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Suspect uses bomb threat to rob bank

BY DON SCHELSE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

A man threatened to detonate a bomb inside the Sashabaw Road Farmer Jack store last week if Clarkston State Bank tellers did not cooperate with his demands.

Three tellers cooperated, and the Oakland County Sheriff's Department said the suspect escaped with "a large amount" of money.

Deputies were dispatched at about 1:26 p.m. on Oct. 22. Though they arrived quickly, the suspect had already fled, reports said.

One teller told deputies the man had appeared near the counter briefly after obtaining several orange plastic grocery bags from the Farmer Jack store. After looking at what the teller thought was a walkie-talkie or a cell phone, the man walked back into the grocery store area.

About 15 minutes later, he returned to the Clarkston State Bank counter and told the tellers, "Listen up. I have a bomb in the store. This will set it off."

After demanding all the \$100, \$50 and \$20 bills from all three tellers, he said, "If I see cops, I'm setting off the bomb," reports said.

One store patron told deputies he saw the suspect walk outside to the north side of the building, but he did not see the man drive away. No one else saw the suspect's vehicle, reports said.

Agents from the Troy FBI office responded. They obtained serial numbers from "bait money" in the register and dusted for fingerprints. No bombs were found in the store.

The suspect was described as a white male in his late 30s, approximately 6 feet tall, 190 pounds, wearing sunglasses, a blue baseball cap, navy-blue vest jacket and denim jeans.

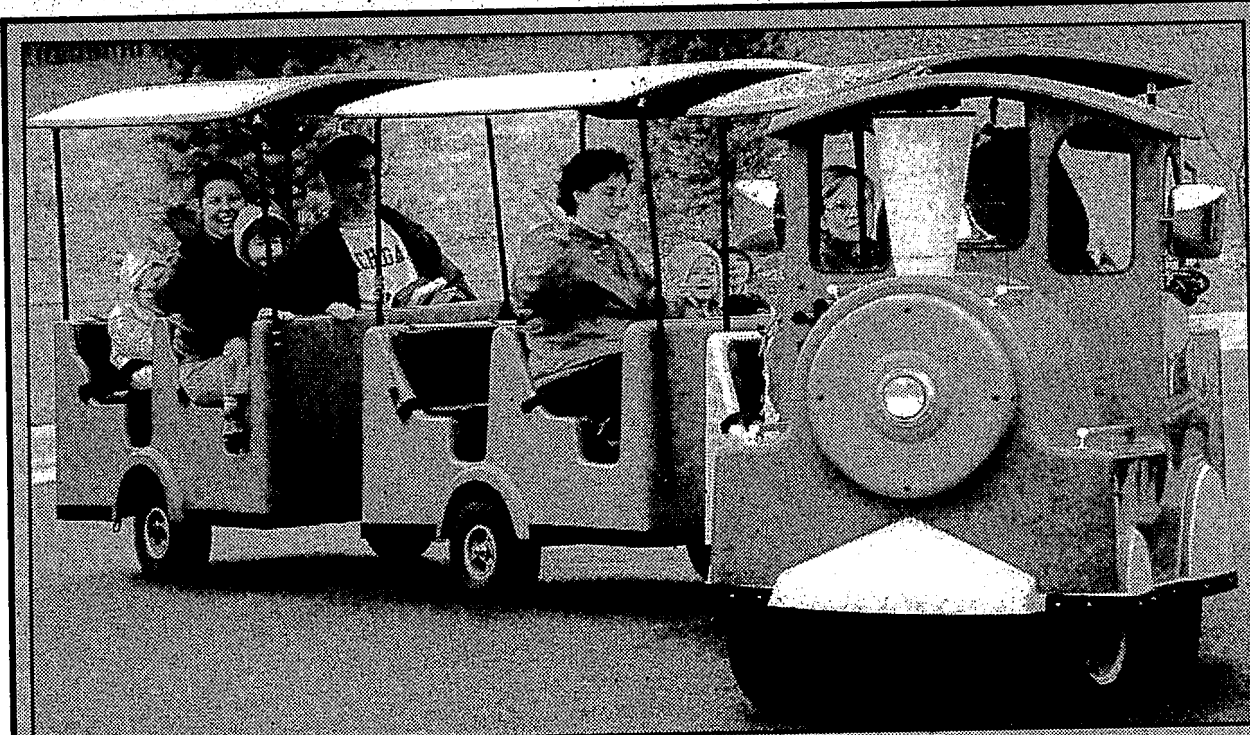
Investigators on Monday were working with store surveillance video in an attempt to isolate a photo of the suspect.

Lt. Dale LaBair, commander of the Independence Township sheriff substation, estimated at least five bank robberies this year, with the normal being one or two annually.

"It's really high for us," LaBair said, noting a recent report of more bank robberies throughout the state of Michigan during 2004. "There's been a huge increase."

LaBair said there is no clear reason for the increase in robberies.

Anyone with information on the latest incident is encouraged to call the Independence Township sheriff substation at (248) 620-4968.



Climb aboard the Springfield Twp. Library Express!

Springfield Township library threw a party to celebrate the arrival of their new train-shaped play structure, on Oct. 23. The big event offered parking lot train rides to all in attendance. For more on the festivities see page 10A. Photo by Noah Purcell

Clerks foresee increase in voter turnout

BY DON SCHELSE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Local clerks expect to be very busy in the days leading up to and including the Nov. 2 general election.

Reasons include lots of new voters and a strange rumor concerning the counting of absentee ballots.

Independence Township had 24,900 voters for the August primary election. New registration applications have brought that count to 25,475, according to Clerk Joan McCrary.

"We're way up there," she said, noting efforts from

advocacy groups to promote mail-in voter registration.

In Springfield Township, Clerk Nancy Strole said there are now more than 10,000 registered voters.

This fall has also seen an estimated 15 percent increase in requests for absentee ballots, with more than 4,000 sent out so far, McCrary said.

Strole didn't have an exact number for Springfield Township, but said everyone is seeing an increase.

"Every clerk's office in the country has been flooded with absentee ballots and applications," she said.

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Officials not concerned with federal court ruling over political sign ordinances

BY JENNY MATTESON
Clarkston News Editor

Government officials throughout the Clarkston, Independence Twp. and Springfield Twp. are comfortable with their current political sign ordinances - despite recent rulings by federal courts in Michigan regarding several cases from the American Civil Liberties Union of Michigan.

The federal courts recently ruled in favor of first amendment rights on cases ranging from the length of

time political signs can be displayed to the number of signs allowed on properties.

One example is a case brought by a Grosse Pointe Woods woman. The Oakland County resident received written notification stating display of her "Kerry/Edwards" sign more than 30 days before the election was in violation of the ordinance codes. Another example involves a "Bush" election sign displayed by a Troy man. In this case, the Troy ordinance also limited

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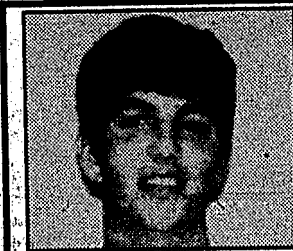
Long-time business family says good-bye to The Nickelodeon.

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Grandparents Day at Everest Academy!

See who visited with Grandparents at the big Everest Academy event. Pages 6B



Sports

Clarkston rallies with backs against the wall. Team makes playoffs.

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Pleasant pumpkin place...



Jack Rankin and granddaughter Abby, 4, enjoy shopping for pumpkins on the grounds of Clarkston Community Church, where a sale to benefit youth programs and youth missions continues from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Saturday and noon to 7 p.m. Sunday. Clarkston Community Church is located at 6300 Clarkston Road. Photo by Don Schelske

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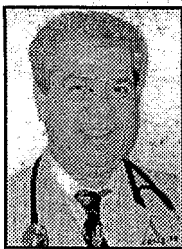
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The Second Front

Briefly

Alonzi honored with Lifesaver Award

In appreciation for all that our local law enforcement contributes to the effort of making Oakland County roads safe, MADD Oakland County Chapter is honoring representatives from 37 county departments. From the Clarkston Police Department, MADD has honored former officer Robert Alonzi.



Robert Alonzi

MADD holds each and every nominee in the greatest esteem for their exceptional efforts in apprehending drunk drivers, educating the public and advocating the mission and goals of our organization. We are grateful that they make Oakland County roads a safer place to be and can only estimate how many tragedies they have prevented.

Be sure to be on time for Trick or Treat

Witches, ghouls and Sponge-Bobs beware if you leave your house to late for tricking to late you may miss the treats. Here are the official trick or treating times.

Springfield Township

Oct. 31 6-8 p.m.

Independence Township

Oct. 31 7-8 p.m.

City of Clarkston

Oct. 31 7-8 p.m.

Kids be safe, make sure your costumes are easily visible in the dark and only visit houses with lit porchlights.

Public Accuracy Test

The City of the Village of Clarkston announces a Public Accuracy Testing of the computer program on Friday, October 29, 2004, at 10:30 a.m. for the November 2, 2004, general election.

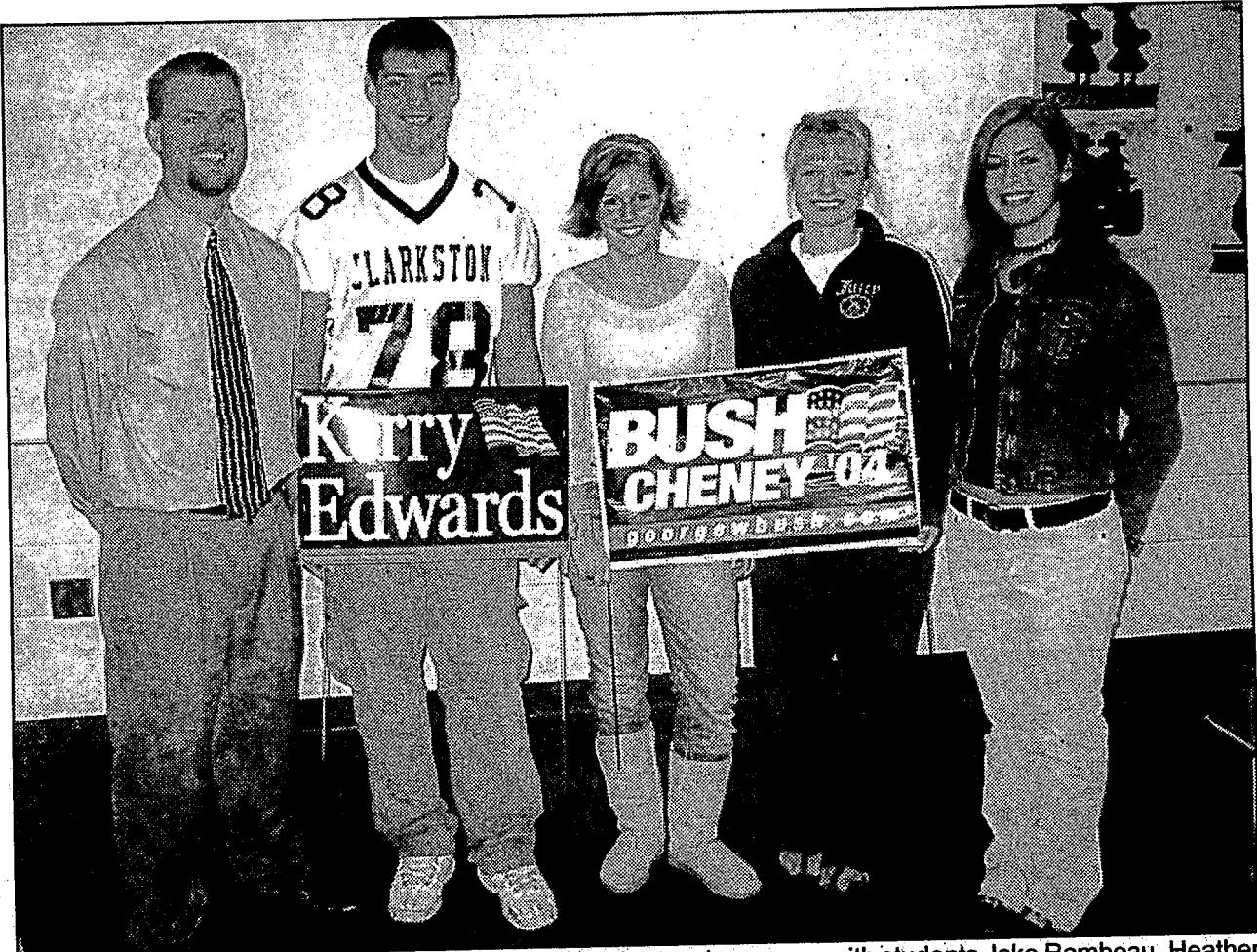
This testing will be held at the city hall, 375 Depot Rd., Clarkston.

CDBG public hearing scheduled Nov. 3

The Charter Township of Independence will hold a public hearing on Nov. 3 at 7:30 p.m. at the Township Library for the purpose of receiving public comments on the 2005 Community Development Block Grant program year application in the approximate amount of \$88,078.

Correction

The headline on a letter to the editor in the Oct. 20 edition of *The Clarkston News* should not have listed Kristen Nelson as a Clarkston resident. Ms. Nelson is an immediate family member of Chief Ernest Combs.



Clarkston High School teacher Dan Stevens (left) celebrates democracy with students Jake Rambeau, Heather Esterline, Lyndsey Kitson and Lauren Doski. As part of the advanced placement government class, the students are learning first-hand about political campaigns and . Photo by Don Schelske

Campaigning for credit

Government students learn about politics first hand

BY DON SCHELSKE

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Not yet 18 years of age, they will not be able to vote in the Nov. 2 election.

When they become eligible, however, watch out.

Members of Clarkston High School's advanced placement government class are going beyond textbooks and even beyond the classroom this semester, fulfilling a requirement to work with a specific election campaign or help with the election itself.

Teacher Dan Stevens wanted his students to have a better understanding of the election process and of the major platforms of the Democratic and Republican parties.

Along the way, students also discovered the fine tradition of political debate and citizen involvement.

"You really need public support and involvement, or it doesn't add up to much," said senior Lauren Doski. "This class has taught me what [party] I side with, and

I've learned a deep understanding of government and how government runs."

Doski started an internship with the Republican Party, but schedule demands caused her to switch gears. Now she will be one of several students helping Independence Township Clerk Joan McCrary with various tasks at polling locations Nov. 2.

Senior Lauren Kitson will do the same, but she and Doski went to a rally in Novi supporting President George W. Bush.

"It was like a rock concert," Kitson said of the atmosphere, voicing a little disappointment in their location, too far away to clearly see the president but still happy to be there. "That amount of people all believing the same thing, it was just powerful."

After a class paper describing the positions of the two major political parties, Kitson agreed more voters

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Resident tracks Clarkston area history

BY DON SCHELSKE

Clarkston News Staff Writer

During the 1960s and 1970s, Connie Lektzian-Scafe wrote a history column for *The Clarkston News* entitled, "Another Day."

Those columns, along with a large collection of photographs and other historical items, are neatly filed in the Independence Township resident's home, providing a wealth of information about the area's founding families.

"I'm sorry I ever gave it up," said the former member of the Clarkston Area Historical Society and current member of the Oakland County Historical Society.

She speaks with authority about some of the early days of Clarkston, showing photos of horse and buggy

travel on a muddy Depot Road, the historic Davisburgh House (spelled differently than the settlement in which it is located) and members of local prominent families from years gone by.

Although she will look up some of her columns for details, she easily speaks from memory concerning families with names such as Maybee, Vliet, Walters, Scrase, Holcomb and Ellis.

"There are so many names to remember," she said, noting the difficulty of getting to know neighbors in today's busy society.

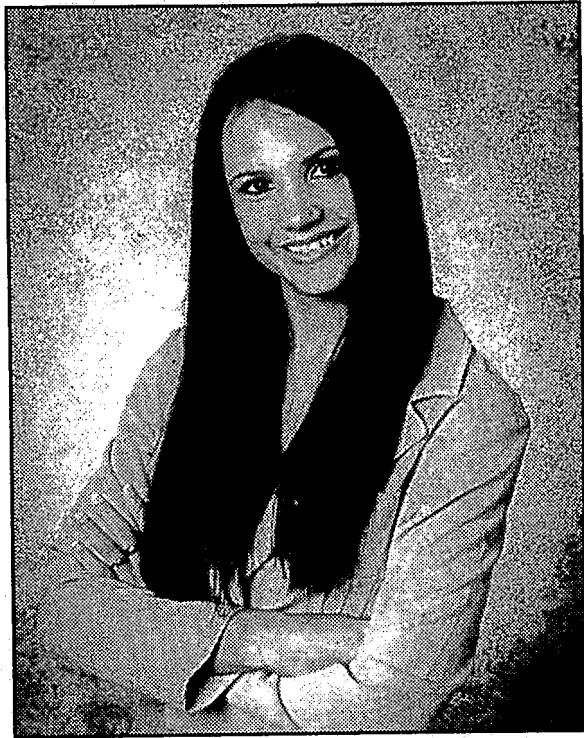
"I've never counted them," the 82-year-old said of her photo collection. "I just love to go through them."

Lektzian-Scafe did a lot of her research from

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CHS Senior Spotlight

Name: Maria Blaine
Parents: Jim and Patty Blaine
Favorite Subject: Theatre Arts because it allows me to do my favorite thing... perform!
School Activities: National Honors Society (I already have all of my points to graduate with honors). I am very active outside of school which makes it hard to commit myself to school activities.
Outside Interests: Dedicated dancer (4-5 hours, six days a week), youth ministry leader (instructing pre-understanding God to sixth graders) and captaining the team Cancer Slayers for the past six years in the Relay for Life.



What are your plans after graduation? After graduation I plan on moving to New York, where I will attend college. (I am currently applying.) This is where I will enhance my skills in the performing arts, which will help me towards my ultimate goal of being on Broadway. After being educated on Broadway, you'll be able to see my name "Maria Blaine" in the spotlights of Time Square for the leading role of the most popular Broadway production at that time.

Where do you see yourself in 25 years? In 25 years I see myself proud of the things I've accomplished. At 43, I hope to be married with a few children. When I look back on my life I will be satisfied with who I was and what I did. I would have entertained thousands with a variety of broadways, as well as traveling around to perform them. I will continue to serve God and be raising my children the way my parents raised me.

Best friends are people who: stick by your side through any situation, good or bad. They believe in you and encourage every dream. The people I consider my best friends are my family because they have helped me become the person I am today. Their love has always been very powerful in my life, strengthening anything I may come up against.

What worries me most about the world is: how each generation loses touch with the importance of beliefs and family values. I am thankful that my parents always let me see that a family's love can never be measured. My parents taught me a lot about beliefs and sticking up for what you believe. I am proud to say that my faith is very strong and I believe everything I have been given has come from God's grace.

I will make a contribution to my community by: setting an example for those to follow. I will show them that when you set your mind and heart towards something, anything is possible. You must believe in yourself and have confidence that you can achieve anything you set out to do. I will reach my goal and my community will remember me for that.

Smile of the Week



Brendan Tracy is all aboard on the new play structure at the Springfield Township Library. Photo by Noah Purcell

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- ❖ Tradewinds Aviation
- ❖ Treasured Gifts & Beyond
- ❖ Wireless Giant
- ❖ Zap Zone Laser Tag

Opinion

Please vote, despite frustration

Random, arbitrary and otherwise miscellaneous ramblings from your friendly, neighborhood reporter...

What is it with Waterford politicians?

Once again, campaign signs for Waterford hopefuls have been placed in Independence Township, including a couple on Dixie Highway near M-15.

If we're not careful, a judge will rule that votes cast for Waterford candidates in Independence Township will have to be counted.

Reporter At Large



Don Scheiske

Did we just hear Independence Twp. Clerk Joan McCrary scream?

We should not tolerate attempts to "suppress" anyone's vote. At some point, however, voters must take responsibility for being informed and following directions.

There was no room for sympathy in 2000 for those who couldn't follow the quarter-inch from the arrow to the punch hole.

There is now no room for sympathy for someone who can't read a voter registration card, pick up a newspaper, call the clerk's office or ask someone to find out the proper voting location.

Speaking of alleged discrimination:

While discrimination based on factors such as race is absolutely wrong, it is important to note that we practice "discrimination" all the time.

For example, in hiring reporters for this newspaper, be assured the editor and publisher will discriminate based on a candidate's ability to read and write the English language.

We discriminate based on age in determining who is qualified to vote. We discriminate against convicted felons in denying them the right to vote.

Most companies will show discrimination against employees who steal by turning them into ex-employees. Even public schools discriminate by denying some the right to be students if they violate school codes.

Discrimination based on behavior can be both acceptable and desirable in a moral society.

Discrimination may be the wrong word, but there seems to be a lot of emotional prejudice toward people with opposing views.

In several recent conversations, a discussion of political preferences brought blunt accusations, stereotypical and simplistic conclusions and counters to viewpoints I never expressed.

As if we needed one more illustration of how close the presidential election could be:

A costume supplier recently reported that sales of George W. Bush masks are outselling John Kerry masks. They claim this measuring stick has successfully predicted every recent presidential election.

A poll conducted by the Nickelodeon cable channel, meanwhile, says more kids voted for Kerry than Bush. They claim their poll has been accurate for every recent presidential election.

With all of the above, it was refreshing last week to be exposed to some hope for America.

The Clarkston High School advanced placement government class appears to have produced some bright, energetic, committed young citizens who have learned how to be passionate for a cause (or a candidate) while maintaining an open mind and civility toward those with opposing views.

May this become the model for the future.

Get out and vote on local issues

With so many issues facing people today, Clarkston area residents often find the task of informing themselves on upcoming election issues, to say the least, arduous. However, having options, learning the facts and making choices is what makes the democratic process work well.

Keeping this thought in mind, we would like to commend those men and women who have taken the time to put themselves out there and run for elected office. By voicing their ideas and opinions, these men and women provide everyone the opportunity to vote their views.

We would like to especially recognize those three non-board members running in the Clarkston City Council election: Steve Wylie, Steve Coventry and Kristy Ottman. Wylie and Coventry have run for council in previous years, while Ottman is enjoying

her first election. Congratulations to these three individuals for offering choice to the residents of Clarkston.

In other matters, *The Clarkston News* would like to encourage all residents of Springfield Twp. to approve the renewal of the 0.7289 police mill for another 10 years.

The levy is currently 0.7920 mills, but the fiscally conservative administrators of Springfield Twp. feel the Headlee rollback figure should be adequate to continue the current Oakland County Sheriff's Department contract.

Voting in favor of the renewal will not create an additional tax for the township, but simply maintain what is already in place. The funding provided by the levy will provide for four of the 10 deputies currently serving residents. - JM

Clarkston News Editorial

A caring memorial from a close friend

A few weeks ago a giant in our community passed away. His name was Bob Jones, former president of Clarkston State Bank. There are many special stories you could tell about this man. Here is one personal story I would like to relate.

