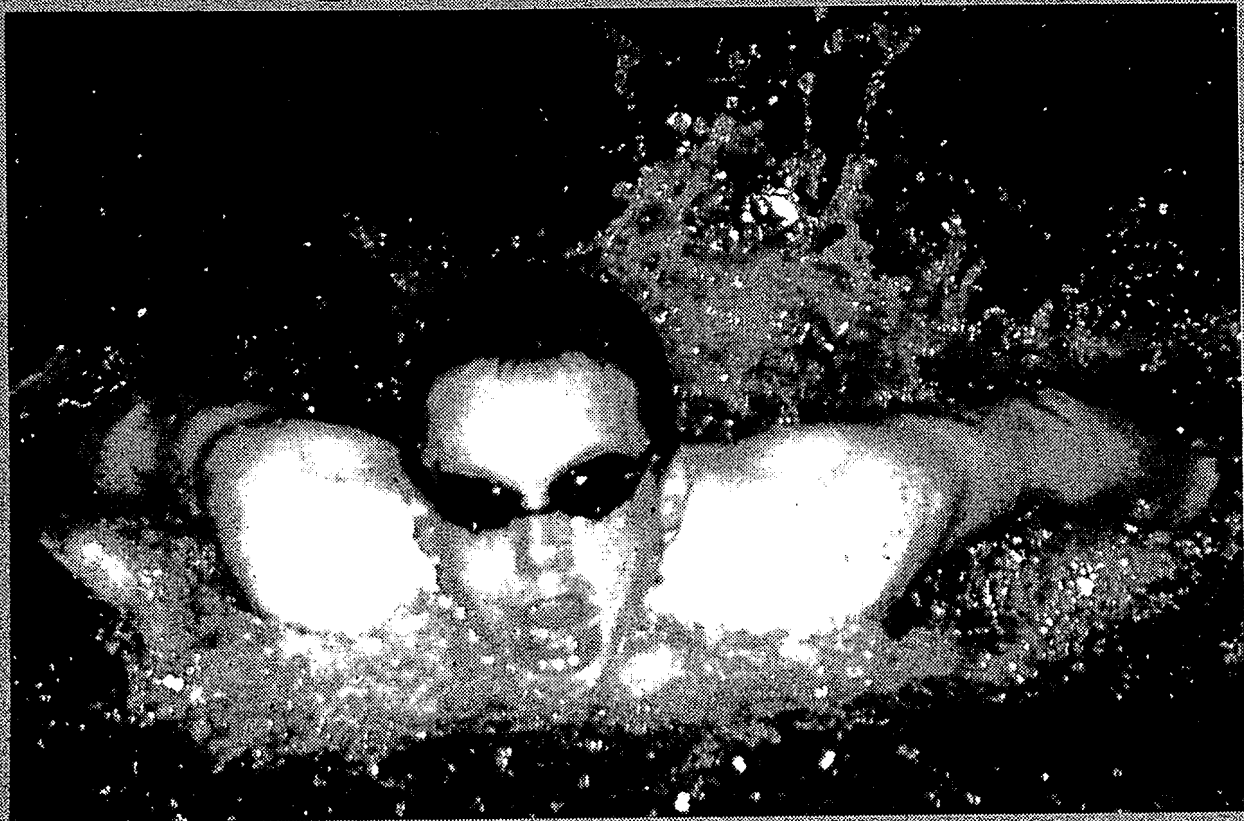


## Making a real splash...



Keith Voorheis rises out of the water for a breath during the 200 individual medley against Troy Athens on Feb. 3. Turn to *The Clarkston News* sports section on pages 17A-20A for more Wolves coverage. Also find out where four standout senior athletes will play next year in this week's special edition of *Athlete of the Week*. Photo by Noah Purcell

## Clarkston leaders converge

BY JENNY MATTESON  
*Clarkston News Editor*

This past Thursday, representatives from five different community entities came together with a common purpose in mind: "Leadership Clarkston."

"Leadership Clarkston" is an annual joint meeting where the Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce hosts board members from the City of the Village of Clarkston, Clarkston Community Schools, Independence Township and Springfield Township. The purpose of the meeting is:

- to meet and get to know each other,
- build a better understanding of what can be done to improve the area community,
- build awareness and understanding of how we work together to improve the community.

On Feb. 3, representatives from the five entities participated in a brainstorming session led by Bernie Reuter of Core Skills, Inc. in Clarkston. The goal of the evening was to create a common theme, mission state-

*Please see Leadership, page 22A*

## Pillar in Clarkston recognized outside community

BY NOAH PURCELL  
*Clarkston News Staff Writer*

Chuck Fortinberry was once asked by a coworker at Chrysler about his aspirations. He told the person he was going to run the place someday.

Time passes and dreams shift. Fortinberry moved on from Chrysler to own his own dealership, but his thirst for the top rung was never slaked.

The success of Clarkston Chrysler Plymouth Jeep, an institution in Clarkston, has given him something to sip over the years. Being named president of the North American Auto Show last year provided a big gulp of success, too.

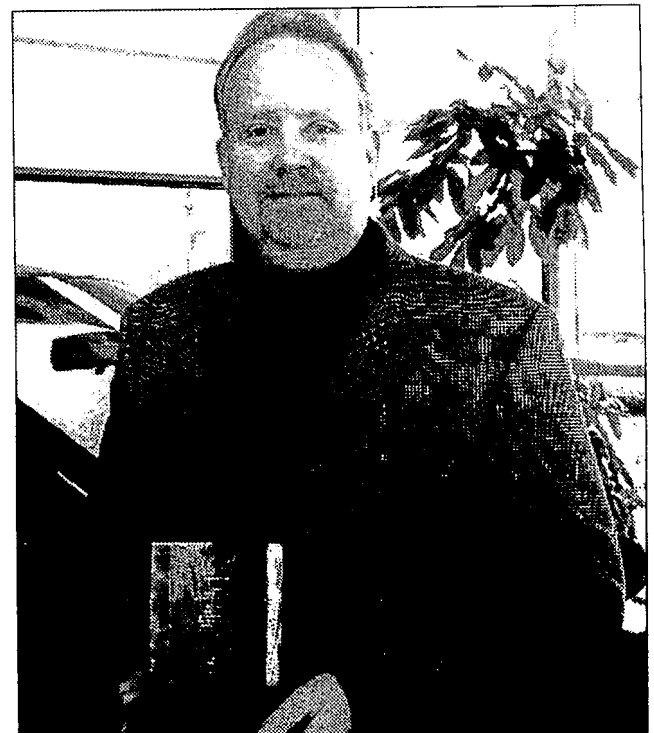
But his most recent accomplishment, receiving the Time Magazine Quality Dealer Award, has given him a deep draught which only the fulfillment of a life long

goal could provide.

"It's about the highest honor that I've had bestowed. Every time I went to the National Auto Dealers convention, at the opening ceremonies I'd see Time magazine mock front pages with the 65 dealers faces on them and I'd walk through there and I'd go 'Man I don't think I'll ever be one of those guys,'" said Fortinberry. "I never dreamed I'd get to this, but you give back to your community and you give back to your industry and you really apply yourself and become immersed in it; those things do come true."

What makes the TMQDA especially sweet is that Fortinberry was chosen by his peers in the industry, some 240 auto dealers in the Detroit Metro area took

*Please see Fortinberry on page 21A*



Chuck Fortinberry poses with his Time Magazine Quality Dealer Award. He is one of 65 out of 20,000 auto dealers to be graced with the honor this year. Photo by Noah Purcell

## School board race draws 6 candidates

The Tuesday, May 3 ballot for the Clarkston Community Schools Board of Education will include three incumbents and three challengers.

Those meeting the Tuesday nominating deadline for two four-year terms are Stephen J. Hyer, David A. Lohmeier and Ronald D. Sullivan.

Filing for the remainder of the term vacated by Trustee Tony Miller last year are Barry Bomier, Robin Matczak and Barbara A. Seiltz.

Next week's edition of *The Clarkston News* will have more information on this year's school board candidates.

### Millstream

Learn about car dealer's local family ties.

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Love is in the air!  
See our Valentine section

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### Sports

Unique strategy fails to stop Wolves.

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# Carnation sale for a cause...



Lauren Hart takes money from Veronica Fizzard for the CHS Japanese Club Carnation Sale. The sale goes through Friday during lunch period. All proceeds will go to St. Jude Hospital to help with Lauren's medical bills. Look in next week's issue of *The Clarkston News* for an update on Lauren's condition. Photo by Christina Ula

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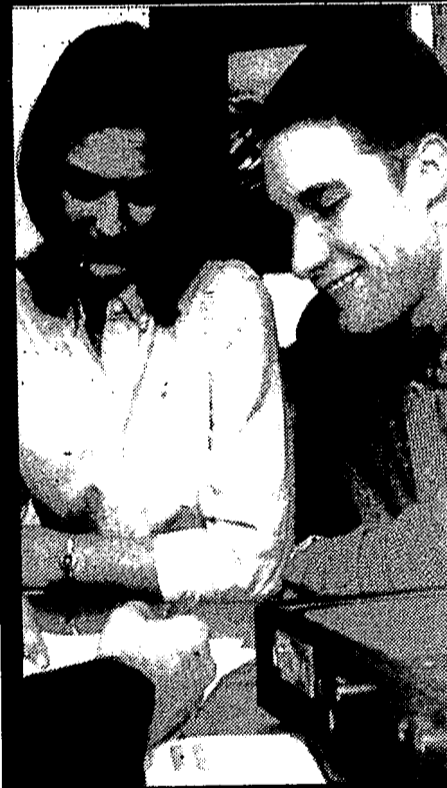
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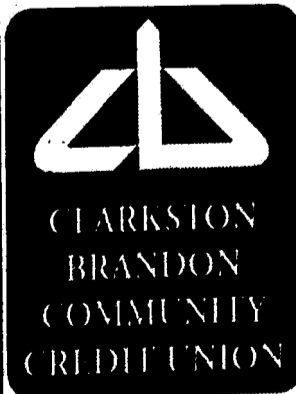
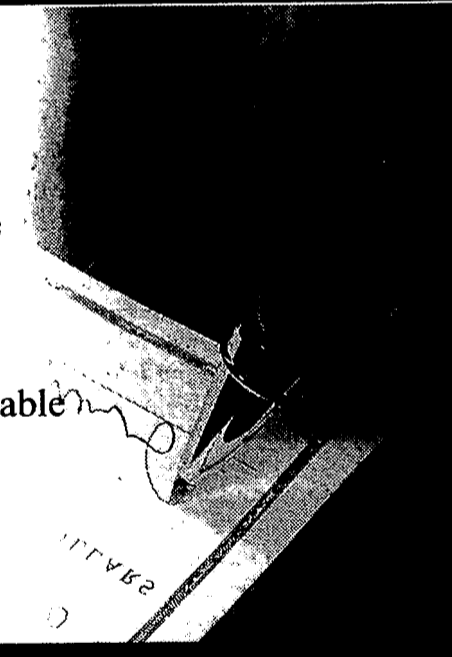
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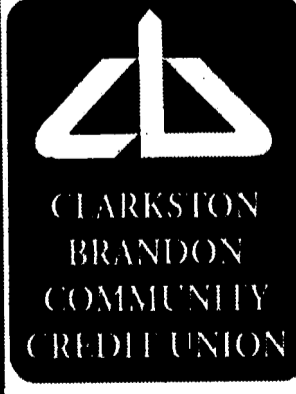


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## Briefly

### McCrary appointed

The Independence Township Planning Commission has a new face on the panel – well, not exactly that new.

At the Feb. 1 regular meeting, the Independence Township Board of Trustees unanimously appointed former township clerk Joan McCrary to the commission.

Supervisor Dave Wagner surprised the board during the meeting by broaching the topic without any information in the board packets. Wagner informed the board they really wouldn't need anything after they heard his recommendation.

Joan McCrary has served Independence Township in many different capacities over the years. She retired this past fall as township clerk after 15 years of service.

### Senior party fund-raiser

Clarkston High School's Senior All Night Party is coming, and Max & Erma's on Baldwin Road decided to offer help for the big night.

On Feb. 15, Max & Erma's will take 20% of lunch and dinner proceeds and donate them to the seniors for their All Night Party. The party is solely funded by parents and community donations. Customers must present the Max & Erma's coupon to benefit the senior party. Coupons can be found at the high school and Max & Erma's.

The plans for the party are set for graduation night, June 1, from 10 p.m. – 5 a.m. Ticket sales for the party will begin Feb. 28 and continue on March 2 at parent-teacher conferences and during student lunch periods. Ticket prices are \$35 including food, games and prizes.

For information on volunteering, call Ann Degen at 248-625-7031 or Linda Stoyeck at 248-625-9077.

### Scholarship form available

Springfield Township and Comcast Cable will award college scholarships in the amounts of \$500 and \$1,000. Recipients must be high school seniors who reside in Springfield Township. Preference is given to students who have volunteered time and talent in the high school and/or community.

For applications, see your high school counselor or stop by the Springfield Township Library, 12000 Davisburg Rd. Deadline is March 23.

### Chamber seeks talent

The Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce is looking for local talent for the "Local talent Spotlight" in the 26th season of "Concerts in the Park."

The dates for this year's series are June 17 and 24; and July 1, 8, 15 and 22. Local talent will be featured for 25 minutes prior to the regular performance. Warm-up acts will perform from 6:30 - 5:55 p.m.

Acts may be vocal, instrumental, solo or ensemble. Styles may be musical, comedy, magic mime or other in nature. Those chosen to perform will be compensated \$100 for their efforts. All talent must be family appropriate.

Interested groups or individuals can submit a five to 10 minute video of their talent to the chamber office at 5856 S. Main St. no later than April 22. Please call 248-625-8055 with questions. If auditions are needed to make the final selection, they will be the week of May 9.

### Correction

In the Dec. 8 and Jan. 12 editions of *The Clarkston News*, Adam Richards should have been listed as the winning goalie in the Clarkston varsity hockey teams' wins.

## Church welcomes new staff members



Sherrie VanderVeen, Christine Wyatt, Sue Maulbetsch, Jill Zundel, Jenny Linenger, Abby Whiteford and Rick Dake. Photo by Christina Ulaj

BY CHRISTINA ULAJ  
*Clarkston News Staff Writer*

Clarkston United Methodist Church is pleased to have a new staff offering plenty of energy, hope and faith.

After listening to input from the congregation, church staff members realized they needed to make some changes. They decided to reconfigure the staff to better meet the needs of the spiritual growth of the church and also the needs of the community.

In order to do that, Clarkston United Methodist Church brought in some gifted people.

Reverend Christine Wyatt, Minister of Adult Education and Discipleship; Jennie Linenger, Assistant Youth Director; Sue Maulbetsch, Director of Children and Family Ministries; Sherrie VanderVeen, Director of Congregational Care; Abby Whiteford, Youth Director; and Rick Dake, Senior Pastor.

According to Christine Wyatt the previous staff members either retired, or were moved into these new positions.

For the staff, the theme is improvement. They wanted to improve every aspect of the church, utilizing all programs and members to the fullest extent. Because some of the staff members had already put in time at the church, moving into a new position was exciting; and these individuals took full advantage of their positions and authority.

The church offers many programs for youths and adults, and is honored that many non-members participate in their programs.

"We have over 260 kids in our youth programs," said Linenger. "These kids are from all areas including Clarkston."

The new staff joined together to form new programs and to improve existing ones. Each believes their purpose is to serve the church and that is exactly what they try to do.

"Our vision statement has given us a whole new focus in our ministry," said VanderVeen. "We are very intentional about caring about our congregation and to

Please see Church, page 21A

## Readers respond to poem questions

BY DON SCHELSKE  
*Clarkston News Staff Writer*

Alert readers of *The Clarkston News* have provided answers to questions posed by an historic poem about the Clarkston area.

"On the Road to Clarkston Town," written by Detroit poet Orrin Alden DeMass in 1932, chronicles travels along Clarkston Road. It depicts not only the nature of the travel along the "rustic road," but also lists several memorable features of country living.

After two feature stories about the poem, there were still some unanswered questions. Several long-time residents, or descendants thereof, have some answers.

"Lake Field farms" (one caller suggested it should be Lakefield Farms) refers to a working dairy farm located off Clarkston Road east of Eston Road toward the border of Independence and Orion townships. The property includes the neighborhood now known as Heather Lake Estates.

"Lake Field Farm was a big part of my family's life," said Nancy Peter, noting lots of activity in the

1930s. "My father often drove the milk truck to Detroit for them and sold their milk. My aunt was a cook for the men who boarded and worked on the farm, and her husband was in charge of the dairy farm.

Local resident Laura Glasel says she still has a milk bottle cap from the days the dairy operated.

"I don't remember if my mother actually got milk from there or not, but she probably did," Glasel said.

The reference to "the Sashabaw 'neath alders cool," which "winds its way to the slumbering pool" has a couple possible explanations.

Former resident Timothy Buell believes the line refers to Sashabaw Creek which, although it does not come near Clarkston Road, does quite a bit of "winding" between Lake Oakland in Independence Township and Mill Lake in Orion Township.

"When I grew up there in the 70s it wasn't very big, but I thought I remembered that it has been a much bigger creek back before all the development came along," Buell wrote in an email to *The Clarkston News*.

Another long-time resident who asked to remain anonymous suggested that "the Sashabaw" actually refers to Sashabaw Road. North of the intersection with Clarkston Road, Sashabaw does a bit of "winding" around Whipple Lake, he said.



## CHS Senior Spotlight

**Name:** Allyson Kowalk  
**Parent's Names:** Steve and Cindy Kowalk  
**Favorite Subject:** Math  
**School Activities:** National Honors Society President, Octagon Club, Peer Mediation, Peer Mentoring and Varsity Tennis  
**Outside Interests:** Going to movies, hanging out with friends, piano, reading and crossword puzzles  
**What are your plans after graduation?** I'm thinking about going into debt as I leave for college.  
**Where do you see yourself in 25 years?** In 25 years, I see myself living somewhere warm, married with four kids, being successful in whatever career I finally choose and traveling to other warm places.  
**Best friends are people who:** you can tell your secrets to and are there when the going gets tough (EG, MW, MH)  
**What worries me most about the world is:** the lack of tolerance for differing viewpoints. Everyone is entitled to their own opinions.  
**I will make a contribution to my community by:** Staying involved with the Clarkston Coalition and volunteering my time and talent to help others.

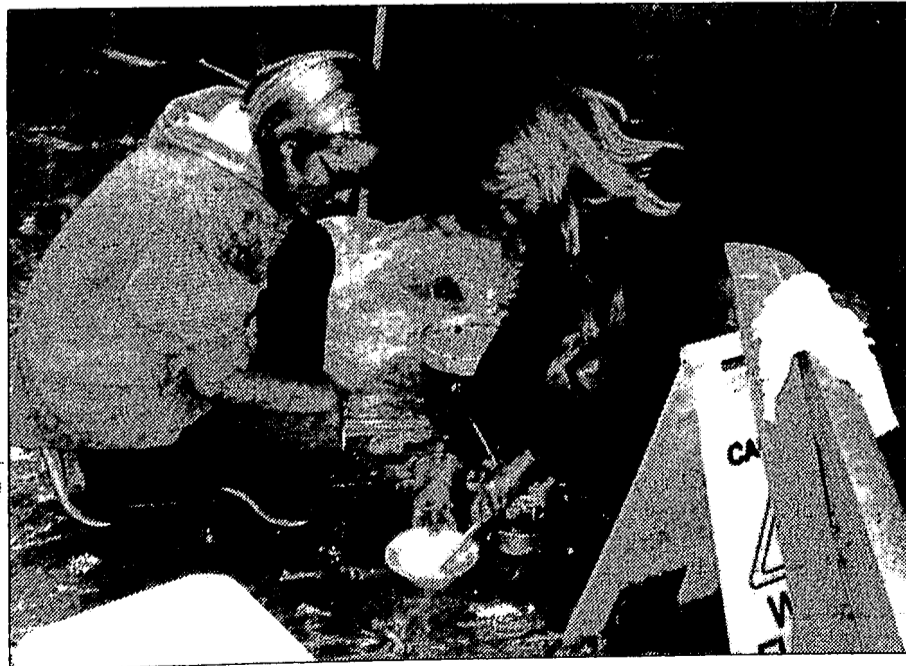


## Painting CMS Memories

Eighth graders at Clarkston Middle School are expressing themselves through painting. Gloria Rzedko-Henry to complete a mural inspired by Georgia O'Keeffe. All of Mrs. Keglovitz's eighth grade class helped with the project.



