. The club would be considered a branch of a group based out of East Lansing.

Safety is a top priority for the class. A noncompetitive environment will allow students to concentrate on technique and form.

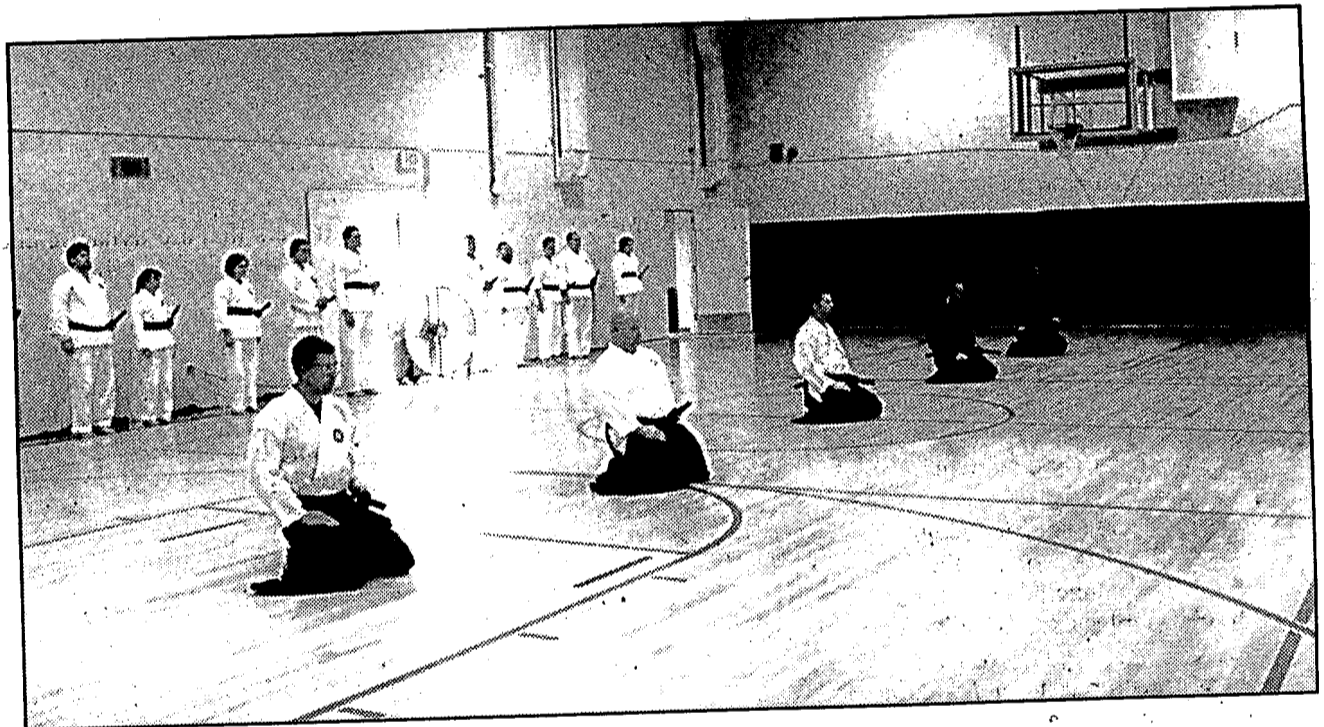
"I want people to meet a lot of people and mingle," Eastman said.

Eastman has been training in Tamiya Ryu Iaijutsu for the past five years and has been studying other martial arts for more than 20 years. He became interested with martial arts as a teen and developed his interest from there.

To promote the upcoming class and introduce people to Tamiya Ryu Iaijutsu, Eastman will be holding a public demonstration on Saturday, Sept. 4 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. at Bay Court Park.

"We don't just train to be better swordsmen, but to be better people," Eastman said.

To find out more about the class, visit www.tou-shin.org or call the Parks and Recreation department at (248) 625-8223.



The art of Tamiya Ryu Iaijutsu will bring a sense of confidence and strength to interested Clarkston students this fall. A new class will be available through the Independence Township Parks and Recreation Department. Photos provided.

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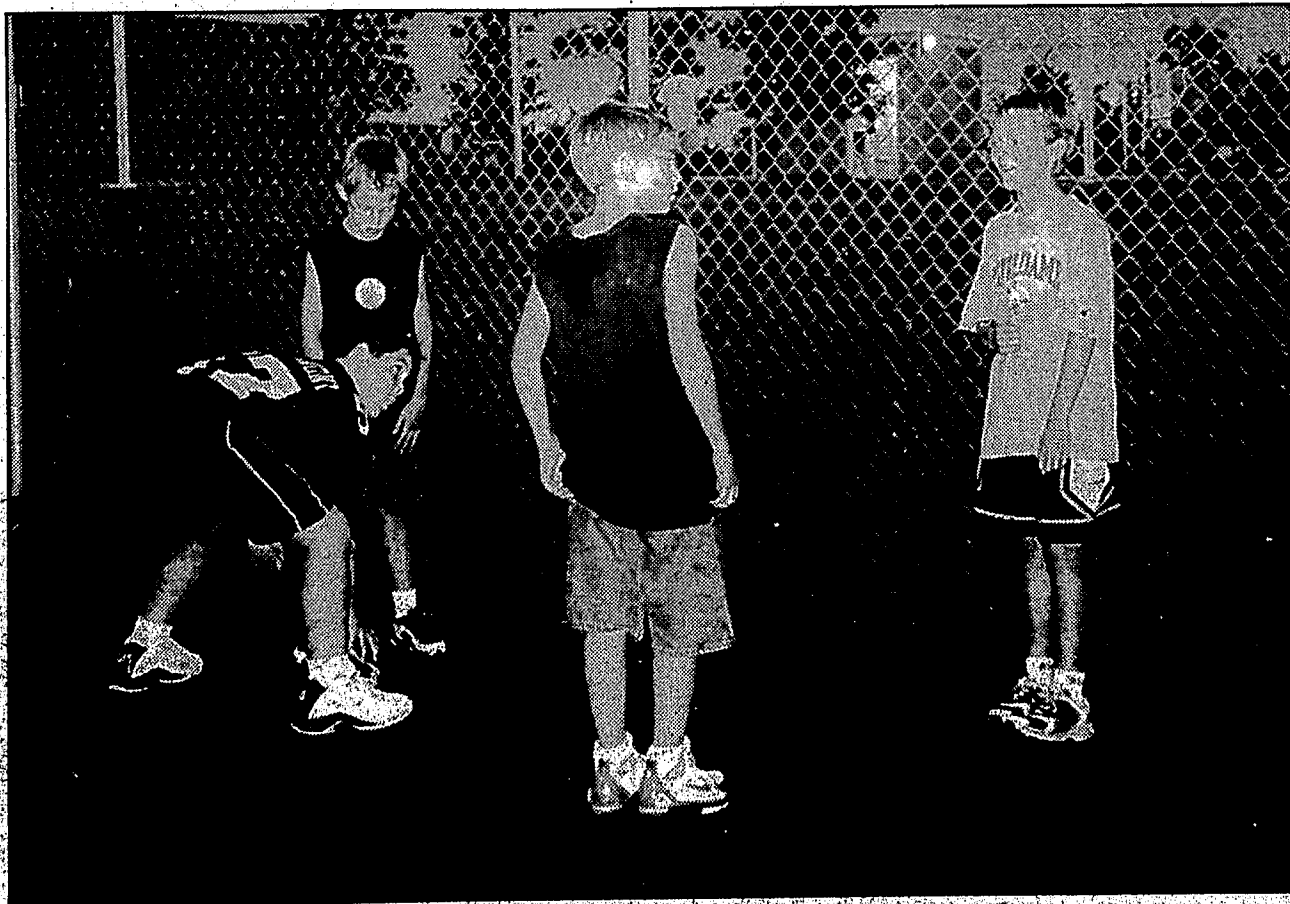
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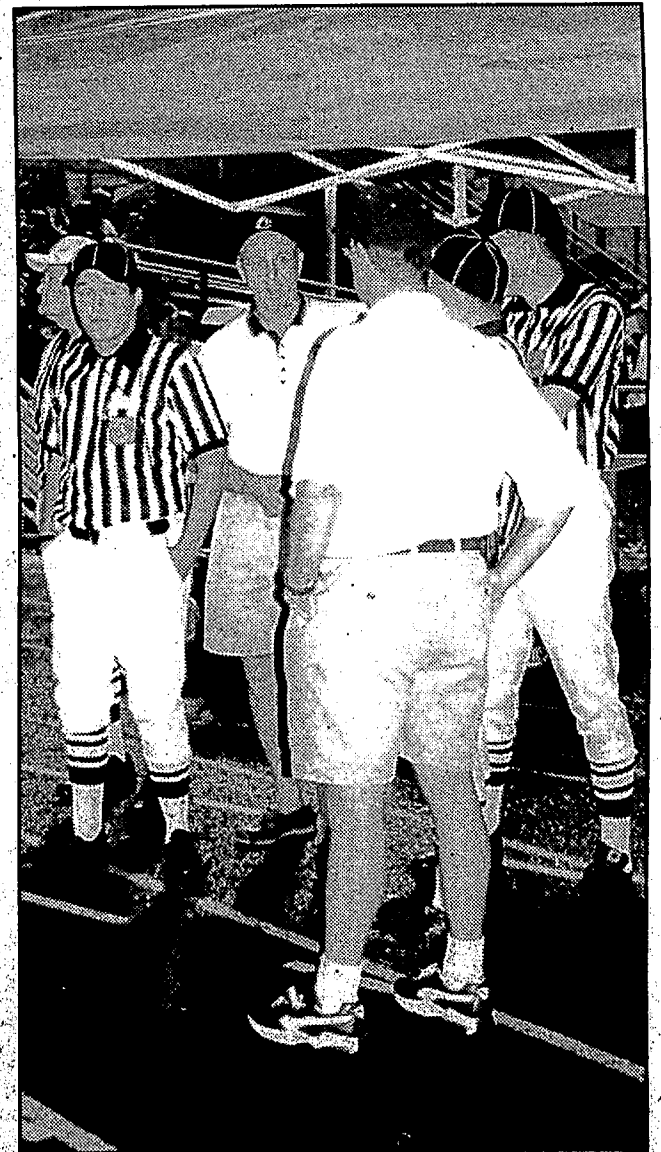
Maris Ferguson cheers on Clarkston while fans wait for the game to resume play. The team opened the home 2004 season Aug. 28 with a loss to Rochester Adams.