We were traveling to Ironwood to visit my folks in the "early seventies" before Visa or Master charge cards, or ATM's. Our car broke down in Munising. Needing to cash a check, I ventured into the Munising Bank and was turned down by the bank president. In desperation, I said, "If you would call Clarkston State Bank and talk to President Bob Jones, I'm sure he will

honor the check." (By the way, the phone call cost \$5.04 and I paid it.)

The Munising banker talked at length to Bob Jones. Hanging up the phone he said, "I will honor your check. Bob Jones said you were on the Board of Directors and that he worked for Mel Vaara."

As we were leaving Munising with four active daughters, my wife, Jo, said, "I didn't know you were on CSB Board of Directors." We have had many good laughs at this memory of Bob Jones and his kindness.

Sincerely,
Mel Vaara

'Soccer Mom' congratulates Clarkston team

Dear Clarkston Soccer Team,

Congratulations Clarkston Varsity Soccer Team! Although the season didn't end the way we would have all liked, it was a terrific season and we want to thank you for letting us be a part of the experience.

The opportunity to be a "Soccer Mom" again was wonderful! You are a group of wonderful young men and we feel privileged to have known you. You showed great maturity and rose above a season of horrendous and at times biased officiating. Your record doesn't tell the true nature of the games and of your talent.

We want to wish all the seniors all the best in the future. We know that you will be successful in anything you do. To the returning players, we will be in the stands to cheer you on next season!

Thanks also to Mark and Adam for your superb coaching and dedication to this awesome team. Your love of the game and these kids is obvious and greatly appreciated. Can't wait for next year!

Meg and Rob Whitcomb
Clarkston

Sports and politicians: Oh, the similarities

To the Editor:

When a politician throws out the first pitch at the World Series on Opening Day, I often wonder whether the chap has ever chucked a fastball before. Most firstday pitchers are worse at pitching than posting a voting record, which is generally dismal.

As they stand on the mound, peering at the smirking catcher who has disposed of his mask, they almost always look political, as their topcoat flaps in the breeze. Wearing a topcoat and suit on the mound is ludicrous enough, so we ought to restrict our laughter to the way the fellow looks, and not how he throws. After all, he's probably never heard of a split-finger changeup, and wouldn't know how to throw one if he did hear of it.

Note that there are no first pitches in football. Long ago, they dispensed with the first pass ceremony when they found out that politicians didn't know how to hold the football, much less spiral it to one of the players. Spiral? That term is tied to the economy isn't it?

The only gridiron term they're familiar with is flip-flopping. That's what goes on in the shower room after the game, they explain with little confidence. But since the weather is cooler at football games, the topcoat becomes far more utilitarian than at a baseball game on an 80-degree day.

In the final analysis, pitching is something they ought to do exclusively at a podium, rather than in a baseball stadium. Surrounded by fellow politicians, they are much more comfortable throwing strikes with their mouths, and not their hands. After all, in a legislative environment, all they have to do is pitch, not catch. They leave the catching to us poor citizens, as tax bills arrive in our mailbox. That's when we need an umpire who can keep a straight face.

Sincerely,
Harry Knitter
Independence Township

It just ain't Halloween without snow

When I harken back to those joy-filled days of my youth, my recollections of Halloween are sketchy at best. I admit, I find this kind of disheartening because I like to think my memory is razor sharp. And, while I'm still holding to my belief of a good memory, I'm putting an asterisk next to it.

**Memory good, with the exception of recalling Halloween.*

I'm not sure why either. I like Halloween. I may not be a card-toting member of the local Club O'Wicca, but, with Celtic-blood pumping through my heart and veins, it's natural for me to find a connection with this Christian/pagan holiday. I just don't remember much about Halloween's past.

Maybe I'd remember it better if there were Halloween carols just like at Christmastime.

I am surprised Halloween experiences have not stuck with me.

The aspect of going door to door, simply repeating the mantra "Trick or treat," while holding open a sack for folks to dole out the sweets, resonates well with me. Of Irish/Scot lineage, I liked/like the idea of getting stuff that other folks paid for, for nothing. El-free-boes are great. In a word, I guess that makes me: CHEAP.

I would have thought I would remember all the costumes and everything else about the spookiest time of the year. I mean, I like monster movies and scary books. I guess I always have. Recently, while watching the 1941 classic werewolf movie *the Wolf Man*, starring Lon Chaney, Jr. as the tormented Lawrence Talbot, I remembered something from when I first watched the movie on the *Sir Graves Ghastly* show. It was a Saturday afternoon in the early 1970s. The television was on Channel 2, airing was the horror-movie host (my local TV hero), Sir Graves.

When I saw the bipedal Wolfman run, I turned to



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Dad and asked, "Why does the Wolfman run on his toes?"

Dad, ever the old movie buff, shook his head, "I don't know, son. It could be a side effect of lycanthropy, but I couldn't be sure. However, I bet Sir Graves knows."

Well, when the flick ended and we turned on the lights, I set pen to paper and posed that question to Sir Graves. It was the first of many letters and drawings sent by yours truly, from our little Clarkston house on the hill, to Sir Graves' Southfield address. And, despite faithfully watching him nearly every Saturday until his show went off the air, despite sending him Christmas cards, drawings of Godzilla, Frankenstein, as well as portraits of himself, I never did get an answer. (So much for being a loyal viewer who turned off the lights, pulled down the shades and curled up next to the tellie, as he was told to by the host.)

I can remember Sir Graves, the letters and the movies, but as for the harrowing Halloween exploits of one Donald P. Rush Halloween, it's all foggy.

As a matter of fact, about the only thing I can remember about Halloween (other than I actually participated as a kid) is the weather.

I do remember times when it was cold, rained and snowed. So now when I think of Halloween, I think of being cold, wet and snowed on. Wet, slushy snow; green makeup running down my face, arms and hands into my soggy, candy-filled linen. The one year I remember -- the aforementioned slushy-snowy year -- I shredded the pant legs to an old pair of Levis and a t-shirt from my little sister Barb (When I report the words "Little" and "Barb" together, I mean little. She's now, at her tallest, 4-foot-11), stretched it over my big head, painted by face, arms, legs, (basically all showing body parts) green.

I was the Incredible Bulk (no not Hulk).

And, I was cold and miserable. Happy Halloween. Trick or treat? Bitter? Nah, not me!

Comments for your happy haunter, Rush, can be e-mailed to: dontrushmedon@charter.net

A Look Back

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

15 YEARS AGO (1989)

- Life's leisure not taken for granted, Special 26'ers find joy in learning: Kevin Biernat's face is all concentration as he picks up his bowling ball and prepares for his approach. He sends his ball down the alley and knocks down eight of the 10 pins. Kevin belongs to a group of mentally impaired men and women called the Special 26'ers who were featured in the Section B of *The Clarkston News*.

- Naturalist Honored: Stephen E. Horn, supervising naturalist at the Nature Center of Indian Springs Metropark near Clarkston, received a 15-year Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority service pin on Oct. 14.

- 13-year-old Bruce Worden, of Springfield Township, debuted as a new cartoonist in *The Clarkston News*. He created the weekly cartoon OFFTRACK.

25 YEARS AGO (1979)

- Independence Center Doors Closed: Independence Center, due to lose officially Nov. 16, is in fact no long operating. Its volunteers stopped reporting for duty at the community services center two days after the Independence Center Board of Directors voted to dissolve the organization Oct. 9. The center's last coordinator, Elaine Murray, is taking vacation time she had accumulated.

- Her halo shines for Halloween: Angelic Amy Denise was featured in the front page photo for proving there's more to Halloween dress-up than just ghosts and goblins. Amy, of Independence Twp., sported a lovely angel costume to the Halloween Costume Party at the Independence Township Library.

- Report preceded IC board decision: The decision to dissolve Independence Center was made by the center's board of directors after it had received a report from an advisory committee.

50 YEARS AGO (1954)

- Trick or Treat for all Children: This year some of the gaily dressed trick or treat spooks who knock on your door on Halloween will be wearing an orange and black arm band. In the center of the armband is the picture of a child drinking milk and under the picture are the letter UNICEF.

- Localite Has Hurricane Scare: Hurricane Hazel has been talked of all over the continent and everyone has read of the destruction and loss of lives. A Clarkston resident, Phyllis Beardsley, had the misfortune to be stalled in its wake.

- Phyllis left Detroit on the Friday with over a hundred others of the General Motors Girl's Club.

Properly trained grandkids love bacon

This has become a week to remember. Maybe not for you, but for me it's been supreme.

Thursday I again received my Bacon of the Month gift. Longtime Jottings readers will remember our daughter Susan gave me a membership in the Bacon of the Month Club last Christmas. The Grateful Palate, Oxnard, CA is the pusher.

In June I got four months' supply because of the summer heat, so for four months you've read nothing here (I don't think) about bacon.

However, you could have if I didn't think it might become boring. Some might have enjoyed reading about my gift to our 5-year-old grandchildren on their 5th birthday.

I gave each of them five slices of cooked bacon. They loved it and still mention it. The twins are given over to another caregiver during the week, whose family raised a half dozen pigs for 4-H.

They all had names. One day Dan, the hog, was missing. Our Trevor, 5, asked what happened to it. "It went to be butchered," was the answer. To which Trevor said, "Boy, that will make a lot of bacon."

Driving down a road one day, his sister, Savannah, 8, said to her mother, "I think I smell bacon." Could this be a gene thing?

This week's pound is Ozark Hickory Smoked Bacon by Ham I Am. Processed in Arkansas, sold in Texas, a co-owner started in 1986 selling out of the trunk of a Volkswagen Rabbit. In three years she was doing \$100,000 a year.

The literature says the bacon consistently fries up crisp and stays that way. We'll see.

Did I tell you Elvis Presley's favorite sandwich, peanut butter and banana, was fried in bacon grease?

With each pound of bacon I receive there is a cartoon. This one has the owner of the house handing a strip of bacon to a trick-or-treater. Love it!

Jane and Michael Stern have the program on Public Radio, "The Splendid Table." For Delta Airlines SKY magazine they wrote on a subject for which I believe I'm extremely qualified - bacon.

In their article, "A mouthful of ecstasy" they reviewed the offerings of 11 sizzling sites. They did it from a

different angle than I would. I would write only of toasted bacon/tomato sandwiches, their eateries had bacon as side attractions.

Thanks to Brad Jacobsen, a flower merchant who loves to cook, I have Delta's bacon story. The opening is terrific:

"Is there a come-hither perfume more alluring than the smell of bacon sizzling? Does any food taste as wickedly good? Sharply salty, haloed by smoke, laden with the luscious luxury of sweet pork and yet fragile as a wafer, bacon is a mouthful of ecstasy. Thick or thin, sugar-cured or applewood-smoked crimson lean or amber fat, alone on a plate or the star attraction in a BLT, bacon is beloved in all sorts of ways."

Then they start with Mark Joseph Steakhouse in New York with Canadian bacon. My Bacon of the Month Club would never include Canadian bacon. It's un-American and in NYC it's \$2.25 a strip.

At the Burgervilles in Northwest US, dime-thin slices of bacon are put atop their \$3.99 ham burger. Rawley's Drive-in in Connecticut puts shredded cooked bacon on their hot dogs. That sounds good.

At Roseland Apizza in Naugatuck Valley good-size squares of bacon are put atop pizzas. If I'm ever in Santa Fe, New Mexico I might stop at The Compound or Inn of Anasazi. The former serves bacon with duck steak, the latter with French toast.

The Sterns write that the American South bacon is "so good it brought us to our knees." It wouldn't have that affect on me.

Mamie's Kitchen in Georgia and Waysider in Alabama serve bacon with oven-warm buttermilk biscuits, and brown gravy and biscuits.

If the biscuits are warm put butter on them, then pick the bacon strips up in the other hand and let 'em mix in your mouth.

I'm submitting my BLT survey to Northwest.



Jim's
Jottings

Jim Sherman

We're looking for some information:

We're wondering if any residents have information on a ghost in the Clarkston Theater. We have learned that the cinema is not an original building to the area, but are curious whether anyone knows of the rumor.

Let us know what you know! Call - 248-625-3370 or e-mail shermanpub@aol.com. Attn: Clarkston News.

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Police and Fire

Independence Township

October 18: Larceny of electrical transformer box on Indianwood Road near Dartmouth.

Home invasion on Tamarack Park Lane. Someone forced entry and took jewelry from a jewelry box, a DVD player and approximately 20 DVDs.

October 20: Fraud report at Pandora's Box on Dixie Highway. In an incident similar to two previously reported at other businesses, a woman with Minnesota identification used a \$100 money order to buy \$18 of merchandise on Sept. 27. The amount on the money order was later found to have been altered.

Fraud report on Dixie Highway south of Maybee Road. The victim left his debit card at a gasoline station, and later discovered unauthorized use of the card.

Two larceny reports at Little People's Place on Citation Drive. Staff reported two separate thefts from a lockbox, \$360 on Sept. 30 and \$170 on Oct. 18.

October 21: Assist to Michigan State Police with property damage crash on I-75 near Dixie Highway.

Suspicious circumstances on Marysue. A resident said a woman claiming to be from Medicare came to the door. After the woman came inside, the resident suspected an insurance sales pitch and the woman left.

Vehicle fire on Clement Road. A fully-engulfed van was later found to be reported stolen from Auburn Hills. No immediate cause found.

Domestic assault/suspicious circumstances on Pine Knob Lane. A woman said her husband stole a car, but deputies were unable to corroborate the story.

Indecent conduct report at Hidden Lake apartments. A 32-year-old man was cited for allegedly making lewd movements with his hand inside his pants while in front of a woman sitting in her car.

Larceny of cell phone from Oakland Technical

Center-Northwest Campus on Big Lake Road.

October 22: Home invasion on Guyette. Someone took about 50 DVDs, 15 CDs and a gold necklace.

Threats complaint at Waterford Hills Florist on Dixie Highway. An employee received a threatening telephone call while at work.

Family trouble on Hilltop Estates Drive.

October 23: Assault at Mr. B's Roadhouse on Dixie Highway. A 21-year-old man was punched and kicked by several other people, according to witnesses, and was taken to POH Medical Center-Clarkston. Later, however, the victim denied the incident took place and declined to press charges.

Identity theft on Sedona. A caller who identified himself as being from Bank One asked for personal information including address, telephone number, mother's maiden name and Social Security number. The resident stopped giving information at that point.

October 24: Suspicious circumstances on Deer Hill Court. A resident reported neighbors shooting either guns or fireworks.

Larceny of hand-held global positioning system device from an unlocked vehicle on Sylvanview Drive.

Vehicle theft report on Park Drive. The driver of a vehicle fled the scene of a property damage crash. Deputies contacted the registered owner, who was not aware the vehicle was missing.

Larceny of purse from table at Mr. B's Roadhouse on Dixie Highway.

Malicious destruction and larceny from vehicle on Clarkston Road near Clearview. Someone smashed a window and took a small dashboard compass.

October 25: Malicious destruction of property at Clarkston High School. A newspaper carrier discovered a broken front window.

October 27: Domestic assault and larceny report

on Pine Knob Lane. A woman said her boyfriend hit her, then took her cell phone and home phone in an attempt to prevent her from calling 9-1-1.

Springfield Township

October 18: Domestic assault arrest on Blueberry. A 39-year-old woman was arrested after she allegedly threatened to hit her husband with a baseball bat because he allegedly was flirting with women on the Internet.

October 21: Road rage incident on Andersonville Road near Hall Road. A 51-year-old Davisburg man said he was cut off by another vehicle. He decided to follow the offender, and both reached speeds up to 70 miles per hour. Eventually, the vehicles stopped and he confronted a 19-year-old Linden man, who knocked the Davisburg man to the ground as he drove away. Later, deputies interviewed the other party, who gave a different version of events. Neither desired to press charges against the other.

Larceny of political signs on Foster near Edger.

October 22: Malicious destruction of property on Nadette. Someone put spray paint on the home and broke a porch light.

October 23: Larceny of gasoline from the Kroger gasoline station. The suspect drove away without paying for \$40.49 worth of gasoline.

Larceny and destruction to vehicle on Softwater Woods. Someone broke a window and took a boom box speaker.

October 24: Two subjects arrested for under-21 consumption of alcohol on Andersonville Road. After responding to a vehicle stuck in a front yard, deputies discovered a 17-year-old Clarkston man and an 18-year-old Flint man had been drinking.

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Children climb aboard new Springfield library train

By **NOAH PURCELL**
Clarkston News Writer

The Springfield Township Library commemorated the arrival of their new children's playset by throwing a full on train extravaganza on Oct. 23.

The play structure is housed in the children's section and stands nearly five feet high

The event featured train rides in the parking lot on a John Deere towed, four car train mock-up; arts and crafts; a raffle; and the opportunity for area kids to be the first to play in, on and around the new addition playset.

"It gives us something special for the kids. They will know that they are going to the library with the train," said Head Children's Librarian Francine Bauer.

The centerpiece of the occasion, the wooden train play structure, was the result of over 100 hours of work by Michael Forst, his son Garrett Phillips and friend Rich Merrill. Using a plan intended to create a train for a deck or patio, Forst matched his train to the furnishings of the Springfield Township Library, crafting his version in oak. The train pulled into the station on time, but not too far ahead of schedule as the last coat of

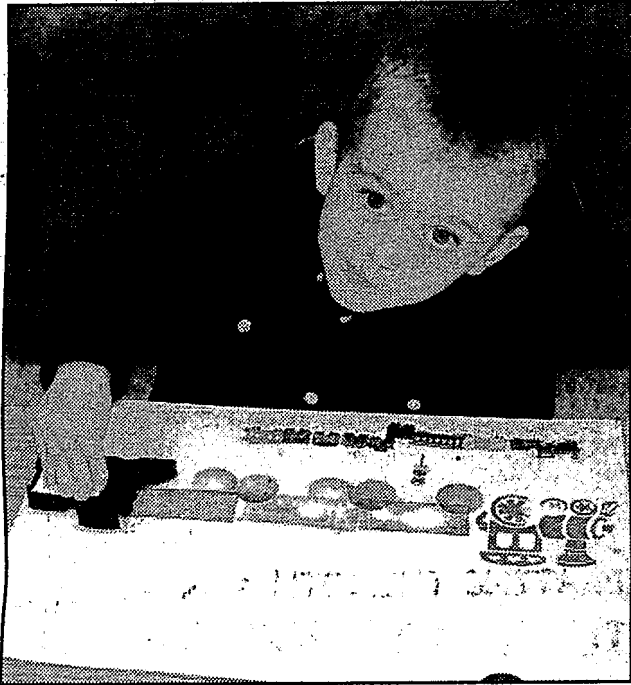
varnish dried overnight.

"We had always wanted a children's play structure and the kids are always running to the window when the train goes by, so we thought it could be a multipurpose thing for them," said Library Director Cathy Forst, who is married to the Michael Forst and is Garrett Phillips' mother.

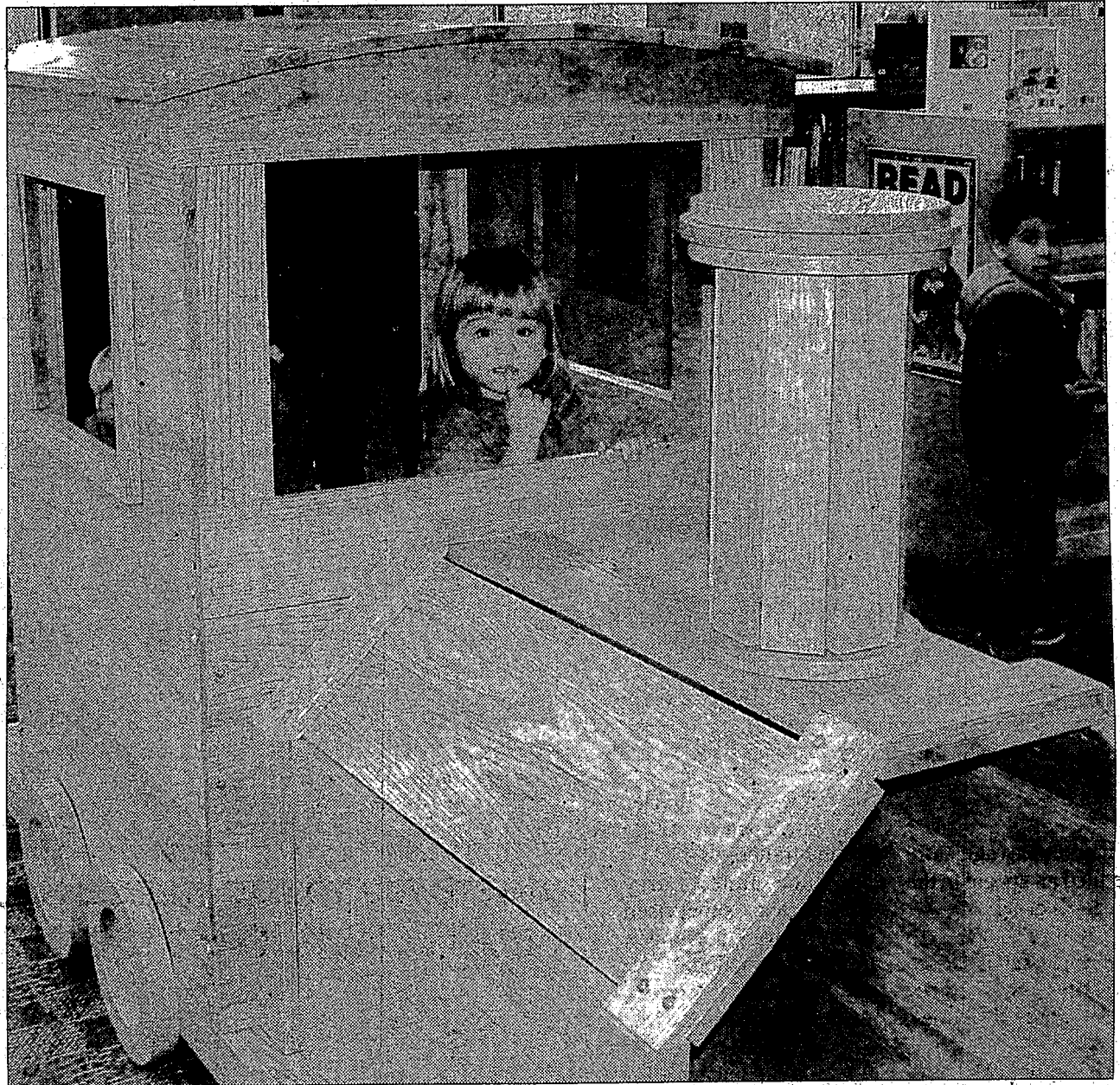
The Friends of the Library paid for the parking lot train rides and also purchased a cake for the event.

"My boys are big choo-choosers and they are loving it," said Mary O'Daniel, a Springfield Township resident

The library train will not be leaving the station anytime soon and can be viewed, climbed on and read in during the library's normal business hours; Monday, Tuesday and Thursday: 10 a.m.-8 p.m., Wednesday: noon to 8 p.m., Friday: 10 a.m.-6 p.m., and Saturday 10 a.m.-4 p.m.



Above: Alex DeShetler completes his train artwork with an extra "Edward" stamp.