Samantha Mee, Emma Burder and Alexandra Lunsford (above) paint the brick road. Photos by Christina Ula



Samantha Mee with Gloria Rzedko-Henry mix paint.

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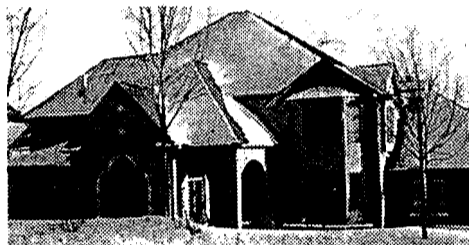
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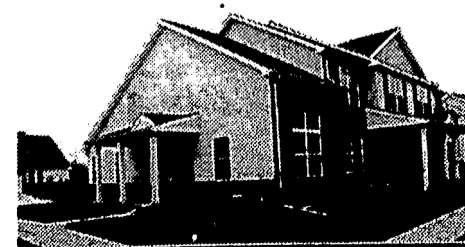
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# Opinion

## Appearances really do matter

There's something that's been bothering me lately the more and more I think about it; and I can thank my publisher for even putting the thought in my head.

At the Jan. 10 Independence Township board meeting, the trustees approved just below a 3 percent raise for all non-union salaried employees, including the supervisor, clerk and treasurer.

On the surface, this doesn't sound so bad, but the more I've thought about it, the more I'm not pleased, and here's why.

Why is an elected official, in office for just over a month at the point of the decision and already receiving the salary of a predecessor with 20 years experience, getting an almost 3 percent raise? In simpler terms, why didn't Supervisor Dave Wagner take the lead and refuse his raise?

Okay, let me back up and begin by taking the advice of someone I truly look up to and respect — always begin criticism with a compliment.

So here I go. Since taking office, Wagner has shown some impressive moxy (to steal a word recently resurrected by my sports reporter) in recent decision-making. He stuck to his guns and his campaign promises, and made some difficult decisions and recommendations.

He's attempting to make his advisors more local, as he promised in his campaign, and he is looking into the township budget to find ways to streamline.

Now, I want to see him go a step further.

I would like to see Mr. Wagner take the lead for the entire township board to return the elected officials' raises. In times when state revenue sharing is shrinking faster than my favorite wool sweater in a hot drier, when the township budget lists Bay Court Beach closed, when large battles against strong developers loom in the distance... I want the township board to act prudently and conservatively.

No, we're not talking about a lot of money when considering million dollar budgets, but I was always taught every penny can add up to a dollar, and so on, and so forth.

Take a moment to add: The supervisor's raise is \$2,127; the treasurer and clerk are each receiving \$1,899; and the trustees are each receiving \$133.65 (multiplied by four is \$534.60). That's a total of \$6,459.60. A nice chunk of change that could go to reopening Bay Court Beach.

This has nothing to do with whether the township board is doing an adequate job or whether the trustees and elected leaders deserve the raises. This simply has to do with appearances.

The appearance of the board doing everything possible to be fiscally responsible. The appearance of the board putting aside every dollar to reopen Bay Court Beach. The appearance of the board giving up money, to benefit township employees and public services, in the same meeting that building department fees were raised.

The appearance of the board doing what is right for the taxpayers.

Now, to follow the advice of another individual I respect, I'm going to end this mini-rant with a compliment. Wagner and the township board were absolutely brilliant when they appointed Joan McCrary to the planning commission. Yes, absolutely brilliant.

### The News to Me



Jenny Matteson

## Did new banners get Mao's blessing?

Dear Ed:

How encouraged I feel!

Little banners have quietly appeared on the lightpoles in downtown Clarkston. Each contain warm fuzzy bromides promoting cheer and reflection.

I looked carefully, but do not see Chairman Mao's image anywhere on them. I think he would like them,

too! Perhaps, if he were available, we could solicit his help with other nagging issue(s), such as where do we all really live? Clarkston, Independence or what?

He would point out the common good in us all. I think.

Zac Bell  
IndeClarkdence

## SCAMP to celebrate 30 years of fun

Dear Editor,

Clarkston SCAMP will celebrate 30 years of summer fun in 2005.

We would like current and former SCAMPers, employees and the parents of SCAMPers and employees to help us with this celebration by sending us their personal experiences with our program.

We know our program has touched the lives of many people in our community. Throughout the years we have been sent testimonials from several individuals. We know there are more stories out there and we would love to hear them.

One of our SCAMPers (who will be 44 years-old this year) has attended SCAMP for all 30 years and her family has already visited our office this year to make sure that her place is saved for this summer.

SCAMP is a favorite for many! We are grateful for how the community has embraced this program and hope this relationship continues for decades to come.

We ask alumni to send their story along with their name, address and phone number to:

Clarkston SCAMP, 6590 Middle Lake Road, Clarkston, MI 48346. We have an interest in knowing the career path of former employees, so if possible, please include your current position in life and how SCAMP might have influenced your choices.

Thank you,  
Donna Clancy

P.S. I think Oprah might also have an interest in these letters! We still believe she will visit SCAMP this summer!

## Sidewalks hindered resident's enjoyment of winter day thaw

What a beautiful winter day we had on Saturday the fifth. A great day for a family outing, so that is exactly what we decided to do.

But where to take a walk with all the snow? In Clarkston, there are so few sidewalks. We ended up at the library and thought to walk to the high school with our two boys - one in a stroller and one on his scooter. We were stopped dead in our tracks to see no shoveled sidewalks in any direction. But, we decide to continue because how far could this go? We found out.

The sidewalks were not shoveled the entire way to the high school and even in front of the high school.

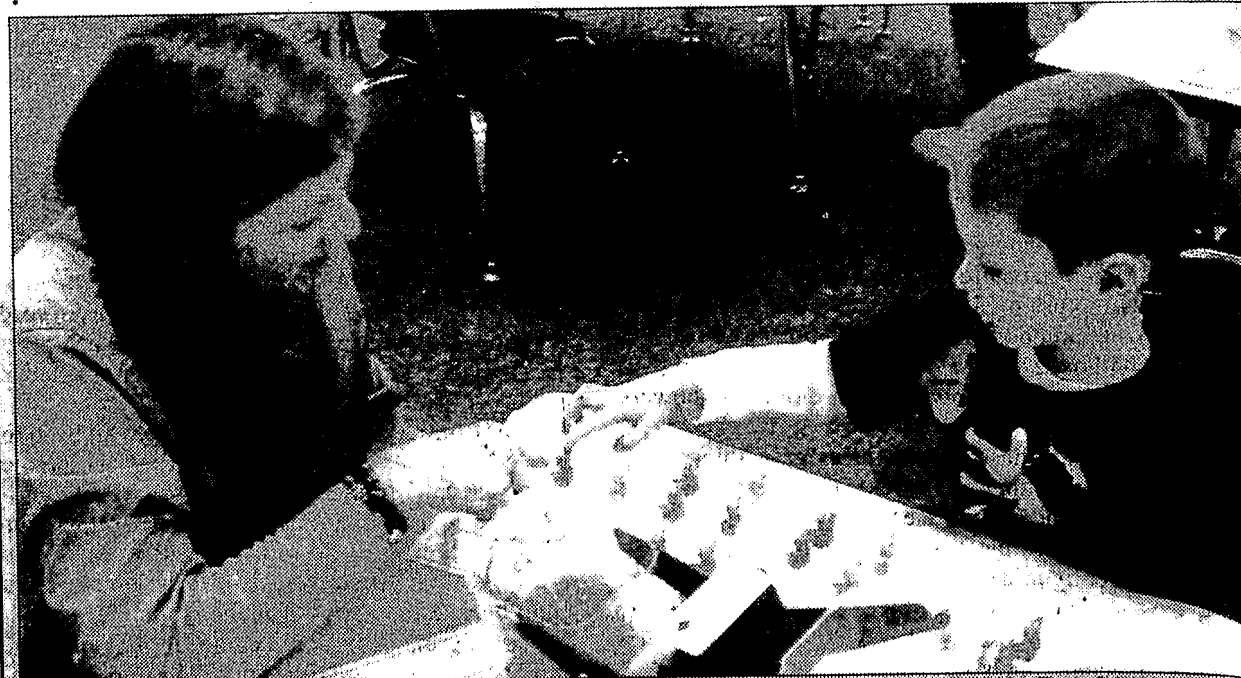
What a disgrace! How do the kids walk to school? Hadn't it snowed almost two weeks ago?

I was appalled that no one would shovel their sidewalks for the safety and consideration of their fellow neighbors. We ended up walking back in the street with the busy traffic on Clarkston Road.

We were so disappointed to not be able to enjoy this rare winter thaw. Perhaps the residents and responsible township employees on Clarkston Road could shovel next time?

Pam Aughe  
Miller Road

### Celebrating the century mark...



Kindergarten and first grade students at Pine Knob Elementary celebrated 100's Day for attending 100 days of school. The students participated in activities, and each had to bring in 100 of something.  
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## Conspiracy Theory #197

Last week a conspiracy of such diabolical magnitude was unleashed upon the world, I hesitate to delve into it. What will happen to me? Will my family's safety be in harm's way should I continue down the muckrakers path?

What is my theory, that which has me a-shake?

You may have heard about February 2's weather prognostications in Oxford, Michigan. If not, here's the *Readers' Digest* version: Since 1999, Oxford has experienced marmots, camelids and puppets taking shots at predicting spring's arrival. It takes place right there in the middle of civilization's apex -- commonly referred to as the gazebo in Centennial Park. Each of these critters has looked for his shadow: If he sees it, Spring is still six weeks away; if there is no shadow, Spring will soon be sprung.

That's the set up, from here on out things get a little dicey.

I don't have all the proof yet, but this year I say the prediction was rigged. The fix was in. Something smelled in Denmark.

As the fury little marmot Harley made his way to the forefront, my Spidy-sense started to tingle. The sun shone bright in the sky. All the wee little children's faces were rosy and red. Despite the obvious outcome (Harley would see his shadow and spring would still be six weeks out) there was merriment in the cool, crisp air. The moment we had waited for was upon us.

Then Harley spoke, whistling a little bit with every "s" word. "I s-s-see . . ." the crowd of hundreds was silent, " . . . no s-s-shadow."

No shadow?

No shadow? How can it be that you cast no shadow on such a sunny day? What are you, Harley, one of the undead, rising up from your earthen grave once a year? Like a vampire casts no reflection, do undead woodchucks cast no shadow? Somebody, quick, get out the White Pages and look up VanHelsing! Grab your wooden stakes and crucifixes.

The sky was a brilliant color of blue, with only a few little, white puffy clouds; the sun was high and mighty;

it was a glorious day. Folks, I am here to testify, Harley saw his shadow and lied, dang-it!

But why?

It could be he's a part of a deep, deep, ultra-secret government agency that knows the real truth about global warming. Did they think we couldn't handle the truth, spring was still six weeks away? Was he assigned to the weather just to pacify the masses, to divert our attention from the end of humanity as we know it?

No shadow.

No shadow and wouldn't you know it, in a short time folks didn't question the lie. It was said over and over and loud enough the masses believed it. No s-s-shadow. S-s-spring will soon be here.

Something is amiss and I don't know how or why. I do know that a mere three miles north, in a sparsely attended and scarcely recognized ceremony, a lonely llama told his following he had seen his shadow. Mr. Prozac, the weather prophet, had spoken to only a few true believers -- 42 llamas, a horse, a pony and a donkey, several sheep and goats, an emu, a rhea, some fallow deer, assorted turkeys and geese and five dogs.

How the mighty have fallen. Only 12 short months ago, Mr. Prozac was the main attraction in Oxford. He was *the* man! (Okay, the camelid.) A year before Harley rode into town, Mr. Prozac was the one riding the wave of fame and fortune.

Maybe Prozac was too honest.

Maybe Prozac couldn't be bought.

Maybe he had to be put out to pasture.

Like I said, I don't know why or what . . . yet. If you don't see me around in the future, I am either deep under cover on the Global Warming Front or, gulp, a goner.

\* \* \*

Meanwhile, while driving down Oakwood Road one recent February Friday afternoon, I saw a rolly-poley skunk. He waddled his way east, along the road's north shoulder. Skunks usually sleep in February, or so I thought.

Is spring near? It depends on who you trust.

A marmot who lies . . . ?

A llama out to pasture . . . ?

Or an early rising skunk . . . ?

Take your pick.

Comments for that Muck-Raking Rush can be e-mailed to: dontrushmedon@charter.net



Don Rush

Don't Rush Me

## A Look Back

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

### 15 YEARS AGO (1990)

•Rapist gets 24 life terms: The man charged in a series of ski-mask rapes, including an assault in Independence Township, will spend the rest of his life in prison.

Steven A. Szeman Jr. was sentenced Feb. 2 to 24 life terms for 12 Oakland County rapes and attempted rapes he allegedly committed throughout a period of a year and one-half.

•Auto crash kills Waterford man: A Waterford Township man was killed in a late afternoon accident on Maybee Road Feb. 4. Walter V. Gallegly, 39, of Drayton Plains was driving his 1988 Chevrolet east on Maybee Road, near Waterford Road, when the vehicle ran into a pile of slush on the right shoulder, just after 4:45 p.m.

Gallegly attempted to correct the car's position and lost control on the roadway, according to a report at the Oakland County Sheriff Department.

•Kids need millage: An Oxford man faces charges for allegedly swindling Independence Township residents of money with his window business.

William Schumacher, 60, of Oregon, was arrested and charged with larceny by conversion and another charge involving work without a proper license.

### 25 YEARS AGO (1980)

•Gravel site condemnation suit likely: Independence Township's quest to buy 80 acres of a proposed gravel pit will probably end up in court, township attorney Richard Campbell said last week.

"We'll probably file suit within ten days," he said.

•Tower GM effect slight: Construction plans for a huge General Motors plant which have been announced for neighboring Orion Township have brightened the horizon somewhat for Independence Township developers.

But the overall effect of the plant is not expected to be felt much in the neighboring township, according to Independence supervisor Whitney Tower.

•County to decide on PK: A decision on the proposed purchase of about 400 acres of Pine Knob by the Oakland County Parks and Recreation Commission should be made by the end of February, according to county officials.

A closed parks commission executive session is scheduled this week for informational purposes, said Eric Reickel, manager of the county parks and recreation department.

### 50 YEARS AGO (1955)

•New Library Opens Feb. 16: An important event to take place in Clarkston on Wednesday, February 16th, will be the opening of the new Independence Township Library. The Clarkston Community Women's Club will hold an open house in the Library from one until four p.m. for both men and women in this area.

A silver Tea will be featured and any donations will be appreciated. Mrs. Don Stackable, head of the Library Committee, will also accept books for the library that day.

•Chevrolet Agency Changes Ownership: The Chevrolet agency in this area is now known as Haskins Chevrolet, Inc., with Roy Haskins of Detroit as president. Leo J. Torney, also of Detroit, is the General manager. Don Pringle gave up the agency due to the pressure of other business.

•Dairy Bar Opens Today: Mr. and Mrs. John Stafford of Pontiac, former owners of "The Pantry", will open the Clarkston Dairy Bar this afternoon and they invite your business. The pool tables have been removed and that space will be used for dancing.

## Bathing: not necessarily a good habit

Regular readers know there is little to be learned reading a Jim's Jottings. I promise you, this week will be no exception.

You all also know there are good habits and bad habits, habits originating from rumor, well-intentioned parents and society, and habits without purpose, irritating (to others) habits and habits worn by nuns.

Bathing is a habit that fits many of what I've alluded to. I have a friend who claims when he gets out of bed he first makes the bed (his wife has been up for hours by then) and jumps in the shower.

First of all, I know him well, and the only thing he jumps for is VO and water. So his use of "jumps" in this case is a word-habit he heard on Desperate Housewives.

But, why does a person take a shower every day? I insist it's habit. Who sweated during the series of near-zero temperatures recently? Without sweat, how does a body get to the point of needing soaping down everyday?

Besides, a washcloth will clean the necessary areas without wasting as much water, getting our hair wet, thus requiring more drying time and a bigger towel, and requiring use of shampoo and hair lick-dob.

Hazel reminded me often I couldn't get clean in a shower without a wash cloth. I tried to tell her no man takes a cloth into a shower. Wash cloths in showers are for sissies.

My mother has the best idea for bathing. (My dad's idea for bathing was to take us to the Shiawassee River and let the current clean us, which means he'd let us go eight or nine months without a bath.)

Mother figured once a week was adequate, as long as we swept the washcloth behind our ears occasionally during the week. I still haven't figured out how dirt gets behind one's ears, but it does.

Every Saturday night Mother would haul out that big ol' tin wash tub and put it in the middle of the linoleum covered kitchen floor in front of the wood

burning cooking range -- the one with the reservoir on the end and elevated warming oven on the back.

In we'd go, by age. Being youngest I was always washed in dirty water. Of course it wasn't really a dirty dirt, and besides, mother would add warm water from the reservoir after my sister and brothers exited her grasp.

Jim's Jottings



Jim Sherman

The once-a-week bathing habit was a good one. I'd go back to it right now if my darn head didn't start itching. I'll never believe it itches from dirt or even sweat. Working crossword and jigsaw puzzles are hardly moisture producing efforts.

Writing isn't either, except when the writer hasn't a topic to expound on, like this week.

We're all full of habits, including my aforementioned friend who falls asleep in a chair by habit.

We always sleep on the same side of the bed, we tie our left shoe first, turn on a certain light first, start blade shaving at the same sideburn (mine's left), read a newspaper a certain way, continually repeat certain phrases and set at the same place at the dining table for a meal.

We're all creatures of habit, as we've all been told over and over, but bathing shouldn't be one of them whether its daily or every seven days.

Bathing should be done when a person has time, time to let the water get warmer and warmer to the point of soothing troubled areas of the body. Bathing should be a reward, not a sentence.

Bathing should be accepted not as "if it ain't broke don't fix it," but as if it ain't dirty don't pour water on it. Sometimes, you know, people like the smell of man (woman) au naturel, and sometimes a little Mennens covers a lot.

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## Street right-of-way dispute rocks city meetings

BY DON SCHELSKE  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

What started as a dispute between neighbors over driveway rights has turned into a verbal and legal spat involving Clarkston city officials.

Wompole Drive resident Bruce Whitmer has protested city council decisions and procedures in connection with decorative rocks he placed at the end of his driveway last summer.

Wompole Drive is a small, formerly private street on Clarkston's northeast side. The street is now a public street, but does not conform to current-day specifications. The homes on the street were built long before modern zoning ordinances, and property lines follow some unexpected angles.

All those details came into play on Dec. 13, 2004, when city council members grudgingly agreed to try to mediate between Whitmer and his neighbors, Thomas and Lynne Swayne.

The two homes are located at the end of the Wompole Drive cul-de-sac, with their respective driveways splitting away from the end. According to a plat map, however, the Swaynes' driveway actually crosses Whitmer's property to have access to the street.

Last year, Whitmer filed two police reports saying the Swayne's vehicle backed into his driveway and damaged his vehicle. Then he used an asphalt saw to cut away about three feet of the Swayne's driveway frontage and placed decorative boulders at the street's edge.

The Swaynes protested the move, saying they had no safe access to Wompole Drive.

"You can't back out of the driveway," said Lynne Swayne at the Dec. 13 meeting.

"If we're talking about safety, I think my safety counts," Whitmer countered.

In the midst of protracted arguing at that meeting, city engineer Gary Tressel and attorney Thomas Ryan spoke of a city ordinance requiring a clear right-of-way and citing potential safety hazards for emergency vehicles.

Despite Whitmer's offer to move one rock back, the council unanimously voted to order Whitmer to move all the rocks back at least three feet within seven days. Failure to follow the directive would lead to the city DPW moving the rocks back seven feet and billing Whitmer for the services, the resolution said.

