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Whoopee Bowl wins reprieve

Springfield business will stay open, but with many changes

BY DON SCHELSKE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

The Whoopee Bowl will remain in business, but the building will cease to be orange.

The Springfield Township Board and the Dixie Highway business owners reached a compromise last week, with the board rescinding their demolition order and the more-than-50-year-old salvage resale business agreeing to drop a lawsuit challenging that order.

The business also agreed to several other conditions requested by the board which had little to do with the "dangerous building" ordinance under which the demolition order was issued.

Attorney Kingsley Cotton spoke for owner Donna Marlowe and her son, Larry, who operates the business, at the March 10 township board meeting. Cotton argued that cleanup work at the Dixie Highway site has been sufficient to deal with concerns voiced by township officials.

"As a gesture of good will," Cotton said the family offered to tear down a one-story wing attached to the main two-story brick building. But he argued that the two-story, 8,000-square-foot structure should remain.

"I don't think there's a good reason to tear down a perfectly good building," Cotton said, presenting an opinion from a licensed engineer that, while the roof will need replacement, the building itself is sound.

Operator Larry Marlowe previously said he has been attempting to sell the property while attempting to sell the remainder of their inventory. Cotton said last week the \$400,000 replacement cost of the two-story structure is significant to the potential sale of the property.

While complimenting the board and township attorney Greg Need for their courtesy in the ongoing discussions, Cotton repeated a line from his March 2 letter concerning the gist of his lawsuit.

"It seems to me that a municipality exceeds its authority when it continues to press for the demolition of a building which is no longer unsafe," Cotton said.

Citing the pending litigation, the board went into closed session with Need for about 15 minutes. Upon their return to open session, Supervisor Collin Walls

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Road Commission for Oakland County employees work to remove traffic signals from M-15 at the northbound exit ramp from I-75 just before 9 a.m. on March 12, after a vehicle ran off the road and snapped one of the support posts. Photo by Don Schelske

Crash closes M-15 at I-75

BY DON SCHELSKE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Motorists were unable to cross I-75 on M-15 for a time last Saturday, and those exiting southbound I-75 had to endure a temporary stop sign all day as road and utility crews scrambled to reinstall traffic signals felled by a motorist.

Deputy Mike Carolin, who came from the Springfield Township substation to assist with traffic, said a southbound M-15 vehicle left the roadway, crashing into a support pole for the traffic signals. The post snapped, sending the

overhead devices to the pavement.

Official details concerning the motorist, the cause of the crash and possible injuries were not immediately available from the Oakland County Sheriff's Department.

Saturday morning traffic on M-15 (in both directions) was diverted to I-75 until the road reopened shortly after 9 a.m. Detroit Edison responded to erect a new post and power line.

Craig Bryson, public information officer from the road commission, said the signals were back in service at about 6:30 p.m.

Hop on down to annual Egg Mania festivities

Clarkston residents who simply can not get enough of Easter festivities should make a bunny-line for Sashabaw Middle School as Independence Township Parks and Recreation is pleased to present Egg Mania on March 19.

This is the first year for "Egg Mania," but Independence Parks and Recreation has been putting on an Easter egg hunt for the past 100 years.

New this year, aside from the name, is a flashlight egg hunt in the Sashabaw Middle School gymnasium. All children planning on participating in the egg hunt

should bring a flashlight and a bucket with which to horde their bounty.

Other 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 egg dyeing.

Due to an early Easter and late snowfall, all events will be held indoors at SMS.

The fun starts at 11:15 a.m. for children ages 2-5


and 1:30 p.m. for children six and up.

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 for the event, stop by the Independence Township Parks and Recreation office, or download a registration form at www.twp.independence.mi.us and mail to 90 N. Main St., P.O. Box 69, Clarkston, MI 48347.

Please call parks and recreation at 248-625-8223 with any questions.

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Group enjoys Psanky egg decorating.

