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## New plan offered for McCord farm

BY JENNY MATTESON  
Clarkston News Editor

Independence Township officials are hoping to hold onto a deteriorating piece of local history.

At the Feb. 15 regular board meeting, township Supervisor Dave Wagner informed trustees he would like to look into a new development option for the McCord farmhouse and barn property located on Pine Knob Rd.

The old farmhouse, barn and other outbuildings on 2.23 acres of land, in addition to 34.31 acres of open space across the roadway, were given to the township by Stonewall Farms, LLC several years ago.

The property originally belonged to the Stickney-McCord families. Janet Stickney McCord sold the property to Stonewall Farms, LLC, which then transferred a portion of the property to Independence Township during some development negotiations.

During the property transfer, a PUD agreement was drawn between the township and Stonewall Farms, LLC. The property has since sat vacant, minus some vagrant and vandalism problems.

"It would be a shame to lose these two treasures in the township," said Wagner.

To save the landmark, Wagner and township attorney Kathryn Caruso pro-

pose allowing a developer to restore the property to historic condition and then use the home for residential purposes.

However, one step stands in the way. According to Caruso, the property's PUD agreement states the house and barn must be restored and then taken for "public use or purpose."

"Basically, it needs to be used for a purpose like a museum," said Caruso.

Caruso added few developers would be interested in restoring the property, and then turning the costly endeavor over for public use.

"We have been contacted though by developers who are interested in restoring the property and using it for residential use," said Caruso.

Caruso and Wagner told trustees there are two options to allow the property for public use: one, find a title company willing to insure over the restriction and allow the property for residential use or two, go back to the original agreement and negotiate with Stonewall Farms, LLC to remove the phrase "and community purpose" and replace with "residential use."

"We would begin with the title company," said Caruso.

Trustee Dan Travis voiced his support for the idea, considering the amount of money involved in restoring the prop-

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*History repeats itself...*  
Sgt. Scott Tomlinson, of the King's 8th Regiment of Foot, stands ready for action during the Chief Pontiac Trail Living History Show at the Springfield Oaks Activity Center on Feb. 19. The annual event showcases a love for history and the items available showcased a passion for the past. For more photos from the event, please see page 24A. Photo by Christina Ula

## Joyce resigns from Clarkston Police Department

BY DON SCHELSKE  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Chris Joyce, who Chief Ernest Combs attempted to fire from the Clarkston Police Department last fall, chose to resign from the force on Jan. 25.

Combs announced Joyce's resignation at the Feb. 14 meeting of the Clarkston City Council in answer to a question from Council Member Scott Meyland.

The resignation letter was delivered to the city police station sometime during the evening of Jan. 25, Combs said. Combs dropped in at his office after the city council meeting but did not discover the letter the next morning.

Combs said Joyce gave no reason for the resignation in his letter, stating only that it was effective immediately.

Contacted by *The Clarkston News* on Monday, Joyce declined comment except to cite "personal rea-

sons" for his resignation.

In September 2004, Combs fired Joyce, who previously was suspended from duty. Reasons for the disciplinary action were never revealed.

Consultation between City Manager Art Pappas and attorney Thomas Ryan led to the dismissal being reduced to suspension because Combs failed to follow a city charter provision requiring the city manager's "confirmation" for such an action.

Several city council meetings last fall included vocal debate among residents and city officials concerning Joyce's specific situation and the state of the police department.

At the Jan. 25 meeting, Combs began to bring a "disciplinary matter" to the council, but was advised by Ryan of further procedures before such an issue could be discussed in open session.

The matter was subsequently dropped, and Combs

declined comment on whether it involved Joyce.

"I had no clue" the resignation was forthcoming, Combs said. The lack of notice caused a bit of a problem, since Joyce was scheduled to work the evening of the day the letter was discovered.

"We had to scramble a bit to cover the shift, but we managed," Combs told the council on Feb. 14.


Combs later said he was trying to avoid the public announcement until he could resolve several pending court cases in which Joyce was the arresting officer.

Officer Rob Alonzi resigned prior to the disciplinary action against Joyce last fall, and at the Jan. 10 council meeting, Combs announced the resignation of Officer Steve O'Neill.

The loss of three officers in recent months apparently will not cause an immediate problem for road pa-

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# Mother Nature strikes again!!!

## Winter storm causes unsafe driving conditions



On Feb. 20 at approximately 1:48 p.m., a driver, traveling North on Sashabaw Road, lost control of his vehicle. Witnesses say the man crossed the Southbound lane, hit a mailbox, spun around and hit a tree, then crashed through a fence. No other vehicles were involved and the man suffered minor injuries. Photo by Christina Ulaj

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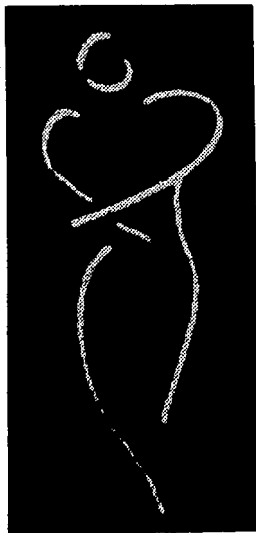
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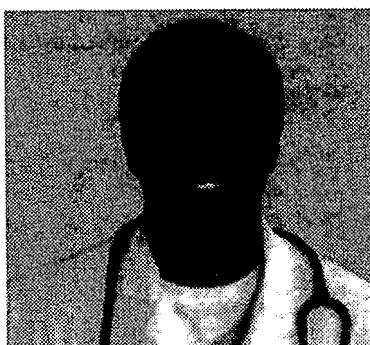
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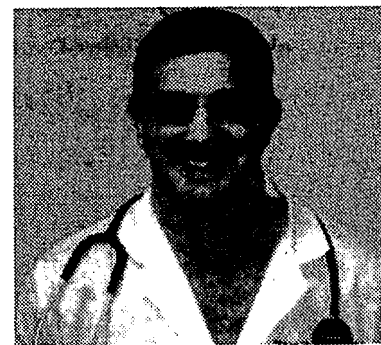
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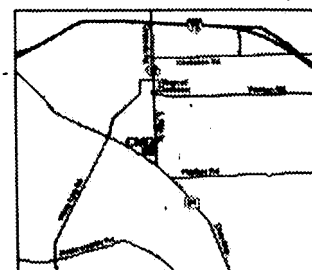
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# The Second Front

## Briefly

### Sun Rise Assisted Living holds AED fund-raiser

Sun Rise Assisted Living, in conjunction with Clarkston Medical Center, is holding "Salute to Safety" from 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. on June 4 at the center's campus. The fund-raiser is being held to support the Clarkston Philanthropic Endeavor's AED (automated external defibrillators) program.

The day will include numerous fun and exciting activities centered around safety services and tips. In addition, there will be a dunking booth featuring local celebrities and officials, games and food.

"We will have a few of the activities being charged for and participants will have to purchase their own food," explained Linda Ponce, director of community relations for Sun Rise Assisted Living. "All profits raised from those activities and from the food will go to the AED program."

The Clarkston Philanthropic Endeavor, in cooperation with the American Heart Association, is a non-profit organization whose goal with the AED program is to make the units "as common as fire extinguishers." AED units are used to assist victims of sudden cardiac arrest.

"This is a wonderful cause," said Ponce. "This is what we were looking for. This money is going to be spent in the community. These are going to be put in the downtown and around the area locally. This will serve our residents here, not somewhere else."

Planning is still underway for "Salute to Safety." For more information on the fund-raiser, please contact Ponce at 248-625-0739. For more information on the Clarkston Philanthropic Endeavor's AED program, please go online to [www.clarkstonaed.org](http://www.clarkstonaed.org).

### Principals to be honored

The month of February is not just to celebrate Valentine's Day anymore, but also principals.

Michigan Governor Jennifer Granholm declared Feb. 13 through 19 "Principal's Week" to honor the school leaders, their efforts and their communities.

The certificate of proclamation for "Principal's Week" mentions the leadership of principals and how their skills and abilities benefit students.

The Clarkston Schools Board of Education will recognize building administrators with tokens of appreciation. Principals will receive a certificate and a new library book in their honor.

### School construction projects moving along

At the Feb. 14 Clarkston schools board meeting, Supervisor of Building and Grounds Department Wes Goodman presented an update on the current construction sites located at Clarkston Junior High, Sashabaw Middle School and the Early Childhood Center.

According to Goodman, the construction is moving along very well. Clarkston Junior High is about 40 percent complete, Sashabaw Middle School is ahead in certain areas but behind in others and the Early Childhood Center is also right on track.

The area of Sashabaw Middle School that is behind is the roof. Due to the latest weather conditions, contractors are only able to work on portions at a time. Currently, this is the best method to develop and complete the roof.

All construction sites are due for completion by the beginning of the 2005-06 school year.

## Local artist travels the world teaching trademark techniques



Gloria Rzado-Henry enjoys sharing her love of art. She travels around the world teaching a technique she created called The Watergraph Process. Photo by Christina Ulaj

BY CHRISTINA ULAJ  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Gloria Rzado-Henry loves art. She follows art, showcases art and even travels around the world to teach others about art. She is an artist, a teacher, a historian and a speaker.

Graduating from Western Michigan University with a degree in art history education, Henry spent years acquiring her passion. Once she mastered her artistic technique, she went on the road to visit areas around the world.

Henry participates in conventions and conferences to educate art teachers on teaching visually.

"Teachers need to teach the way children learn, which is visually," said Henry.

Her latest achievement, The Watergraph Process, is Henry's well-known trademark, literally.

The Watergraph Process is simple. The artist takes a polaroid photo of an individual; then chooses an art piece, such as the Mona Lisa, and transforms the polaroid photo into a style replica of the art piece.

The transformation is noticeably similar to the art piece, and the steps are simple enough for students. In fact, when Henry travels to different parts of the world, her focus is The Watergraph Process.

"I created this because art is critical," said Henry. "There is no right or wrong because it is your expression."

Henry resides in Clarkston with daughters Sarah and Jennifer. She loves the area and is pleased with her participation in the Clarkston area schools.

For her next achievement, Henry is publishing a series of books which will feature The Watergraph Process.

For more information on Gloria Rzado-Henry visit [henryglo@aol.com](mailto:henryglo@aol.com).

## Happy Birthday!

### Rotary Club to celebrate 100 years

BY CHRISTINA ULAJ  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

The Rotary is eager to celebrate their 100th birthday on Feb. 23.



Rotary is an international service club founded in 1905 by Paul P. Harris from Chicago, Illinois. After visiting with numerous tradesmen in the Chicago area, Harris decided to form a fellow-

ship comprised of business men from different occupations, without restrictions from politics and religion.

On Feb 23, 1905, Harris formed the first Rotary Club with three fellow businessmen. The club was simple: there were three weekly meetings rotated amongst the members' homes. Hence, the name Rotary was born.

By the time Harris passed away in 1947, his small club of three members had grown to 6,000 clubs around the world.

Today, there are over 1.2 million Rotarians in nearly 32,000 Rotary clubs in 166 countries around the world.

The Rotary Club motto is simple: Service Above

Self. The motto inspires members to provide humanitarian service, encourage high ethical standards and promote good will and peace in the world.

Rotary is a non-profit organization providing aid in many areas. Some of the programs include: Shoes For Kids, Global Polio Eradication Initiative, World Health Organization, UNICEF, and The Center for Disease Control and Prevention. The Rotary also hosts events such as Wine Tastings or Taste of Clarkston, to raise funds for programs.

Local members are proud to celebrate 100 years of service in the community. The Clarkston Rotary, along with Ortonville, Oxford, Davisburg and Waterford, will celebrate on Feb. 23 at Canterbury Castle in Lake Orion.

A "Happy Birthday Rotary" proclamation was accepted and read at the 109th U.S. Congress and has proclaimed Feb. 23, 2005 as Rotary International Day. Rotarians from around the world will celebrate on this day.

Happy Birthday Rotary from *The Clarkston News!*

Check out a special edition of peeking in the past on page 21A from when The Clarkston News covered the Rotary's 50th anniversary.

# CHS Senior Spotlight

**Name:** John Williams  
**Parent's Names:** Timothy Williams, Angela Baylis  
**Favorite Subject:** Media Productions  
**School Activities:** Lacrosse  
**Outside Interests:** Ping pong, snowboarding, video games, movies and all sports  
**What are your plans after graduation?** I am going to attend Michigan State University.  
**Where do you see yourself in 25 years?** I see myself having a family and making movies.  
**Best friends are people who:** are loyal and are there when you need them.  
**What worries me most about the world is:** future terrorist attacks on the United States.  
**I will make a contribution to my community by:** giving money to a lot of charities.



# CHS student visits D.C.

BY CHRISTINA ULAJ  
 Clarkston News Staff Writer

The presidential inauguration was something everyone was able to watch on their television sets. Norah Elizabeth Kelly did even better, she had front row seats.

Kelly traveled to Washington D.C. as part of "Presidential Classroom" – a non-profit organization founded by John. F. Kennedy to make young Americans committed to public service. The program is designed for high school juniors and seniors who excel academically and have an interest in politics.

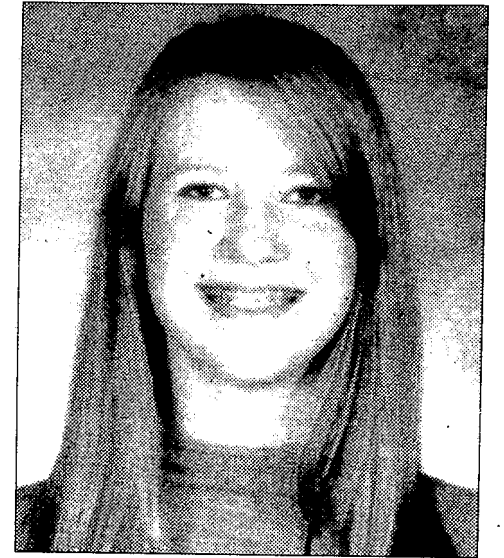
"I received a packet in the mail inviting me to become a Presidential Classroom Scholar as a member of Who's Who Among American High School Students," said Kelly. "After reading over the different trips and speaking with many people, I decided to apply for the 'Presidential Inaugural Program'."

Once Kelly completed her application and had principal Jan Meagher sign, she was chosen to participate in the event.

The number of applicants was enormous, and Kelly honestly believed she would not be chosen. After a while, she gave up hope until she found a note from her mother. The note read, "You're in!"

Kelly began to prepare for her venture. She purchased the airline ticket and began to pack, which turned out to be a bit more difficult than she expected. Kelly had to consider where she was going and also had to follow the strict dress code. Once her bags were packed, she was off to D.C.

A total of 600 students participated in the program. The students were divided into caucuses of 40 and separated to visit landmarks including: the WWII and Vietnam memorials; the National Archives Mu-



Norah Elizabeth Kelly

seum; and the Washington Monument. The groups also attended the "America's Future Rocks Today" concert, featuring stars such as JoJo, Hilary Duff and Ryan Cabrera.

The trip had one special assignment involved – the students had to write a letter to the president regarding a current issue and explain what could be done to fix the issue.

"The highlight of the trip was attending the Presidential Inaugural Ceremony and parade," said Kelly. "We were close enough to actually see the president take the oath."

Kelly most enjoyed visiting the WWII Memorial, the youth concert, and the amazing people from all over the country she was fortunate to meet.

"The experience was absolutely amazing," said Kelly. "I made memories, friends and gained knowledge that will last me a lifetime."

Look in next week's issue of *The Clarkston News* to see who's in The Spotlight.

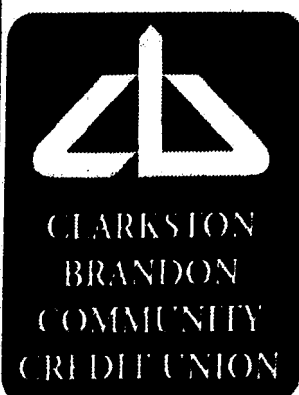
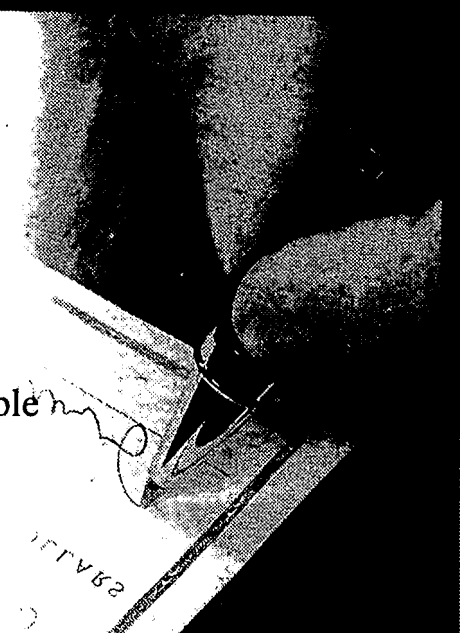
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# Springfield continues struggle with lake board reps

BY DON SCHELSKE

Clarkston News Staff Writer

The Springfield Township Board on Feb. 10 appointed their newly-established second representatives to three local lake improvement boards.

All are current township board members, which satisfies those who continued to argue for that requirement. None are guaranteed to be long-term appointments, however, giving comfort to the rest.

In light of a new state law, which goes into effect March 1, trustees have been under pressure to make the appointments to lake boards for Big Lake, Susin Lake and Dixie Lake. (Waumegah Lake, which overlaps the Springfield-Independence

border, will continue to have one representative from each township.)

Supervisor Collin Walls said there was even more urgency for Dixie Lake, since that lake board's riparian representative recently resigned and the lake board has had trouble generating a quorum.

The new state law requires township government to take a more active role in record keeping for lake boards, and replaces a seat previously held by the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality with the new township representative. Lake improvement boards have five seats, but officials said the DEQ rep rarely attended lake board meetings.

The Springfield Township Board has

debated new guidelines for the township representative since learning of the pending state revision late last year. They have also disagreed as to whether the seat should be held by a township board member. The debate continued at the Feb. 10 meeting.

"It should be a board representative because it's more important now than in the past because of the administrative responsibilities the township now has," Clerk Nancy Strole said.

Trustees Dennis Vallad and David Hopper agreed.

"The law has changed," Vallad said. "Circumstances have changed. The philosophy behind we who appoint and how we appoint them has to be changed be-

cause of those circumstances."

Trustee Roger Lamont, although not opposed to having a township board member hold the seat, did oppose making it a requirement.

"I've never lived on a lake," Vallad said. "There are probably township residents who could serve in an effective manner."

"A board member, even if he doesn't have the lake experience, can look at the broad picture," Hopper said. "A lake board and what they do on the lake has more effect than just on the [lakefront] property owners. It has an effect on the entire community."

Please see Lake Boards 21A

# Springfield board replaces Waumegah Lake rep

BY DON SCHELSKE

Clarkston News Staff Writer

The Springfield Township Board of Trustees was not required to make a new appointment to the Waumegah Lake Improvement Board, but on Feb. 10 they voted to replace long-time township representative Lou Kirby by local resident Mike Trout.

Because Waumegah Lake overlaps the Springfield-Independence border, the new state law adding a second municipality representative does not apply. Other problems concerning that lake board motivated a debate, however.