Whitmer later charged that the Dec. 13 proceeding was unfair on several counts, including lack of notice that the issue would be discussed at that meeting and the alleged failure of City Manager Art Pappas to provide him with documents apparently obtained by other parties prior to the discussion.

The council-set deadline passed, but Whitmer moved

only one rock. The DPW used their equipment to move all the rocks back from the street, leading Whitmer to accuse the crew of shoddy workmanship and the city council of violating the city charter by passing a "resolution" with a penalty against a citizen.

"The council specified no rule, law, ordinance or charter provision in the issuance of this resolution," Whitmer wrote in a Dec. 20, 2004 letter to Pappas, "but provided for a penalty against me."

At the Jan. 10, 2005 council meeting, Whitmer and others raised the protest again, accusing the council of being "arbitrary and capricious." That led council members to defend their action because of the neighbors' failure to be neighborly.

"It only came to this because you two [Whitmer and the Swaynes] couldn't fix it," Council Member Kristy Ottman said.

"We didn't pick a fight here," Council Member Daniel Colombo said. "We didn't resolve any problems. We just moved some rocks out of our right of way."

"You should have gotten a lawyer and gone to court instead of coming to us," Council Member Walter Gamble said to Whitmer.

"This is a no-win situation for everybody," said Mayor Sharron Catallo. "We try not to get involved with neighbor-to-neighbor issues."

Property conflicts involving Whitmer are not new. He has cited a September 2001 injunction prohibiting city personnel from "doing anything upon my property," and said city officials are being hypocritical by not enforcing the right-of-way requirements elsewhere on Wompole Drive and elsewhere in the city.

Whitmer has an ongoing feud with Corian and Robyn Johnston, who own another Wompole Drive property which abuts Whitmer's land. In 2002, Whitmer raised issues with Robyn Johnston's holding a seat on the city planning commission after she voted for revised setback requirements which allegedly benefited her property.

In the latest controversy, city officials say they are in the right. Pappas said Whitmer's complaints about Freedom of Information issues stem from his general requests for "anything and everything."

"You have to ask for specific things," Pappas said. "Everything he's asked for that I've got, I've let him see it or make copies."

See Rocks on Page 21A

## Council limits time for public comments

Two recent meetings with long conversations on non-agenda items led the Clarkston City Council on Jan. 24 to institute a policy limiting speech during "public comments" to no more than five minutes.

City Manager Art Pappas raised the issue, suggesting a discussion of a possible time limit be placed on a future agenda. Council members took the initiative to adopt the policy that evening with relatively little discussion themselves.

The right-of-way rock issue on Wompole Drive did not appear as an agenda item at either the Dec. 13, 2004 or Jan. 10, 2005 council meetings, yet discussion on the issue took longer than other items which were listed on the agenda.

(A letter from Bruce Whitmer's to Pappas protesting the Dec. 13 council decision appeared on the Jan. 10 agenda under "unfinished business," but since it did not call for council action, the council voted to delete it from the agenda.)

Pappas said items requiring extended debate can be handled with advance notice.

"If it's a serious issue, it should be on the agenda," he said.

Mayor Sharron Catallo said there may still be occasions in which non-agenda items need more than five minutes of discussion.

"Sometimes things arise," she said.

"Then it would be up to the council" whether to extend the limit, Pappas said.

"You can always give them more time if you want to for a serious issue," said Council Member Kristy Ottman.

After the unanimous vote, Catallo left the door open for future alternations to the policy.

"If it doesn't work out, well, it's just a number," she said.


-Don Schelske

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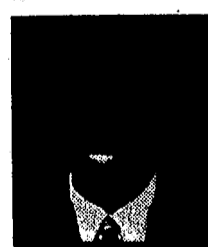
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# Police and Fire

## Independence Township

**February 2:** Larceny report at Radio Shack on Dixie Highway.

**February 4:** Assault report at the McDonald's on Sashabaw Road. Someone in a car hit a drive-through employee with a paper cup.

**February 5:** Arrest for possession of marijuana on Sashabaw Road near Pelton Road.

Malicious destruction of property at Pine Knob Ski Resort. A vehicle driven by a 16-year-old Rochester Hills girl collided with a fence after doing donuts in the parking lot. The girl and her parents later agreed to pay restitution, avoiding formal charges.

**February 6:** Arrests for disorderly conduct and possession of marijuana at The Downing Clinic at Sashabaw and Maybee roads. Three teenagers were apprehended after deputies were dispatched for a breaking and entering in progress.

**February 7:** Home invasion on S. Village Drive. Someone gained entry through a basement window and took four pistols from a bedroom and a laptop computer a home office. One handgun was later found.

## Springfield Township

**February 1:** Arrest for operating while intoxicated on Kier. A 38-year-old Holly man registered a blood alcohol level of 0.256 percent. He was turned over to North Oakland Medical Center for detoxification.

**February 2:** Fraud report on Detroit. A 23-year-old Fenton woman is accused of buying more than \$500 in merchandise with stolen personal checks.

**February 6:** Assault report on Coventry involving a woman against her sister-in-law.

## Pontiac robbers blamed for BK heist

BY DON SCHELSKE  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

What some law enforcement officials have dubbed the "Thelma and Louise" case included a Dec. 21, 2004 robbery from an Independence Township Burger King restaurant, according to police reports.

Kimberly Ann Schultz, 44, and Carla Rae Colley, 41, both of Pontiac, were arrested in Livonia on Jan. 31 after they allegedly robbed a Wendy's restaurant. Pontiac police say they have confessed to 10 robberies, and a coalition of law enforcement agencies are investigating incidents in several southeast Michigan communities.

The pair's method of operation was similar in all the incidents, reports said, including the wearing of face masks and use of a black Ford Taurus.

Such was the case at the Dixie Highway Burger King, where a woman escaped with \$892 in cash,

according to Oakland County Sheriff reports.

The suspect entered the restaurant at about 7 a.m. on Dec. 21, ordering employees to the back of the store. Although she neither displayed nor implied a weapon, employees obeyed her orders to open the restaurant safe, from which she took the currency and rolled coin.

A drive-through clerk previously noticed a silver sedan, late confirmed to be a Ford Taurus, in the area, and reports said a similar incident occurred the previous week in Waterford.

Because of the geography involved, Detective Jerry DeRosia of the Independence Township sheriff substation said the local Burger King case may not be included in the actual prosecution. Courts follow a standard practice to include restitution to all victims as part of the eventual sentence, however, DeRosia said.

## Stepfather causes ruckus at local school

North Sashabaw Elementary School went into "lockdown" status on the afternoon of Feb. 3, when a man allegedly tried to remove his stepdaughters from the school building without permission and before classes had ended, according to Oakland County Sheriff reports.

The man reported an ongoing dispute with his wife, who eventually came to the school with her parents. The mother had advised school officials that

the stepfather (who did not have legal custody) did not have permission to pick up the children.

Deputies reported some loud arguing in the school lobby after the mother arrived, but they moved all parties into a conference room until school was dismissed and the mother took the children home with her, reports said.

Deputies escorted the man off school property. No formal charges were filed, reports said.

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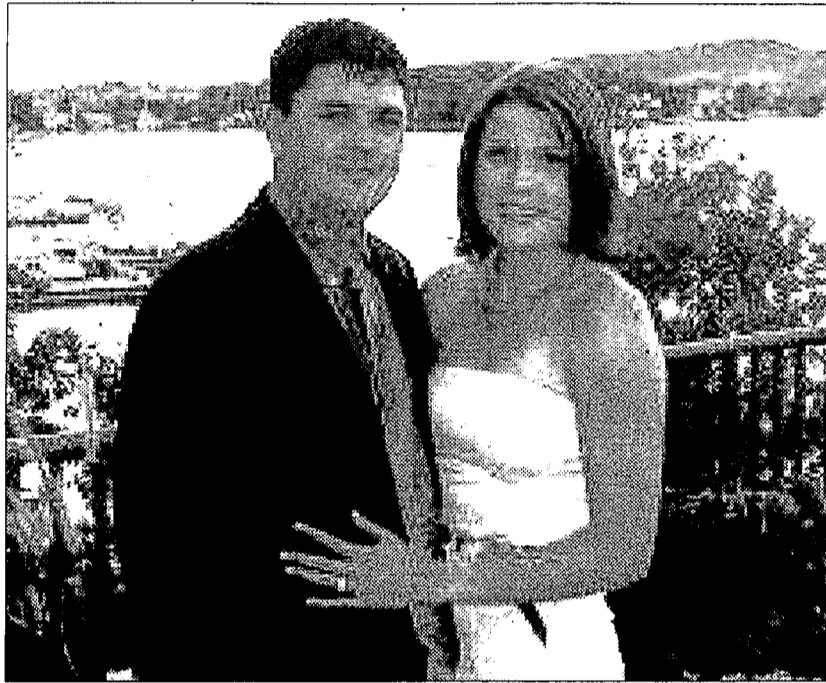
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# Valentine Wishes

## Guenther - Bildstein engaged



Megan Guenther and Corey Bildstein are pleased to announce their recent engagement.

The bride-to-be is the daughter of John and Gayle Guenther of West Bloomfield. She is a graduate of Michigan State and currently works as an interior designer for Jones-Keena in Birmingham.

The prospective groom is the son of Nancy and David Gignac and Bill and Dianne Bildstein, all of Clarkston. He is also a graduate of Michigan State and currently works as a program manager and engineer for CTA Acoustics in Troy.

A July wedding is planned at Pine Lake Country Club.



## Pritchard - Harrison to wed

Dennis and Rhonda Pritchard, of Clarkston, joyfully announce the engagement of their daughter, Heather Marie, to Philip Wayne Harrison, son of Beth Clements of Hamilton, Ohio and grandson of Robert and Lois Harrison of Liberty Township, Ohio.

The bride-to-be is the granddaughter of Curtis and Georgia Ashby of Poplar Bluff, Missouri. Lila Pritchard of Oakland County and the late Jaxon Pritchard.

The couple entered into their engagement in the spring of 2004 while dancing in the rain.

The prospective bride will gradu-

ate from Lipscomb University in Nashville, Tennessee with a degree in communications in the summer of 2005. She is a radio broadcast intern in Nashville, Tennessee.

The groom-to-be studied engineering at the University of Cincinnati and is a certified firefighter.

A ceremony uniting them in holy matrimony will be celebrated in a morning wedding in May 2005 at the gardens and gazebo of the Manor House Estate in Mason, Ohio.

The future Mr. and Mrs. Philip Harrison are planning to make their home in Michigan.

## Hill - DeGain to wed



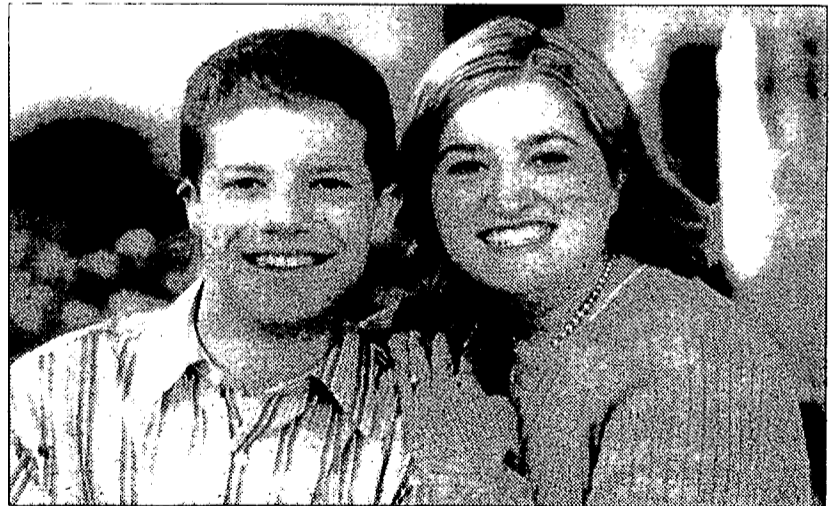
Nicole Maye Hill and Patrick Michael DeGain are pleased to announce their recent engagement.

The bride-to-be is the daughter of Rick and Teri Hill of Davison. She is a 2001 graduate of Davison High School and a 2004 graduate of Michigan State University. She currently resides in East Lansing and is pursuing a career in event planning and fund-raising.

The groom-to-be is the son of Michael and Donna DeGain, of Grand Blanc, formerly of Clarkston. He is a 2000 graduate of Clarkston High School and will graduate from Indiana University in May with a degree in physical education. He currently wrestles for Indiana University.

The couple is planning an August wedding in Davison.

## Meier - Boggemes to wed



Mr. and Mrs. Werner Meier of Farmington Hills announced the engagement of their daughter Andrea Lorie Meier to Adam Neil Boggemes, son of Mr. and Mrs. Neil Boggemes of Clarkston.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Oakland University and is a second

grade teacher for Detroit Merit Academy.

The prospective groom is a graduate of Kettering University. He works as a software engineer for Motorola in Farmington Hills.

A July 2005 wedding is planned in Orchard Lake.

# Mathiak - Parsons to wed



Michael Robert Mathiak and Jessica Rene Parsons are engaged to be married on Aug. 27. The ceremony will be held at Faith Baptist Church and the reception at Silver Lake Golf Club in Waterford.

Michael is a 1998 Clarkston High School graduate and earned a bachelor's degree in environmental management in 2002 from Western Michigan University.

He is the son of Lee and Geraldine Mathiak of Clarkston.

Jessica is a 2001 Clarkston High School graduate and is currently a senior at University of Michigan-Flint pursuing an earth science degree and teacher's certification in secondary education. She is the daughter of Terry and Cheryl Parsons of Waterford.

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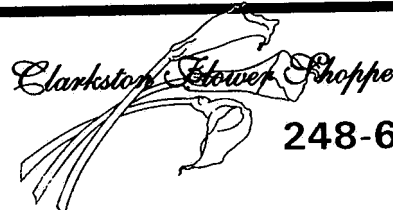


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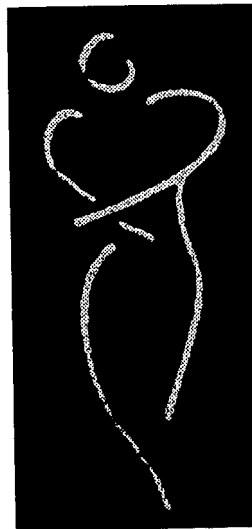
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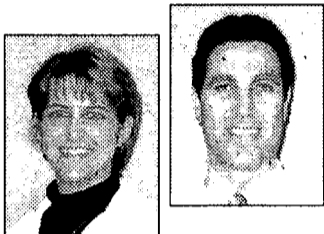
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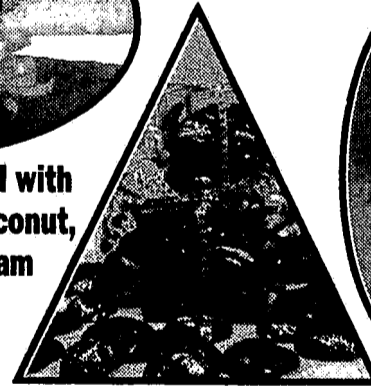
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# Bielak - Thurlow to wed



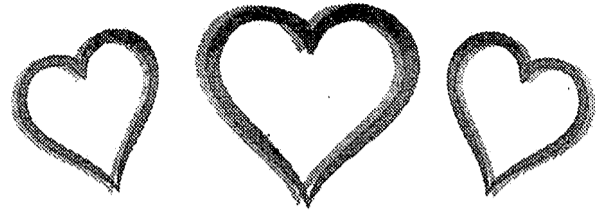
Dr. and Mrs. Daniel Bielak of Clarkston are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter, Gabrielle Marie, to Eric Mark, son of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Thurlow of Christiansburg, Virginia.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Albion College and Johns Hopkins University. She is currently employed

with On Assignment Lab Support in Baltimore, Maryland.

The groom-to-be is a graduate of Towson University and is employed with Norfolk Southern Railroad in Decatur, Illinois.

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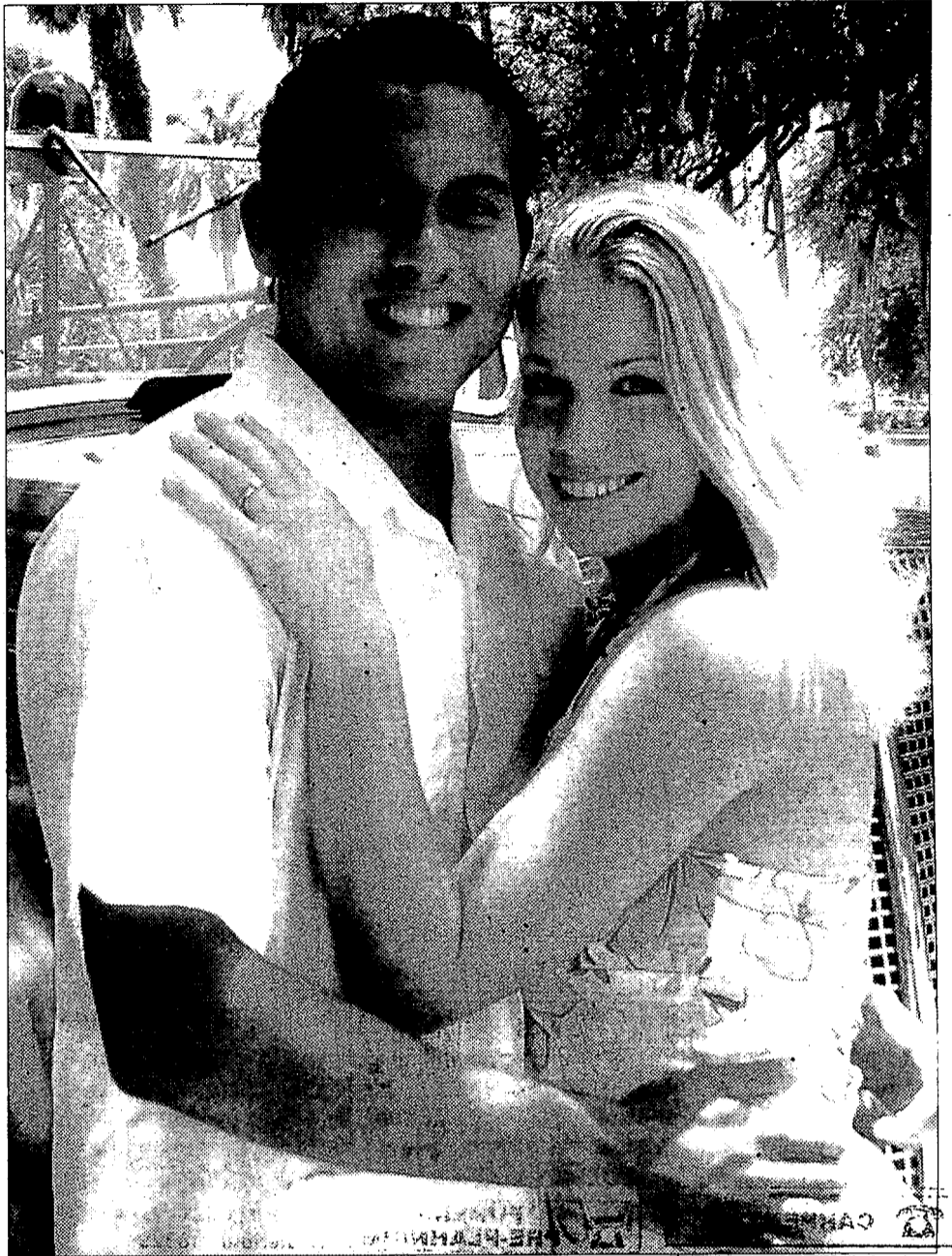
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The bride is a graduate of the University of South Florida and is currently employed as a kindergarten teacher with the Hillsborough County School District

in Tampa.

The groom is a graduate of Hillsborough County Community College and Florida State Fire College and is currently employed as a firefighter with Tampa Fire Rescue. He also works part-time in the Pediatric Emergency Room at St. Joseph's Hospital.

A May wedding is planned and will be held in Sarasota, Florida.

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# Ladies quartet offers singing Valentines

BY DON SCHELSKE  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Those looking for a unique way to send Valentine's Day greetings might consider a "Val-O-Gram" from a local barbershop-style ladies quartet.