The lightening delay provides a perfect opportunity for an impromptu game. Rules stated once lightening was present, play must wait 30 minutes for the weather to clear.



Jim Evans serves up hot dogs to hungry fans during the rainy game. Football enthusiasts of all ages wore all shades of blue and yellow to show their support for the Wolves.



Clarkston coaches and game referees discuss how long the game should be stopped while inclement weather loomed over the football field. The game resumed the following day, Aug. 29.



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By Alicia Dorset

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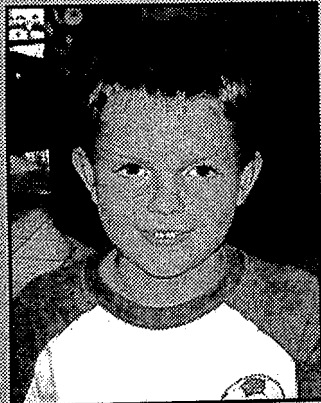
What are you looking forward to most at school this year?



"Having new friends."
— Keith Auchterlonie



"Recess on the swings."
— Nate Gencay



"Science. Mr. (John) Lamb says it's really fun."
— Kenzie McGinn

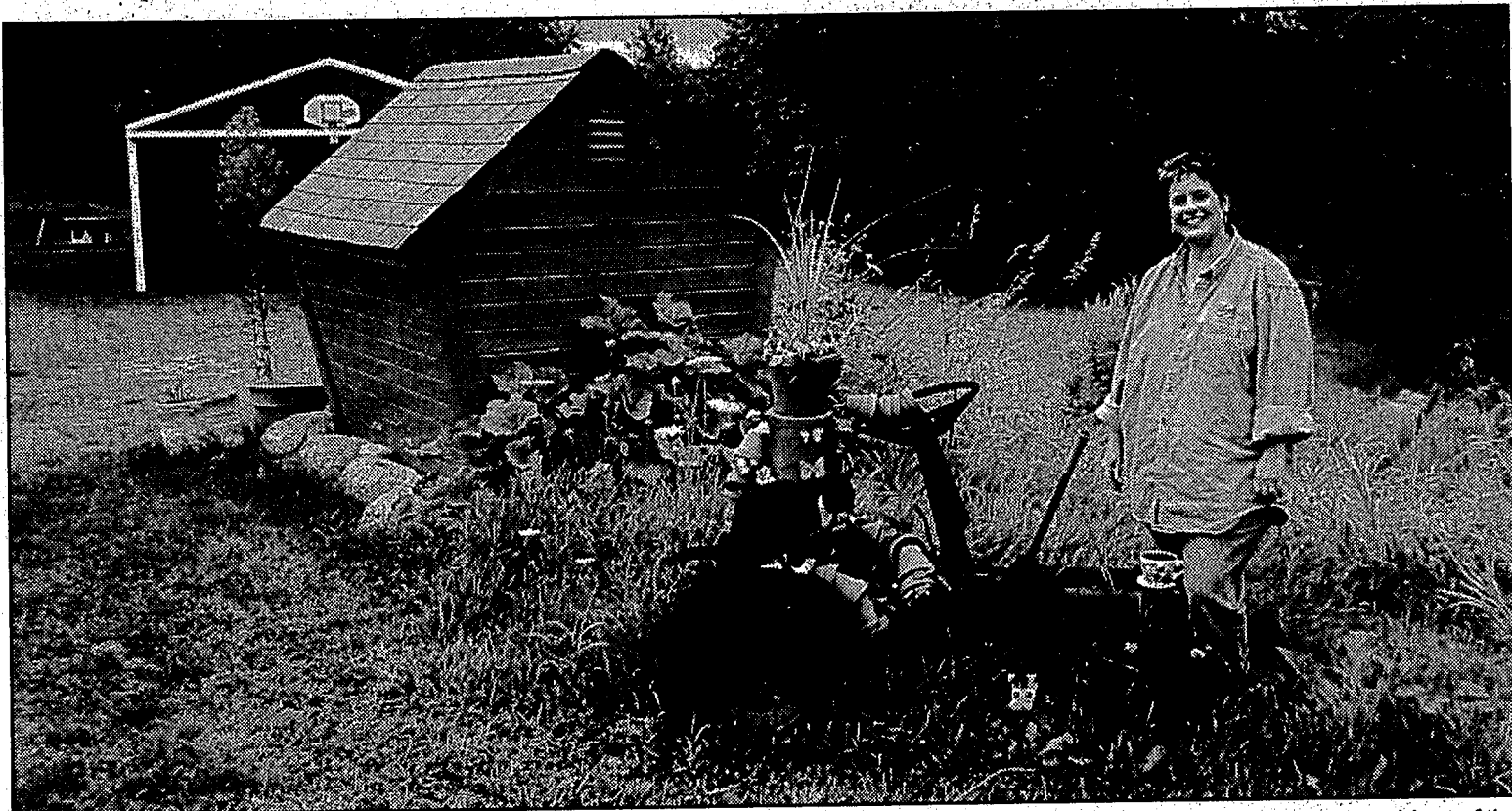


"It's all good."
— Victoria Wright

By Alicia Dorset

The Clarkston News' Millstream

A section dedicated to showcasing all the reasons this is a great area to live and work!



Karen Price (and her cat, Sabrina) proudly display her "pot lady," a creative sculpture at her Springfield Township home. President of the Springfield Branch of the Woman's National Farm and Garden Association, Price is passionate about the promotion of natural beauty. Photo by Don Schelske

President promotes more than gardening

BY DON SCHELSKE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

As president of the Springfield Branch of the National Woman's Farm and Garden Association, Karen Price has a confession:

"I'm a terrible gardener."

She means that in the sense of not following all the formal rules, but she defends it as being open to different possibilities.

"I hate to pull weeds, not because I'm lazy but because you never know what that weed might end up looking like," she said. "It may be beautiful. I don't want to miss out on what might be. A weed is a plant in the wrong place at the wrong time."

Even with "terribly overgrown" flower beds and a thistle plant of which she's particularly fond, Price earned her position in relatively short time. She's been part of the club only a little more than a year.

A former United Methodist pastor, she and her family moved to Springfield from Hemlock, having also served in Poseyville

and Pigeon.

"We like small towns," she said, and Springfield Township was a good place in between her husband's Detroit workplace and her parents in Saginaw.

After moving here, Price said she started looking for new friends.

"We were new to the community and I was looking for places to get involved," she said. "I walked into my first meeting, and I felt so at home. I felt like this was the place to make friends, and maybe make a difference."

By the end of her first meeting, she volunteered to be editor of the club newsletter. About eight months later, she was elected to the top job. But Price feels more like a partner than a leader.

"It's just a neat group of ladies. We share a love for plants and gardening and growing things."

The club has been active with service projects such as flower barrels in downtown Davisburg. Price admits it's "a very simple thing," but it helps the downtown decor and they're not worried about being fancy.