Township officials were already

working on a new set of guidelines and expectations for improvement board meetings and wrote specifications for weed harvesting on the lake.

"I really do respect Lou and what he has done for the lake. He has a personality that could be seen differently by different folks," Trout said to the board of trustees. "I do believe that more consensus building and compromise has to be looked at in terms of the issues that are still out there. Making a change could help that."

A motion from Walls to retain Kirby failed on a 4-3 vote. A motion to approve Trout passed unanimously.

"Despite my previous motion, I think

[Trout] is an excellent choice," said Walls.

Kirby later said he was out of state on Feb. 10 and had no idea the lake board issue would be discussed. He was not surprised, however, and said the move was orchestrated by those opposed to an ongoing effort to restore the level of Waumegah Lake to 1,049.9 feet as contained in a 1997 court order.

"I'm disappointed and I'm disgusted," he said. "There are a couple people on the township board opposed to the augmentation well. That's the issue behind the issue."

In response to Dubris' accusations, Kirby said the lake board has a separate financial liaison who has worked closely

with the local treasurer's office.

"I don't think she got the cooperation she needed [from the treasurer's office]," Kirby said.

Kirby also claimed to fulfill the role of a township representative looking out for more than only lakefront residents.

"I was there to represent the majority of the people, not just one or two township officials," he said.

Even with the replacement, Walls issued a caution to the board.

"There are five members on that lake board," Walls said, with only one appointed by Springfield Township. "It

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• **Save for college** - College costs have risen sharply over the past several years. To send your children to college you will to save early and save often. Fortunately, you can find several attractive college - savings vehicles, including the Coverdell Education Savings Account and the Section 529 savings plan. You can contribute up to \$2,000 per year to a Coverdell Account - so your \$2,300 is enough to completely fund your plan for 2005. Or you might also want to consider putting your tax refund into a Section 529 savings plan. (Section 529 plan contribution limits are quite high.)

• **Build an "emergency fund"** - If you don't already have an emergency fund containing three to six months' worth of living expenses, you should consider creating one - and your \$2,300 will make a nice start. Once you've set up an emergency fund, you may be able to avoid dipping into your long term investments to pay for short-term needs, such as a major car repair or an expensive new appliance.

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# Opinion

## There's still lots of 'connecting' for all to do

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Others would go only for the absolute positive spin:

"Activity night deemed unqualified success; no one turned away."

The truth is somewhere in the middle.

The free activity night at Sashabaw Middle School, hosted by Independence Township Parks and Recreation on Feb. 17, drew a total of two families.

One of those families is represented in a photo feature on page 3B of our *Millstream*. The other arrived after your humble reporter had to leave the event.

Those who were there appeared to enjoy the activities, offered as part of an emphasis to "Teach, Learn and Share a Skill" during the month-long kick-off of the community initiative entitled, "Each One Reach One... Connecting For a Better Community." The kids enjoyed learning about archery, karate and scrapbooking, and there was plenty of information on other local parks and rec activities.

The event was promoted through Clarkston Community Schools, in the various e-mail broadsides going around town and, of course, right here in your hometown community newspaper.

Why was turnout so low? Granted, there was a bit of a snow squall in the area, but nothing horrible. Did the event get lost in the schedule of many other school, church, service club and family activities?

No one knows for sure, but organizers are trying to keep their perspective. Jennifer Arkwright, one of those active in promoting the initiative, stressed that the event was simply part of the promotion, not a new program in and of itself.

"It isn't about creating new programs," Arkwright said. "There are already excellent programs out there."

The Clarkston Coalition For Youth and partner organizations have done a great job promoting the initiative over the past few weeks, but we continue to find folks who are completely unaware of the campaign. They don't read *The Clarkston News*, they don't see literature from schools...we even found a pedestrian in downtown Clarkston who had not noticed the banners on the light posts.

The key to this campaign is action rather than fluffy words (that's one reason we like it), and we hope everyone will pay attention to the publicity. Arkwright recognizes this as an ongoing effort with an emphasis on individual involvement, however.

"We realize this is a slow process and a growing process. If you can reach just a few of these people, they can connect with other people."



Reporter At Large



Don Schelske

## 'Rocky Horror Wompole Show' revisited

Dear Editor,

As my name was mentioned in your original article (Street right of way dispute rocks city meetings), and now by Mr. Whitmer in his letter to the editor, I feel I should respond.

On December 23, 2004 I did send a letter to the Village of Clarkston inquiring why the rocks at the north end of Wompole had not been removed after the council members present unanimously resolved to have them removed at the December 13, 2004 council meeting. I believed the city was now liable for any problems caused by these rocks on public property. Prior to this letter, I had never publicly commented on the "Rocky Horror Show" now playing on Wompole. I did state at the Jan. 10, 2005 council meeting that, since the Whitmers and I had been involved in legal battles over property rights for more than three years, I would not make any public comment about the rocks thinking it would only cause further arguments and turmoil. Other than these two events, both after the vote of the council, I had stayed out of this debate, contrary to the opinion of the Whitmers. I do feel however that Mr. Whitmer's position that the city and apparently almost everyone else are wrong and somehow responsible for his problems is only self serving.

The Whitmer house has existed for over 50 years and Wompole Drive has existed as a public road for

over 40 years, uneventfully. For most of the four years that Bruce and Catherine Whitmer have owned their home they have been in disputes with their family, neighbors, and now the city, both in and out of the courts. I could go through a paragraph by paragraph rebuttal of Mr. Whitmer's rather lengthy letter, but I will follow the request of the paper and try to keep this short and to the point. However, if Mr. Whitmer can pay \$5,000 to have his vehicle fixed twice, as well as renting earth moving equipment and buying landscaping material to put in the public right of way, perhaps he could pay some of the fines and costs that have been levied against him in various court cases. Perhaps he might also consider parking his vehicle in his garage.

The taking of someone else's property is not trivial and just because no one complains does not make an action right. If someone robbed a bank and didn't get caught they would still be wrong. It does not mean they would be justified to go back and steal more. We can all be wrong at one time or another in what we say or do. Hopefully we learn from our mistakes and move on with our lives as better people, better neighbors and a better village. This, of course, is just my opinion.

In closing, in case you don't remember how the song and dance starts, "It's just a jump to the left, and then a step to the right..."

Corian Wayne Johnston

## State funding for schools must be priority

The President's budget proposals, the Governor's 'State of the State' message and local hand wringing over the economy have been the source of much conversation and debate recently. So, I thought that readers might want to know how their schools are doing in this regard.

Given the fact that we have gone three years without an increase in state aid, our community should be pleased to know that our financial snapshot looks surprisingly good. However, our financial condition, and that of schools across the state, will deteriorate quickly unless:

- Revenue streams increase significantly - under the present law, schools live and die by the enrollment count, and by any inflationary increases in the per pupil foundation amount that districts receive from the state.

- The spiraling cost of utilities, health insurance and retirement are brought under control.

To make a long story short, the revenue side of the financial equation will not get better with modest monetary gains. In the long run, some fundamental changes are necessary to help school districts contain costs and/or increase revenue. Otherwise, severe cuts in personnel and programs are the only viable alternatives that schools have at their disposal.

I think it is important for our community to know that, under the direction of the Clarkston Board of Education:

- The administration has worked hard to build "fund equity." The board anticipated shortfalls in the state foundation amount, which is our budget's lifeblood.

- The district has reduced planned spending to the tune of over \$5 million in recent years and kept the reductions as far away from our central purpose as possible. Our administrators, teachers and other employees are very mindful that educating students is our prime purpose!

- Despite the state funding crises, we have oper-

ated with a balanced budget for the past two years and we are working against the odds to do it again!

The community can take pride in the fact that prompt decisive action has resulted in the creation of a fund balance that has helped us avoid borrowing to meet payroll and assisted us through difficult times. I hope our citizens will be pleased to hear that dollars have already been set aside to accommodate the costs of operating our new facilities.

In addition, we have a good track record with regard to financial planning, as is evidenced by our independent audits. Also, I am proud to report that all of our employee groups have worked with us in an attempt to keep costs in line.

While, relatively speaking, our financial position is better than most neighboring districts, projections tell us that we will not get beyond the 2006-2007 school year in one piece regardless of how well we control spending. So working with others to solve the statewide school funding puzzle is a challenge that must be met.

I ask readers to take some time to develop a deeper understanding of school funding under Proposal A. While this legislation passed many years ago, it is still largely misunderstood. For example, many citizens do not understand that:

- Local homestead taxes (6 mills) are collected, sent to Lansing and redistributed to school systems across the state.

- Clarkston receives one of the lowest per pupil amounts in Oakland County. Our neighbors Rochester and Lake Orion receive higher amounts per student!

- Bond funds can only be used for construction and capital needs projects. These funds cannot be used for operational functions such as salaries, utility costs or educational programs.

In closing, permit me to say that I find it reassuring to know that our school family consists of hard-working, focused and talented individuals. We have a community that values education and I am confident that residents will get involved in the school funding crisis and help to make sure all students are provided a quality educational experience.

Clarkston Schools



Dr. Al Roberts



# A Look Back

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

## 15 YEARS AGO (1990)

• Rabies Suspected, Puppy confined after skunk scuffle: After her dog Midget scuffled with a skunk, Pam Hancock had a difficult decision to make.

She either could quarantine the 9-month-old puppy for six months to see if rabies resulted, or she could put the dog to sleep immediately.

Ignoring the advice from her veterinarian and the Department of Agriculture, Hancock decided to keep her dog alive.

• No surprises in village primary: Except for the vast turnout of 101 of about 470 registered voters, there weren't any surprises at the Clarkston Village Council primary election Feb. 19. All the incumbents were re-elected.

• Big gestures exist in small town: Though Mike Jeffers of Pontiac is a former Clarkston area resident, he was surprised to find that the small-town flavor of the village and its merchants still remains.

After ordering a coffee and a donut at the downtown bakery, he realized he had no money. The clerk allowed him to go ahead and he could come back and pay later. Later that day, after stopping by the bank,

Jeffers paid his \$2.40 bill (including a second donut and coffee) and left a \$5 tip.

Jeffers was surprised at the trust and grateful for the continuing closeness of the Clarkston community.

## 25 YEARS AGO (1980)

• For hotel building permit or \$30 million, Pine Knob sues township: Pine Knob investments is asking for \$30 million in damages if Independence Township does not issue a building permit for the resort's proposed skyscraper hotel.

• Amusement park gets go-ahead: An amusement park at Pine Knob has been approved in concept by the Independence Township Planning Commission.

The vote was 6-2 at the meeting on Feb. 14.

The conceptual plan included 12 rides with a 1920s theme on approximately five acres located between the music theater and the ski hill.

## 50 YEARS AGO (1955)

• Rotary Celebrates Golden Anniversary: Clarkston was linked today with more than 8,400 other cities and towns in 89 countries of the world as the Rotary Club commemorated the 50th anniversary of the founding of Rotary.

The birthday of this worldwide fellowship of business and professional men was celebrated by the Clarkston Rotarians at a Birthday Party.

Clarkston Rotarians plan a 15th anniversary of their own in June of this year. It was on June 24, 1940, they had their charter presented at a mammoth "Charter Night" with more than 400 Rotarians attending from Royal Oak, Ann Arbor, Pontiac, Birmingham and nearby communities.

# Oh, those wascally wabbits

Redheaded, moustachioed, former Oxford copper James Malcolm sent me word on some *Loonatics*. No, he didn't divulge any juicy tidbits of information on any nut-job he ran into during its quarter century of law enforcement in Oxford. Jimmy's red-faced over a Michigan J. Frog network announcement.

WB, last week, presented their newest attempt at making gobs of cash -- the *Loonatics*. The *Loonatics* are futuristic (700 years into the future) descendants of Bugs Bunny, Daffy Duck, Road Runner, White E. Coyote, Lola Bunny and Tasmanian Devil. The new cartoon is set to air Saturdays this fall.

Oh, be still my beating heart.

Don't get me wrong, Warner Bros. studios can do anything they want with their property. I just don't think the family television in Casa D'Rush will tune in to mutant *Loony Tune* characters blasting their way through outer space. It's not that the new show won't be well-done and entertaining -- it probably will be. It's just that the Rush lads don't need another cartoon to watch involving space ships, superheroes and battles of intergalactic-proportions -- especially when the new, sleek and darkly dressed characters are mere morphed animations of those much loved and tightly woven into our popular culture characters.

(How's that for a sentence, you students of the English language?)

The new supercharged cast, in case you haven't heard, will be endowed with superhero powers. They have a space ship and fight bad guys. Get ready for explosive, fast-paced animated action, interspersed with pithy one-liners that sound vaguely familiar. WB muckity-mucks claim the characters (yet to be named) will have genetically passed-on traits from their 1940s ancestors.

Swell. It's one thing for the governor of California to bust through a cinder block wall, looking for girlie men and shouting, "I'll be back!"

It is an entirely different operation to have an angular and dark "Buzz" Bunny popping up from a wormhole that ripped through the very fabric of space and time, chomping on a carrot and saying, "What's

up, doc?" Or, "I knew I shoulda taken that left turn at Albuquerque!"

The former is a futuristic, sci-fi action film. The latter is a futuristic, sci-fi action animation.

Okay . . .

So maybe there is no difference, that doesn't make it right. (Does it?)

What made the likes of Bugs, Daffy, Sylvester, Tweetie, Porky, Foghorn Leghorn, Yosemite et al, classic, well-remembered and much imitated characters is first, and foremost, the humor. (Come on, what is more funny than Elmer Fudd blasting off the beak of Daffy Duck with a shot gun during rabbit hunting season?) The characters were round, funny, witty -- like us on the other side of the TV tube.

Seems today everything has to be fast, action-packed. There are chases, crashes, explosions and fights. Even in the children's cartoons the trend leans towards clashes of good against evil. I understand any good story needs some sort of conflict, but not in a *Loony Tunes* cartoon for goodness sakes!

Not everything has to be edgy. Besides, *Loony Tunes* already went into the future with the *Duck Dodgers in the 24th (and a half) Century*. That was first done in the early 1950s and reprised recently for an actual series. It had space ships, chases, explosions and Daffy got his beak shot off. It wasn't edgy or dark. Daffy was daffy and with Porky Pig and Marvin the Martian, funny.

Meanwhile, back at the ranch -- two young, strapping, all-American Rushlings love cartoons. Oh sure, they like to watch the modern stuff like Pokemon. But, according to their very own mother, Jennie, what really gets them going are the old *Looney Tunes* and *Tom & Jerry* cartoons. Apparently, slapstick humor still rules supreme with the males of our species (pre or post pubescent, it doesn't matter). There is something inherently witty and clever about a stray anvil falling from a building and landing on somebody.

Pure comedic genius.

I guess what I'm here to state is this: Kids need to laugh more. They need to find humor in life. There is something admirable in finding humor where others cannot see, and then sharing it with the world.

Comments for that fuddy-duddy, anti-edgy, holder-on of the old, Don, can be e-mailed to: donrushmedon@charter.net



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# 'A penny saved is a Congressional oversight'

## Hal Lee Luyah

The budget balancing act that goes on in Washington this time of every year would be laughable if it weren't so serious. Those politician balancing acts would be a sideshow, not allowed in one of the 3 rings.

In the first place they say they are going to cut spending to balance the budget, but what they are really doing is cutting proposed increases in the budget.

They've adopted the liar's theory: If you tell one often enough people will start to believe it.

They preach "cut, cut, cut," but in the end the deficit goes higher, and more gets spent on constituents of representatives as the "you wash my back and I'll wash yours" budget process proceeds.

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"Voters want a fraud they can believe in."

Will Durst

Last year in Lansing the legislature adopted 500 new laws, according to the *State Journal*. One hundred twenty-seven of them voted on in the state senate on the last day of the 2004 session.

Talk about delaying a vote until the right time! How much discussion was there on each bill? How many legislators had gone home already? How many knew exactly what they were voting Aye on?

This amounts to twenty percent of the year's work in the Capitol being done in reckless haste. If this is the case, we certainly don't need a full time legislature.

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"No matter what your religion, you should try to become a government program, for then you will have everlasting life."

U. S. Representative Lynn Martin

The current legislature in Lansing is expected introduce between 3,000 and 5,000 bills. Hard to believe anyone can believe Michiganders need that many changes to current law or that many new laws.

What's needed most in both Lansing and Washington are seers, people with good vision on matters of money. Forecasts of income and outgo in financial matters in our leaders' centers is akin to the weatherman's reputation. But, actually weather people are genius prognosticators compared to DC and Lansing guessers.

State and federal economists are forever coming up with "shortfalls," thus requiring refiguring, which may lead to increases in fees, permits, licenses or something else that does not require voter approval. Remember the cigarette tax increase, upping the snowmobile fee, and allowing the increase in liquor prices (taxes).

That last one slams the poorest among us, the ones politicians say they are always looking out for.

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Now, if an already deficit initial budget isn't bad enough, along comes an \$82 billion "supplemental" budget. Washington politicians set a great example for their constituents. The big difference, of course, is that constituents money is their own and politicians' money is also their constituents'.

What is it that transforms people who are money conscious citizens in pre-election times, to spendthrifts once in office?

We see it locally as well as at the state and national levels, too. Projects get started that non-office holders would fight against, raises are given at faster paces, funding is allowed that constituents don't approve funds are named that help keep millage rates at full tilt.

Something happens that alters people's thinking the day after election day. I call it the "It ain't my money, so let's spend it" syndrome.

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"Lord, the money we do spend on Government and it's not one bit better than the government we got for one third the money twenty years ago."

Will Rogers

Jim's Jottings



Jim Sherman

# Independence goes to work to reduce costs

BY JENNY MATTESON  
Clarkston News Editor

The well-known saying "you have to spend money to make money" has been around for years – and officials with Independence Township are hoping a new twist on the old concept will help them maintain a tightly balanced budget.

At the Feb. 15 regular meeting, township trustees voted unanimously to hire Alliance Telecommunications, Inc. (ATI) Cost Reduction & Profit Recovery Services for one year.

ATI examines any area client requests for cost reduction, develops an audit and tracking system for those services, and then proposes possible means of cost reduction and savings.

"Our ultimate job is to reduce our client's cost," said Doug Cash, senior partner with ATI.

"We have been doing this for 14 years," stated Cash during the meeting. "We have across the board experience... and have specialists in many, many dif-

ferent areas."

ATI has worked for government entities such as the City of Auburn Hills, the City of Troy, the Macomb-Oakland Regional Center and several school districts.

In the case of Independence Township, ATI will take three months worth of statements from service providers for review. After forming a proposal, ATI will return to the board of trustees with a course of action for approval.

If passed, ATI will begin collecting credits and negotiating with suppliers on behalf of the township. Once the new contracts are established, ATI will provide township officials proof of cost savings and profit recovery, and create an ongoing, monthly audit.

After all steps are taken, ATI is paid through a percentage of the cost savings acquired. According to Cash, when negotiating with suppliers, ATI first looks at the contracts and confirms exactly what needs to be done for the township to be

in compliance. The next step is to confirm the prices throughout the industry. Finally, ATI will ask vendors to negotiate or provide assistance.

"We never strong arm the vendors," said Cash. "We never mistreat the vendors. We find our best tactic is to beg."