A foursome calling themselves "4 His Glory" will make personal visits (within a 20-mile radius of Clarkston) or telephone calls to almost anywhere on Monday, Feb. 14 and, if possible, the previous Friday night and Saturday.

Sue Kilbourne, Melanie Spires, Penny Savage and Brenda Marlowe are all members of Clarkston Community Church and have sung together since November 2003.

Marlowe and Spires are sisters who formerly performed with the Sweet Adelines organization, consisting of women who enjoy the barbershop-style harmony.

"We missed being part of that," said Marlowe. They eventually recruited Kilbourne and Savage, and 4 His Glory made their debut in the church Christmas program in 2003.

Since then, the quartet has performed at local senior centers, the Oakhurst Golf and Country Club and a talent show at Seymour Lake United Methodist Church

in Brandon Township. They also provide special music in worship services at Clarkston Community Church every couple of months.

The ladies rehearse at least 90 minutes each week. Savage described the tight acapella harmony as being designed to "lock and ring" to create the illusion of more than four voices.

"When we sing, you'll hear other notes around us," Savage said. Precision is required, or mistakes will be especially noticed.

"Bad barbershop is bad," she said with a laugh.

Kilbourne, who is coordinating the Valentine greetings, said the quartet will schedule visits on a first-come, first-served basis, and will arrange telephone calls around the travel schedule.

Offering both a "sweetheart medley" and "friendship" songs, the group will present a flower, message and song for \$45. Telephone calls (which can't include the flower) cost \$25.

The ladies aren't seeking profit from their services. They may eventually record a CD at their church, but "Right now, it's kind of a hobby," Kilbourne said.

Those interested may call 248-625-2901 for an appointment.



Melanie Spires, Penny Savage, Sue Kilbourne and Brenda Marlowe stand ready to offer special Valentine greetings in classic barbershop harmony as the group 4 His Glory. Photo by Don Schelske

# Annie Oakley is coming to town



Kristen Mercado (Annie Oakley) and Sean Robinson (Charlie Davenport) sing a duet during rehearsal.

BY CHRISTINA ULAJ  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

The musical "Annie Get Your Gun" is coming soon to the Clarkston High School stage; and the student talent is overwhelming.

The story introduces Annie Oakley, who falls head-over-heals for Frank Butler while taking part in a Wild West Show. Oakley beats Butler for the Wild West Show's main attraction, which causes some setback in the romance.

The musical features hits such as, "There's No Business Like Show Business," "Anything You Can Do," "They Say It's Wonderful" and "I Got The Sun In The Morning."

More than one hundred students are involved in the production - on stage, behind the scenes and in the director's chair. Under the direction of drama teacher Mr. Tice, student directors Ryan Freeman and Laura Perry create a musical reality.

The musical is choreographed by CHS graduate Amy Peterson and the cast includes: Kristen Mercado as Annie Oakley; Bryce Thompson as Frank Butler; Hank Wolfe as Buffalo Bill; Maren Crandell as Dolly Tate; Isaiah Combs as Tommy Keeler; Amanda Krajenki as Winnie Tate; Sean Robinson as Charlie Davenport; Paul Shkreli as Foster Wilson; Tony Thompson as Chief Sitting Bull; Matt Vanderkolk as Eagle Feather and many more.

"Annie Get Your Gun" performances are Feb. 17, 18 and 19 at 7:30 p.m. in the Clarkston High School Performing Arts Center.

Reserve tickets by calling the box office at 248-623-4024. Ticket prices are \$8 for adults and \$6 for students and senior citizens.

Photos by Christina Ulaj

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Bryce Thompson shaves his head to play the part.



Sophie Ness holds up Kristin Loozer during rehearsal of a dance scene for the play.



# Clarkston News Sports

## Netters overwhelmed by Knights

BY NOAH PURCELL

Clarkston News Sports Writer

During the match the Knight's Nicole Rathman put on a clinic on how to dominate the net, and helped Lahser best Clarkston 3-1.

"(Rathman) is just tough to defend. There's not much you can do about it," said Clarkston Coach Kelly Avenall. "Watching my team defensively, they started trying to cheat and make some defensive moves because of her, and then that left some big holes."

Rathman had 24 kills over the course of the match, 10 alone in the fourth and final game.

"I'm not going to take anything away from Lahser, they are a great team. We've lost to teams this year that I don't think we should have, but that's a tough team to beat. It was excellent that we beat them so bad the first game. I thought that would help us confidence wise in the second game," said Avenall.

The parents' night celebration, which honored the freshman, junior varsity and varsity teams' parents before the game, filled the CHS gym with positive energy. Buoyed by the crowd, the Wolves rushed to a 25-9 victory in the first game.

"The first game everybody was on, nobody was off. Everybody was hitting, finding holes, the setter was on, our passing was on. When everything is on you look so good," said Avenall.

After Clarkston's hot start, however, Lahser answered the call, and won the next three games 25-9,

25-12 and 25-12.

"(In) the second game, everything started falling apart, passes started breaking down, the setter started losing confidence in the passers. Then we stopped being so aggressive at the net and started being a little more tentative. Then they start getting down on themselves. It was kind of the same old story," said Avenall.

Midway through the final game, Rathman seemed to have even psyched out the crowd, as all chatter would immediately cease when the ball was set in her direction. With the Wolves expecting another of her tremendous blasts, she displayed some guile, softly laying the ball off into empty portions of the front court.

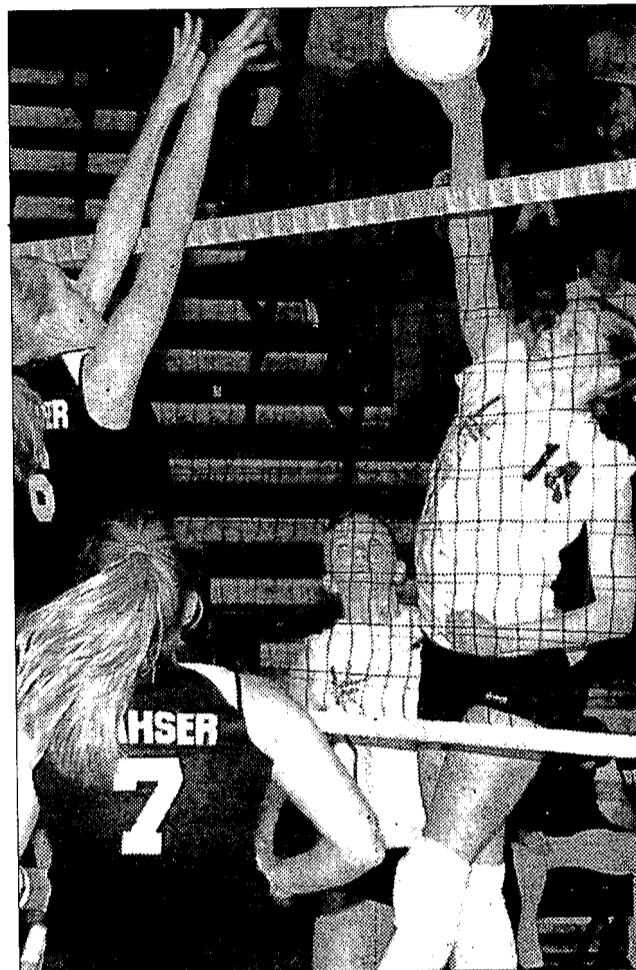
"Clarkston did a very good job on defense. They worked hard, it's just that we played great those last three games," said Lahser Coach Limin Jin.

The Knights ability to hold serve, or the Wolves inability to get a side out, also hurt Clarkston over the last three games.

"It was equal passing and hitting. We had passes that weren't hit and sometimes the hitters are on and passers are not," said senior Kim Vincent.

Vincent was a bright spot for the Wolves recording five aces. Senior Stephanie Parkin and junior Laura Kupe also recorded 12 and eight kills respectively.

This week, Clarkston's volleyball team will travel to Seaholm on Feb. 10. Seaholm, like the Wolves, is not having the best year, but the league game will be important to both schools.



Stephanie Parkin, whose 12 kills led the Wolves, has been Clarkston's best player all year long. Photo by Noah Purcell

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## Keep kids safe by using car seats properly

By Ernie Harwell

It wasn't all that long ago when a lot of our young kids freely roamed the car or sat in the front seat while we drove them from place to place.



While more people now recognize how important it is to use child safety seats, we still have some work to do educating folks on the proper use of child safety devices.

Last year, the U.S. Department of Transportation found that 73 percent of child safety restraints are misused. The most common errors were loose harness straps around the child and loose seatbelts attached to the child restraint. They also determined that four out of five kids who've outgrown safety seats aren't in booster seats as they should be.

We all want our kids and grandkids to be safe while they're riding in the car. So let's all make a special effort to ensure we're doing everything possible to protect them.

And after you secure your little angel in a car or booster seat, make sure to strap yourself in with a seatbelt. You're setting a good example and, once you make it a habit, you won't even realize you're doing it. Take care of your health before it's lonnngggg gone.

Ernie Harwell, "the voice of the Detroit Tigers" for more than four decades, retired after 35 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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# Wolves weather test of time, exact revenge on Chargers

BY NOAH PURCELL  
Clarkston News Sports Writer

When Lathrup won the opening tip of the Wolves-Chargers rematch on Feb. 4, there was a definite "And away we go" feeling in the CHS gym.

The Chargers broke the time line and cautiously poked at the Clarkston defense: passes to the wings probed for weakness, a hard dribble move scanned for a misstep and then inexplicably a pass back to half court would follow. The same exploratory process repeated over and over as three minutes ticked off the clock.

Somewhere in the midst of the elongated possession, the Wolves, their coaching staff and those in attendance realized Lathrup was not being cautious, they were stalling.

While the Wolves did triumph 42-25 in the end, the journey was more interesting than the final score would suggest.

"I knew coming in we could not beat (Clarkston) with the same thing twice. Basically it was the element of surprise. The first time we played them we beat them (43-41) with a 2-3 zone and (Fife's) too smart, so I know he worked on the 2-3 zone yesterday like crazy," said Lathrup Coach Mike Avery. "I know he did not come with a stall defense yesterday and prepare for that. Basically, we wanted to shorten the game up."

The stall defense works best when the team on defense plays into the hands of the offense and becomes overaggressive causing players to be out of position and to foul. Early on, Clarkston did commit three fouls but Clarkston Coach Dan Fife's stern admonishments during a time-out got the Wolves under control.

"(I told them) they had to stay focused, don't get relaxed, don't get lazy, as difficult as that is with people walking around out there. Your drops have got to be right. You have to control penetration and talk

so they don't beat you for layups and put you to sleep with all that," said Dan Fife. "Mike's a good coach and the next time we play him I'll know we are going to have a tough time because he does such a good job with his kids. I would have a hard time coaching that way, but you do what you think you have to do to give you kids the best chance to win."

After finally coaxing a shot out of Lathrup, Clarkston was able to take lead on Bren Bergquist's offensive rebound and subsequent put back.

Clarkston's reward for taking a 2-0 lead some four minutes into the game was another lengthy Lathrup possession.

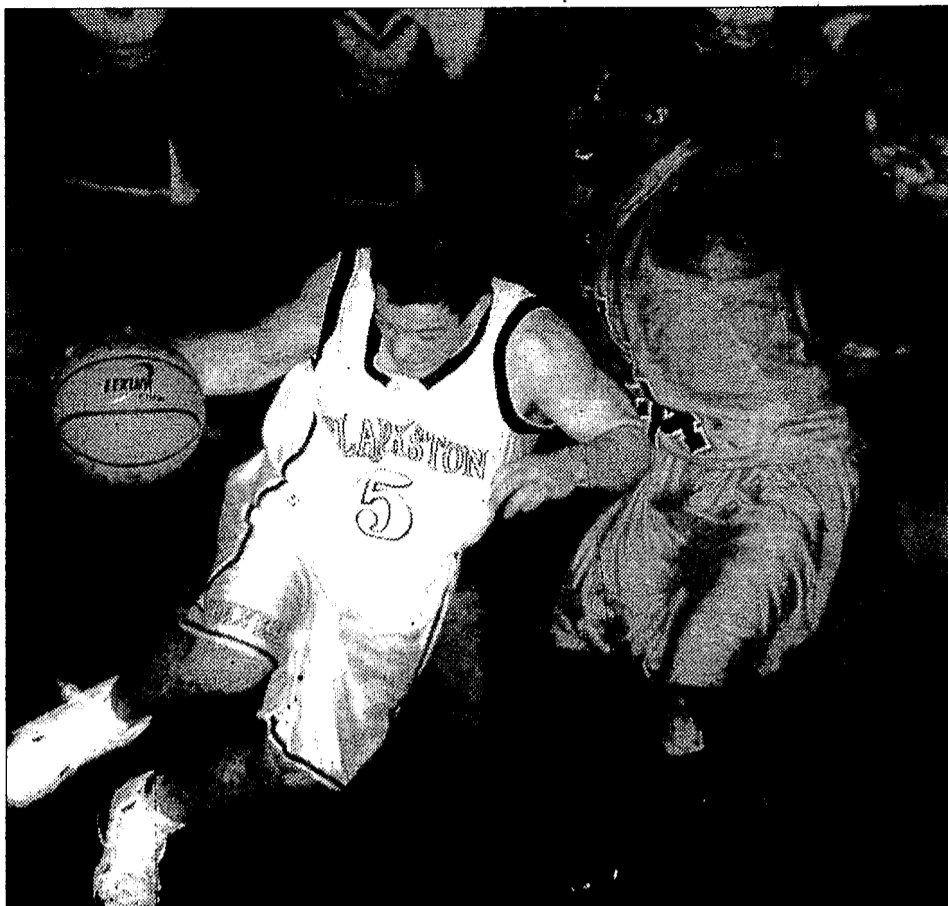
"It was frustrating at first. We kind of gave them a free lane and they did not take it. So then we got anxious for a couple of minutes, but then we realized what they were doing, settled down a little bit and played our game," said senior Scott Lyons, who Fife used early and often off the bench for pressure defense on the ball.

Senior Robbie Clark split from the line after another elongated Charger possession giving Clarkston a 3-0 lead, which was the score at the end of the first quarter.

Lathrup did not slow, or rather speed up, their attack in the second quarter, but the Wolves were able to earn some extra time with the rock by drawing some charges. Senior Brad Goodman scored six of his game high 18 points in the second on two three pointers to swell the Wolves lead to 11-2 at halftime. Lathrup shot 1-6 as a team in the first half.

"Coming into the half I told our coaches 'If I'm coaching that way I'm going to go at least until the five minute mark,'" said Fife.

Fife turned out to be correct as Lathrup again stalled throughout the third quarter and on into the fourth. With the score 20-8 at the end of the third and 27-14 with less than five minutes remaining



Scott Lyons works hard against Sabelle Moore's defense. Photo by Purcell

in the game, the Chargers were forced to play a bit more conventionally offensively and started to send the Wolves to the free throw line in order to slow the game down.

Clarkston however was ready and able to win the game at the line, stroking 18 of 20 free throws in the fourth quarter with Clark (eight points) and Goodman (10 points) doing most of the damage in the final frame.

"The difference in the second half was the fouls getting us to the free throw line," said Fife.

Having exacted their revenge on Lathrup, the Wolves are now 13-1 (6-1)

with two league games on the road this week.

"Next week is going to be very interesting for us. I like the challenge of going to other people's gym and having to play. This is the last run for everybody and everybody is trying to catch up," said Fife.

Clarkston's game at Pontiac Northern finished too late for this edition of *The Clarkston News*. The Wolves rocked Northern 59-48 on Jan. 7.

Clarkston will play at Pontiac Central in a rare Thursday night game on Feb. 22. The Wolves beat Central 70-59 on Jan. 14.

## Athletes of the Week



(Left to right) Emily, Karen, Jake and Chris Meissnest.

Jake Meissnest will play football at Saginaw Valley State University next year. He has been a standout offensive and defensive lineman for the Wolves varsity football team for three years.

"The whole atmosphere and the coaching staff, (SVSU) just felt like the right place for me," said Meissnest.

His play this past season landed him on many elite lists in Michigan. He has

been named to the Michigan High School Football East All-Star squad for 2005. He was also first team All-Oakland County, All-League, All-Area and All-Metro for 2004. The past two years he received the Clarkston coaching staff's MVP football lineman distinction.

Over his athletic career at CHS, he has also participated in varsity basketball, powerlifting, and track and field.



Mike Holody and his mother Nancy.

Mike Holody is heading to Michigan next year, and will hopefully anchor the Wolverines defense as well as he has for Clarkston the past four years.

"If soccer was not part of the equation, I'd still want to go to U of M," said Holody.

Holody is the only player from Oakland County to be named to the All-State team four times and only the second

dream teamer from Clarkston. He was named to four All-Region, League and District teams as well over his career. He is a four year Academic All-State team member behind the strength of his 3.99 GPA.

This year Holody was first team All-State, he was also a member of the national Olympic Development Program.

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# Big game could be so much more

Oh the Super Bowl, perhaps the greatest championship in all professional sports. Only a fine woman such as my mother can point out the true grandeur of the event:

"This is just like ancient Greece in the colosseum, except no one is naked," said my Mom as the curtain was pulled back on XXXIX.

I think that was the point though this year, having everyone fully clothed that is.

Despite the specter of the "Wardrobe Malfunction" hanging over every possible facet of the big game, we, the viewing public got a pretty entertaining show.

Although, I can't shake the feeling that either President Clinton or Bush might have tripped on the way to the microphone prior to the game. Yet, we at home never saw this former-presidential folly due to the omnipresent seven-second delay.

But the commercials were good. I was able to significantly expand my stomach's holding capacity with mass amounts of pizza and there was quality time shared with my family.

In regard to my eating, I think I may have eaten a slice every time someone gained a first down, like I was engaging in some sort of twisted drinking game. Except the price is now being paid by my arteries rather than my liver, but I digress.

The way we watch the Super Bowl in this country has become just like any other holiday: heavily commercialized and

fraught with gluttony; all in the company of loved ones, be they your father or your bookie.

At least at this point we do not have to exchange "Secret-Lombardi" gifts at work or light a candle on each day of the two week media blitz leading up to the game.

Regardless of the half-time entertainment, America's comfort level with the Super Bowl, as a holiday, is at an all time high. And while making the game an official holiday might seem silly, many of the important holiday criteria, aside from the obvious ones mentioned earlier, are met.

The game has a built in excuse for getting out of doing practically anything. The phrases "I can't come help you move, it's Easter Sunday" and "I can't come help you move, it's Super Bowl Sunday" are virtually interchangeable.

During the Super Bowl, while you do get to spend the game with loved ones, there is always someone who seems to chafe more than massage. Like the crazy uncle who drinks too much and makes a fool of himself at Thanksgiving. Except on Super Bowl day, there might be ten crazy "uncles" who drink too much and make a fool of them-

selves, cast mind bogglingly dumb wagers and run outside naked after every touchdown.

Much like other major holidays, many normal activities completely disappear on Super Bowl Sunday. (with the exception of alcohol sales, where instead of being suspended are encouraged). Drinking and driving seems to be in line with all the other holidays though.

In regard to this, I really question the thinking behind placing a beer commercial featuring a talking parrot in between commercials with cars being shot out of massive metaphorical gun tunnels. Our poor consumer minds can't handle the mixed message that sends.

I think next year we should go all out and add the most hallowed of all holiday traditions onto the big game- gift exchange (and bringing chips and a twelve pack does not count). Football shaped couch cushions, phones and scented bath soaps? That's the ticket. In fact, anything shaped like a football will do.

As I said before, there is no need for gift exchange at work though. Actually, let's knock secret whatevers out of every holiday. With the money we save not buying stupid knickknack gifts for coworkers, we could buy really classy football shaped candelabra's for loved ones.

In terms of the Super Bowl as a holiday, we are on the 50-yard-line. If we just sustain the drive a little longer we will have a true nonsectarian celebration which everyone can enjoy.

### Started Out Dumb



Noah Purcell



## Swimmers tread water

BY NOAH PURCELL  
Clarkston News Sports Writer

The Clarkston swim team's record has not sparked at all this season.

A 117-67 loss to Troy Athens on Feb. 3 pushed the Wolves to 2-7 on the season, and yet the team is not worried at all.