Right: Meghan Banes was one of the first conductors of the new playstructure



Left: John Bistoff and his son Connor enjoyed all of the activities the Springfield Township Library provided, especially the arts and crafts. Right: Susan Kraly, from the Friends of the Library, hands Justin Hartig a piece of cake.

Photos by Noah Purcell

Springfield officials order demolition of Whoopee Bowl

BY DON SCHELSKE
Clarkston News
Staff Writer

The Springfield Township Board has taken the next step in efforts to demolish the Whoopee Bowl, but the owners have taken one step further to appeal.

After a closed session on Oct. 14 with the township attorney, the board voted unanimously to stop granting extensions to a previous demolition order for the familiar orange building.

At the Oct. 21 Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce luncheon, Supervisor Collin Walls answered a question on the topic with a confident statement: "The building will be demolished."

The statement drew a round of applause from

letter to Walls.

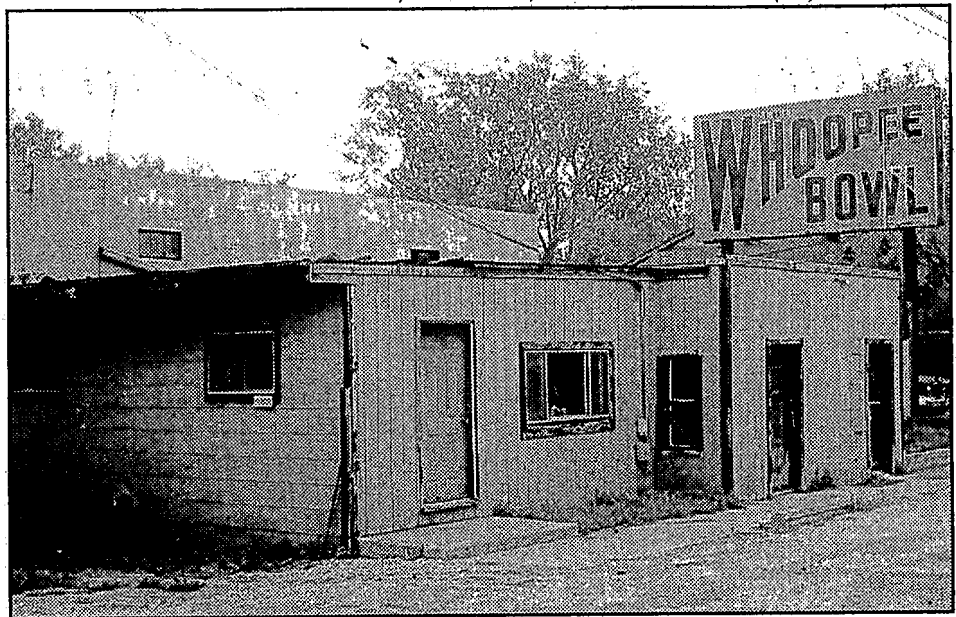
After a March 2003 hearing, township officials ordered a variety of cleanup actions. In June 2004, citing lack of appropriate progress, the board voted to designate it a "dangerous building" under township ordinance and again ordered remedial action — including demolition.

The board sought demolition bids from outside contractors, but in August tabled the demolition order to give the owners more time to comply.

Among defects seen by township officials were a partially collapsed roof, obstructed doors and stairway, openings at several locations, debris to the point of making the building "a dumping ground," a

also tried to market the property. Past deals have fallen through, and Larry Marlowe said Monday there is nothing to report concerning present negotiations.

While making few public statements about the Whoopee Bowl specifically, township officials have long advocated improvements along the Dixie Highway corridor, which Walls calls Springfield's "front door."



The Whoopee Bowl stands as a familiar — some say ugly — landmark on Dixie Highway in Springfield Township. Officials have ordered demolition of the building, but the owners have filed a legal appeal. *File photo*

'The hearing officer erroneously determined the concrete structure is unsafe.'

Attorney Kingsley Cotton

chamber members, but the attorney for the former flea market-salvage store have filed an appeal to the township's order.

"They're working to try to keep it out of court," said operator Larry Marlowe, but, "If it does, it does."

The appeal is not a surprise, based on the latest letter from Kingsley Cotton, the attorney representing the Marlowes.

"The Marlowes have retained their right to appeal because they believe the hearing officer erroneously determined the concrete structure is unsafe," Cotton wrote in an Oct. 1

large crack in an exterior wall, and open, unstable storage trailers.

Since June, Larry Marlowe has supervised demolition of a wooden structure immediately adjacent to the concrete building and removal of the collapsed roof and other debris. He maintains, however, that the more-than-50-year-old business has lots of merchandise to be liquidated.

He has been working with various wholesalers and salvage operations, but said, "There's not a lot of places around who can take that much."

The Marlowes have

Obituary

Claude L. Harcourt

Claude L. Harcourt, of Clarkston, formerly of Orchard Lake, passed away on October 23, 2004 at the age of 86.

Mr. Harcourt was preceded in death by his wife Cherevene "Cheri." He was the loving father of Barbara (William) Fortner of Florida; dear grandfather of Leah M. (Ronnie) Cobb of Goodrich; great-grandfather of Dean, Krystal, Eric and Kasha; and beloved brother of Joseph (Carol) Harcourt of California.

Mr. Harcourt retired in 1979 after 25 years of service with Chrysler Defense Engineering, Tank Division. He was a member of the Elks, National Rifleman's Association and a life member of the Disabled American Veterans.

Funeral services were held on Oct. 27 at the Lewis E. Wint & Sons TRUST-100 Funeral Home. Burial ceremonies were held in Ottawa Park Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

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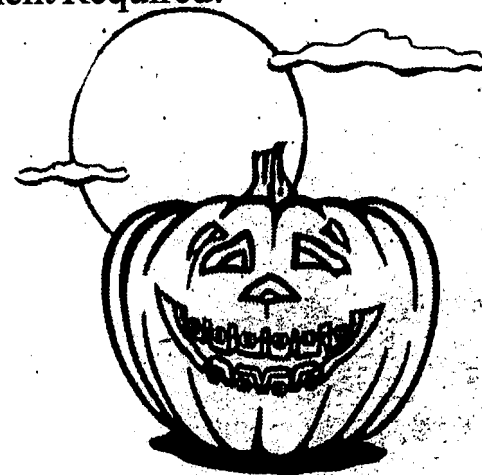
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Independence budget increases by \$1 million for 2005

BY JENNY MATTESON
Clarkston News Editor

The Independence Township Board voted unanimously at their Oct. 19 meeting to approve a \$5.7 million budget for 2005. The budget included few surprises or hefty monetary needs.

"It really became clear that there aren't a lot of large items this year," said Finance Director Susan Hendricks during the meeting. "It's kind of an unremarkable budget."

"It will allow us to continue providing the services we have been."

This year's budget is up about \$1 million from the \$5.6 million in 2004.

Hendricks said estimates for state shared revenue are down about \$50,000. In 2002, the township brought in \$2.9 million in state shared revenue; in 2003, the amount went down to \$2.6 million; and in 2004, the township budgeted \$2.5 million.

"We were told we estimated conservatively," said Hendricks. "I prefer that."

As with most municipalities, personnel accounts for most of the budget, 44 percent in Independence Twp. The largest ticket item is \$35,000 for a new phone system in the town hall. Other "big" items include \$24,500 for maintenance of the buildings at 90 N. Main St. and \$25,000

for expansion of the pole barn storage building behind the Department of Public Works.

"We really started work on this in July or August with the wish lists of department heads," said Hendricks during the meeting. "We went from there."

Parks and Recreation was among departments affected by budget reductions. Hendricks said the department's budget is listed at \$2.2 million with about 63 percent of that personnel. Several program cuts are being considered, such as the Daddy/Daughter and Mommy/Son dances, but no final list is determined at this time.

"We're looking to cut about five to six events," said Hendricks. "We not sure which yet. That's always a tough one."

The township currently is levying the following millages: 1.0062 mills for township operations, (the following are voter authorized) 3.1000 mills for the fire department, 0.7135 mills for the library operations, 2.1214 mills for police and 0.3930 for safety paths.

The board also approved a \$3.3 million police budget and a \$5.2 million fire budget. The township contracts with the Oakland County Sheriff's Department for their police services. Neither budget changed much from the previous year.

Township residents protest North Pointe PUD

BY JENNY MATTESON
Clarkston News Editor

Independence Township residents voiced strong concerns during the first reading of a proposed parcel rezoning at the Oct. 19 regular meeting of the Independence Township Board.

The North Pointe PUD rezoning involves a parcel of land owned by Greg Mansour and located on Dixie Highway just south of I-75. Mr. Mansour wants to create a mixed use development that would incorporate a variety of moderately sized buildings to house retail, restaurant, bank, office and possibly residential units. According to Dick Carlisle, planning consultant for the township, the project is a little over 110,000 square feet.

The parcel under consideration is currently zoned C-4, freeway service; with some R-2, multiple family, and C-1, small commercial. Carlisle informed board members during the meeting that this area is the only C-4 piece left in the township.

"The C-4 has been a concern of the township for years," he stated. "This is an opportunity."

The physical attributes of the property are varied and unique. According to Carlisle, the parcel is surrounded on three sides with residential development and on the south side by the Buckeye Pipeline. The property is irregularly shaped with a varied topography that will require grading.

Carlisle described the proposed development by Mansour as "high quality, high calibre architecture."

After hearing Mr. Carlisle's presentation of the first reading, a few board members asked questions and voiced concerns.

Township Clerk Joan McCrary asked about the

varying sizes of the parking spaces and voiced a concern about allowing the structures to be too tall. She referred to a township ordinance that does not allow parapets, steeples, columns, spires, etc. to extend more than 35 feet in height.

"How can we turn one person down and not the



'How can we turn one person down and not the others?'

Joan McCrary
Independence
Township Clerk

others?" she questioned.

Carlisle explained that leniency has been granted in other projects on this topic. He stated that the parapets are only 5 feet above the ordinance and "the commission really felt they framed the entrance."

In addition, Carlisle stated the varied parking spaces were used in order to minimize the size and black toping of the development. Full 9½ foot spaces would be placed in retail areas, while the 9 foot spaces would be in the office areas.

"The smaller spaces will be in areas where not as much in and out traffic goes," he stated.

Trustee Larry Rosso asked if the idea of upscale condo units had ever been presented for this parcel. Rosso stated this "would be a better use of the property." Those residents in attendance for the meeting applauded this statement.

Mr. Carlisle stated he was not aware of any such proposals. He later added he felt this was one of the best proposed uses for the property the commission has received to date.

Public comment on the topic was varied, but a strong theme carried through: what exactly would the buffering on the development look like and what are the specific engineering plans for the retention pond.

Several audience members voiced their concerns about the appearance of the development.

"I want to compliment Mr. Mansour on coming up with the best proposal we've heard for the property so far," said resident Dave Cushing, "but I'm concerned about the buffering. When is it going to happen?"


"I didn't buy in there just to have it cleared out."

Joyce Keech questioned the appearance of the retention pond. "I don't get a warm and fuzzy feeling of what's going to happen with this pond," she stated. "Please realize that this is going to be at the beginning of our subdivision."

Another resident asked what plans are in place for

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Students launch new tradition with 'class tree'

BY JENNY MATTESON
Clarkston News Editor

A new tradition began on Oct. 21 at Clarkston Elementary School.

The Class of 2017, those in kindergarten this year, planted their first class tree along the drop-off drive in front of the building: a Chanticleer Pear Tree.

"This is the first year we've done this," said Anne-Marie Williamson, a co-chair with Ruth Dargay on the PTO Garden Committee, "and I hope there are many more."

The tree planting project is sponsored by the Clarkston Elementary PTO garden committee and Bordine Nursery. The garden committee is a group of parent volunteers who complete the fall and spring cleanup of the school every year.

Williamson explained the program ties into the kindergarten curriculum with a "hand-on experience." The children are

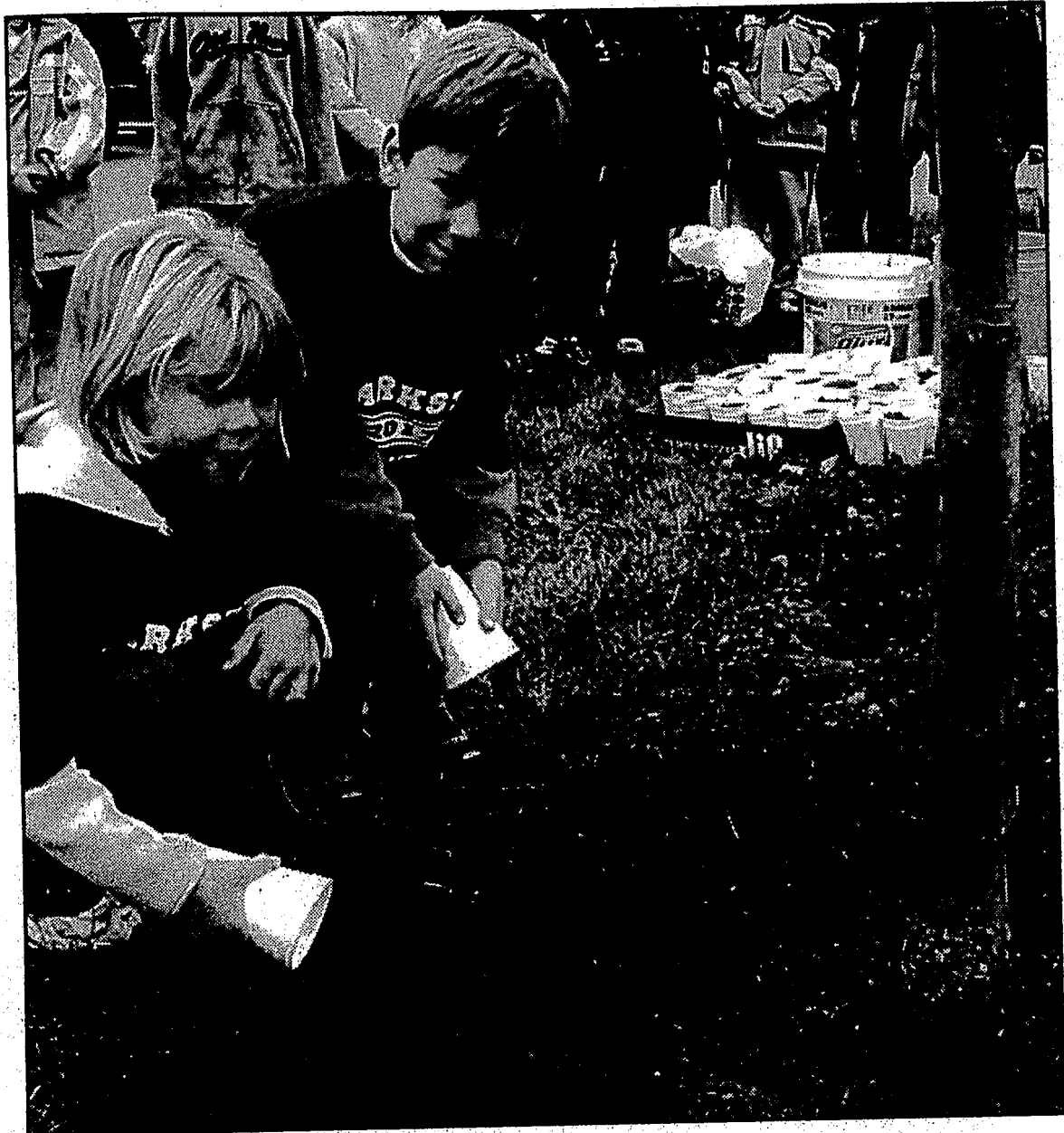
introduced to gardening while performing a community service for the school.

"The best part is for the children to watch their tree grow and see it in the various seasons," said Williamson. "Then they can come back and see it through the years."

With the encouragement of principal Dana Pennanen and kindergarten teachers Megan Birkett and Diane Knakal, the garden committee contacted Bordine Nursery for assistance. The local business provided a gift certificate, as well as assistance with choosing an appropriate tree.

Williamson said the tree, which grows to approximately 30-40 feet, will be marked with a sign stating "Class of 2017."

"Our goal is to plant one tree a year. We're hoping to line the whole circle with trees," said Williamson. "We hope to continue this all across the school grounds."



Dumping their cups of dirt onto the "Class of 2017" tree are kindergartners Samantha Morse and Joey Beattie. The students learned about trees before planting their own along the drop-off circle in front of the school building. Photo by Jenny Matteson.

School district installs new security system

BY JENNY MATTESON
Clarkston News Editor

At the Oct. 11 Clarkston Community Schools regular board meeting, Wes Goodman and Matthew McCarty gave a demonstration of the district's new computerized security system.

The new system includes security cameras in all district buildings, a keyless entry system on all buildings that can be used for tracking, new alarm systems throughout the district, wireless software program, and updated monitoring room.

The entire system is connected to the district's Intranet and can record between 14 and 30 days worth of images. All of the camera images are search-

able by date, time and camera.

"The purpose of this system is to protect our students, our staff and our property," said Matthew McCarty, Executive Director of Technology and Information Services. "We want to protect the people and assets of the district."

To date, seven of the district's elementaries are up and running with the new security cameras and equipment. Other buildings in the district will be brought on-line as construction is completed.

The total number of cameras being placed throughout the district has yet to

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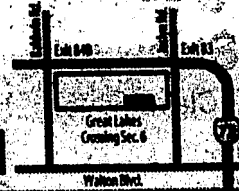
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Aligning values with habits

Our values are our habits in action, yet we all experience contradictions between the two. Yours might sound like this, "I value a clean car/truck, but mine is always a mess." Why do we let this happen? Well, probably because we don't have a system in place to ensure that our values are honored or, because we really value something else just a bit more.

Values contradictions can become a problem if you are consistently disloyal to a value that is important to you. It can affect self-esteem, overall life satisfaction and even relationships. Sometimes we aren't honoring our values because we've slipped into complacency.

For example, you may have cleaned your vehicle every week when it was new, but now that the new car smell is gone it's harder to be consistent. That's okay unless having a messy vehicle really bugs you.

Life Coaches use a variety of strategies to help people be true to their values. One method is what I call the *Two Stops and Two Starts* technique.

The *first step* is to identify the value you'd like to focus on. It could be spending more time with family, eating healthier or managing finances better. By way of example, let's get back to the maintenance of a clean vehicle - our identified value.

The *second step* is to identify two things you need to STOP doing related to this value. You might determine, "I will stop eating food in the vehicle and, I am also going to stop carrying the kids' sports equipment between events."

The *third step* is to identify two things you want to START doing. You might decide the following, "I will schedule time every two weeks to either wash the car or have it washed, and, every time I get out of the vehicle I will take some 'stuff' with me so it doesn't accumulate and create a mess."

Be certain that the changes you've identified are realistic and achievable, as well as being behavior changes that you are willing to commit to. They also need to be personalized to meet your specific needs. What works for someone else may not work for you. Be careful that you don't set yourself up for disappointment.

To further ensure success, ask someone to hold you accountable by checking in with you on a regular basis to see how you're doing. If you're not making the changes you hoped for it does not imply failure. It may mean that the value isn't as important as you thought, or that the planned behavior changes aren't realistic for you. Be forgiving of yourself and reassess your plan as frequently as necessary. By trial and error you will experience more consistency between the things you value and the things you do!

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Coaching Matters



Liz Jamieson

Clarkston school officials face decisions, decisions, decisions

As most readers know, the district is in the midst of some exciting changes. We will be implementing a new grade level structure (K-5; 6-7; 8-9; and 10-12) next year and planning is well underway.

In addition, numerous decisions must be made to ensure the success of our new approach and to further strengthen our academic and support programs. I have asked the sub-committees working on each of these issues to maintain focus on our number one responsibility, the education of our youngsters!

It is likely that some of the recommendations that are brought forward will be easily understood and appreciated by our community. Other decisions may be more complex and perhaps difficult to fully comprehend. Nonetheless, all decisions will be made with a firm commitment to use our resources in a way that best supports the approximately 8,000 students we serve.

Our first and foremost decisions will be those that impact the curriculum. Keep in mind, the purpose of our bond proposal was to deal with overcrowding, consolidate programs and services and to build an even stronger developmentally appropriate program. Prior to the bond passage, I often spoke about our ability to raise the academic bar, while keep kids younger longer. While the plans continue to be developed, permit me to bring you up to date on our current thinking:

The recommendation for curriculum and instruction at Clarkston Junior High (8th/9th grade building) will include core competency requirements and added responsibility for learning placed on the student. Expectation levels will rise and there will be increased opportunities for youngsters to advance themselves or to take remedial action. Common assessments, as well as standardized tests will be used to help guide our faculty and staff with curricular decisions and teaching methods. In addition, students and parents will have a clear understanding of the curricular and behavioral expectations.

The recommendation for curriculum and instruction at Sashabaw Middle School (6th/7th grade building) will also include core competency requirements and added responsibility for learning placed on the student. The reading and literacy piece of this program will be strengthened and common assessments/standardized tests will

be used to direct our efforts.

At both schools, we expect to have a wide variety of co-curricular and extra curricular activities. Remember, we promised our community that we would offer youngsters at least as many options as they presently have.

With so many changes, there are several questions that seem to surface throughout the community. Please allow me to list a few:

"Will we use an intramural approach, an interscholastic program, or both at Sashabaw Middle School?" Prior to the bond election, a representative group of parents worked with the school district to discuss extra-curricular and athletic opportunities for students. The parent committee overwhelmingly agreed that the number one priority is to have the same number of opportunities for students and more if possible. At this time, our athletic department is looking at participation rates and determining what type of program can be offered that provides options for students and stays within our current athletic budget.

"Will there be a boundary line change at the elementary level?" Elementary boundaries will be reviewed in order to maximize our building capacities due to increased elementary space. We currently have school buildings that are at full to capacity while others are under utilized. We anticipate sharing a boundary plan within the next two months.

"What are school start times for next year?" A recommendation for school starting times will be made by the end of the year. With the new grade-level changes, start times are being reviewed in our transportation department to ensure that we are able to safely transport students in an effective and efficient manner.

"Has the school calendar been set for the 2005-06 school year?" Our district calendar is created by a collaborative team of teachers and administrators. This year, we are anxious to get feedback from parents through a Parent Survey. Survey results will be shared with the calendar committee to help in determining our schedule for the upcoming year. Parent surveys will be sent out by early November.

While I believe academics should come first, I understand the importance of afterschool activities and school schedules. You have my commitment that all decisions will be made with student needs at the forefront. Furthermore, we will do our best to keep the community well informed of the changes taking place.

This is truly an exciting time for Clarkston Schools!