Independence Township only pays ATI for costs recovered. According to Cash, the township will pay 39 percent of the cost savings in the first year's contract.

For example, ATI specialists work on an insurance contract for the township. After hearing a recommendation, township trustees vote not to accept the proposal, therefore receiving no cost savings. As a result, ATI does not receive any payment.

"We're not spending any extra money on this. The money is already budgeted anyway for the contracts," said Supervisor Dave Wagner. "I think this is what the department heads found amazing."

During public comment, one resident

questioned whether the township could not simply find these costs reductions on its own.

Wagner stated township workers are often already quite busy with regular budget planning, much less attempting to perform these types of reductions and negotiations without the expertise. Also, he stated a new perspective will help the township find holes often overlooked.

"We are outsiders... I come in and (the suppliers) don't know who I am, so they think 'Oh, maybe the township seriously needs help,'" explained Cash. "They work differently with us."

In addition to the cost reduction and profit recovery service, ATI will establish databases and train township workers in the cost reduction process.

Township officials entered into a one year contract with a 30-day approval or rejection period. After the contract expires, the township can choose to not continue with ATI, or enter a partial contract.

## Township to improve Lake Oakland Woods well

Discussion at the Feb. 15 Independence Township regular board meeting took a technical twist – township officials listened to a proposal to close a well at Hidden Lakes and create a new well site at Lake Oakland Woods.

According to Department of Public Works Director Linda Richardson, the well at Hidden Lakes lost significant production in 2004. In addition, the well would require an updated treatment facility to meet the new arsenic level standards being implemented on Jan. 1, 2006.

After considering the pros and cons, township officials decided that constructing a new well at Lake Oakland Woods would be more economical than attempting to correct the Hidden Lakes well. The well at Lake Oakland Woods is expected to produce between 1,400-1,600 gallons of water per minute compared to the 700 gallons per minute at Hidden Lakes.

The cost for building the new well-site at Lake Oakland Woods is set not to exceed \$1.7 million, or around \$1,200 per gallon per minute. The repair costs to the Hidden Lakes well would not improve water production and would cost approximately \$1,800 per gallon per minute.

Township officials assured that residents would not experience any interruption in water service. The new well at Lake Oakland Woods is scheduled to be completed by October, while the Hidden Lakes well can remain active until January 2006.

## Ellis Barn receives grant

A significant piece of Oakland County history will be preserved thanks to the combined efforts of the Oakland County Parks, Springfield Township and a residential developer, RBI 33 LLC.

The "Ellis Barn" will be dismantled and transported to Springfield Oaks Activity Center in Davisburg, where it will be reassembled.


Oakland County Parks also partnered with the Road Commission for Oakland County to secure \$600,000 in grant funding through the Michigan Department of Transportation's Transportation Enhancement Program. The TE program promotes, among other things, historic preservation.

Oakland County Parks recommended that the road commission award the contract for the barn relocation to R. J. R. Inc. of Indiana for a low bid of \$522,000.

For more information on the Ellis Barn project, contact Tim Birtas, RBI 33 LLC, at 248-620-2248 or Dan Stencil, Oakland County Parks, at 248-620-6700.

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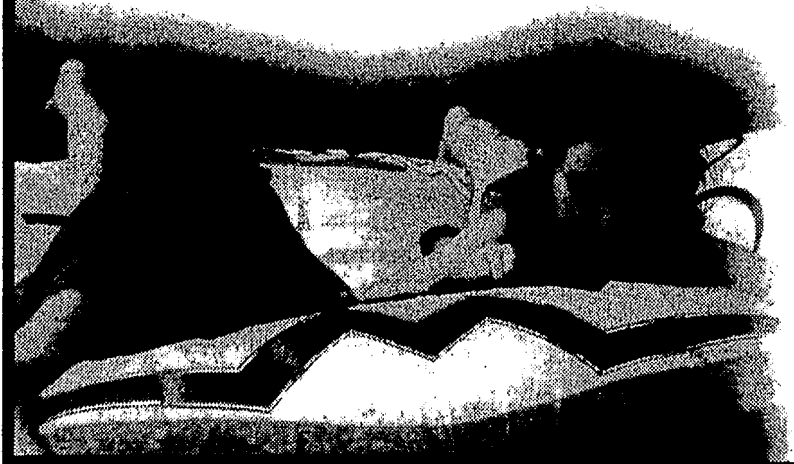
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Thurs. Apr 7	7:30 pm Independence Elementary School (Clarkston)
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# Police and Fire

## Independence Township

**February 10:** Breaking and entering at LaBella Salon at Pelton and Sashabaw. Someone smashed a front window, then took a cash box containing \$200 cash.

**February 13:** Assist Michigan State Police with property damage crash on I-75 near Clintonville Road.

**February 14:** Arrest for possession of hallucinogens, marijuana and drug paraphernalia and operating while intoxicated at I-75 and Sashabaw Road. A 19-year-old Midland man allegedly drove approximately 85 miles per hour in the scene of a personal injury crash. He was later found with suspected marijuana, mushrooms which registered positive as LSD, a marijuana pipe and rolling papers.

Animal complaint on Havelock Street. A 37-year-old man was cited for failure to control his dog. The complainant said her two dogs were attacked by the suspect's golden retriever. The suspect dog was walked by a 10-year-old girl, but reports said the dog outweighed the girl by between 10 and 20 pounds. The case was turned over to Oakland County Animal Control.

Larceny of cellular telephone at Clarkston Specialty Care.

Credit card fraud on Cascade Court.

The victim reported two unauthorized attempts to open a Dell Computer charge account with his personal information.

Assist to Michigan State Police with personal injury crash on I-75 near Clintonville Road.

**February 15:** Assist to fire department with medical call on Pleasantview Drive.

Child welfare check on Sunnysdale. A neighbor reported finding a four-year-old girl outside her door wearing only underwear under her wet coat. Deputies recognized the girl from a previous incident and found the mother sleeping. The mother said she did not know how the girl got out of the residence. Another report was forwarded to Child Protective Services.

Damage to vehicle at Mesquite Creek restaurant. Someone smashed a rear window.

Arrest for indecent/obscene conduct in the parking lot at Frank's Nursery and Crafts on Dixie Highway. A deputy saw a pickup truck in the parking lot about 12:30 a.m. Upon investigation, he found a 40-year-old Waterford man with his pants undone. After learning of an outstanding felony warrant, the deputy took the man into custody and found a hardcore teen pornographic magazine in the truck.

**February 16:** Damage to property at Maybee and Clintonville roads. A mo-

torist reported damage after hitting a large pothole. Deputies notified the Road Commission for Oakland County.

Counterfeit money report at the Clark gasoline station at Sashabaw and Pelton roads. A customer who attempted to use a counterfeit \$10 bill said she received it as change from a Pontiac resident.

Damage to vehicle at Maybee and Westview. A driver reported damage from a large pothole.

**February 17:** Malicious destruction to mailbox post on M-15 near Hickory Trail.

Damage to vehicle reported on Maybee Road near Westview. A motorist reported a punctured tire and dented wheel rims after hitting a pothole.

Juvenile complaint at Pine Knob Ski Resort. Two 12-year-old boys had an altercation when one allegedly crowded the other as they were snowboarding.

**February 18:** Arrest for operating while intoxicated and carrying open intoxicants on Dixie Highway near M-15. An 18-year-old Grand Blanc man was found with an open bottle of vodka. In a preliminary breath test, he registered a blood alcohol level of 0.17 percent at the scene and 0.22 percent at the Oakland County Jail.

Assist to Waterford Police Department in chase and apprehension of suspect in home invasion and auto theft case at Lake Village apartments.

Unwanted subject complaint at Clinton Villa mobile home park. A 36-year-old Clarkston woman, allegedly intoxicated, was arrested after deputies learned she was wanted on a felony parole violation warrant out of Pontiac. A 25-year-old Clarkston man was wanted on a misdemeanor warrant, but the agency issuing the warrant allowed the suspect to be released.

## Twin suspects face charges in multiple burglaries

Detectives were working with the Oakland County Prosecutor's office late last week to file formal charges against twin brothers suspected of stealing construction materials in Independence Township and at least two other municipalities.

The 33-year-old Pontiac men were arrested on Feb. 17 for burglary, according to reports from the Independence Township substation of the Oakland County Sheriff's Department.

One of the brothers, who drove during a chase involving Pontiac police, also faces potential charges of felonious assault with a motor vehicle, reports said.

Because of the President's Day holiday on Monday, details concerning the suspects' pending arraignment were not available.

An undercover Pontiac police detail followed the suspects to the Clintonville Pines Condominiums in Independence Township. There, officers witnessed the suspects enter one of the units under construction and remove

several items.

After notifying the sheriff's department, the Pontiac police unit followed the suspects, reports said. The chase ended in Auburn Hills, where the suspects were apprehended despite attempts to use their vehicle to run down officers.

An Independence Township deputy found a garage door forced at the Clintonville Pines Condominiums.

Recovered from the suspects' vehicle were two pairs of boots and multiple boxes of wood flooring.

In addition to unspecified charges to be filed by Pontiac police, one of the suspects later confessed to the Independence burglary and an additional break-in in Orion Township, reports said. Apparently, the duo had been working for two to three months in partnership with another party who purchased the building materials for resale.


Sheriff Detective Jerry DeRosia said last week that each charge will likely be prosecuted in their respective jurisdictions.

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# Clarkston News Sports

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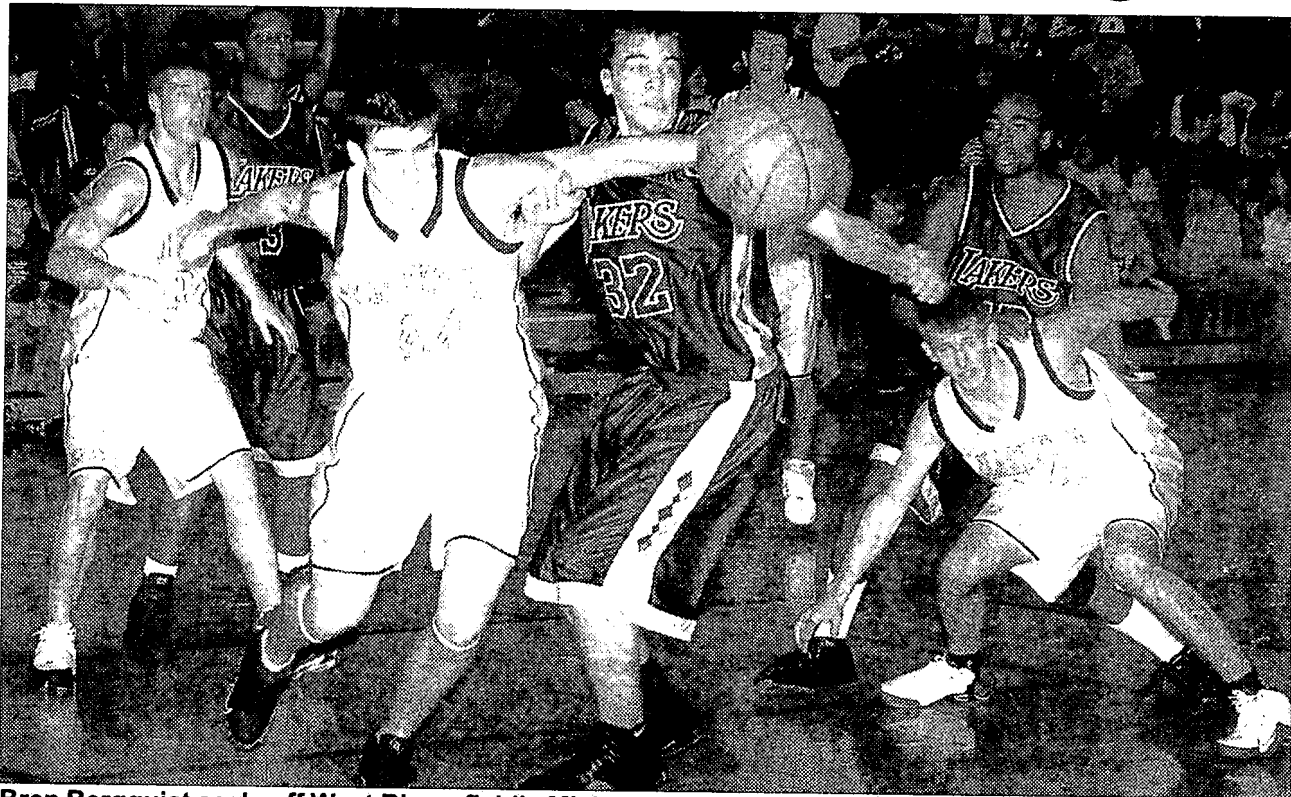
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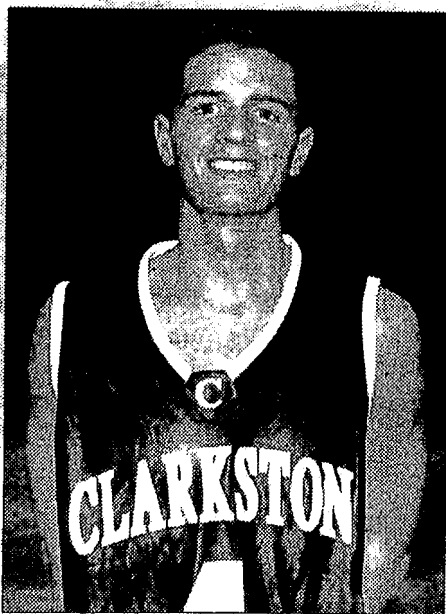
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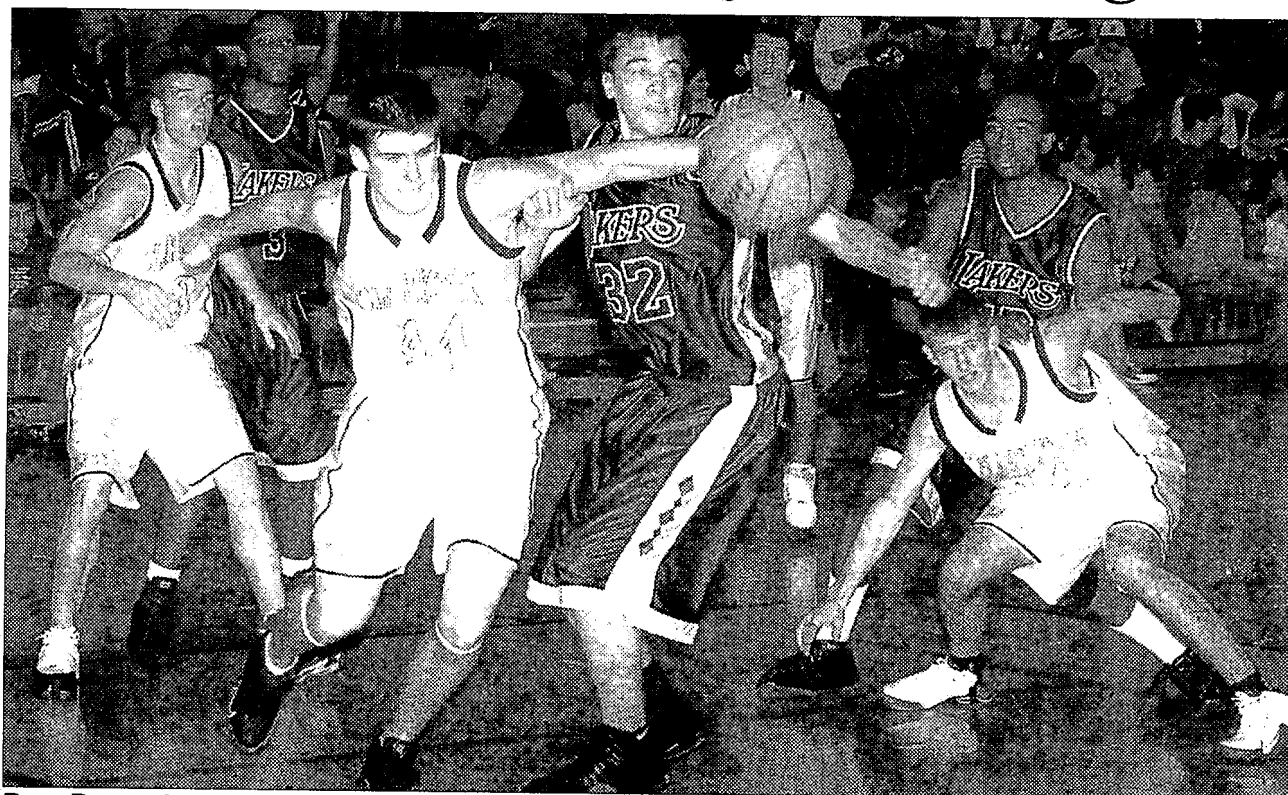
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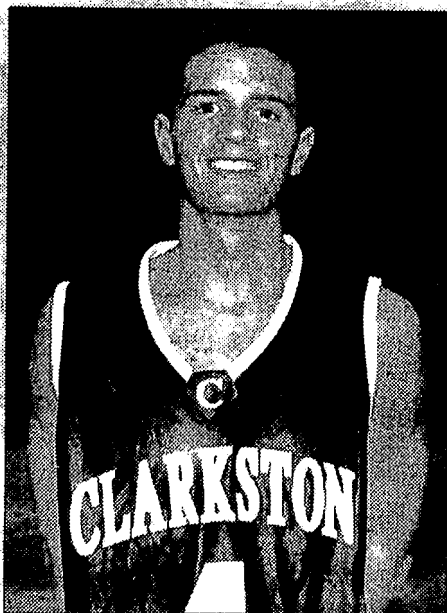
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## Clarkston skiers regional dynasty continues

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Pine Knob is the Wolves territory. On Feb. 17, Clarkston emphasized this by taking both the boys and girls regional ski titles.

Despite losing their best skier, state-champ Mo Weiland to a season ending knee surgery, the Clarkston's girls team sojourned on to take their ninth straight regional championship. The boys have won the event four times in a row.

"I knew our girls could pick it up, but I was hoping that mentally we wouldn't start having some problems," said Clarkston Coach Bruce Rosengren. "We had a pep talk, got keyed up, geared up and ready to roll and they just did an outstanding job. We would have loved to have Mo... but we have depth."

Clarkston's girls won with a team score of 60 points. Lahser (92 points) and Lake Orion (99) girls teams will follow the Wolves to the state finals on Feb. 28 at Boyne Mountain.

"Mo's ability has certainly drawn everybody else along with her all year, and they are all skiing great," said Rosengren.

In the giant slalom, the Wolves flexed their overall team talent placing four in the top ten: Jen Stanton (sixth), Erica Halsey (seventh), Alyssa Vermeulen (eighth) and Megan Peters (ninth). Clarkston won with a balanced attack as well

in the slalom with three skiers in the top ten: Trisha Peters (fourth), Halsey (sixth) and Stanton (seventh).

The same consistent dominance which propelled both teams to 9-0 records this year was showcased by Clarkston's boys.

"On the boys side I saw 24 solid runs. Every single run was a solid run," said Rosengren.

The Wolves registered 32 total points, far outdistancing Rochester Adams (106) and Lake Orion (157).

In the giant slalom Clarkston took first, second and third—captured by Alex Rosengren, Kevin Vahlbusch and Eric Weiland respectively. Bryan Cicelli helped the cause, finishing in seventh.