"It makes it so much more inviting. We're

proud of Davisburg," she said. "We don't have a big budget. We're not out to make a lot of money. We're just proud to be able to help."

The club also adopted a family last Christmas through Neighbor to Neighbor, and got everything on the need list with money to spare.

Another "simple thing" is the scarecrow gardener on display in the lobby of the Springfield Township library. A member regularly changes the scarecrow's outfit to fit the season.

"It's just a cute little presence to say the Springfield Garden Club is here, and we love our community," Price said.

At her home, Price has many house plants in addition to the outside greenery.

"I can't imagine a house without that living presence there," she said, noting scientific benefits such as producing oxygen and filtering bacteria. The nice thing is, "Everyone needs something to care for. And plants don't talk back."

She hastened to kiss her son, Nicholas, 9, after saying that. Her son and daughter, Arden, 11, are great helpers around the house.

"They share the love of the plants with me," she said.

The gardeners believe there's more than simply the appearance of greenery to benefit humankind. Price recently attended a seminar in horticultural therapy, and noted the emotional benefits when someone receives flowers in the hospital.

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Around Town

Senior bowling starts Monday, Sept. 13. Meeting at Cherry Hill Lanes, the informal league includes three relaxing games for just \$6 per person per week. No experience necessary. Bowlers are not obligated to bowl each week or pay for weeks missed. Pre-registration not needed for this fun activity. The season concludes with a bowling banquet in May. For more information, call the Independence Township Senior Center at (248) 625-8231.

The fifth annual **Corn Roast**, presented by the Independence Township Senior Center, will take place Monday, Sept. 20. Come early at 4:30 p.m. for lawn games or just sit on the deck. Dinner will be served at 6 p.m. Menu is grilled steak or chicken, fresh corn, tossed Salad and Texas sheet cake or pineapple upside cake. Entertainment will be provided by the Cool Cloggers from Lansing plus country music. Please state your preference for steak (rear, medium or well) or chicken when you sign up. Deadline for this popular event is Wednesday, Sept. 15 and costs \$8 per person. For more information, call the center at (248) 625-8231.

Mentally and physically challenged youth are the big winners at the **SCAMP/Lewis E. Wint Golf**

Classic on Friday, Sept. 10. Help make this year's event a success by sponsoring a hole or playing golf. Opportunities are still available. The event, held at Springfield Oaks golf course in Davisburg, starts with a hot buffet breakfast at 7:45 a.m. followed by a shotgun start at 9 a.m. Lunch and a buffet receptions with prizes is also included. Funds raised at the golf outing will benefit Clarkston SCAMP and the L.E. Wint Nature Center at Independence. For more information, call Bob Brumback at (248) 625-8376.

The **Clarkston Village Players** present their production of "The Housekeeper" by James Prideaux. This offbeat, delightfully zany comedy deals with the unlikely involvement which develops between a middle-aged bachelor and the eccentric bag lady he hires as a housekeeper. Show dates are Sept. 9-12 and 16-18. Thursday performances begin at 7:30 p.m. and Friday and Saturday performances start at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$10 for Thursday and \$12 for all other performances. Depot Theater is located at 4861 White Lake Rd. in Clarkston. For more information, call (248) 625-8811.

Call now to schedule an appointment to enroll in the **Clarkston Area Adult Education program.** Evening classes are free to students age 16 and older

who are not high school graduates and attending school full time. Earn your diploma or GED and gain job skills. Classes begin the week of Sept. 13, so register now.

You are cordially invited to the annual **Country Trails Summit** on Thursday, Sept. 9 at Independence Oaks County Park. Bring the latest information on the status of trails in your area. Share ideas, energy and network with others in Michigan working on trail development. Please make requests to make short presentations at the program to Marge Gatliff. A picnic lunch will be provided and presentations will start at 1 p.m. Please RSVP to Gatliff at (248) 858-4611 or by e-mail at gatliffm@co.oakland.mi.us by Wednesday, Sept. 1. Independence Oaks is located at 9501 Sashabaw Rd. in Clarkston.

The "Treasures and Treats" rummage and bake sale will be held inside the Hart Community Center in Davisburg on Friday, Sept. 10 and Saturday Sept. 11 from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. The event is an opportunity to buy homemade baked good and find one-of-a-kind donated items. All proceeds will go to Neighbor for Neighbor, a non-profit organization that provides food, clothing and financial assistance to families in Springfield, Holly, Groveland, Rose and parts of Independence and White Lake Townships.

Club 5529 presents a karaoke night on Friday, Sept. 10. Doors open at 8:30 p.m. and tickets are \$6 at that time. For more information, call (248) 620-4900 or visit www.5529music.com

Independence Township Parks and Recreation is holding their annual "Punt, Pass and Kick" competition on Saturday, Sept. 18 at the Clintonwood Park Soccer Fields. Boys and girls ages 8-15 (age as of Dec. 31, 2004) are invited to test their football skills at this free event. Registration takes place only the day of the event at the site beginning at 9:30 a.m. Events will begin at 10 a.m. sharp. Every participant must bring a birth certificate copy or baptismal certificate to register. No football shoes or cleats of any kind are permitted. Only gym shoes (soft sole) are allowed. For more information please call the Parks and Recreation office at (248) 625-8223.

The **Widowed Support Group** will meet for its September meeting on Thursday, Sept. 2 at 7 p.m. This month's topic will be "Sharing and caring support." Lead by Alicia Brown, bereavement counselor for Lewis E. Wint and Son Funeral Home, the group meets at the Independence Township Senior Center and is open to the public. All ages, both men and women, are welcome. Refreshments will be served. For more information, call the funeral home at (248) 625-5231.



Find a unique treasure and help support a good cause at the "Treasures and Treats" rummage and bake sale Sept. 10 at the Hart Community Center in Davisburg. *File photo.*

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Village Players prepare comedy for season opener

BY ALICIA DORSET
Clarkston News Staff Writer

The finishing touches are underway at Depot Theater as the Clarkston Village Players prepare for their 2004-2005 season with opening comedy "The Housekeeper" on Sept. 9.

"It's not a very complicated story since it's a comedy," Verne Vackaro, director, said.

The story revolves around a bachelor, played by Brian Taylor, who hires a housekeeper, Wendy Hedstrom, after the death of his mother. The housekeeper thinks she is there to take care of cleaning but is really recruited to be a companion to the lonely bachelor.

Both Taylor and Hedstrom are drama graduates of Michigan State University and have appeared in previous CVP plays. Hedstrom was recently featured in "Social Security" and Taylor appeared in "Run for Your Wife."

"People who saw those plays will be a little bit familiar with them," Vackaro said. "These two people are very talented. I like the play, but I've enjoyed watching their characters develop."

Rehearsals for the production began in late July after June castings.

"The Housekeeper" is the first in a pair of back-to-back smaller plays to kick off the season.

"There's a lot of publicity work," Vackaro said. "The theater will have to

be cleaned. Youth theater finished in July, so that doesn't give us much time to clean."

Preparing the theater and making last-minute corrections to the production are always nerve racking, especially since the season's first two plays have been sharing rehearsal time and space.

A highlight of this year's opener is the play's set.

