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## Traffic flows on Sashabaw

BY DON SCHELKE  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Traffic noise caused the audience to strain to hear speakers' comments, but the noise seemed fitting for the event.

Local and county officials gathered at Pine Knob Elementary School on Nov. 17 for a ribbon cutting ceremony symbolically opening Sashabaw Road's new four-lane boulevard.

Although construction workers were still putting finishing touches on pavement just north of the school near Bowpointe Drive, the roadway was fully opened to traffic Nov. 12 after about eight months of full-scale construction. Site preparation and off-pavement utility work actually began the previous winter, with storm sewer work accomplished in March 2004.

While some cleanup and decorative work will continue next spring, virtually all of the pavement, signs and traffic signals are in.

Brent Bair, managing director of the Road Commission for Oakland County, offered thanks for the patience of businesses and motorists who had to put up with dust, lane closures and, in some cases, closed turn lanes and business access drives.

"I hope you'll agree with me that the short-term inconvenience was a worthwhile investment which will generate a safer, more efficient road," Bair said.

In one of his last formal acts as Independence Township Supervisor, Dale Stuart briefly reviewed the history of the project, which had its roots as early as 1993.

"The township, through its 20/20 strategic plan, had a vision of how Sashabaw Road should develop and what it should look like," Stuart said, alluding to the township's master plan for the "town center" area between Maybee and Waldon roads.

The area includes plans for new residential, retail and light industrial development, some of which is already in progress. RCOC estimated 29,000 vehicles a day currently, on a two-lane road with deteriorating pavement. The new boulevard will help handle what is estimated as a 62,000-vehicle load by 2025.

Stuart also thanked RCOC officials, local businesses and other agencies for their help and cooperation.

"This project has been a team effort," he said. "The result, as you can see, is magnificent."

The team effort required a creative financing agreement, the negotiation of which almost caused a delay in construction. In September 2003, the Independence Township Board scrapped a proposal to create a special assessment district to provide local matching funds

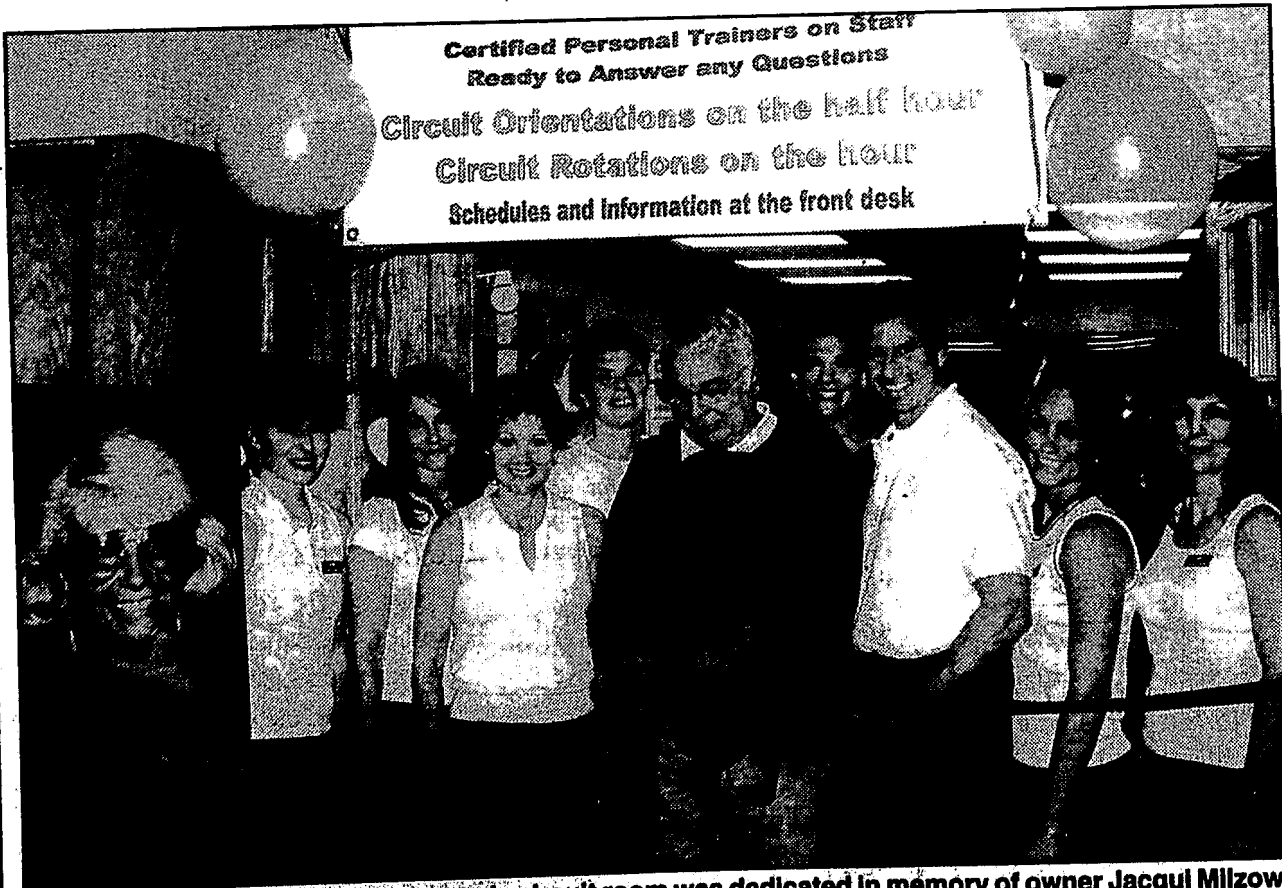
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Brett Bair (left), managing director of the Road Commission for Oakland County, help cut the ribbon symbolically opening the new Sashabaw Road boulevard at a Nov. 18 ceremony at Pine Knob Elementary School. Photo by Noah Purcell.

## Deer Lake Athletic Club opens women's circuit room

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The Deer Lake Athletic Club's women's circuit room was dedicated in memory of owner Jacqui Milzow, who died on Sept. 30. Jacqui's husband and owner Forrest Milzow is pictured cutting the ribbon while circuit room staff members look on: (left-right) Cyndl Harding, Diana Grice, Cheri Houston, Laura J. Burmeister, Kim Arcobello, Dan Houston, Darlene Dean and Pam Hancock. Photo by Jenny Matteson.

BY JENNY MATTESON  
Clarkston News Editor

Ladies, get ready to sweat.

Deer Lake Athletic Club held the grand opening of its new women's circuit room on Nov. 20. The room is dedicated to owner Jacqui Milzow who passed away on Sept. 30.

The new fitness center follows the proven 30 minute circuit routine including 24 minutes of exercise with six minutes for warm up and cool down. The room has both weighted machines and free-style stations.

What makes this circuit unique from many others is the room's design.

"This room was designed by professionals," said Personal Training Director Dan Houston. "The women's fitness circuit was created, designed and is run by professionals."

The room is for women who are either new to exercise or who have time constraints, but are interested in improving their health and overall fitness. The circuit is for ages 16 to 90 at all fitness levels.

Circuit orientations begin every half hour and rotations begin at the top of every hour, during normal club hours. Between eight and 10 circuits a day are run with no more than 12 women in a session.

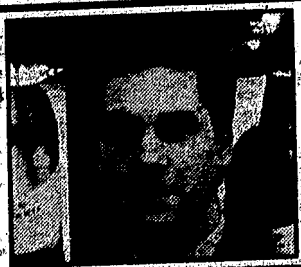
Six nationally certified trainers rotate overseeing the women's fitness circuit. Each instructor assists members in personalizing the course to meet their

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### Millstream

Wine rep thinks it's good taste to live in Clarkston.

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### See Clarkston students mix it up at lunch

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### Sports

Wolves hockey hits the ice for new season.

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# Rush hour crash injures at least 1



Independence Township firefighters work to extricate a driver after a crash that occurred shortly before 5 p.m. Monday on M-15 just south of Cranberry Lake Road. Oakland County Sheriff Lt. Dale LaBair said a northbound Ford Explorer appeared to leave the roadway and collide with the driver's side of a Chrysler 300M waiting to exit the Standard Federal Bank parking lot. Mechanical jaws were needed to remove the driver, whose injuries were not immediately known. The already congested highway was narrowed to one northbound lane during rescue, investigation and cleanup efforts. Photo by Don Schelske.

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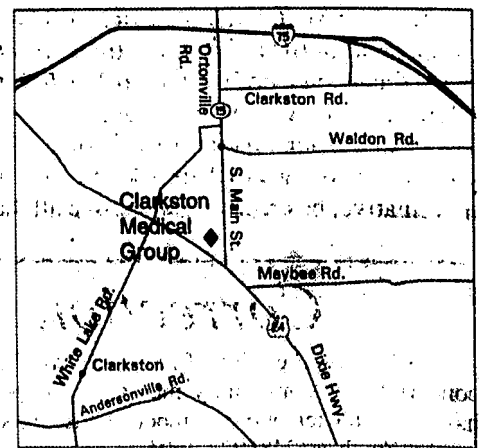
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# The Second Front

## Briefly

### Sale of Nickelodeon restaurant complete

And the sale is final. Peter Berishaj, of Olde Village Cafe is downtown Clarkston, has purchased The Nickelodeon Restaurant, on M-15 just north of I-75. In the Oct. 27 edition of "Millstream," The Clarkston News reported that owners Michael Asim, Demetrious Asim and Steve Gabriel were working for about eight months with a prospective buyer. The sale with Mr. Berishaj became final on November 11. Check out next week's edition (Dec. 1) of The Clarkston News to learn about Mr. Berishaj and his plans for the historic Clarkston restaurant.

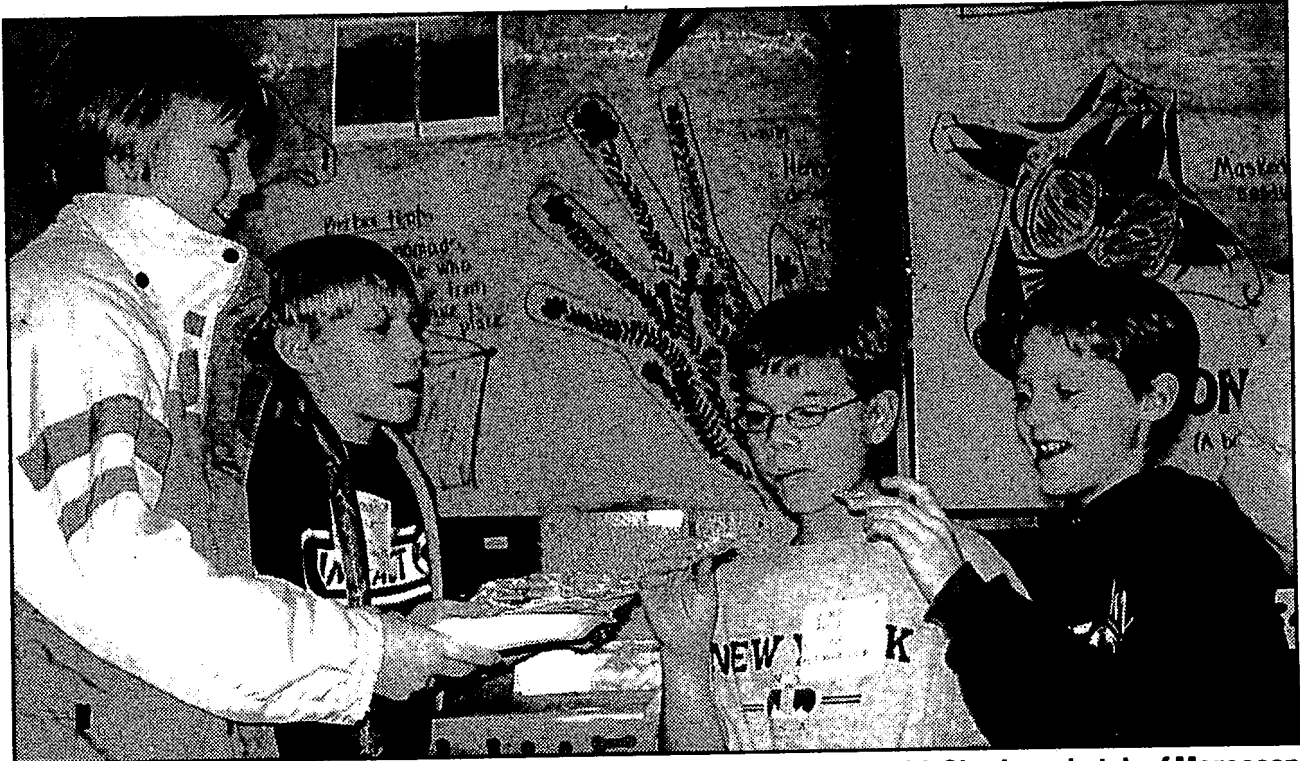
### Where are they now?

Do you know someone from Clarkston High School who now works in Hollywood? Or is the head of a major corporation? Or travels around the world? Or just does something absolutely unique? The Clarkston News is looking for information on successful Clarkston graduates for an upcoming feature: Where are they now? We are interested in any graduate who has moved on from Clarkston High School to take an original role in society. Please give us a heads up by Wednesday, Dec. 1. The feature will run during the New Years edition (Dec. 29) of The Clarkston News. Call 248-625-3370 or e-mail us at shermanpub@aol.com, attn: Clarkston News.

### Got questions for Santa?

The editorial staff at The Clarkston News has a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity this year: we get to interview Santa Claus. That's right, St. Nick, the big man himself. To say the least, we're a little speechless here. How often does an opportunity like this arise? Getting to actually sit and chitchat with Santa is amazing. Normally, there's only a moment to make a gift request. A whole, entire interview, wow! So, we here at The News have a request of all the youngsters in our area (or at least those who are young at heart).

Help us figure out what to ask Santa! Please send in the question per child, or per that one forever youngster. With the question, include the child's name, age and place of residence. City of Clarkston, Michigan. Please see page 23A.



The Cultural Convention included foods from different parts of the world. Sharing a batch of Moroccan cookies are Jake Wrubel, Spenser Pawlik, Ethan Frick and Nick Dahl. Photo by Jenny Matteson.

## Kids expand cultural horizons

BY JENNY MATTESON  
Clarkston News Editor

What in the world is Rock Cake? About 130 students in Clarkston Schools' third through fourth grades learned the answer to that question and many more at the first Clarkston Schools Cultural Convention on Nov. 11. Eleven students from the University of Michigan held presentations on Canada, Morocco, Germany, Honduras, Italy, Japan, Jamaica, Puerto Rico, Russia, Spain and the European Union at North Sashabaw Elementary. The program was coordinated by April Wuest, from Talent Development, with the assistance of Talent Development Specialists Susan Banworth, Nancy Battishill and Holly Kornas. "We wanted to give more exposure to other cultures," said Wuest in regards to the event. "It's really an important subject, especially with globalization. There really is not a lot of geography taught at the elementary level and this is a way of bringing in that extra step for the students who need and want it." The evening opened with "Taste That Culture." Each

student's family made a dish from a recipe provided by organizers. All were invited to partake of the potluck. After enjoying a wide variety of treats, including German Rock Cake, students attended two 30-minute sessions with the University of Michigan presenters. The college students gave everyone an even larger "flavor" of the countries. "We need to support these kinds of events in the community because these kids will deal with a different world than the one we are in," explained Wuest. "These students will be encountering a much more globalized world than we ever imagined when we were young. It will be essential for them to deal and work with other cultures, their value systems and beliefs." The program originated as one University of Michigan student giving one presentation at one elementary. Wuest said when she was arranging the program for this year, she thought expanding the experience would benefit the students. "This will help them to expand their talents and their learning," said Wuest. "The students have really enjoyed working on this."

## Vaara remembers Clarkston sports



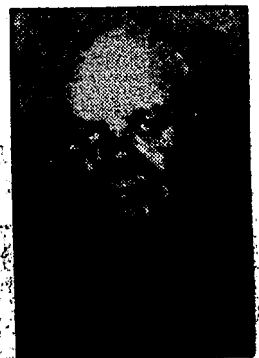
Mel Vaara has worn many hats in Clarkston over the years. Aside from writing sports for The Clarkston News in the 1960s, he was the first principal of Sashabaw Junior High in 1969; has coached track, basketball and cross country; was named assistant superintendent in 1972; and was the principal of CHS in 1986 and again in 1991-92. He has held numerous administrative positions over the years.

This is the second in a series of guest columns in which he details the history of Clarkston sports. All facts and names presented in this article are from Mr. Vaara's memories and have been presented as provided.

Boys Basketball: Bud McGrath replaced Mauti as varsity boys basketball coach. Dan Fife played on his team and was All-State. Fife was also captain of

the University of Michigan basketball team and is the current head varsity coach and Athletic Director of CHS.

B.J. Hanson followed McGrath. Dave McDonald was the next coach after him for the next five years, he won a couple of league titles. Members were Dave Partlo, Gary White, Bill Craig, Gary Mason, Steve Mauti, Tom Anderson, Darryl Brittan and Dirk Findley. McDonald is still coaching at Saginaw Heritage. He has been coaching for 30 years and has a record of 325-251.



Mel Vaara

One can never forget the 1980 boys basketball team coached by Gary Nusted and Larry Mahrle. Their record was 26-1, were ranked third in the state and lost in the semifinals to Highland Park by one point. There were thousands of people in Jenison Field House. Bus after bus arrived loaded with students,

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## CHS Senior Spotlight

Name: Sarah Julian  
Parents: Cindy and Allen Julian

Favorite Subject: World History

School Activities: Peer Listening, Drama Club, Mime, NAHS, NHS, German Club  
Outside Interests: Volunteering with K-9 Stray Rescue League, volunteering at Independence Township Library

What are your plans after graduation? To have my *Razor's Edge* experience, go on my grand adventure, go to college - to live life to it's fullest.

Where do you see yourself in 25 years? I don't really have a clear picture. I'd rather not put pressure on myself to "amount" to something, I

don't want prerequisites to follow. I see myself comfortable - doing something that will give me purpose. I'd like to open my own clinic, be a psychologist - something that will help people, but I haven't explored all my options.

Best friends are people who: always leave the light on. A best friend is someone who can listen to you spew the same doubts, worries, things like that, and still really hear what you're saying. Someone with integrity, who will call you on your crap and be happy for you when things are going your way.

What worries me most about the world is: our apathy. We have enough food to feed our nation and then some, but people starve because we can't lose profit. People, animals, ecosystems - fall through the cracks. The example we're setting isn't exactly something to be proud of. For such righteous people, our morals are a bit askew. I think we compromise too much in our favor, we don't truly try to think things out because we're afraid we won't benefit by them.

I will make a contribution to my community by: existing. It's corney, but true. I'm not really interfering - I don't think I will ever give up my causes: volunteering and such - I always find some way to get involved and am chronically over committed. But I truly believe that by being me I make a difference. It's in my nature to be involved. I contribute by continuing to take the time to pay attention, and to take the responsibility to help where it is needed and "be the change I wish to make." (-Ghandi)



## Senior All Night Party planning underway

Seniors will participate in the 2005 CHS All Night Party on June 1. The event is on graduation night at the Clarkston Christian Association. Doors open at 10p.m. and the party stops at 5a.m.

Activities include a casino, money cube, magician, laser tag, karaoke and much more. Seniors will receive gift bags filled with surprises, and food and refreshments will be available.

Tickets go on sale in March during lunch periods and the cost is \$35. However, tickets are available now and they will make great stocking stuffers.

Parents coordinate the party, and organizers are looking for volunteers and donations of cash and prizes.

For more information or to order tickets, contact co-chairs Anne Johns at 248-391-1025 or Susan Schulte at 248-394-0934.

## Hazmat team responds to dumping complaint

The Independence Township Fire Department hazardous materials unit was dispatched to an Andersonville Road address on Nov. 15 after someone reported several barrels dumped at a home under construction.

According to Oakland County Sheriff reports, the home was under construction, but the owner said the barrels were not placed by construction crews.

The hazmat team said one barrel

contained clear urethane dried to solid, another had caustic soda beads marked as corrosive, two barrels had hydroxichloric acid and the fifth appeared to be burned with solid materials inside.

Responding units notified the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, which was to arrange for proper disposal of the chemicals.

There were no suspects identified in the incident.

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# Optimism is spreading through Clarkston

BY CHRISTINA ULAJ  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

To have belief in the essential goodness of the universe is Optimism, and Clarkston students are shouting theirs loud and proud.

The Clarkston area Optimist Clubs soul purpose is to develop optimism as a philosophy of life, have respect for the law to promote patriotism, and to build friendships among all people. Students involved develop these paramount skills, bringing out the best in the kids and form wonderful adults.

Optimist Clubs carry out many projects such as, working closely with schools to enhance education, prevention programs, coaching youth sports, reading to children, assisting disaster victims and tutoring and mentoring.

Pine Knob Elementary, Andersonville Elementary and Clarkston Elementary all support Junior Optimist Clubs and participate in the Alpha Club.

"My favorite part about our club is the process the students go through," said DreeAnne Chartier, Adult Optimist Advisor of the Andersonville Elementary Alpha Club. "To watch the kids start out having individual mindsets to blossoming to thinking like a team."

Four years ago, Pine Knob Elementary started its first Optimist Club, and it is called the Alpha Club. The group is still going strong today. Though this is the fourth year at PKE, it is the first year the sponsor, Kym Parks, elected officers.

"The idea is to help them develop leadership skills to carry through as they grow older and have certain responsibilities," said Parks. "I really feel that the members of the club have chosen well, and I look forward to seeing what they can do for the club this year."



Pine Knob Elementary Junior Optimist Alpha Club members: Brenna Stesney, Daria Cook, Emily Bartindale, Callie Brown, Laura Ayoub, Darcy Morris, Krista Deo, Geena Kerr, Kelley Rivenburgh, Tanny Selberg, Abbey Hall, Ashley Broadus, Morgan Addis, Jessica Escamilla, Katie Hokanson, Brienne Peers, Patrick Belanger, Alex Gomez, Trevor Wicks, Tyler Hancsak and Alpha Leader, Kym Parks

Students elected include—President Katie Hokanson, Vice President Brienne Peers, Treasurer Tyler Hancsak, and Co-Treasurer Krista Deo. Members of the club are involved in many different activities, each with its own valuable intention. Currently, the students are collect-

ing canned goods to distribute at Lighthouse North for Thanksgiving.

Also, the students work together to make bird feeders, because each individual is sensitive to human needs as well as animal needs. Christmas is just around the corner, and once again, the PKE Optimist Club will participate in the annual Christmas parade in downtown Clarkston.

This club definitely has its plate full. Actively, these students participate after school to make all their responsibilities and commitments possible. Once complete, the club hopes to invite guest speakers, and include themselves in other activities as well.

"I am confident that this will be another rewarding and successful club year," said Parks.



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# Opinion

## Players keep audience in stitches - plus, a little bit of editorial liberty

The Clarkston Village Players have once again outdone themselves with an outstanding performance of "The Secret Affairs of Mildred Wilde."

I attended the Nov. 19 sold-out showing, and soon realized why so many people were in attendance.

"Mildred Wilde," a.k.a. Susan Craves, carried the humorous tone of the performance for the cast. Her facial expressions gave the needed punctuality and her portrayal of a dysfunctional housewife looking to escape was right on target. She was "desperate." Combine Mildred with straight man "Roy Wilde," played by Al Bartlett, and you have a hilarious combination.

When thinking about the supporting cast of characters, I must take a moment to note the sheer guts possessed by "Bertha Gale," played by Gina-Marie Hernandez. You go Girl! I can't even do a sexy maid's costume for Halloween, much less attempt to portray a domineering, control-oriented feminist in one. My sides truly started hurting at that moment.

And speaking of side-splitting scenes, I encourage everyone to see the play just to witness the costumes worn by Chuck Storey, a.k.a. "a little bit of everybody." I'm afraid to break this to the other characters - he stole the show more than once.