Alex Rosengren also finished second in the slalom, followed by Vahlbusch in third. Weiland in sixth and Jeff Haladik in eighth.

The OAA league meet originally scheduled for Feb. 21 has been moved to Feb. 23 due to inclement weather.

Clarkston's bid for another SEMSL title finished too late for this edition of *The Clarkston News*, but the Wolves were confident about the meet and look forward to the state finals.

"We'll do great (at SEMSL). It'll be the same competition (as regionals) maybe a little easier. At states there's some real good competition, but all in all it will be a good time," said Alex Rosengren.

## Wolves playing as a unit, netting results

BY NOAH PURCELL

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Clarkston volleyball was more Corvette than Yugo this weekend, going undefeated in pool play at the Andover tournament on Feb. 19.

But, as any Michigan driver knows, late February is fraught with potholes, and the Wolves hit one in their semifinal match up with Royal Oak Dondero.

"We should have went farther at Andover," said Clarkston Coach Kelly Avenall. "If we play Dondero five times, we'll beat them four out of five. It was just one of those games."

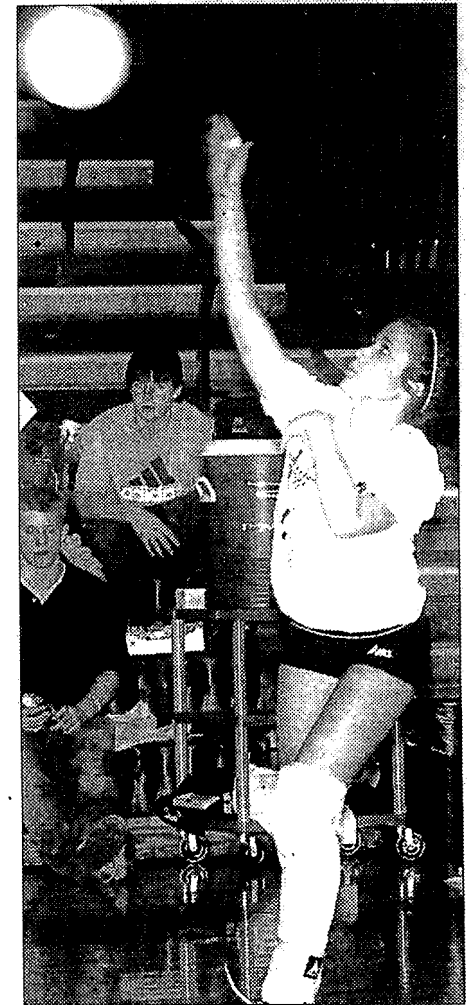
Clarkston triumphed over Lake Orion, Port Huron and Madison in pool play before losing to Dondero.

Stephanie Parkin, who this week verbally committed to Oakland University, had a spectacular tournament for the Wolves registering 53 kills on the day.

Also standing out was Laura Kupe with 49 digs, Kate Thomas with 91 assists and Kim Vincent who went 29 for 30 on serve reception.

"We're playing better as a team, we struggled earlier in the year to get the ball to the setter," said Avenall.

Next up for Clarkston is a districts matchup with Waterford Kettering at Holly on Feb. 26. Should the Wolves win their first round game, they will play Holly in the district semifinals.



Kim Vincent was steady on the back line for Clarkston. Photo by Purcell

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## Remember, memory can be improved at any age

By Ernie Harwell

In the minds of many, a failing memory in our golden years is as inevitable as the need for a healthy stretch in the seventh inning of a baseball game. But memory loss is not an inevitable consequence of a long life. In fact, aging is only one of many factors that can weaken our ability to remember things; so can stress, depression, cardiovascular problems and a wide range of other physical and emotional factors.



However, no matter what our age, there are things each of us can do that can help boost our powers of recall. If forgetfulness seems to be increasing, the following strategies may help.

Consult your physician. Remember: Always get a professional medical opinion.

Stay fit. Good nutrition, cardiovascular health and regular exercise help the heart pump blood, nutrients and oxygen to the brain. Know your prescriptions. Keep an eye on your any reactions – and drug interactions – when taking new drugs or dosages. And check with your doctor. Tranquilizers, sleeping pills, antidepressants, some heart medications, and even some cold remedies, can affect your memory.

Get adequate rest. A sharp memory requires alertness.

Seek new challenges. Learn a new language, or how to use a computer or simply read something new and stimulating.

Most of all, remember to take care of your health before it's longgggg gone!

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

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Tommy Ellsworth lassoes Holly's Max McGoldrick. Ellsworth was one of eight Clarkston wrestlers to qualify for individual regionals. Photo by Noah Purcell

## Wrestlers done at districts

BY NOAH PURCELL  
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Before Clarkston's wrestling team could get rolling this year, they are knocked out for the season. After advancing to the State semi-finals last year, the Wolves were ousted by on Feb. 16 Holly in the first round of districts by a count of 31-27.

"It's been a trying season for the guys. They learned a lot. Even though it did not pay off tonight, I think either next year, or maybe not even in their wrestling careers, they are going to learn how to deal with adversity because of all the stuff they had to go through this year," said Clarkston Coach Joe DeGain.

The Wolves began the season with many of their best wrestlers suspended, endured an extremely competitive schedule, battled illness and injury throughout and had too much depth at too few weights.

"You could tell that some of our guys that we had rested up until now. We could tell they weren't where they should be. But that is how the cookie crumbles," said DeGain. "Our lineup is a little bit traffic jammed. We have some good wrestlers that are all in the same weight and we can't spread them out enough."

The season did have high moments as Clarkston won their fourth straight Oakland County Tournament on Dec. 18.

At districts, drama ran high towards the end of Clarkston and Holly's match. The Wolves Mike Maguire (103 pounds) and Tyler Schneider (113) defeated their counterparts to knot the score at 27-27. Clarkston's Kevin Park (118), however, was unable to overcome Rich

Hallowell as the Bronchos staked claim to the victory and later the district, waylaying Lake Orion 39-18.

Some individual Clarkston performances at team districts were commendable. Josh McAllister (160) beat Colin Nordmen 26-11, under strange circumstances as the referee failed to notice McAllister's technical fault upon recording 20 points. Tommy Ellsworth won a 14-5 victory at 145 pounds, after being forced to leave the OAA league tournament on Feb. 11 due to illness. Bryant Kraft earned a close 6-4 decision over Adam Barber at 135 pounds. Steve Smiley, hobbled by a knee injury for the past two weeks, out pointed Chris Turner 5-1. Braden L'Amoreaux registered six points for Clarkston at 152 pounds due to a Holly void.

"I'm sure the guys are bummed out about the (loss), the ones who made it (to States) last year. If they make it that far, they make a pact with themselves to make it back and do better... but we'll live through it," said DeGain.

While the season is done for the team, some wolves will continue on to regionals.

Several Clarkston wrestlers grappled well enough during individual districts at Chippewa Valley on Feb. 19 to move to individual regionals on Feb. 26, hosted by Bay City Western. L'Amoreaux was king of the hill in the 145-pound weight class. Also moving on to regionals are: Mike Maguire (third, 103 pounds); Bryant Kraft and Mitch Miller (third and fourth, 135 pounds); Bryan Webb (second, 140); Tommy Ellsworth (third, 145); Josh McAllister (fourth, 152); and Steve Herron (second, heavyweight)

## Half full or half empty?

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If a team on a losing streak is in a rut, and a team on a winning streak is flying high, then wolves hockey has been flying in a rut recently.

Five ties in their last six games is no cause for celebration, but Clarkston, currently ranked second in the state in division I, has been cutting their teeth on some hearty competition and game situations.

"(The games) have been very tough, just like the playoffs. It has been more intense, more emotional. The type of hockey you'll see in a week," said Clarkston Coach Bryan Krygier.

Clarkston lost 5-1 at Orchard Lake St. Mary's on Feb. 16, then headed to the west side of the state where they battled into overtime stalemate's with East Kentwood and Mona Shores. Scoring Clarkston's lone goal against St. Mary's was senior Bryan Morin assisted by juniors Kyle Chartrand and Matt Prasil.

The Wolves were up 2-1 on Feb. 18, going into the third period against East Kentwood, currently ranked sixth in division I. The one-goal lead did not hold as East Kentwood scored to tie the game.

The next night in Muskegon, Clarkston had Mona Shores on the ropes only to watch a 4-2 lead disappear with two minutes left in the third. Mona Shores is ranked third in division II.

Registering points for the Wolves against Mona Shores was junior Kyle Cummings and senior Chris Degen with a goal and an assist apiece; senior Mike Fogg and Chartrand also each added a goal.

"We're just giving up the puck too much in our own zone. We're losing games and we're still out shooting the other team," said Krygier.

Krygier, however, was heartened by his power play units showing life over the last week.

The Wolves have some unfinished business in terms of the OAA league title to complete before playoffs begin. Clarkston's pivotal matchup with Farmington on Feb. 22 finished too late for this edition of *The Clarkston News*. Should Clarkston prevail, they would assure themselves at least a share of the league title with Troy.

The regular season will conclude with senior night against Brother Rice on the Wolves' home ice of the Detroit Skate Center on Feb. 24.

Districts are set to start on March 1 at Bay City Central. Clarkston has drawn Grand Blanc in the opening round.

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# Council argues over need for new master plan

**BY DON SCHELSKE**  
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The future of any municipality is based in large part on its master plan, and the Clarkston City Council last week debated how to plan for the future.

In recent weeks, Council Member David Savage has urged the council to take a look at the master plan, which has not been updated since 1997.

At the Feb. 14 meeting, City Manager Art Pappas brought a memo from the McKenna Associates (the city's contracted planner), saying the plan must be reviewed every five years by the city planning commission.

The McKenna memo recommended a "thorough review" including updated population information, a review of the city's goals and objectives, new residential developments, a review of new trends and a public hearing/vision session.

The memo further recommended a \$15,000 line item in

the city's next fiscal year budget for the review.

Some council members questioned the need for any review, while Savage went so far as to recommend a search for a new contracted planner.

"Why do we need McKenna in there charging us \$15,000?" asked Mayor Sharron Catallo. "If there are areas that need to be addressed, then call them in. Not that much has changed, nor do we want it to."

"If we're going to eventually need the services of our planner, and we're going to spend more money with the planner... maybe the time is right for a review of who we want as our city planner," Savage said. "Maybe it becomes McKenna again, or maybe we make a switch, and that could be the

first project they are involved in if we make a switch.

"I think it's time to take another look at a new planner," Savage continued. "Based on

ing with Catallo that the master plan goes into greater detail than needed for the small city.

"We can whittle this down to what we're really looking for and get the cost down."

City attorney Thomas Ryan said the planning commission could do a preliminary review to perhaps save some money.

"We have to involve the planner at some point," Ryan said, but the planning commission could "do some of the heavy lifting."

Council Member Scott Meyland eventually made a motion to refer the issue to the planning commission and ask them to recommend "opportunities for further review."

Savage objected, and eventually cast the lone negative vote.

"I'm opposed to that without the council coming up with some vision as to what's been happening in the city in terms of our growth and in terms of other issues," Savage said. "I think it's our job to give the planning commission some of our input prior to them going to all the trouble of reviewing the thing."

"I don't think we should be dictatorial about what we want them to review," Meyland said.

Savage used ongoing budget problems as an example to press his point.

"As a council, it would be great if we could say to the planning commission, 'Take a serious look at this' because we could sure use the added tax revenue," Savage said. "That could help us with other problems we face as a city council."

"I don't like the idea of approving something because it will increase our tax base," Catallo responded. "That makes me real nervous."



**'I think it's time to take a look at a new planner.'**

**David Savage**  
Clarkston City Council Member

everything we've gone through as a council and as a city, it is in order."

Council Member Walter Gamble took issue with the McKenna memo's reference to "developmental pressures for higher density residential and mixed-use projects."

"What developmental pressures?" Gamble asked, agree-

## Merchant complains about business parking practices

**BY DON SCHELSKE**  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

One downtown Clarkston business owner is concerned about the lack of available parking spaces for customers.

The Clarkston City Council on Feb. 14 reviewed a letter from Claudia Jakus of Clarkston Travel Bureau on N. Main Street. At least part of the blame, Jakus wrote, goes to other business people using on-street parking.

Jakus wrote of seeing more business owners using Washington Street spaces for the entire day, despite a two-hour limi-

tation on many spaces.

"To me our main objective collectively as business owners should be to make it as convenient as possible for our patrons and not to drive them away because they cannot find a place to park," Jakus wrote. "I don't think any business in the village 'owns' their parking space."

Jakus' letter said she previously visited the city police station to request better enforcement of the two-hour only parking spaces.

*Please see Parking on page 22A*

## Council mulls new ordinances

**BY DON SCHELSKE**  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Following in the footsteps of many other municipalities, the Clarkston City Council passed first reading of two new ordinances to help in "cost recovery" and toughen enforcement of underage possession of alcohol.

The first ordinance, if it passes second reading, would formalize a system assessing an offender with actual expenses for city police officers and prosecutors.

City attorney Thomas Ryan said former 52-2 District Judge Robert Batchik assessed such fees on an informal basis, but new Judge Kelley Kostin requested that be made a formal ordinance.

"It would be some income to the city for some of these extraordinary expenses," Ryan said, and he has a standard worksheet to compute such expenses.

The second ordinance closes what some believe to be a loophole in the "minor in possession" ordinance, which allows prosecution of those under age 21 in possession of alcoholic beverages. Prosecutors have found some difficulty in cases involving teenagers who show evidence of alcohol consumption without the presence of alcohol containers.

The new ordinance, if adopted, will allow citations for "possession" when it can be proved the suspect has consumed alcohol.

## Garden club renews effort for bridge in Depot Park

**BY DON SCHELSKE**  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

The Clarkston Farm and Garden Club wants to add to the beauty of downtown Clarkston with a bridge over the river in Depot Park.

The club floated an informal proposal to the Clarkston City Council on Feb. 14, and agreed to follow city procedures for formal approval.

Garden club President Julie Piazza told the council of their plans for a fundraising campaign to build "a long-awaited, much talked about bridge at Depot Park."

The club will use a memorial fund started almost six years ago to honor Daisy Darling, a long-time local resident and garden club member. The club has chosen "the Dandelion Bridge" as the structure's name, in honor of Darling's favorite flower.

"We want to use her example of beautifying, educating and participating in the area we live," Piazza said. "She exemplifies what we're all about."

City officials were generally favorable to the concept, but many questions came concerning the details.

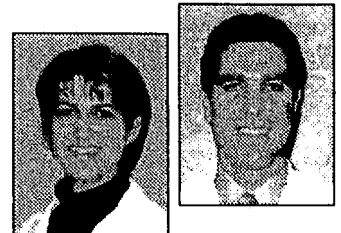
City Manager Art Pappas had already contacted city-contracted engineer Gary Tressel for advice. An email from Tressel said the purchase of a pre-fabricated bridge, with proper foundation design, soil borings, contractor fees and the formal Hubbell, Roth and Clark consulting fees, could come to as much as \$140,000.

Tressel suggested an alternative using steel beams to span approximately 40 feet across the river, with a

*Please see Bridge, page 22A*

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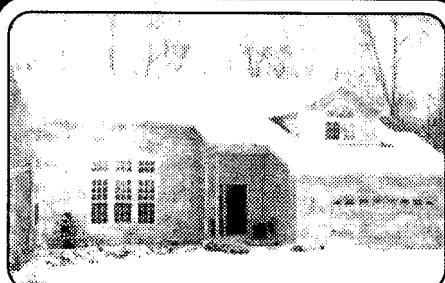
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Of this 4 bedroom colonial and look past the curved oak staircase, over the hardwood flooring to a wall of windows with breathtaking view. Eat in kitchen/hearth room with fireplace leads to deck overlooking pond. Walkout features a 5th bedroom and a full bath. \$440,000 (80BRO)



**CUSTOM GOLF FRONT HOME**

Classic foyer leads to great room with cathedral ceiling and marble encased fireplace. Kitchen offers granite counters and island with top of the line appliances, breakfast area, walkout to large deck for front row view of golf course. \$700,000 (52GOL)



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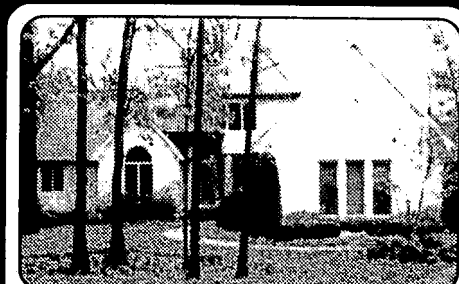
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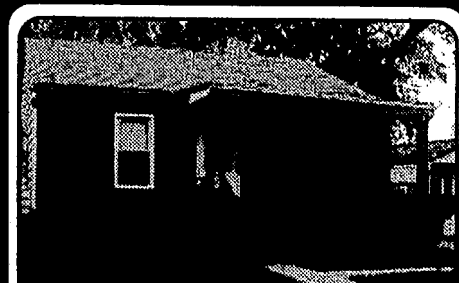
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Aldrich, Emily  
Alghanem, Muhammad  
Andersen, Amanda  
Arpke, Brian  
Babb, Kelli  
Badger, Randi  
Barton, Michelle  
Beuter, Chad  
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Cartwright, Joshua  
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Dunlavy, Leanne  
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Hommel, Brianne  
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Kraus, Nicole  
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Lima, Michael  
Madole, Colin  
Maier, Adrian  
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Osterhage, Daniel  
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Pearce, Jeffrey  
Peirsel, Melodie  
Perry, Laura  
Peters, Megan  
Phillips, Garrett  
Pierce, Stephanie  
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Roth, Tara  
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Sanchez, Jessica  
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Santo, Laurel  
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Schultz, Danielle  
Schultz, Kelley  
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Shkreli, Suzanna  
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Sitar, Nathan  
Smarr, Emilianne  
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Stanton, Jennifer  
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Yepez, Nataly  
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Davis, Frank  
Haase, Brennan  
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Markarian, Matthew  
Munro, Jessica  
Sickman, Lisa  
Thompson, Jacquelyn  
Timm, Marie  
Wheeler, Lisa

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Adams, Daniel  
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Alexander, Christine  
Allen, Benjamin  
Appel, Robert  
Baibak, Matthew  
Bailey, Katherine  
Banghart, Katherine  
Bell, Michael  
Benson, Justin  
Bland, Coburn  
Bonniver, Kathryn  
Brelinski, David  
Bukoski, Jill  
Cichon, Catherine  
Clavette, Jamie  
Cornfield, Mikayla  
Cortez, Sarah  
Daukas, Jessica  
Davenport, Sarah  
Dedow, Lauren  
Demonaco, Philip  
Donahoo, Sean  
Doski, Danielle  
Dumen, Kelly  
Emery, Heidi  
Fick, Cheryl  
Gale, Bradley  
Gauche, Scott  
Giroux, Amber  
Goyke, Michelle  
Graham, Kirsten  
Gross, Chelsea  
Gu, Xian  
Haag, Kyle  
Hammond, Christopher  
Harden, Daniel  
Hartley, Sara  
Hartz, Casey  
Hoekstra, Elizabeth  
Hoffman, Erin