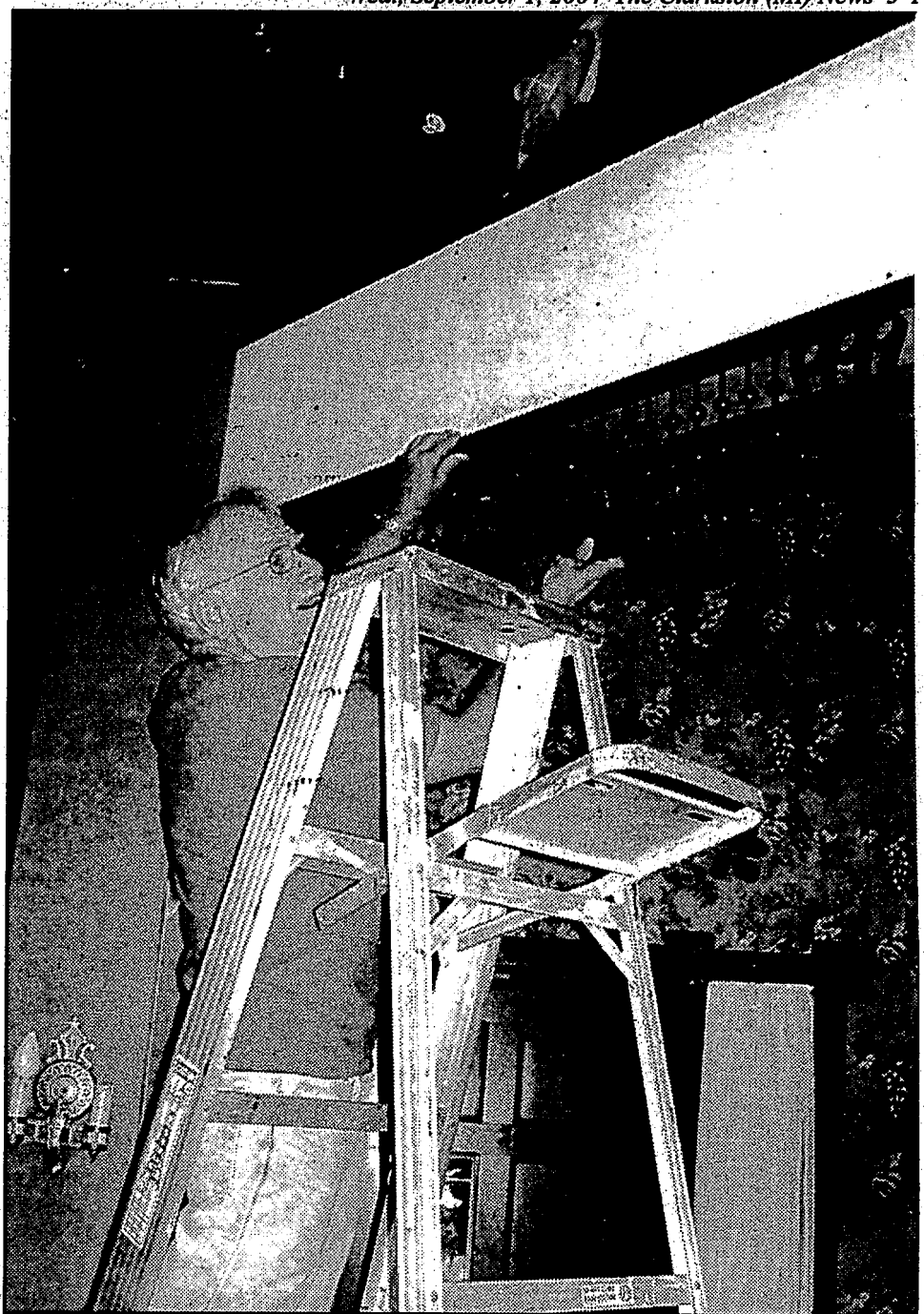
"I'm very pleased with the set. I do the grunt work, but the art work is definitely Jamie (Fish)," Vackaro said.

A continual concern with the opening series of plays is lack of attendance. Vackaro attributes that to final summer vacation plans and uncertainty as to when the CVP season starts.

"It's actually a shame because I think they're two of our stronger shows," Vackaro said. "A lot of people have no idea."

For information on how to purchase tickets for the show, call the theater at (248)

Verne Vackaro makes some final adjustments to the set of "The Housekeeper," the Clarkston Village Players' opening production for the 2004-2005 season. The play is a one-act comedy. Photo by Alicia Dorset.



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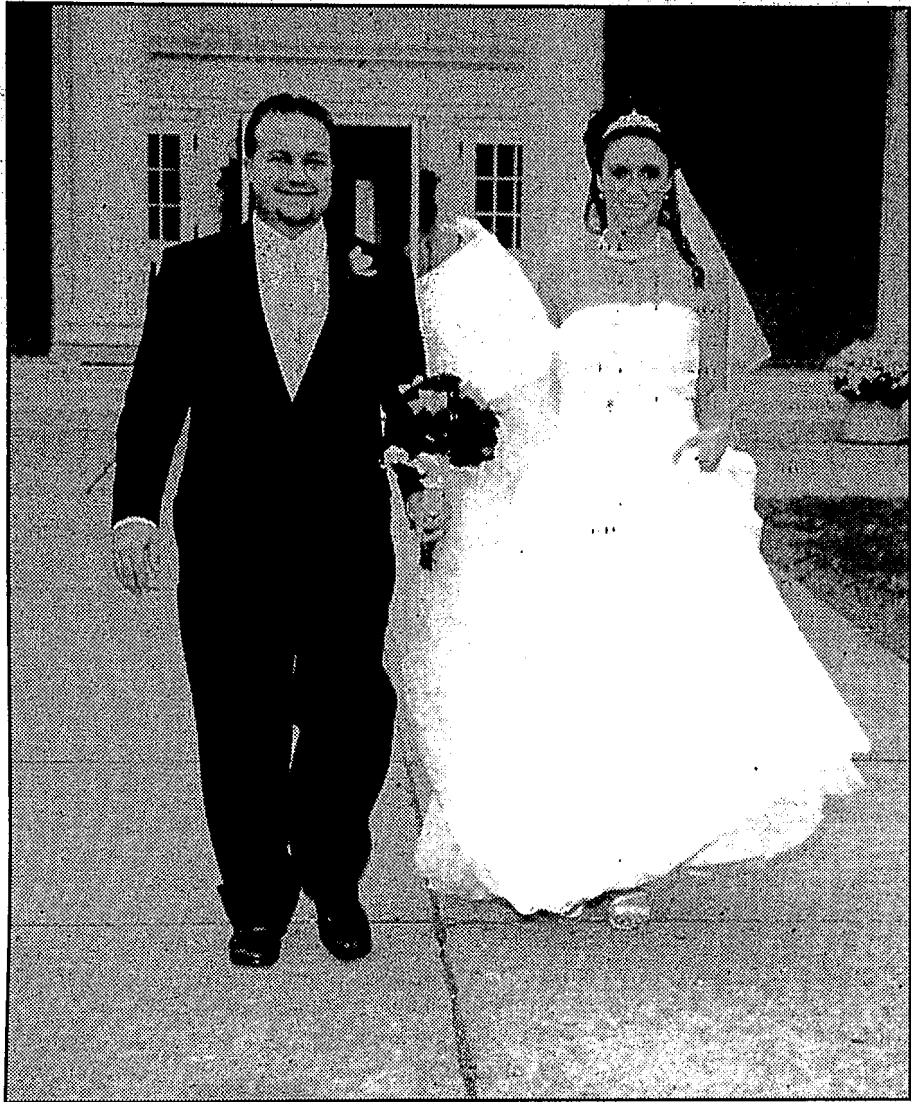
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Milestones



Christopher Pesola and Elizabeth Harlton

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A reception immediately followed at Pine Knob Mansion.

Harlton is the daughter of Dr. Bruce and Kathryn Harlton of Clarkston. She is a 1998 graduate of Clarkston High School and a 2004 graduate of Central

Michigan University with a degree in therapeutic recreation.

Pesola is the son of Brian and Wendy Pesola of Marquette. He is a 2002 graduate of Central Michigan University with a degree in business administration. Pesola is employed as an assistant food service director for the Aramark Corporation at Loyola University in Chicago.

The couple resides in Evanston, Ill.

Achievement...

Colleen Mead of Clarkston recently won the Ted and Karen Stone Medallion at Western Michigan University where she will begin classes this fall.

A graduate of Clarkston High School, Mead plans to major in accounting at WMU. She is the daughter

of Dennis and Eileen Mead.

The Medallion Scholarship is the highest honor WMU can bestow to an incoming freshman. Valued at \$32,000 over four years, they constitute one of the largest merit-based awards in American higher education. This year the university awarded 23 scholarships.

In the military...

Second Lieutenant David P. Trollman was promoted to the rank of First Lieutenant, United States Air Force, by order of the President of the United States.

Trollman is currently the Deputy Chief of Planning and Implementation for the 460th Communications Squadron at Buckley Air Force Base, Colorado. As deputy chief, Trollman is responsible for the oversight and coordination of communications planning for the base.

A 1998 graduate of Clarkston High School, Trollman graduated from the United States Air Force Academy in 2002. He is the son of Bruce and Maria Trollman of Clarkston.

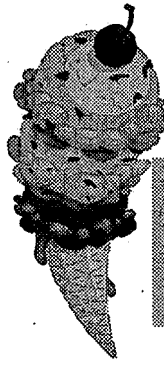


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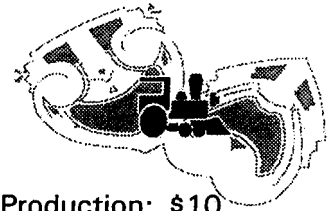
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Religion

The ABCs of Christianity

Every religion has core beliefs that distinguish it from the other religions of the world. Christianity is no different. Christian believers are what they are because of what they believe.

While there are many groups within Christianity which differ with each other on many secondary issues, most Christian groups hold some basic beliefs in common. The group I am associated with (the Evangelical Presbyterian Church) has published a short document called "The Essentials."

I have included an abridged version because of space limitations. Enjoy.