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Kindergarteners enjoy a 'surreal' experience



The Montessori School of Clarkston kindergarten class loves ArtSmarts. The children had a whimsical time learning about surrealism by Salvador Dali this past February. Pictured with their new "mustachios" are (front, left-right) Martha Steupert, Dana Pangori (back) Zachary Spann, Mrs. Toshia Joseph, Claire Garnier and Gillian Noonan. Photo provided

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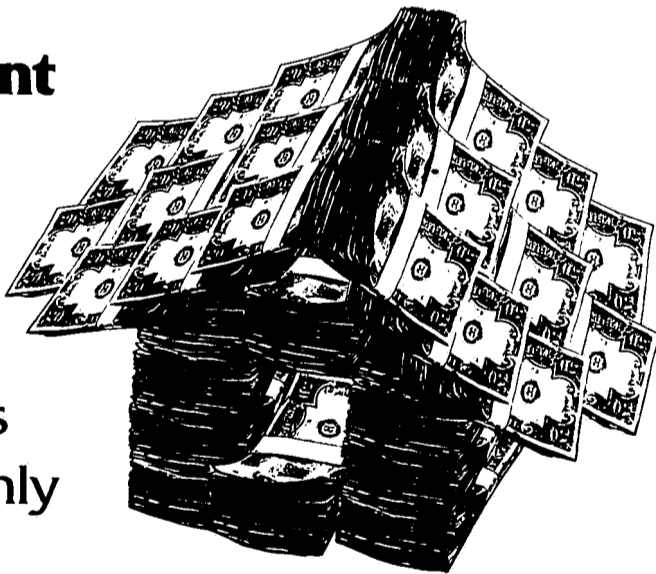
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The Second Front

Briefly

New community-wide volunteer night set

The Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce and Clarkston Community Schools will host a new community-wide Volunteer Appreciation Night on April 13 at Clarkston High School at 7 p.m.

The event includes a program in the performing arts center with keynote motivational speaker Tim Cusack and music by the Madrigal Singers. A reception will follow in the cafeteria with time to learn more about local groups and organizations.

The event is held in the spirit of the Clarkston Coalition's "Each One, Reach One... Connecting for a Better Community" initiative.

If you volunteer within the community or you would like to come and honor those who have, simply register by calling 248-623-3896. Please register no later than April 6.

CAYA honors youth

The Clarkston Area Youth Assistance Youth Recognition Reception is scheduled for April 26 at 7 p.m. at the United Methodist Church on Waldon Rd.

Nominations are now being accepted to recognize youth who have made an outstanding contribution to an individual or an organization without compensation for their time.

For a nomination form, please call CAYA at 248-625-9007.

Election registration deadline approaches

Registration deadline for the May 3 Clarkston School Board of Education election is April 4, 2005. Electors wishing to register can visit any Secretary of State branch office, the Oakland County Clerk's office or their local clerk's office.

For more information, please contact your local clerk's office or the Oakland County Clerk's office at 248-858-0564.

Nominations sought

Nominations are sought for the 20th Annual Clarkston Community Awards. This year's event corresponds with the Michigan Week Celebration and is sponsored by the Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce and Oxford Bank.

To recognize the important contributions others make to the community, nominations are sought in the following categories: Citizen of the Year, Young Person of the Year, Business Person of the Year, Adult-Youth Volunteer, Community Preservation, Community Beautification, Community Enhancement and Community Collaboration.

Nomination forms available at the chamber office located at 5855 S. Main St. or online at www.clarkston.org. All nominations must be received by April 22.

The 20th Annual Community Awards Breakfast is May 18 from 8-9:30 a.m. at Liberty Golf and Banquet. Tickets for the event are \$15 per person or \$150 for a table of ten. Please contact the chamber office at 248-625-8055 for tickets.

Correction

In a March 9 story in *The Clarkston News* concerning a proposed commercial development at Andersonville and White Lake roads, the developer of the project should have been identified as Tim Wickersham.