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Hubbard, Kristin  
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Kelly, Alexander  
Kelly, Norah  
Kirby, Nicole  
Kittle, Michael  
Kleber, Gabrielle  
Kolano, Brad  
Kotcher, Christopher  
Kuhta, Laura  
Kupe, Laura  
Kurowski, Sean  
Larson, Joseph  
Lawrence, David  
Livezey, Jesse  
Maesch, Erik  
Maier, Nichole  
Martens, Trisha  
Martinez, Melissa  
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Schornak, Ian  
Schwartz, Kirkin  
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Shahly, Lauren  
Shaw, Ashley  
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Tibitoski, Ashley  
Vagts, Michael  
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Ward, Danielle  
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Whiteford, Nicole

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Abbott, Amy  
Alexander, Matthew  
Anderson, Andrew  
Anderson, Christopher  
Antonides, Chelsea  
Armstrong, Jeremiah  
Arnold, Scott  
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 Scott, Veronika  
 Setter, Jonathan  
 Shaw, Brian  
 Shelton, Travis  
 Siggins, Krystal  
 Sloan, Jeffrey  
 Smith, Luke  
 Smith, Ryan  
 Spencer, Audrey-Ann  
 Stevenson, Claire  
 Stevenson, Ryan  
 Stolnicki, Samantha  
 Summers, Nicole  
 Tate, Curtis  
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 Thompson, Tori  
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 Traver, Andrew  
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 Upcott, Ashley  
 Valley, Megan  
 Vo, Alexander  
 Waller, Jordan  
 Walsh, Brittany  
 Walters, Katie  
 Watts, Devon  
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 Witkowski, Amanda  
 Woodard, Kaitlyn  
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 Ejups, Erik  
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 Hassett, Kaitlyn  
 Henderson, Andrea

Hoyes, Jennifer  
 Kerr, Kathleen  
 Khani, Kavon  
 Kieras, Ryan  
 Lawrence, Andrea  
 Lee, Minjoo  
 Lumetta, Jennifer  
 Ming, Rachel  
 Nyquist, Rachael  
 Okrasinski, Patricia  
 Partyka, Kathleen  
 Richards, Allison  
 Roy, Kevin  
 Schermerhorn, Katelyn  
 Schlau, Erica  
 Schulte, Shelby  
 Smith, Caitlin  
 Smith, Kate  
 Spinweber, Caitlin  
 Vernier, Cassondra  
 Wheeler, Anna

**3.9-3.7**

Albee, Joshua  
 Amor, Marjorie  
 Baetz, Jeremy  
 Bartenbaker, Amanda  
 Belevender, Jaimie  
 Bohland, Joshua  
 Boozer, Kristin  
 Boston, Tyler  
 Boyer, Kira  
 Braun, Ashley  
 Brewer, Chad  
 Brookes, Andrew  
 Butzler, Sarah  
 Byrd, Lauren  
 Cabaj, Andrew  
 Chadwell, Tyler  
 Chapman, Lindsey  
 Conner, Elise  
 Cooley, Devon  
 Cooley, Katelyn  
 Darga, Tara  
 DeRiso, Rachel  
 Deitz, Lauren  
 Dresselhouse, Jillian  
 Drews, Adam  
 Dunnigan, Kyle  
 Evans, Celeste  
 Fick, Catherine  
 Fisk, William  
 Fitzpatrick, Melissa  
 Fox, Kelly  
 Fries, Drew  
 Furlo, Rebecca  
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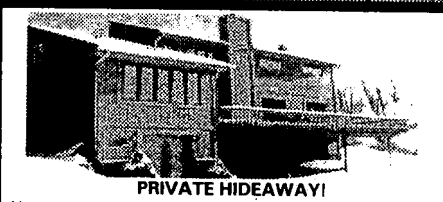
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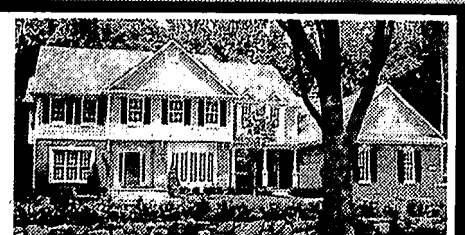
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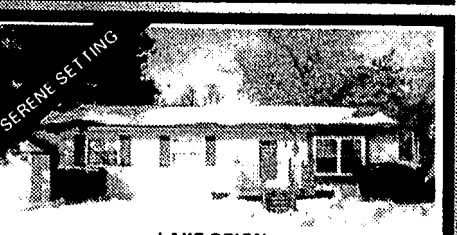
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## Waumegah

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took three of the five to approve this mess. We only get one appointment. Not everything that is a problem with Waumegah Lake will be solved by changing one person."

Trustee David Hopper agreed, but still supported the replacement.

"There's been such a track record of mismanagement," Hopper said. "Maybe it's a good start."

## McCord

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erty and the lack of interest from developers in creating a museum. He also stated he felt Janet Stickney McCord would be fine with the property being used for residential purposes.

"She has no vested interest remaining," he stated. "The realization is this almost has to be this way, with a developer restoring this for residential use."

"I think we should move ahead."

"We can't just let it sit there and fall over," agreed Wagner.

Wagner said a motion was not needed at this time. He said he was looking for confirmation from trustees to move ahead with researching the options for restoring the property.

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## Lake boards

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Trustee Marc Cooper noted successful efforts to recruit citizens to bodies such as the planning commission and zoning board of appeals.

"We're looking at more people to get more involved in the community," Cooper said.

"I don't think we're necessarily going to get any better representation from a [township] board member than we would from a non-[township] board member," Walls said.

In the course of the debate, Walls asked which trustees would be willing to take a lake board rep position. Vallad and Hopper said yes, with Lamont and Cooper saying time constraints would not allow them to take an additional position.

Treasurer Jamie Dubris said she would take a temporary appointment with the Big Lake board, but she did not volunteer for the long term.

"Big Lake is a large lake with a lot of resident in-

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volvement," she said. "I cannot believe there wouldn't be one other person on that lake who would be a fine candidate."

The eventual motion took Dubris up on her offer, with Vallad named to the Susin Lake board and Hopper to Dixie Lake. The motion also included action to seek resumes for long-term appointments to the three lake boards.

A May 1 deadline was set for the applications, and the board clarified that no appointments are assured and that no other qualifications would be added other than being a township resident.

Yet to be finalized are the exact term of office for township representatives to lake improvement boards.

At first, Walls said those details could be worked out over time, but Vallad argued for faster action.

"These people are going to want to know what they're signing up for," Vallad said.

Walls agreed to have the issue on the township board's March agenda.

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# Developers request change to allow condos

BY DON SCHELSKE  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

A plan to redevelop two apartment buildings into a single, larger condominium building is feasible if the City of the Village of Clarkston revises its zoning ordinance, according to the hopeful developer.

Clarkston Equity Partners requested the zoning ordinance revision at the Feb. 14 meeting of the Clarkston City Council.

David Huttenlocher, one of the partners in the firm, first approached the council in December 2004 to discuss the possibility of redeveloping two red brick apart-

ment buildings at Washington and Holcomb streets. The firm's desire is to build one structure with 10 units consisting of one- and two-bedroom living spaces located above garages.

The proposal is to revise the section of the zoning ordinance dealing with the residential planned development district to make condominiums and townhomes permitted uses.

"Right now it only applies to R-1 and R-2 single family structures," Huttenlocher said. "In my opinion, that eliminates the three or four opportunities you have in the village to redevelop properties from apartments to condos, because none of those buildings would be eligible."

City attorney Thomas Ryan said the issue must be handled by the city planning commission. The council voted to direct the commission to have McKenna and Associates draft a proposed ordinance amendment.

Huttenlocher admitted there are still other potential variances to be addressed, even with an ordinance amendment. Some city officials previously noted concerns from the city historical commission.

Based on the firm's research, similar units (between 1,500 and 2,000 square feet) in other communities have sold for between \$179,000 and \$400,000.

# Joyce

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trol, Combs said.

The largely part-time force now includes seven commissioned officers and four reserves, all of whom Combs said have voiced a willingness to work extra hours.

"I have to rebuild to a degree," Combs said, but "I'm still in good shape protecting the city with the manpower I have."

There is a challenge when the city hosts major public events, where traffic and crowd control require more personnel.

The chief announced on Feb. 14 that he has selected three new reserve officer candidates who will put themselves through the reserve academy at their own expense.

Combs also said he has a candidate for a commissioned officer position.

Combs last week continued his reluctance to talk of the conflicts with Joyce.

"There were some problems," Combs said, but he also called Joyce "a good street cop" with a commendable record of making alcohol- and drug-related arrests.

# Parking

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"I do not think we need to make any change in the rules, but just enforce them," Jakus wrote.

At the city council meeting, Police Chief Ernest Combs promised action.

"She did not have conversation with me personally," Combs said, but, "I will have an officer get on this right away."

Council members talked of long-standing parking abuses by various parties, with an audience member claiming to know of some downtown employees coming out "in unison" to move their vehicles to another two-hour space to avoid a ticket.

DPW Director Bob Pursley admitted the loss of three on-street parking spaces when the street was repaved and restriped according to legal measurements.

He reported parking abuses at other times, however, including failure to obey restrictions at night and during snow emergencies.

A lot of it is enforcement," Pursley said.

The council did consider sending a letter to all downtown businesses asking for cooperation in protecting parking spaces for customers.

# Bridge

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wood deck and railings built on top by the city DPW. HRC's consulting fees "would be minimal," Tressel said.

DPW Director Bob Pursley said he would be happy to provide more details of such a plan at the next city council meeting. Piazza, who admitted that a previous attempt to build a bridge failed, said the club is prepared to follow all city-mandated procedures, including application to the city planning commission.

City officials, meanwhile, said research has to be done concerning waterway and flood plain issues.

Piazza said the fund-raising may actually be the easier part of the project.

"We know how to get to people, and I think our board is ready," she said. "We think we might be able to raise the money by going to just the key organizations and the key people in the community. If we have to go further and do a whole campaign, we have ideas."

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### SYNOPSIS

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

Supervisor Wagner called the February 15, 2005, meeting to order at 7:30 at the Independence Township Library. Pledge of Allegiance.

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

Absent: Dunn

There is a quorum

1. Approved Agenda as amended

2. Approved the Consent Agenda as submitted

Approval of Minutes

Approval of A.P. Purchase Orders

Approval of Check run

Unfinished Business:

3. Discussion concerning McCord property

New Business:

4. Approved motion to enter into a one-year contract with Alliance

Telecommunications, Inc.

5. Approved motion to remove Hidden Lakes

well site improvements with DWRF

and to implement improvements to Lake Oakland Woods well site.

6. Approved motion for one-day business license to

Bankruptcy Auction Solutions

7. Approved motion to adjourn at 8:44 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Shelagh VanderVeen

Township Clerk

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

DATE: March 1, 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 15, 2005 meeting

b. Approval of Purchase Orders

c. Approval of Accounts Payable Check Run

#### Unfinished Business

1. Second Reading of Thomas Patti Rezoning Request from R-1R (Rural Residential) to R-1B (Suburban Residential).

2. First Reading - Eagle Ridge Morgan Lake PRD, Phase III Residential (tabled August 17, 2004)

#### New Business

1. 2004 Investment and Treasurer's Report

2. Appointments to Lake Board

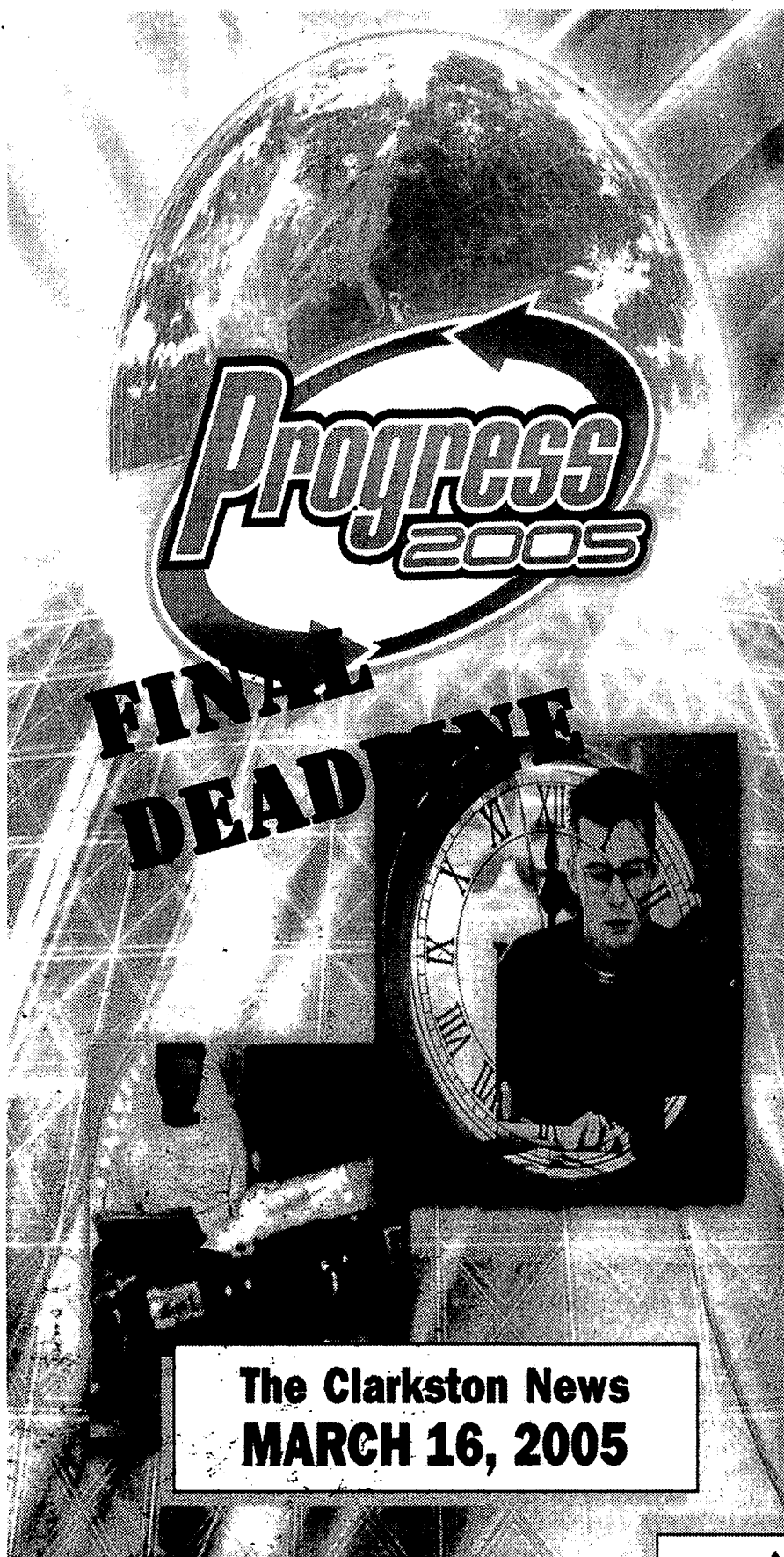
3. 90-day salary review for Paula Heenan

Closed session - Legal Opinion

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.

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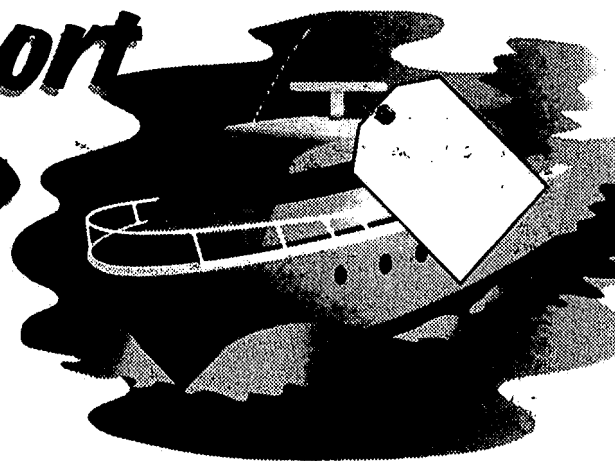
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James Cain, Brent Kemmer and Tim Anderson, Massachusetts Provincial Battalian members.

*Photos by Christina Ulaj*



George Wieske is one of many vendors at the Chief Pontiac Trail Living History Show. Above, Wieske demonstrates the art of finger weaving for the interested customers.



Ralph Babcock, Anna Philbert and Frenchy Yargeau enjoy friendly conversation while visiting the history show.



Papa Joe Lumetta is a vendor and arranges his items.



Tim and Rita Rogers enjoy themselves as they browse the display tables looking for interesting pieces of history.



Shella and Linda Dawson get sidetracked by a beautiful piece of deer skin, at one of the tables at the history show.

**People Poll**

*What do you think of the 'Connecting' campaign?*



"I think it's a great idea. There aren't enough activities to draw people out and get people connecting, but I think it's a great idea. I don't think they're doing enough to publicize it."

— Bruce Nowak



"I think this is great. It's too bad more people didn't come and get involved [in the 'free activity night']."

— Ginny Conrad



"It's a good idea. I had five people try out for the school musical because I told them to do it."

— Kim Friesen



"I think it's very good. It promotes unity among the community and it brings people together."

— Linda VandeVoord

By Don Schelske

# The Clarkston News' Millstream

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

## Philanthropist keeps low profile

BY NOAH PURCELL  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

They say the greatest form of charity is when the recipient has no idea where the help has come from.

A couple minutes with Bill Clark is all that is necessary to see that this longtime Clarkston philanthropist would prefer to stay in the shadows. Unfortunately for him, Bill's deeds and charitable endeavors are too numerous for him to operate in anonymity. However he will try to deflect his due onto others until the end.

"I think it's tremendous, when there is something going on that benefits people, the support of the community and the people, it's phenomenal," said Clark. "An example, something I wasn't really involved in outside of writing a little check, was the spray park. The same thing with 'Open Your Heart for Lighthouse.' We basically just approached community business people and had very successful fundraisers and nice parties and good times, and it's just because of the caring generosity of the people in the community."

Clark and his wife Gwen, a breast cancer survivor, are longtime participants in Relay for Life. Their caring for others resonates in one another.