"All Scripture is self-attesting and, being Truth, requires our unreserved submission in all areas of life. The infallible Word of God, the 66 books of the Old and New Testaments, is a complete and unified witness to God's redemptive acts culminating in the incarnation of the Living Word, the Lord Jesus Christ. The Bible, uniquely and fully inspired by the Holy Spirit, is the supreme and final authority on all matters on which it speaks. On this sure foundation we affirm these additional Essentials of our faith:

"1. We believe in one God, the sovereign Creator and Sustainer of all things, infinitely perfect and eternally existing in three Persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. To Him be all honor, glory and praise forever!

"2. Jesus Christ, the living Word, became flesh through His miraculous conception by the Holy Spirit and His virgin birth. He who is true God became true man united in one Person forever. He died on the cross a sacrifice for our sins according to the Scriptures. On the third day He arose bodily from the dead, ascended into heaven, where, at the right hand of the

Majesty on High, He now is our High Priest and Mediator.

"3. The Holy Spirit has come to glorify Christ and to apply the saving work of Christ to our hearts. He convicts us of sin and draws us to the Savior. Indwelling our hearts, He gives new life to us, empowers and imparts gifts to us for service. He instructs and guides us into all truth, and seals us for the day of redemption.

"4. Being estranged from God and condemned by our sinfulness, our salvation is wholly dependent upon the work of God's free grace. God credits His righteousness to those who put their faith in Christ alone for their salvation, and thereby justifies them in His sight. Only such as are born of the Holy Spirit and receive Jesus Christ become children of God and heirs of eternal life.

"5. The true Church is composed of all persons who, through saving faith in Jesus Christ and the sanctifying work of the Holy Spirit, are united together in the body of Christ. The Church finds her visible, yet imperfect, expression in local congregations where the Word of God is preached in its purity and the sacraments are administered in their integrity; where scriptural discipline is practiced, and where loving fellowship is maintained. For her perfecting, she awaits the return of her Lord.

"6. Jesus Christ will come again to the earth — personally, visibly, and bodily — to judge the living and the dead, and to consummate history and the eternal plan of God.

"7. The Lord Jesus Christ commands all believers to proclaim the Gospel throughout the world and to make disciples of all nations. Obedience to the Great Commission requires total commitment to 'Him who loved us and gave Himself for us.' He calls us to a life of self-denying love and service."

(Steve Brown is pastor of North Oaks Community Church, which is affiliated with the Evangelical Presbyterian Church.)

Spiritual Matters



Pastor Steve Brown

In our churches...

Clarkston Community Church will present **4Him in concert** at 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 17.

The concert will be in the church's new auditorium, a new venue designed for a close intimate concert experience with state-of-the-art sound.

Tickets are \$15 in advance or \$20 at the door. Clarkston Community Church meets at 6300 Clarkston Road. For more information, call (248) 778-4004 or visit www.clarkstonchurch.com.

Robin Sullivan, afternoon drive host of "The Praise Company" on WMUZ 103.5 FM, will be the guest speaker at the Pontiac/North Oakland Women Aglow meeting Saturday, Sept. 18 at the Clarkston Christian Association, 5529 Sashabaw Road.

In addition to hosting the contemporary Christian music program, Sullivan shares the joys (and sometimes the sorrows) of her life experiences with humor and honesty to bring people closer to Jesus. Coffee will be at 9:30 a.m., with the meeting beginning at 10 a.m.

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St. Daniel Catholic Church of Clarkston is seeking donations for their annual Horn of Plenty Raffle/Auction Dinner Dance, scheduled for Nov. 6.

A number of area businesses have expressed an interest in donating products, services, gift certificates and other items to be bid on during the silent auction the night of the event.

Those interested in making a donation may call the parish office at (248) 625-4580 or chairperson Janet Tines at (248) 634-2427.

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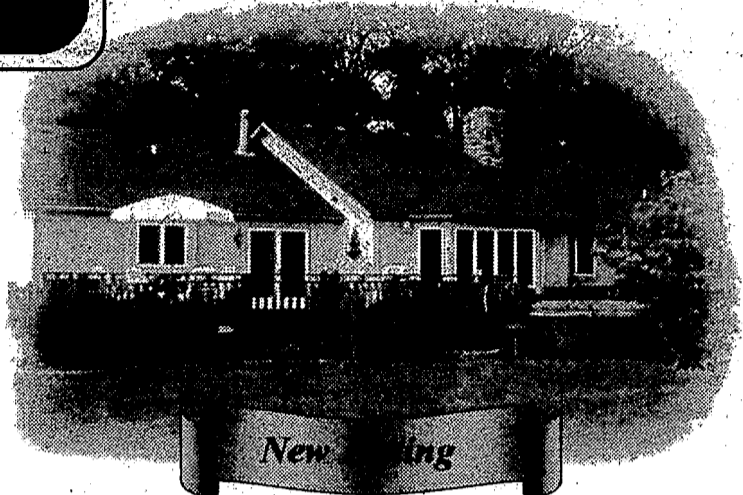
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Beautifully decorated, lovingly cared for ranch on 2.4 lush acres in Clarkston. To-die-for gourmet kitchen with maple cabinets, granite counters and new appliances. 3 bedrooms, 2 full and 1 half baths, vaulted great room with natural fieldstone fireplace, and Clarkston Schools and mailing! Only 500 ft. to pavement. \$389,900 86-CRO



New Price

A home appropriate for the green thumb, nature buff, or bird watcher. Ample room to roam with 2,500 sq. ft. of finished living space on 1.55 breathtaking acres of property. 3 bedrooms, 2 full and 1 half baths, 2-car attached garage, Clarkston Schools/ mailing, and immediately available. \$267,900 65-HAD



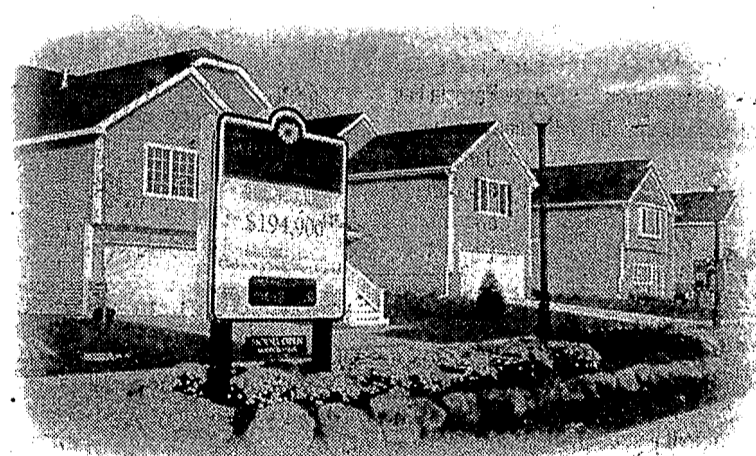
New Listing

Super curb appeal from this good-looking, 4-bedroom tri-level. The open floor plan welcomes a firelit family room, 2 full bathrooms, fully finished basement, and a large deck surrounded by tall pine trees and decadent landscaping. \$224,000 54-BOY



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A special thank you to Pastor Dan Niewoit from the CCA for providing a wonderful location again this year. His support and encouragement is greatly appreciated by all of our students and volunteers.