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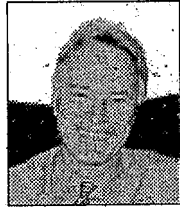


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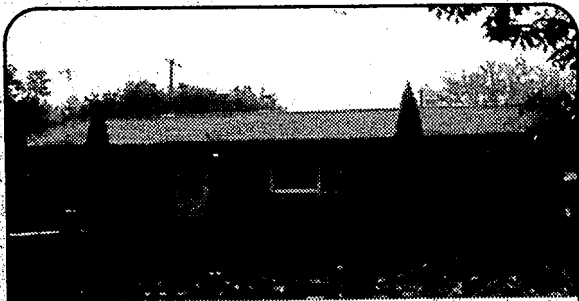
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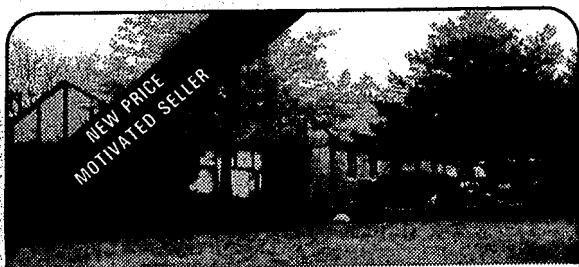
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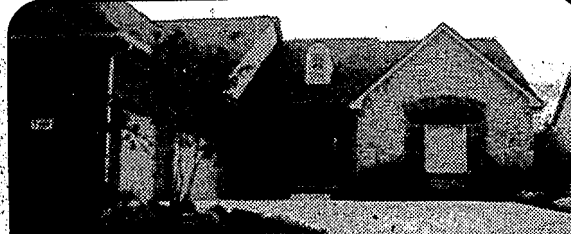
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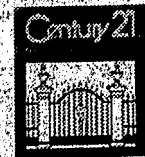
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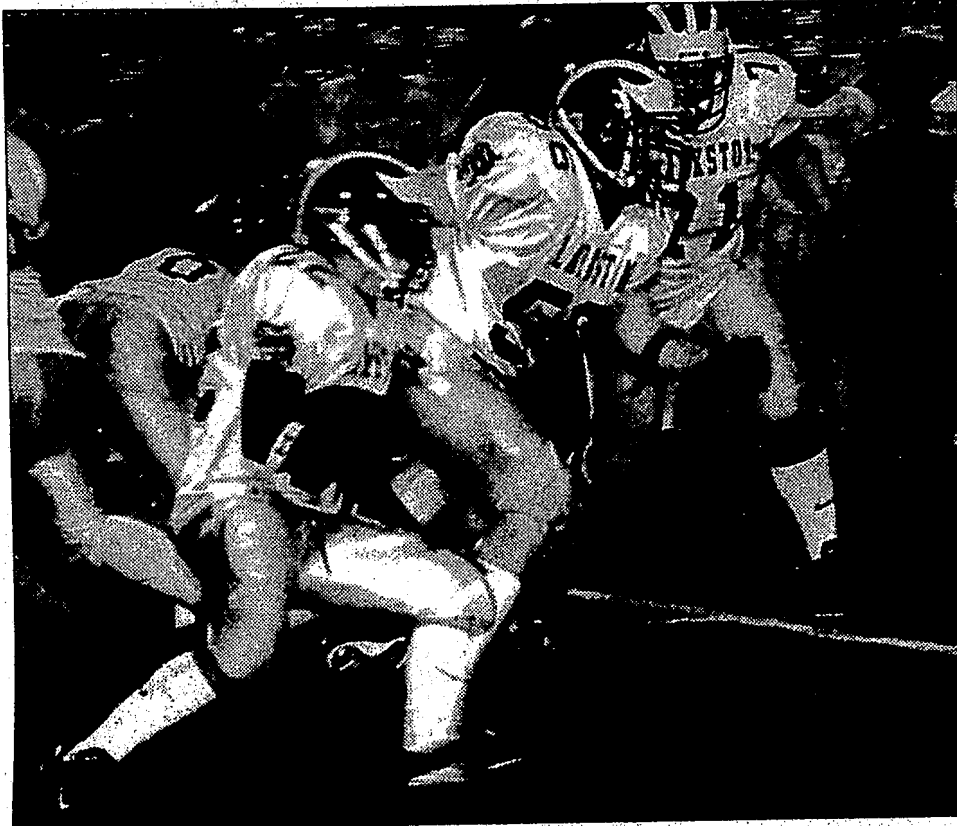
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Scott Lyons and the offensive line have worked in perfect tandem this year. Photo by Noah Purcell



Head coach has preached the team game all season long and the fruits of his labor were evident against Lake Orion. Photo by Noah Purcell

Wolves make playoffs by drubbing Dragons, 30-12

By NOAH PURCELL
Clarkston News Sports Writer

What Clarkston gained from their 30-12 victory at Lake Orion on Oct. 22 was easy to see, the win guaranteed the Wolves a chance to play another day. Losing the game would have ended the season with Clarkston falling short of the six wins required for MHSAA playoffs.

On closer inspection, the win left the CHS seniors with a deep personal satisfaction. This is the first time in four years they had beaten Lake Orion.

Looking deeper still into the victory, the win showed Clarkston fans and players what the coaching staff already knew: when the Wolves play as a team, they can hang with anyone.

"We went old school, we took the names off the jerseys and the tape off the shoes. I felt there was too much individualism going on and that was my way of saying it," said Clarkston Coach Kurt Richardson.

Clarkston scored early when senior quarterback Scott Leigh found senior Adam Briceland in the end zone for a 7-0 lead at 7:17 of the first quarter. The Dragons answered back with a scoring drive of their own capped by a three-yard run by senior Ryan Kelly.

"We finally put it together offensively and defensively. It was a great game for us," said Richardson.

The Wolves scored 16 points in the second quarter on drives finished with a touchdown run by Leigh, a touchdown pass from Leigh to senior Brad Goodman and a 29-yard field goal by sophomore Ryan Breen, which made the score 23-6 going into the half.

A key to the second quarter was a stop made by the Wolves when Lake Orion elected to go for the first down on fourth and one from their own 25.

"We needed the win. It was do or die for the seniors," said senior offensive lineman Garrett Phillips.

Both Phillips and Richardson felt that the offensive and defensive lines dominated the play in the trenches.

"Our ability to control the line of scrimmage was key," said Richardson.

Lake Orion managed another score halfway through the third quarter, but were unable to dent the Clarkston defense any further the rest of the way.

A fourth quarter drive ate nearly nine minutes of the fourth quarter and ended with Leigh's fifth touchdown of the evening, on a 14-yard scramble.

"In the fourth quarter we took over the game," said Phillips.

The win qualifies Clarkston for the MHSAA playoffs and they will face undefeated Utica Eisenhower at 1 p.m. on Saturday Oct. 30 in Utica.

"We will just go after them the way we go after anyone," said Richardson. "If we play the way we played against Orion we can beat (Eisenhower)."

The Wolves finished the regular season with a record of 6-3.

Wolves' Playoff Matchup

Clarkston 6-3 at Utica
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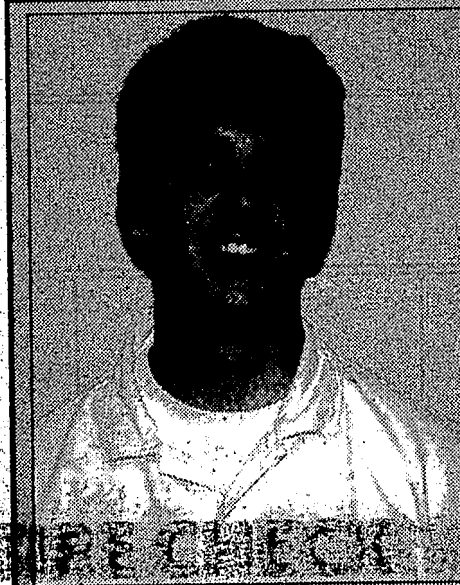
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Athlete of the Week Scott Leigh

Senior quarterback Scott Leigh, 17, has been named athlete of the week for his performance in Clarkston's win against Lake Orion on Oct. 22. Leigh threw for three touchdowns and ran for two more against the Dragons helping the Wolves earn a playoff berth in the process.

Leigh has lived in Clarkston, with his parents Brian and Susan, his senior life. He has played basketball, soccer, and football.

this year.

"I really appreciate all the support I receive from my family and the coaches," said Leigh.

In his spare time, Leigh enjoys reading and doing the crossword puzzle from the paper.

Leigh was recently accepted into the University of Michigan and will enter the school of engineering there.

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Soccer ends on sour note

By **NOAH PURCELL**
Clarkston News Sports
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On a night where winds shortened the ball's flight and rain turned the field into mush the Clarkston varsity soccer team fought hard. The kickers came up short losing 2-0 to Rochester Adams in the districts final at Lake Orion High School on Oct. 23.

"We didn't finish the chances that we had and the few chances Rochester Adams did get they managed to finish on," said assistant coach Liam Ludd.

The two teams played to a soaky slippery stalemate in the first half as the wind blew rain across the field at a 45 degree angle. Adams' pressure seemed to be at its height when the rain pounded hardest early in the game, but junior goalie Barak Thomas made several big stops in net and senior defender Mike Holaday diffused several plays before they became serious

threats.

"Barak was outstanding, I think he was the best goalie in the district this year," said Coach Mark Whitcomb.

Clarkston watched painfully as two breakaway shots went wide of the goal and later a goal was called back due to a hand ball.

"I thought (senior forward Brad Wellbourn) got it with his shoulder," said Whitcomb, "but the game came down to who won the loose balls, and for whatever reason (Adams) kept coming up with them."

Clarkston has had an up and down season and seemed to be peaking at the right time going into the finals against Adams.

"The kids learned too many life lessons this year, the OAA I is a brutal, brutal league," said Whitcomb.

On Oct. 21 the Wolves won their district semi-final match, beating the Lake Orion Dragons for the first time in two

years.

Senior forward Mike Klemm was forced to leave the game in the first half due to a large gash in his forehead. Klemm lay prostrate on the turf for several minutes until walking off the field escorted by the training staff. Fifteen minutes later, Klemm returned to the game with a large bandage adorning his forehead.

Klemm's return was key, with the game knotted 1-1 in overtime. Klemm caught the Lake Orion goalie cheating for the crossing pass and burned a shot near post into the top corner of the net to topple the Dragons and put the Wolves into the District final.

"The districts were tougher than the regionals would have been," said Whitcomb.

For the season varsity soccer had a record of 9-10-2 and lost five games by one goal this season.



Mike Klemm and Clarkston struggled with the mud against Adams
Photo by Noah Purcell

Girls x-country flex a little muscle

By **NOAH PURCELL**
Clarkston News Sports Writer

The Clarkston girls' cross country team did exactly what was expected of them at the league meet on Oct. 21. They dominated the competition en route to their fourth straight league championship.

Clarkston finished with 30 points beating second place Troy High by 30.

"(Before the League meet) I told them 'the season starts today, this is the time of year when we get serious,'" said Coach Jamie Labrosse. "After what I saw today they are taking it seriously and it is a step in the right direction."

Liz Mengyan won the race by setting a Bloomer park course record of 18:12. Lyndsay Smith, Jenna Leach, Ann Oltman and Gillian Nordquist all finished in the top ten as well.

"It was a really good meet, a good team run," said Labrosse.

The Wolves' next event will

be Oct. 30, CHS is hosting the regional finals at Clintonwood park.

"It will be nice to run in front of our home crowd. The school and the community hear about us, but they never really get to see us run. I hope a lot of people come out to watch us," said Labrosse. "Even if I was not a cross country fan, I would come to see some great athletes compete, and these girls are."

Clarkston's girls are ranked number one in the Midwest and number five in the nation according to the Harrier Super 25 poll.

Lead runner Jenny Morgan was held out of the League meet in order to ensure she is completely healthy for regionals and the State finals. Clarkston is a heavy favorite to repeat as State champions this year.

The boys varsity finished seventh in their League meet which was also held Thursday.



Freshman forward Oliver Kupe fends off a Lake Orion defender. Photo by Noah Purcell.

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Girls Basketball pays Rochester back in spades

By NOAH PURCELL
Clarkston News Sports Writer

For weeks now the Clarkston varsity girl's basketball has been running on all cylinders something they showcased in a revenge rematch against Rochester High, on Oct. 21, winning 44-39.

The Wolves were able to score consistently and contained Rochester's explosive back court, two things that fell out of the game plan in the two teams' first meeting on Oct. 9, a 46-33 Rochester win.

quarter 12-10, thanks in large part to super sophomore guard Brittney Jones who scored 10 in the opening stanza. Having torched Clarkston for 21 in the previous contest, Jones hit for a game high 19; however she could not keep up her torrid first quarter scoring pace and Clarkston went on an 11-2 run in the second quarter.

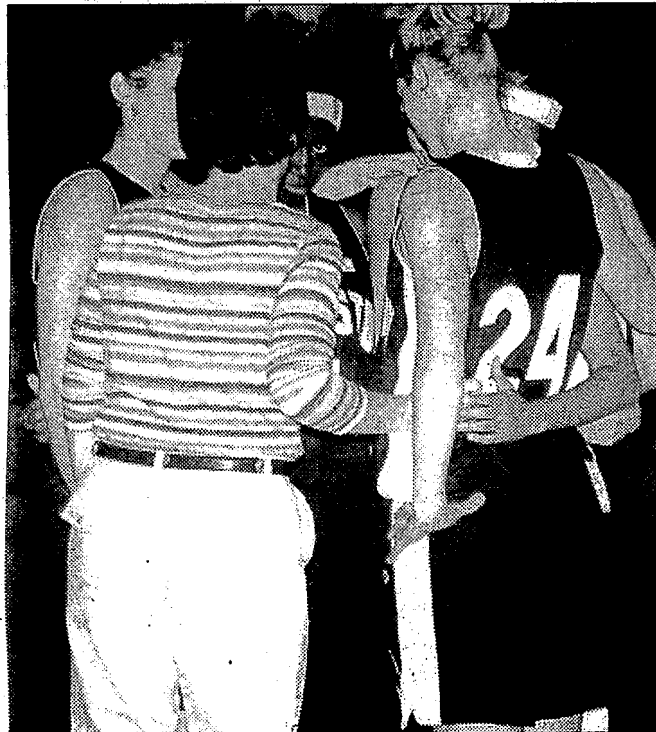
"We had a better grasp of what they were going to do to us," said Coach Ann Lowney. "This is a great win, they are a great team."

Clarkston was able to maintain their lead in the third quarter thanks to a three-pointer by senior guard Jill Kouri, and an old fashioned three-point play in which junior guard Amanda Kaltz seemed to will the ball through the hoop as she took a hard foul in the paint. Kouri finished with six points and Kaltz had five.

The fourth quarter belonged to Stephanie Parkin as the senior forward scored 10 of her team high 12 points. Parkin was cool as ice as Rochester repeatedly put her on the line down the stretch converting six of six from the charity stripe.

The win put Clarkston into the black on the season as they are now 7-6 (4-3)

"A lot of people have been writing us off this year, but I don't blame them because we had not been playing well," said Lowney. "We are better than our record and I think we are starting to show that."



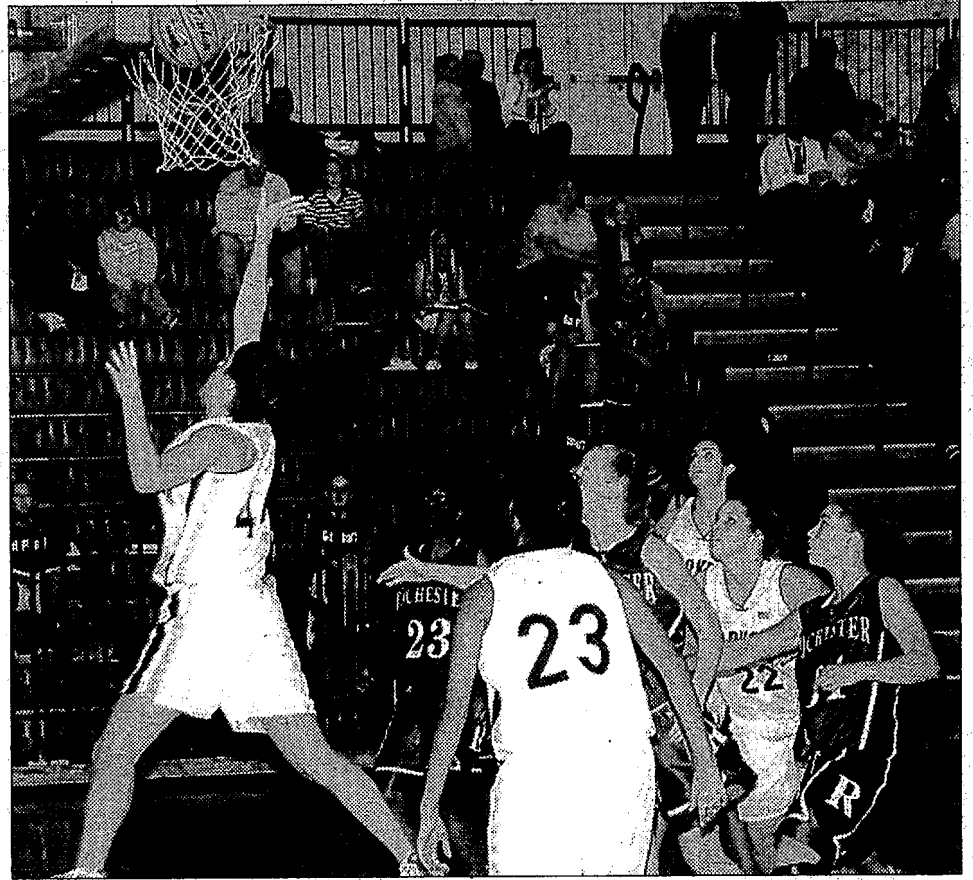
Coach Ann Lowney gets her team focused during a time out. Photo by Noah Purcell

The Wolves were ignited by the play of hustle-queen Leigh Christy who recorded 11 rebounds, six of them on the offensive glass, to go with eight points, three steals and a block.

"We played awesome. We were ready to beat them," said Christy, a senior forward. "A couple weeks ago they tore us apart ... it was not going to happen again."

The Wolves, as a team, rebounded extremely well, particularly on the offensive end.

"I would think that ten of (Clarkston's) points came on offensive rebounds," said RHS Coach Jeff Haney. Rochester led at the end of the first



Leigh Christy was everywhere for the Wolves against RHS. Photo by Noah Purcell.



Tamara Green gets on the floor for a loose ball. Photo by Noah Purcell.


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Statewide Towing Girls B-Ball Spotlight



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Clarkston native wins silver in Paralympic games

By NOAH PURCELL
Clarkston News Sports Writer

Even though Robin Theryoung is legally blind, the glint of the silver medal she won in Athens, Greece playing in the Paralympics for the US women's goalball team will always shine brightly in her life.

"It's awesome to be able to compete at the highest level," said Theryoung. "I loved playing with the team and having the comradery and feeling the adrenaline from playing."

Theryoung has had a B-3 visual impairment since birth due to a condition called congenital albinism. Her vision could best be described as blurry.

How well Theryoung sees is of no consequence in goalball. Players wear blindfolds during play, and have to key off the rattling bells inside the hard hollow plastic ball as it is thrown at speeds of 30 mph and up.

"(Goalball) was created specifically for blind and visually impaired people, we don't have an able-bodied counterpart," said Theryoung.

Robin and three other members of the US women's goalball team have lived in the Olympic training village since January in order to hone their skills. Goalball is the first disabled team sport to gain residency at the Olympic training village in Colorado Springs. The team arrived in Athens nine days before the Paralympic games.

"Our days were pretty much spent practicing, training and resting for the games ahead," said Theryoung.

The paralympics opened on a sour note for the team as they lost the first game of the round robin to Canada. The team bounced back from the loss though and won their

next six straight. In the semi-final matchup the US beat Japan to advance to the gold medal game, but were stymied once again by Canada.

"We knew going in we kind of had a target on our backs ... at that point we were the reigning world champs," said Theryoung.

Although she and her teammates are disappointed that they did not win the gold medal, they feel blessed by the experience and the silver medals they received. Robin was also able to take some time to vacation in the Greek Isles, and upon her return the team was invited to Washington D.C.

"It was an honor to be invited to the Whitehouse," said Theryoung. "Right now we are in a rest and recovery phase."

The team will compete in the 2005 Pan-Am Games in Sao Paulo Brazil and the Sweden Cup held in Malmo where the US will get another shot at the Canadians.

I hope we can bounce back from our loss to Canada and reclaim our dominance," said Theryoung.

Robin was introduced to Goalball at a Western Michigan University camp. She freely admits her play was not spectacular at first, but through hard work, perserverance and faith she was able to hone her skills to a world class level.

"Sports was something I did not think would be a-part of my life, so I was immediately hooked," said Theryoung. "Goalball was like nothing I had ever seen or played because vision loss was not an issue."

Robin has been a member of several different US national teams since 1996. She was a member of the U.S.A Blind Athletes gold medal team in 2003 and won gold in the 2002 world championships in Brazil and a bronze medal in 2001 at the Sweden Cup.

For now Theryoung is going to take it easy while she works on a masters at Western Michigan in orientation and mobility. She already has a masters in blind rehabilitation from Western.



Robin Theryoung poses with her silver medal in front of a goalball court.



The US women's goalball team on the medal podium. Photo by Noah Purcell.

Swimmers pull into port

By NOAH PURCELL
Clarkston News Sports Writer

Clarkston varsity girls swimming was able to wrap up their regular season with a win against Stony Creek, on Oct. 21. The final tally was Clarkston 107, Stony Creek 79.

"It was a league meet, so it was important to us," said Coach Kenwyn Chock.

Clarkston's swimmers finished first in eight of the 12 events. Senior Chelsea Hassett was particularly strong for the Wolves winning the 50 and 100 freestyle events. She also teamed with sophomore Amanda Hassett, senior Erin Richards and senior Kelly Kiel for a win in the 200 freestyle relay.

Clarkston posted a 6-1 record in the league with a 9-3 mark overall.

"I was happy with the way we trained this year, we stayed healthy and our times

really dropped from last year," said Chock.

Clarkston has been chosen to host the OAA Division III meet, which runs Nov. 3-5. The emphasis for the team during the layoff will be to rest as much as possible to get the girls' legs fresh for the competition.

"We are resting inside and outside of the pool," said Chock.

Aside from the physical aspect of preparation, Chock has given her team a little extra homework to better prepare them for the OAA meet.

"Every night before they go to bed they are visualizing their swims at the OAA's," said Chock.

The OAA meet begins with the swimming preliminaries. Diving preliminaries are scheduled for Nov. 4 and the finals of both are to commence on Nov. 5.



Chelsea Hassett is a key player in the Wolves win against Stony Creek.

Townships reach accord with Consumers Energy on new gas line

BY DON SCHELSKE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Independence, Springfield and Rose townships officials have successfully negotiated concessions with Consumers Energy concerning a proposed West Oakland Pipeline.

After an Oct. 14 closed session with their attorney, the Springfield Township Board approved a "joint report" with Consumers Energy, effectively removing the township government from its status as an "intervenor" in negotiations between the utility and the Michigan Public Service Commission.

"They agreed to meet almost every recommendation along the route to address the environmental concerns," said Supervisor Collin Walls.