Oh my, picture this: Mr. Storey strutting femininely across the stage wearing only an ill fitting sequined showgirl's costume, including a brazier that won't clasp in the back, and a bright, shiny head piece. Vegas beware.

And it gets better. At another point, he comes on stage wearing only a loin cloth. That's right - Tarzan's loin cloth. I say it again, Oh my.

To offset these outrageous moments, a great cast of characters rounded out the performance: Melissa Breckenridge as Helen Wild, Jackie-Sue Salter as Carroll Chatham, Sarah Lasky as Sister Cecilia, JoAnn Sellers as Miss Manley, Darwin Spaysky as Mr. Bulby and Paula Todd as Evelyn, TV Hostess. And not to be remiss, I applaud the stage crew for a well designed 1970s inspired set.

"The Secret Affairs of Mildred Wilde" was certainly an enjoyable comedy. Congratulations to the cast and crew for yet another great performance.

Now, a moment of down right rude, inexcusable gloating in what has been a rocky football season... Pbbbbbbth!!!! Na, Na-NaNa! Ohio 37 - Michigan 21. 'nuf said.

### The News to Me



Jenny Matteson

## Thank you's from Independence Twp.

### A Grateful Thank You,

On Nov. 20 at noon the new Board of Trustees for Independence Township officially took over the reigns of governing.

Dale Stuart and Joan McCrary left the Township Board with a combined service of 35 years as elected Independence Township officials. They have been a part of the decision making team during years of tremendous growth and challenges.

I can not let them go without thanking them publicly for all that they have stood for and accomplished during their tenures.

Dale and Joan each brought their own individual talents and abilities in serving the township. One common thread for both was the desire to do what was best for the township. I have been fortunate the last eight years to be able to benefit from their knowledge and insights.

The full-time elected positions often require a personal commitment that goes beyond a nine to five work day. Both Dale and Joan have answered the bell whenever it rang.

I wish Dale and Joan all the best as they move to a new phase of their lives. Take comfort in knowing that your efforts have helped Independence Township become a better place to live, work and raise a family. The township is indebted to you both.

Jim Wenger

Treasurer of Independence Township

Thank you to the voters of Independence Township for giving me the privilege of serving you for eight years as a Trustee from 1980 to 1988 and 12 years as Supervisor from 1992 to 2004. For all of those years I have done my best to improve the Township and serve faithfully.

I want to thank Ann Conklin for her years as Director of Parks and Recreation. Ann, an exceptional woman, made our Parks/Recreation department the envy of every department in the state. She is now excelling in her new job in Canton Township.

I want to thank Dan Travis. Dan has been a dedicated Trustee for 24 years. Dan has provided me moral support and advice when I needed it most. The Township is lucky to have a man of his intelligence, energy and creativity on the Township Board.

The Township should be proud of Jim Wenger, our Treasurer. The Township has been fortunate to have great people in the office of Treasurer. Not meaning to slight any previous treasurers, Jim Wenger has done, and is doing, an extraordinary job. Jim is a conscientious individual who takes every issue seriously.

I have worked with exceptional Township Trustees who diligently prepare for Township Board meetings and always vote to ensure the best interests of the Township. I have also worked with Trustees whose only motivation was self-promotion and political gain. Dan Kelly has been an exceptional Trustee, and it was a pleasure to work with him.

It has been my pleasure to work with many dedicated and capable Department Directors. Linda Richardson, Director of the Department of Public Works that includes water, sewer and cemetery, is an example of the type of leader every manager would want. Dave Kramer is an exceptional assessor. He is a man who knows his job and does it well. Chief Steve Ronk of the Fire Department is a man of creativity, dedication and innovative thinking. Beverly McElmeel, retired Building Department Director, served the Township with distinction. I could always count on Beverly to do her job well. Our new Building Department Director, Dave Belcher, has saved the Township thousands of dollars in his role of Director of Building and Maintenance. You can expect to see similar results in his new capacity.

I want to thank Rita Burdick, my skilled Deputy Supervisor. Without her assistance I couldn't have accomplished anything. Her knowledge and skill are exceptional. Anyone who would replace this exceptional employee would have to be very short sighted.

Sharon Howard, my capable secretary, is one of the most faithful and conscientious public servants who it has been a pleasure to know. I thank both of these wonderful women for making my office a pleasure in which to work.

Thank you again for allowing me to be part of some creative advances for Independence Township. I will miss those people who assisted and supported me in my tenure in Township government.

Dale A. Stuart  
Township Supervisor  
1992-2004

## Recipe Corner features Zesty Artichoke Appetizer

BY LORNA M. BICKERSTAFF

Barb and Dave Allen entertained our "Breakfast Club" at their lovely condo overlooking the Manatee River. Barb served this very good Zesty Artichoke Appetizer.

### Zesty Artichoke Appetizer

1 (14 oz) artichoke hearts, drained and chopped  
1 c. (4 oz.) grated parmesan cheese  
1 c. mayonnaise

1/2 t. salt  
1/4 t. garlic powder  
dash Worcestershire sauce  
dash hot sauce

Combine ingredients, stirring well. Spoon into lightly greased 1 quart casserole. Bake 350 degrees for 20 minutes. Serve with your choices of crackers.

Note: If you happened to clip Nancy Telley's Carrot Cake, please add 4 eggs to the recipe.

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## The weather outside is frightful, but . . .

By the time this is read the holiday season will have officially kicked off. The Detroit Lions will have played in yet another Thanksgiving Day "classic" (as defined by professional football promoters, not the general viewing public) football game. Turkey left overs will be fried, ground, slabbed, stabbed, cut, sliced and diced in any number of ways.

Let the good time roll, baby. Christmas is just around the corner. And, I for one am glad. I am one of those suckers who actually enjoyed listening to holiday music on the radio prior to Thanksgiving. To all those commentators who bemoaned the early arrival of the holiday season; whose sense of self were demeaned in some way by holiday music I say - Happy Holidays! Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah and may all your Kwaanza's be bright.



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We all could use some a little good will.

Good will -- you know that abstract thought absent at the Smackdown at The Palace. The Thrilla in the Hillas goes to show some folks are just wound way too tight.

Obviously, there was some alcohol abuse going on in Auburn Hills when the Detroit Pistons basketball team hosted them thar Pacers from Indiana. Come on, who in their right mind would throw a beer away? A beer which cost the better part of ten bucks. And, to throw it at somebody you are "mad" at is worse. At least throw in the general direction of a friend, so he could open his mouth and catch some . . .

For goodness sakes . . . is it surprising this happened? Jennie, the gal who puts up with me everyday without stabbing me while I sleep, hit the nail on the head when she said, "Each week sports is played up as this big fight. It's promoted as a grudge match between this team and that. It's about pride. The athletes are 'warriors.' The game's not a game -- it's a 'war.' The stakes are always high. With all that and testosterone and alcohol mixed in, what do you expect?"

Hmmm? I don't know . . . maybe to watch a re-

ally good game of basketball, full of skilled play, hustle, hard work, self sacrifice.

Of course the hot tempers, flying fists and bleeped out words are entertaining, too.

Sporting events, while not exactly the opiate of the people, are a good way to blow off steam. Somewhere way down in the genetic makeup of men, there is a need for competition. There's a need to match yourself up against an adversary to prove your masculinity. There comes a time when you need to growl and bare your teeth. Women must understand this. We cannot help it. We're hard-wired that way. Competition is good. And, sense not all men are endowed equally by their creator, some get to play sports their entire life. Some even get to be extremely wealthy by playing sports professionally.

The rest of us watch -- living vicariously through our "heroes."

So, is it any wonder that fans would imitate thugs on the court? There had to come a time when these two worlds collided. While the weather outside was getting frightful, it was nothing compared to the humanity displayed by a few boneheads at a basketball game the other night.

In my book, the holiday season could not have come sooner. So what if I haven't completed (Did I write completed? The operative word should have been "started.") my Christmas shopping. I dig this time of year.

Bring on the smaltzy music. Give me dozens of television commercials where everybody happily buys stuff for other folks. Let the world revel in the spirit of giving . . . and while we're at it, lets give the aforementioned stars of "The Brawl" some bells, red kettles, long white beards and have them don Santa suits.

Let's find a good street corner where they can stand every night for the entire holiday season. Let 'em collect for the needy and then let them, in person, give to the needy. Let them who play pro ball or can afford to attend a pro ballgame see the other side of the street.

Ah, I feel better. Now, let's get back to some good old-fashioned Christmas caroling!

Comments for Mr. Smarty Pants Rush can be e-mailed to: [dontrushmedon@charter.net](mailto:dontrushmedon@charter.net)

## A Look Back

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

### 15 YEARS AGO (1989)

•POH receives state OK for Dixie site: After a seven-year wait, including a three-year appeal process, the state granted a Certificate of Need(CON) to Pontiac Osteopathic Hospital (POH) Nov. 21 for a 125-bed acute care facility in Independence Township.

• Trial date set for suspect in stabbing: A date has been set in the murder trial of Hezekiah Pulphus Jr. of Grand Rapids. Pulphus is charged in the June stabbing death of 19-year-old Patrick Walsh of Springfield Township.

• College student gets 8-point buck: Many Michigan residents may boast of rifling deer this week, but one Independence Township resident has a different tale to tell.

•Township asks DNR for \$29,500 for recycling: Independence Township has petitioned the state for money to help with solid waste disposal. The \$29,574 request was made to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, as part of its protecting Michigan's Future Bond Program.

### 25 YEARS AGO (1979)

• No M-275 on Main St: Proposed construction of M-275 In Western Oakland County is expected to be considered by the Michigan Highway and Transportation Commission next week, although there apparently is no consensus on the route the highway should take.

• Gorsline says he'll quit office: Robert H. Gorsline, midway through his second term as an Oakland County commissioner, says he plans to leave the political arena in another year and become an Episcopal minister.

• Gun collection stolen: A \$10,000 gun collection was stolen from an Independence Township home in the middle of the day Thursday, according to Independence Township police.

•Independence tentatively approves \$300,000 building: Construction of a \$300,000 Independence Township maintenance building could be underway this year.

### 50 YEARS AGO (1954)

• Special Speaker At Quarterly Meeting: The quarterly meeting of the Methodist W. S. C. S., will be held at the church on Thursday, December 2nd. The Martha Circle will serve a luncheon at 12:30.

•P.C.A. To Hold Annual Meeting: The Board of Directors of the Pontiac Production Credit Association has set Wednesday, December 1 as the date for the 1954 annual meeting. The meeting this year is to be held at the Community Center in Fenton beginning at 12 noon.

•Cruelty To Animals To Be Curbed:Oakland County Animal Welfare Society, Inc., 1923, announces that in conjunction with the Anti-Cruelty League of Michigan and because of complaints concerning inhumane acts allegedly carried on at Rodeos there will be two Humane Officers and Humane Directors present at every Rodeo Show.

•Young Folk Crowd Junior High Hop: The second Junior High Hop was held on Friday night in the Clarkston High School Gym and about 160 of the 6th, 7th and 8th graders again had an enjoyable evening.

## Slanted newscasts changing listeners

Having been associated with newspapering for over 50 years I perhaps am more drawn to news reports, spoken and written, than many others.

I've neither read nor listened with interest in anything but what I see and hear. No searching for flaws or innuendos. No thoughts of partisan reporting of political, environmental, religious or whatever preferences the reporters might have, crossed my mind.

Just as I believe over 95 percent of the people are honest, I believed an even greater number of news reports were unbiased.

I have never confused news reporting with editorial and column writing with news reporting. Columns and editorials are swaying pieces. Whether it's pushing a candidate, parks, millages or sidewalk repairs, such offerings are meant to influence.

Talk radio is predominately conservative, thus the Republican slants. Radio's Rush Limbaugh and tv's Bill O'Reilly are often referred to in the same sentence.

I believe few people are convinced Fox News is "fair and balanced," and "We report, you decide."

Of course, there are representatives with the liberal, Democratic viewpoints. National Public Radio often espouses that view, as do various individuals.

Most of us know that and can click them on or off as we choose.

I know all this now. I haven't believed it forever. The comments of Walter Cronkite following his retirement both surprised me and awakened me. The man was THE television news presenter for years.

Then, away from the camera, he boasted of being a Democrat. That sent me into my memory bank trying to recall how he slanted his reporting to favor his

party.

It also changed my listening habits toward news readers on the tube, and my reading habits of headline writing and straight news reporting. I also started reflecting on the ownerships of these media, wondering if they were dictating contents.

And, I began diverting my attention to what was being read on tv to facial expressions and voice inflections.

Of course, this has killed my interest in watching tv reporting. It's getting so I listen without watching.

A survey of men shows they pay a lot more attention to news being reported by non-made-up women reporters than attractive women with sensual lips. Men tend to watch the mouths and not hear what comes out of them.

In a way that's where I am with my newsreception. I'm concentrating so much on finding flaws I don't hear the news.

Jim's  
Jottings



Jim Sherman

Tom Brokaw is not retiring too soon. I decided he was a slanter some years ago. Even longer ago I hung that title on Dan Rather.

I really want to get back to actually hearing what is being said and written. But, my hope is past dwindling. I've just about concluded that the "honest" percentage mentioned earlier in this column has been reversed to it being 95 percent of what I see and hear is not honest on the air.

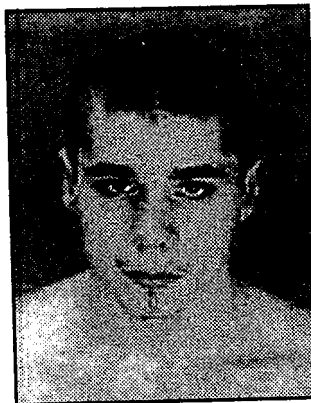
# Car chase leads to felony assault charges

BY DON SCHELSKE  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

A car chase from Oxford Township to Independence Township last week resulted in accusations of assault with a long knife in connection with an attempted drug deal.

As a result, Jack Leroy-Daniel Drumbeater, 19, of Oxford Township, was arraigned in front of a weekend magistrate on charges of felonious driving and felonious assault with an edged weapon, according to Oakland County Sheriff reports.

Drumbeater allegedly chased another vehicle from Oxford Township to the area of Sashabaw and Clarkston roads shortly after 10 p.m., reports said. He then passed



Jack Drumbeater

the second vehicle and forced it to turn onto Sally Road, a dead-end road.

The driver of the second vehicle said Drumbeater got out of his car, jumped on the second vehicle and tried to assault him with a long knife through the windshield.

The suspect then fled, and responding deputies found the second vehicle's windshield smashed.

After speaking to the victim and learning Drumbeater's identity, Independence Township deputies asked for assistance from Oxford Township deputies, who later apprehended drumbeater.

In an interview with Independence detectives, Drumbeater confessed to the car chase, saying one of his passengers desired to purchase marijuana from the second driver, reports said.

Drumbeater also confessed to the attack on the windshield, but said he used a dumbbell to do the damage.

Drumbeater's bond was set at \$10,000, reports said, but information on a court date was not immediately available.

# Sharp-eyed resident helps in burglar apprehension

BY DON SCHELSKE  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

The apprehension of a home invasion suspect is being credited in part to the 18-year-old son of a homeowner who almost became another victim.

The Oakland County Sheriff's Department last week released more details concerning the May 15 arrest of a Waterford man who now faces a potential 35 years in prison for at least two break-ins in Independence Township.

Michael Lewis Wheeler, 46, was charged with two counts of home invasion in a video arraignment on Nov. 17 before 52-2 District Judge Michael Batchik. Bond was set at \$5,000, and a pre-trial examination is scheduled Dec. 29 in Batchik's courtroom.

One count, considered first-degree home invasion because the house on Snow Apple Drive was occupied, carries a potential 20-year felony sentence. The other count, second-degree home invasion, came from Wheeler's alleged break-in of a Waldon Road home.

Reports said, the 18-year-old called 9-1-1 at about

10:38 a.m. on Nov. 15 to report the attempted break-in.

Detective Jerry DeRosia said the resident chased Wheeler away with a sword or large knife.

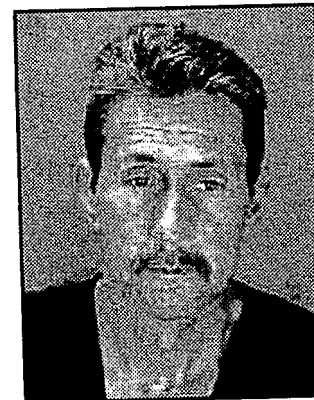
The resident also provided a good description of the suspect vehicle. About 10 minutes after the report another patrol unit found the vehicle parked at a Waldon Road residence. The deputy saw someone close the front door to the home, but the man refused to open the door.

Marked patrol units cleared the scene, hoping to make the suspect believe he was in the clear, reports said.

"We didn't know if he lived there, so we didn't have probable cause to go in," DeRosia said.

Two unmarked units stayed within sight of the residence, and observed the suspect leave the home. Deputies stopped the vehicle a short time later at Walton Boulevard and Perry Street in Pontiac.

Deputies later returned to the Waldon Road home. At that time, the resident had returned home and re-



Michael Wheeler

ported both a forced door and the theft of a PlayStation 2 game system with a rented DVD game inside.

Those items, along with a tire iron, were found inside Wheeler's vehicle, DeRosia said, and Wheeler later confessed to the two incidents.

While charges so far are limited to the two specific Nov. 15 incidents, DeRosia said, "We're investigating further into other ones" which could involve Wheeler.

Since August, deputies have taken reports of similar daytime home invasions, with similar pry marks on the doors of many of those homes.

# Springfield crime suspects await preliminary exams

BY DON SCHELSKE  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Two recent high-profile criminal cases from Springfield Township are making their way slowly through the court process, with both scheduled for pre-trial examinations on Dec. 9.

Charges against David N. Benton, 44, include two counts of criminal sexual conduct-second degree (contact with children under 13), eight counts of possession of child sexually-abusive material, eight counts of using a computer to commit a crime and one count of possession of marijuana.

Benton was still being held in the Oakland County Jail last week, with bond set at a full \$400,000, according to assistant prosecutor Hala Jarbou.

He was arrested after a woman employed to clean Benton's home came across evidence of pornography and notified authorities.

Jarbou declined to comment on the

case until after the preliminary exam.

Brian L. Wylie, 26, was charged with two counts of larceny from an automobile and one charge of resisting and obstructing a peace officer after a Nov. 6 incident at the scene of a reported home invasion.

While being questioned, Wylie allegedly disobeyed deputies' orders not to smoke inside a patrol car. When deputies attempted to remove him from the vehicle, Wylie became combative, reports said. Two deputies used their Taser weapons to subdue him, with both darts hitting him in the head.

The larceny charges stemmed from Wylie's alleged theft of construction equipment.

Assistant prosecutor Gina Schmidt said Wylie was also still incarcerated last week with a full bond of \$30,000.

Both preliminary exams are scheduled in the courtroom of 52-2 District Judge Michael Batchik.

# Child injured after hit by riding lawnmower

A five-year-old boy suffered multiple injuries on Nov. 20 after his grandfather unwittingly ran over him with a riding lawnmower.

Oakland County Sheriff deputies and Independence Fire Department paramedics were dispatched at about 11:16 a.m. to a Waterford Road residence. The 47-year-old man told deputies he was mowing the lawn when he heard a thump.

He discovered his grandson wedged between the rear tires and the

deck of the mower, but was able to extricate the boy before emergency units arrived.

Reports said the boy suffered a broken collarbone, a dislocated hip and a bruised lung. He was taken to Genesys Regional Medical Center for treatment and overnight observation.

The man told deputies his grandson regularly rode with him on the lawnmower, but in this instance he was unaware that the boy was outside in the yard, reports said.

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# Police and Fire

## Independence Township

**November 11:** Larceny of approximately 50 CDs from an unlocked vehicle at the Knights of Columbus hall on Maybee Road.

Larceny at Independence Elementary School. Someone took digital binoculars from a classroom.

Arrest for use/possession of marijuana on Parview. Deputies stopped a vehicle which had a covered license plate. A 19-year-old Flushing man was found in possession of a glass pipe and suspected marijuana.

**November 12:** Larceny of vehicle (no force) on Warbler Drive. Missing from the unlocked vehicle were checks, coins and a jacket.

Family trouble on Alpine.

**November 13:** Larceny from vehicle (no force) on Ashford. Responding a report of a suspicious vehicle, a deputy found a car in a driveway with the inside dome light on. He found a wallet outside the vehicle. Upon contacting the owner, it was discovered the wallet was missing about \$200 in cash.

Larceny from vehicle on Waterford Road south of Maybee. Missing were a purse with about \$60 cash, a bank check card and work papers.

**November 14:** Family trouble on S. Eston Road.

Malicious destruction to vehicle (key scratches) at the Oakland County Sportsmen's Club.

Lost or stolen wallet report on Eevee Road.

**November 15:** Domestic assault on Clement Road. Harassment report taken at the Independence sub-station.

Report of uttering a publishing on Sashabaw Road near Pelton Road. The victim reported checks stolen from her checkbook, possibly by someone hired to do work at the residence. Deputies discovered seven of the eight stolen checks had been cashed.

**November 16:** Suspicious circumstances on Pine

Knob Lane. The resident received a call from someone claiming to represent Social Security asking to make an appointment to discuss benefits. A neighbor received a similar call, but the Social Security Administration said no one from their agency was visiting homes.

Suspicious circumstances on Pear Lane.

Telephone harassment on Menominee.

Larceny from vehicle (with force) on Forest Ridge. Missing were a CD case, 64 CDs and some change.

Larceny from vehicle on Pondview. Missing were a purse, checkbook and 50 CDs.

Marijuana and narcotics possession arrest at the Kroger store on Sashabaw Road. A 55-year-old Pontiac woman was arrested on an outstanding warrant, with other charges pending, after a store employee heard her talking with someone else about stealing merchandise. She was found in possession of a marijuana cigarette and a baggie with suspected crack cocaine.

**November 17:** Family trouble at Lancaster Lakes Apartments.

Suspicious circumstances on Rabbit Ears Pass. After a half-day of school, two 10-year-old girls heard noises in the home and went to a neighbor's home. A father was contacted.

Assault report on Parview. A dispute between apartment neighbors concerning noise resulted in a fight. Charges were pending.

**November 18:** Driving while license suspended arrest on Dixie Highway near Turtle Creek.

Malicious destruction to mailbox on Blue Grass Drive. Vehicle tracks were seen off the roadway.

Larceny at Blockbuster Video on Sashabaw Road near Waldon Road. Two suspects activated a security detector when exiting the store. One returned one DVD but still left with a backpack with others. Deputies were awaiting receipt of a surveillance video for investigation.

## Springfield Township

**November 15:** Larceny of tools from locker at Oakland Technical Center-Northwest Campus on Big Lake Road.

**November 16:** Threats report on Big Lake Road near Dixie Highway.

Suspicious person at the Kroger store on Davisburg Road. A store patron reported someone in the parking lot trying to give away cleaning supplies. Deputies determined the man was a contract cleaner attempting to give away leftover supplies to lighten his load for a flight back to Utah.

Larceny of digital camera from an office at the Oakland Technical Center-Northwest Campus.

**November 17:** Malicious destruction to vehicle on Dixie Highway near Graham Road.

Home invasion on Foster Road near Clement. The resident saw a suspicious vehicle in the driveway, but thought it might belong to a hired worker. Upon entering the home, she found a closet open. She then heard someone leave the house. A later inventory revealed jewelry, cash and two handguns taken.

**November 18:** Assist to White Lake Township Police on a domestic assault call on Ormond Road.

Burglary on Lewis Court.

**November 19:** Vehicle theft at Kim's Convenience Store on Dixie Highway. The owner said she left the keys in the car while entering the store. Case was turned over to the auto theft bureau.

Domestic assault report on Ridge Valley Drive.

**November 20:** Credit card fraud on Oak Valley Drive. The victim reported unauthorized use of the card, and believes it to be stolen.