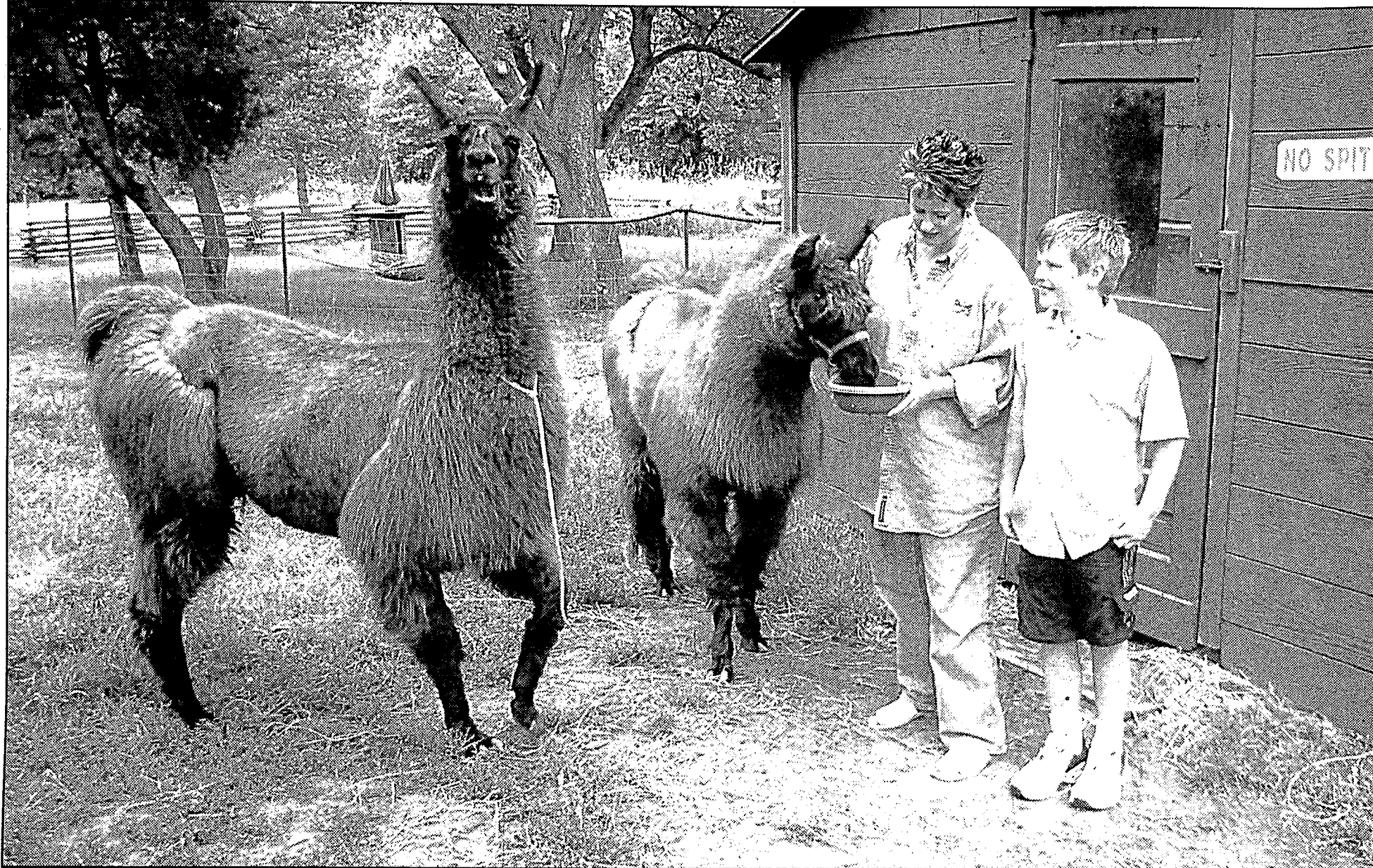
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Thank you also to the many volunteers and chairpersons without whom this celebration would not be possible:

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THANK YOU!



Karen Price and son Nicholas feed the family's two llamas at their Springfield Township home. While she's active in the local farm and garden club, she's fond of animals, too. Photo by Don Schelske

Garden

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Her dream is to someday work in a nursing home, perhaps helping residents plant their own flowers or do crafts with natural items, adding touch and smell to the sensory benefits of looking at living plants.

Indeed, Price believes gardening is therapeutic for the gardener.

"I think it's spiritual. There's something very sacred about putting a seed in such a hostile environment, yet something miraculous grows," she said. "It's the way a lot of people unwind."

Gardening is not Price's only passion. When her family sought a new home, it was important to have at

least two acres, because the "family" includes a bird, a dog, two llamas and multiple cats.

"Being with my llamas is the most relaxing thing in the world. At first you think they're snooty but they're not. They're just very regal."

The acreage also allowed for the construction of a labyrinth. Inspired by a trip to France to study the Chartres Cathedral labyrinth and built by her husband, Price finds it to be a great tool for meditation and prayer.

She also boasts of 250 Barbie dolls in a "doll room" downstairs in her home, and is a member of the Clarkston Village Players.

"I always get middle-age 'mom' roles," she quipped.

The group is proud to be called the Springfield Branch of the National Woman's Farm and Garden Association, a group Price said, "is making an incredible difference around the world."

Aside from the benefits of gardening, the group promotes something more basic, she said.

"They really value women's roles, whatever they are. If you're skill is sewing or brain surgery, it values who you are and what you're doing."

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Please call the **Society** office at 922-0270 for drop-off information or with any questions. Contributions are tax deductible.

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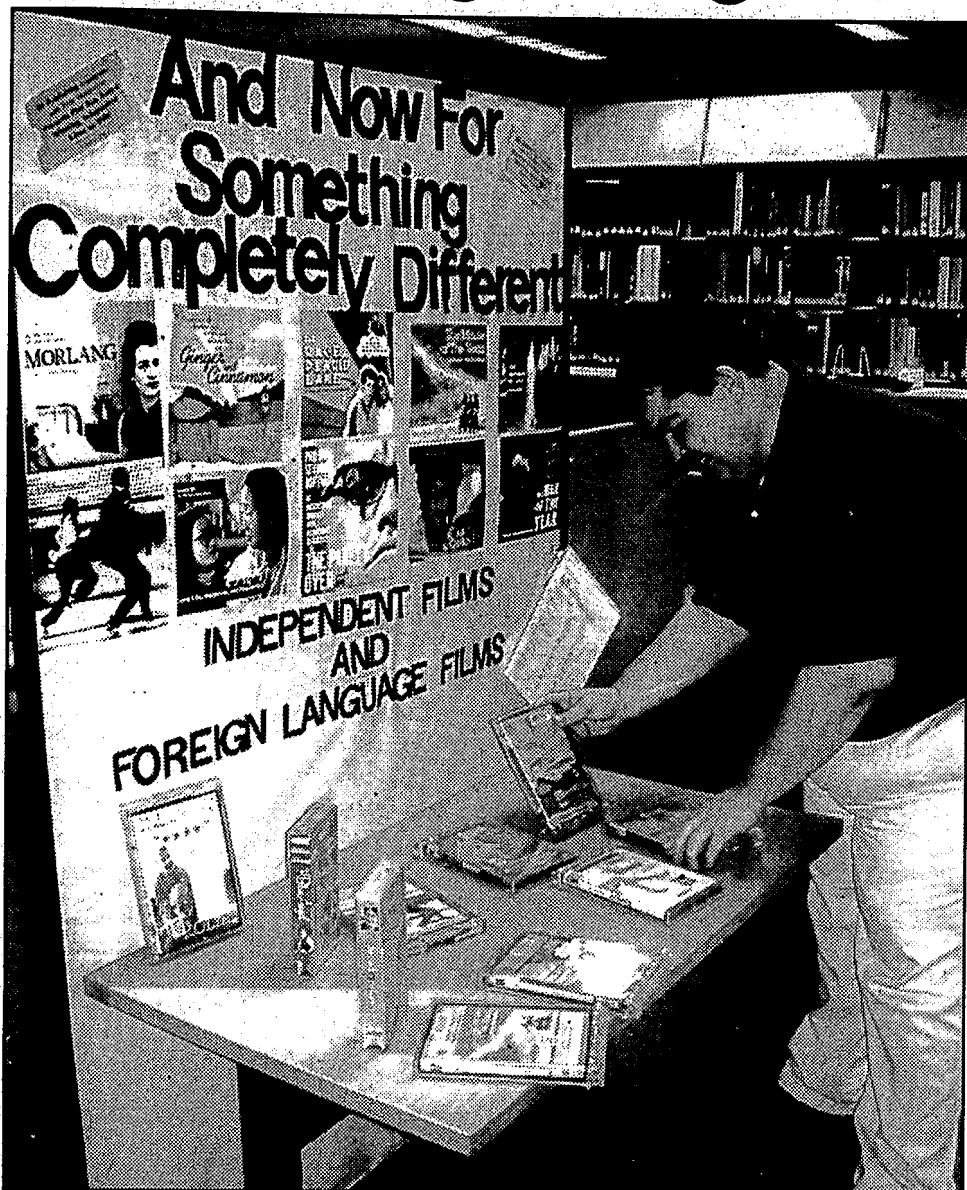
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Saturday, Sept. 18 & Sunday, Sept. 19
Verbal appraisal services will be available
Saturday, Sept. 18 from 1 to 4 PM for \$3 each.

Discolored Paper

Library brings foreign feel to growing movie collection



Ben Sebrowski, Independence Township Library employee, takes a look at this month's latest release from the Film Movement series. The library has a growing collection of foreign and independent films to select from. Photo by Alicia Dorset.

BY ALICIA DORSET
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Couldn't make it to the Sundance Film Festival this year in Park City, Utah? Don't worry. The Independence Township Public Library has a solution for that.

The library recently teamed up with Film Movement, an independent film distributor, to bring first-run indie films to the smaller screens of the greater Clarkston area.

"Many of the films played in limited release in Detroit," Patience Beer, head of adult services, said. "Some of these films haven't even been shown."

The library will receive a new "current" title once a month. While the program is brand new to the library, summer movie shipments have arrived and are available for check out.

Beer sees programs such as the Film Movement initiative as a good way to try a film that you might have passed over at the mainstream movie houses.