"Our coach does not really train us for individual meets. I mean, we just had a morning practice, it was a hard morning practice. She's training us for the end of the year," said junior co-captain Ryan Kurlle. "We are starting to taper right now. Right at the end of our taper we will be at our peak performance. We'll be able to beat Troy Athens, no problem."

The Wolves were supposed to compete in the Oakland County Tournament on

Feb. 5, but had to pull out due to many swimmers being ill. Earlier in the year, Clarkston lost practice time due to inclement weather.

Once the Wolves are healthy, they hope to continue shaving their times down for the Oakland Athletic Association league meet on Feb. 25.

"We have a strong team. We have a team that is built to win OAA's," said junior co-captain Keith Voorheis. "We're built for that end result in the OAA's. We are not built for individual meets. We work for an end goal."

Prior to the OAA's, Clarkston has two more tune-up meets versus Royal Oak at home on Feb. 8 and at West Bloomfield on Feb. 10. Swim preliminaries for the OAA's are on Feb. 23 and diving preliminaries are on Feb. 24.

# Athletes of the Week



Mike Klemm with his parents Paul and Christine.

Mike Klemm will be chewing up vast expanses of grass on Marquette's soccer team next year. "I really enjoyed my visit," said Klemm. "Plus (Marquette) is playing in the Big East next year."

Klemm was a four time All-League and District midfielder and made the All-Region team three times.

He was All-State honorable mention his sophomore year, third team All-State in his junior year and second team All-State this past year. He was also a part of the Michigan Olympic Development Program.

This year Klemm was forced to leave a district playoff game with a gash on his forehead. He returned later in the game to score the winning goal.



The Nordquist family: (left to right) Eric, Steven, Gillian, Olivia and Martha.

Gillian Nordquist seeks to excel athletically and academically at Bucknell next year, just as she has for four years at Clarkston.

"The first time I saw the campus, I just knew I wanted to go there," said Nordquist. "(Bucknell) fits all of my needs running wise and with academics."

Nordquist was a major part of the Wolves back-to-back State champion

cross country teams. Individually she was a two time All-State runner. She also was name All-League and County four times over her career.

Her 3.993 GPA also landed her on the Academic All-State team four times.

Aside from running cross country at Bucknell, Gillian plans on running the 5,000 and 10,000 in track.

The Clarkston News  
Would like to congratulate these athletes  
and wish them luck on the next level



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# Lake Orion no problem for skiers

BY NOAH PURCELL  
Clarkston News Sports Writer

The Wolves boys and girls ski teams had a little more trouble with Lake Orion on Feb. 1 and 2 than normal. However Clarkston persevered and both teams now stand at 9-0 on the season.

The girls team faced an undefeated Lake Orion squad; however, the Wolves came out of the action with an unblemished record.

In the slalom, Mo Weiland (first), Trisha Peters (third) and Erica Halsey (fifth) helped the Wolves to a 15-21 victory. The next day, Peters supplanted her teammate, Weiland, finishing first in the giant slalom. Weiland finished in second place by five tenths of a second.

"Peters really stepped up her game. She's been skiing really well," said Clarkston Coach Bruce Rosengren.

Jen Stanton placed in fourth as Clarkston triumphed 13-23 in the giant slalom and 28-44 for the meet.

On the boys side, Clarkston's top skiers in the slalom, Alex Rosengren and Bryan Cicinelli, had some problems with the course forcing a closer race than normal.

"After those two guys went down, we kind of put up the red light," said Rosengren. "All four of the other guys stepped up for us."

Kevin Vahlbusch, Eric Weiland and Jeff Haladik finished second, third and fourth to preserve a 16-20 victory in the slalom. The next day, Rosengren finished first and Cicinelli came in fourth. Vahlbusch (second) and Weiland (third) continued to ski strong in the giant slalom as the Wolves carried the event 10-28 and the match 26-48.

Clarkston divisional meet originally scheduled to start on Feb. 8 was pushed back to Feb. 9 and 10 due to rain.

# CHS students just want to have fun



The pom pon team and some lucky boys performed a dance number straight out of the 80's at half-time of the Feb. 4 basketball game against Southfield Lathrup. The routine was part of the Snowball dance week festivities and was also shown off at a pep rally earlier in the day. Photo by Noah Purcell

# Wrestlers look forward to league tourney

BY NOAH PURCELL  
Clarkston News Sports Writer

Clarkston wrestling watched any hope of winning the league from their grasp as they went 1-1 at the double dual meet on Feb. 7. The Wolves bested Waterford Mott 46-36, but suffered defeat to West Bloomfield 39-38.

"We had a more than one weakest link today," said Clarkston Coach Joe DeGain.

Clarkston's Braden L'Amoreaux, Josh McAllister and Steve Herron turned in dominant performances, but the rest of the team was pinned four times.

"I know Clarkston had some guys out of the lineup, but that worked to our benefit tonight," said West Bloomfield Coach Greg Alessi. "The league meet is going to be a battle."

Clarkston starters Mike Maguire, Bryan Webb, Tommy Ellsworth and Steve Smiley had to sit out on Feb. 7 due to injury and illness.

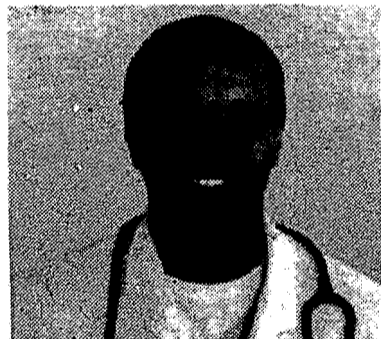
"The guys who were healthy and could be in the lineup were very aggressive and they had that no nonsense attitude," said DeGain.

Clarkston now turns attention to the league meet on Feb. 11 at Lake Orion. The Dragons, who beat the Wolves 39-27 on Jan. 19, are first in the League at 6-1.

"You always want to win league. It is a tuneup for the post season. We can still win the tournament and not the (league) title. That is our goal right now, to go in there and show everybody we're still where we were in past years," said DeGain.

After the action on Feb. 7, Clarkston is now 8-10 (4-3).

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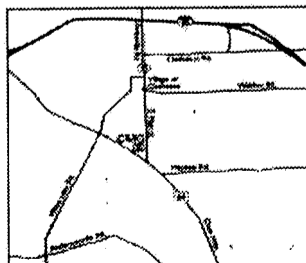
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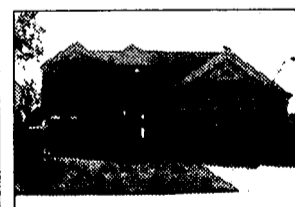
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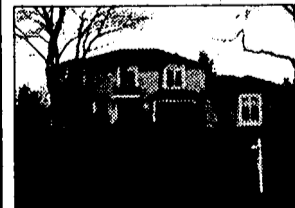
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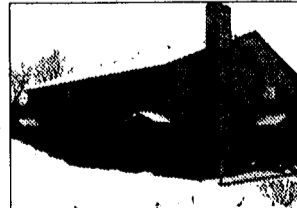
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## Fortinberry

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part in the voting.

"There is 20,000 members of the National Automobile Dealers Association. To be one of 65 nominees is staggering," said Fortinberry. "I don't know that we've ever had a Detroit dealer that wins the final award. I mean, the guy that won it this year was from Anchorage Alaska for crying out loud, and he delivered parts in an airplane."

Aside from the esteem of his colleagues and the great fulfillment derived from his newfound lofty standing, Fortinberry got a pleasant surprise at the awards banquet in New Orleans courtesy of his wife Judge Dana Fortinberry.

"We got down there on Friday night and went to dinner with some dealers from the Detroit area that were there and I showed up at dinner and my mom was there," said Fortinberry.

As a surprise, Dana called his mother, who lives in California, and arranged for her to be at the presentation dinner with her son.

"When he mentioned to me he was getting this award, I called (his mother) and asked her to come. She and I worked it out through phone calls without him knowing. He did not know she was there until we

went to dinner the first night," said Dana Fortinberry. "It was a big deal for him to have her there."

Dana was caught off guard by the size of the event since Chuck had down played the importance of the TMQDA.

"He just said 'I'm getting this award, do you want to go?' Of course I wanted to go, but I had no idea until we walked into that hall and saw his face on the Time magazine cover," said Dana Fortinberry. "I was really proud of him, it was pretty neat to sit in that huge convention center with thousands of thousands of people. When they gave him his award, his picture was just huge up there."

During conversation, Chuck Fortinberry's blue eyes pierce their subject, not in a disconcerting manner, but rather like that of a practiced orator. When Fortinberry laughs, which he does with regularity, the sound of his guffaws envelop a room. Five minutes with Chuck Fortinberry explains his success.

"I always knew I wanted to be in this business... I had gas in my blood ever since I was a kid. I started selling used cars out of my driveway when I was sixteen years old, which drove my father crazy," said Fortinberry.

If Fortinberry had gone on to head Chrysler, he may have been satisfied, but the community of Clarkston would have lost a tremendous positive influence.

"My wife (Judge Dana Fortinberry) being a lawyer, I bought this dealership just before we got married because I knew if I stayed at Chrysler I was going to be moved all over the place and I knew that was not going to work for her and I wanted to put down some roots," said Fortinberry.

The roots he placed in Clarkston are thick and strong. In memory of his father, he organized the Glen W. Fortinberry Memorial Golf Classic in 1994, an annual event in support of the Children's Leukemia Foundation of Michigan. He has also done four motorcycle rides for the same charity which start at his dealership and end at DTE. The two events have raised over half a million dollars.

"This award is given to people who are not only good business men but also good members of the community and people who give back, and my husband gives back a lot," said Dana Fortinberry.

Chuck and Dana are also active in local charities benefitting SCAMP, CAYA, Parks and Recreation, and the Clarkston Schools. His philanthropy, at least in spirit, carries over to how he runs his dealership.

"When you live and work and go to church in the community that you sell cars in, the people that you're selling cars to you're going to see in church, you're going to see down at the grocery store—and philosophically, that really drives the type of business person that you are," said Fortinberry.

## Church

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let people know our doors are open any time."

The Clarkston United Methodist Church vision statement is simple: Vitally connecting people to people and people to God.

"We are excited about the vision the congregation shares for the future," said Senior Pastor Rick Dake.

The team stressed that the church is about the people and offering help where it is needed, regardless if those people are members or not. In addition, the staff is focusing on adults as well — bringing them back into the church environment.

Generosity is a characteristic these people share. They have donated time, money and respect to those in need.

"We are looking forward to bringing in more youth and helping them know that this church is a safe-haven for them," said Whiteford.

Wyatt believes her focus will not only be geared toward youths or parents, but also to bring them together as a family and set a program suitable for everyone.

The team describes the Clarkston United Methodist Church in a few, very forceful words: passionate, warmth, home and welcoming.

## Rocks

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Pappas knows the Wompole Drive circumstances are complex, but said the latest issue is simple.

"The only thing the city is involved with is the rocks in the right of way," he said. "He had rocks on the right of way, he was asked to get them off and he didn't get them off."

Ryan, meanwhile, said Whitmer's claim of a charter violation is without merit.

"It's not a penalty," Ryan said of the DPW's action and the pending financial charge. "It's an extra service necessitated by his moving the rocks into the right of way, and we're going to bill him for it."

The cost of the DPW work, estimated at more than \$500, has yet to be billed to Whitmer, however.

"I think they're afraid to," Whitmer said last week. Pappas said he's waiting for direction on the bill.

"I don't know if we will or not," he said on Monday. "It will be up to the city council to decide what to do."

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# Leadership forum builds on past accomplishments

**BY JENNY MATTESON**  
Clarkston News Editor

"Leadership Clarkston" is not a concept recently sprung from the Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce; however, the idea did originate with one driven chamber leader.

Past chamber president Tim Patterson created the idea of "Leadership Clarkston" in 2004.

According to Chamber Director Penny Shanks, Patterson was involved with similar groups and wanted a way for Clarkston to verbalize a common vision of its own.

"He created the challenge to get people to the table," said Shanks. "The chamber board was highly supportive of this idea."

"Leadership Clarkston" involves the local chamber, the City of the Village of Clarkston, Independence Township,

Springfield Township and Clarkston Schools, as well as the area non-profit organizations.

The name "Leadership Clarkston" came from different educationally-based leadership courses taken by many of the joint meeting participants.

"You would do a curriculum called 'Leadership Oakland' or 'Leadership whatever,'" said Shanks. "We began with the idea that some kind of curriculum would be a part of the agenda. Although that aspect was lost, the name still applied."

"All the leaders of Clarkston participate, the 'core people' of the community who keep Clarkston running. So it's still 'Leadership Clarkston,'" continued Shanks.

The 2004 "Leadership Clarkston" brought forth a theme of "volunteers."

With that thought in mind,

the Chamber of Commerce took the lead.

Shanks said the chamber moved forward with several different actions:

- A community-wide volunteer recognition night was created.

- Non-profit organizations were spotlighted in the chamber directory.

- One free advertising advantage mailing was provided in the chamber newsletter to each non-profit.

- The online Clarkston Community Calendar was created free of charge.

- All chamber luncheon speakers for the year have featured non-profit organizations.

- And the "Each One Reach One" campaign was launched.

"We hope to keep this as a driving force behind the Clarkston community," said Shanks.

## Leadership

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ment and vision statement for "Leadership Clarkston" that will lead to specific actions for improving the community.

Reuter opened the evening with a game of "Red and Blue." The game gave participants an opportunity to "get to know each other" and create dialogue about topics like communication, competition and trust.

"We tend to compete in areas where we should cooperate," explained Reuter.

After breaking into small mixed groups, "Leadership Clarkston" participants discussed several possible themes, a general mission statement and a possible combined vision.

A few of the themes mentioned included: Clarkston as a diverse area, continuing to cooperate, following through with action, community, collaboration, less is more, maintaining the quality of life in the area, preserving and protecting the area, investing in one another, change is not always needed

and creating a community agenda.

"Our goal is to get one theme again, or one common purpose, and have all five partners take on a portion of the action needed to achieve or maintain that purpose," said Penny Shanks, executive director of the Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce. "Our purpose can be simply a theme for the year or a specific action or result."

The theme, mission statement and vision were not finalized at the Feb. 3 meeting. A list of ideas compiled from the evening will be distributed by the chamber to participants.

A second meeting in March is scheduled for area non-profits to participate in a similar round-table discussion. More ideas towards the final mission statement and vision will be collected and distributed.

A third meeting is being planned for May when the final versions of the theme, mission statement and vision are presented and a listing of actions are created.

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# IE faculty teach respect through Charlie Brown

Independence Elementary recently used Charlie Brown to teach the students respect.

The goal is to promote diversity awareness among students.

Independence Elementary has a diversity committee made of parents and staff members. The committee decided to use a play about Charlie Brown and the Peanuts characters to achieve their goal.

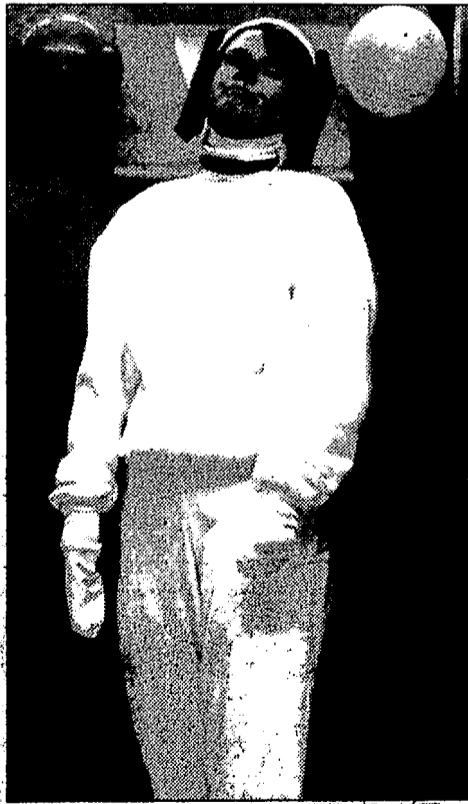
The entire school participated in the activity, while Snoopy, Charlie and all the other favorites danced and sang. Most importantly the play demonstrated the effects of disrespect and what can be done to turn a frown upside down.



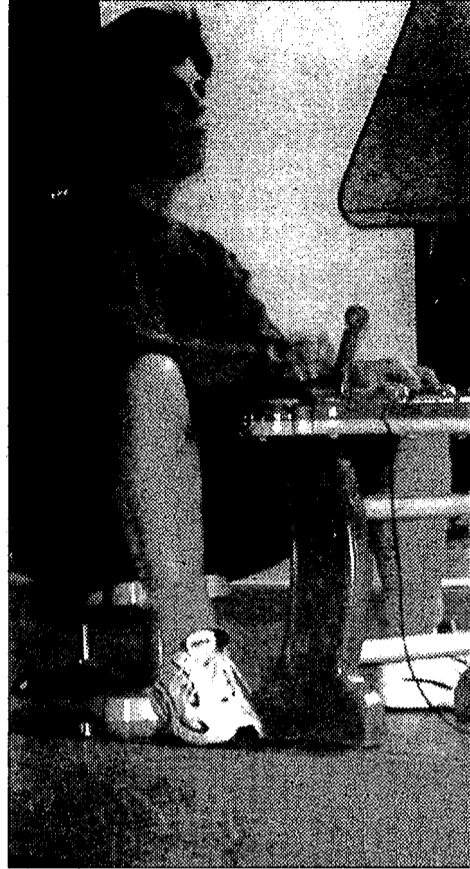
Charlie Brown (Nathan Hunter) seeks help from Lucy (Linda Zittel) by visiting her 5 cent doctor stand. Fortunately Charlie received the advice he needed.



The cast of Charlie Brown dance during a musical played by Schroeder.



Snoopy (Jenny McGinn) displays different emotions throughout the play. The pup showcases happiness, sadness and other emotions, including growling. All of the different emotions throughout the play demonstrate to the audience that feelings can be overwhelming and respecting each other is important.



Schroeder (Jeanine Robinson) plays the piano during a musical break, while the cast dance and sing along.



Linus (John Lamb) and Sally (Corena Bell) share a moment when Sally confesses her love for Linus.

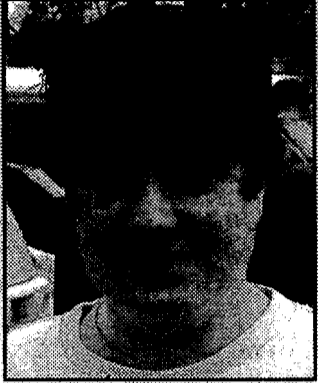
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**People Poll**

*How have you weathered flu season?*



"I have not had any of the (flu) and I teach, so I've been lucky. Hopefully (The People Poll) has not jinxed me."

-Julie Frezza



"My two daughters have the flu right now. I run around like a mad-woman spraying Oust. Today is my three-year-old's birthday. I bought her a cake. I don't know if she'll be able to eat it though."

-Michelle Hanna



"We did not get flu shots, but we have not had any flu yet. Some of my employees have though. So far so good."

-Michael Hall



"Flu, no flu. What we need is a cold snap to put (the flu) into hibernation again."

-John Rzepka

By Noah Purcell

# The Clarkston News' Millstream

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



Michael, Kelley, Michael, Maureen, Christia and Ryan LaFontaine. Photo provided

## LaFontaine has Springfield connection

BY CHRISTINA ULAJ  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

"Keeping it in the family" is a saying the LaFontaines know well.

At the age of 13, Michael LaFontaine experienced love at first sight when his eyes fell upon Maureen Blouin. Once the time was right, the two were married.

Today the couple have four children: Christia, Michael (wife Sarah), Kelley (husband Barron), and Ryan. Kelley is a Springfield Township resident, while the others live in Highland.

The four LaFontaine children attended Northwood University in Midland and majored in Automotive Marketing. The four also attended NADA, Dealer Academy to learn the ropes.

Starting out in the automotive business, Michael LaFontaine has definitely come far since starting at 19 years old at Autobahn in Bloomfield Hills. He started in sales and then went on to become sales manager, and then part owner.

"I started in the business because my dad was in the used car business," said LaFontaine.

Working hard to move up the ladder, LaFontaine reached the top - Toyota offered him the opportunity to start his own company. In 1980, LaFontaine sold out his partnership with Autobahn and brought Toyota to Dearborn.