Larceny from vehicle at the Springfield Inn on Dixie Highway. Taken were a jacket, bank cards and driver license.

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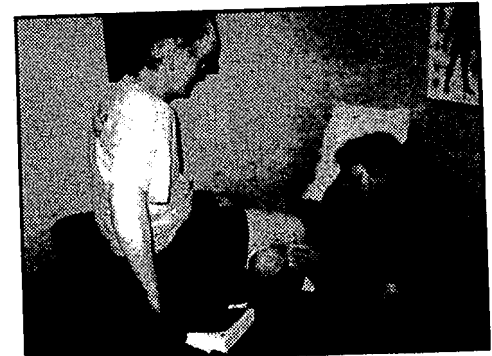


Dana Ferrari, performing overhead balance exercises on her injured right knee (Anterior Crvelate injury). Currently rehabilitating knee at HealthQuest, planning on returning to competitive sports. "Dan makes therapy fun."



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# Council questions police fingerprint, PBT services

BY DON SCHELSKE  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

In addition to road patrol and emergency response, the Clarkston Police Department provides services such as fingerprinting and alcohol breath tests.

At least one member of the Clarkston City Council wonders if the latter jeopardizes the former.

Fingerprinting is required for background checks by various employers, including school districts. Preliminary breath tests are often required for those convicted of alcohol-related offenses.

Police Chief Ernest Combs told the council on Nov. 8 that officers provided 173 preliminary breath tests in October, "up substantially" from September.

Meanwhile, officers provided fingerprinting for 22 people in October. That was a decrease from September, Combs said, but late summer and early fall were busy with new school employees.

Council Member David Savage asked if the service is worth the officers' time and effort.

"It does take our officer off one road and onto another [task]," Savage said.

"It's a two-sided coin," Combs replied. "I like to do it because it provides a service to the community."

The chief said he considers "community" to be the surrounding area in addition to the City of the Village of Clarkston. If the service were limited only to city residents, demand for such services would be significantly decreased.

On the other hand, fees for the extra services have added to city coffers, and not too long ago Combs raised the week-end fee to discourage those from far-away communities who came to Clarkston to avoid higher fees from agencies in other municipalities.

The current charge for PBTs is \$5 on weekdays and \$10 on weekends and holidays. The department charges \$10 for all fingerprinting. Combs said the year-to-date revenue is higher than anticipated.

With a budget line item of \$16,000 in extra police revenue, the projection at the one-third point of the fiscal year would be about \$5,334. The actual figure as of Oct. 31 is \$6,576, and Combs asked the council to consider using the surplus to help purchase Taser weapons.

In the meantime, Combs promised to monitor the frequency of the services.

"I keep a pretty close check on it," the chief said. "If it takes them off the road too much, I'll have to come up with an alternate solution."



Clarkston Police Chief Ernest Combs demonstrates fingerprinting procedures with the help of Stephanie Morgan. City police offer fingerprinting and alcohol breath tests for a fee to those who need them for employment or other legal reasons. Photo by Don Schelske.

# Independence Twp. approves sale of rescue vehicles

BY JENNY MATTESON  
Clarkston News Editor

The Independence Township Fire Department has successfully sold two of their old rescue units.

Springfield Township purchased Rescue Unit #2 for \$55,001. The unit is six years old with 18,234 miles and 2,175 engine hours.

The Lewiston Volunteer Fire Company in Minnesota purchased Unit #3 for \$37,001. Unit #3 is almost

10 years old with 32,400 miles and 4,782 engine hours.

These sales are just one step in an upgrading process the department is currently handling. According to Fire Chief Steve Ronk, the department has been slowly replacing their rescue vehicles with EMS units. So far, the department has acquired four EMS vehicles over three years.

"(The rescues) were licensed transport vehicles, but in the end they were trucks on truck chassis," said

Ronk. "We consciously made the decision that our vehicles need to attend to the patient's comfort as well as their health and safety."

The department still owns a third rescue vehicle. Originally, Chesterfield Township put in for the unit, but removed their bid from the process in the end.

Chief Ronk stated he will not "aggressively get rid of" the unit at this time. Instead, he plans to use the vehicle to carry the department until a new heavy rescue unit arrives. The unit is 10 years old with 29,876 miles and 4224 engine hours.

"We're going to buy one heavy rescue soon," explained Ronk. "Those assist in incidents that require more than we currently have, like incidents on the expressway involving buses, semis and such. We are currently finishing the specs on that one."

The Independence Township Board voted unanimously at the Nov. 16 regular meeting to finalize the sale of both rescue units.

# Tax bills headed for Independence mailboxes

Property owners of Independence Township should receive their 2004 winter tax bills in the first week of December.

Taxes are to be paid in full by Monday, Feb. 14, 2005. After that date, winter taxes may still be paid at the township, with a 3 percent late penalty.

After Feb. 28, all unpaid 2004 summer and winter taxes are considered delinquent and are turned over to the Oakland County Treasurer. No payments are taken at the township after this point.

Those planning to pay taxes before the end of the year should be aware that the township hall is closed on Dec. 24, 27 and 31. Any payments made after

5 p.m. on Dec. 30 are posted paid in 2005.

Winter taxes traditionally cover county and township-approved millages. Special assessments and delinquent water/sewer bills over six months due are included.

This is the last winter bill to include all county millage. The county operating millage for the 2004 tax year is 4.19 mills. Next summer, the county general operating taxes will begin shifting to the summer tax bill.

This was passed by

the state legislature and signed by Governor Jennifer Granholm to provide funding for all counties. This took place after state-shared revenue to counties was cut. The 2005 summer tax bill will include one-third of the county general operating levy. In 2006, two-thirds of the millage is included. In 2007, the full operating millage

will be on the summer bill.

More information is available at [www.michiganlegislature.org](http://www.michiganlegislature.org). Click public acts and enter Act Number 357 and the year 2004.

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# Randolph's Salon is 'What you've been waiting for'

BY JENNY MATTESON  
Clarkston News Editor

"What you've been waiting for."

This is how Scott and Mary Randolph believe Clarkston residents will feel about their newest establishment: Randolph's Salon.

Located at 5890 Sashabaw Rd. in the Kroger Plaza, Randolph's Salon is a Redken Elite Salon, one of 50 nationally, specializing in extraordinary hair color. The store features an exposed hair color bar, one of the newest concepts in the hair industry, where nothing is hidden in the "back room."

"We formulate, mix and prepare for each guest's unique needs right in the salon," said owner Mary Randolph.

Scott and Mary Randolph have owned Randolph's Salon in Waterford for 15 years. They have been at their current location on M-59 and Williams Lake Rd. for the past 10 years. The couple decided to open a second location in the Clarkston area because they felt the community lacked the support of a salon that is current and trendy, with a European flair, and specializing in hair color.

"We felt this community needed the business support," said Mary. "We have clients who drive from here to Waterford for our services."

The Randolphs have been members of The Salon Association since 1999. They are industry leaders who won the Finalist Award from the Global Salon Entrepreneur of the Year Awards, a prestigious honor with only 26 nominations out of the 7,000 salons in Michigan.

In addition, the Randolphs said they believe strongly in providing their staff with the best available education, includ-

ing attending the Redken Exchange in New York City, the #1 training academy in the world.

Intertwined though with this high level of expertise and satisfaction is a strong belief in traditional customer satisfaction.

"We are here to provide excellent service while being nice - making the customer happy," said Scott. "You want to exceed your customer's expectations."

The Randolph's said they strive to make their salon a relaxing, comfortable environment that invites their clients to return again and again. The couple place offering top-of-the-line services right beside kindness, courtesy and customer satisfaction.

So what is the most important goal for Randolph's Salon's newest location? To provide the community with an establishment that reflects the pride and lifestyle of the residents.

"We want to encourage residents to enjoy and be proud of the satisfaction they have in their community and their lifestyles," said Scott. "We want to offer them the services they want with the kindness they want."

Randolph's Salon is currently holding a Grand Opening celebration until Dec. 4. Anyone stopping in can enter to win a \$40 Redken Gift Bag. The salon will be drawing daily winners.

Also, anyone referring a friend to Randolph's Salon during the Grand Opening will be entered into a drawing for a \$250 gift basket including a gift certificate, Redken products, t-shirts, and much more.

Finally, prebook a chemical service for January or February during the month of December and receive a free mini-sham-



Mary and Scott Randolph opened Randolph's Salon on Sashabaw Rd. almost four weeks ago. The salon offers the highest quality, education and experience in a team of nationally trained stylists combined with a relaxing and inviting atmosphere. Photo by Jenny Matteson.

poo with redeemable gift card for a free Redken Gift Box, a \$16 value.

Randolph's Salon is open Monday from 11 a.m. - 7 p.m.; Tuesday, Wednes-

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# Clarkston students 'Mix It Up' during lunch

BY CHRISTINA ULAJ  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Local students had the opportunity to meet and greet new people recently during their lunch periods and the students were very accepting of the newborn mix.

Independence Elementary School was delighted to join over seven thousand schools worldwide for its first National Mix It Up Lunch Day on Nov. 16.

Mix It Up Lunch Day is a national initiative to encourage children to break down the barriers that restrict them in social environments.

"Children and adults all have tendency's to go to our comfort zones," said Chris Turner, Principle. "It's an initiative to try to break that boundary, even for a day."

Independence Elementary's diversity committee is made up of teachers and parents. A committee member heard about the spread of National Mix It Up Day and brought it to the school's attention. A few weeks of planning, and Independence Elementary brought the national day to the Clarkston area.

"I think it's wonderful and I'm pleased on the turnout today," said Turner. "Children that don't know each other were sitting together and having conversations."

Independence worked hard and covered every necessary step in order to make the day successful. At lunchtime, students were handed a colored sticker. These colors went along with the colors of the

lunch tables, assigning children their lunch seat for the day. Students had to stay in their assigned areas for the remainder of the lunch period.

Many of the students did not know each other well, and the school anticipated some resistance, so the diversity committee had parent volunteers and students carry a sheet of paper with questions on them. These questions were conversation starters, and they worked. A sampling of the questions included: when is your birthday, do you like to sleep in, and do you like to go to the beach or play video games?

"This is my first time at the Mix It Up Lunch," said fifth grader Kelly Baker. "It's really fun and I would like to do it again."

Kelly may get her wish. The committee is brainstorming other possible activities where students can interact on the same level and purpose as Mix it up Day.

"I was exposed to the National Mix It Up Lunch Day through my work," said Sue Petrimoulx of the diversity committee. "I would definitely be a part of any upcoming events like this in the future."

Independence Elementary is constantly addressing the importance of working with other children and meeting new people. Mix It Up lunch Day attempted to draw these children together so they could break away from their everyday routine. The day was a hit, and students are eagerly waiting for their next social to come.



Cherie Schlau, cafeteria supervisor giving instructions during lunch.



Photos by Christina Ulaj



Ethan Frick and Luke Rodgers enjoy oreos during lunch.



Fifth graders enjoying their "Mix It Up" lunch!

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# Independence seniors celebrate Thanksgiving

The Independence Township Senior Center held a grand Thanksgiving feast on Nov. 17. Seniors enjoyed a turkey dinner with all the trimmings, great music, fun games and wonderful company. Pictured above enjoying some appetizers are (left-right) Wanda Poplawski, Mary Methner, and Robert and Treva Porter. Music for the luncheon was provided by Rovin' Ron of Waterford. Photos by Jenny Matteson.

## Independence Township honors out-going officials

With so many ways to say good-bye, sometimes finding the right one is the hardest part.

At the Nov. 16 regular meeting of the Independence Township Board, township trustees said good-bye to two respected public servants in the best way they new how - by resolution.

Trustee Dan Travis presented the following resolution in honor of former township supervisor Dale Stuart:

Whereas, be it resolved that the Independence Township Board by this action does recognize the more than 20 years of exceptional service that Dale A. Stuart has given to this community; and

Whereas, he has demonstrated strong and fair leadership in all areas of township government; and

Whereas, by his initiative he has helped manage the growth of our township; and

Whereas, he has served as a Township Trustee for eight years from 1980-1988; and he has served as Township Supervisor since 1992 to present; and

Whereas, he has involved many citizens in this area to share in community service; and

Whereas, he has been committed to delivering the best municipal services to residents in a cost effective manner; and

Whereas, he has been successful in securing the cooperation of MDOT and partial funding of the pedestrian and bicycle/safety path over I-75 on the M-15 bridge; and

Whereas, he led the ballot initiative and effort to preserve the open space and revitalize the Liberty Golf course properties; and

Whereas, his initiatives have been innovative on a state wide basis establishing a storm water retention program for the Sashabaw corridor; and

Whereas, resulted in forming the 2020 strategic plan; and

Whereas, he has worked to update and revise our current master plan while being in support of the Design Overlay District; and

Whereas, he has led efforts to prudently fund the growth of the library's collection; and

Whereas, Dale A. Stuart has demonstrated his personal ethics by placing his faith and family first, his country and

community second, and his love of golf and the Michigan marching band in perspective; and

Now, Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Township Board has the distinct honor to present this proclamation with thanks for his service to the Charter Township of Independence.

Trustee Larry Rosso gave an emotional reading of the following resolution for former township clerk Joan McCrary:

Whereas, Joan E. McCrary has served with distinction and honor as the Clerk of the Charter Township of Independence for 15 years; and

Whereas, Joan McCrary has demonstrated outstanding leadership in her service to the Michigan Association of Clerks and served as its President in 1999 as well as a member of the International Institute of Municipal Clerks; and

Whereas, Joan McCrary has been actively involved in a variety of leadership activities with the Michigan Townships Association (MTA) and its regional affiliates; and

Whereas, Joan McCrary is acknowledged as the Independence Township "Ambassador" for her continuous service to numerous civic and community organizations and has given of herself toward many charitable causes; and

Whereas, Joan McCrary has always recognized the supportive relationship within her family and the sustaining value of her religious faith;

Now Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Independence commends Joan McCrary for her 18 years of service as Independence Township Clerk.

In addition to the proclamations, Stuart and McCrary received gifts in recognition for their years of service. Stuart received a small golden gavel, representing the many years of meetings he has attended and led. McCrary was presented a small golden gavel, symbolizing the years of record keeping she has done.

Both officials spoke during the presentation on how they will miss their duties in the township, but how they are also ready to face the new paths of their lives.

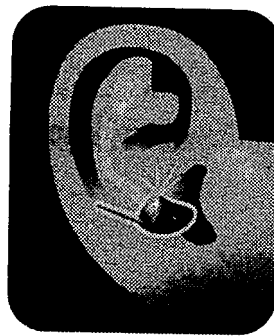
## SCAMP receives donation

The Clarkston SCAMP announces its receipt of a \$5,000 donation from the Bloomfield Hills branch office of Smith Barney. The funds were donated through Citigroup Foundation as part of a local contribution program conducted at Smith Barney branches across the country.

Lou Melone, CFP, vice-president investments, presented the check to Donna Clancy, Executive Director for the North Oakland SCAMP Funding Corporation. The money will fund scholarships to SCAMPers.

SCAMP has been providing a summer camp experience for individuals with special needs in northern Oakland County and southern Genesee County since 1976. The focus of this five-week, fun-filled program is to build self-esteem and maintain academic achievement through recreational activities and social events.

"We are glad to support organizations that have a meaningful impact on the areas where we live and work," said Melone, who headed the initiative and selection process on behalf of Smith Barney.



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# Students add special ingredients to Thanksgiving

BY CHRISTINA ULAJ  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

First graders at Pine Knob Elementary recently published their secret recipes on preparing a turkey. The students under the direction of first grade teachers Mrs. Rathburg and Mrs. Cusumano, gathered their recipes and combined them to put a Thanksgiving recipe book together. The children gave their version on how to cook a turkey.

"Some were very eager to give their recipes while others were clueless," said Rathburg, "but once we got going it was very creative."

The students emphasized certain aspects of the meal, especially the turkey. They focused on where the turkey comes from, the size of the turkey and how to prepare and cook-recipes that are as original as they come.

"It took me about three days to complete the book," said Cusumano. "I would take three kids and sit one on one with them to complete each recipe."

Once all of the recipes were refined, Cusumano typed them up and formatted them into books for the kids to take home and share with their family for Thanksgiving.

"I used my mommy's recipe for Thanksgiving turkey," said first grader Audrey Huhtasaari. "I didn't use my daddy's because all he knows how to make is peanut butter and jelly and macaroni and cheese."

The children were very excited about their book, although it won't hit the stands anytime soon. This great book filled with fun recipes, innocence and some very interesting secrets is only available as a limited edition.



Mrs. Rathburg, Mrs. Cusumano, Kristen Abraham, Hannah Agnew, Alexis Beck, Kierstin Blaga, Sarah Harding, Jared Harper, Courtney Heichel, Audrey Huhtasaari, Matthew Jackson, Julia Judge, Michael Kaufman, Isaac Keer, Sean Lucas, Collin Lynch, Kayla Mckillop, Rebecca Milano, Seth Miller, Nicole Sarkisian, James Scane, Justin Stasevich, Ian Stuart, Lukas Swartzmiller, Emily Trombley, Jordyn Tucker.

## CHS students recognized for academic excellence

BY CHRISTINA ULAJ  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

The National Honors Society ceremony took place on Nov. 16 in the CHS Performing Arts Center. The ceremony was led by Principal Janet Meagher, and Superintendent Dr. Al Roberts.

Retired band director Cliff Chapman was the guest speaker at the ceremony, and the CHS Madrigals and Jazz Band performed.

And the award for academic excellence goes to:

Seniors: Muhammad Alghanem, Renee Flores, Sarah Jennett, Ashley Portela, Nicholas Puroll, Bradley Rawe, Jessica Sanchez, Craig Thomas, and Christopher Valmassoi.

Juniors: Christine Alexander, Benjamin Allen, Christopher Anderson, Robert Appel, Lynn Ashby, Matthew Baibak, Katherine Banghart, Kristine Barnes, Michael Bell, Justin Benson, Andrew Binasio, Erin Bokuniewicz, Lindsay Bokuniewicz, Kathryn Bonnyer, Brandon Boozer, Casey Brandenburg, Corey Brandenburg, Carpe Chaffee, Catherine Cichon, Jamie Clavette, Mikayla Cornfield, Adrienne Cross, Marina Dabrowski, Jessica Dugkas, Sarah Davenport,

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# Clarkston News Sports

## Clarkston hockey gets off on the right skate

BY NOAH PURCELL  
Clarkston News Sports Writer

The zamboni drivers at the Detroit Skate Club must have thought they were smoothing over an ice dancing competition after Clarkston's varsity hockey team skated circles around West Bloomfield on Nov. 17.

The Wolves jumped on the Lakers early and coasted to a 9-0 victory in the first game of the season for both squads.

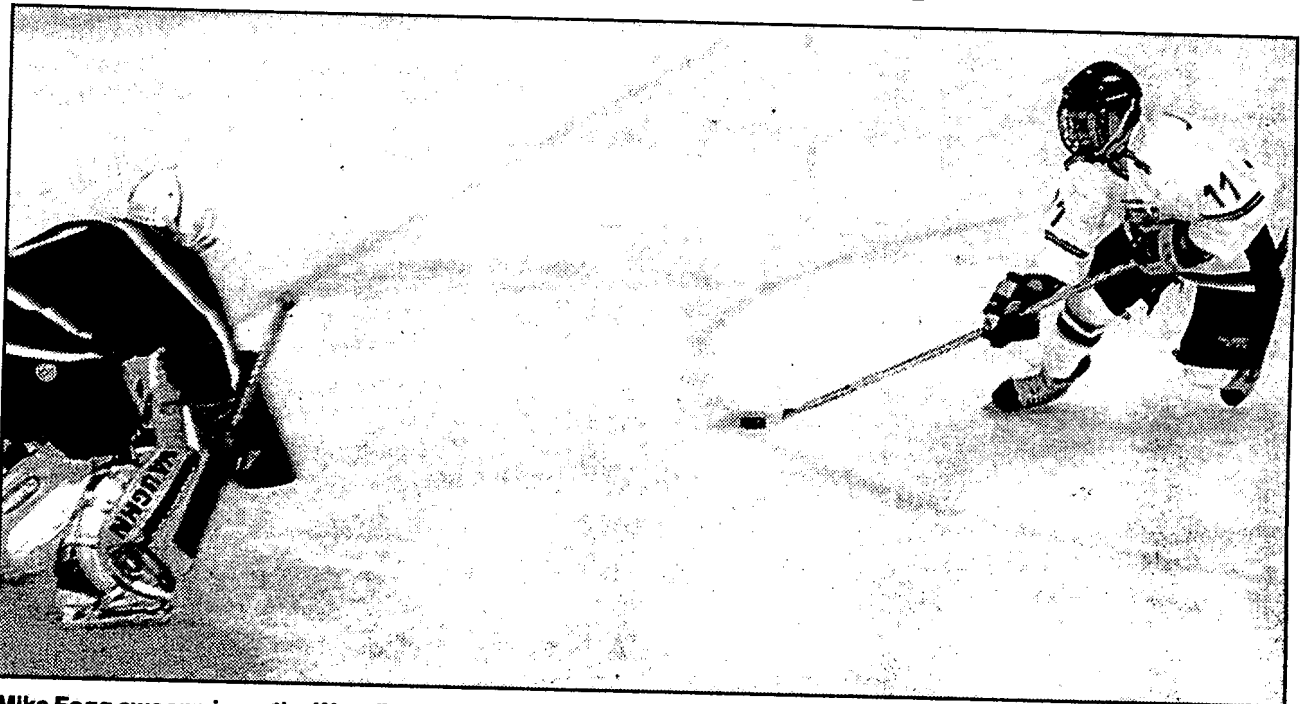
"I'm glad that we got our first win," said Coach Bryan Krygier. He added that judging how well the team had truly performed is hard since West Bloomfield is not an upper echelon hockey program.

Clarkston opened the scoring just over a minute into the game when senior defenseman Alex Handley beat West Bloomfield goalie Zack Lederer. Junior forward Kyle Chartrand and senior defenseman Adam Stoyek assisted.

Clarkston's second goal was scored at 10:28 of the first period by senior forward Mike Fogg, on a deflection in front of a shot from Stoyek. Shortly after, junior forward Mike Medonis beat Lederer low on the stick side to put Clarkston up 3-0 with 9:04 remaining in the first.

"(This game) felt really good, the shots were just going in for us," said Fogg who finished off a hat trick in the first period and also had three assists in the game.

Handley added his second goal, Clarkston's seventh, with :37 remaining in the second period; he was assisted by Chartrand and senior forward Chris Degen.



Mike Fogg swoops in on the West Bloomfield goal. Fogg had six points in the game. Photo by Noah Purcell

Finishing the scoring for the Wolves was senior forward Trevor Johns assisted by Fogg with 4:30 remaining in the third. Chartrand tallied the ninth and final goal 30 seconds later, Fogg got the helper once again.

Senior Goalie Michael Brach recorded nine saves for the shutout. Clarkston as a team shot the puck 38 times.

The Wolves next action will find them in the highly competitive Cranbrook Thanksgiving Tournament, on Nov. 26-27.

According to Krygier, the Wolves have one of the toughest schedules in the State this year.

Last year the Wolves were ousted in the quarterfinals of the State tournament.

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## Exercise your mind; read and learn

By Ernie Harwell

I love to read. I read the papers every day. And I've always loved books. I think we all have to get away from ourselves every once in a while. There are a lot of different ways you can accomplish that. Reading is one of the best because you can just pick up a book and put it down when you want to. Most importantly, it keeps our minds active and gives us opportunities to learn.

Like physical fitness, learning is something that you have to work at. You have to keep doing it every day; every year. And if we don't learn things, we dry up and we get within-ourselves too much.

There are so many things out there that we can read and learn about: art, history, sports, whatever you like.