Ron Ledwell and Brett Dickie kick back on the set of "Video Xtreme" at the Independence Township local access studio. When asked about the potential comparisons to the Saturday Night Live-inspired, "Wayne's World," Dickie said, "It's been mentioned a few times." Photo by Don Schelske

Cable Access TV show rocks on

BY DON SCHELSKE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Brett Dickie is a rather reluctant television star.

One of the hosts of "Video Xtreme" on Independence Township local cable access channels 10 and 20, Dickie has aspirations in the television or film industry. His goal, at least at first, was to be a producer or director.

"I told myself, 'I truly do not want to be in front of the camera,'" he said, but then came the opportunity to resurrect the production, which focuses on hard rock and heavy metal. "I really couldn't turn this down."

Dickie, along with co-host Ron Ledwell and producer-director Jason Hughes, collaborate for the monthly production out of the Comcast building on Maybee Road. The "childhood friends" are 1999 Clarkston High School graduates who were in a film class together in their junior year.

Hughes, who now works for the local cable operation, thought of Dickie to be the host.

"I do consider myself up to date on bands and music," Dickie said. "I follow it naturally."

Dickie is building his industry credentials as well. After completing a one-year program at the Motion Picture Institute of Michigan, he is now a junior at the University of Michigan-Flint, majoring in television and mass media.

Hughes and Dickie brought in Ledwell to serve as co-host, finding the on-camera interaction to be more effective.

The trio's first assignment was at St. Andrew's Hall in Detroit, where they interviewed the bands Finger 11, Local H and the Burden Brothers.

"It was my first time on camera," Dickie said. "I was so nervous."

The bands, however, were very cooperative, even recording tag lines for use on the show. Dickie and Ledwell offer commentary, show videos from the various bands and give updates on Detroit area concerts. As time goes on, the program may give an opportunity for local bands to play their music.

They've found other ways to be creative, including shooting the show's opening outside the studio. The scene is from the perspective of a special stakeout, with Dickie and Ledwell playing the roles of the "suspects." The scene plays out with a certain degree of melodrama, ending with the duo's apprehension and "sentence" to host the show.

In addition to support at the studio, Dickie has received "great advice" from his sister, Rebecca, who is studying at Western Michigan University.

Dickie hopes to eventually direct and produce in television or film. In the meantime, "this is fun," he said. "To be able to come up here [to the studio] and have it at our disposal for a show more geared to our age group, something we really like to do, is incredible," he said.

Watch for "Video Xtreme" at 10 p.m. Friday-Sunday and at 9 p.m. Tuesday on local cable access channels 10 and 20.

Granhholm congratulates The Clarkston News on 75 years

The following letter was received from Gov. Jennifer Granholm in honor of *The Clarkston News'* 75 Anniversary:



Dear Friends:

Please accept my heartfelt congratulations and well wishes on this, the 75th anniversary of *The Clarkston News*.

The Clarkston News history is representative of the millions of success stories that have made this

great country what it is today. Founded in 1929, it has outlasted the Great Depression and seven different owners; *The Clarkston News* has set a fine tradition of quality community journalism worthy of awards from groups such as the Michigan Press Association. My wish for you my friends is another 75 years of keeping residents of the Clarkston area up to date on all the latest news.

It is with great respect that I offer my warmest wishes to *The Clarkston News* as it celebrates its 75th anniversary.

Sincerely yours,
Jennifer M. Granholm
Governor

CHS Senior Spotlight



Name: Anne Oltman

Parent's Names: Russ and Cindy Oltman

Favorite Subject: Child Development

School Activities: I'm part of the girls cross country and track teams. I'm also involved in NHS.

Outside Interests: I love going to the basketball and volleyball games at our school and participating in youth group at my church.

What are your plans after graduation? After graduation I plan on attending the University of Dayton. I will major in either education or business and I will be part of their cross country and track teams. I hope to have the chance to study abroad in the summer in Europe.

Where do you see yourself in 25 years? In 25 years I see myself married with two-four children. I would like to have a part-time job so I can be home with my children and still have a career. I hope to have traveled to many different countries, meeting a variety of people and learning about their culture.