LaFontaine had a good feeling about the offer, so he did what he thought best. He took a mortgage on his home, and with a wife and four children, took a shot. That shot was a success, and today the LaFontaine chains include six stores throughout Oakland and Wayne county.

"I am so proud of my father," said Kelley. "He preaches hard work and it was a lot for him to take on."

While growing up, the LaFontaine children were very active in the family business. They would ride their bikes to the Toyota store and "just hang out" as they say. When it became busy, the kids had their hands in

almost every aspect of the business: from answering phones to customer service.

LaFontaine had a strong sense of hard work and family; he combined the two to keep his family active and close to the business. Years later and the LaFontaine children are still very active.

"I am very excited about my kids being so involved," said LaFontaine. "They are doing an excellent job and as a dad that makes me very proud."

Not only have the dealerships grown, but so has the family. There are now seven grandchildren: Zachory, Mackenzie, Savannah, Aidan, Chet, Johnnie and Kevin. The LaFontaines hope the grandchildren will carry on with the business, and the family is already involving them by placing the kids in their commercials.

The LaFontaine Chains are literally a mom and pop shop with cousins and uncles

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# Around Town

Current happens at the Independence Township Senior Center:

• **"Menopause the Musical"** on Feb. 13. Motorcoach transportation is provided to and from the Gem Theatre. A group dinner will follow after the performance at the new Canterbury Grill in Olde World Canterbury Village. The cost is \$74 for residents and \$77 for non-residents.

• Take part in **Independence Elementary's Intergenerational Program for Seniors** program on Feb. 16 from 9-11 a.m. Area seniors are invited to join the school's fifth graders for a morning filled with musical performance, time for individual interviews and a snack served by the students. The experience is part of the Independence Elementary SOCKS program, Serving Our Community Kids' Style.

• Come enjoy a **spaghetti dinner** from 5-7 p.m. on Feb. 18. Come in for an inexpensive dinner that includes homemade sauce, fresh tossed salad, garlic bread and beverage. During the Lent season, meatless sauce is available as well. The cost is \$4 per person. Desserts \$1 extra.

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The Springfield Township Friends of the Library is hosting their second annual **Antiques Appraisal Fair** on Feb. 10 at 1 p.m. at the Springfield Township's Civic Center Meeting Room.

Come in and enjoy good company and fun while finding out your old dust collectors are really "buried

treasure!" Items being appraised include pictures, electronics, apparel, toys and much more. Please no guns, jewelry or books.

Tickets are \$10 per person, up to two items only per person. For more information, please call 248-846-6550.

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The **Clarkston Area Optimist Club** is hosting the annual **Night on the Towne dinner-dance and auction** at the Liberty Grille and Golf Club on March 19. Tickets are now on-sale for the event at \$75 each or \$150 per couple.

For more information, to purchase tickets or contribute an auction item, please contact any Optimist member or Event Chairman Jill Popour, through Clarkston State Bank, at 248-922-2700.

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Oakland County's Parenting Awareness Coalition requests nominations for the **"Family Friendly Employer of the Year"** awards.

Any employer in Oakland County is eligible. Three awards based on company size will be given: 49 or fewer employees, 50-299 employees and 300+ employees.

To nominate a company, please retrieve a nomination form via the internet from [Oaklandhelplink.com](http://Oaklandhelplink.com) or [Unitedwayoakland.org](http://Unitedwayoakland.org). The contest deadline is March 31 and winners will be announced mid-April.

For more information, please contact Erin Cayce

at 248-452-8673.

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The **Sanders Alternative Therapy Clinic** is offering breathing meditation classes from 12-1 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursday through March 8 Explore ways to enhance movement, breathing and balance.

First class is free. Teacher Osa Jackson Schulte, PhD. PT. For more information, please call 248-922-9234.

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**My Father's House Third Annual Fund-raiser** is on Feb. 20 in Addison Oaks County Park in Addison Township.

The silent auction and hors d'oeuvres are from 2:30 - 4 p.m. and dinner is served at 4 p.m. with the formal program beginning at 5 p.m. The silent auction will cash out at 6 p.m.

Guest speakers are Julie and Mati Gali, Mission Base Directors, YWAM Recife, Brazil. Tickets are \$50 per person. All proceeds to build "My Father's House," a home for girls who call the streets of Recife, Brazil home.

For more information, contact Event Chairpersons Emily Sutherland at 248-202-5910 or Rhonda Brown at 248-693-9129.

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Come experience katate, knitting, archery and scrapbooking at a **Free Activity Night** at Sashabaw Middle School on Feb. 17 from 6 -8 p.m. The event is part of Teach, Learn, Share a Skill week planned by the Each One Reach One Connecting for a Better Community Initiative. This event is sponsored by the Independence Township Parks and Recreation Department.

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Student council members at North Sashabaw Elementary came together to help the children affected by the tsunami. The students raised a total of \$800 for Unicef Tsunami victims, 70 blankets, over 500 books and 537 stuffed animals. Photo by Christina Ulaj

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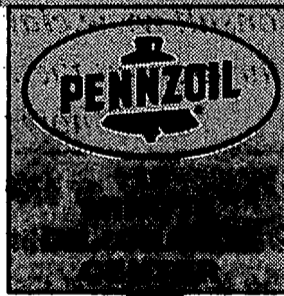
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# Library promotes campaign urging 'everyone' to read

**BY CHRISTINA ULAJ**  
Clarkston News Staff Writer  
Independence Township Library is hosting its fourth annual Everyone's Reading.

Everyone's Reading is a program that gets participants to read the same books at the same time. Metro Net libraries started the program in Southeast Michigan in 2002.

The libraries work in partnership to share resources to better serve communities.

This year's program will feature three books by author Elizabeth McCracken including: *Here's Your Hat What's Your Hurry*, *The Giant's House*; *A Romance and Niagara Falls All Over Again*. This is the first year the reading program has featured multiple books from one author.

McCracken resides in Boston and was recognized by *Granta* magazine as one of the 20 "Best American Novelists." She was also a National Book Award finalist. Her awards in-

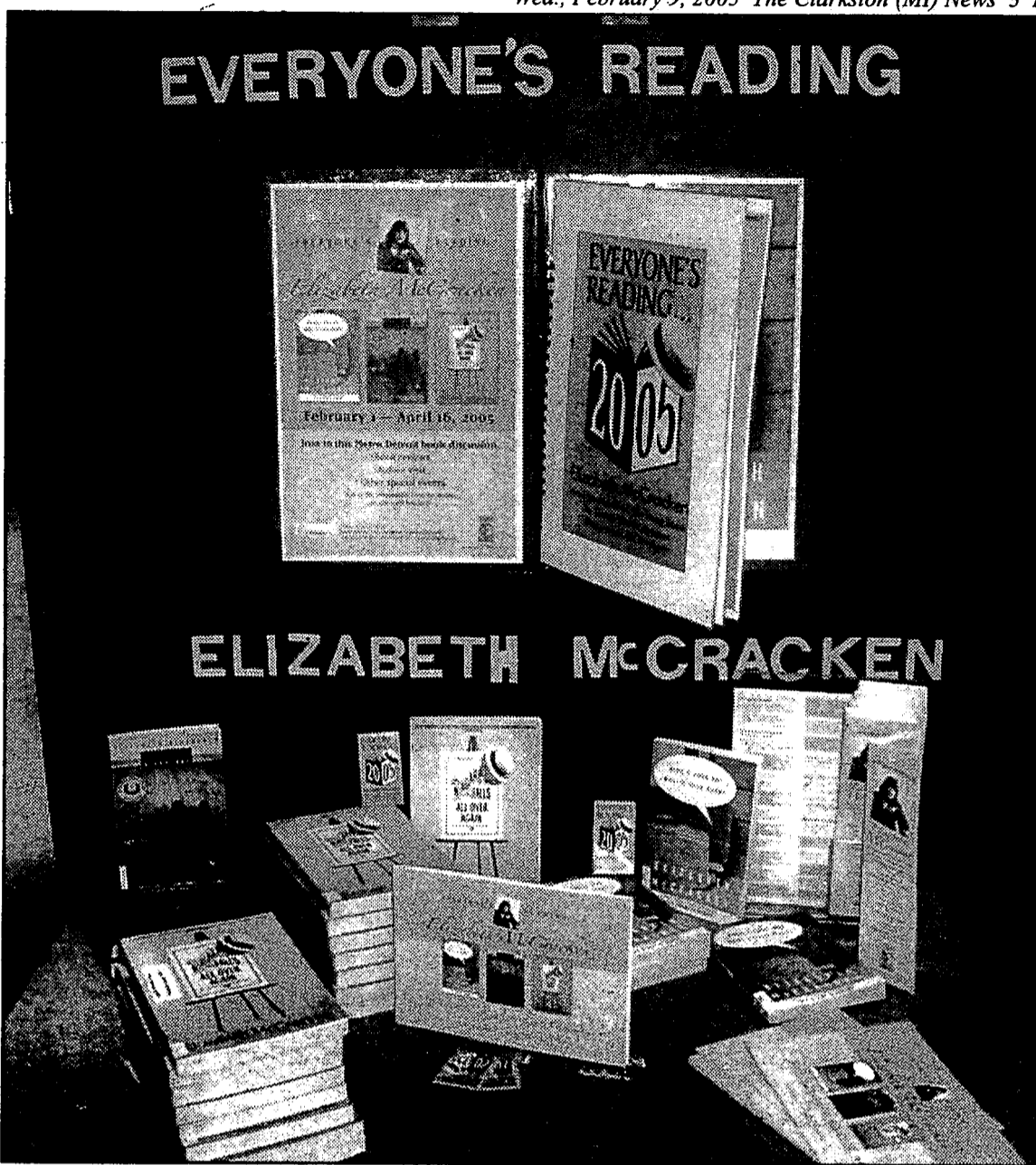
clude: "Discover Great New Writers Award" through Barnes and Noble and "Notable Book of the Year" from the American Library Association.

Here's how to participate in Everyone's Reading: read any or all of McCracken's books, attend the program kickoff on Feb. 22 at the Farmington Community Main Library, discuss the books and participate in programs, and meet the author.

Participating libraries include: Independence Township Library, Baldwin Public Library in Birmingham, Bloomfield Township Public Library, Canton Public Library, Farmington Community Library, Rochester Hills Public Library and West Bloomfield Township Public Library.

Independence Township Library has a display area of the program, which ends April 16.

For information on Everyone's Reading, visit [www.everyonesreading.info](http://www.everyonesreading.info) on the Internet.



A display showcases McCracken's books at the Independence Township Library. Photo by Christina Ulaj

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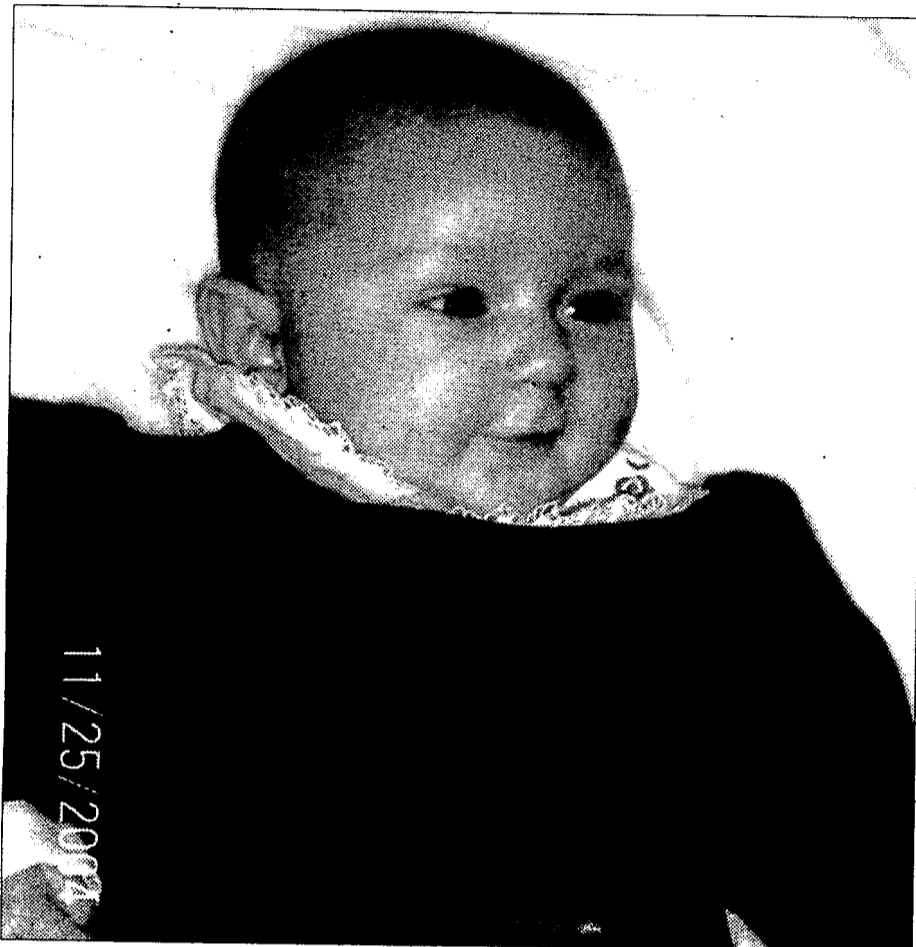
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# Milestones

## Welcome, Brooke Cousins!



Tom Cousins and Sharyn Yambrick-Cousins of Clarkston are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Brooke Elizabeth Cousins.

Brooke was born on Aug. 11, 2004 at 11:08 a.m. at Genesys Regional Medical Center in Grand Blanc. She weighed seven pounds, three ounces

and measured 20 inches.

Brooke was welcomed home by big brother Alex, 4.

Her proud grandmothers are Dorothy Yambrick of Flushing and Beverly Cousins of Flint; and proud great-grandmother is Kathleen Morey of Flint.

## Local resident awarded MSU Ledership Fellowship

Michigan State University's Michigan Political Leadership Program (MPLP) announced the selection of Daniel J. Kelly, of Clarkston, as a recipient of a political leadership fellowship.

Mr. Kelly was chosen from a pool of over 100 candidates for the public policy and leadership training program that runs annually from February through November.

Mr. Kelly is an attorney and equity partner in the Troy-based law firm Cox Hodgman and Giarmarco, P.C. He serves as a board trustee for Independence Township and also serves as the board representative for the Independence Township Planning Commission.

"I am honored to have been selected for this prestigious fellowship and am excited by the educational opportunities it offers," said Kelly.

Kelly and 23 other individuals from across the state will take part in a rigorous ten-month curriculum on practical politics, public policy analysis and process, personal leadership development and effective governance.

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Dan Kelly

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It is directed by James G. Agee and Anne M. Mervenne. Agee is a former Democratic state legislator and serves as president of J.G. Agee Consultants, Inc. Mervenne is president of Mervenne and Partners, a governmental consulting firm. Previously, she served 12 years in the Engler administration, most recently as a member of the senior management team.

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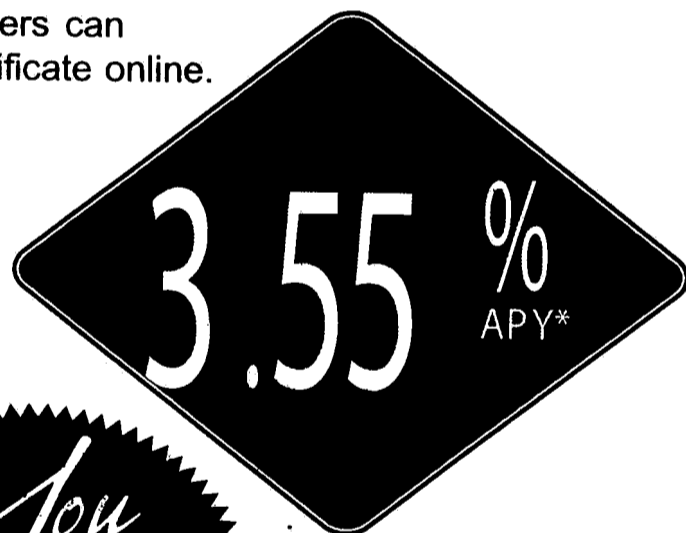
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# Religion

## Living an alternative lifestyle

Those of us who grew up with the King James Version of the Bible had to deal with a lot of translation issues, given that most folks are not fluent in Shakespearean English.

Among biblical references which used to bring a snicker was the description of the faithful as "a peculiar people" (I Peter 2:9 and others).

The intent was not to describe the nation of Israel (Old Testament) or the church of Jesus Christ (New Testament) as weird or strange, but in today's culture that definition is not far off.

Those who take Christianity seriously have a number of strange behavioral tendencies, and we're finding it more and more difficult to avoid raising eyebrows.

Among these odd behaviors is the practice of setting time aside for worship and service with a local church. More than simply attending a Sunday service to fulfill an obligation, we see the value of corporate worship and actually look forward to it.

Indeed, some of us wonder whatever happened to the attitude expressed by David when he wrote, "I rejoiced with those who said to me, 'Let us go to the house of the LORD'" (Psalm 122:1, NIV).

A few years ago, a couple coworkers were talking about getting together on Sunday afternoon after their respective worship services.

"What time do they let you out?" one asked.

"Let you out?" I thought. Sounded like a prisoner waiting to complete his sentence.

Some of us think God is so good that one hour is hardly enough time to praise Him. One hour is insufficient to devote to group study of the Bible, which gives us guidance for living out our faith the rest of the week. (That leads to other "peculiar" behavior, but we digress.)

Even one hour is too much to ask of some folks, of course, as the temptation is strong to be a regular

attender of Bedside Baptist Church, where the pastor, Dr. Whitesheets, always covers his subjects well.

To be fair, some do have a full first-day-of-the-week. Youth athletic programs, retail jobs (made necessary by increased Sunday shopping) and even community-wide activities are now considered part of the acceptable schedule.

Awhile back, a newspaper colleague wrote a column about running in a competitive race for charity. The event provided "a reason to get up on Sunday morning," she wrote.

Then there is the audacity of some churches to have activities at times other than Sunday mornings.

Once upon a time, schools and service clubs left Wednesday evenings open to allow for midweek Bible studies and church youth programs, which were valued for their positive impact on the community. That tradition has been fading.

My small church made a difficult decision last fall, moving our main children's program from Wednesday to Sunday evening. The combination of competition for the kids' attention with the difficulty in finding adult volunteers who could get off work in time had been an issue for several years.

That was not a perfect decision, as previously mentioned Sunday activities still cause some conflict.

The above is not intended as a holier-than-thou whine fest. Christians in other parts of the world know real persecution; for the most part, we in this country do not. Some of the above are conflicts of choice, and perhaps that's the saddest reality.

Others, meanwhile, have no problem with being "peculiar." We've grown accustomed to being out of touch with the latest popular television programs, and we don't have all the NFL statistics memorized. We see local church membership as a position of purpose and priority rather than a hobby of convenience and status.

We know the better translation of "a peculiar people" is "a people for God's own possession." Since we belong to Him, we enjoy being in His service.

We pray that others might discover that joy.

Reporter At Large



Don Schelske

## In our churches...

The St. Daniel Catholic Community will offer the following activities in February:

- **Ash Wednesday Mass** will be celebrated with ashes at 8:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. Service with ashes will be at 12:15 p.m. Ashes will also be available in the church during the day for families to stop in.

- **Study of the Book of Exodus** will be Mondays from 7:30-9 p.m.; the 10-week study starts February 14 (no class Feb. 21).

For more information, call 248-625-1750.

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Dr. V. Bruce Rigdon, president of Ecumenical Theological Seminary in Detroit, will visit Clarkston United Methodist Church on Tuesday, Feb. 22. A dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall with the lecture immediately following at 7:15 p.m.

The topic will be "Christianity in the 21st Century." Dr. Rigdon will address many issues, including what should be the focus of, or the dominant issue for, 21st century Christians in today's multicultural world; and what Christians can bring to the table in a dialogue between Christians, Jews and Muslims in this time of increasing conflict.

Dr. Rigdon is pastor emeritus of Grosse Pointe Memorial (Presbyterian) Church and a former professor of church history at McCormick Seminary in Chicago.