We should all remember the words of Robert Louis Stevenson:

The world is so full of a number of things,  
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So make it a point to read. You're never too old to learn;  
you've got to keep learning no matter what.

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



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Some things in life are seen only in black and white. No grays, no hues at all, just simple black and white.

And even though everyone beholds to the two-tone nature of the things know it would look better in color, the colors are not available. That's the thing with black and white, it is a dominating force - the white swallows up debate and the black envelops queries.

The Clarkston varsity girls cross country team and the MHSAA's decision to not let them run in the NIKE Team Nationals is one of those issues that begs to be viewed in color but sadly can only be seen in black and white.

I see sky blue when I look at the girls' grit as they slogged through ice and snow last winter in order to prepare for the season.

The two weeks off the girls took from running over the past year flicker pink against a solid palette of royal purple when I recall the numerous times the girls told me training was easy thanks to their teammates support.

When the girls won their second State championship, it was as if gold poured from their mouths as they gushed about their victory. A massive fall, at the onset of the State championship race, now just a brown smudge overwhelmed and wiped out by the girls golden swag-ger.

But the question of whether the girls can go to the NIKE Team Nationals is black and white; and nothing is going to change that.

The determination has been made and the rules and bylaws of the MHSAA specifically forbids the team from participation. The rules eschew team participation in a national championship event, will not allow travel over 600 miles round trip and outlaw any competition as a team outside the official season of a particular sport. The MHSAA's intent is noble.

These rules seek to keep athletes in the classroom and ensure that the State championship is cherished.

I see orange thunder clouds now. They pulse and burst when I think about a team divided, parents arguing and administrations blamed. Deeper and darker hues of orange flashed as the debate raged on - should the Wolves attend the NTN as a rogue club, pitting themselves against their school and the state athletic association?

And then the red blame poured down.

I know that if the team had gone to Portland, they would have splashed caution tape yellow all over next year's team in the form of a years worth of ineligibility. Instead, with Clarkston declining to participate, CHS's athletic director, Dan Fife, has to wade through the blood tinged blame.

What is not shining through is the light green in Mr. Fife's eyes when he talks about how dedicated the team is. How they are the best examples of a successful high school athlete there is. How he wishes he could squeeze the same commitment the girls freely give out of other teams at CHS.

Hopefully, people will see that Mr. Fife is caught in the black and white just like the girls. That if there is a rules violation, he is compelled to report it. He knows he must even though he does not want to do it. In the end the black and white trumps what he wants as a person and dictates what he must do as an administrator.

I think the girls should be able to take advantage of the opportunity they have created and paid for with the soles of their feet. I think it would be great to throw a parade in their honor once they returned from the NTN with the crown.

But in the same breath, I think the girls who remain next year should have a chance to three-peat the State Championship.

Clarkston will lose three of its strongest runners, but there will be strong runners in their place next year. The worst disacceleration of all would have been if the girls on next years team were suspended.

In the end, no one can escape the black and white. The rules of the MHSAA will not be tinted for this event - and the cross country team will sadly be drained of their color now so they may shine anew next year.

### Started Out Dumb



Noah Purcell

## CHS Cagers bounced in semifinal

BY NOAH PURCELL  
Clarkston News Sports Writer

Waterford Kettering's Chaz Miller sunk a jumper and the Wolves season with :49 remaining in the district semifinal on Nov. 17.

Miller's 12-footer gave the Captains a 44-43 lead. In the end, Kettering outscored Clarkston 49-45.

"If she missed that shot we would have won the game," said Coach Ann Lowney.

Moments later, Kettering's Danielle Clark further hammered on Clarkston's coffin: she drove the lane, took a foul and still managed to get the ball into the hoop for a 47-43 lead - after a successful free throw attempt.

Senior forward Leigh Christy's three point try with ten seconds remaining found a way to work itself free of the rim, her put back attempt rattled in and out in the same manner and the Wolves were forced to foul.

"Usually we are able to hold Kettering to less points," said Lowney. She added this game was especially tough since the two schools had already met twice this year. Clarkston won both of the earlier contests.

Senior forward Stephanie Parkin led both teams in scoring with 14 points.

Senior guard Jill Kouri chipped in 13 for the Wolves. She also gave Clarkston a 43-42 lead with 1:25 left in the game on a hard driving layup.

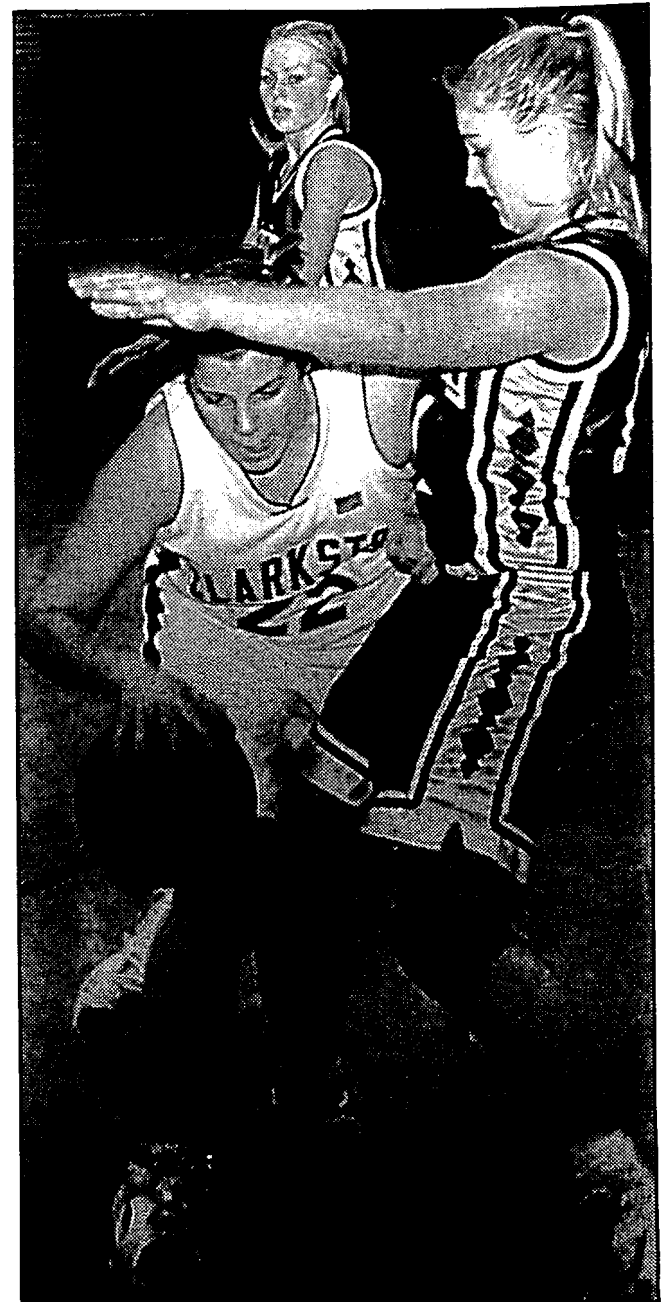
The game was a chippy affair and the officiating was very tight, both teams entered the penalty early in each half. Clarkston and Kettering combined for 19 free throws in the last six minutes of the game.

Overall, the Wolves finished the season 15-8 and finished third in the league. At the start of the year, the Wolves were picked to finish fourth or fifth.

"I was really happy with the way we played in our league," said Lowney. "I thought we would have a better State tournament run though."

Next year's team will return juniors Tamra Green and Melissa Martinez, who made up the Wolves starting back court for most of the season. Also returning is sophomore guard Chelsea Kouri whose season was cut short by a knee injury.

Starters Parkin, Kouri and Christy, as well as important reserve forward Julia Connor, will graduate this year.



Clarkston's Jesse Palace tries to work her way through Chaz Miller's defense. Photo by Noah Purcell

## End of an era, Clarkston loses a leader

BY NOAH PURCELL  
Clarkston News Sports Writer

The Clarkston varsity girls basketball team had a tough week. First they were ousted by Kettering on Nov. 17 and coach Ann Lowney resigned on Nov. 18.

"(I will be) pursuing being a mommy," said Lowney. Lowney is the proud mother of four-year-old triplets and felt the time had come to step away from the game to spend more time with her young ones.

"I'll miss all the people, seeing the girls and Coach Fife everyday," said Lowney.

Lowney coached the Wolves for the past eight sea-

sons and compiled a 110-62 record.

"She built this program," said senior forward Stephanie Parkin. "She was the best coach I've ever had or will have."

In the end, balancing babysitters and basketballs proved to be too much and Lowney knew what she needed to do.

"It will be extremely hard to find someone who is willing to make the sacrifices she has for our program," said Athletic Director Dan Fife. "People don't want to work that hard anymore."

## Athlete of the Week - Kaitlyn Hassett



Kaitlyn Hassett is the Athlete of the Week for her heroic performance in the OAA preliminaries swim meet on Nov. 5.

Hassett, who stepped on a piece of glass in her basement, chose to put off surgery to remove the shard for over a week so she could swim for the Clarkston varsity swim team.

She said the thought of ending her season early, even to stay the pain she felt with every step, never entered her

mind. Hassett, a freshman who has lived in Clarkston for 12 years, managed to set a personal record in the 200 freestyle during the OAA preliminaries.

This season as a whole was special for Kaitlyn as she joined her two older sisters, Chelsea and Amanda on a relay team.

Kaitlyn started swimming competitively six years ago with the Clarkston Seawolves.

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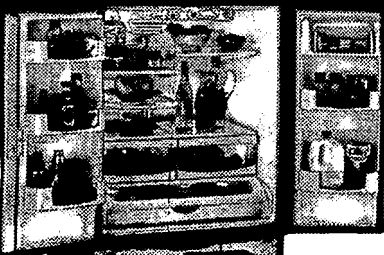


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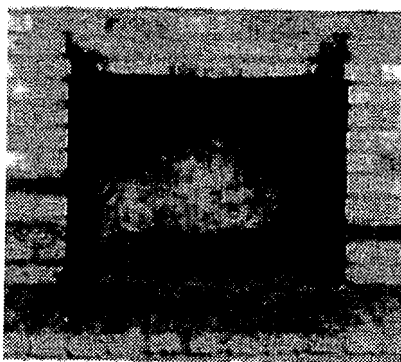
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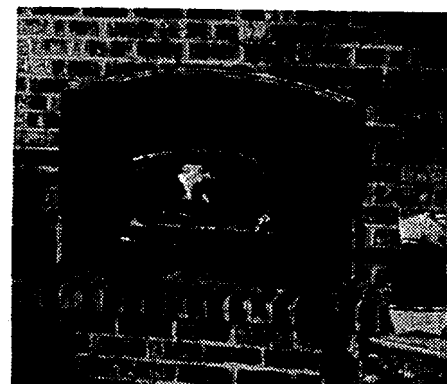


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# Obituaries

## William Falardeau

William "Bill" J. Falardeau, of Waterford, formerly of Clarkston, passed away unexpectedly on November 14, 2004, at the age of 38.

Mr. Falardeau was the husband of Donna; father of Abigail; son of Edward and Grace Falardeau of Clarkston; son-in-law of Christine (the late Alvin) Eilers of Bad Axe; and the brother of Edward "Bob" (Pat) of Midland and Jim (Cynthia) of Florida. He is also survived by three sisters-in-law and seven brothers-in-law.

Mr. Falardeau was a dedicated father, husband and son. He had a great love for the outdoors.

Funeral services were held on November 18, 2004, at the Lewis E. Wint & Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home. Any donations to the family will be used for Abby's future education.

## Charles Green

Charles "Bud" P. Green, of Davisburg, passed away on November 15, 2004. He was 71 years old.

Mr. Green was the husband of Wava for 44 years; father of Sally Haley of Texas; grandfather of Alisha (Chris) Ventura and Adam Shackelford; great-grandfather of Destiny & Vianna; and the brother of Betty (Woody) East of Florida, Netta (Larry) Stack of Waterford and the late Fred. He is also survived by several nieces, and was preceded in death by his nephew Jim Lee.

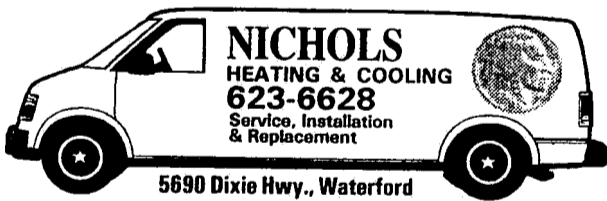
Funeral services were held on November 18, 2004, at the Lewis E. Wint & Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home. Memorial donations may be made to Hospice of Michigan.

## Matthew Townsend

Matthew John Townsend, of Ohio, formerly of Clarkston, passed away unexpectedly on November 16, 2004, in Arizona. He was 41.

Mr. Townsend was the loving son of Joanne (Colfer) and the late William Townsend; and the dear brother of Mary (Roy) Hall of Illinois, Mark (Michelle) of Florida, Kurt (Sue) of Lake Orion and Christopher (Sara) of Florida. He was also the beloved uncle of Elizabeth, Michelle, Emily and Nicholas; and the nephew of Marietta Fons, Robert and Betty Colfer and Patricia Hunter. He is survived by many cousins.

Mr. Townsend graduated from Our Lady of the



Lakes, University of Michigan and the University of Toledo Law School. He was admitted to the Ohio Bar in 2000.

Funeral mass was held on November 22, 2004, at Our Lady of the Lakes Catholic Church in Waterford. Rite of Committal in All Saints Cemetery in Waterford. Arrangements were entrusted to Lewis E. Wint & Sons TRUST 100 Funeral Home.

Memorials may be made to Our Lady of the Lakes Alumni Scholarship Fund in Mr. Townsend's honor.

## Mary Ann Ulrich

Mary Ann Ulrich, of Clarkston, formerly of Redford Twp., passed away on November 19, 2004, at the age of 66.

Mrs. Ulrich was the wife of Paul for 46 years; mother of Keith (Lisa) of Troy, Dan (Cindy) of Florida, Scott of Clarkston and Stephen of Burton; and grandmother of Philip, Kirsten, David, Amy, Michelle and Mason. She was preceded in death by her sister Joan (Denis) Corcoran.

She was like a mother to Laurie (Darryll) Gilliland, Robert (Melissa) Corcoran, Brent Corcoran, Chris (Barbara) Corcoran, Joseph Corcoran and all their children.

Mrs. Ulrich enjoyed flower gardening. She was a member of the Clarkston United Methodist Church where she served as a Stephen Minister.

Funeral services were held on November 22, 2004, at the Clarkston United Methodist Church. Burial ceremonies were in Oakland Hills Cemetery in Novi. Arrangements provided by Lewis E. Wint & Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home.

Memorials may be made to Clarkston United Methodist Church or Genesys Hospice.

## Gary Gatchell

Gary F. Gatchell, of Davison, formerly of White Lake, passed away on November 19, 2004. He was 69.

Mr. Gatchell was preceded in death by his wife Virginia. He was the father of Dale (Diane) of Commerce Township and Rob (Julie) of Goodrich; and the grandfather of Ashley, Andrea and Nicholas.

Funeral services were held on November 23, 2004, at the Lewis E. Wint & Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home. Burial ceremonies were in Ottawa Park Cemetery.

## Jackie M. Stewart

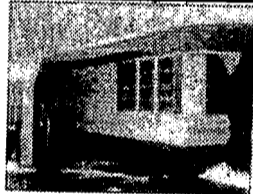
Jackie M. "Jack" Stewart; raised in Madison Heights, worked at GM Truck & Bus and retired to Clarkston; passed away on November 20, 2004. He was 70.

Mr. Stewart was the father of Colette (Onas) Smith of Highland; significant other of Monte Sue Wilson for over 12 years, and her children Michael (Linda) Wilson of Virginia and Bobby (Yonelle) Wilson of Clinton Twp.; grandfather of Michael Smith of Ypsilanti; and great-grandfather of Zachary. He was also the brother of Joyce (James) Joseph of Bloomfield Hills, and uncle and godfather of Jessica Jacquelyn Joseph.

Funeral services were held November 24, 2004, at the Lewis E. Wint & Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home. Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society.

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## The truth about regular physical activity – at any age.

By Ernie Harwell



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And please remember to take care of your health before it’s lonngggg gone!

Ernie Harwell, “the voice of the Detroit Tigers” for more than four decades, retired after 34 years behind a major league microphone. Today, at age 86, Ernie’s days are filled with serving as a health and fitness advocate for Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan, public appearances, writing, traveling and taking long walks with “Miss Laine.” An avid golfer for more than 50 years, his latest book, a collection of his baseball columns titled “Life After Baseball,” is available at bookstores or by calling 1-800-243-5802.



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# Sashabaw tenants celebrate road

BY DON SCHELSKE  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

The staff at Cowan Chiropractic did not wait for the Nov. 18 Sashabaw Road ribbon cutting ceremony.

When the new four-lane boulevard opened on Nov. 12, the staff brought in bottles of sparkling grape juice and had their own celebration.

"We're tickled to death," Dr. John Cowan said. "It's beautiful."

When full-scale construction began on Sashabaw between Waldon and Maybee roads, motorists were warned to stay away from the area if possible. Those who found it necessary to be on the road faced numerous lane closures and traffic jams.

Those challenges had an effect on those who make their living along that stretch of road, and businesses suffered varying degrees of difficulty.

Cowan said his practice survived well. "I was scared to death we wouldn't be able to be reached by the road," he said. "We were kept open all the time."

Candice Jones, of Candice's Flowers and Garden Center, blames the road construction for a \$20,000 falloff in business.

"I wish they could compensate us," Jones said, admitting that business "is starting to pick up" now that the road is open.

Her customers are united in their reaction to the new road: "They're real happy it's done."

A business of a different kind, Lighthouse Emergency Services found the summer to be a real challenge, according to branch manager Connie Stapleton.

"People could not find us," Stapleton said, especially after construction crews "ripped out" the charitable agency's road-side sign. That sign has yet to be replaced, making it somewhat difficult for donators

and clients even with the completed road. "We were told if it was taken out, it would be put back," she said, but the new boulevard has significantly reduced the area where a sign may be placed.

The Lighthouse headquarters office in Pontiac is attempting to reach a solution with the Road Commission for Oakland County, Stapleton said.

In the meantime, "It's a lot easier to get to work and get out of here," she said.

Already dealing with construction challenges on their own property, staff and students at Pine Knob Elementary School received a different kind of education through the road construction. Principal K.C. Leh was ecstatic in celebrating the completion of the boulevard.

"We're so excited, we can't stand it," Leh said. "In the last week, every one of our buses has been here on time."

Although the school was closed for much of the summer, congestion and confusion was ample for buses and parent drivers. On one particularly busy construction day, "You could not get anybody out of here," Leh said, and on other days the temporary access drive changed location between morning and afternoon bus runs.

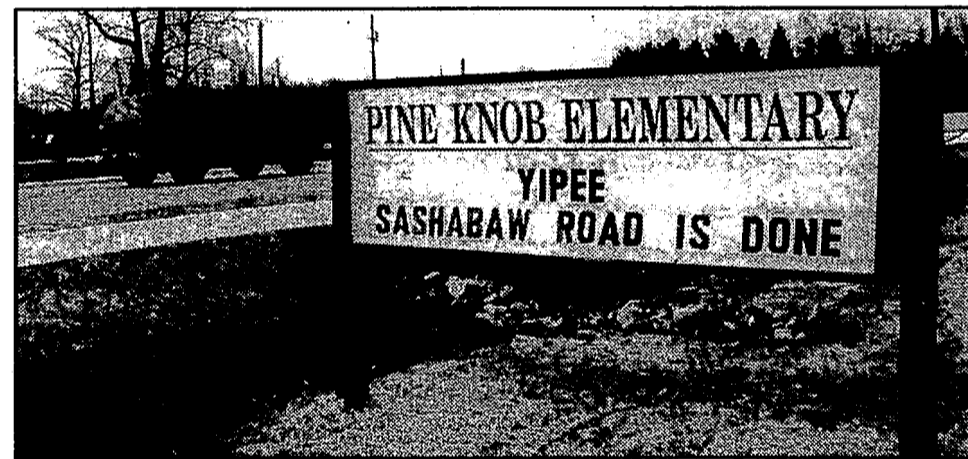
Students and staff had a daily front-row seat, and learned much about the details of the boulevard project.

"I never realized what really went into making a road," the principal said.

Lighted school zone speed limit signs had yet to be installed last week, but Leh said the improvement in turn lanes and traffic signals has increased the safety factor "three times as much."

She's also looking forward to the completion of landscaping and street lighting next spring.

"It's going to look sharp," she said.



The staff at Pine Knob Elementary School expressed the sentiment of many motorists, business owners and others who live and work along Sashabaw.

## Sashabaw

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for the \$11 million project, the majority of which was paid through federal funds.

Thanks to right-of-way donations by property owners, township officials were able to provide the \$1.1 million local match without raising local taxes. The township also paid for watermain upgrades, new street lighting and an irrigation system for the boulevard.

The township and the road commission each paid 10 percent for engineering, right-of-way and contractor cost.

RCOC public information officer Craig Bryson said the project came "close" to the budgeted amount, with unanticipated overages totalling "several hundred thousand dollars on an \$11 million project."

With that came positive reports on the work of contractor Sunset Excavating of Livonia. In addition to the completed paving work, crews got a head start on the street lighting and safety paths, and even some new grass can be seen on the

shoulders and in the median.

Promoting smooth traffic flow on Sashabaw are improved lanes and signals at both the Maybee and Waldon intersections. There's also a new right-turn lane from northbound Sashabaw onto southbound I-75.

"It's safer," Bryson said. "One of the big advantages of the boulevard is it eliminates the possibility of head-on collisions and largely reduces the possibility for left turns in front of oncoming traffic."

RCOC will also add FAST-TRAC "intelligent" traffic signals at all three Sashabaw intersections. The system uses vehicle detection devices to determine the amount of traffic present and to continuously adjust the signal timing.

The road commission broke down project costs as follows: \$6.5 million for construction, \$1.3 million for preliminary and construction engineering, \$1.6 million for right-of-way acquisition (almost \$1 million of which was accomplished by property owners' donation of land), and \$1.5 million for force account for a total of \$10.9 million.

**Who To Call**

## Athletic

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needs. The instructors' styles come through in the free-style stations to create a "group personalized training program."

Members can come at different times of the day and work with different trainers to find the best match. Houston said a schedule is available at the desk for members to see who the trainer is at certain times.

"We have a lot of options in the room," said Houston, "so the workout is never the same even though the circuit is. The trainers really personalize the routine with their own style."

Deer Lake's women's fitness circuit does not include a random cardiovascular component, such as running in place or marching. Instead, the circuit improves cardiovascular function by having participants perform 40 seconds of work followed by 20 seconds of recovery.

"We don't do the cardio in place because that can create injuries," explained Houston. "One of our goals is for women to be able to work at the intensity that's appropriate for them without feeling forced to be competitive with those around them."

Injury prevention is very important in the room. The women's fitness circuit uses weighted machines instead of having participants increase their speed. This allows those exercising to focus on their form and their effort, not how quickly they can move.



Certified trainer Kim Arcobello demonstrates a back extension in the new circuit room.

"This room can create a lifetime of exercise benefits," said Houston. "We hope to help with injury prevention, while enhancing women's strength and endurance."

In addition to the circuit room, women can optimize their exercise plan services such as metabolic testing and nutrition counseling.

Also, women can progress from or graduate from the circuit room to the main workout room at Deer Lake filled with new Life Fitness "Signature Series" equipment. The room includes trainers, cross-trainers, free weights, 16 pieces of cardio, a group cycling class and group instruction room.

"We use a hands-on approach so that our members are learning fitness, not just coming in and exercising on a machine," said Houston. "We want to see the members walk out of here feeling good about themselves and where they're spending their time and money."

Deer Lake women's fitness circuit was dedicated to owner Jacqui Milzow because of her dedication and love of fitness. Milzow's goal was to promote health

Wed., November 24, 2004 The Clarkston (MI) News 23 A and fitness throughout the Clarkston community.