"We buy the blockbuster favorite films, but in building the collection, we have films you might not have seen," Beer said. "Why not take a chance on a new film?"

Since the movies are so new when they arrive to the library, they lack a rating from the Motion Picture Association of America, according to Beer.

"These movies are for adults," Beer said. "They probably would have an 'R' rating."

In addition to the unique choices associated with the Film Movement titles, the library also features an extensive foreign language collection.

Movie titles are available in 26 different languages. The languages with the most titles available tend to be French, Japanese, Spanish and Italian.

"The foreign films have a different set of insights into another culture," Beer said. "Or they tend to experiment in the film world. Some stretch the boundaries of film."

The movies available for check out are categorized by language. A complete list is available at the library.

"There certainly have been a lot of titles released in Chinese recently," Beer said of the selection.

When selecting a new film for the collection, Beer turns to film catalogues and checks the reviews of major critics.

"Foreign films certainly do have their fans," Beer said. "Other people like them because they're different."

Currently there are 200 foreign language titles available at the library.

With all the movies coming into the library recently, an increase in DVD purchases has resulted as the demand for the medium continues to grow.

"People who are really into film probably have gone to DVD," Beer said.

The library is currently looking at adding more DVD titles to its current selection, no matter what the film genre may be.

Movies are available at the library for free during a three-day loan period. However, a late fee will be charged for returns past the due date.

For more information, contact the library at (248) 625-2212.



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Around Town

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Oakland Livingston Human Service Agency (OLHSA) will be distributing free food, through the Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP), in Oakland County at the Independence Township Senior Center on Wednesday, Sept. 8 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. All people who are income eligible and not registered may do so at the site by bringing Social Security cards, household income proof and photo identification. For more information on the program or eligibility, contact OLHSA's Community and Family Services Department at (248) 209-2686 or (800) 482-9250.

Club 5529 presents Renee Courtney on Friday, Sept. 3. Doors open at 8:30 p.m. and tickets are \$7 at that time. For more information, call (248) 620-4900 or visit www.5529music.com

Clarkston Community Education presents the following programs for the fall:

Register now for the Clarkston Seawolves competitive swim team. The program is for elementary and middle school children during the school year. Swimmers may sign up for the September-March program, the September-December program or the January-March program. For more information, contact Coach Chock at (248) 623-3799.

Senior lifesaving classes will be offered this fall. Available for students age 15 and older, the class takes place at the Clarkston High School pool. The classes will be offered on Sunday evenings from 6-9 p.m. for eight weeks beginning Oct. 2. The cost is \$160.

For more information on any of these programs, contact the center at (248) 623-4321. Classes fill fast, so call soon. Visa and Mastercard credit cards are accepted.

Sign up for adult golf lessons at Independence Township Parks and Recreation. Available for ages 18 and up, an instructor from the Jim Norgart Golf Academy will meet you at Shepherd's Hollow Golf Club for an hour of small group instruction. Classes are on Tuesday and Thursday evening beginning Aug. 10. Begin-

ner and intermediate classes are available. Call Parks and Recreation at (248) 625-8223 for more details. Space is limited and preregistration is a must.

Recess is back! Register as a team in Independence Township Parks and Recreation co-rec kickball league and be a kid again. This 18-and-over league will be on Sunday evenings, with Saturday evenings, starting Sept. 12 at the Clintonwood Park softball fields. Teams will play a minimum of 10 games (all doubleheaders) with 10 players per side. Team fee is \$20 and player fees are \$5 for residents or \$15 for non-residents. T-shirts will be awarded to the first place team. Registration for returning and new resident teams begins July 19. Open registration begins Aug. 2. Space is limited. Teams must have equal or more women to men on the field. Please visit the Parks and Recreation office to register or call (248) 625-8223 for more information.

Join new friends at **Clarkston Specialty Healthcare Center** on the first Wednesday of every month at 8:30 a.m. for an informational complimentary breakfast. The greatest threat facing our seniors and their families today may be the financial consequences of needing long term care. On Aug. 4 Jim Runestad of Runestad Financial Associates will be speaking on Medicare, Medicaid and long term care insurance. For more information, call (248) 674-0903.

Premier Senior Home Care, serving Clarkston, Independence and Springfield Townships, are offering a spring special to area seniors. One free hour of service is being offered as part of the company's grand opening. Seniors can choose from several options, including light cleaning, laundry, light cooking and bill paying. Home Care

provides exemplary nonmedical care and errands to senior citizens. For more information or to sign up, call (248) 762-2582.

Crosshill Community Preschool is accepting enrollment for the 2004-2005 school year. Crosshill provides a developmental program with free play, directed activities, art, music, gym and snack. The preschool is a non-profit organization, and it is the policy that no person shall, on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age or disability, be excluded from participation in, denied the benefit of, or be subjected to discrimination during any program or activity or in employment. The preschool is located in the Davisburg United Methodist Church at 803 Broadway in Davisburg. Classes are available for 3s, 4s and young 5s. For enrollment or more information, please call Vicki at (248) 889-4249 or the director at (248) 634-1064.

STATE OF MICHIGAN
PROBATE COURT
OAKLAND COUNTY
CIRCUIT COURT-FAMILY DIVISION
PUBLICATION OF NOTICE OF HEARING
FILE NO. 2004-294,849-DE
In the matter of MARY A. DOLZYNSKI,
DECEASED
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSON including:
Creditors of the Deceased are notified that all claims against the Estate will be forever barred unless presented to the (proposed) personal representative or to both the probate court and the (proposed) personal representative within four (4) months of the date of publication of this notice.
Whose address(es) are unknown and whose interest in the matter may be barred or affected by the following:
TAKE NOTICE:
A hearing will be held on ___ at ___ m. at 1200 N. Telegraph, Pontiac, Michigan 48328 before Judge ___ for the following purpose:
Petition to open the Mary A. Dolzynski estate and to appoint Joseph Dolzynski Personal Representative.
82404
Joseph L. Dolzynski
1190 Hira St.
Waterford, Michigan 48322
(248) 673-6659
Schmidt, Isgrigg, Anderson & Miller
Robert G. Isgrigg, Jr. P24924
2745 Pontiac Lk. Rd.
Waterford, MI 48328-2653
(248) 682-8800

PUBLIC NOTICE
Because the People Want to Know
INDEPENDENCE TWP.
PUBLIC HEARING
The Charter Township of Independence will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, September 7, 2004, at 7:30 p.m. at the Township Library, 6495 Clarkston Road, Clarkston, MI, to re-program 2003 Community Development Block Grant Planning account to 2002 Senior Citizen Vehicle in the amount of \$838.11.
Dale A. Stuart
Supervisor

PUBLIC NOTICE
Because the People Want to Know
INDEPENDENCE TWP.
TOWNSHIP BOARD
AGENDA
7:30 P.M.
TOWNSHIP LIBRARY
DATE: September 7, 2004

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call
4. 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
 - b. Approval of Purchase Orders
 - c. Approval of Accounts Payable Check Run

Public Hearing: Re-program 2002 CDBG Account
Unfinished Business

1. Bid Award - 2004 Safety Path Program

New Business

1. Approve Re-Programming of 2002 CDBG Account
2. Permission to Hire Laborer - DPW
3. Permission to Hire Young Adult Librarian - Library
4. Permission to Hire Clerk - Library
5. Personnel Manual

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.
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
The Independence Township Board of Appeals will meet Wednesday, September 15, 2004 at 7:30 pm at the Independence Township Library, 6495 Clarkston Road, Clarkston, MI 48346 to hear the following cases:

Case #04-0065 Michael Royce, Petitioner
APPLICANT REQUESTS REAR YARD SETBACK VARIANCE OF 35' TO CONSTRUCT DECK ON NON CONFORMING LOT OF RECORD
Pequoit Drive, Lots 1, 2, & 3, R-1A
Thendara Park Country Club
08-12-351-052

Case #04-0066 Joseph Valentino II, Petitioner
APPLICANT REQUESTS SIDE YARD SETBACK VARIANCE OF 5' FOR DETACHED GARAGE AND FRONT YARD SETBACK VARIANCE OF 8' TO CONSTRUCT ADDITION ON NON CONFORMING LOT OF RECORD
Maplewood Ave., Lots 18 & 19, R-1A
Sunny Beach Country Club
08-12-334-028

Case #04-0067 Leslie McClellan, Petitioner
APPLICANT REQUESTS VARIANCE TO EFFECTUATE SPLITTING OF PROPERTY (INGROUND POOL TO REMAIN ON PROPERTY WHILE NEW HOME IS UNDER CONSTRUCTION, PLUS SIDE YARD SETBACKS TO BE CONSIDERED)
Fawn Valley Dr., Lots 32 & 33, R-1A
Deerwood Subdivision
08-16-193-024

Case #04-0068 Dave Heyink, Petitioner
APPLICANT REQUESTS 2ND FRONT YARD SETBACK VARIANCE OF 29' FOR ADDITION PLUS SIZE VARIANCE OF 366 SQ FT FOR ATTACHED GARAGE
Syracuse Ave. and Whipple Lake Rd., Lots 174 & 175, R-1A
Round Lake Woods
08-02-480-027

Case #04-0069 Richard Ogg, Petitioner
APPLICANT REQUESTS SIZE VARIANCE OF 420 SQ FT TO CONSTRUCT ACCESSORY STRUCTURE
Clintonville Rd., Lot 24 & Outlot B, R-1A
Sashabaw Creek Farms
08-23-426-009 & 002

Case #04-0070 Fox Creek Associates, L.P., Petitioners
APPLICANTS REQUEST VARIANCE TO ALLOW 480 SQ FT TEMPORARY ROOF SIGN
Fox Creek East, Building 9, R-2
The Village of Fox Creek
08-36-151-008

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN THAT THE ABOVE REQUESTS MAY BE EXAMINED at the Independence Township Building Department during regular hours each day, Monday through Friday until the date of the Public Hearing. For Further information call (248) 625-8111.