The plan calls for 24.4 miles of a 36-inch natural gas pipeline to be built through Rose, Springfield, Independence and Orion townships. The proposal had garnered protests from those critical of a route which includes natural features such as the Great Huron Swamp in Springfield Township and Buckhorn Lake in Rose Township.

Debra Dodd, a spokesperson for Consumers Energy, said negotiations were productive.

"We're obviously very pleased we were able to reach a resolution with the townships," Dodd said. "We're feeling optimistic" concerning a timetable which calls for the MPSC to rule on the proposal by the end of the year.

The agreement covers nine specific points of concern. Consumers Energy agreed to reduce the amount of clear cutting in some areas where as much as 100

feet of right-of-way were planned. In some areas, conventional trenching will be replaced by underground boring or hydraulic directed drilling.

In addition, funds will be placed in escrow to pay for a local environmental consultant to monitor construction if and when it begins. Walls said the company has even agreed to "correct a problem they created 50 years ago" by restoring a stream blocked during construction of an existing gas pipeline in the same area.

There is one major disappointment, Walls said. "They didn't agree to put the pipeline someplace else," he said.

The agreement is an encouraging step for Consumers Energy, but not the last. Several individual property owners filed protests separate from the township government. Walls said the township agreement does not mean individual property owners should not have their concerns addressed.

"We strongly suggested that [Consumers Energy] meet with the township residents who are still intervenors," Walls said.

Dodd said those conversations are taking place. "We're continuing to work with all the parties," she said, with the company hoping to have everyone sign off on the plan by Nov. 15.

Concerns voiced by Independence Township were not from specific environmental concerns, but from lack of specific plans by which to evaluate whether they had concerns.

Attempts to reach Independence Township Supervisor Dale Stuart for comment were unsuccessful.

Road commission issues construction alerts

The Road Commission for Oakland County has announced both ongoing and new road construction projects affecting the Clarkston area:

• Allen Road is closed between Cranberry Lake Road and Hubbard Road until Oct. 29 to allow developer Robert Kraus Inc. to install water and sewer lines.

The detour route is Cranberry Lake to M-15 to Hubbard and back to Allen, and vice versa.

• The closing of Waldon Road, both east and west of Sashabaw, has been extended until approximately the end of October.

RCOC said the east side is closed to allow for bridge repair on the nearby Waldon bridge over I-75. The west side closing is part of the ongoing Sashabaw Road boulevard project, which officials say is expected to be complete by mid-November.

• Holcomb Road is closed to allow the Michigan Department of Transportation to make repairs to the bridge over I-75.

The closing is expected to continue until approximately Nov. 22. A detour route includes Washington Road, M-15, Cranberry Lake Road and Allen Road, and vice versa.

• Maybee Road is closed between Clintonville and Baldwin roads to allow Eagle Ridge, LLC to pave it to provide better access to its Eagle Ridge subdivision.

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Don't Let Election Drive Investment Decisions

The campaigning and the commercials are just about over, and Election Day is upon us. As a citizen, you have something at stake in this election, and in every election. But as an investor, should you really be that concerned over who wins the presidency? You might think so, if you listen to all the claims coming from both parties. And yet, many of these charges and counter-charges are just rhetoric. Here's the bottom line: Individual investors have done well and poorly under both Democrats and Republicans. Ultimately, the good health of the financial markets, and by extension, your investment success, depends on a variety of factors having relatively little to do with who's in the White House.

Looking ahead Does a presidential election have any impact on the markets? Yes: If an incumbent wins, the stock market typically has performed a little better over the next year - but that's often because the markets don't like the uncertainty caused by change. And this positive effect is really a short-term reaction.

Over the longer term, a particular administration's policies can have some effect on the economy, which in turn affects the markets. But it's far from clear just how much control any president has over economic forces. And, unfortunately, an administration's actions may not even have the desired economic results.

So, as an informed investor, don't let Election Day determine your future moves. As you look ahead, then, what "big picture" factors should inform your decision-making? Here are two to consider:

• **Corporate profits** - As a determinant of stock prices, corporate profits matter greatly - today, tomorrow, next year and next decade. Corporate profits are a key driver of the financial markets. If you view a fairly dramatic illustration of this point, you need only look back a few years: In the late 1990s, when "dot-com" stocks were all the rage, investors couldn't get enough of these companies, which seemed fantastically full of potential. However, potential is not profitability, which is something many of these companies lacked. And in 2000, this problem caught up with these stocks: Their prices plunged, and the fall helped drag down the entire market.

• **Sustainable economic growth** - If you want to see what might lie ahead for the financial markets, you might want to watch the progress of our economy. In general, a sluggish economy is not particularly good news for investors, particularly those who invest in stocks. At the other end of the spectrum, an economy that's too hot can lead to inflationary pressures and movements by the Federal Reserve to raise interest rates - events that may also bring mixed results to investors. Consequently, you and other investors might want to hope for a "Goldilocks" economy - not too hot, not too cold, but just right.

Vote your conscience If you want to have a voice in how your government is run, you need to vote - it's that simple. The winner of the presidential election can play a huge role in shaping the issues of the day. But, as you've seen, other factors are likely going to be more responsible for determining the investment outlook for the next four years. So, when you enter the voting booth, let your conscience - not your broker's statement - be your guide.

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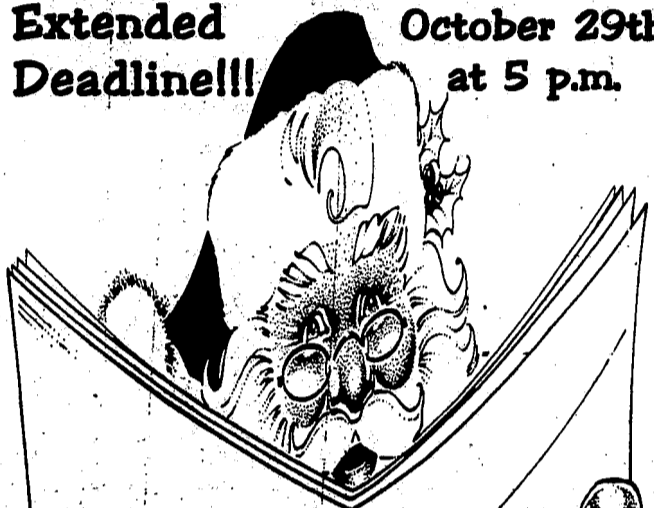
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Security

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be determined due to the construction.

"We have identified through the blue prints where we felt there were security issues and have placed cameras accordingly," stated McCarty. "We will continue doing so as buildings are completed."

As a part of securing the new system, limited access to information has been given to different district employee levels. For example, the district's central administration can access any security camera in any building through the wireless Intranet. However, individual building administrators can only access the cameras and recordings for their building.

"Each building has individual monitoring access," explained McCarty. "Here at the administration building, we can access everything."

Anita Banach, Director of Communications and Marketing, stated administrators are not holding any type of district-wide student awareness program on the new system. She said principals are handling the system on an individual basis.

"You don't necessarily want to give every intricacy of the plan," she stated.

The new security system was purchased through the district's \$83.7 million bond issue.

According to Bruce Beamer, Executive Director of Business and Financial Services, the total cost for the system is approximately \$1 million, or about 1.1 percent of the bond.

"This is a trend, the whole nation is becoming more security conscious," said McCarty. "With all the threats facing schools today, we want to make sure we're good stewards with our children and equipment."

Springfield Township welcomes Trick-or-treaters

Springfield Township Parks and Recreation will be accommodating trick-or-treaters seeking an escape from the darkness and cold weather this Halloween.

Both Oct. 30 and 31, children properly accompanied by an adult will be able to trick or treat from 5-8 p.m. within the comfy confines of the Hart community center in Davisburg.

The indoor event will feature a haunted trail, suit-

able for all ages, offering candy and small toys for the youngsters. Also, upon completing the trek, the children will enjoy juice and snacks.

The cost for this event will be \$4 for residents of Springfield Township and \$6 for nonresidents. Preregistration is encouraged, but tickets may be purchased at the door. For information please call Springfield Township Parks and Recreation at (248) 634-0412.

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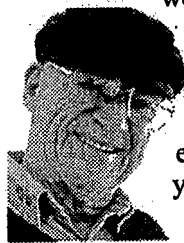
Think before you drink

By Ernie Harwell

If you're like most people, you probably enjoy an occasional glass of wine with dinner, a drink with friends or a beer after work.

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Politics

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 need to be educated on the details of the issues.

"There's so many people who turn on TV and just watch a debate and say, 'that's who I'm voting for,'" she said. "There's so much more to it than that."

Senior Jake Rambo, who will be a ballot box courier on Election Day, said he grew up with "die-hard Republicans" as parents, but found himself challenged by opposing views in the government class.

"The biggest thing I've learned is about both sides of the issue, because all I had growing up was the Republican side," Rambo said. "In this class, Mr. Stevens gave us both sides very well."

Working as an intern at a Republican campaign office in Rochester, senior Heather Esterline, has gone beyond the class assignment minimum.

"I've learned a lot about how a campaign actually runs. I didn't know they did all the phone banking and that they went door-to-door so much," Esterline said. "I thought it was just the president and his close advisors. I didn't know there were people like me who could get involved."

Working phones and visiting homes, Esterline said she also had to be gracious to those not favorable to the president.

"Some people are like, 'I would never support Bush if he was the last man on earth' and I have to say, 'Have a good day. Thanks for your time.'"

Stevens estimated about 70 percent of his students support the president's reelection campaign, with about 30 percent backing Senator John Kerry.

One student voiced interest in the Ralph Nader campaign, but they could not find a campaign office in the area. Another is working with Kelley Kostin's campaign for 52-2 District Judge.

Stevens said some came with a neutral or uncertain political view. While several are taking the nonpartisan route of working at the polls, he encouraged students to study issues and take a position.

"That's part of being a citizen," Stevens told the students. "It's your job to be informed."

In class, the students have become active in regular and passionate debate.

"As we talked in class, some people changed their mind or went back and forth," Stevens said.

Whether or not they changed their views, the students apparently learned a lesson concerning civility.

"In the debate you totally despise the person whose disagreeing with you, but when the class is over you're walking down the hallway and everything is fine," said Esterline, who is among a few who aspire to elective office. "I want to be a politician. Someday I will be something."

There's another apparent benefit to the study. Stevens said it's not uncommon for a student to report: "My parents are asking me about the issues and who to vote for."



Connie Lektzian-Scafe pulls a history column from a file cabinet in her Independence Township home. In the files are a wealth of newspaper clippings and photos collected while writing "Another Day" in *The Clarkston News*. Photo by Don Schelske

History

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 library records, but also obtained many photos and diaries from family descendants and friends.

"People have been very nice giving me things," she said. "I'd ask if they wanted the photos back and they said, 'No, you keep them.'"

Her columns in *The Clarkston News* included reports on early Clarkston area schools, an 1892 flu epidemic, gradual improvements in service through the Clarkston Post Office and life in the Sashabaw Plains area which, years ago, was a separate community with difficult road access to Clarkston.

Is there anyone Lektzian-Scafe doesn't know?

"The newcomers," she said. "They

came in and squatted on these huge tracts of land. There's no farms left. It's not a quiet little town anymore."

She dreams of having someone treat her entire collection of newspaper clippings with a special acid bath to preserve them for posterity. She also misses writing, but still finds herself busy.

"I'd like to write a book on the things I've put together, but if I want any time to myself I'm going to have to give up some of this other stuff."

Lektzian-Scafe would love to see an old-fashioned quilting guild organized in the area, and she also has a desire to see a new generation of historians arise to document today's families and events.

"What we have now will be history someday," she said.

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Amanda Browe from the octagon club adds to Drew Darin's treat bag.

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From Spiderman to Spiderman in the Friendly Forest.



Derek Moscovic and Don Herbert hand out candy to Matthew Zurek.



Winnie the Pooh and Co. ran into some other wild animals in the Friendly Forest.

Friendly Forest grows in Clintonwood Park

By **NOAH PURCELL**
Clarkston News Writer

Clintonwood park was transformed Oct. 24 into a trick or treat playland dubbed the "Friendly Forest".

The event which was put on by Independence Township Parks and Recreation provided at least 850 children, from ages 2 to 9, a fun Halloween experience featuring a wide variety of costumed characters.

"I'm very happy with everybody's help and how the event went," said Jeff Morris, the event coordinator of the Friendly Forest.

Children, escorted by their parents, left in groups from the entrance to the trail, which was set up in and around the Clintonwood playground and pavillion.

The cast of characters bestowing candy was diverse, from the Scooby Doo gang dancing in front of the mystery machine to Batman and Spiderman flexing their muscles with tall painted buildings behind them. The children were sure to find at least one of their favorite fictional heroes.

"This is a fun safe event for the children," said Chas Claus, the Clarkston High School advisor of the Octagon club whose members volunteered to dress up for the event. "Some of them have come to this event as kids. We actually have to do the volunteers for this on a first come first serve basis."

In all 25 members of Octagon doled

out goodies at 14 different stations.

"A lot of the members like doing this because we get to dress up and being in high school, we can't really do that anymore," said Octagon member Chelsea Hassett.

"The kids are very polite. One little girl got halfway to the next booth and then came back to thank me," said Amanda Browe, a former president of Octagon and current executive board member.

Not all the people handing out candy were portraying characters from cartoons or fairy tales, the Oakland County Sheriff's Department and the Independence Township Fire Department also participated

"(The kids) always like to see the fire truck and climb on it," said Lt. Chris Norberg of the fire department. "We like to get out and see the kids."

The event was also aided by a donation from Sutton's costumes and the Clarkston Kroger on Dixie highway, which donated 1200 donut holes for the children to munch on after finishing their trek through the forest.

Morris also felt the parks and recreation staff did a tremendous job creating the backdrops and staffing the event.

Originally, the Friendly Forest was scheduled for Oct. 23, but was pushed to Oct. 24 by a forecast of thunder storms in the area.

Voters

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With those requests have also come multiple calls from voters complaining of reports that absentee ballots are not counted unless an individual race is too close to call.

Where the rumor started is unknown — McCrary said one caller quoted a relative who works for a clerk's office in California — but she would love to see that rumor die.

"Every single vote is counted," she said, with a group of election workers assigned to that specific task beginning at 7 a.m. election day.

While every vote is counted, every ballot must be filed according to state law.

Clerks have already voiced concern that those who did voter registration by mail may not know of the requirement to vote in person in their first election.

In addition, both deadlines and the realities of time will affect those who wish to vote by absentee ballot. At this point, the best way to request an absentee ballot is in person at the appropriate clerk's offices, which will be open Saturday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. for that purpose. On Monday, Nov. 1, citizens may still vote by absentee ballot, but it must be in person at the clerk's office before 4 p.m.

"We're hoping people will plan ahead," Strole said. "Please don't wait until the last minute."

The attention given to this year's general election leads McCrary to estimate local voter turnout of between 60 and 65 percent. Strole believes it could be as high as 75 percent.

McCrary recommends voters come to the polls between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. if at all possible to avoid potentially long lines.

Voters can save themselves some trouble by checking to be sure they're at the right precinct location. Independence Township will have a worker with a computer at the door of each voting location to help verify registration and precinct.

"We hope that will keep people from being in long lines at the wrong place," McCrary said.

A federal judge's decision requiring the counting of votes cast at the wrong precinct on "provisional ballots" does not make McCrary happy.

"You only get to vote for federal officials" under that ruling, McCrary said, leading to the possibility of multiple ballots from the same voter. "We don't want voters showing up in two places."

Despite the court decision (which was under appeal at this writing) being at the right polling place "is critical if they want to make every vote count," Strole said. "If people think they can go to any precinct, they will lose most of the votes on the ballot."

In the City of the Village of Clarkston, City Manager/Clerk Art Pappas is happy about having only one voting precinct.

"We do not have the provisional ballot problem," he said, although voters who mistakenly believe they are city residents may be redirected to an Independence Township precinct.

Pappas did not care to speculate on voter turnout, but he knows it will be up.

"I'm sure it's going to be heavy because of the general election, and [the races for city council] are on the same ballot."

Polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Tuesday, Nov. 2.

A voter's precinct and voting location is listed on his or her voter registration card. In addition, polling places for the City of the Village of Clarkston and Independence Township are listed in the Public Notices section of this edition of *The Clarkston News*.

Local clerks invite citizens to call their respective municipal clerk's offices for more election information.

In the City of the Village of Clarkston, call (248) 625-1559.

In Independence Township, call (248) 625-5111, extension 203, or visit the township Web site at www.twp.independence.mi.us.

In Springfield Township, call (248) 846-6510.

Ordinances

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the number of election signs allowed. The federal courts ruled in favor of the plaintiffs in both cases.

Locally, Independence Township maintains the most restrictive political sign ordinance. According to the ordinance, political signs for public offices may be erected 14 days prior to the election and must be removed with five days of the election. In addition, the ordinance establishes size and height requirements for the displays.

"Signs are like litter to our residents," said Township Clerk Joan McCrary. "We've tried to balance this with no signs at all."

"I think people get where they don't see them after a while. They don't get bothered," elaborated incoming clerk Shelagh VanderVeen.

Independence Township Supervisor Dale Stuart said he's not concerned about the ordinance. He feels the right of politicians to advertise is equal to the right of officials to control blight in the community.

"We came to the conclusion long ago that 14 days is plenty of time," he stated. "We don't aggressively enforce this during an election. It's really a touchy subject."

"We haven't had any serious questions about the timing," he continued. "We're doing what we think is appropriate to do. Any change would have to come from the residents."

Enforcement of the sign ordinance in Independence basically involves contacting the candidates if signs are placed too soon.

However, even then, township officials hesitate to push the matter since the area is surrounded by more lenient ordinances and residents often don't realize where municipality lines stand.

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"We're surrounded by 30 day ordinances and many residents don't realize where Springfield Township or the City of Clarkston begin and end," said McCrary. "We don't press the matter."

Springfield Supervisor Collin Walls confirmed that political signs can not be displayed more than 28 days before the election, and must be removed within 15 days after the event. The ordinance does not limit the number of signs allowed.

Township officials focus their enforcement of the ordinance primarily on the prohibition of signs in public right-of-ways and where the signs may cause a traffic hazard. Walls said the motivation for the ordinance is more geared towards safety and blight.

"My personal opinion is 30 days is too long," said Walls. "Speaking as someone who puts out campaign signs, I don't know why I should have rights any greater than anyone else who advertises."

For example, Walls states that garage sale signs would not be allowed six weeks in advance of the sale.

"The general public has a right to some reasonable enjoyment of their community," concluded Walls.

In Clarkston, the political sign ordinance is the most lenient - the signs can be displayed up to 60 days before the election and do not need removal until 14 days after the event.

"We don't specify how many are allowed," said City Manager Art Pappas. "We specify the size, but not the number."

Pappas stated city officials do not actively enforce the ordinance, they simply rely on "seeing the sign" or "someone reports it."

"Then we just give them a call and ask them to remove the sign," Pappas explained. "This really is not a concern for us."

The ACLU of Michigan has been asking communities across the state to either review their ordinances, change them or, at the least, not enforce them. So far, several communities have taken action on the issue.

Protest

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the 12-foot drop that will be created on the edge of her property when the parcel is graded.

Gordon Bovee voiced security concerns.

"There will be nothing to stop people from going from his site into our backyards," he stated. Bovee added that a bar is currently proposed in the development. "There's nothing to stop them. There's a lot of nice trees, but trees can be used to hide and break into our homes."

One resident stepped forward with a concern that may require legal action.

Tim Warner explained to the township board that the culvert used to drain the sites retaining pond travels directly through his property. The retention pond will be located directly across from his property, and the overflow will travel through his property into Lake Maria.

Warner said he is concerned that there is not easement for the culvert. He is also worried about any contaminants (such as oil, gas and litter) that may travel into the lake.

"I have no clue what impact the drainage, the runoff from a 16-acre property, will have on mine," he stated. "Who's going to take responsibility if their is a problem or contamination?"

"We believe that after attending several meetings, we've had our voices heard, but not listened to," he

stated.

Greg Mansour attended the meeting and spoke to some of the residents questions. He assured residents that adequate buffering will be established and that a two-tiered, boulder retaining wall is planned for the drops. Also, all buffering will occur after the site is graded.

"We are not going to leave the residents hanging," he stated.

Trustee Daniel Travis motioned to pass the first reading for the rezoning.

"A PUD allows us significant control from the start of the project through the interim to the end," he stated. "This is a strong governing control."

"My belief, and the reason I'm making this motion, is because I feel this is the best control we can have on development of this land."

The board voted 4-2 to carry the motion. McCrary and Rosso voted against the motion. Both cited concerns with what they felt was a lack of information.



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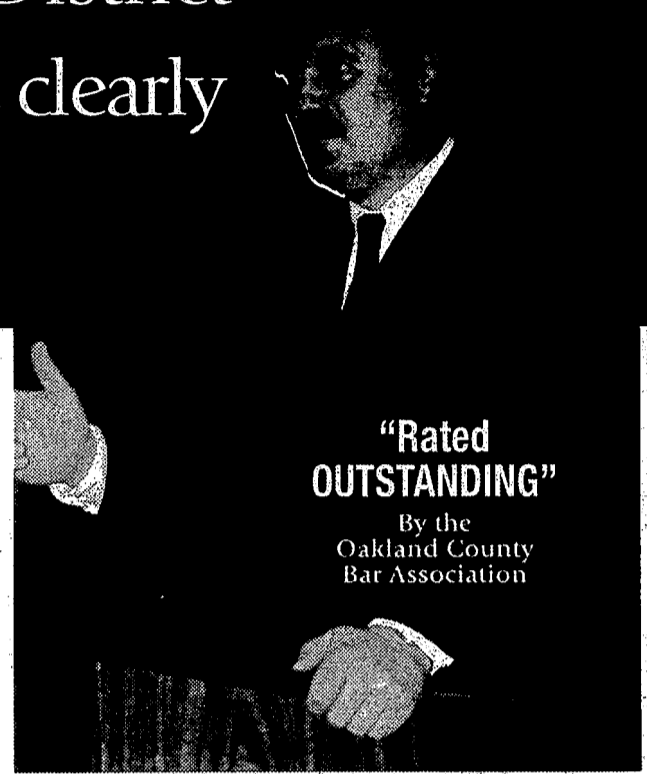
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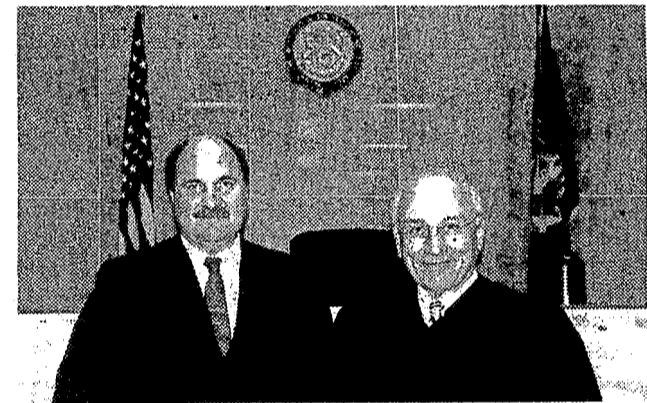


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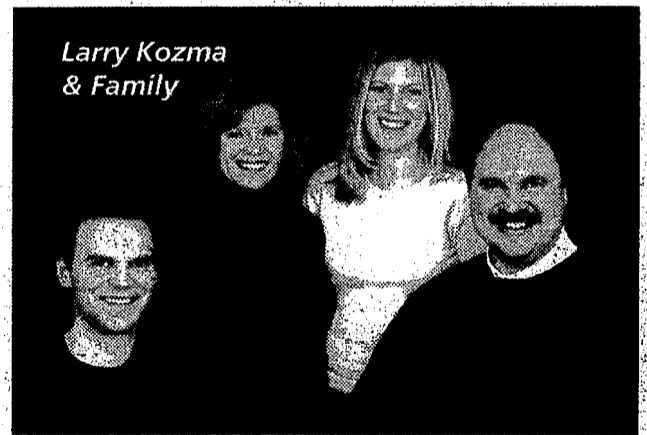
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"Scooby Doo, because he is funny."