According to Houston, Milzow looked forward to her workouts and enjoyed the energetic lifestyle she earned as a result of her efforts.

"She wanted her friends who had been members here for years to get that benefit as well," said Houston. "Her dedication was amazing. She was so excited to get this room moving."

To celebrate the women's fitness circuit grand opening, Deer Lake Athletic Club is offering a one week free membership that includes swimming, aerobics, kickboxing, Yoga, Pilates, use of the main exercise room, the new circuit room and full locker room privileges. For more information on the pass, please contact Shawn Myott at 248-625-8682.

A contest is also currently underway to name the new circuit room. Entry forms are available at the club's front desk and must be received by Dec. 3 when the official name will be chosen by Deer Lake personal training staff. Participants do not have to be members of the club, and the winning selection will receive a \$25 Back Court restaurant gift certificate.

## Vaara

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six buses in all.

Clarkston defeated the number one team, Flint Central, in the regional final, and a great Saginaw team by one point in the quarterfinals. Tim McCormick, who was All-State and went on to play for U of M and in the NBA for the New York Knicks, led the team. Other members of the team were John Sheldon, Ed Haddad, Scott McKoin, Larry Baylis, Nick Lekas, John Pappas, Doug Hagyard, Scott Weaver, Jerry Tatu, Chuck Nicoli and Paul Brown.

Dan Fife is the current coach for boys basketball. Dan is one of Clarkston's very successful coaches. When you talk about basketball in the State of Michigan, Dan Fife's program is mentioned with the best; he has also been Michigan Coach of the year twice.

Fife has been the varsity coach for 23 years (396-123). He coached at Sashabaw Junior High one year. His teams have won 13 league titles, 17 districts and 5 regionals. His best record was the 1990-91 season (22-1). Members of that team were Dave Smith, Shawn Halleran, Mark Galbraith, Chris Wasilk, Luke Fedio, Derek Wiley, Jon Wyniemko, Jeremy Burke, Dugan Fife, Jason Lund, Dereck Raymond, Devin Dupree and Nathan Pomeroy. Dugan Fife later played for U of M. Over 30 basketball players have received scholarships during Dan's career.

Dan is also the Athletic Director and stressed the

importance of the fabulous support from the community. Clarkston parents and community members have always followed their teams - home and away. The Clarkston crowd will outnumber the local school in many away games in many sports.

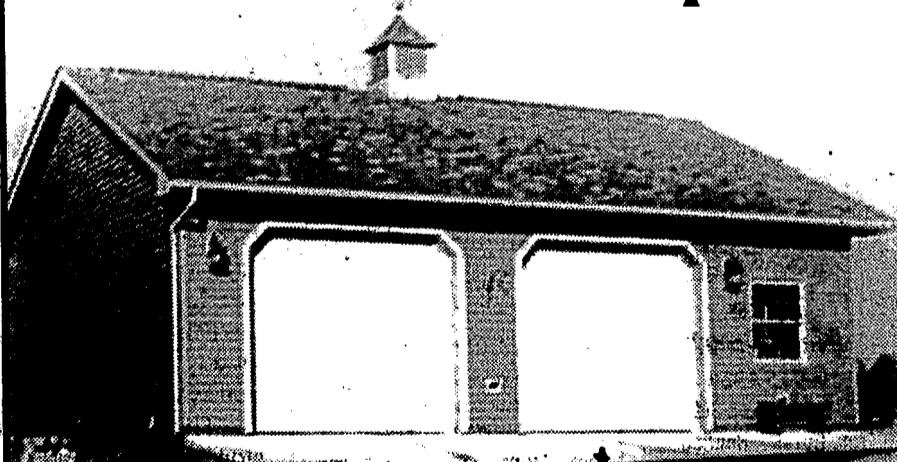
Dugan Fife, Dane Fife and Chris Johnston received first team All-State awards. There are many memorable games to pick as your favorite. Mine is the District tournament when Grand Blanc came into our house with a number one ranking and a record of 21-0. Clarkston won by three points. Members of the 1988-89 team were Gary Kaul (now assistant principal at CHS), Scott Weeks, Reggie Reed, Mel Heminger, Mark Sanderson, Wally Wyniemko, Jim Huttenlocher, Kellie O'Neil, Kevin McCormick, Jason Brown and Dugan Fife.

In asking Dan to mention his most memorable games, he said, "they are all memorable." But playing Pontiac Northern over the years has been special, and defeating Flint Northern with Mateen Cleaves and Antonio Smith on its roster was high on his list.

**Boys Golf:** Jim Chamberlain was the boys golf coach for 28 years. He won a state title in 1994. Members of the team were Jason Buchman, Jon Dean, Corey Bildstein and Jeremy Jensen.

Tim Kaul replaced Chamberlain as varsity boys coach. This year's team qualified for the state play-off. They placed tenth. Members of the team are Mike Fogg, Rob Ronk, Zach McDonald, Mike Horn and Colin Madole. Kaul has coached for the past five years.

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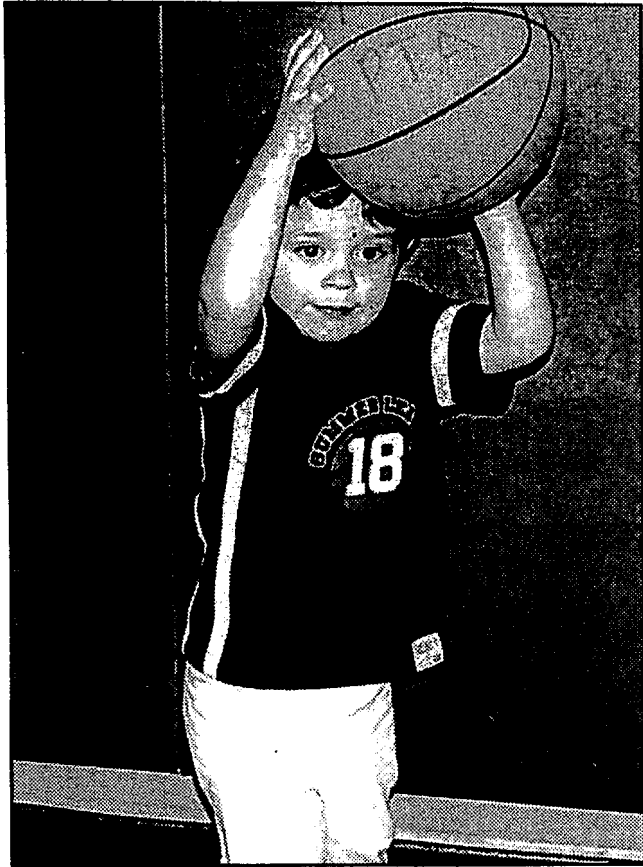
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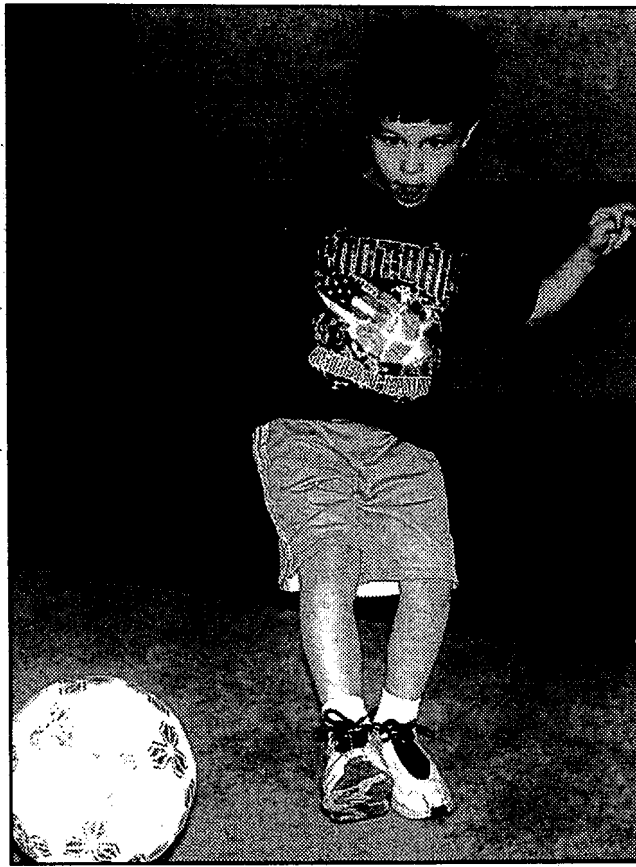
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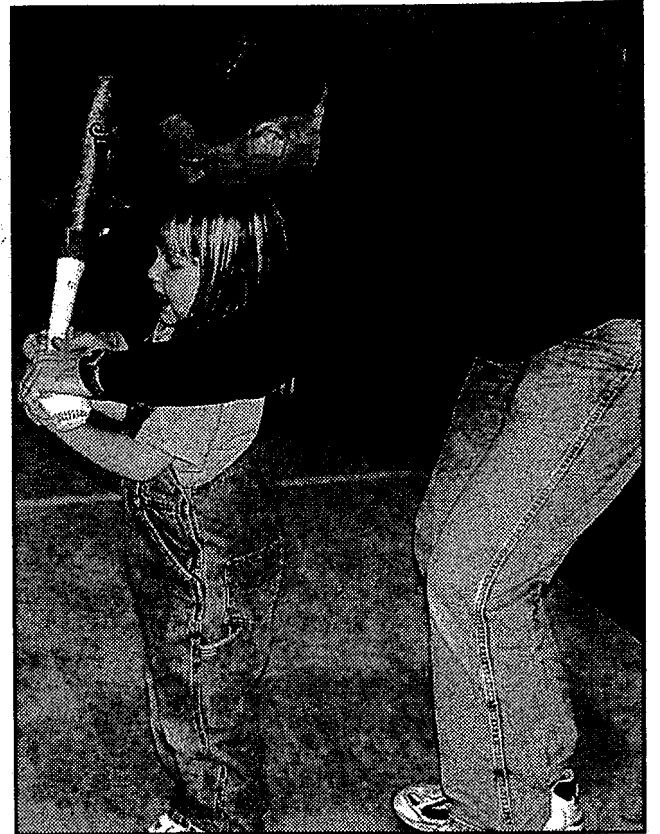
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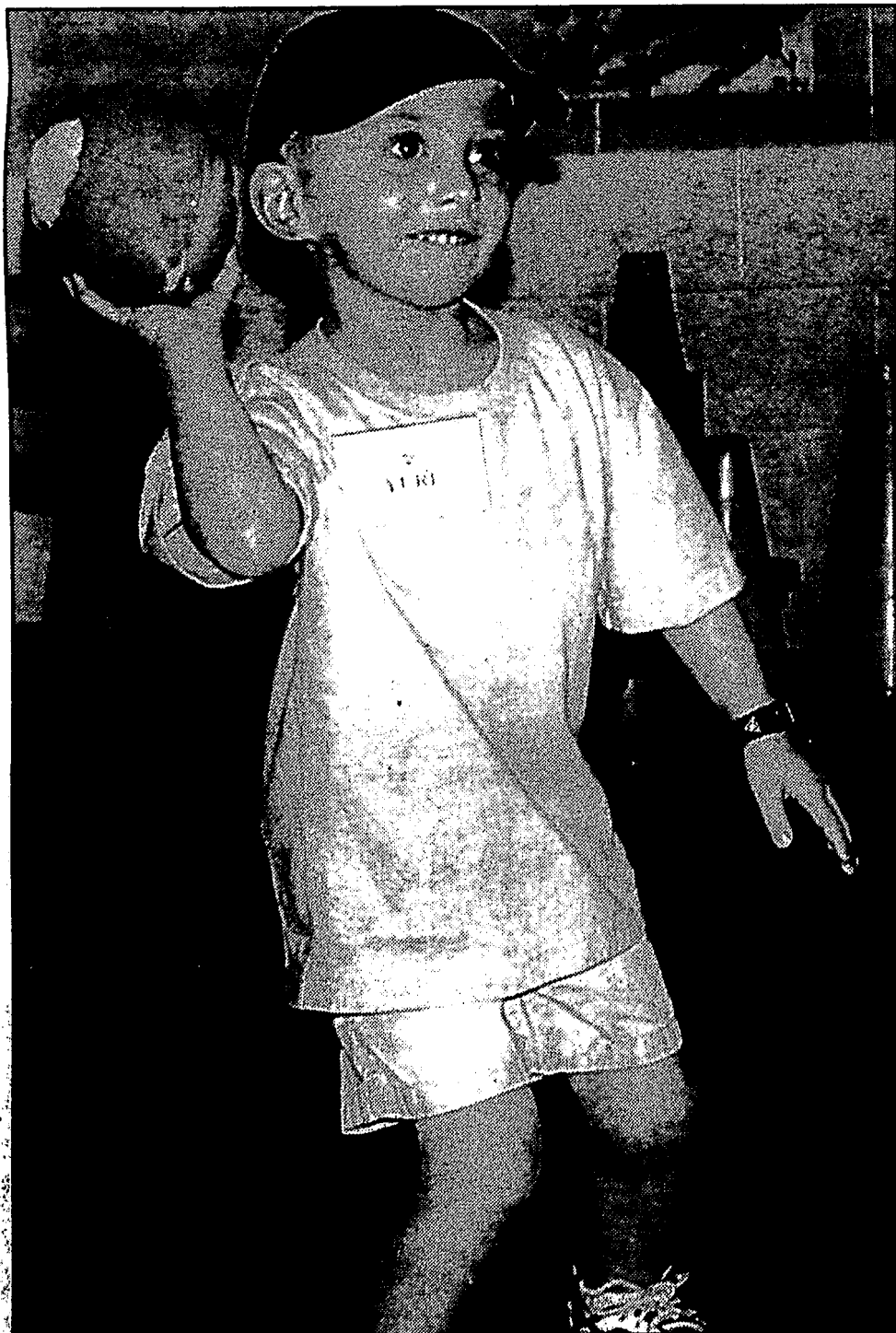


Laura Roberts is schooled in the finer points of batting by her father Derek.

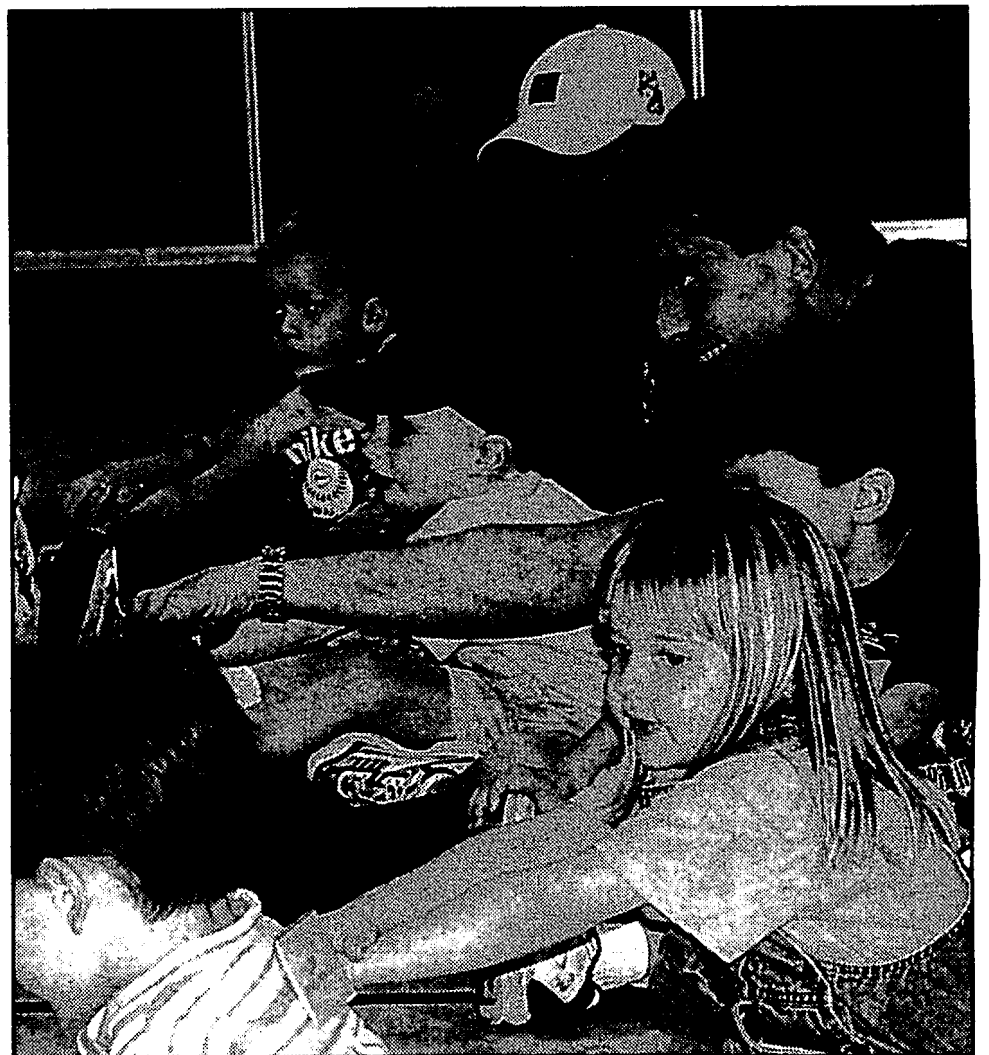
## Start Smart puts the "fun" in fundamentals

Independence Township Parks and Recreation, in partnership with the National Alliance for Youth Sports, has run the Start Smart program for four years now. Once a week, parents and their children, ages 3-5, gather at Pine Knob Elementary to learn the fundamentals of several sports, including soccer, basketball, baseball and football. Parks and Recreation offers the program twice a year for six weeks at a time.

*Photos by Noah Purcell*



Yuri Karpushenkoff works on his spiral.



Kids and parents alike stretch out before the evenings activities.



The fire coming off Seth Bacon's foot does not show up well in this photo.



### People Poll

What's your favorite part of Thanksgiving?



"(Being with) family and having fun and eating some turkey, gobble gobble."

-Trevor Turner



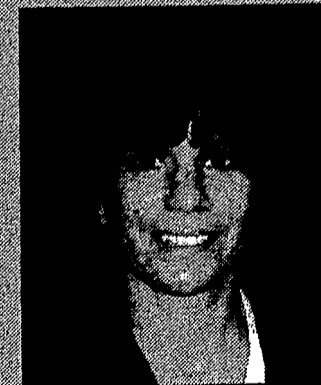
"Having the family together and praying that the Lions don't embarrass us."

-John Giordano



"The Thanksgiving parade. I've been watching it for a long time."

-Jason Wesol



"(Sitting down) with the family. It's when we pick secret Santas. And we eat a lot."

-Janice Stege

By Noah Purcell

# The Clarkston News' Millstream

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

## Mondavi Wines have local connection

BY CHRISTINA ULAJ  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

"A good wine is a wine you like," said Clarkston resident Ron Heady.

Heady, who started out in the sales business 15 years ago as a route salesman, is now the regional sales manager for Robert Mondavi Wines.

Heady and his wife Rita, with their two daughters Calem and Celestia, moved from Waterford to the Clarkston area four months ago.

"I think Clarkston is a neat town," said Heady. "I love the downtown area and the country feeling. People have been really great."

Although new to the area, Heady came into the community with established relationships — he had a history with Robert Esshaki, owner of Rudy's Market, and the owners of Mesquite Creek, making his move an easy one.

"I used to sell wine to Rudy's back when I was a route salesman," said Heady. "From that time I formed a fondness for the community."

Moving into Clarkston was exciting for Heady. He already loved the community, had already established relationships and was thrilled with the school district. His children are enrolled in Clarkston schools, and his daughter Celestia plays for the Clarkston Middle School basketball team.

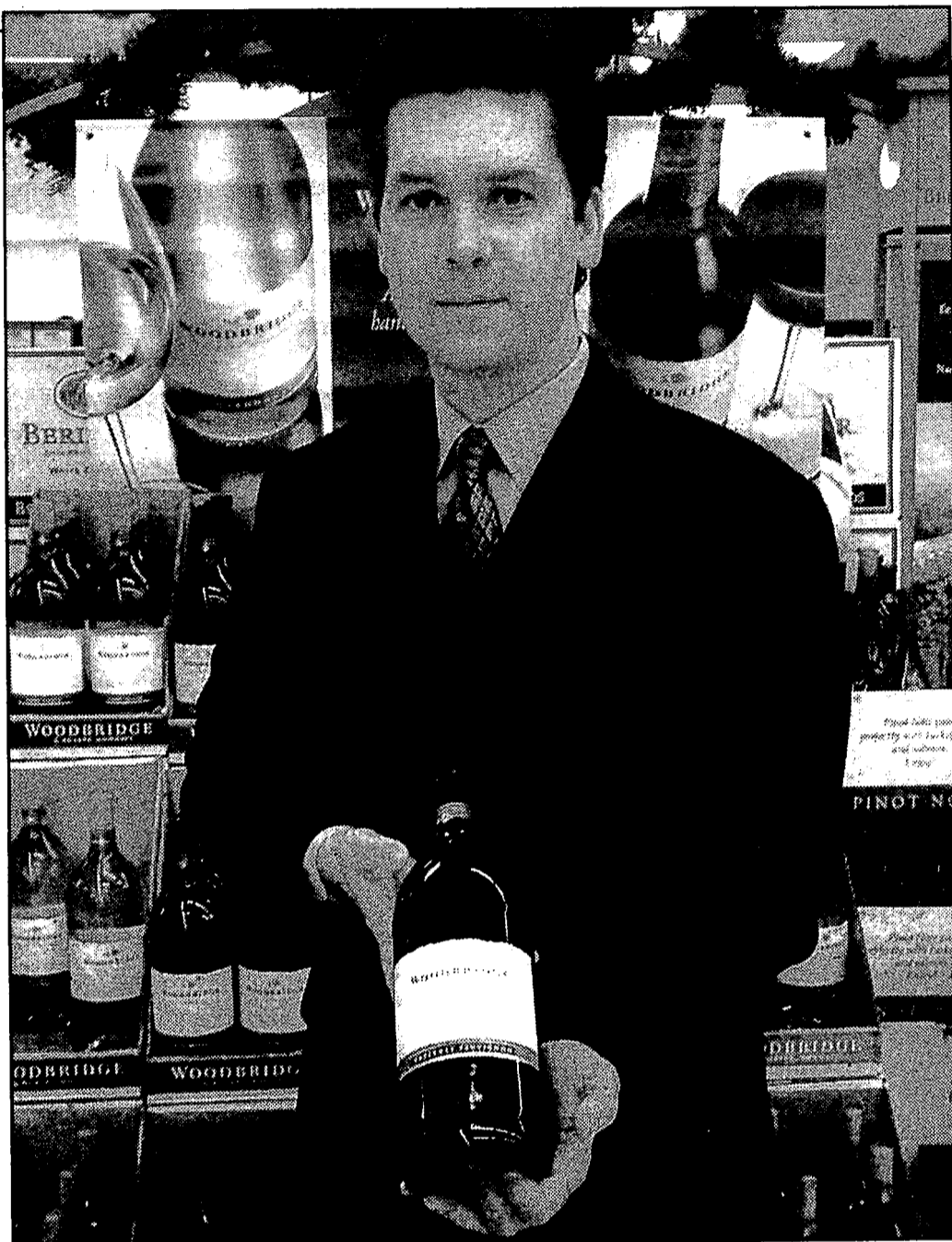
Though successful today, Heady had to work hard to reach his goals. Traveling from business to business to sell wines was a great start — a start that led him to his current position.

So what does it mean to be a regional sales manager?

Heady is the area sales manager for Michigan and Indiana. He is involved with every aspect of selling Robert Mondavi wines in these two states. He is responsible for all of the business with fifteen distributors.

Also, Heady works closely with pricing and promotion through companies such as COSTCO and Sam's Club.