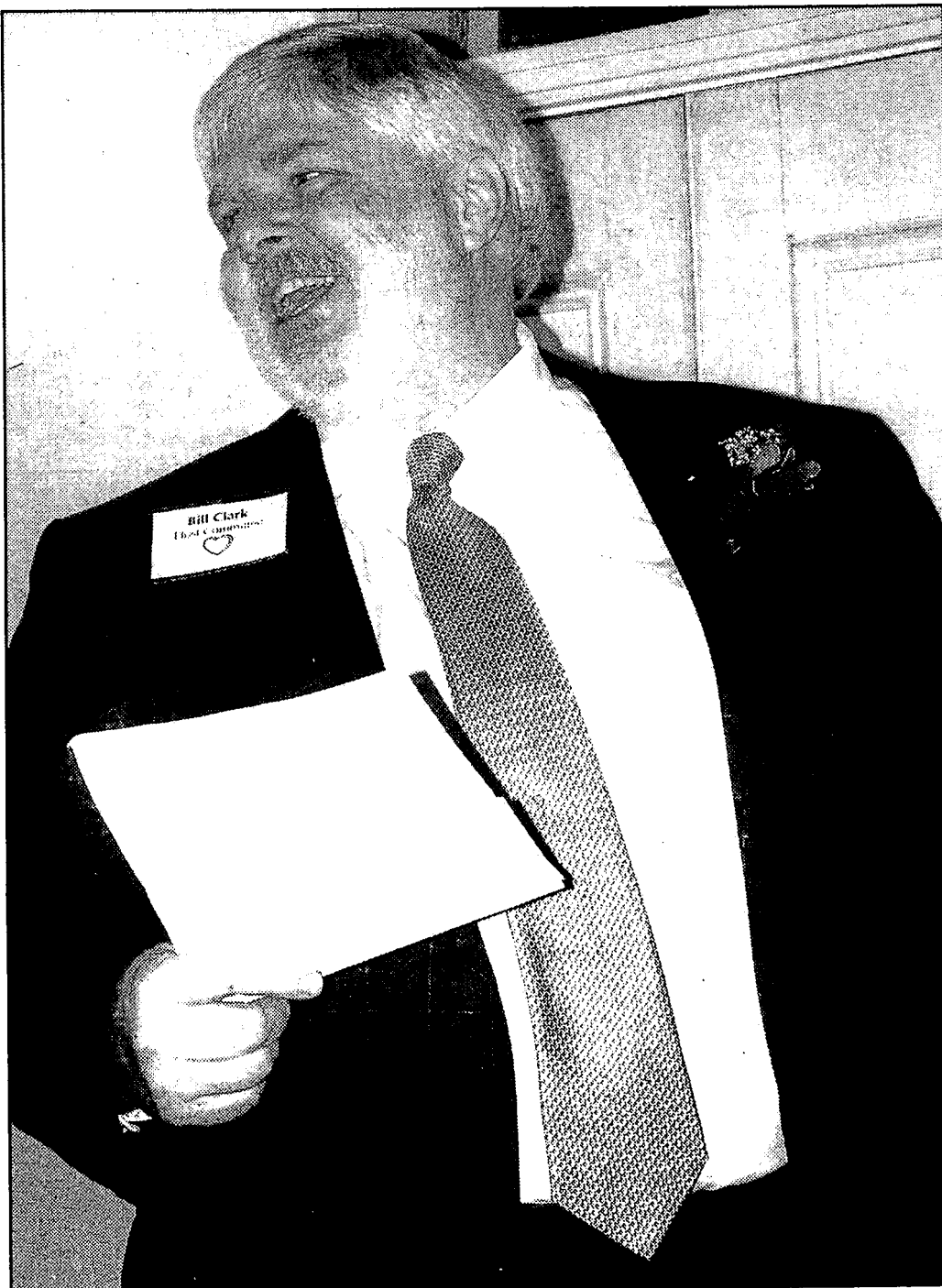
"Gwen's a nurse. She worked for 28 years at St. Josephs. To be a nurse you have to have a basic desire to help people and that was always natural for Gwen," said Clark, who continued with a mischievous glint in his eye of a man wanting to sleep on the couch. He recanted the story of how the couple was wed. "Her dad was my football coach in grade school and I wanted to play first string. I said 'Coach, I'll do anything if you let me play first string.' So I had to marry his daughter."

Lucky for Bill, Gwen is in Florida at the moment. When she is in Michigan though, the couple enjoy working side by side to help others.

"It's nice that we are able to do some of the same things together. With Lighthouse it's nice because we get to work on some of the same projects. It makes it nice getting to spend that time together," said Clark.

While he downplays his personal clout, Bill has done a lot for the Clarkston community over the years by "writing a little check" and "approaching a couple business people." The office he runs, Coldwell Banker Schweitzer Real Estate, has raised thousands of dollars for local charities including Clarkston Lighthouse, Habitat for Humanity, Toys for Tots and Hunger Walks.

The common theme of all Clark's charitable works is that he knows the



Bill Clark speaks during the Feb. 10 "Open Your Heart to Lighthouse" fund-raising event. Clark and his wife Gwen enjoy working together on many different charity projects. Photo by Jenny Matteson

power of a group.

"No charitable endeavor works without the support of many people and the help of many people," said Clark. "The board of realtors selected me as their humanitarian of the year for 2004. It was kind of funny because all I do is say 'Yeah, okay, why don't we go ahead and do that' and the agents here are so phenomenal they just jump on it and run with it. I get some of the credit and I do very little of the work."

Clark's proud smile threatened to grow past the boundaries of his face when he related the story of how his workers raised \$10,000 in a month so that one of their own can receive a kidney transplant. Moments

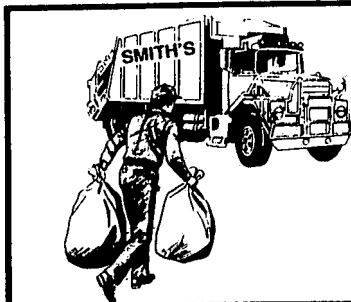
such as this prove good companies and good people start at the top, and Clark's trickle down effect is evident.

The basis for Clark's charitable endeavors is found in his hard work in the private sector. He cofounded Clarkston Real Estate Services (later sold to Coldwell) in 1989 and in 18 months watched the office become number one in market share. In 1999, along with eight others, he helped found the Clarkston State Bank and continues to sit on the board.

And all of his success is from a career he never anticipated.

"I'd always worked since I was 12. I

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# Around Town

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**State Rep. John Stakoe** will hold office hours with County Commissioner Tom Middleton from 8 - 9:30 a.m. on Feb. 25 at Pete's Coney II, located at 6160 Dixie Highway.

Residents unable to meet Stakoe at this time can contact his Lansing office toll free at 1-866-334-0010 or by e-mail at johnstakoe@house.mi.gov to make an appointment.

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Clarkston American Legion Post 63's annual **Wild Game Dinner** is Feb.

26. Doors open at 4:30 p.m. with dinner served from 5 - 8 p.m. The price is \$10 for all-you-can-eat.

The menu includes deer, pheasant, walleye, deep fried turkey, duck, elk, catfish, salmon and boar. All items are subject to "hunter's luck."

The Post is located at 8047 Ortonville Rd. (M-15). For more information, call 248-625-9912 Monday through Saturday from 3 - 8 p.m.

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The Oakland County Sportsmen's Club is hosting a **Sportsmens Swap Meet** on Feb. 27 from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. at their Indoor Range building. Venders will sell or trade all types of sports related items.

The event is open to the public and there is no admission charge. Oakland County Sportsmen's Club is located at 4770 Waterford Rd. in Clarkston. For

further information, please call 248-623-0444 from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. on Tuesday through Saturday.

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**Camp Wilderness**, a youth group campground at Independence Oaks County Park, is now taking reservations for the summer.

Open from May through October, Camp Wilderness is on a 10-acre site. Two areas accommodate up to 160 campers for organized groups such as scouts, churches and day camps.

Amenities include six platform tents (each sleeps four), two pavilions for meals and activities, water, electricity, grills, picnic tables, fire rings and benches. A heated, modern bathhouse offers showers and restrooms. Additional tents are permitted on the grounds, but only first aid and supply trailers will be permitted.

Campers have access to fishing on Crooked Lake, a lifeguarded beach, hiking trails and a 2.2-mile paved path. The Wint Nature Center offers naturalists services, customized programs and exhibits, plus sensory and water gardens.

For more information or to make a reservation, please call 248-625-0877.

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Several classes are currently being offered through **Clarkston Community Education**:

- Register now for **swim classes** at the CHS pool beginning in March. Group, semi-private and private classes will be offered.

- **Excel Step By Step** is held on March 1, 3, 8 and 10 from 6 - 9 p.m. at CHS. Microsoft Windows experience needed. Book fee is \$99.

- **One Stroke Painting** being held from 7-9 p.m. for four Thursdays beginning March 3 at the Community Education Center.

- Looking for some new recipes? **Creative Vegetarian** cooking class is teaching the basics on how to use seasonal vegetables, nuts, grains and starches. Class is on March 7 from 7 - 9 p.m. at the Community Education Center. The cost is \$21.

- **Forensic Science** for middle school students is held afterschool for six weeks on Thursdays from 4:15 - 6:15 p.m. at Sashabaw Middle School. The cost is \$40.

For more information on these courses or to register, contact Clarkston Community Education at 248-623-4321.

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The **Second Annual CHS Powerlifting Meet**, in memory of Kelly Ray Firby, is set for March 5 at 9 a.m. in the Clarkston High School powerlifting room.

Donations are accepted to assist in purchasing equipment for the powerlifting team in memory of Kelly Ray Firby.

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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

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## Tiger Cubs prowl the news...

On Feb. 19, Tiger Cubs, Pack 135, toured *The Clarkston News* as part of "Go See It." The Cubscouts attend H.T Burt Elementary School in Ortonville. Pictured above are Matt Wilson, Bret Sjogren, Bryce Kuehl and Riley Mazzara. The boys enjoyed "Peeking in the Past" while looking through old issues of the news. Photo by Christina Ulaj

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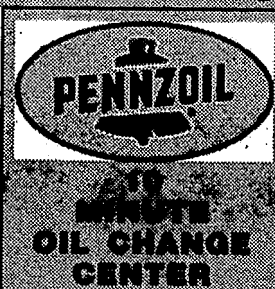


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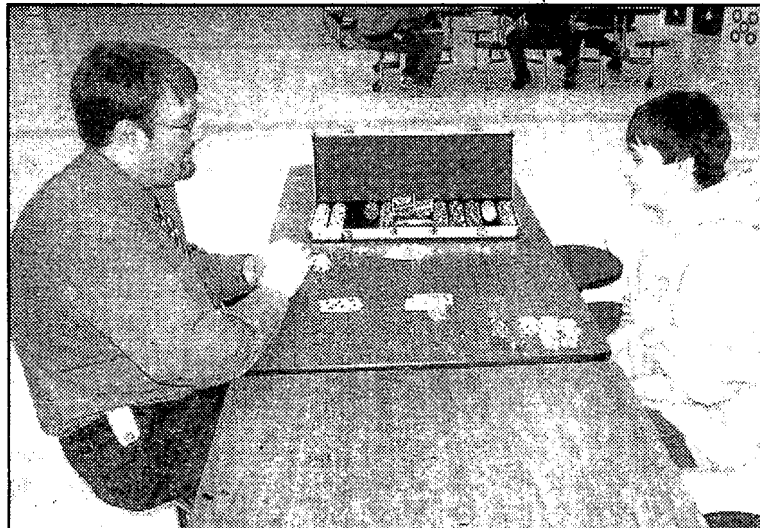
# Connecting to share and learn new skills

Independence Township Parks and Recreation hosted a free activity night at Sashabaw Middle School on Feb. 17.

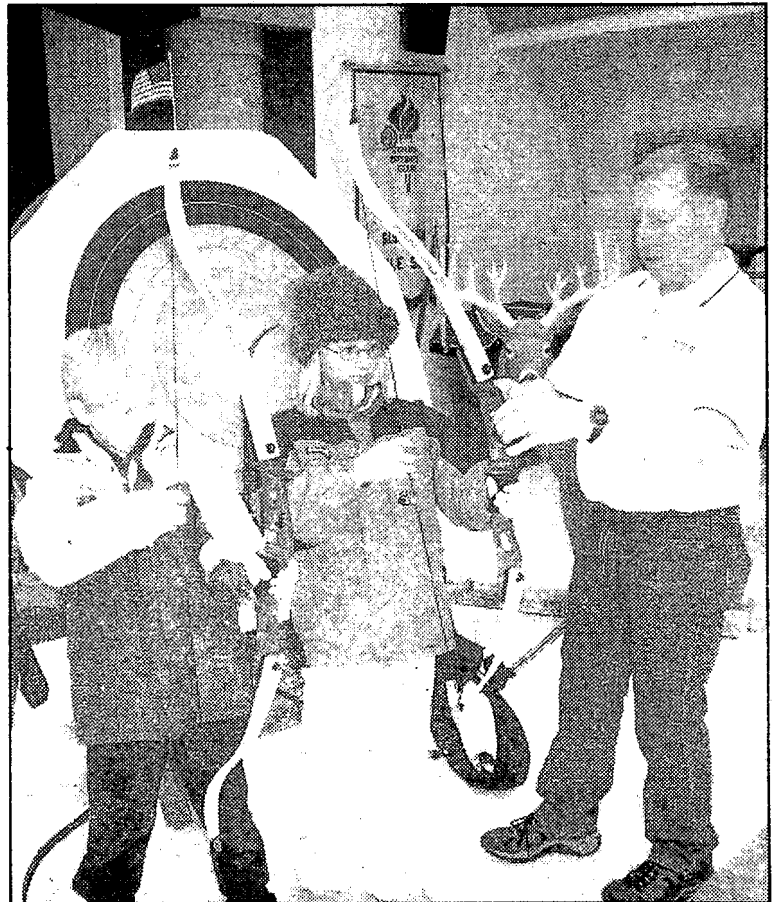
The event coincided with "Teach, Learn and Share a Skill" week promoted by the community initiative known as "Each One Reach One...Connecting For a Better Community."

The event offered visitors exposure to a variety of activities, including scrapbooking, karate, archery and card games. Lots of information was available on family activities offered through parks and rec. and on the "40 Assets of Healthy Development" being promoted by the community initiative.

Photos by Don Schelske



Steve Hyer teaches blackjack to Steve Foreman during the activity night hosted by Independence Twp. Parks and Rec.



Brock Nowak and Erika Nowak receive tips on how to hold a bow from Ron Hall of the Oakland County Sportsmen's Club.



Julie Imirowicz helps Erika Nowak with scrapbooking.



Lisa Forsyth leads students in a karate demonstration. This was one of the many activities available at the Feb. 17 event.



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# Milestones

## Clarkston students receive DAR Good Citizens Award



Clarkston High School senior Anna Kerr and Our Lady of the Lakes High School senior Eric Armstrong were honored on Feb. 6 by the Sashabaw Plains Chapter, National Society, Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR).

Both Kerr and Armstrong attended a special awards ceremony at Mesquite Creek Restaurant where they were named DAR Good Citizens. Each stu-

dent received a pin, certificate, wallet card and flower.

Students are selected for the award based on qualities of good citizenship including community involvement and service, leadership, dependability and patriotism.

Both Kerr and Armstrong are eligible to compete at the state and national levels for scholarships.

## Optimist Student of the Month



The Clarkston Area Optimist Club honored third grade student Jared D. Autremont with February's Student of the Month Award.

A student at North Sashabaw Elementary, Jared received his award on Feb. 16 at the club's weekly meeting at Liberty Golf & Banquet.

Jared was recommended for this award by his principal, third grade

teacher Debbie Latozas, student teacher Katie Kersjes and math teacher Kiryn Dudash.

The Student of the Month Award goes to students who demonstrate concern for their fellow students and are involved in class and community activities. The Optimist Creed is used as a guideline for the decision process.

## Clarkston middle schools no longer NCA members

BY CHRISTINA ULAJ  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

At the Feb. 14 school board meeting, board members accepted a recommendation to withdraw membership from the North Central Association (NCA) for Clarkston Middle School and Sashabaw Middle School.

Deputy Superintendent David Reschke presented the board with the recommendation and reasons for the desire to withdraw.

"We have made efforts to reduce the relations with the North Central Association for some time," explained Reschke.

The withdraw will conserve money, saving the Clarkston school district an estimated \$17,000 to \$20,000 a year.

In a letter sent to the deputy state director of the NCA, Reschke and Superintendent Dr. Al Roberts explained

that due to financial restraints and reorganization of grade levels within the district, the withdraw is best for current conditions.

Currently, Sashabaw Middle School is reconfiguring to house grades six and seven. The changes include: grade levels, curriculum and instruction, in hope to better prepare students for their high school experience.

The NCA accreditation is not necessary for these grades - the school board did not mention any plans to regain accreditation for grades six through seven in the future.

Due to the reconfiguring of schools, the letter also stated the wish to form a new membership in the association for Clarkston Junior High School, which will house grades eight and nine next year.

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# Religion

## How to cope with suffering

You get that dreaded phone call from the doctor and you find out that you have cancer or MS. You turn on the news and you hear that a tsunami has wiped out hundreds of thousands of people. Or a loved one dies. How do you cope with that?

It is helpful, first, to get the big picture. Many Christians set themselves up for devastation because they don't have the big picture. They don't have a proper, biblical worldview. They have this idea that God should protect them from every kind of pain and suffering, so when pain and suffering come their way, they're totally shocked. They are amazed that God could ever allow such a thing. Then they get mad at God and they start to think, "Well maybe God doesn't exist since this happened!"

Jesus himself said, "In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world" (John 16:33). God never promised us exemption from suffering. The fact is we live in a fallen world where all kinds of bad things happen. Rather than seeing this life as all there is, we need to see this life as a test, a trust and a temporary assignment from God. God isn't my genie in a bottle whose goal in life is to give me three wishes so I can have an easy and fun-filled life. No, God has a greater goal in mind.

A second way to cope with suffering is to grow in faith. Romans 8:28 is one of my favorite verses in the Bible. But it's one that has been greatly misunderstood. "And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose" (Romans 8:28).

Read that again slowly. Do we know that everything that happens to us is good? No. It says, "in all things God works for the good of those who love him." That is, no matter what happens, God is working for our good. Verse 35 of Romans 8 tells what "all things" might include: "trouble, hardship, famine." Certainly

those aren't good things, but in the midst of those things, God promises us his love and Presence.

Back to Romans 8:28. "God works for the good." What is "the good?" It's spelled out in verse 29: that we might "be conformed to the likeness of his Son."

On "Larry King Live," Larry King asked Dr. Robert Schuller, "What about the tsunami deaths? Why did God allow that tsunami to happen?" Dr. Schuller had a great answer. He said, "I don't know." Then he went on to make the point that in the Bible God never told people why they were suffering.

Remember Job in the Old Testament? Job lost his family and his business, and God never told Job why. When Jesus hung on the cross he cried out, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" God didn't answer. You see, God doesn't tell us why.

This makes sense. You see, there's a big difference between the theoretical and the personal problem of suffering. When I'm suffering personally, I don't need an explanation - I need relief. If my arm is broken, I don't need the doctor to explain my anatomy to me. I want him to give me a painkiller. That's what God does. When we're suffering, he offers us his Presence, his hope and his love.

At the funeral when my mother died, some people said things like, "Well, it was God's will. God wanted to take her home. God works in mysterious ways." I told my dad, "Dad, if I give them each a dollar will they shut up?"

When you're hurting, you don't need advice - you need a hug.

When you're in tears, you don't need a lesson in theology - you need someone to sit down and cry with you. Bob Benson put it well when he said, "When life caves in, you do not need reasons - you need comfort. You do not need some answers - you need someone. And Jesus does not come to us with an explanation - He comes to us with His presence."

So hug someone who's suffering in the name of Jesus.

(Greg Henneman is senior pastor of Clarkston Community Church.)

### Spiritual Matters



Pastor Greg Henneman

## In our churches...

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.

Cost for the all-you-can-eat dinner is \$8 for adults, \$5 for kids age 5-12 and \$2 for those under age 5. For more information, call 248-634-3373.

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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.