-Eric Smith



"An Indian. I like Indians because they were one of the first people on earth."

-Erin Hill



"My daughter wanted to be 'Beauty,' so my husband is 'Beast,' and I am Mrs. Pot."

-Pauline Temple



"A princess. I have the jewelry at home."

-Anamaria Sirbu

By Noah Purcell

The Clarkston News' Millstream

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



Steve Gabriel, right, and Demetrious Asim display many of the original antiques that came with the building. The two men, along with their brother Michael Asim, are working on a sale for The Nickelodeon. Photo by Jenny Matteson.

Nickelodeon prepares for new owners

BY JENNY MATTESON
Clarkston News Editor

A long-time Clarkston business family will soon be leaving one of the best known establishments in the area.

A purchase agreement is currently underway for the sale of The Nickelodeon Restaurant on M-15. The restaurant and store have been Clarkston landmarks since the late 1970s.

The well-loved landmark has been family owned since 1981. Brothers Michael Asim, Demetrious Asim and Steve Gabriel are the current proprietors. They are native born Michigan men who were raised in the Pontiac and Detroit areas.

The family has been in the restaurant business for years.

"Michael and I were in the restaurant business in California," explained Steve. "We sold that establishment out there and then Demetrious called us and said this one was available. We came back here."

Demetrious said he learned about the business through a real estate agent. He

knew his brothers were looking for another store, and felt this one was a good buy.

"We were attracted to the uniqueness, the individuality, the green (garden) room," explained Demetrious. "That room is wonderful. It's like eating outside all the time."

The Nickelodeon started as just a gas station/convenience store on M-15. When the property was purchased in the late 1970s by Mr. and Mrs. Krause, the couple built the restaurant. Just over a year later, the couple along with Leo Perez sold the building to the

three brothers. The name came with the purchase.

"The Krause's had the antiques," explained Steve. "They started that and it's simply carried on."

"This has been a fantastic area to run a restaurant," said Demetrious. "The people are pleasant. They are very relaxed out here, not the hustle and bustle of the city. People know their neighbors here."

The Nickelodeon is known for giving back to the community. The brothers would work closely with the schools and often participate in downtown events despite being a few miles north on M-15.

So why sell such a well known area business. The brothers agreed the timing was just right.

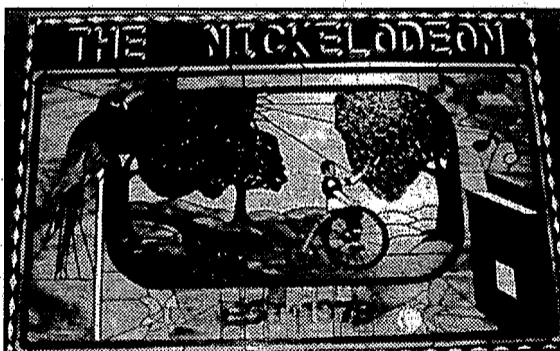
"We felt it was time," said Demetrious. "We want to explore a little different avenues each of us."

"It was time," Steve agreed.

"It needs young blood, and my kids didn't want it," he joked.

Not only will the three brothers be

Please see Nickelodeon, page 11B



The Nickelodeon Restaurant has been a landmark in the Clarkston area for decades. Photo by Jenny Matteson.



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Around Town

All seniors in the community are invited to attend a senior citizen appreciation luncheon on Saturday, Oct. 30 at 12 p.m. The event, held at the Davisburg United Methodist Church, will be an afternoon of dinner and entertainment. Call (248) 634-3373 for reservations. The church is located at 803 Broadway Road in Davisburg.

The Davisburg Rotary presents the "House of Horrors" at the Oakland County 4H fair grounds in Davisburg. "Ghoulish" foods and potions will be available. Tickets are \$10 per person. Tour dates are Oct. 14-16, 21-23 and 28-31. Thursday and Sunday event times are 7-10 p.m. Times for Friday and Saturday are 7 p.m. to 12 a.m. For more information, please visit www.davisburgrotary.org.

The Clarkston Rotary Club will be holding a wine tasting on Nov. 10 at Bordine Nursery in Clarkston. "Taste for the Holidays" will begin at 6:30 p.m. and run until 8:30 p.m. A selection in excess of 40 wines from California, Italy, Chile and Australia

will be poured. Several area restaurants will be participating in the event. Tickets can be purchased in advance of the event for \$30 per person or for \$35 at the door. Proceeds from the fund-raiser will benefit the Clarkston Rotary's community projects. To order tickets, please contact Jeff Lichty at 248-625-4244 or Joel DeLong at 248-625-9741. Tickets are also available at the Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce.

The Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce is hosting the third annual Heart of Clarkston Lighted Holiday Parade on Sat., Dec. 11. The parade will begin at 6 p.m. and will follow the traditional parade route down Church St. onto Main St., through the heart of downtown Clarkston and will end at Miller Rd. This year's parade theme is "Storybook Holidays."

There is still room in the parade for any groups that have not already signed up to participate. You may register your parade entry by contacting the chamber office at 248-625-8055.

A Halloween Night Hike will begin at 5 p.m. on

Oct. 30 at the Wint Nature Center inside Independence Oaks County Park. Participants will explore the spooky side of nature while hiking. The night ends with cider and s'mores. Participants are encouraged to wear a costume. To register or for more information, please call 248-625-6473.

The public is cordially invited to the second annual "Medieval Feast Fund-raiser," in support of the Oakland Symphony Orchestra, on Oct. 29 from 7-11 p.m. The event takes place at Liberty Golf and Banquet in Clarkston. Indulge in feast, merriment, music and fun. Tickets are \$100 for a "loyal subject," \$150 for a "regal couple" and \$250 for a "feudal foursome." A silent auction is also included and medieval attire is optional. Reservations are due by Oct. 15. For further information, please call 248-334-6024 or visit www.oaklandsymphony.com.

Join us for a spaghetti dinner fund-raiser to benefit the Adam Wheatcroft Memorial Scholarship Foundation on Oct. 30 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Held at the Oakland County Sportsmen's Club in Clarkston, the evening will feature a bake sale, 50/50 drawing, door prizes, raffles and a cash bar. Tickets are \$15 each. A donation of \$2 will be made to the foundation for each person who dresses up for Halloween. For more information or to purchase tickets, call Lynette and Rob Wheatcroft at 248-628-6390, Nancy Larrow at 248-426-8844 or Sue Jackson at 248-922-0996.

There is a Knitting Guild being formed in the Clarkston area. All knitters are invited - beginners to advanced. If this is something which interests you, please join us for our first meeting on Oct. 28 at the home of Colleen Klockow, 6361 Heron Parkway. Bring your ideas and a project to work on. Please feel free to bring a friend. For more information, call 248-620-5351.

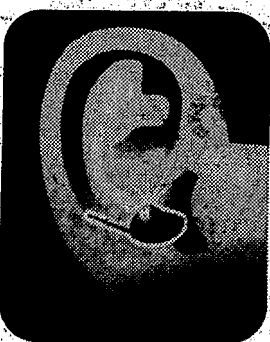
The Clarkston Specialty Healthcare Center, located at 4800 Clintonville Rd., would like to invite the community and surrounding areas to our monthly complimentary breakfast on Nov. 3 at 8:30 a.m. Come join us as our guest speaker, Peggie Nichols, MDA from National City Bank, an expert in identity theft, teaches us to identify and reduce the risk of fraud and what to do if it happens. For more information, please call 248-674-0903.

State Rep. John Stakoe announced he will sponsor regular coffee hours on Nov. 1. Stakoe will be available for informal get-togethers from 2-3 p.m. at the Clarkston Village Office and from 3:15-5 p.m. at the Independence Township Hall. Residents unable to meet Stakoe during the scheduled office hours can contact his Lansing office toll free at 1-866-334-0010 or by e-mail at johnstakoe@house.mi.gov to make an appointment.

Please see Around Town, 13B



Sashabaw Middle School Junior Optimists Dana Miller, Katie Miller and Chelsey Miller (no relation) decorate a "ballot box" to be used for the Kids Vote project on Election Day. Anyone interested in helping count Kids Vote ballots on election day should call Sherry Regiani at (248) 625-5222. Photo by Don Schelske



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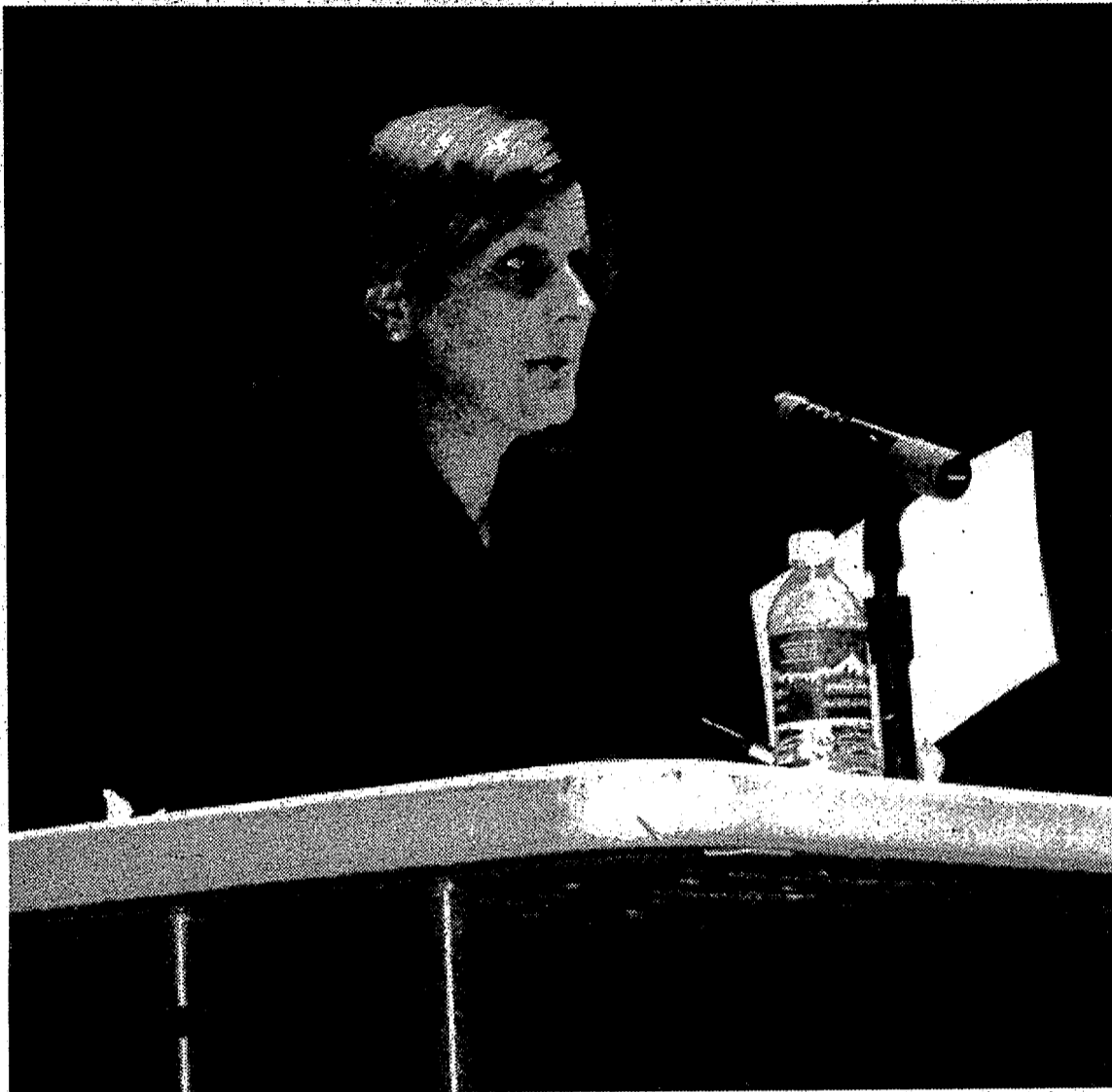
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District judge brings court to classroom at CHS



Judge Dana Fortinberry holds court in the auditorium of Clarkston High School. The Court in School program has been popular with many students who are studying in John Zittel's law classes. Photo by Jenny Matteson.

BY JENNY MATTESON
Clarkston News Editor

Students at Clarkston High School received a taste of reality from Judge Dana Fortinberry on Oct. 20. The 52-2 Circuit Court judge brought her regular courtroom to the school's auditorium.

"I enjoy this program - it gets me out into the community," said Judge Fortinberry. "I like working with young people. I think it's important for them to see there are consequences for their behavior."

Court in School was pioneered by Judge Michael Martone in Troy. He wanted to focus on a program that would show students how to make courageous decisions.

Judge Fortinberry said she learned of the program from Judge Martone, and then approached Clarkston High School with the concept.

"I spoke with John Zittel about this," she explained. "He's really forward thinking about the way he teaches."

Zittel, who teaches law to eleventh and twelfth graders, jumped at the idea.

"We teach them about the law in class, but it's great for them to see it take place for real," he said, emphasizing that the students are then able to

learn by seeing and doing.

"This is great because they can see it in a real life setting."

This is the second time the program has come to CHS. The first time was back in February. Approximately 1,400 students attended court this session. Zittel said he invited all the social studies classes as well as all freshman classes.

Judge Fortinberry said she holds "actual court hearings." The cases for the day are across the board, although the judge tries to "focus on cases that teens can relate to." During the Oct. 20 session, Judge Fortinberry heard 18 cases including minor in possession, drunk driving, retail fraud, possession of marijuana and assault and battery. The court is closed with a question and answer period with the students.

After their "day in court," Zittel said the law classes review what they learn.

"The most important thing is that they realize there are consequences for their actions," he added.

Both Judge Fortinberry and Zittel said they hope to see the program expand.

"I'm just thrilled that Principal Jan Meagher and Mr. Zittel asked me to be here," Judge Fortinberry stated.



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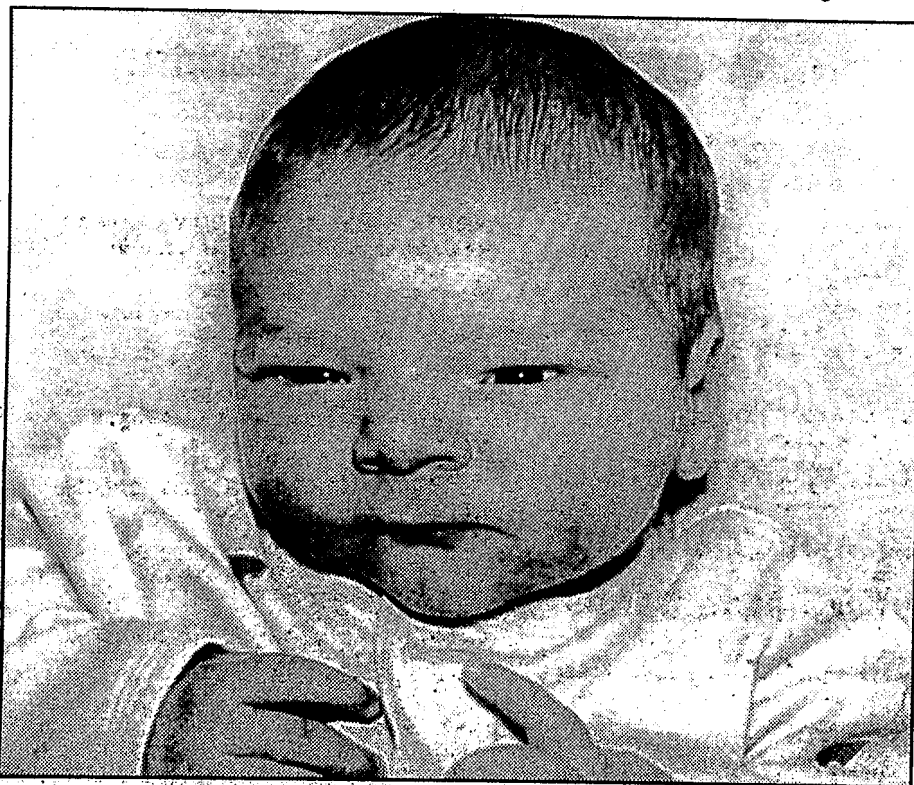


Alana Goeringer, 14, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Goeringer, recently was awarded the title of Miss Junior East Clarkston and will be competing for the title of Miss Junior Michigan on February 19 and 20, 2005. The winner of the state will travel to Orlando in February 2005 to compete for the National Title of Miss Junior America.

Alana attends Marian High School in Bloomfield Hills. She's very involved in her school and is a member of many activities there. She has also performed in three productions with the Clarkston Village Players. In 2002, she attended the IMTA Competition in New York, and says everything that she learned there has helped her to prepare for this upcoming competition.

The Miss Junior America Pageant has been in existence for over 20 years and offers it's contestants an experience of a lifetime with opportunities unlike any other pageant today. Many previous pageant winners, like Tiffani Amber Thiessen, have been discovered in the Miss Junior America pageant by well respected agents, managers and casting directors who judge the competitions.

Welcome Dakota Lee Frye



Michelle and Terran Frye of Jacksonville, North Carolina, are proud to announce the birth of their son, Dakota Lee.

Dakota was born on June 29, 2004 at Camp Legeune Naval Hospital, weighing nine pounds, five ounces. Proud grandparents are Gordon and Nancy Mason of Clarkston and Ivan and Kathy Frye of Kansas. Great-grandparents are Milford and Joanne Mason of Clarkston, Donna and the late Ken Ross of Lake George, Betty and Larry May, and Ivan and Pat Frye of Kansas.

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Religion

Halloween: 'All Hallow's Eve'

When Christianity spread in Europe, Christians often gave new Christian meaning to old pagan customs. Christmas is an example of such a feast day. The Romans celebrated the equinox with a festival of lights, to mark the end of the long dark nights and the hope of the days getting longer again. Christians began celebrating at that time the coming of Jesus into the world. Jesus is the light that dispels darkness and evil. His coming marks a new light in history. Christmas lights on every street in December still give witness to the light of Christ that came into the world.

Halloween comes from "All Hallow's Eve," the eve of All Hallow's or All Saints Day. Hallow means holy. It is the same word we find in the Lord's Prayer when we pray, "hallowed be thy name." Nov. 1 is All Saints Day in the Roman Catholic and Anglican calendar and Nov. 2 is All Souls Day in the Catholic calendar, the day when we remember the dead.

In my home country, Germany, we called Oct. 31 Walburgisnacht. It was the night when the pagan spirits like goblins, witches and ghosts are loose until St. Walburgis banishes them at midnight. At midnight the saints "take over" and it's All Saints Day. St. Walburgis brought Christianity to many villages, helping to dispel the darkness of magic and paganism with the light of faith. She is one of the saints who helped banish the ghosts of paganism.

In some areas of Europe, people dressed up the night before All Saints Day and paraded through town. Others then dressed up as goblins and devils and witches to taunt them, symbolically trying to turn them from their-Christian ways. The saints won out, as with daylight. All Saints Day began and gone were the devils and ghosts. The tradition celebrated the victory of good over evil, a message prominent in the Catholic calendar during the month of November.

In Mexico, the Day of the Dead from local Na-

tive American tradition coincides with All Souls Day. Blending Catholic tradition about the souls of the dead with old local customs, Mexicans decorate homes with playful imagery of human skeletons, leave food for wandering spirits and tend graves of the deceased.

November is at the end of the Church's liturgical year. The readings at Mass are often about death and end times. On Nov. 21 we celebrate "Christ the King," the victory of Jesus over all evil and death, a victory in which we share as members of the "communion of saints." All who follow Jesus, whether living or deceased, are part of the communion of saints and can be free from fear of death and evil spirits.

We should be ready with an answer to those who act as if the devil were the equal or opposite of God. There is no equal and opposite of God. Christian tradition tells us that Satan is a created being, a fallen angel. Christ has conquered sin and Satan once and for all. Saints, angels and all the people of faith, living and dead, share in that victory. That is why all forms of occult are rejected by Christians. Whether horoscopes, astrology, palm reading or conjuring up the dead, they all conceal a desire for power over time, history and other human beings, that contradicts our faith in the one God who created all and in Jesus who is victor over all evil and even death.

Halloween, like Mardi Gras, is a time when we can laugh at our dark side, yet trusting in the promise of life in Christ. It is when we lose sight of faith in the victory of Christ over evil and death that All Hallow's Eve becomes "hollow" rather than "hallow."

Maybe the old tale of Jack O'Lantern tells it all. He tried to trick both God and Satan and ended up wandering lost in the dark forever. He could have repented and been saved rather than delaying a change of heart. He thought he could trick everyone. In the end, neither heaven nor hell has a place for him and he ends up wandering in the dark with only the light of a burning coal in his pumpkin. There is a Halloween moral in that story.

(Freida Arpoika is director of faith formation for St. Daniel Catholic Church in Clarkston.)

Spiritual Matters



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In our churches...

Calvary Lutheran Church will host an event to encourage women from 11:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 30.

The "Extraordinary Women Conference," a live simulcast, will feature speakers Stormie Omartian, Jennifer O'Neill, Dave and Jan Dravecky, and Ruth Graham as they look to help all women experience Jesus in new and refreshing ways.

Lunch will be served. For more information, contact the church office, (248) 625-3288.

Calvary Lutheran Church meets at 6805 Bluegrass Drive in Clarkston, at the southwest corner of I-75 and M-15.

"Which Way, USA?" is the theme for a community prayer meeting at Clarkston Free Methodist Church from 7 to 8:15 p.m. on Monday, Nov. 1.

Christians are instructed to pray for their leaders, which is what this community prayer time is about. Everyone in the community is welcome to join in this worship of God and prayer for the Nov. 2 election.

Clarkston Free Methodist Church meets at the crossroads of Winell Street and Maybee Road. For more information, call (248) 623-1224.

Caedmon's Call will be in concert at 7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 6 at Clarkston Community Church.

The concert will be in the church's new auditorium, a venue designed for a close, intimate concert experience with state-of-the-art sound and no seat farther than 50 feet from the stage.