Heady explained that the business and the title he holds come with a lot of work.



Ron Heady displays one of the fine offerings of Mondavi wines at the Kroger store at Dixie Highway and Maybee Road in Independence Township. The local resident is regional sales manager for the famous wine maker. Photos by Jenny Matteson.

He is constantly involved in seminars and courses on wine making, the components of wine and choosing the right wine for certain food. He is in a constant educational environment.

"Monthly, I will do different things with

restaurants and distributors where I will work with people to get them used to using wine as a regular part of the dinner table," he said.

Heady made his introduction to the Clarkston community at the Annual Wine Tasting Gala on Nov. 10.

"I met the people from the Rotary Club and they told me about this great event that they had been doing for a couple of years," said Heady. "It sounded very interesting so we put together a proposal and set up tables to give the people something different than just Michigan wines."

Heady was very impressed with the event, its location and all the great people

'I am looking forward to working with the local restaurants to promote food and wine to the local community.'

Ron Heady  
Regional sales manager, Robert Mondavi Wines

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# Around Town

The Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce's third annual Heart of Clarkston Lighted Holiday Parade is Sat., Dec. 11. The parade begins at 6 p.m. and will follow the traditional parade route down Church St. onto Main St., through the heart of downtown Clarkston, and ending 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.

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Activities on schedule this holiday season for the Clarkston Farm and Garden Club:

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. The money goes to plant these and many other beds throughout the community. Proceeds are also used as donations to many other area non-profit

organizations.

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The International Library of Poetry announced that \$58,000 in prizes will be awarded this year in the International Open Poetry Contest. Poets from the Clarkston area, particularly beginners, can try to win their share of over 250 prizes. The deadline for the contest is Jan. 31, 2005. The contest is open to everyone and entry is free.

To enter, send one original poem, any subject and any style to: The International Library of Poetry, Suite 19921, 1 Poetry Plaza, Owings Mills, MD 21117. The poem should be 20 lines or less, and the poet's name and address should appear on the top of the page. Entries must be postmarked or sent through www.poetry.com by Jan. 31, 2005.

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Activities at The Clarkston American Legion Post 63:

• Post 63 Christmas Part is Sunday, Dec. 5. Seating is at 1 p.m., dinner at 2 p.m. and Santa arrives for

youngsters 12 and under at 3 p.m. Admission is \$6 for adults, \$3 for children 6-12 and those five and under are free.

• Post 63 SAL squadron is holding a Kowalski Ham Sale beginning in November. Orders are now being taken and the hams will be available for pickup afternoons on Dec. 20, 21 and 22. Hams are \$29 a piece and a \$10 deposit is requested with each order. Call Brandon Rolling at 248-941-3188 or stop by the Club Room to order.

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The North Oakland Women's Council of Realtors Holiday Gala is Dec. 2 at 6 p.m. at Liberty Golf & Banquet Club. Dinner and wine served at 7 p.m., with a silent auction and live auction rounding out the evening. The cost is \$25 per person with a cash bar. Please RSVP with Shelly Thorton at 248-620-4399 or shelly@shellythorton.com. Part of the proceeds to be donated to The Haven.

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Tickets are now on sale for the Independence Twp. Park and Rec Family Holiday Fest in Bay Court Park. The event features pictures with Santa and Mrs. Claus (one per child), horse drawn wagon rides, marshmallow roasts (hot dogs are additional) and a walk to the "North Pole" that includes over hundreds of light displays with more than 60,000 lights. The event is from 6-9 p.m. on Dec. 3 and 5-9 p.m. on Dec. 4. Tickets are \$5 per resident, \$7 per non-resident, \$20 per resident family, and \$25 per non-resident family. Limited on-site tickets are \$7 depending on availability. Please purchase tickets in advance. For more information, contact the Parks and Rec department at 248-625-8223.

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At the Independence Township Senior Center, essential vascular and cardiac screenings are on Nov. 20 from 1-4 p.m. in the Carriage House. Screenings include Carotid Artery, Abdominal Aorta, Leg Circulation, Heart Screen, Blood Cholesterol and EKG. Receive results immediately, both verbally and written. Referrals may be given. For general information, call the Center at 248-625-8231. Pre-registration required by calling 1-800-541-8110.

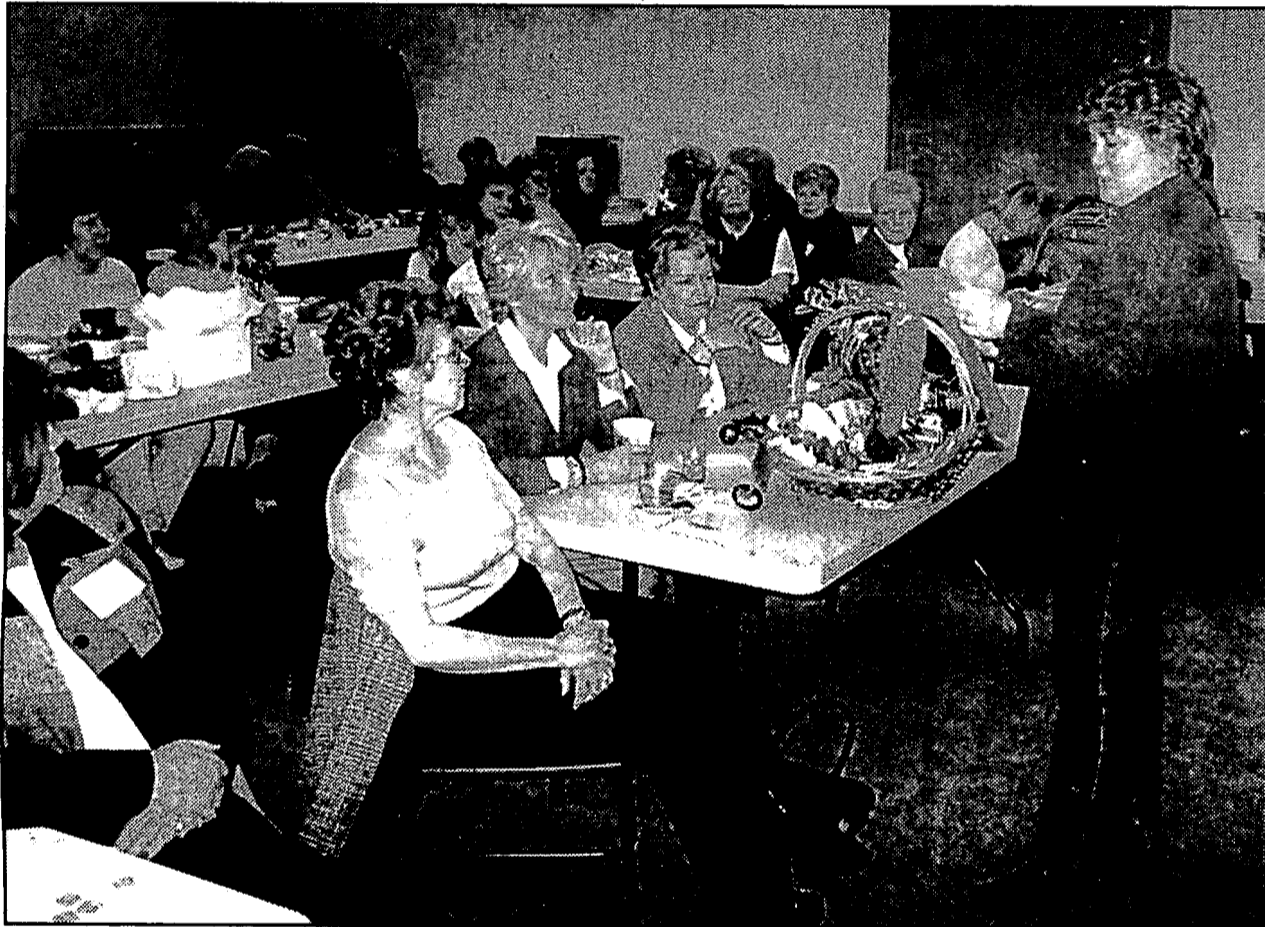
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Family Night at Pete's Coney Island II, located at 6160 Dixie Highway, is Dec. 7 from 4-9 p.m. Clarkston Police Officers will wait tables in full uniform. All gratuities received are donated to buy toys for under-privileged children. The Volunteers in Action will distribute the toys.

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The Oakland County Sportsmen's Club's fifth annual Toys for Tots Event is Sunday, Dec. 5 from 4-9 p.m. The event features several live bands, food and a cash bar. The cover charge is one new unwrapped toy per person, or a \$10 donation per person. All contributions go to the Marine Toys for Tots Foundation. The OCSC is located at 4770 Waterford Rd. For more information, please call 248-623-0444, Tuesday through Saturday.

Please see Around Town, 8B



Auctioneer Beth Kerr encourages sister members of the Clarkston Community Women's Club to bid on one of many items offered at the group's annual holiday auction at the Independence Township Library on Nov. 18. In addition to enjoying good food and making early Christmas buys, the women contributed toward the group's ongoing service projects. Photo by Don Schelske.

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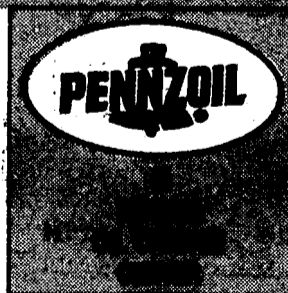
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# Clarkston resident makes musical wishes come true

BY CHRISTINA ULAJ  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

He lives in Clarkston- yet Craig Carrick travels to Northern Michigan to participate in the annual Nor-East'r Music & Arts Festival, where he makes peoples dreams come true.

Carrick has a love for music. He grew up with the love and stays involved in music in any way.

Carrick stumbled across the music festival in Mio, Michigan in 2003 and offered his hand. With just days before the festival starts, what could Carrick do?

Wanting to become involved, the Clarkston man suggested he give away free guitars. The coordinators loved the idea and he has been faithful to this festival ever since.

"I raise money here in Clarkston to buy the guitars for kids at the festival," Carrick said. "That is what sets this festival apart from the others."

The guitars are from Gettin Picky Guitar in Howard City, where Carrick has an arrangement with the owner and buys the guitars at cost.

Carrick's selling techniques to raise money are definitely working. He prints ads, sends letters and asks people to help.

The festival brings participants from all over. The three day long events offers good music, art, food, camping and drinks. Attendees also find a blacksmith, a man who makes homemade soap and

plenty of great people. There are clog dancers, workshops, and plays and stories.

"I love the people," Carrick said. "The people are very accepting of different styles of music, and these are people you don't come across everyday."

Carrick's method for choosing the children who receive a guitar is simple: he seeks sincerity. Through interviews, Carrick and his family narrow down the top applicants to receive the donation.

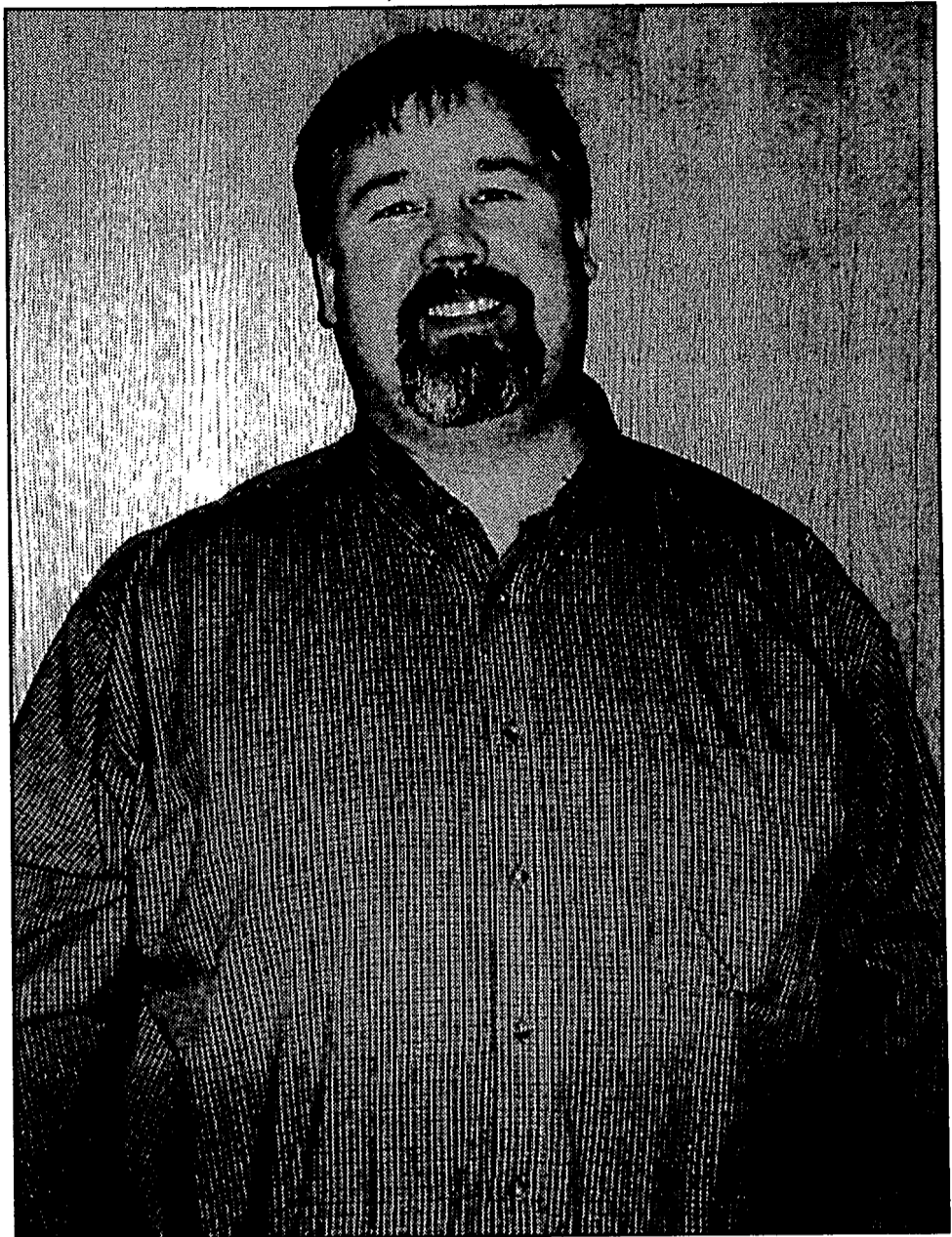
The people who participate in the interviews have a strong interest in music and arts. With each guitar comes strings, picks, case and a how-to video.

If that's not enough, Woodstock legend Ritchie Havens signed all ten of the guitars this year.

Carrick's main purpose is to help children fulfill their musical dreams. Some people can't participate with music or instruments for a number of reasons, so Carrick just hopes to help these children express themselves through music.

"The reason I'm involved is because I enjoy playing music with friends and family," said Carrick. "I wish everyone has a chance to try it out so that is why I hand out guitars."

The Nor-East'r Music & Arts Festival takes place June 10, 11 and 12. Tickets are \$50 per person. For further information, call 248-394-0113.



Craig Carrick raises money to buy guitars for exciting giveaways. Photo by Christina Ulaj.

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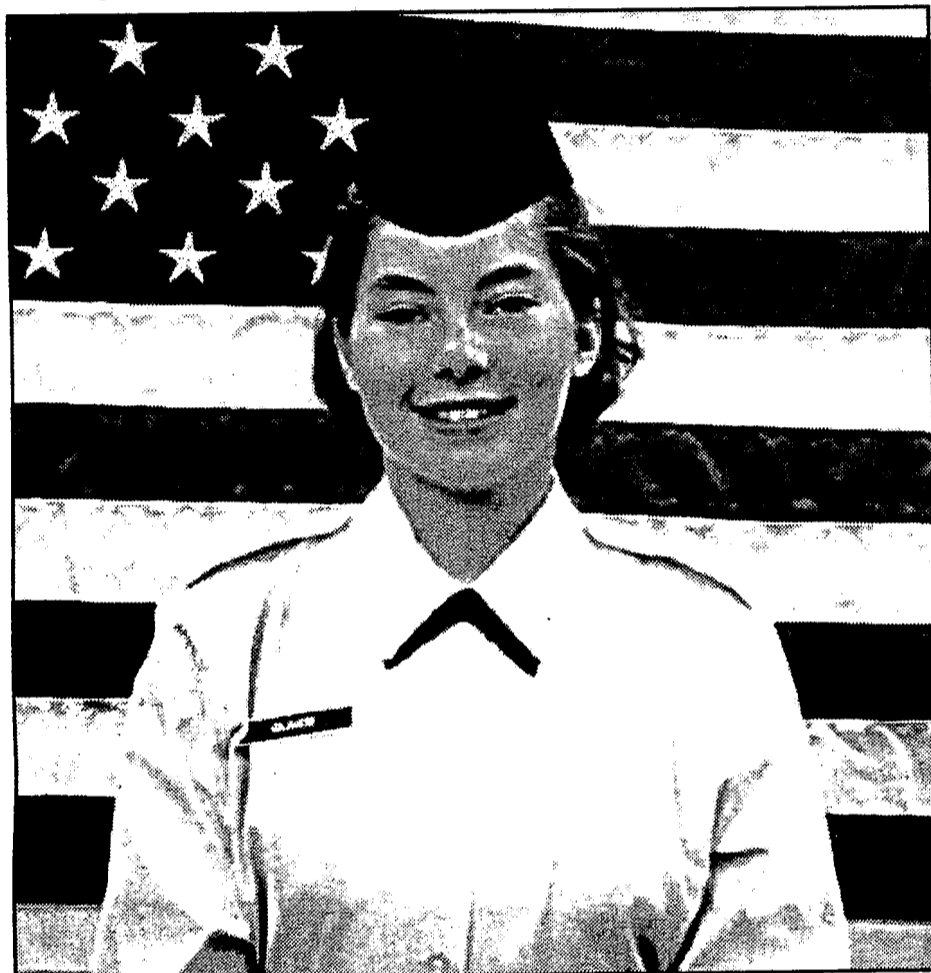
## Milestones

### Local youths graduate from military training

Two local youths recently graduated from air force basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base in Texas.

During their six weeks of training, the two Clarkston graduates studied the Air Force mission, organization and military customs and courtesies. They also performed drill and ceremony marches, received physical training, rifle marksmanship, field training exercises, and special training in human relations.

In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credit toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force.



Air Force Airman Amber M. Oliver graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas. Oliver is the daughter of Donna Oliver of Meadowbrook Court, Clarkston. She graduated from Clarkston High School in 2004.



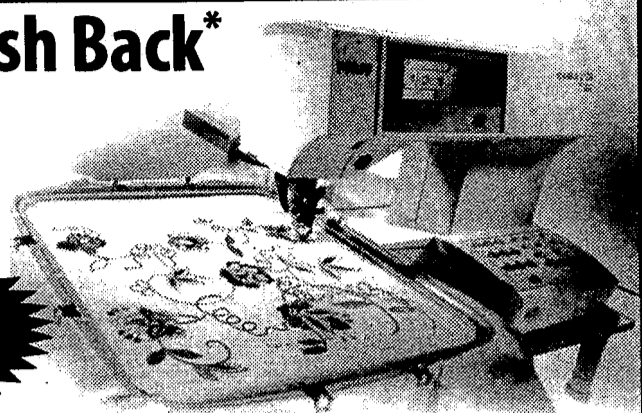
Air Force Airman Dennis C. Taylor graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas. Taylor is the son of George Taylor of Elmdale, Clarkston, and Rosemarie Taylor of Villa Court S., Walled Lake. He graduated from Clarkston High School in 2003.

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# Religion

## The source of comfort and power

I couldn't help but laugh the first time I read the following prayer. "So far today, God, I've done all right. I haven't gossiped. I haven't lost my temper. I haven't been greedy, grumpy, nasty or self-centered. I'm really glad about that. But in a few minutes, God, I'm going to get out of bed, and then I'm going to need a lot of help!"

One of the great and precious promises that God has given His people is to help get them through life's many difficulties. As the humorous prayer suggests, sometimes our struggles involve just trying to be nice and friendly to the people we relate to every day.

Other times our struggles are with handling difficult circumstances such as unemployment, poor health, family strife or the loss of a loved one. God has promised special help for those who trust Him. Jesus, God's Son, spoke these words in the Gospel of John: "I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, that He may be with you forever, even the spirit of truth" (John 14:16-17a, ESV).

Every person who comes to God believing that His Son, Jesus Christ, died for the forgiveness of sins and rose from the dead on the third day will not perish but have eternal life.

The new Christian believer also receives the promise of the Holy Spirit who will provide both comfort and power for daily living.

Sometimes I can relate with the prayer illustrated above. Life is full of difficulties and often staying in bed and avoiding the hassle seems to be as good an answer as any. However, God has not given us his

Spirit in order for us to be inactive or unwilling. The Holy Spirit helps comfort us in our troubles so that we can provide help and comfort for others.

The Holy Spirit gives us new life and new gifts in Jesus Christ so that we can begin to accomplish our God-given purpose in life, that being to glorify God and enjoying his presence forever. The Holy Spirit helps us do this by being the actual, active presence of God in our lives.

Besides giving us a new life and a new purpose in Christ, the Holy Spirit also empowers the Christian believer for service in God's kingdom. Jesus said, "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses" (Acts 1:8, ESV).

Every believer has the special gift of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit also has for every believer one or more special gifts that enable them to serve God in a powerful way. Some are gifted as pastors, leaders, evangelists and teachers in the church.

Others have special gifts of service like mercy, compassion and giving. Others have more mysterious gifts such as speaking in different languages, having special wisdom and knowledge, or even gifts of healing when praying for the sick. Whatever the gift is, the Holy Spirit is the powerful gift-giver in the church.

If you have a desire to know God and want to have a relationship with Him through his Son, Jesus Christ, know this also: God gives his precious Holy Spirit as a special gift to everyone who believes. If you are already a believer in Christ, ask God for a greater presence of the Spirit's comfort and power in your life. It sure is a great help especially on those days when just getting out of bed is a major accomplishment.

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

### Spiritual Matters



Pastor Steve Brown

## In our churches...

The First Baptist Church of Clarkston choir and drama team will perform an original musical drama, "Simply Christmas," at 7 p.m. on Dec. 3 and 6 p.m. on Dec. 5. Admission is free, and child care for infants will be available during both performances.

First Baptist Church meets at 5972 Paramus Drive. For more information, call (248) 625-3380.

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Calvary Lutheran Church meets at 6805 Bluegrass Drive in Clarkston, at the southwest corner of I-75 and M-15. For more information, call (248) 625-3288.

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The Compassionate Friends eighth annual **World-wide Candle Lighting** will be the second Sunday in December in remembrance of children who have died.

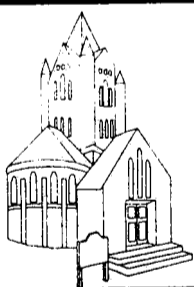
Troy Chapter 1911 of TCF, which includes residents of the Clarkston area, will conduct its ceremony at 7 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 12 at St. Paul's United Methodist Church, 620 Romeo St., Rochester.

Families will light a large votive candle (an \$8 donation) with their child's photo on it at the nonreligious ceremony. Deadline to order a candle is Nov. 25 (Thanksgiving Day).

Deadline to submit a photo for the PowerPoint presentation is Dec. 6. Contact Linda May at (586) 790-0008 or at lindamay@ameritech.net for more information.

Families are asked to RSVP for the ceremony whether or not they order a candle.