Led by Fr. Don Duford, who holds a Doctor of Ministry degree and is a licensed professional counselor, the series will include sessions on treatment options, intervention, relapse and relapse prevention.

Handouts will be distributed, and coffee, tea and beverages will be provided. There is no charge for the series, although free-will offerings will be accepted.

• A **thematic Bible Study**, including a walk through the Old Testament (Hebrew Scripture) and New Testament (Christian Scripture), will be from 7-8:30 p.m. on Wednesdays through Feb. 23.

The study follows the theme "God is Faithful." Cost for an optional resource workbook is \$17.50.

The Episcopal Church of the Resurrection meets at 6490 Clarkston Road.

Preregistration is required for each program. Call 248-625-2325, ext. 3 for more information.

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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.

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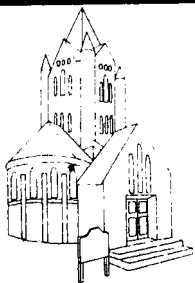
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Join the St. Daniel Catholic Community Saturday, March 13 from noon to 3 p.m. for **Pysanky-Ukrainian egg decorating** with Carol Schwarb, who will give basic and intermediate instructions.

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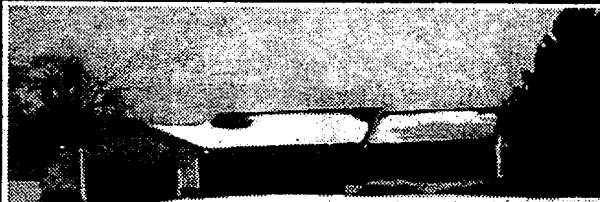
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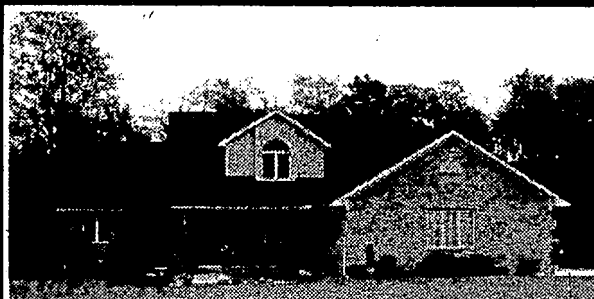
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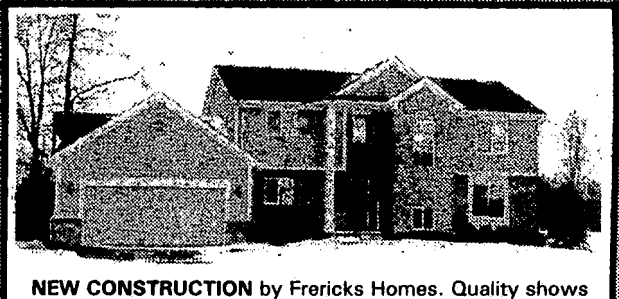
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# In our churches

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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. Ukrainian women collect Pysanky as American women collect fine china.

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Clarkston Community Church will host a "Celebrate Your Mate" marriage seminar on April 15-16. The Friday session will begin at 7 p.m., with the Saturday event running from 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Guest speakers will be Jay and Laura Lafoon.

Cost is \$150 per couple, which includes admission, three Saturday meals and conference supplies. A deposit of \$50 is due at registration (deadline of Feb. 27), with the remainder due by March 13.

For more information, call the church office at 248-625-1323.

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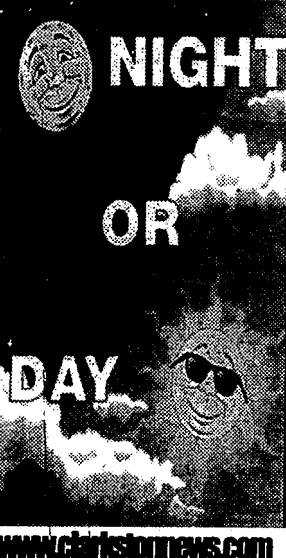
The following upcoming activities are planned at St. Daniel Catholic Church in Clarkston:

• Sunday, March 6 at noon: **Brunch and Speaker on Afghan School**, with an update on progress at the school in southern Afghanistan supported by Kids4AfghanKids, founded by a Livonia teacher with direct personal contact with the school (for more information, visit [www.kids4afghankids.com](http://www.kids4afghankids.com)).

• Wednesday, March 9 at 6 p.m.: **Tsunami Relief Soup Supper**, with all proceeds going to Tsunami Relief.

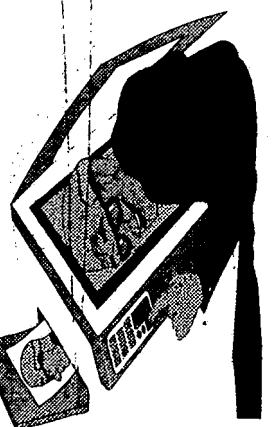
The event will be sponsored by St. Dan's teens, with soup donated by four Clarkston area restaurants. All are invited.

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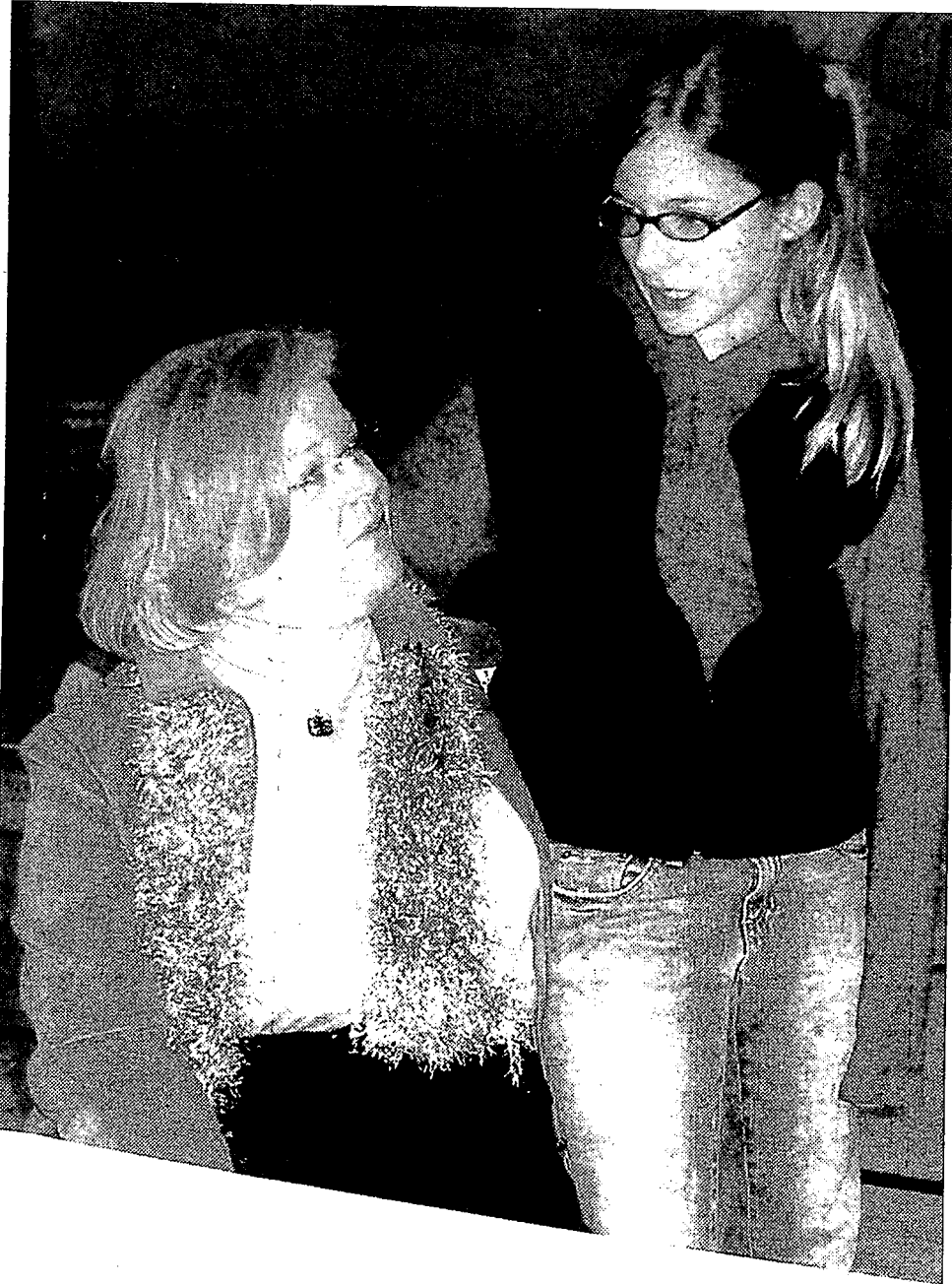


# Independence Elementary welcomes seniors for breakfast

Young and old alike enjoyed a special activity at Independence Elementary School on Feb. 16 for the school's second annual SOCKS (Serving Our Community Kids' Style) event.

Local senior citizens were invited to the school for a special program, light snacks and up-close-and-personal interviews by the students.

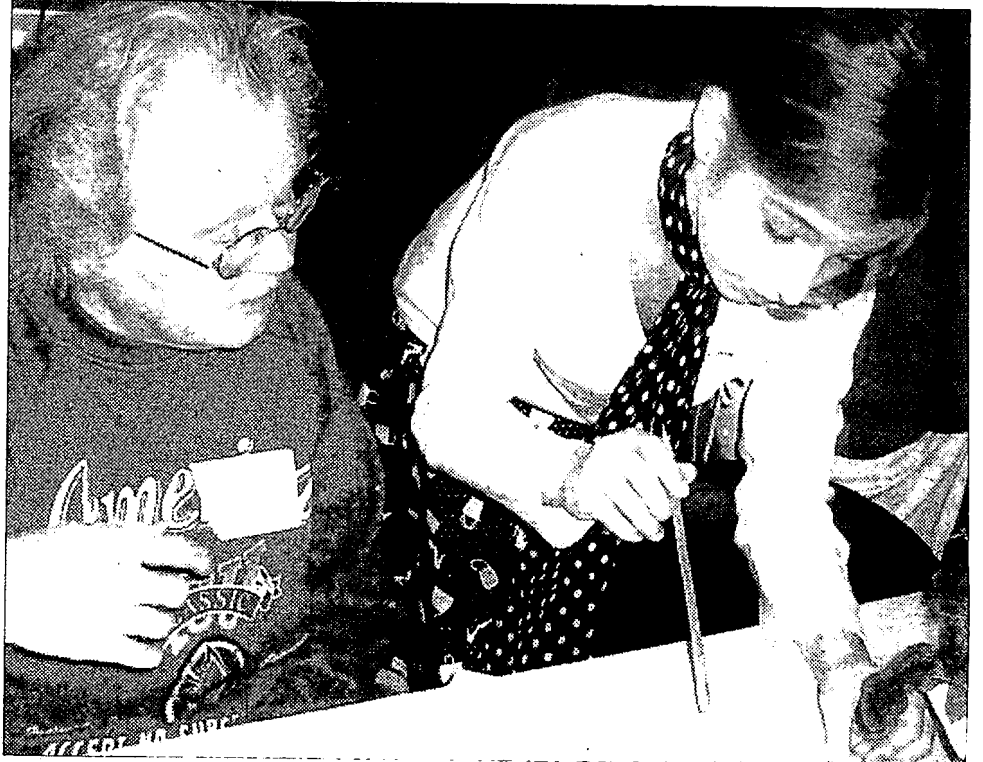
After a short program, which included historical readings and music, small groups met with the seniors to ask questions about their lives and the events important to them. The event provided an opportunity for two-way learning, as seniors were exposed to what's happening in today's schools.



Kathy Vondette enjoys a visit from her granddaughter, Independence Elementary student Katie Vondette.



Quinn Dabrowski, Claire Viazanko and Matt Rodgers direct seniors and guests to the parking lot.



Jeanne Johnson shares details about her life with Holly Panter, Nick Dobbins and Matt Rogers.



"Grandpa" Harold Weaver answers questions from interviewers (from left) Julie Goldberg, Erika Nowak, Steven Reglinen, Spencer Pawlik and C.J. Gocdor.



Kay Robertson enjoys a snack served up by student Mac McClelland.



Elaine Green visits with students Sabrina Moore and Travis Craft.

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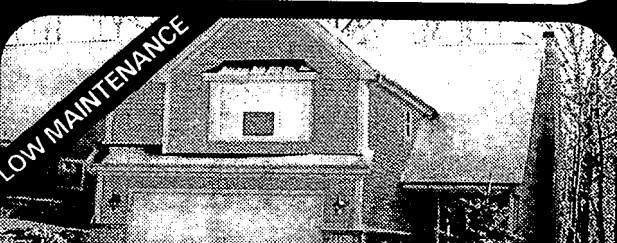


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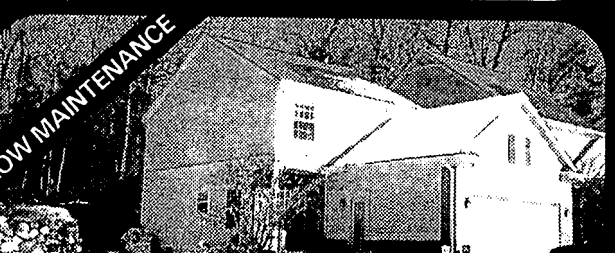
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**LIP-SMACKING UPGRADES** shine t/o this "Sanctuary" ex-model w/an eat-in cherry kitchen, 2-story great room w/floor-to-ceiling fireplace, designer paints, and an out-of-this-world finished daylight level. **\$329,900 72-RAB**



**SPRAWLING 2-YEARS-NEW** residence in a modern sub boasting oversized rooms, varied ceiling heights, a FF master retreat, 2-sided ceramic FP, eat-in kitchen w/toffee-hued maple cabinets, and a 3-car garage. **\$309,900 10-WEL**



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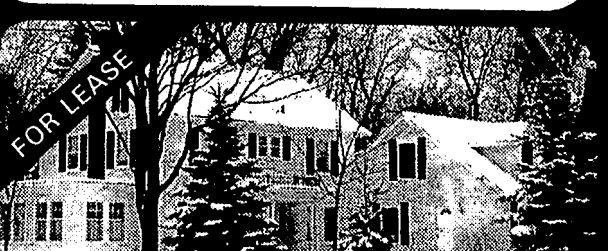
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# Obituaries

## Robert H. "Bob" Jackson

Robert H. "Bob" Jackson, of Waterford, formerly of Huntington Woods, recently passed away.

Mr. Jackson was preceded in death by his wife Joyce Cardew. He was the loving father of David C. (Patricia) of White Lake, Linda J. (Gary) Metzger of Clarkston and Suzanne H. (Robin) Rogers of Ann Arbor; and grandfather of Steven, Katherine, Laura and Lydia.

Mr. Jackson was active in the Clarkston Community Band and Melody Makers Band. He served in the Navy during World War II.

A memorial service was held on February 20, 2005 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home. Memorials may be made to the Waterford Senior Center.

## James C. Good

James C. Good, of Orion, passed away on February 14, 2005 at the age of 61.

Mr. Good was the loving husband of Charlotte for 43 years. He was the father of Anita Creighton, Kandi Creighton, Gary (Mary Ann) Good, Connie (Randy) Fleck, Larry (Brenda) Good, Jerney (Cassandra) Good; son of Viola Rutherford; preceded in death by his infant granddaughter Tiffani; grandfather of 19 and great-grandfather of 13. Mr. Good was also the brother of Mary Lippard, Donna Strine, Jeannie Stewart and Nancy Jones.

A funeral service was held on February 17, 2005 at the Shalom Baptist Church in Lake Orion. Funeral arrangements provided by Lewis E. Wint & Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home.

## Steven R. LaClair

Steven R. LaClair, a well traveled man formerly of the Waterford area, passed away unexpectedly on February 10, 2005 at the age of 37.

Mr. LaClair was the father of Kathryn "Katie" of California and her mother Kathy Brown. He was the grandson of Gladys Goforth of Lake Orion, and was preceded in death by his parents Russell and Sharon. He was the nephew of Janet (Larry) Artes, Elsie (Charles) Dean and Delye (Jackie) Hibler. Mr. LaClair was like a brother to John (Kim) Chapman, Scott Lancucki, Steve (Shikki) Bennington and a host of other friends.

Mr. LaClair was previously employed by JJ Barney Construction and was relocating to the west coast. He had earned a black belt in karate and loved to snow board and ride his Harley.

A memorial service was held on February 18, 2005 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home. Any donations to the family will be used for Katie's future education.

## Thorhallur G. Olafsson

Thorhallur G. Olafsson, of Lovells, passed away on February 9, 2005 at Genesys Regional Medical Center in Grand Blanc. He was 73 years old.

Mr. Olafsson was born on June 13, 1931 in Iceland to Olafur Trgyvisson and Jensina Palsdottir. Immigrating to the U.S. in the 1950's, he worked as a contractor.

Survivors include friend Nova Byford of Lovells; sons Bud Olafsson of Clarkston and Leif Olafsson of Holly; daughter Sina Locke of Warsaw, Indiana; nine grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. He is also survived by siblings Olafur, Snorri and Bryna, all of Iceland.

Private services were held in Mr. Olafsson's honor on February 12, 2005. Arrangements provided by Generations Funeral Home.

## Earle Hawke

Earle Hawke, of Crossville, Tennessee, formerly of Clarkston, passed away in his sleep on February 4, 2005. He was 83 years old.

Mr. Hawke was the beloved husband of Josephine; the loving father of Jody Hawke of Long Beach, California, Dr. Jeff Hawke of Denver, Colorado and Julie (Ron) Honeycutt of Madison, Tennessee; and the dear grandfather of Alissa and Ethen Honeycutt. He is also survived by his brother Allen "Bud" (Marianna) Hawke, and many nieces and nephews in Michigan, Texas and Washington. Mr. Hawke was preceded in death by his sister Irene (Jay) Blaine.

Mr. Hawke was a Marine Corps veteran of World War II. He was a Mason of Cedar Lodge #60 in Clarkston, Scottish Rite, a member of the Kiwanis Club and a life member of the Elks Club. Mr. Hawke lived and worked in Clarkston at Hawke Tool and Engineering and the Nason Co.

A funeral service was held in Crossville, Tennessee. Graveside committal services were held at Acaia Cemetery in Birmingham, Mich. Memorial contributions to Hospice of Cumberland County, 30 E. Adams St., Crossville, TN 38557.

## Rosa Bell Johnson

Rosa Bell Johnson, of Carp Lake, formerly of White Lake, passed away on February 19, 2005 at the age of 83.

Mrs. Johnson was preceded in death by her husband William. She was the mother of Melvin (Margie) of White Lake, Bill (Shirley) of Lake George and Dorothy (Joe) Skarritt of Highland; grandmother of five; and great-grandmother of two. She was also the sister of Frank Harrell of Texas, George Harrell of Texas, Peggy Noe of California, Martha Wooten of Kentucky

and Bobby Harrell of Texas.

Mrs. Johnson loved to cater and cake decorate. She was a member of the Church of Christ. A heartfelt thank you to niece Rose Fick for all her TLC.

A funeral service was held on February 22, 2005 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home. Burial ceremonies held in Christian Memorial Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Church of Christ, Cheboygan.