Ticket prices are: \$10 per adult, \$3 for children (child care provided) and \$25 for a family. To purchase tickets, call the church office at 248-625-1611.

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Davisburg United Methodist Church Men will host their **annual fish dinner** from 5-7 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 26 at 803 Broadway in Davisburg.

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The Episcopal Church of the Resurrection is hosting special seminars which are open to the community:

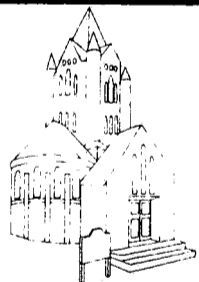
- An **alcohol and drug addiction program** will be at 2:30 p.m. on Sundays through March 6.

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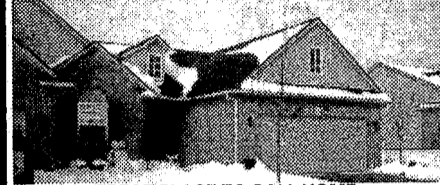


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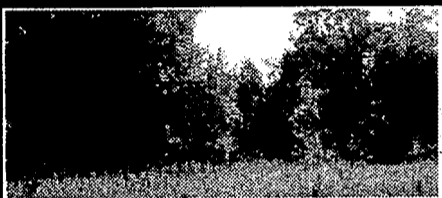
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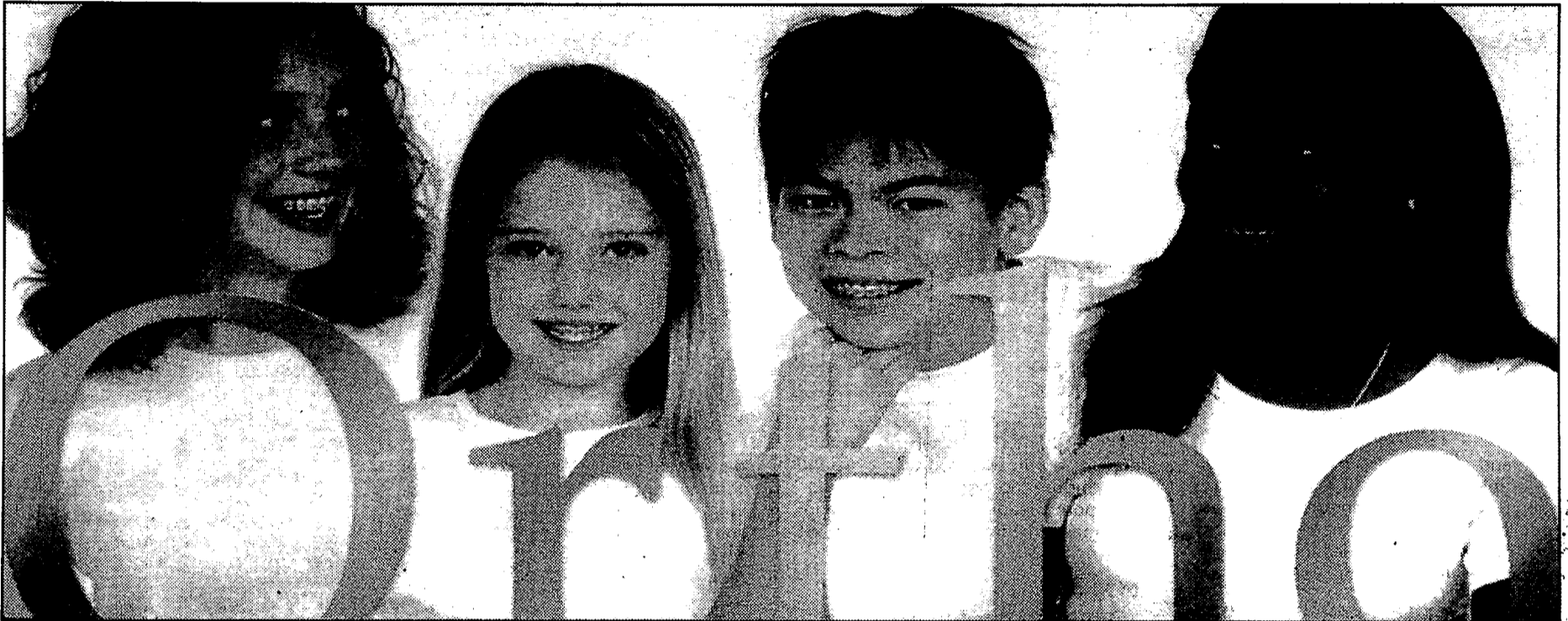
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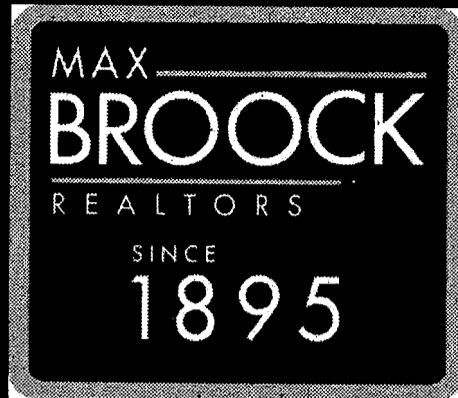
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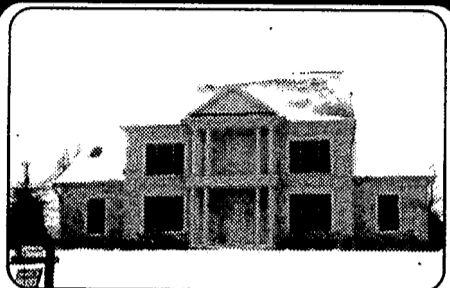


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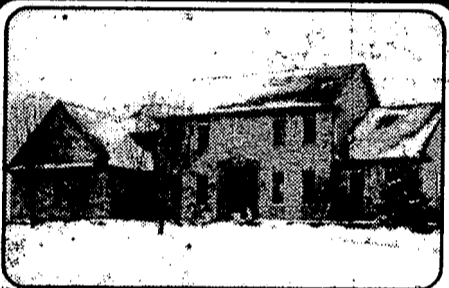
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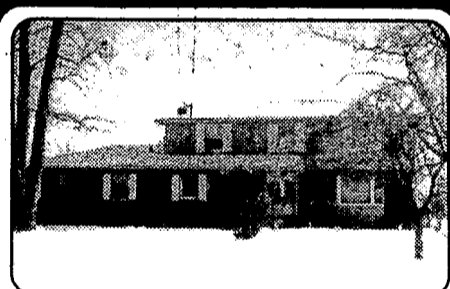
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Sarah Gregory got an extra special birthday gift when Outback Steakhouse employees handed out ice cream.

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Andrew Love sits as Judy Hodinott sketches his profile at St. Trinity Lutheran Church Preschool. The silhouettes were in honor of Groundhog Day. The day focused on shadow and vision. Once completed, the students will take the silhouettes home to give to mom for Valentine's Day. Photo by Christina Ulaj

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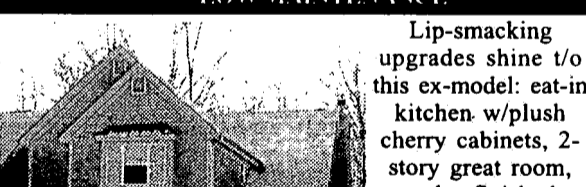
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A brunch to **help kids in Afghanistan** is being planned for noon on Sunday, March 6 in the St. Daniel Cushing Center social hall.

Enjoy a family style brunch and, at the same time, support and learn more on how to help the kids in Afghanistan. Keynote speaker will be Kris Nedam.

For more information, call 248-625-4583.

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Join the St. Daniel Catholic Community Saturday, March 13 from noon to 3 p.m for **Pysanky-Ukrainian egg decorating** with Carol Schwarb, who will give

basic and intermediate instructions.

Ukrainians are famous for intricately hand designed and colored Easter eggs, an art which dates back to antiquity. Each district of Ukraine had its own designs and favorite color combinations.

Families in the Carpathian Mountains used geometric patterns; those in the lowlands used flowers and animals.

Pysanky are never made to be eaten. They are given as gifts exchanged with friends, used to decorate a mantle or corner cabinet, or given as part of the centerpiece on a dining table — not only at Easter time, but throughout the entire year.

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# Obituaries

## Nellie May Barr

Nellie May Barr, of Waterford, formerly of Clawson, passed away on January 28, 2005. She was 99 years old.

Mrs. Barr was preceded in death by her husband William, daughter Janet Childs, son Allen Barr, granddaughter Carol Beth Harris-Marple and great-granddaughter Sarah Elizabeth.

She was the mother of Betty (Richard) Keppeler of Florida, Joanne (Robert) Sheffield of Brighton, Norma (Marquis) Harris of Clarkston and Bruce (the late Gwen) Barr of Clawson.

She is also survived by 20 grandchildren, 39 great-grandchildren and brother-in-law Arthur Barr of Indiana.

Mrs. Barr was active at church and served as Director of Christian Education at Mt. Hope United Methodist Church, Birmingham First United Methodist Church and Preston Methodist Church, Detroit.

She was active with the Girl Scouts Council and served as a troop leader. She loved to knit and china paint.

A funeral service was at the Clarkston United Methodist Church. Burial ceremonies were in White Chapel Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Wycliffe Bible Translators. [www.legacy.com](http://www.legacy.com)

## Carol M. Albrecht

Carol M. Albrecht, of Lake Orion, passed away on January 30, 2005, at the age of 82.

Mrs. Albrecht was the mother of Carol (Ed) May, of Lake Orion; grandmother of Michael (Kathe), Jeffrey (Lindsey) and Bert (Renée); great-grandmother of Jillian, Jackson, Sarah, Debbie and Kayla; and the sister of Jenny Federko of Warren, Ohio.

She is also survived by many nieces and nephews.

Mrs. Albrecht was one of twelve children born to Joseph and Mary Bellan.

A funeral service was February 2, 2005 at White Chapel Cemetery in the Chapel of Flowers, Troy.

Funeral arrangements entrusted to the Lewis E. Wint & Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home.

Memorials may be made to Cranbrook Hospice.

## Caroline Wessenberg

Caroline Joan Giles Wessenberg, of Boca Raton, Florida, formerly of Clarkston, passed away on February 1, 2005. She was 56.

Born in Clarkston on June 13, 1948, Mrs. Wessenberg was the loving wife of Jack; dear daughter of Joan and Kenneth Miller of Auburn; beloved sister of Nanette Giles and Barton W. Giles of Las Vegas, Nevada; and the stepmother of three.

Mrs. Wessenberg graduated from Clarkston High School in June 1967.

A memorial service in her honor in Michigan will be scheduled at a later date. Memorials are welcome to Hospice and

Home Care by the Sea, 1531 West Palmetto Park Rd., Boca Raton, FL 33486.

Personal messages can be sent to [kmiller@midmich.net](mailto:kmiller@midmich.net).

## Ernest Hobson

Ernest William Hobson passed away on February 5, 2005, at the age of 78.

Mr. Hobson was the husband of Martha "Marty;" father of Jerry (Carol) Hobson of Ortonville, Janet Mathewson of Fenton and Randy (Terry) Hobson of Clarkston; grandfather of six; and great-grandfather of six.

He was also the brother of Helen Risner of Texas and Dorothy Ray of Florida.

Mr. Hobson retired from Plumbers Local 98.

A funeral service was held February 8, 2005 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home. Memorial donations may be made to the American Cancer Society.

## Verna Bell

Verna Bell, of Oak Park, formerly of McGregor, passed away on February 4, 2005. She was 82 years old.

Mrs. Bell was the wife of Bill; mother of Bill (Diane) Bell of Connecticut, Jeff Bell of Ohio and Bonnie (Dr. Stuart) Etengoff of Clarkston; grandmother of Natalie Bell, Derek Bell, Lindsay Bell, Savannah Bell, Lucas and Michael Bell, Sierra Bell, Alex Etengoff, Brett Etengoff and Garrett Etengoff; and the sister of Hazel Eichoff of Waterford.

A funeral service was held on February 7, 2005 at the Lewis E. Wint and Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home. Burial ceremonies in Lakeview Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Association.

## Marian C. Korth

Marian C. Korth, of Clarkston, passed away suddenly on February 3, 2005 at the age of 98.

Mrs. Korth was preceded in death by her first husband Walter Haremza; her second husband Tony Korth; and her sons Donald, Gary and Marvin.

She was the mother-in-law of Darlene Haremza, Mary Lou Haremza and Eleanor Haremza.

She is also survived by nine grandchildren and many great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Korth was a member of St. Rita's Catholic Church in Holly since 1960. She loved to knit, crochet and fish.

A funeral Mass will be celebrated on Saturday, February 12, 2005 at 10 a.m. at St. Rita's Catholic Church.

Parish Rosary service will be on Friday, February 11, 2005 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home.

Friends may visit from 3 - 9 p.m. and directly at the church on Saturday from 9:30 a.m. until the Mass.

Interment will be in All Saints Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Michigan Heart Association.

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# NSE student council cooks things up

BY CHRISTINA ULAJ  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

On Feb. 4, the North Sashabaw Elementary Student Council tied on their aprons and went to work.

The students, along with the help of parents, coordinated a breakfast in honor of being named a Blue Ribbon School. Guests included the North Sashabaw faculty and school board members.

The spread was immaculate, from fresh fruit and muffins to casseroles and quiche.

The theme was blue. Students decorated the library in blue and made blue ribbon pins for their guests.

"It was definitely a surprise," said Principal Debbie Latozas. "All week the students have been whispering about something and now I know why. It's sweet."

Student council members all agree they could not have pulled off the breakfast without the leadership of Mrs. Wendy Roeh, student council advisor.

"She's the best," said student council member Jenna Towns.

The group planned for the day, set everything up and served their guests.

"I am really proud we are a blue ribbon school," said student council member Chelsea Budrow.



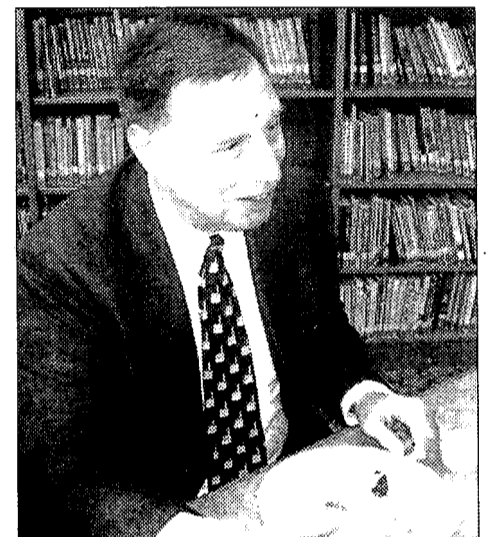
Principal Debbie Latozas and Sherri Summers enjoy the surprise breakfast.



Wendy Roeh, student council advisor, holds up blue ribbon buttons that she and the student council members made for each of the guests.



Tatum Anderson and Elaina Braunschweig take charge of drinks.



Dr. Al Roberts enjoys the food and the company at the Blue Ribbon Breakfast on Feb. 4.

Photos by Christina Ulaj

## Brownies learn manners at tea party

The 15 first grade girls in Clarkston Elementary's Brownie Troop 1931 had a unique opportunity to learn about restaurant manners and hospitality recently at a special tea party luncheon hosted by Fran Avey, owner of 221 B Baker Street.

Avey, along with server Stacey Rabideau, helped the troop members earn their Manners Try-It badge which included a focus on greeting people, table manners, how to host a party and respect for others.

Avey discussed manners and food safety including the different ways in which various foods are served.

The girls tried buffet style appetizers, a plated lunch and family style dessert offerings where the girls would take one pastry and pass the plate on to their table mates.

The interactive tea party also allowed the girls to practice introducing themselves to each other and to remember that saying "please" and "thank you" goes a long way in the manners department.

Avey, who hosts tea parties at 221 B Baker Street twice a month on Saturdays during the winter months, was excited to plan an event for the mostly six-year-old crowd.

She still used her fine china, but opted to serve fruit punch and water instead of hot tea which suited this group perfectly.

"My husband earned his Eagle Scout award (the highest honor in Boy Scouts) as a teenager and we have a deep respect for the importance of scouting," Avey said. "The girls are great and we're having a lot of fun."

The parents who attended also were treated to a wonderful meal and the opportunity to relax and enjoy chatting in a quaint and warm atmosphere.

"We are so grateful that Fran opened her restaurant special for us today and provided our troop with a hands on way to learn about manners in such

an elegant and cozy setting," said co-leader Dawn Frasa. "Fran is such a giving and thoughtful business owner and we are so lucky to have someone like her in

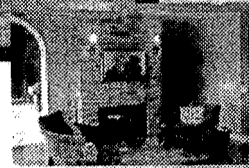
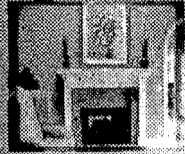
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Brownie Troop 1931 is part of the Clarkston Service Unit of the Fairwinds Girl Scout Council.

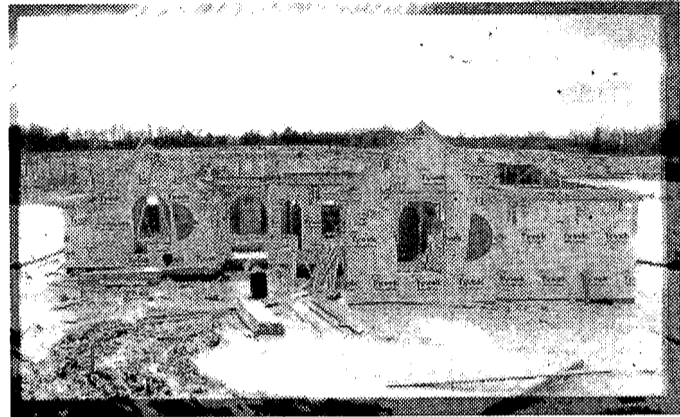
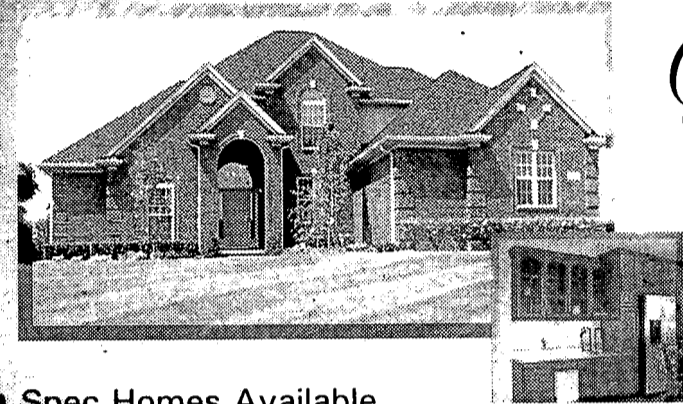


Brownies from Troop 1931 enjoy their visit to 221 B Baker Street, where they experienced an authentic tea party. Photo provided

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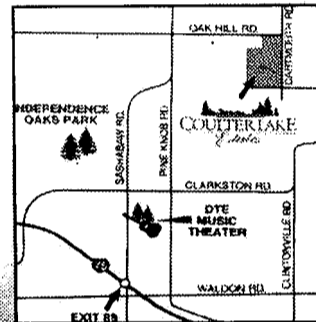
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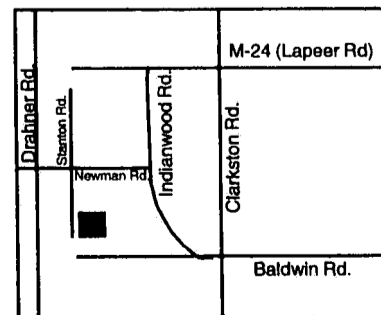
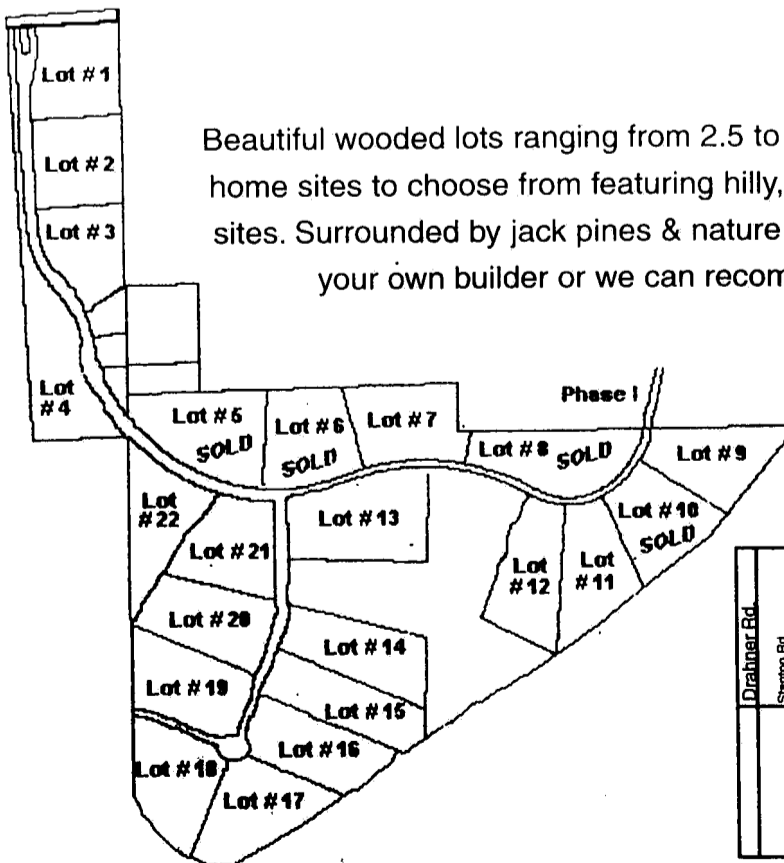


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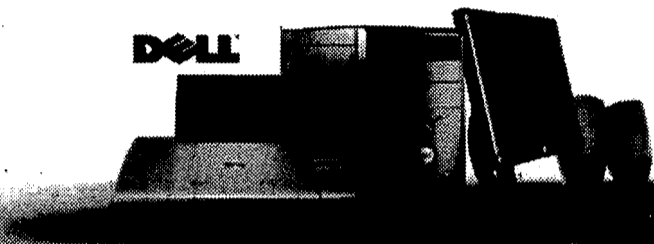
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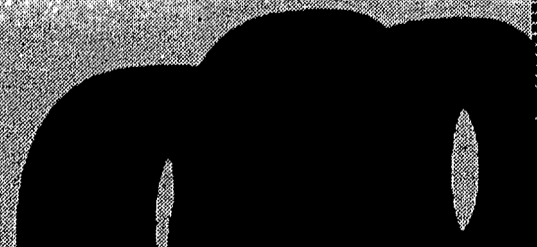
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**OPEN SATURDAYS**

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## LaFontaine

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working as well as the immediate family.