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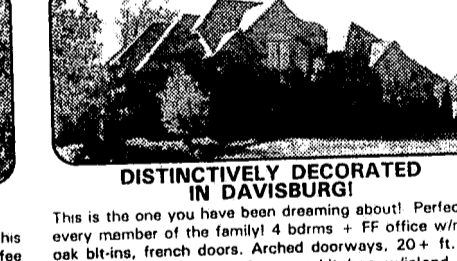
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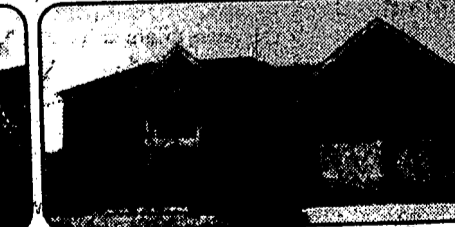
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Children from Sashabaw Presbyterian Church join piper William Fordyce in celebration of St. Andrew's Day on Nov. 14. Fordyce offered a processional and a recessional at a worship service commemorating the Scottish roots of the Presbyterian Church. Photo provided.

## Church remembers heritage with annual St. Andrew's Day

Sashabaw Presbyterian Church, located on Maybee Road in Independence Township, celebrated St. Andrew's Day on Nov. 14.

"The roots of the Presbyterian Church are in Scotland" said the Rev. Laura Sias-Lee, pastor of the church. "St. Andrew's

Day gives us an opportunity to celebrate our heritage. On this day everyone is Scottish."

A traditional procession began the service, as bagpiper William Fordyce piped in the worship leaders and the St. Andrew's banner to the tune of Scotland the Brave.

Along with the significant history of St. Andrew, the worship service included Celtic musical stylings of Joyce Merle and her harp. As at the beginning, the service ended with bagpipe tradition, and was followed by a coffee hour full of Scottish treats.

## Families will find fun at Holiday Fest

Independence Township Parks and Recreation will bring in the holiday season with the eighth annual Family Holiday Fest on Dec. 3 and 4.

Bay Court Park becomes a winter wonderland providing fun and entertainment for the whole family.

"This is one of our favorite events, so we put a lot of time and effort into it," said recreation programmer Kelly Hyer.

Those attending the extravaganza will be wowed by over 60,000 lights spread across hundreds of displays at the "North Pole."

New this year are ten eight foot tall inflatable holiday displays including such favorites as Spongebob Squarepants, the Grinch, Shrek, Scooby-Doo and Mickey Mouse.

People looking to warm up can enjoy a steamy cup of hot cocoa. Those feeling a little peckish can snack on holiday cookies and engage in marshmallow roasting.

Attendees looking for a little more substance for their bellies will be able to purchase hot dogs to grill.

After warming themselves by the fire, guests can strike out into the wilderness on a horse drawn wagon ride while listen-

ing to delightful holiday music supplied by the CHS Madrigals, Cedar Crest Academy percussion group and two local churches.

Finally, once the children are ready to sit down, they can do so in style and get their picture taken with Mr. and Mrs. Claus. Santa and his better half are on a tight schedule, so only one photo per child will be possible.

Tickets have been on sale for this event since Nov. 2 and are \$5 per resident and \$7 per non-resident if purchased in advance. Families of five can secure a group discount for \$20 if they live in the area, \$25 if they are from elsewhere. Parks and Recreation will have a limited supply of tickets onsite for \$7.

The Family Holiday Fest will run 6-9 p.m. on Dec. 3 and 5-9 p.m. on Dec. 4.

Tickets can be purchased at the Independence Township Parks and Recreation office. Alternatively, people who absolutely must attend this affair, but are unable to stop by Parks and Recreation can print out a registration form online at [www.twp.independence.mi.us](http://www.twp.independence.mi.us).

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# Around Town

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Clarkston High School's **Red Cross Blood Drive** is Dec. 3 from 7:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. in the wrestling room. The CHS Student Council organizes the event, which accounts for about 14 percent of all blood collected in South Eastern Michigan. For more information, please contact either Aaron Dobson, student council advisor, or Jessica Robinson, blood drive coordinator, at 248-623-3040 or dobsonaj@clarkston.k12.mi.us.

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On Thursday, Dec. 9 at 7 p.m. a private tour of the **Clarkston Community Historical Society's** newest exhibit "Capturing Clarkston: A celebration of daily life" will run at the Clarkston Heritage Museum.

Visitors can peek into the lives of Clarkston's earliest families by exploring local aspects of church, school, business and home. Museum Director Toni Smith will answer any questions about the exhibit or past exhibits.

Coffee and desserts will be provided compliments of the historical society. The Clarkston Heritage Museum is housed inside the Independence Township Library on Clarkston Road.

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State Rep. John Stakoe, along with county com-

missioner Tom Middleton, will hold regular coffee hours on Nov. 26 from 8 - 9:30 a.m. at Pete's Coney Island II on Dixie Highway. Residents unable to meet Stakoe during the scheduled office hours can contact his office toll free at 1-866-334-0010 or by e-mail at johnstakoe@house.mi.gov.

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**Clarkston Specialty Healthcare Center**, located at 4800 Clintonville Rd., invites the community and surrounding areas to our monthly complimentary breakfast on Dec. 1 at 9 a.m. Enjoy the laughter as Clarkston Specialty and Unicare Home Health presents "Laughing Matters" by Carole Greene. For more information, please call 248-674-0903.

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**Keller Williams Realty** now accepts donations of new toys, clothing, gift cards and other items to benefit 350 Clarkston families in need through **Lighthouse Emergency Services**. Donations must be new, unopened and must be received by Dec. 14 at the Keller Williams office on M-15, just north of Dixie Highway across from the Secretary of State's office. For information, call 248-620-8777.

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The **Widowed Support Group** meets on Dec. 2 at 7

p.m. at the Independence Twp. Senior Center in Clintonwood Park. The topic is "Memorializing and Honoring Our Loved Ones Through Sharing," and is facilitated by Bereavement Counselor Alicia Brown, of Lewis E. Wint & Sons Funeral Home.

The meeting is for all area men and women, of all ages, recently widowed. No registration is required and the evening is free of charge. Refreshments will be available. Those in attendance are asked to bring a picture, story or object to share with the group. For more information, call 248-625-5231.

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The **Academic Boosters of Clarkston** will host "Recognizing the Impact of Creative Arts," a fun and informative event for parents and students, on Nov. 30 at 7 p.m. in the CHS performing arts center.

The event is free to the public and features local artists speaking on the impact of arts education. The evening also includes a display of student artwork and vocal, dramatic and instrumental performances.

Speakers include Jill Jack, singer/songwriter, and Daniel Travis, a CHS graduate and star of *Open Water*. For more information, please contact Andrea Schroeder at 248-391-2631.

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**ORDINANCE NO. 83**  
**TEXT AMENDMENT**  
**TO ZONING ORDINANCE**  
**(PLANNED REZONING OVERLAY)**

An Ordinance to amend Charter Township of Independence Ordinance No. 83, as amended, the "Zoning Ordinance", for the purpose of providing a procedure and standards for allowing a property owner to propose, and allowing the Township to approve a site specific development, including conditions in conjunction with a proposed rezoning.

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE ORDAINS  
AS FOLLOWS:

**Section 1 of Ordinance**

Article XXXI of the Zoning Ordinance, Administration and Enforcement, Section 31.07, shall be amended by modifying existing language and adding new language, all of which shall read as follows upon the effective date of this amendment:

**ARTICLE XXXI. ADMINISTRATION AND ENFORCEMENT**  
Section 31.07. Amendments

**1. General Procedure.** The Township Board may, after recommendation from the Township Planning Commission, on its own motion or on petition, amend, supplement, modify or change one or more regulations and/or district boundaries of this Zoning Ordinance in accordance with the authority of Act No. 184 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1943 (MCL 125.271 et seq., MSA 5.2963(1) et seq.), as amended. In the event of a petition for a zoning district boundary amendment, the person or entity submitting the petition shall be the owner in fee of the premises concerned, or shall have a written authorization, signed by the owner, permitting the petition. The petition shall be submitted to the Township Planning Department. Any applicant desiring to have any change made in this Ordinance shall, with his petition for such change, deposit the required fee as established by the Township Board with the Township Treasurer at the time that the petition is filed, to cover the publication and other miscellaneous costs for said change.

**2. Planned Rezoning Overlay (PRO).****Intent**

The Planning Commission and Township Board have recognized that, in certain instances, it would be an advantage to both the Township and petitioners seeking Rezoning of land if a site plan, along with conditions and limitations that may be relied upon by the Township, could be proposed as part of a petition for Rezoning. Therefore, it is the intent of this Section to provide an election to petitioners seeking a Rezoning of land that would establish a site specific use authorization under MCL 125.286c, so as to accomplish, among other things, the objectives of the zoning ordinance through a land development project review process based upon the application of site planning criteria to achieve integration of the proposed land development project with the characteristics of the project area.

**A. Definitions**

The following definitions shall apply in the interpretation of this Section:

**Applicant and Petitioner** shall both mean the property owner, or a person acting with the written and signed authorization of the property owner to make application under this Section.

**Planned Rezoning Overlay Conditions** shall mean conditions proposed by the applicant and approved by the Township as part of an approval under this Section, which shall constitute regulations for and in connection with the development and use of property approved with a Planned Rezoning Overlay in conjunction with a Rezoning. Such Planned Rezoning Overlay Conditions shall not authorize uses or development not permitted in the district proposed by the Rezoning (and shall not permit uses or development expressly or implicitly prohibited in the PRO Agreement), and may include some or all of the following, in addition to conditions imposed by the Township under MCL 125.286d:

1. The location, size, height or other measure for and/or of buildings, structures, improvements, set backs, landscaping, buffers and other features shown on the PRO Site Plan.
2. Specification of maximum density or intensity of development and/or use, expressed in terms fashioned for the particular development and/or use, for example, and in no respect by way of limitation, units per acre, maximum usable floor area, hours of operation, and the like.
3. Preservation of natural resources and/or features.
4. Facilities to address water supply, wastewater disposal, and storm water management.
5. Facilities to address traffic issues.
6. Preservation of open space.
7. A written understanding for permanent maintenance of natural resources, features, and/or facilities to address water supply, wastewater disposal, storm water management, traffic, open space and/or other features or improvements; and, provision for authorization and finance of maintenance by or on behalf of the Township in the event the property owner(s) fail(s) to timely perform.
8. Other provisions proposed by the applicant and approved by the Township.
9. Signage, lighting, landscaping, building materials for the exterior of some or all structures.
10. Permissible uses of the property.

**PRO Agreement** shall mean a written agreement approved and executed by the Township and property owner, incorporating a PRO Site Plan, and setting forth Planned Rezoning Overlay Conditions, conditions imposed pursuant to MCL 125.286d and any other terms mutually agreed upon by the parties relative to land for which the Township has approved a Rezoning with Planned Rezoning Overlay. Mutually agreeable terms may include the following:

1. Agreement and acknowledgment that the Rezoning with Planned Rezoning Overlay was proposed by the applicant to induce the Township to grant the Rezoning, and that the Township relied upon such proposal and would not have granted the Rezoning but for the terms spelled out in the PRO Agreement.
2. Agreement and acknowledgment that the conditions and PRO Agreement are authorized by all applicable state and federal law and constitutions.
3. Agreement and acknowledgment that the PRO Agreement is valid and was entered into on a voluntary basis, and represents a permissible exercise of authority by the Township.
4. Agreement and understanding that the property in question shall not be developed or used in a manner inconsistent with the PRO Site Plan and PRO Agreement.
5. Agreement and understanding that the approval and PRO Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the property owner and Township, and their respective heirs, successors, assigns, and transferees.
6. Agreement and understanding that, if a Rezoning with Planned Rezoning Overlay becomes void in the manner provided in this Section 31.07.2, no development shall be undertaken or permits for development issued until a new zoning district classification of the property has been established.
7. Agreement and understanding that each of the requirements and conditions in the PRO Agreement represents a necessary and reasonable measure which, when considered with all other conditions and requirements, is roughly proportional to the increased impact created by the use represented in the approved Rezoning with Planned Rezoning Overlay, taking into consideration the changed zoning district classification and the specific use authorization granted.

**PRO Site Plan** shall mean a plan of the property which is the subject of a Rezoning with Planned Rezoning Overlay, prepared by a licensed professional allowed to prepare site plans under this Ordinance, that may show the location, size, height or other measure for and/or of buildings, structures, improvements and features on, and in some cases adjacent to, the property that is the subject of a Rezoning with Planned Rezoning Overlay. The details to be offered for inclusion within the PRO Site Plan shall be determined by the applicant, subject to approval of the Township.

**Rezoning** shall mean the amendment of this Ordinance to change the zoning map classification on property from its existing district to a new district classification.

**C. Authorization and Eligibility**

1. A petitioner shall have the option of making an election under this Section 31.07.2, in connection with a submission of a petition seeking a Rezoning. Such election may be made at the time the application for Rezoning is filed, or at a subsequent point in the process of review of the proposed Rezoning. The election shall be made by filing an application conforming with this Section for approval of a Planned Rezoning Overlay\*that would establish a site-specific use authorization if the petition for Rezoning is granted. Such election shall be to seek a Rezoning with Planned Rezoning Overlay pursuant to MCL 125.286c, which would represent a legislative amendment of the Zoning Ordinance.
2. In order to be eligible for the proposal and review of a Rezoning with Planned Rezoning Overlay, a property owner must propose a Rezoning of property to a new zoning district classification, and must, as part of such proposal, voluntarily offer certain site-specific regulations (to be set forth on a PRO Site Plan and in a PRO Agreement) which are, in material respects, more strict or limiting than the regulations that would apply to the land under the proposed new zoning district, including such regulations as set forth in sub-paragraphs (1) through (10) of the definition of "Planned Rezoning Overlay Conditions", above.

**D. Approval of Rezoning with Planned Rezoning Overlay**

1. Pursuant to MCL 125.286c, the Township Board, following public hearing at and recommendation by the Planning Commission, may approve a petition for a Rezoning with a Planned Rezoning Overlay.
  - a. As an integral part of the Planned Rezoning Overlay, the following shall be reviewed and may be approved:
    - i. A PRO Site Plan, with such detail and inclusions proposed by the applicant and approved by the Township in accordance with this Section. The PRO Site Plan shall not replace the requirement under this Ordinance for conceptual and final site plan review and approval, or subdivision or site condominium approval, as the case may be.
    - ii. Planned Rezoning Overlay Conditions, as defined for purposes of this Section. Planned Rezoning Overlay Conditions shall not authorize uses or development not permitted in the district proposed by the Rezoning (and shall not permit uses or development expressly or implicitly prohibited in the PRO Agreement).
    - iii. A PRO Agreement, approved by the Township attorney and attorney for the applicant, shall incorporate the PRO Site Plan, and set forth the Planned Rezoning Overlay Conditions and conditions imposed pursuant to MCL 125.286d, together with any other terms mutually agreed upon by the parties (including the minimum provisions specified in the definition of PRO Agreement, above).
  - b. If approved, the zoning district classification of the rezoned property shall consist of the district to which the property has been rezoned, accompanied by a reference to "PRO, Planned Rezoning Overlay". The Zoning Map shall specify the new zoning district plus a reference to "PRO", e.g., the district classification for the property

might be "R-2, Multi-Family Residential with PRO, Planned Rezoning Overlay", with a Zoning Map Designation of "R-2/PRO". Development and use of the property so classified and approved shall be restricted to the permission granted in the PRO Agreement, and no other development or use shall be permitted.

- c. The use of the property in question shall be subject to all regulations in this Ordinance applicable to the zoning district to which the property has been rezoned; provided, however, development and use of the property shall be subject to all of the following:
  1. The more restrictive requirements shown and/or contained in the PRO Site Plan;
  2. All Planned Rezoning Overlay Conditions imposed;
  3. All other conditions and provisions set forth in the PRO Agreement; and
  4. Such PRO Site Plan and conditions shall overlay and supersede all inconsistent regulations otherwise applicable under this Ordinance.

2. The applicant shall have the burden of demonstrating, and the Township Board shall judge and review an application based upon the following requirements and standards:
  - a. Approval of the application shall accomplish, among other things, as determined in the discretion of the Township Board, the integration of the proposed land development project with the characteristics of the project area, and result in an enhancement of the project area as compared to the existing zoning, and such enhancement would be unlikely to be achieved or would not be assured in the absence of the use of a Planned Rezoning Overlay.
  - b. Sufficient conditions shall be included on and in the PRO Site Plan and PRO Agreement on the basis of which the Township Board concludes, in its discretion, that, as compared to the existing zoning and considering the site specific land use proposed by the applicant, it would be in the public interest to grant the Rezoning with Planned Rezoning Overlay; provided, in determining whether approval of a proposed application would be in the public interest, the benefits that would reasonably be expected to accrue from the proposal shall be balanced against, and be found to clearly outweigh the reasonably foreseeable detriments thereof, taking into consideration reasonably accepted planning, engineering, environmental and other principles, as presented to the Township Board, following recommendation by the Planning Commission, and also taking into consideration the special knowledge and understanding of the Township by the Township Board and Planning Commission.
  - c. In the discretion of the Township Board, it shall be determined that there is compliance with the General Requirements for special land use approval, as enumerated in Section 5.15.1 of this Ordinance.

3. The Rezoning with Planned Rezoning Overlay shall expire following a period of two (2) years from the effective date of the Rezoning unless approved bona fide development of the property pursuant to permits issued by the Township commences within such two (2) year period and proceeds in due course to completion.
  - a. In the event bona fide development has not commenced within two (2) years from the effective date of the Rezoning, the Rezoning and Planned Rezoning Overlay shall be void and of no effect.
  - b. If development and/or actions are undertaken on or with respect to the property in violation of the PRO Agreement, such development and/or actions shall constitute a nuisance *per se*. In such case, the Township may issue a stop work order relative to the property and seek any other lawful remedies. Until curative action is taken to bring the property into compliance with the PRO Agreement, the Township may withhold, or, following notice and an opportunity to be heard, revoke permits and certificates, in addition to or in lieu of such other lawful action to achieve compliance.

4. If the Rezoning with Planned Rezoning Overlay becomes void in the manner provided in subsection D.3(a), either or both of the following actions may be taken:
  - a. The property owner may seek a new Rezoning of the property; and/or
  - b. The Township may initiate a new Rezoning of the property to a reasonable district classification in accordance with the procedure provided by law for Rezoning in townships. Until such time as a new zoning district classification of the property has become effective, no development shall be undertaken or permits for development issued.

- E. Procedure for Application, Review and Approval

1. At the time of making application for amendment of this ordinance seeking a Rezoning of property, or at a later time during the process of Township consideration of such Rezoning, a property owner may submit an application for approval of a Planned Rezoning Overlay to apply in conjunction with the Rezoning.

2. The application, which may be amended during the process of consideration, shall include a PRO Site Plan proposed by the applicant and shall specify the Planned Rezoning Overlay Conditions proposed by the applicant, recognizing that Planned Rezoning

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# Wine

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he met.

"I met a lot of people through the Rotary," said Heady. "They do so many things for the community that I was not aware of."

Within his career, Heady most enjoys visiting wineries in California and working with the wine makers. His most memorable moment to date was meeting Mr.

Robert Mondavi.

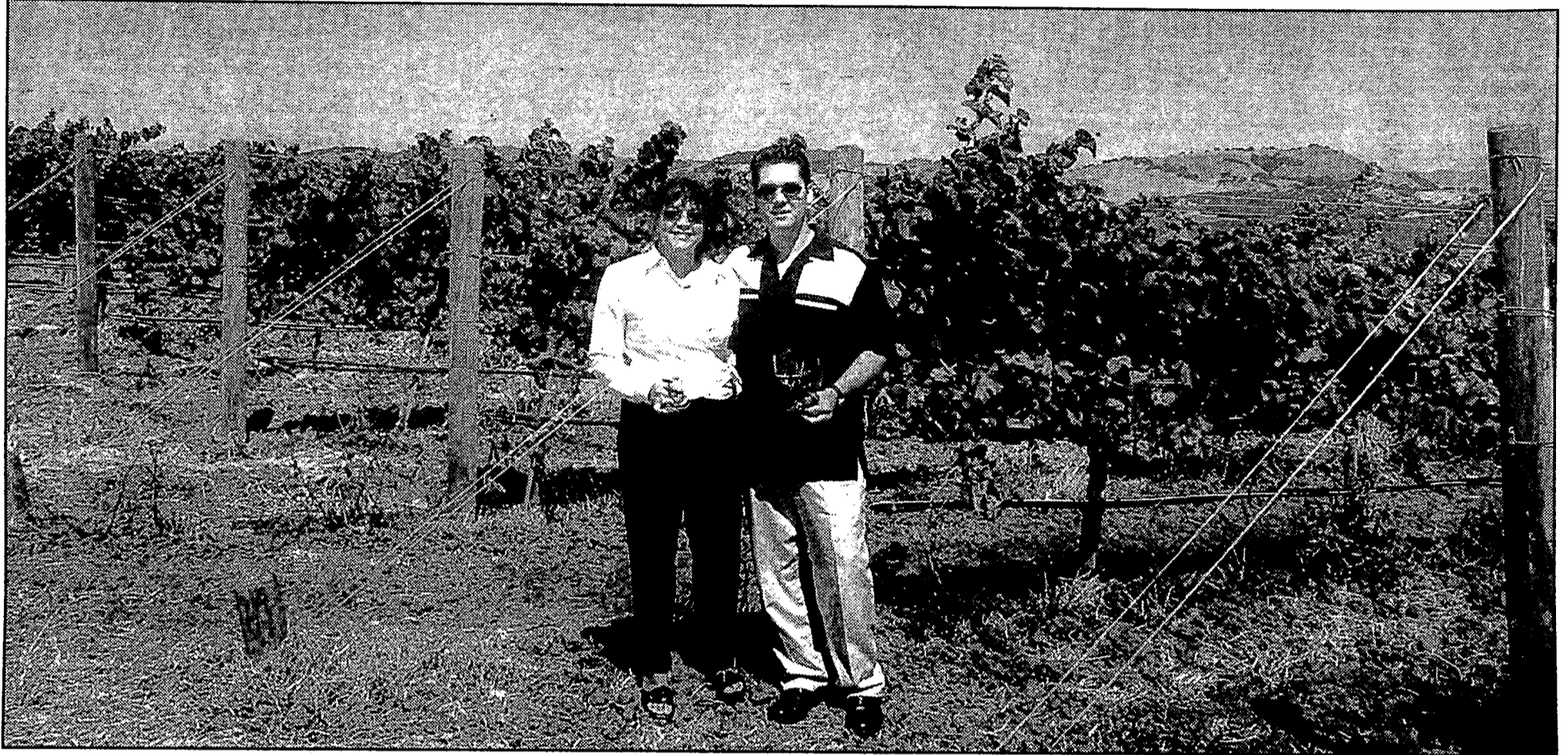
"I met Robert Mondavi two years ago and it was very cool," said Heady. "It was incredible because the guy is an icon all over the world, and he is a great, fun and interesting man."

Heady has also built relationships with other members of the Mondavi family; and he loves Robert's philosophy, which is to enrich life through wine. The Mondavi company vision is to help Americans understand wine as people do in Europe.

Within the Clarkston area, Heady supplies for many local spots, such as Rudy's Quality Market, Giacomo's Ristorante, Mesquite Creek and the Clarkston Café. He enjoys working for Robert Mondavi very much and looks forward to the future.

"I love the style of our winemaking," said Heady. "It is a very good and fun style."

"I am mostly looking forward to working with the local restaurants to promote food and wine to the local community," said Heady. "Overall this is a neat town."



Rita and Ron Heady stand near the Mondavi vineyard in California. Heady has enjoyed learning about — and sharing his knowledge of — fine wines and how they complement various foods. Photo provided.

Overlay Conditions shall not authorize uses or development not permitted in the district proposed by the Rezoning.

3. The proposed Rezoning with Planned Rezoning Overlay, together, shall be noticed for public hearing before the Planning Commission as a proposed legislative amendment of the Zoning Ordinance pursuant to MCL 125.286c.

4. Following the public hearing, and further deliberations as deemed appropriate by the Planning Commission, the Planning Commission shall make a recommendation to the Township Board on the proposed Rezoning with Planned Rezoning Overlay.