## William F. Lamers

William F. Lamers, of Clarkston, born in Appleton, Wisconsin, passed away suddenly on February 19, 2005. He was 53.

Mr. Lamers was the beloved husband of Leslie; devoted father of Brent, Courtney, Doug and Lauren; son of Germaine (the late John) Lamers of Kimberly, Wisconsin; son-in-law of Ann (the late Jack) Agness of Houston, Texas; brother of Reg (Shirley) of Long Grove, Illinois, Jerry (June) of Sun Prairie, Wisconsin, Jack (Judy) of Centerville, Ohio, Don (Sue) of St. Louis, Montanna, and Karen (the late Mike) Hughes of Brookfield, Wisconsin. He was preceded in death by his sister Marilyn (the late Frank) Murphy.

Mr. Lamers was also the brother-in-law of Bruce (Regan) Agness of Austin, Texas. He is survived by many caring nieces, nephews and friends.

Mr. Lamers graduated with an MBA from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. He was a C.P.A. and served as vice-president of finance throughout his career. He was a kind, gentle, humble man whose greatest joy was his family. He was a faithful member of Christ the Redeemer Catholic Church. Mr. Lamers was an avid golfer who had many friends with his association with Oakhurst Golf & Country Club.

Funeral Mass was held on February 23, 2005 at Christ the Redeemer Catholic Church in Lake Orion. Private burial rites were held in Houston, Texas. Arrangements provided by Lewis E. Wint & Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home.

Any donations to the family will be used for the future education of the Lamers children.

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# Clark

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came home after freshman year and there were no jobs. The plants weren't hiring. It was the summer of '68, construction was down. I went back to the grocery stores I used to work at in high school and there were no job openings," said Clark. "My Dad was in commercial real estate and he said, 'Why don't you get your real estate license so don't waste the summer.' I did that and I like it and I've been doing it ever since."

Having quit school early due to his runaway success in real estate, Clark worried about setting an example for his children when they were in high school. Now that Stacey and Joe are college

graduates the pressure is gone.

"It was one of those cases where you knew what you were good at. By the end of my junior year I had completed my graduate realtors institute designation. I had taken all of the accounting, finance, law, insurance and real estate classes they offered at Western Michigan University and I was making real good money selling real estate," said Clark. "I'm the only non-college graduate in my family."

No matter how many people sing his praises, Clark expects to keep on being himself—a force in the Clarkston community both in a business and a charitable sense.



Sharon Frericks has been with Bill Clark at Coldwell Banker Schweitzer Real Estate since the beginning. He describes her as his "number one agent and nicest, most generous person around." Photo by Noah Purcell

## Do children experience stress?

I have felt that something has been bothering my 8-year-old daughter for the past month or so. Her appetite is "off" and she just hasn't been acting herself. She isn't sick, although she has had headaches lately. Things at school seem fine.

She is very close to my mother, her grandmother, who has been very ill. I'm starting to think that these recent changes in her could be stress-related. Is it normal for kids her age to experience stress?

Children feel stress long before they grow up. Many children have to cope with family conflict; divorce; changes in schools, neighborhoods or child care arrangements; peer pressure; and sometimes violence in their homes or communities.

The impact of a stressor depends on a child's personality, maturity and style of coping. It is not always obvious, however, when children are feeling overtaxed. Children often have difficulty describing exactly how they feel. Instead of saying "I feel overwhelmed" they might say "my stomach hurts." When some children are stressed they cry, become aggressive, talk back or become irritable. Others may behave well, but become nervous, fearful or panicky.

Stress can affect children's physical health as well. Asthma, hay fever, migraine headache and gastrointestinal illnesses like colitis, irritable bowel syndrome and peptic ulcer can be exacerbated by stressful situations. Parents can help their children learn to keep the harmful effects of stress

### Positive Parenting



Jennifer Arkwright

at a minimum:

- Parents should monitor their own stress levels. Chances are your children deal with their stress based on how they've watched you, so learn to handle pressure in your own life.

- Keep communication lines open. Kids feel better about themselves when they have a good relationship with their parents. Head off stress by talking about upcoming changes.

- Children who do not have close friendships are at risk for developing stress-related difficulties. Parents should encourage friendships by scheduling play dates, sleepovers and other fun activities.

- Parents need to shape daily schedules with their child's temperament in mind. Although children thrive in familiar, predictable environments with established routines and clear safe boundaries, their tolerance for stimulation varies. Be sure that your child's schedule isn't jam-packed as this will definitely lead to being overwhelmed, another stressor.

- No matter how busy their schedule, children of all ages need time to play and relax. Children use play to learn about their world, explore ideas and soothe themselves.

A little stress can be good; it keeps us alert and on our toes. But too much stress is harmful. To determine if your daughter's recent changes are due to stress, consult her pediatrician. Together, the three of you can discuss coping techniques that will gradually ease your daughter's stress. You can provide your daughter tools to replace her anxious feelings with laughter and fun.

Anyone with a question on parenting can e-mail Jennifer Arkwright at [jarkwright@positiveparenting.com](mailto:jarkwright@positiveparenting.com). Questions will be printed without the author's name, unless otherwise instructed.

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# Around Town

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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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The Clarkston Rotary Club will be holding its Fifth Annual "Taste of Spring" Wine Tasting Gala fundraiser at Oakhurst Golf & Country Club in Clarkston on March 9 from 6:30 - 8:30 PM.

Oakhurst Golf & Country Club will present exquisite appetizers, fruits and deserts that evening.

In addition, two special raffle drawings will be held that night:

A custom designed grape garnet and diamond necklace (estimated retail value, \$3,000), donated by Tierra Fine Jewelers. Tickets are available in advance or the night of the event. Raffle tickets will be \$20 per tickets or 6 for \$100. The winner need not be present to win.

The second raffle is for a one-night stay at The Grey Hare Inn, Vineyard Bed and Breakfast, located on Old Mission Peninsula in the heart of scenic North-

ern Michigan Wine Country. Raffle tickets sold only at the wine tasting gala at \$5 each or 5 for \$20.

Oakhurst Golf & CC is located at 7000 Oakhurst Lane, off Clintonville Rd. Tickets are \$40 per person in advance or \$50 per person at the door. Proceeds benefit Clarkston Rotary's community projects.

For additional information please call the following Clarkston Rotarians, Joel DeLong at (248) 625-9741 or Jeff Lichty at (248) 625-4244.

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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 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 Clarkston Health Center is now offering a two-part Diabetic Instruction Out-Patient Program on March 22 and March 24 from 6 - 8 p.m. The program will discuss diet, medication, blood glucose monitors, exercise and prevention of complications.

The fee for the program is \$35, and one additional guest is allowed at no extra charge. The Clarkston Health Center is located at 5625 Water Tower Place, just off Dixie Highway.

For more information or to register, please contact Brenda Pauly at 248-338-5389.

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Now this is one Egg-straordinary event!

Independence Township Parks and Recreation is pleased to present Egg Mania on March 19 at Sashabaw Middle School.

Egg-citing activities include the bunny hop, air brush tattoos, marshmallow bunny, bunny golf, bunny bowling, make your own bunny ears, the egg bag toss, meet the animals, pick a duck, moonwalk, pictures with the bunny, cupcake decorating, make your own bunny tail, egg coloring and dye an egg. Oh, and of course, a special hunt in the Secret Egg Patch!

Tickets are now on sale: \$6 for resident child, \$8 for non-resident child and adults are free! Tickets must be purchased in advance.

To register, stop by the Independence Township Parks and Recreation office, or download a registration form at [www.twp.independence.mi.us](http://www.twp.independence.mi.us) and mail to 90 N. Main St., P.O. Box 69, Clarkston, MI 48347.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

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### SUMMARY CITY COUNCIL MEETING FEBRUARY 14, 2005

Meeting called to order at 7:03 p.m. by Mayor Catalo. Roll. Present: Catalo, Colombo, Gamble, Meyland, Ottman, Savage, Wylie.

Absent: None.

Minutes of January 24, 2005, accepted as presented.

Agenda accepted as presented after deleting Request for New Hire from the Police Report.

Bills in the amount of \$260,251.26 approved for payment.

Year 2003 allocation of \$4,000 for the Independence Township Senior Center reallocated from "Range" to "Carpentering."

Meyland reported that Wylie and Meyland along with several City residents attended the Stakeholders meeting with the Lower Clinton Subwatershed group.

Ottman questioned the parking of a non-working automobile on Miller at Main Street. The Building Inspector will be contacted about this issue.

Colombo reported that he, Mayor Catalo, and Pappas attended the leadership program sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce, and he hopes that there will be future follow up of this program.

Mayor Catalo presented her recommendations for committees and responsibilities. She asked Council to review her recommendations.

Chief Combs reviewed the January statistics. Combs was asked to make the report a thirteen-month report so that Council could compare last year's statistics with the current month's statistics.

Chief Combs reviewed drunk driving arrests. Special patrols are made during events such as Super Bowl Sunday.

Chief Combs further reported that he has three potential candidates for reservists who are putting themselves through the Police Academy at their own expense.

Pursley reported that there had been difficulty in obtaining the breakaways required for the installation of light poles. A source has now been found and adjustments are being made to adapt the available breakaways for installation of the replacement light poles.

The first meeting in March be moved to March 15 to accommodate the Board of Review on March 14.

Julie Piazza, President of the Clarkston Farm and Garden Club, was present to ask the Council's support in the Club's efforts to raise funds for a bridge over the stream in Depot Park. The bridge would be a memorial to Daisy Dowling and would be called the "Dandelion Bridge." The Clarkston Farm and Garden Club will work with Bob Pursley to iron out the details in the construction of the bridge. Funds will be required, and the Farm and Garden Club is formulating fund-raising plans.

The issue of rezoning for P.U.D.s in R-1 and R-2 zoning be referred to the Planning Commission for recommendation to the Council.

City Council requests that the Planning Commission review the current Master Plan and provide recommendations to the City Council.

City Attorney Ryan conducted a first reading of Proposed Ordinance No. 136, an ordinance to address cost recovery of expenses for which the court may order a person convicted to reimburse the City of the Village of Clarkston.

City Attorney Ryan conducted a first reading for Proposed Ordinance No. 137, an ordinance to address offenses concerning minors and possession and/or consumption of liquor.

Commission and Board appointments for 2005 were approved.

Council reviewed downtown parking resulting in directing Chief Combs to have more parking enforcement conducted.

Pappas was directed to write a letter to businesses asking for cooperation in maintaining the two-hour parking limits, and for business owners and employees to use the City's parking lots to free up the on-street parking.

Meeting adjourned at 8:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Artemus M. Pappas  
Clerk

## PUBLIC NOTICE

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### LAKE ORION HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL AND SOCCER FIELD RENOVATIONS-SYNTHETIC TURF

Bid Category: 02000-Site Construction  
Bid Proposals will be received by Lake Orion Community Schools 315 N. Lapeer Street, Lake Orion, MI 48362  
Accepted by delivery or mailed to the Attention of Jillynn Keppler by 2:00 p.m. on March 3, 2005. Any questions contact Ray Lossia at 248-823-4677.

### Michigan Department of Environmental Quality Water Bureau, Permits Section PUBLIC NOTICE

Date: February 23, 2005

The Michigan Department of Environmental Quality proposes to issue an authorization for a discharge to the ground or groundwater pursuant to Rule 2218 of the Part 22 Rules of Part 31, Water Resources Protection, of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, 1994 PA 451, as amended (Act 451) being Sections 324.3101 through 324.3119 of the Compiled Laws of Michigan, and the administrative rules promulgated thereunder to:

**Colombiere Center  
9075 Big Lake Road  
Clarkston, Michigan 48346**

The applicant proposes to discharge a maximum 39,300 gallons per day (9,972,000 gallons per year) of sanitary sewage only to the ground and groundwater from their discharge areas located in the NW 1/4 of the NW 1/4 of Section 24, T 1N, R 7E, Springfield Township, Oakland County.

Comments or objections to the proposed authorization received by March 24, 2005 will be considered in the final decision to grant the authorization. Persons desiring information regarding the proposed permit or procedures for commenting or requesting a hearing should contact: Permits Section, Water Bureau, Department of Environmental Quality, P.O. Box 30273, Lansing, Michigan 48909, Telephone: 517-373-8148.

Copies of the public notice and proposed authorization may be obtained at the Southeast Michigan District Office, Water Bureau, located at 38980 Seven Mile Road, Livonia, Michigan 48152-1006, Telephone: 734-953-8905

Please call 248-625-8223 with any questions.

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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.

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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Independence Parks and Rec. recently announced kickball is back for men and women 18 and over. Register as a team now through March 24. Games will be on Sunday evenings starting April 17. T-shirts will be awarded to the first place team. Teams must have equal or more women to men on the field. Please call 248-625-8223 for more information.

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North Oakland Right to Life is sponsoring a High School Oratory Contest on April 9 at 10 a.m. at the Independence Township Fire Hall on Citation Dr. Students in grades 9-12 can compete for up to \$100. The winner can continue to state and national competitions to win up to \$1,000.

Applicants choose from the following topics: euthanasia, abortion, infanticide, cloning or embryonic stem cell research. Oral presentations should be 5-7 minutes long. Resource material is available at the local library, crisis pregnancy centers, hospice or the Oakland County Educational Resource Center.

The deadline for application is March 25. For more details, please call Mary Beth Baker at 248-625-3933.

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Clarkston High School Class of 1985 reunion is set for Aug. 6 at the Deer Lake Racquet Club. Organizers are currently looking for names and addresses of graduates. Please e-mail [CHS1985@aol.com](mailto:CHS1985@aol.com) with any information.

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### STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF OAKLAND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Decedent's Estate  
FILE NO. 2005-297,241-DE  
Estate of CHARLENE A. LAIDLAW, Deceased Date of Birth: April 7, 1939

TO ALL CREDITORS:  
Creditors of the Decedent are notified that all claims against the Estate will be forever barred unless presented to the (proposed) personal representative or to both the probate court and the (proposed) personal representative within four (4) months of the date of publication of this notice.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS:  
The decedent, CHARLENE A. LAIDLAW, Deceased, who lived at 1004 Lakeshore Waterford, Michigan died December 13, 2004.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Kathy Allen Purdy, named personal representative, or to both the probate court at 1200 N. Telegraph, Pontiac, Michigan 48341 and the named/proposed personal representative within four (4) months of the date of publication of this notice.

Kathy Allen Purdy  
1004 Lakeshore  
Waterford, Michigan 48328  
(248) 682-0171

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### STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF OAKLAND NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Decedent's Estate  
FILE NO. 2005-297,221-DE  
Estate of Dorothy J. Younger, Deceased  
Date of Birth: November 23, 1929

TO ALL CREDITORS:  
NOTICE TO CREDITORS:  
The decedent, Dorothy J. Younger, Deceased, who lived at 2977 Chrysler Waterford, Michigan died January 26, 2005.

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

Sharon Dexter  
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Waterford, Michigan 48327  
(248) 681-8173

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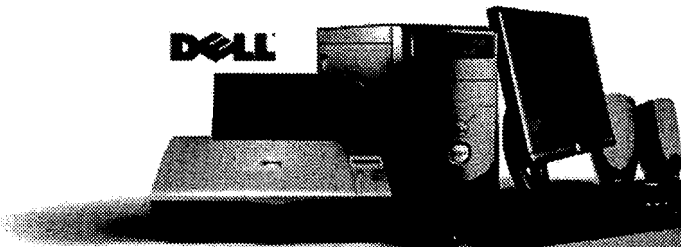


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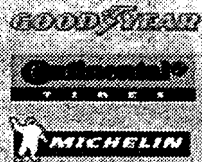
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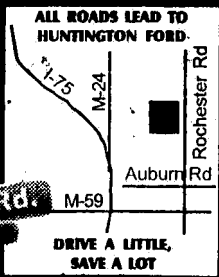
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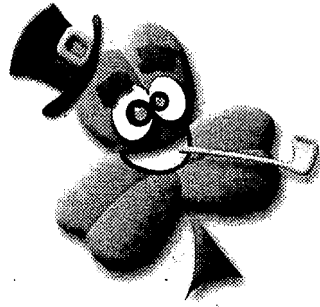
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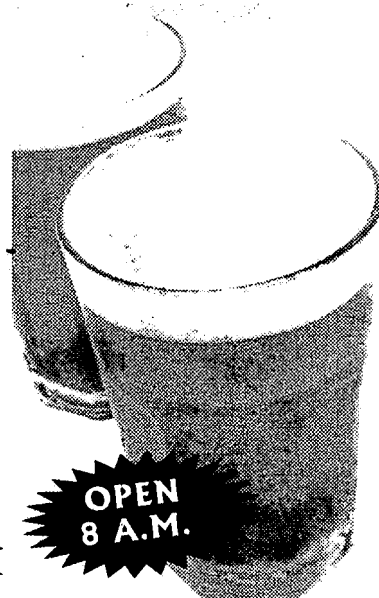
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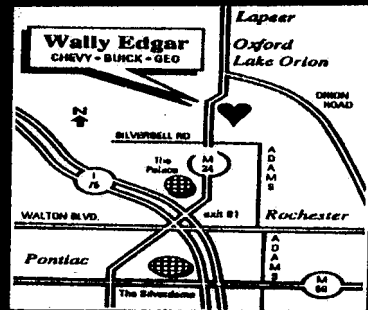




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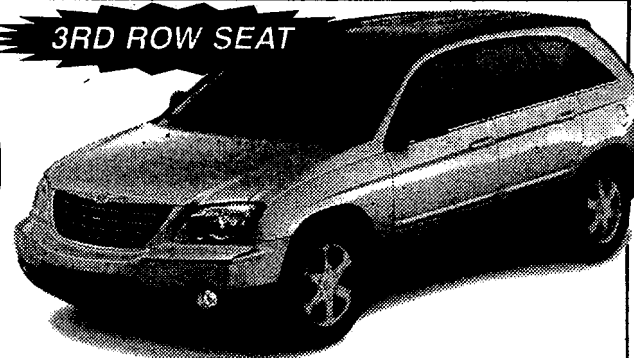
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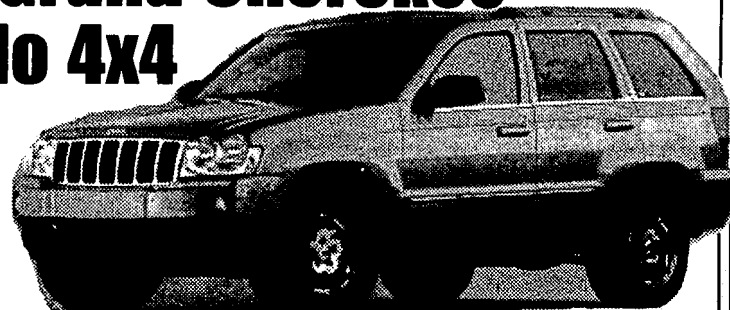
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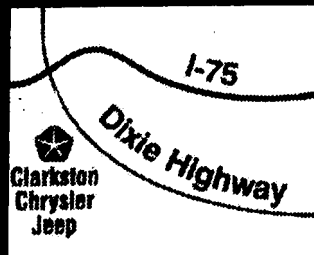
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