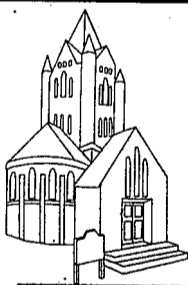
Tickets are \$20 in advance or \$25 at the door. Doors will open at 6:15 p.m.

Clarkston Community Church meets at 6300 Clarkston Road. For more information, call (248) 778-4004 or visit www.clarkstonchurch.com.

The Catholic Book Store will be at St. Daniel Church's activity center from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Nov. 20-21 with display of books, Bibles, religious articles, music, etc. for sale just in time for Christmas shopping.

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Nick Plaskon takes a moment to read a book to three-year-olds Kendall Beauchamp and Andrea Flores.



Putting together a puzzle is Emily Eicher, 5, and her grandmother Kathy Eicher.

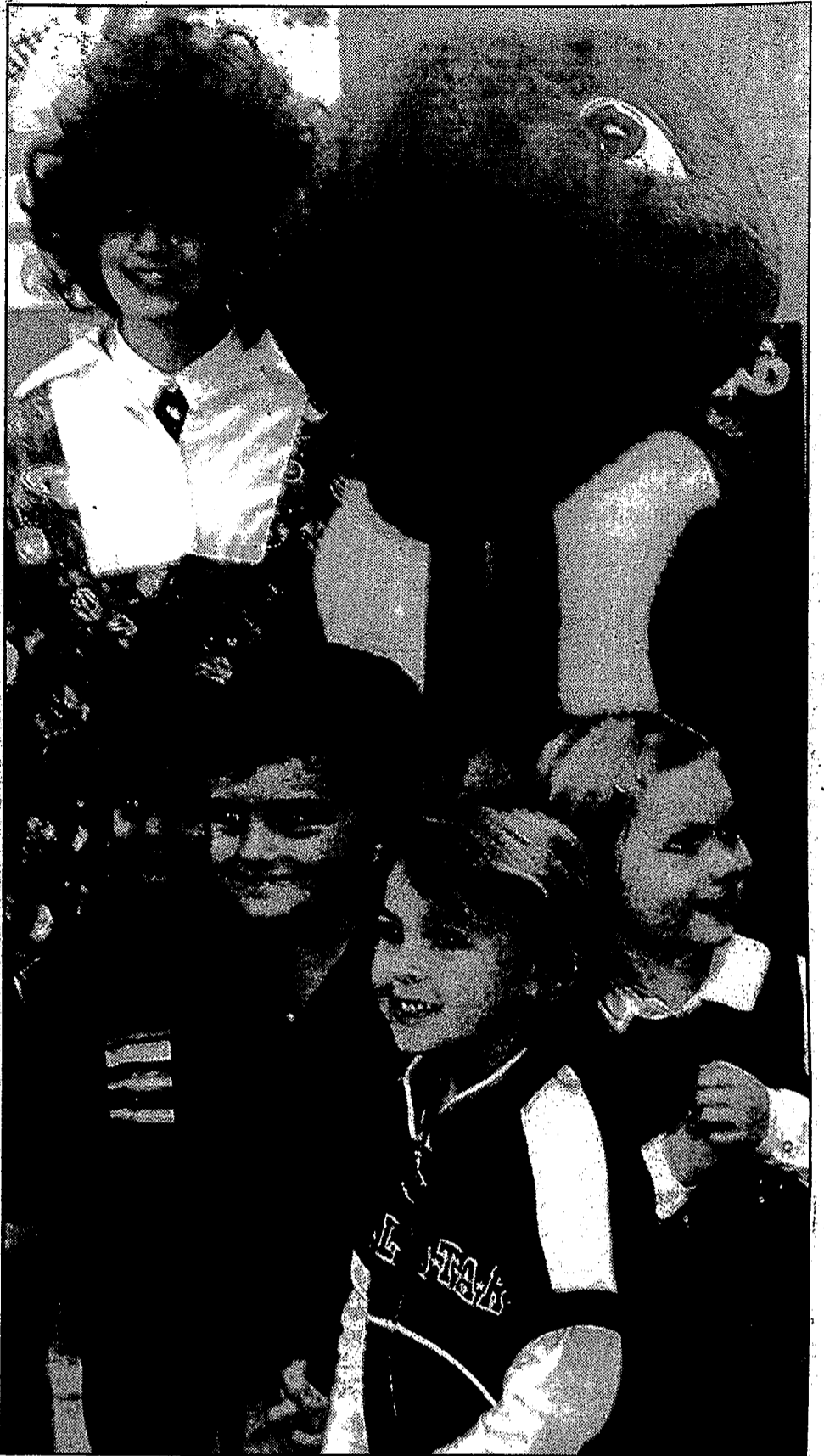
Grandparents Day at Everest Academy

More than 200 grandparents attended the annual Everest Academy Grandparent's Day Celebration. The Oct. 22 event opened with a mass followed by class presentations and the school's

forensic winners. Grandparents were then treated to a breakfast reception, a project time with their grandchildren in the classrooms and a book fair.



Six-year-old Grace Leonard found something said by her grandmother Pat Leonard funny while the pair munch breakfast at the reception. Those in attendance enjoyed fruit, juice, bagels and cookies at the event.



Entertaining everyone with their crazy antics were Franklin and Miss Frizzle. Posing with the famous faces are Morgan Guerrieri, Nick Dueweke, Kamran Nallamothu and Hailey Pindell, all four years old. Below, Grandma Virginia Kastner helps twins Connor and Ross Nicholas, 5, make picture frames in their classrooms.



Photos by Jenny Matteson

Music boosters keep musicians in tune

BY ALICIA DORSET
Clarkston News Staff Writer

When Clarkston football fans enjoy a Friday night complete with marching band performance, many don't know about the driving force behind those student musicians: the Clarkston Instrumental Music Association.

Run primarily by parents of band students throughout the district, the organization's main function is to help support Clarkston High School's marching band, an annual endeavor that requires \$20,000-\$25,000.

"The biggest chunk goes to the marching band," said Doug Baker, CIMA treasurer. "It's a variety of stuff."

There is no fee to join the organization, unlike some other support groups in the schools. Also, the boosters help facilitate not only the marching band, but also the middle school band and orchestra programs as well.

Some of the events hosted by CIMA include orchestra clinics for students and a large band invitational, held for the marching band, every fall.

"Probably the biggest thing we do is the band invitational," Baker said.

The invitational features 15 bands. CIMA is responsible for concessions during the event, selling programs and securing admission fees. The group raised about \$8,000 during the Oct. 2 invitational.

In addition to the larger fund-raisers, the group often does smaller fund-raisers such as fruit sales, bake sales and cookie dough drops.

Providing such funding is extremely important for the students.

"As there's been funding cutbacks by the state, the district's been forced to look at ways to use all funds, so there's more demand from groups like us," Baker said.

During the CHS marching band season, the group meets every Monday night to work on various topics. When marching is done, usually around November, the group meets the first Monday of every month.

"We always seem to get the volunteers we need," Baker said. "The parent turnout is good."



The CHS marching band performs at the Oct. 2 music invitational. The annual competition included 15 bands from southeastern Michigan. Photo provided.



Caryl Alessi displays one of her works of art, illustrating part of what will be on display at a Nov. 21 art and craft show to benefit SCAMP. Photo provided

Art-craft show expands from home to larger hall to benefit SCAMP

BY DON SCHELSE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Several years ago, Caryl Alessi was first exposed to Clarkston SCAMP through friends with special needs children.

"I could see what a help it was to the families," she said. "It's a unique organization and it started here in Clarkston."

That led Alessi to launch a small art and craft show in her home. At first, the event included only her work offered for sale to a few friends.

"Then it grew to several friends," she said.

Each year the number of "friends" grew, both patrons and artisans. Last year, 10 people offered arts and crafts at the special event, and 20 are scheduled this year.

The benefit show is scheduled from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 21 at the American Legion hall, 8047 Ortonville Road.

"This is the big step out," Alessi said.

When the shows were located in her home, Alessi always offered complimentary hot coffee, tea and "goodies" as part of the ambiance. She will attempt to recreate that atmosphere in the new location, and the refreshments will be part of that effort.

A music teacher until her retirement a few years ago, Alessi has also had a lifelong interest in art, and has created crafts and attended art workshops for many years.

Visitors to the show can expect to see exhibits of photography, mixed-media and recycled art work, fabric art, mosaic stones, antiques, pottery, herbal teas and vinegars, aroma therapy products, paper products and more.

While the show is not intended to have a specific holiday theme, Alessi expects there will be ample offerings for folks looking for Thanksgiving and Christmas items.

For more information about the show, please contact Marilyn Zawacki at (248) 625-5820.

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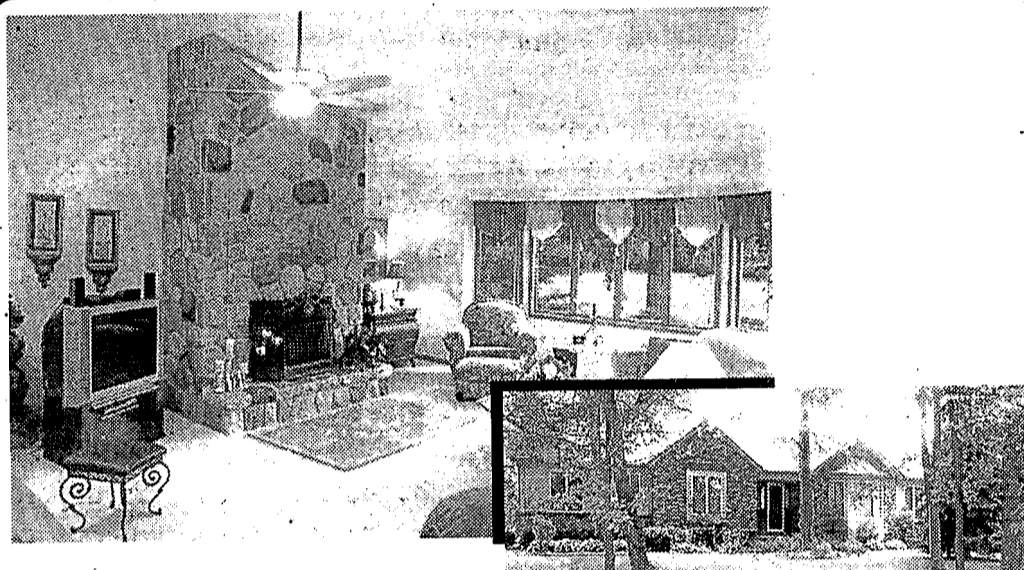
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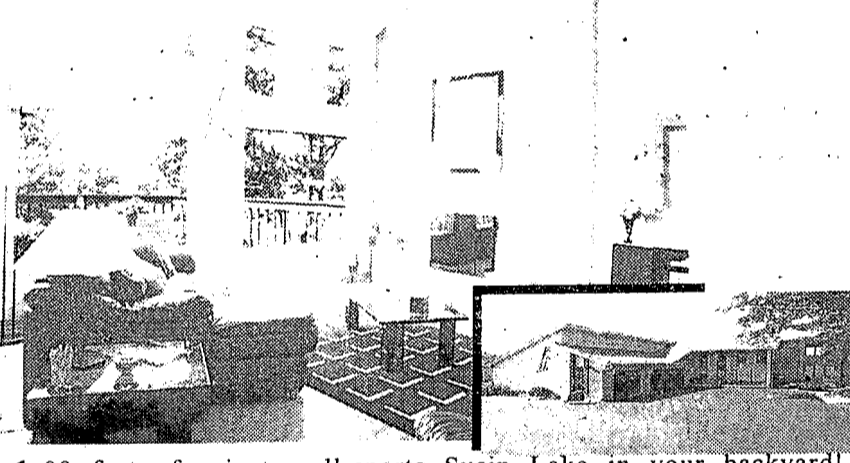
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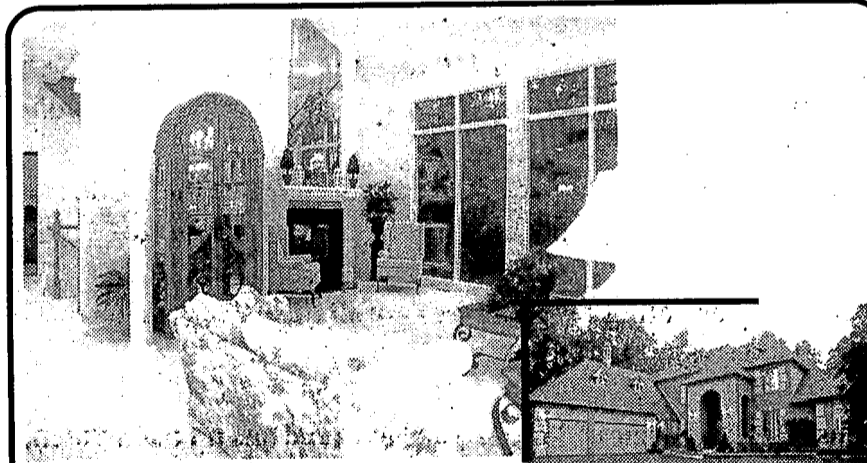
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"FREE ABORTIONS FOR GAY WHALES"

Did Senator John Kerry propose the government fund "Free Abortions For Gay Whales?" I am Jerry Goodwin, Clarkston Realtor. In a former life I knew John Kerry and I've followed his voting record for twenty years, his entire time in the Senate. I'm about to set the record straight.

I FIRST MET JOHN KERRY while I was in the Air Force stationed in Washington D.C.. Later I became District Director for a U.S. Congressman in Massachusetts. Our office was in Lowell, John Kerry's Home Town. I've seen Senator Kerry in action in Washington and in his home state! John Kerry and I are both Vietnam veterans. Both our names are in the 100th Congress Congressional Directory.

I Served In The Military For Twenty-Six Years under six different presidents. I lived overseas for twelve years and, while assigned duty at the Pentagon, took members of Congress to "hot spots" all over the world - Manila during a coup to overthrow President Cory Aquino's new government, the Contra/Sandanista War in Central America, and Yugoslavia during terrorist attacks! I understand foreign policy.

If Elected, John Kerry will not be in favor of U.S. involvement in the internal affairs of other countries; his voting record is clear on that matter. He has a "Plan" to get us out of Iraq and Afghanistan quickly. Our troops may even get to wear "Blue U.N. Helmets," and be under the control of a United Nations Commander; as President Clinton had authorized - remember "Black Hawk Down?"

Senator Kerry Voted Against "Star Wars". While assigned duty at the Pentagon I spent two weeks traveling with the largest Soviet delegation to visit the U.S.. Several senior members of the delegation asked, "Why does your President Reagan want Star Wars?" The Soviets were terrified of Strategic Defense Initiative, nicknamed "Star Wars". If you visit the Ford Presidential Library in Grand Rapids your children can actually see and touch a section of the wall which was brought down by President Reagan's "Star Wars."

Senator Kerry Opposed U.S. Involvement in the Philippines. Remember when we removed Marcos and his wife Ammilda from the Philippines? Shortly thereafter I took members of congress into Manila during an attempted coup to overthrow the new government of Cory Aquino. She wanted our assurance that she could depend on our support and we gave it. The coup was ended without bloodshed.

Senator Kerry Voted Against Aid To The Contras. While at the Pentagon I took many members of congress into Central America during the Contra/Sandanista War. A Contra Rebel asked Senator Phil Graham, "How do we know you won't desert us as you did the South Vietnamese?" President Reagan requested Congress authorize aid for the Contras. The vote was taken and aid was approved. The Soviet backed Sandanistas were defeated and today all of Central America, Nicaragua, Guatemala, Panama, Costa Rica, Honduras and El Salvador are democratic nations!

JOHN KERRY AND I BOTH SERVED IN VIETNAM. I was there in 1971 providing support to the South Vietnamese Army during their incursions into Laos. At the same time John Kerry was testifying before the Senate about the atrocities we were supposedly committing - **Raping Women, Killing Babies, Cutting off Heads**. I was in Vietnam, three times longer than John Kerry, on the ground, not in a boat. If I had witnessed atrocities I would have stopped them and reported the incident. If I had been ordered to commit atrocities I would have refused because it would not have been a Lawful Order!

I Was Spit On and Called Baby Killer when I returned from Vietnam, it was late December 1971 at the height of the anti-war protests! What happened to me happened to many other veterans who had served with honor. I believe John Kerry slandered the American soldier, broke the spirit of the South Vietnamese, gave hope to the Viet Cong invaders, and sealed the fate of millions of people in Vietnam, Cambodia, and Laos, by convincing the American people that we should abandon an unpopular war.

"The Staircase To Shame" At the Ford Presidential Library is the metal staircase which the last U.S. personnel climbed to the roof of the U.S. Embassy in Saigon during our "Shameful" evacuation from Vietnam. How appropriate that it should end up here in Michigan where John Kerry gave his first anti-war press conference. The Vietnam War ended for America without honor when we deserted those who had trusted us like rats deserting a sinking ship.

I Returned To South-East Asia eleven years after the end of the Vietnam war. I took a Congressional delegation into the refugee camp in Thailand. This was one of the most heartbreaking experiences of my life. We visited six camps and saw thousands of refugees from Vietnam, Cambodia, and Laos. All had fled the Vietnamese Communists. Many had been soldiers who fought along side U.S. Forces. All had lost family members at the hands of the VC. The Vietnam war ended for America when we abandoned the people of South Vietnam, but our hasty retreat destroyed the lives, hopes and freedom of millions of people in South East Asia.

Senator Kerry Blocked A Humane Treatment Vote. The House of Representative's voted 410 to 1 on a bill to insist on the humane treatment of those held in re-education camps since the end of the Vietnam War. The bill was passed to the Senate for a vote; but John Kerry blocked it stating that we should not interfere with the internal policies of the government of Vietnam.

We Can't Trust John Kerry, his judgement is flawed. His selection of John Edward for Vice President is evidence that he doesn't place what's best for America above getting elected! Why Edwards; a polished attorney, handsome freshman senator, who has good hair, but no previous public office or foreign policy experience?

John Kerry Does Not Understand Foreign Policy based on his twenty year voting record. **The Lowell Sun** has also been following John Kerry's voting record. **The Lowell Sun** is John Kerry's Hometown Newspaper.

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John Kerry Did Not propose government funding for "Free Abortions For Gay Whales." Would you have read this if I had written, "Make Your Vote Count?"

I Trust President Bush and the strong experienced team he has in place; Vice President/former Secretary of Defense Dick Cheney, twice Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld and Secretary of State General Colin Powell. What an awesome team to have had in place on "9/11" and during this most critical time in our nations history.

I'm Jerry Goodwin. In the past I've kept my politics to myself. Iraq and Afghanistan represent an investment by America in a safer world for our children and grandchildren. **If We Screw Up Again** and abandon the fifty million people we have liberated before they are ready to govern and defend themselves **Shame On Us!**

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Learn how to effectively deal with temper tantrums

I get so embarrassed when my three-and-a-half-year-old decides to throw a temper tantrum in the middle of the grocery store! What is the best way to handle temper tantrums?

We've all been in that situation and have to agree it isn't very comfortable. One of a child's most upsetting emotional behaviors is a temper tantrum. Temper tantrums can leave a parent feeling angry, out of control and embarrassed.

There are two types of tantrums: **frustration tantrums** and **power tantrums**.

Parents can respond to each in a different way.

Frustration Tantrums: A young child may be unable to express feelings in words. Or a young child may find a task hard to do. The child's sense of failure and rage explodes into a tantrum.

Letting the child cry out this kind of tantrum is best. In fact, trying to stop it often makes things worse. When the tantrum is over, hold and comfort the child. It's hard to want to do something so much and you can't. But someday you'll be able to do it.

Power Tantrums: A child may throw a tantrum to gain power. The child may be trying to force a parent to give in (to buying candy in the grocery store check-out lane), or revenge may be the point of the tantrum (you said no when the child asked for the candy and boy, are you going to pay for that!). If your child throws

this type of tantrum, this is what you do.

Ignore the tantrum: Ignoring this kind of tantrum is best. If possible, leave the room. Don't attempt to comfort or talk to the child. Doing so may reinforce the actions. This is very hard to do, though, if you are out in public, or at the grocery store! Two options: 1) stand quietly and wait it out while all the other shopper eye you (could be worse) or 2) guess what, shopping is over! Leave your cart, go to the car and go home.

Use a time-out: Use time-out if ignoring the behavior isn't possible. Later, when the child has calmed down, talk about the feelings, identify it: You were feeling very angry.

A note about time-out: time-out can help a toddler or preschooler regain self-control. It can give a child time to calm down. A word of caution though, use time-out as a last resort when other discipline methods haven't worked. A time-out is appropriate only for very disruptive behaviors, such as temper tantrums, constant interruptions and hitting or biting. The purpose of a time-out is to teach a child that she or he must learn to control behavior if the child wants to be around others, and to give you a chance to keep control of your own behavior and feelings.

Give choices. Try offering alternatives. For example, Jessica is two. She has started using tantrums to fight going to bed. If her parents leave the room and ignore the tantrums, Jessica will have what she wants. She won't go to bed. So her parents offer her a choice: Jessica, it's time for bed. You may choose to walk to your bed or be carried there. Then Jessica walks or is carried directly to bed. The tantrum may continue. But her parents haven't reinforced her goal of power. Some temper tantrums can be ignored and they will

stop, but other tantrums happen more and more. Don't allow these tantrums to continue. Often, the child is seeking a limit asking to be stopped.

Pick up the child and take her to another room. Hold the child gently, but firmly and say, You can stay here until you stop (insert behavior). Be clear about what behavior you won't accept. Give the child five or ten minutes to calm down. Then bring the child back to the other room.

If the tantrum begins again, follow up promptly in the same way. Consistency and persistence are very important in stopping tantrums. We can do many things to reduce tantrums, but we probably can't completely stop them.

Children often act aggressively when they are tired. If tantrums tend to happen when your child is tired, hungry, overexcited or frustrated: Steer the child away from activities the child cannot do; Be aware of times when your child gets tired or hungry; Distract your child from a situation that might be tense; and Help your child get rid of tension by running, jumping or moving to music.

Fortunately, temper tantrums usually don't last much past the preschool years, as children gain more emotional maturity.

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The Nickelodeon Restaurant on M-15 has been a landmark in the Clarkston area for decades. Photo by Bob Flath

Nickelodeon

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things in the works," he said with a smile.

All in all, the one thing the brothers feel they'll miss the most is the people.

"My favorite part was meeting all the people throughout the years, different people

from different aspects of life, famous, not famous, everybody," said Steve. "I'm going to miss the people - the employees, the customers.

"I've had some great relationships throughout the years. You can replace a business, you

can't replace the people."

The sale of the restaurant is still pending and all parties currently wish to keep the details confidential.

Steve and Demetrious said the sale process has been a long time in coming. The owners

have spent the past eight months alone working with the current buyer.

"It's a lot more than selling a house," said Demetrious with a laugh.