5. Upon receipt of the recommendation of the Planning Commission, the Township Board shall commence deliberations on the proposed Rezoning with Planned Rezoning Overlay. If the Township Board determines that it may approve the Rezoning with Planned Rezoning Overlay, the Township Board shall specify tentative conditions under MCL 125.286d, and direct the Township attorney to work with the applicant in the development of a proposed PRO Agreement.

6. Upon completion of the PRO Agreement, the Township Board shall make a final determination to approve, approve with conditions or deny the Rezoning with Planned Rezoning Overlay.

**F. Amendment of PRO Agreement**

Amendment of a PRO Agreement shall be proposed, reviewed and approved in the same manner as a new Rezoning with Planned Rezoning Overlay.

**G. Recordation of PRO Agreement**

A Rezoning with Planned Rezoning Overlay shall become effective following publication in the manner provided by applicable laws and ordinances, and, after recordation of the PRO Agreement, whichever is later.

**H. Fee**

The applicant for a Rezoning with Planned Rezoning Overlay shall pay as a fee the costs and expenses incurred by the Township in the review of and preparation of documents for a Rezoning with Planned Rezoning Overlay. An escrow shall be established in an amount specified by resolution of the Township Board, and additional reasonable amounts shall be contributed as required in order to complete the process of review and approval. Any unexpended amounts from such escrow shall be returned to the applicant.

**Section 2 of Ordinance**

Except as expressly set forth above, the Zoning Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

**Section 3 of Ordinance**

This ordinance shall be effective on the date provided by applicable law following publication.

**CERTIFICATION**

It is hereby certified that the foregoing Ordinance was adopted by the township board of the Charter Township of Independence, Oakland County, Michigan, at a meeting of the board duly called held on 16 day of November, 2003. CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE

By: Joan E. McCrary, Clerk

INTRODUCED: 10/19/04  
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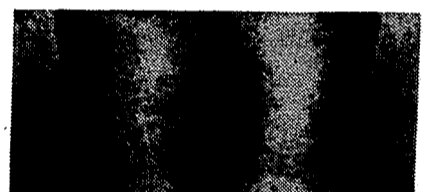
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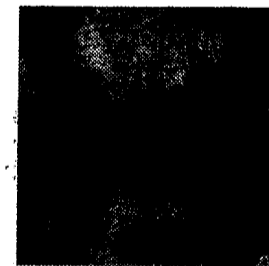


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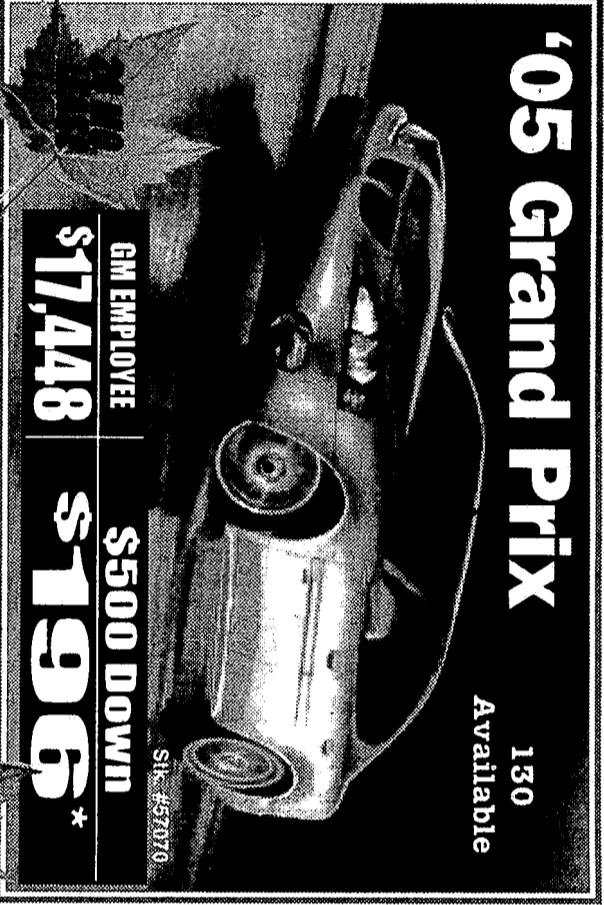
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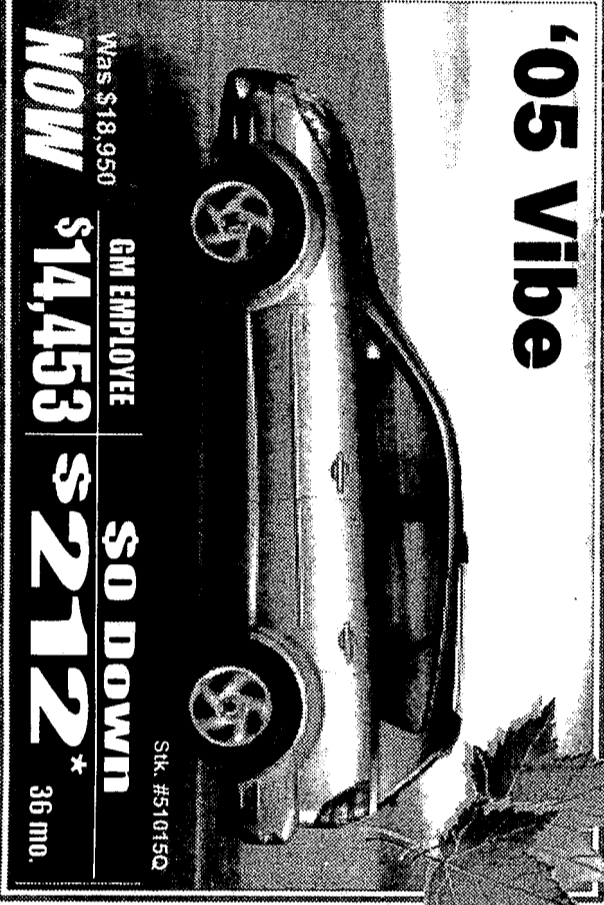
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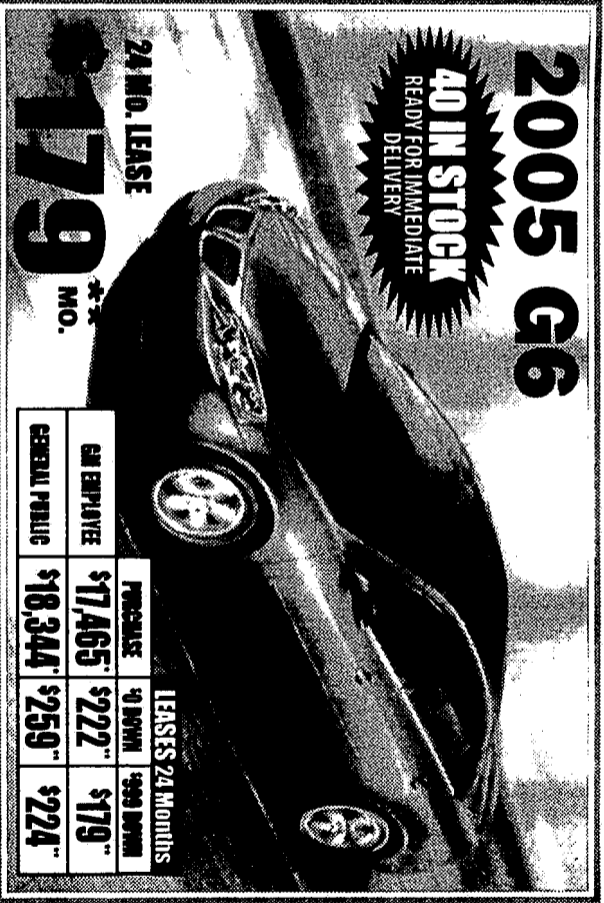
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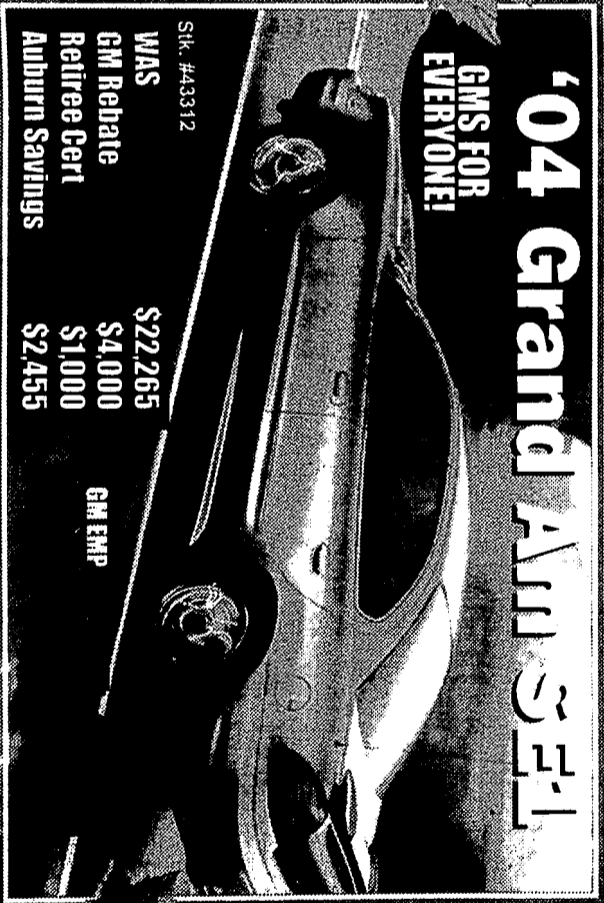
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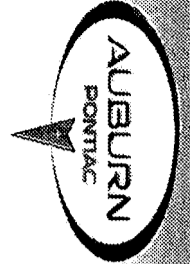
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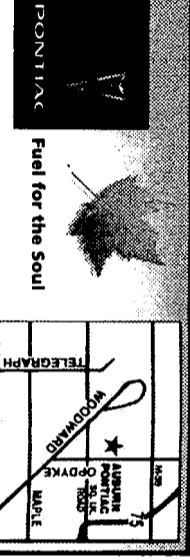
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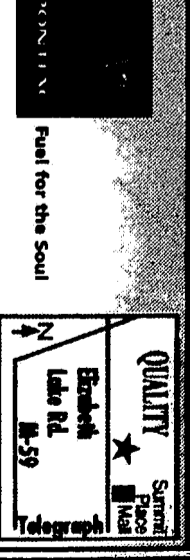
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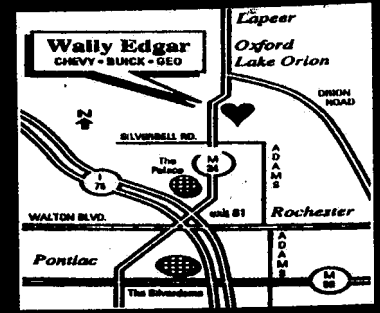
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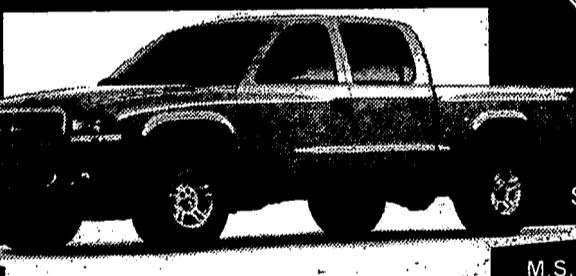
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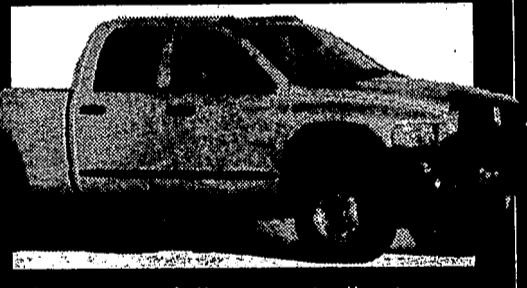
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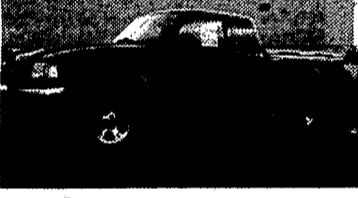




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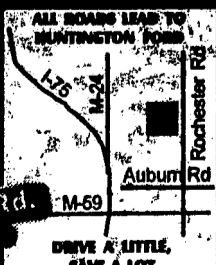
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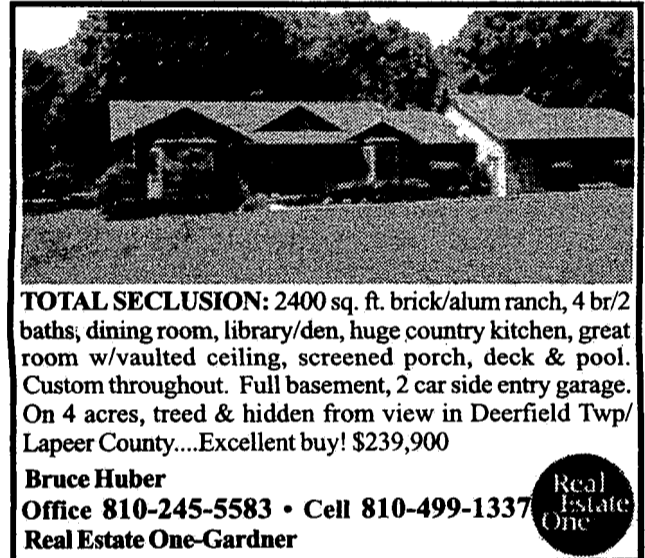
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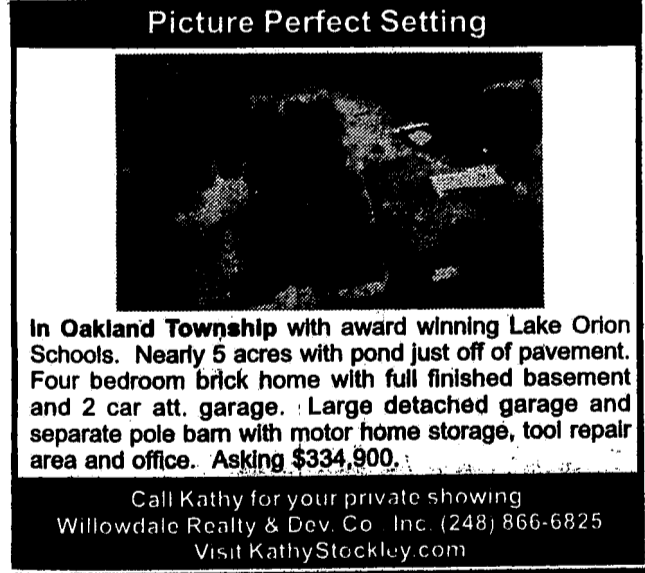
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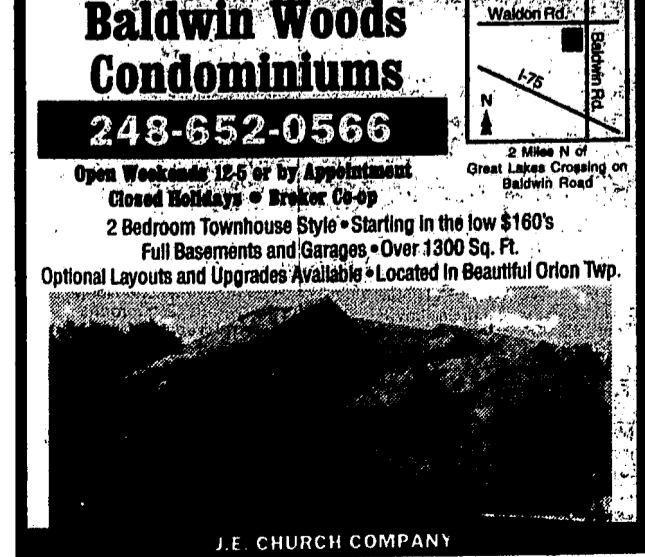
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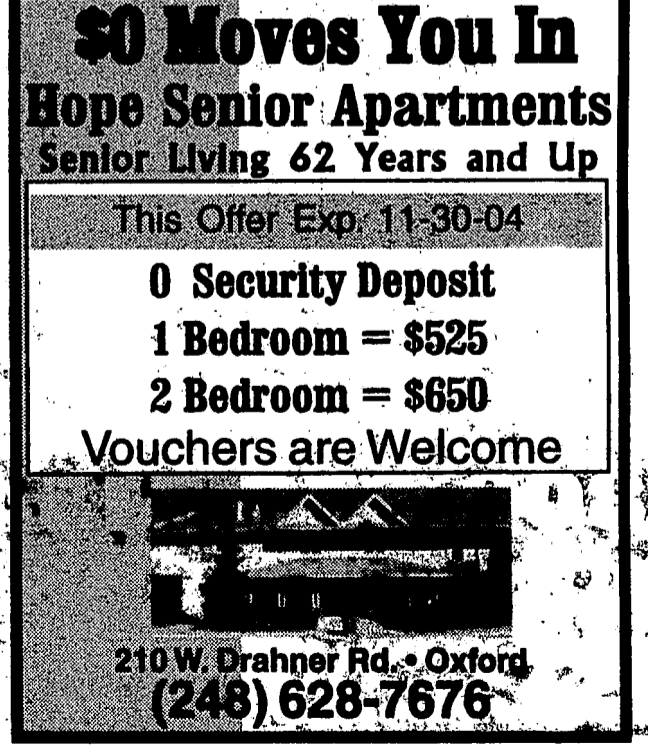
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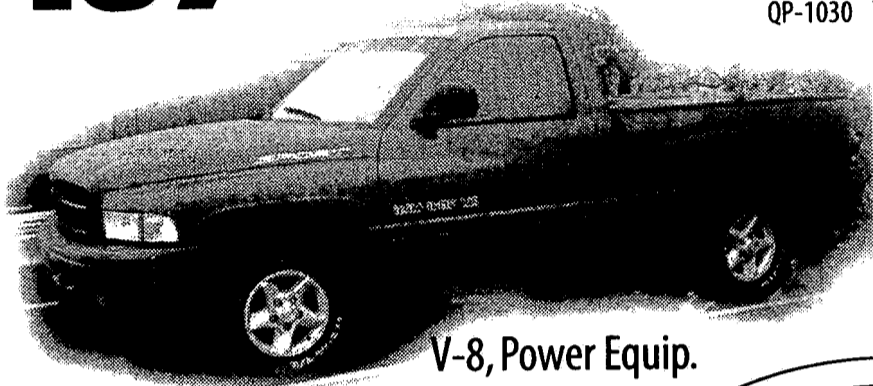
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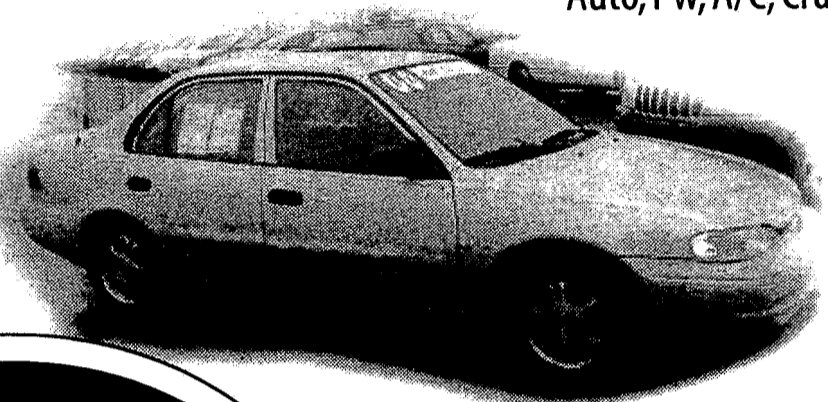
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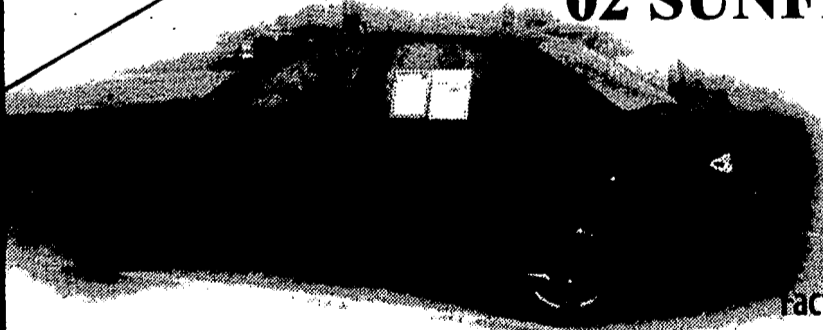
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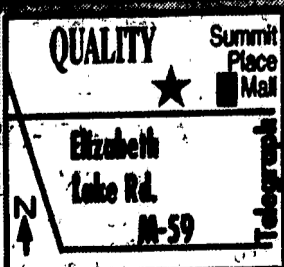


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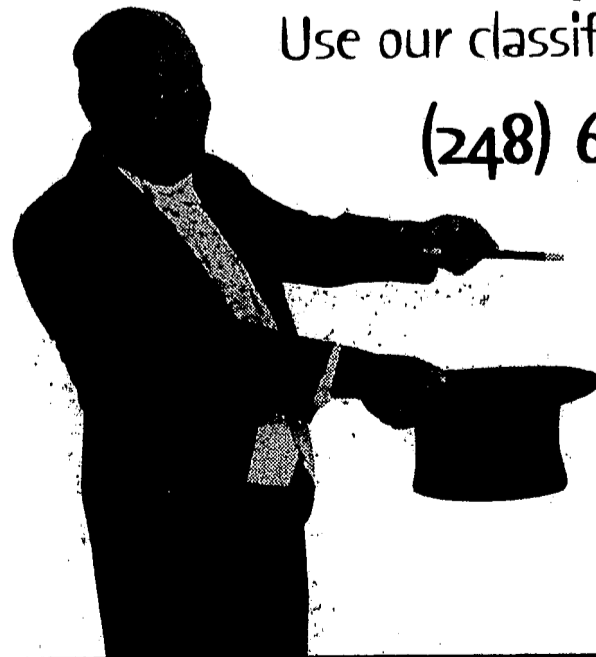
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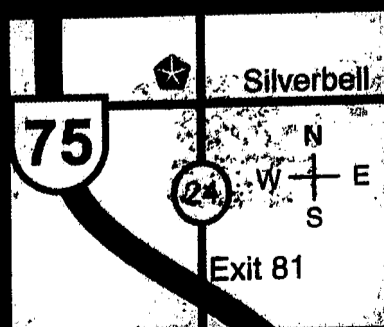
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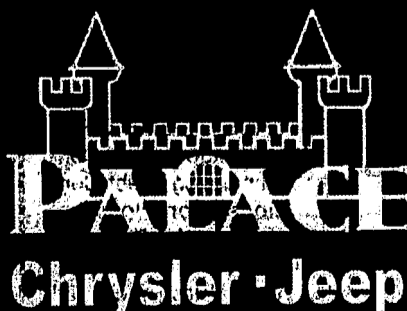
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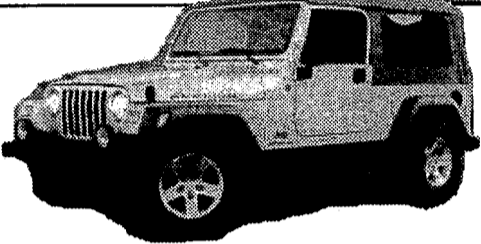
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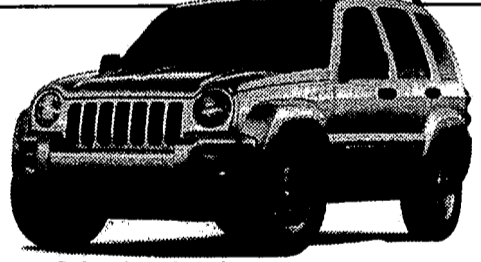
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