"My mother and father constantly tell us that all the material things would be nothing if they didn't have the family and the grandchildren," said Kelley.

LaFontaine is a focussed businessman and a strong father and grandfather. He allows all the grandchildren to come visit his office and lets them work. He also does whatever he can to support his family. Kelley's children attend Everest Academy and, through an auction, LaFontaine even purchased a street in his honor, LaFontaine Dr.

The LaFontaine family is adamant that help can travel beyond family. Charity is a familiar word to them. Some of the important charities to the family include: churches, Toys for Tots, St. Jude and local sports teams. They also donate \$100 of every sold vehicle to a church of the buyers choice.

Most recently, LaFontaine gave a big gift to a woman in need. After an unfortunate accident, a Dearborn woman's home was destroyed after an airplane crashed into it. The woman's car was totalled in the accident, so LaFontaine gave her a brand new van.

"We are very family oriented and are very proud of our success," said Kelley.



Zachory, Mackenzie, Savanna, Aidan, Chet, Johnnie and Kevin. Photo provided

## Around Town

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The first ever **Christmas in Action** of Oakland County, Clarkston community work day is April 30.

CIA currently seeks volunteers to assist with home repairs for low-income senior citizens who live in their own single family home. Please help locate low-income senior citizens or handicapped seniors who could use the helping hands of community minded Clarkston citizens.

To volunteer to work or obtain an application for a senior citizen, call 248-618-7433 or write CIA, P.O. Box 644, Clarkston, MI 48347.

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**Clarkston Community Education** has basketball for kids!

Bill Potvin and Bob Brumbeck will be teaching basketball at Pine Knob Elementary starting March 15 at 6:30 p.m.

Two other classes are also being offered: Thursday nights at Springfield Elementary starting Jan. 27 at 6:30 p.m. and Wednesday nights at Pine Knob Elementary beginning Feb. 2.

Classes are \$35. Please call 248-618-9352 for more information or to register.

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Tired of sitting around at home waiting for spring to get here? The get off the couch and enjoy one of the many programs offered by **Oakland County Parks** at the Lewis E. Wint Nature Center:

• **Winter Star Party** – A clear winter night means chilly temperatures, but battles heat up the sky with Orion stalking Taurus the Bull and other celestial dramas. Learn about these legends and more through a Starlab Planetarium show with The Oakland Astronomy Club providing telescope viewing, weather permitting.

### PUBLIC NOTICE

Because the People Want to Know  
**INDEPENDENCE TWP.**

CITY OF CLARKSTON  
375 DEPOT ROAD  
CLARKSTON MI 48346

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**NOTICE TO ALL CITY RESIDENTS**  
**2003 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUNDS**  
**PUBLIC HEARING**  
**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2005**  
**7:00 P.M.**

The City of the Village of Clarkston will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, February 14, at 7:00 p.m. at the City Hall, 375 Depot Road, Clarkston, MI 48346, County of Oakland for the purpose of discussing a change in the allocation of Year 2003 Funds for the Senior Citizen Center.

Artemus M. Pappas  
City Manager

Prepay \$2 per person to register. Feb. 12 from 8-10 p.m.

• **Junior naturalists** come out to investigate some of mysteries of nature in the "**Wildlife CSI – Mini Class.**" The class is designed for children ages 9-13. Please bring a pre-washed light colored t-shirt and dress for the weather. Prepay \$10 to register. Feb. 16 from 1:30 - 4 p.m.

• **Kids between 6-8 years old** are invited to explore the animals that frequent the feeders at the Nature Center in the "**Feeder Friends**" program. Please prepay \$10 per youth to register. Feb. 17 from 1:30 - 4 p.m.

• **Owl Prowl** – Learn about these fascinating predators during a talk, then hit the trail to look for resident owls in the dark. Feb. 19 from 7-8:30 p.m. Prepay \$2 per person to register.

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La Petite Gallery, located at 64 S. Main St., is hosting an **Artist's Meeting** on Feb. 24 at 7 p.m. Come in for an evening of sharing, inspiration and motivation to keep art alive. For more information, please call Terry at 248-625-2511.

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The Davisburg Youth Athletic Association will hold registration for its 7 through 16-year-old **spring baseball and softball leagues** from 7 - 8:30 p.m. on March 8, 16 and 24 at the Springfield Township Parks and

### PUBLIC NOTICE

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**INDEPENDENCE TWP.**

**INDEPENDENCE**  
**TOWNSHIP BOARD**  
**AGENDA**  
**7:30 P.M.**  
**TOWNSHIP LIBRARY**

DATE:  
February 15, 2005

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call
4. Opening Statements and Correspondence
5. Approval of Agenda
6. Public Forum – *Individuals in the audience have the opportunity to address the Township Board on an issue that is not on the agenda limiting their comments to not more than three minutes.*

7. Consent Agenda
    - a. Minutes of February 1, 2005 meeting
    - b. Approval of Purchase Orders
    - c. Approval of Accounts Payable Check Run Unfinished Business
      1. McCord property PRD discussion. New Business
      1. ATI cost reduction
      2. DWRP capital improvements – Hidden Lakes
- Items removed from Consent Agenda for action or discussion will be moved to the last item under Unfinished Business.

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

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

Recreation Office, 12000 Davisburg Rd.

Registration fee starting at \$25. For further information, or if you are interested in coaching, contact Jim Ashley at 248-634-2909.

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The first in a series of monthly **free weight management and exercise seminars** is being offered at the Deer Lake Athletic Club in conjunction with Houston Fitness Consultants.

"Weight Management for the New Year" will begin on Feb. 15 at 7 p.m. at the club. The session includes free body composition testing and a free sample personalized meal plan for each participant. Other topics in the seminar include exercising and how much a person should do as well as the new food pyramid and how it pertains to participants.

For more information on the seminar, please contact Deer Lake Athletic Club at 248-625-8686.

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#### SYNOPSIS

#### TAKEN BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE

Supervisor Wagner called the February 1, 2005, meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. at the Independence Township Library. Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Present: Kelly, VanderVeen, Rosso, Wenger, Wagner, Dunn

Absent: Travis

There is a quorum.

1. Opening Statements and Correspondence
2. Approval of Agenda as amended
3. Consent Agenda
  - Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting of January 18, 2005.
  - Approval of Purchase Orders in the amount \$866,050.85
  - Approval of Accounts Payable Check Run in the amount of \$997,317.06.
  - Addition to Blanket Purchase Order for 2005 in the amount of \$56,000.00.
4. Approved motion to appoint of Joan McCrary to Planning Commission.
5. Approved motion of a First Reading for Rezoning Request from R-1R to R-1B, Maybee Road, East of Clintonville.
6. Approved motion to approve the 2005 Flemings Lake Road Water and Sewer SAD agreement.
7. Approved motion to upgrade telephone system at 90 N. Main Street.
8. Approved motion to enter into agreement for telephone system for DPW.
9. Approved motion to enter into Closed Session at 8:30 p.m. to discuss opinion subject to attorney-client information.
10. Approved motion to reopen the regular meeting at 9:15 p.m.
11. Approved motion to adopt Resolution Supporting Planning Analysis of Sashabaw Corridor Following Completion of Sashabaw Road Boulevard Improvements.
12. Approved motion to adjourn at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Shelagh VanderVeen  
Township Clerk

Published: 2/9/05

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Cars	250	Notices	390
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Craft Shows	120	Produce	040
Farm Equipment	230	Real Estate	310
Firewood	050	Rec. Equipment	180
Free	100	Rec. Vehicles	280
Garage Sales	110	Rentals	290
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Greetings	020	Trucks	270
Help Wanted	360	Tutoring/Lessons	070
Holiday Items	010	Vans	260
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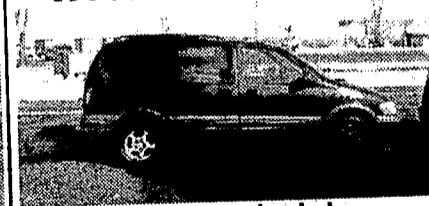
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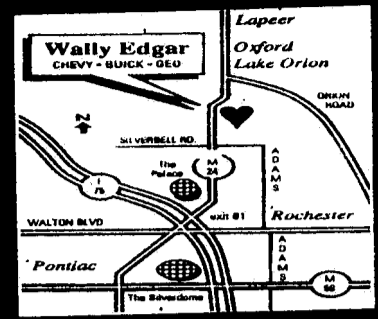
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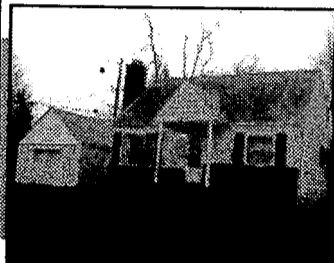
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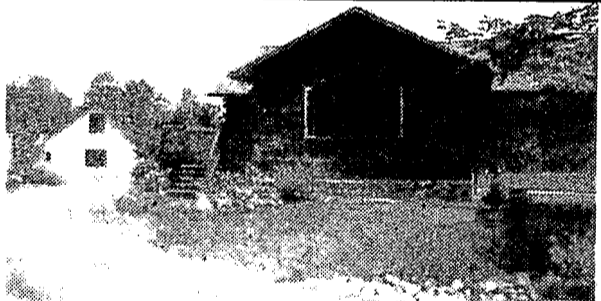


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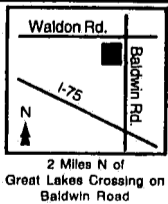
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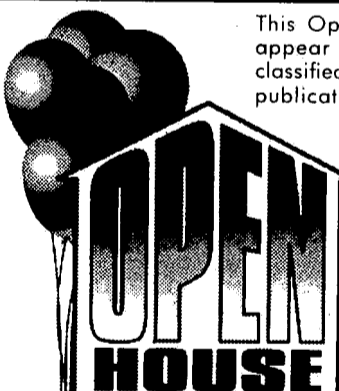
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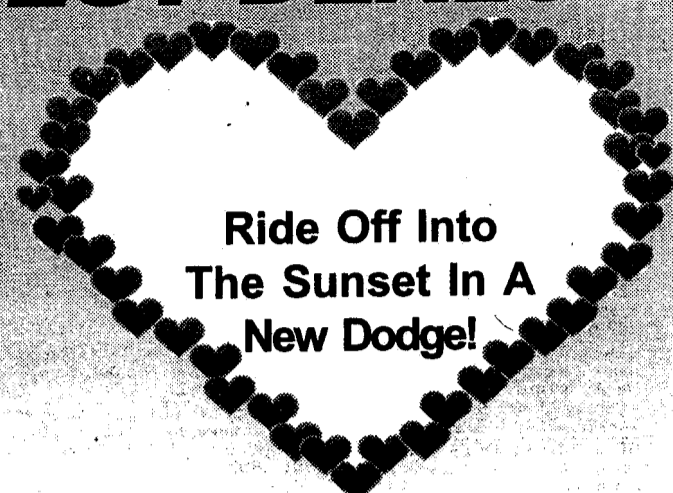
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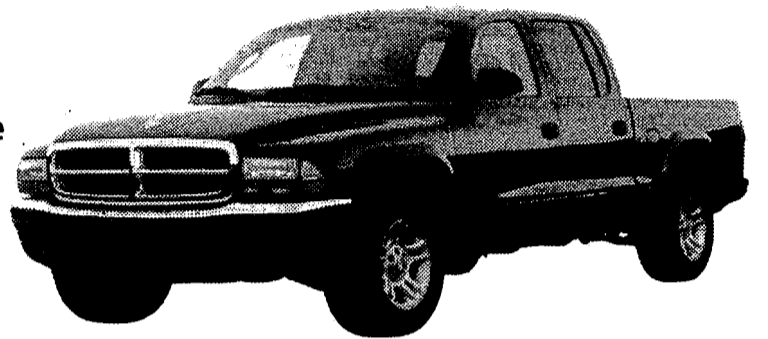
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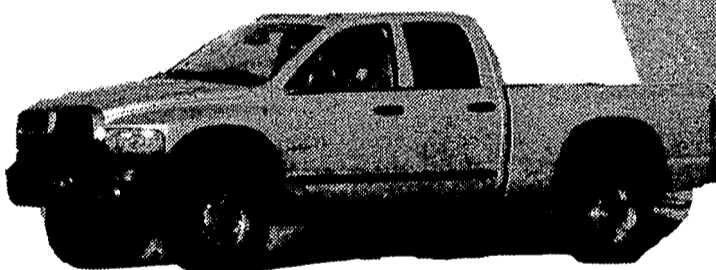


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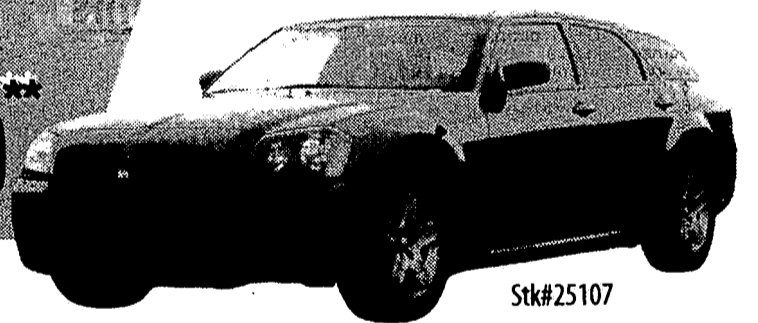


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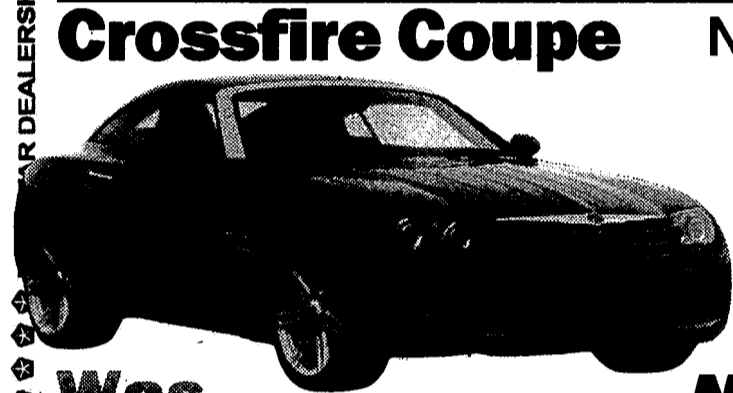
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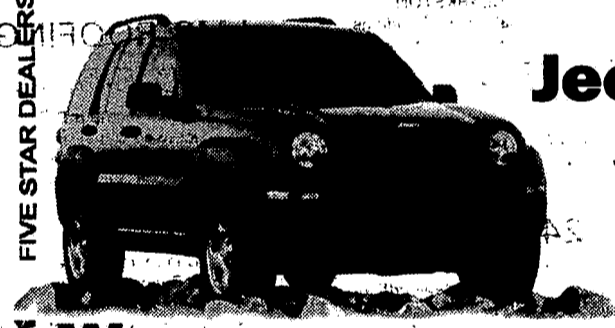


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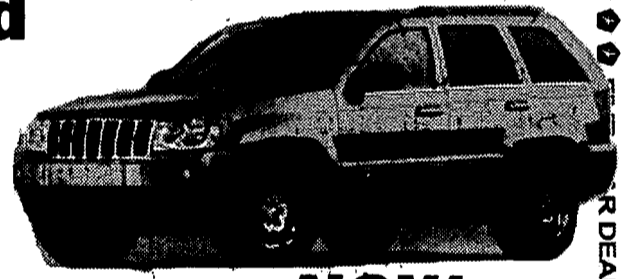
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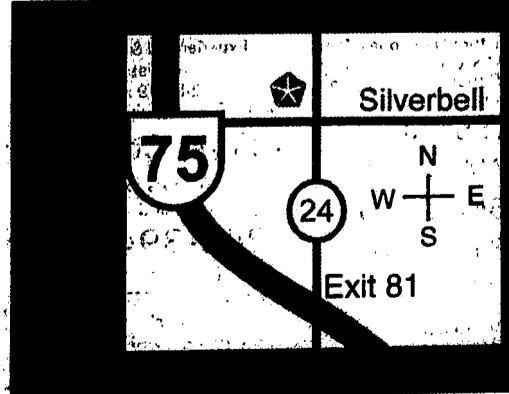
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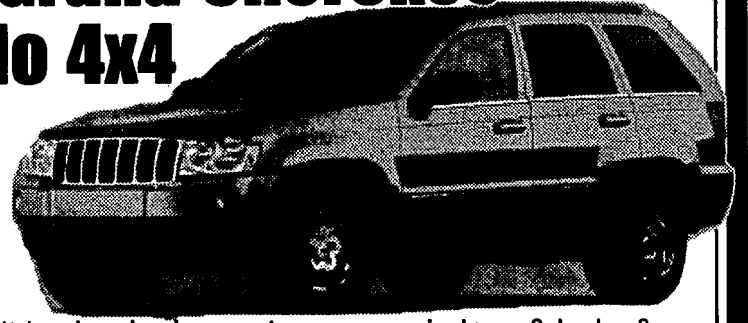
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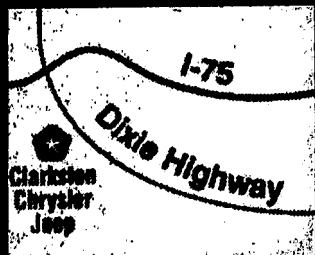
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\*\$1995 total due includes 1st payment, security deposit (where applicable), title, and plate transfer on approved credit. Includes all applicable rates, Jeep Military and lease loyalty. Add 6% usage tax to payment. See dealer for details.



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