Respectfully submitted,
Joan E. McCrary,
Township Clerk
Katherine A. Poole
Secretary

PUBLIC NOTICE
Because the People Want to Know
CLARKSTON
CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF CLARKSTON
375 DEPOT ROAD
CLARKSTON MI 48346
SUMMARY
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
AUGUST 23, 2004
Meeting called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Mayor Catalo.
Roll: Present: Catalo, Clifton, Gamble, Meyland, Savage, Werner.
Absent: Colombo.
Minutes of August 9, 2004, accepted as presented with the addition of 'Craig Greenfield Memorial Triathlon' instead of 'Triathlon'.
Agenda accepted as presented with the addition of Permits and Fees under Unfinished Business, and Oktoberfest/Clarkston Union, SCAMP/OPRAH Resolution, and Police Department Personnel Issue under New Business.
Meyland reported that a Watershed Steering Committee meeting was scheduled for 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, August 24, 2004.
Gamble stated that he was not able to attend the Mill Pond Lake Improvement Board meeting on August 27 as he was not informed of the meeting by the Drain Commission office.
Chief Combo informed Council that the donated radar trailer from a source in California had been received; however, it requires some work which is being accomplished by Officer Thomson. The police vehicle video cameras are now in possession and will be running soon.
Pursley reported to council that bids from Ingles Construction for the Wompole curbing and the shoulder at the corner of Miller and Main have not been received. City Engineer Tressel will obtain bids from other contractors if these bids are not received by Ingles Construction. There are other items on the punch list that are being monitored by Pursley which includes the island on overlook at Middle Lake. The punch list is taking time as residents have to be contacted for many of the items and this is difficult during the day; some contacts must be made in the evening.
Pappas requested that the Finance Committee meet with City Engineer Tressel. Meeting is to take place on Tuesday, August 31 at 6:00 p.m.
The Independence Township D.P.W. has informed the City that there will be ongoing inspections on the sewer lines in the Township and City to determine what repairs are required.
Pappas informed Council that the Police Grant of \$5,000 has been received and was recorded as revenue for FY2004.
Ginny Schultz was present to report on the plans for the City picnic to be held on September 5. Flyers have been delivered to City residents. Ms. Schultz asked Council, to estimate how many would be attending the picnic. She further asked Council to serve as ice cream scoopers.
Meyland asked that Council revisit the building permit fees as there were complaints from residents that the fees excessive.
Moved That the request for the lot split of Mr. Ritter's property at 63 Waldon be forwarded to the Planning Commission for review and recommendation to the Council.
Resolved That the Oktoberfest scheduled for September 25 and 26, 2004, be approved by the Council, and that the Council authorizes Chief Combs to sign the appropriate license and/or permits as required by the State of Michigan.
Resolved That the City of The Village of Clarkston support SCAMP'S efforts in bringing Oprah to the beautiful historic Village of Clarkston.
Moved That Chief Combs report to the Council to initiate Police Department personnel evaluations at a closed meeting after the regular meeting on September 13, 2004.
Meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.
Respectfully submitted,
Artemus M. Pappas, Clerk

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LX37-2

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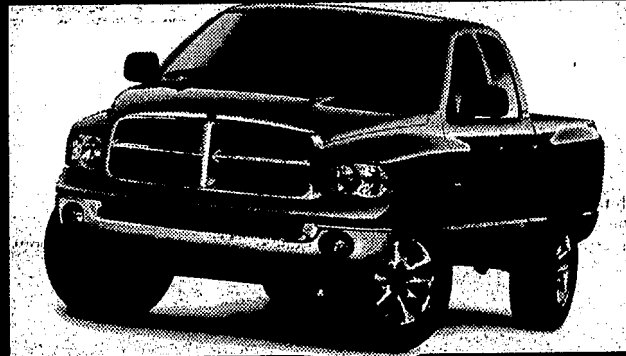
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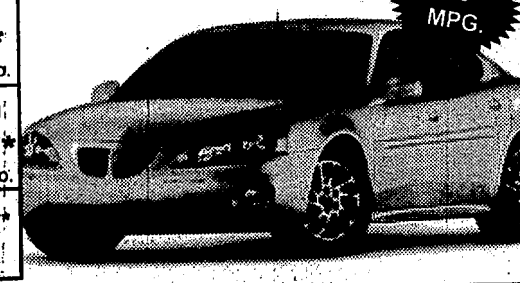
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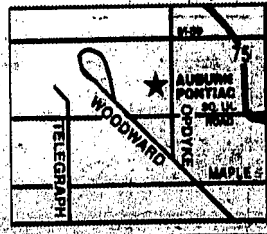
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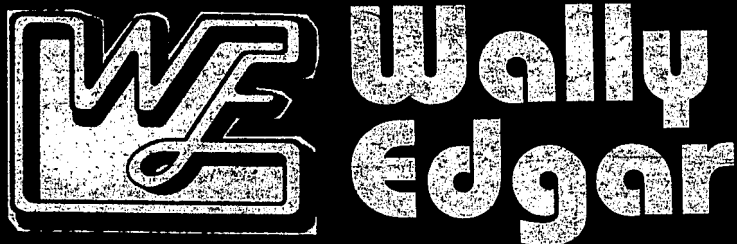
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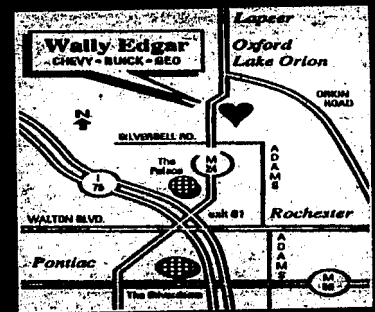
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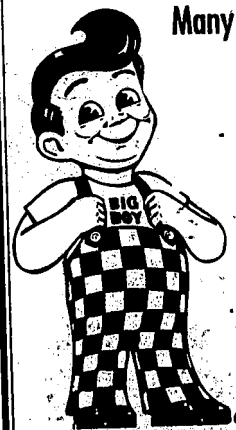
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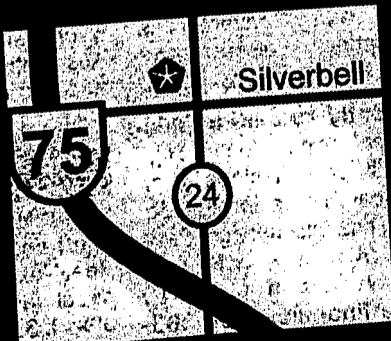
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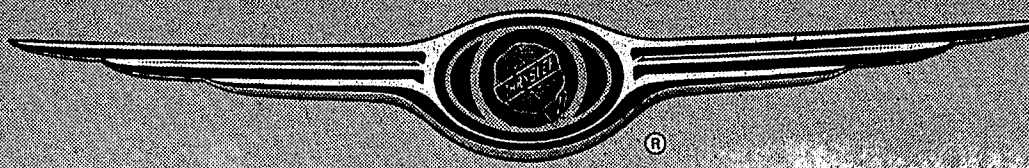
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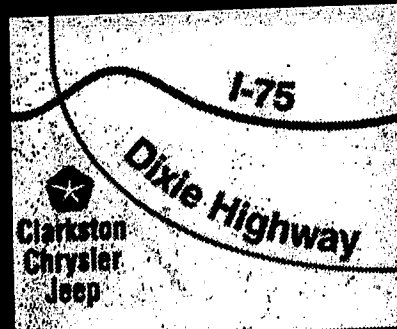


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