Steve and Demetrious welcome everyone to stop by The

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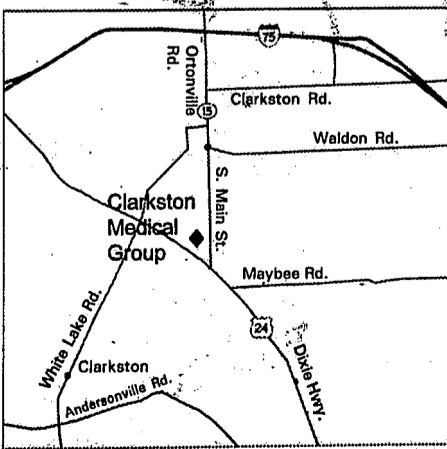
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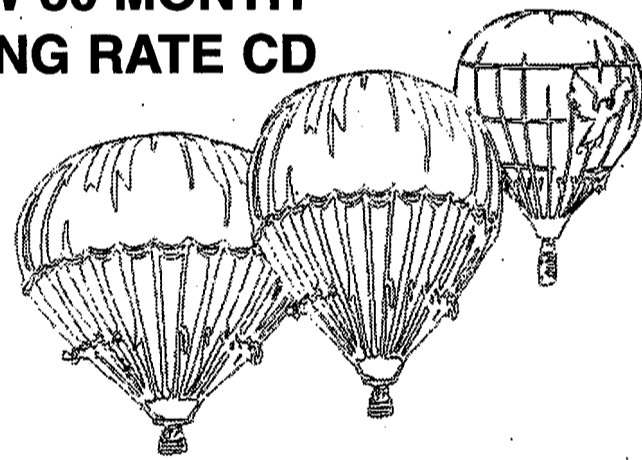


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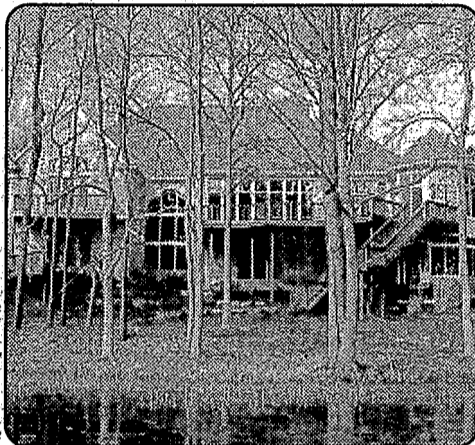
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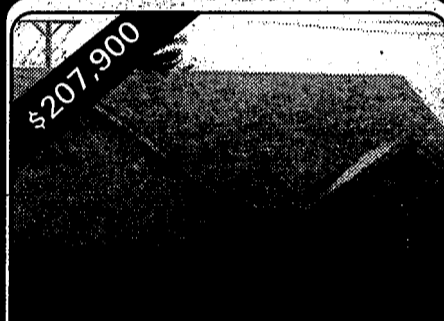
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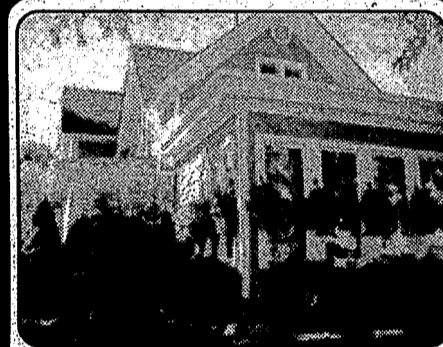


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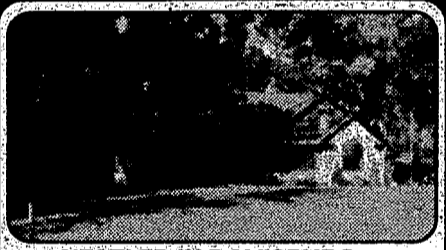
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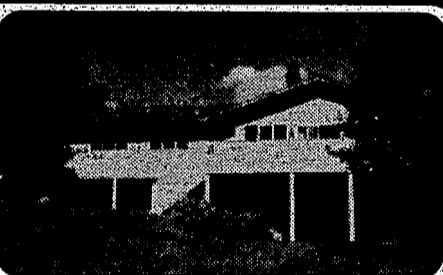
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IN CLARKSTON**

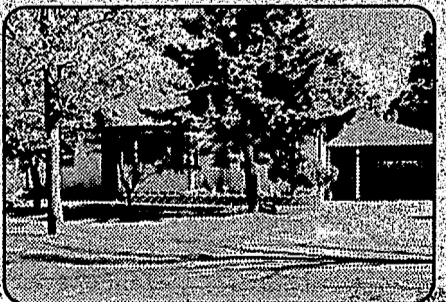
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Around Town —

Continued from page 1B

The Widowed Support Group will be holding two sessions this month:

The informal sharing meeting is Thursday, Nov. 4 at 7 p.m. at the Independence Twp. Senior Center in Clintonwood Park. This year's topic is "Coping with the Holiday-Sharing Past Experiences." The facilitator will be Bereavement Counselor Alicia Brown.

On Wednesday, Nov. 17 at 7 p.m., the Widowers and Widows on with Life Group will be held. The event will feature card games, board games and a social mixer. Learn how others deal with the loneliness that comes with the loss of a mate.

Please contact Jackie at 248-393-8553 for more information.

The Red Cross will be holding a blood drive on Oct. 31 at the Clarkston United Methodist Church in the Church's Fellowship Hall. The collected that day will be used to help our friends and relatives in the community. The drive will run from 8 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Call 248-625-8618 with any questions.

Several activities are on the schedule this holiday season for the Clarkston Farm and Garden Club:

Orders for holiday wreaths are now being accepted through Nov. 20. The wreaths come in three sizes. To guarantee a selection, please pre-order until Nov. 20 at CF&G website www.ClarkstonGardenClub.org or call 248-625-0520. All business orders will be delivered early.

The 13th Annual Greens Market is set for Dec. 4 from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. at the Church of the Resurrection on Clarkston Rd., east of M-15. The Greens Market is CF&G's major fund-raiser to bring new planters to Main St.

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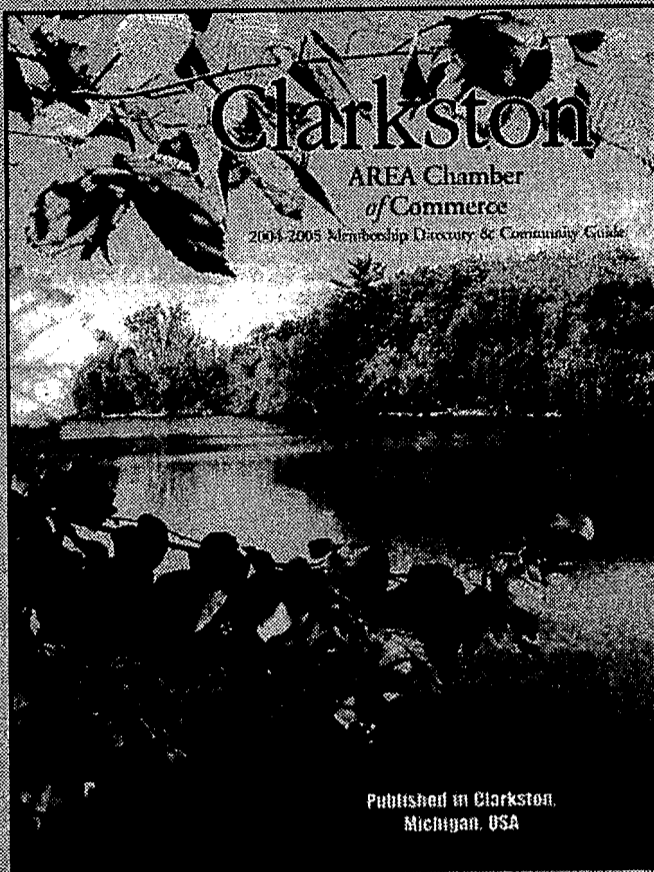
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Meet the Clarkston chamber



In this edition of *The Clarkston News* is a valuable resource for the entire Clarkston area community.

The Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce Membership Directory and Community Guide is a comprehensive listing of area businesses who have committed to promote better business and a better community.

The directory lists member businesses not only alphabetically but also by category. If you're looking for an attorney, a real estate agent, an accountant or other business professional, the chamber guide is the right place to look.

That's not all. In another expression of commitment to the community, the chamber guide offers a comprehensive list of volunteer organizations and service clubs, with contact telephone numbers and background information.

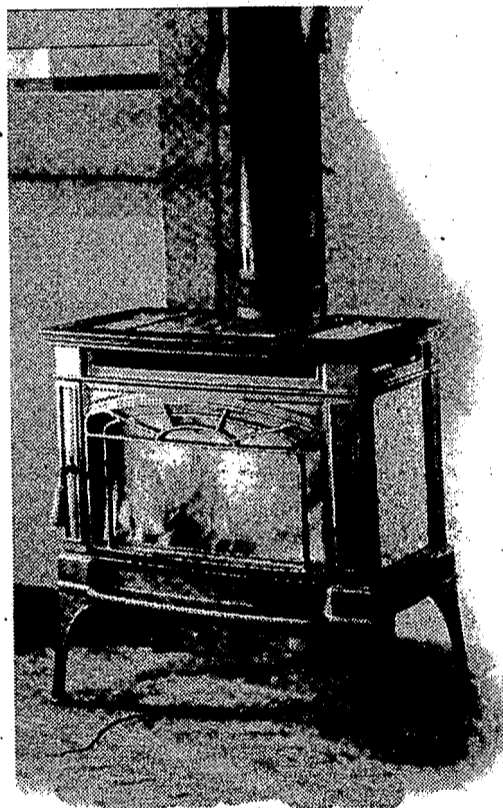
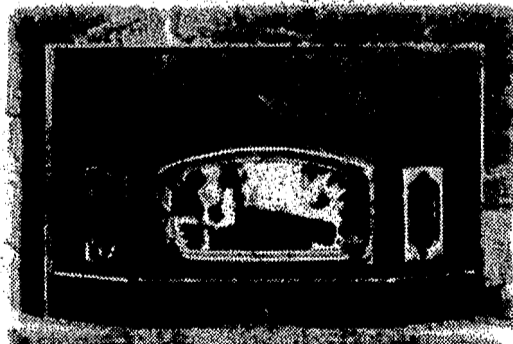
The Clarkston News is proud to be a charter member of the Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce, and proud to be the publisher of the 2004-2005 Membership Directory and Community Guide. Be sure to save it and use it throughout the year!

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CLARKSTON

CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF CLARKSTON
375 DEPOT ROAD
CLARKSTON, MI 48346
City Council

Regular Meeting Agenda
October 25, 2004

1. Meeting called to order
 2. Pledge of Allegiance
 3. Roll: Catallo, Clifton, Colombo, Gamble, Meyland, Savage, Werner.
 4. Minutes of Last Meeting
 5. Approval of Agenda
 6. Committee Reports/Council Comments
 7. Mayor's Comments
 8. Police Report
 9. D.P.W. Report
 10. City Manager Report
- PUBLIC HEARING:**
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS
PUBLIC COMMENTS:
UNFINISHED BUSINESS:
NEW BUSINESS:
1. Allocation of 2005 Community Development Block Grant Funds
 2. Michigan Municipal League Board of Directors Election

PUBLIC NOTICE

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INDEPENDENCE TWP.

GENERAL ELECTION

To the Qualified Electors:
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a General Election will be held in
Charter Township of Independence
County of Oakland, State of Michigan
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2004

THE POLLS will be open 7 o'clock a.m. until 8 o'clock p.m.
AT THE POLLING PLACES LISTED BELOW:

NUMBER	POLLING LOCATION
1	Calvary Evangelical Lutheran Church 6805 Bluegrass
2	North Sashabaw Elementary 5290 Maybee Road
3	Calvary Evangelical Lutheran Church 6805 Bluegrass
4	Free Methodist Church 5482 Winell @ Maybee Road
5	Pine Knob Elementary North Sashabaw Elementary
6	5290 Maybee Road Independence Elementary
7	6850 Hubbard Road Clarkston Elementary
8	6595 Waldon Road Clarkston Elementary
9	6595 Waldon Road Independence Township Library
10	6495 Clarkston Road First Congregational Church
11	5449 Clarkston Road Bailey Lake Elementary
12	8051 Pine Knob Road Maranatha Baptist Church
13	5790 Flemings Lake Road Pine Knob Elementary
14	6020 Sashabaw Road Bailey Lake Elementary
15	8051 Pine Knob Road

FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING CANDIDATES OF ALL
PARTICIPATING POLITICAL PARTIES FOR THE
FOLLOWING OFFICES:

NATIONAL	President and Vice President
CONGRESSIONAL	Representative in Congress
LEGISLATIVE	State Representative
STATE	Two Members of the State Board of Education, Two Members of the University of Michigan Board of Regents, Two Members of the Michigan State University Board of Trustees, Two Members of the Wayne State University Board of Governors
COUNTY	County Executive, Prosecuting Attorney, Sheriff, County Clerk/Register of Deeds, County Treasurer, Drain Commissioner, County Commissioner
LOCAL	Township Supervisor, Township Clerk, Township Treasurer, Township Trustees

NON-PARTISAN OFFICES:

Two Justices of the Supreme Court (Incumbent Positions), One Judge of the Court of Appeals - 2nd District (Incumbent Position), Four Judges of the Circuit Court - 6th Circuit (Incumbent Positions), One Judge of the Circuit Court - 6th Circuit (Non-Incumbent Position), Two Judges of the Circuit Court - 6th Circuit (Partial Term - Incumbent Positions), Two Judges of the Probate Court (Incumbent Positions), One Judge of the District Court (Districts 43rd, 46th, 47th, 50th, 52-3rd, 52-4th - Incumbent Positions), Two Judges of the District Court (50th District, Partial Term - Incumbent Positions), One Judge of the District Court (District 48th - Non-Incumbent Position), One Judge of the District Court (52-2nd - Non-Incumbent Position)

FOR THE PURPOSE OF VOTING ON THE FOLLOWING
PROPOSAL(S):

STATE PROPOSAL 04-1
A PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE STATE CONSTITUTION TO REQUIRE
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FOR ANY PURPOSE

PUBLISHED: 10/20/04 & 10/27/04

Joan E. McCray
Township Clerk

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375 DEPOT ROAD
CLARKSTON, MI 48346
PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLIC ACCURACY TEST
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2004

The City of the Village of Clarkston announces a Public Accuracy Testing of the computer program on Friday, October 29, 2004, at 10:30 a.m. for the November 2, 2004, General Election. This testing will be held at the City Hall, 375 Depot Road, Clarkston, Michigan.

Artemus M. Pappas, Clerk
City of the Village of Clarkston

PUBLIC NOTICE

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INDEPENDENCE TWP.

TOWNSHIP BOARD
AGENDA
7:30 p.m.
TOWNSHIP LIBRARY

DATE: November 3, 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
 - d. Resolution: Waive Recapture of 2002 CDBG Fund Public Hearing - Community Development Block Grant Program Year 2005 Application
 - Unfinished Business
 1. Second Reading and Adoption of a Text Amendment Zoning Ordinance #83, PC#2003-010, Article XXXI, Section 31.07
 - New Business
 1. Approval of CDBG 2005 Application
 2. Safety Path: M-15 Bridge Reconstruction
- 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.

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ART PAPPAS, CLERK

PUBLIC NOTICE

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INDEPENDENCE TWP.

PUBLIC HEARING

The Charter Township of Independence will hold a public hearing on November 3, 2004, at 7:30 p.m. at the Township Library, 6495 Clarkston Road, Clarkston, MI, for the purpose of receiving public comments on the Community Development Block Grant program year application in the approximate amount of \$88,078.

Dale A. Stuart
Township Supervisor

PUBLIC NOTICE

Because the People Want to Know

SPRINGFIELD TWP.

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Springfield's Clerk's Office, 12000 Davisburg Rd., Davisburg, MI will be open on Saturday, October 30, 2004 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. for the purpose of receiving Absentee Ballot Applications and issuing Absentee Ballots for the November 2, 2004 General Election.

For additional information, contact the Clerk's Office at (248) 846-6510.

Nancy Strole, Clerk
Charter Township of Springfield

PUBLIC NOTICE

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SPRINGFIELD TWP.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD
COUNTY OF OAKLAND, STATE OF MICHIGAN
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2004

THE POLLS WILL BE OPEN 7:00 A.M. UNTIL 8:00 P.M. AT THE
PRECINCT POLLING PLACES BELOW:

- 1-Springfield Township Civic Center, 12000 Davisburg Rd.
 - 2-Springfield Township Fire Station #2, 10280 Rattalee Lake Rd.
 - 3-Andersonville Elementary School, 10350 Andersonville Rd.
 - 4-Oakland Technical Center, 8211 Big Lake Rd.
 - 5-Springfield Plains Elementary School, 8650 Holcomb Rd.
 - 6-Springfield Plains Elementary School, 8650 Holcomb Rd.
 - 7-Springfield Township Civic Center, 12000 Davisburg Rd.
- If you're not sure where to vote, call the Springfield Township Clerk's Office at 248-846-6510

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STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF OAKLAND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Decedent's Estate
FILE NO. 2004-295,641-DE

Estate of Richard Glenn McKibben Date of Birth: December 14, 1962

TO ALL CREDITORS: The decedent, Richard Glenn McKibben, who lived at 8164 Reese Rd. Independence, Michigan died September 27, 2004.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Richard D. McKibben, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at: 1200 N. Telegraph Rd. Pontiac, Michigan 48341 and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

10/19/04
Richard D. McKibben
8164 Reese Rd.
Clarkston, MI 48348
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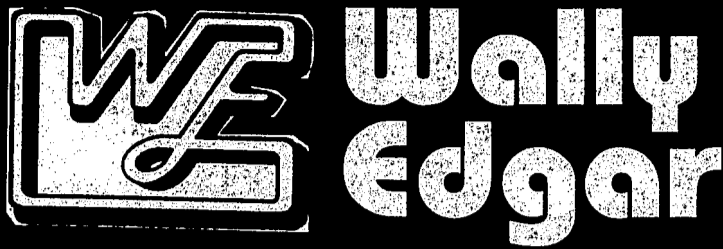
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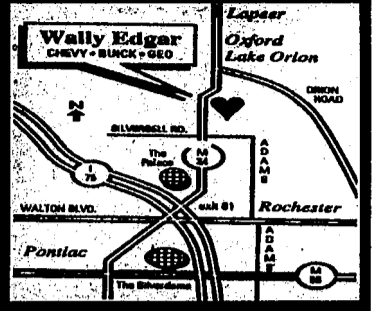
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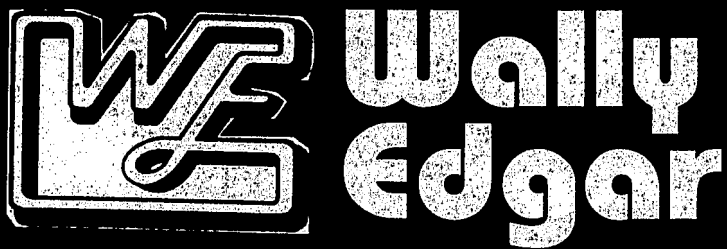
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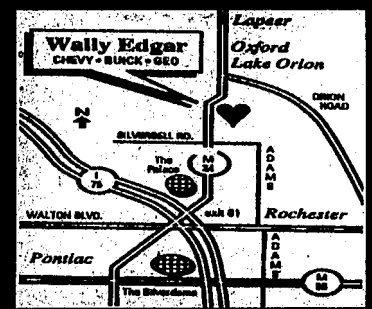
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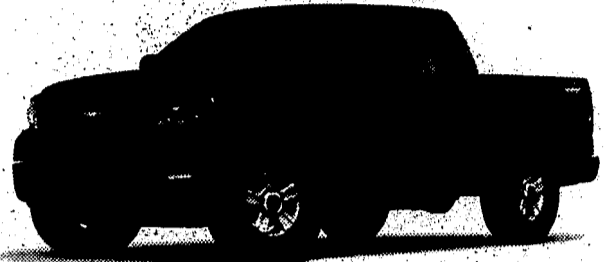
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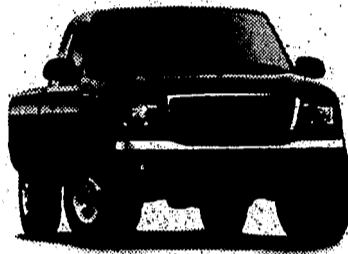
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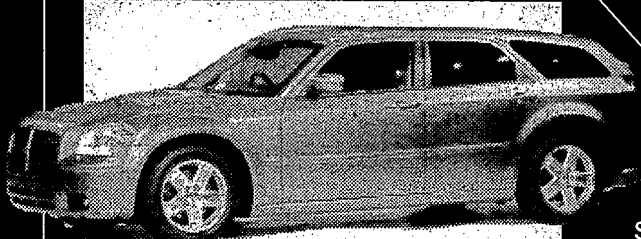
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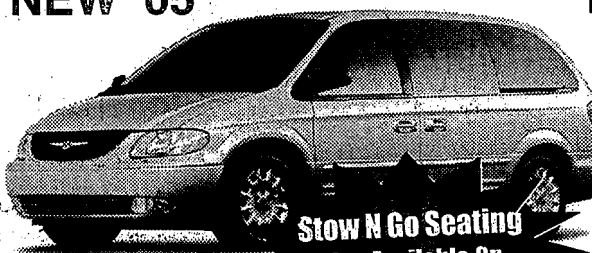


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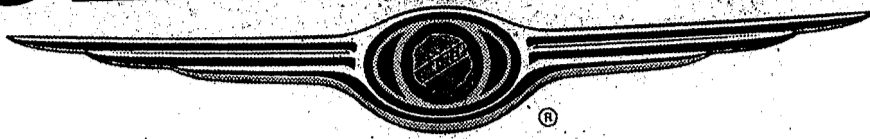
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EMPLOYEE	GENERAL PUBLIC
\$159*	\$231*
24 Mo.	27 Mo.



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EMPLOYEE	GENERAL PUBLIC
\$112*	\$269*
24 Mo.	24 Mo.

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Auto., air, power windows & locks, CD, cruise/tilt, keyless entry, alum. wheels. Stk. #37436

EMPLOYEE	GENERAL PUBLIC
\$123*	\$152*
39 Mo.	39 Mo.

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Auto., air, tilt/cruise, keyless entry, power windows/locks, power seat, CD & more. Stk. #21603

EMPLOYEE	GENERAL PUBLIC
\$229*	\$287*
39 Mo.	39 Mo.

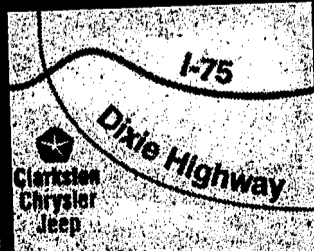
2005 Liberty Sport



Auto., air, power windows & locks, keyless entry, tilt, CD and more. Stk. #12312

EMPLOYEE	GENERAL PUBLIC
\$149*	\$198*
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