Best friends are people who: defends you at all costs. They get excited for you when something amazing happens to you and give you a warm hug when things don't go so well. A best friend is someone you have fun with no matter if you are at a great party or directing cars to park in 90 degree weather.

What worries me most about the world is: so many people see the bad rather than the good in people. They concentrate and gossip about people's flaws, thinking it's funny instead of admiring and complementing their successes.

I will make a contribution to my community by: Every summer I go on Righteous Mission trips with my church to paint houses and help communities in need. In college, I plan on doing the same thing, but going to places in Africa.

Local students prepare for battle at the finals

BY CHRISTINA ULAJ
Clarkston News Staff Writer

A local band, "Eleven Letters Long," competed in the Battle of the Bands, and made finals.

The well-known ensemble recently combined their talents to participate in "The Detroit News" Battle of the Bands.

"Eleven Letters Long" has been together as a group for about five months. They play classic rock and roll, and have performed at the Clarkston Chamber's Concerts in the Park as well as Taste of Clarkston.

The group is composed of: Brian Shepanek on lead guitar, Jon Brown on drums, Brandon Boozer on vocals and rhythm guitar, Alex John on vocals and percussion, Greg Davis on keyboards and vocals, and Brennan Haase on bass.

When the boys heard about the contest, they worked fast.

"My dad told me about the contest," said Shepanek. "Quickly after, we scrambled."

The main requirement of the contest was submitting a tape or disc of one to three songs. There was one problem the boys didn't have any tracks recorded. Quick as possibly, the boys recorded five

original tracks for the March 4 deadline.

All the hard work resulted in "Eleven Letters Long" as one of ten bands to make finals. Now, the group must prepare for the next level of competition on March 19. The band will step on stage at the State Theater and play a ten-minute set of original material for a panel of judges.

"We are very excited and honored at the chance to play at the State Theater," said Shepanek. "The professional sound mixing equipment, the lights and the people will be very exciting."

Winners receive prizes including: gear from www.themusicedge.com, 1,000 custom CD's from Disc Makers, Brian Moore (Guitar, a free entry into the John Lennon Songwriting Contest, professional audio and video recording session on board the John Lennon Educational Tour Bus, and a spot to play on Fox 2.

"Eleven Letters Long" said they want to have a great time and hope everyone will come down to watch. The final competition for "The Detroit News" Battle of the Bands is at the State Theater on March 19 at 2:30 p.m.

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Faded Ink

Home Depot withdraws proposal for Kroger site

BY DON SCHELSKE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Rumors concerning a proposed Home Depot in Springfield Township turned out to be true — for a short period of time.

The home improvement retail chain decided to withdraw their formal proposal before it even reached the township planning commission agenda.

A Feb. 14 letter from Greenberg Farrow Architecture Engineering Development to township Building Director Leon Genre was included in the March 10 township board packet.

The letter referred to comments from the township's planning consultant, Carlisle/Wortman Associates, in reaction to a formal site plan proposal for the area just south of the Springfield Town Square center on Dixie Highway south of Davisburg Road.

"It is still apparent by their comments that The Home Depot continues to be an undesired commercial venture at this location," wrote architect Michael R. Klingl. "At this time, Home Depot has decided not to proceed with their proposal and request that it be removed from the agenda."

The site plan application, asking for about 120,000 square feet of store space with an additional 29,000-square-foot garden center would have been on the Feb. 21 township planning commission agenda.

Springfield Township Supervisor Collin Walls said conversations about the store's attempt to locate near the new Kroger store started "about three or four months after the rumors started." Serious conversations began around October 2004, Walls said, with informal consultations among various officials.

Walls did not necessarily agree with the contention that The Home Depot is "an undesired commercial venture," but did not apologize for defending the township zoning ordinance.

"The administration had reviewed two or three different plans before they submitted their official plan,"

Walls said. "We made sure they were aware of our standards and regulations."

The store plan was "standard size," Walls said, but he gave credit for "non-standard architecture" which attempted to meet township criteria for the Dixie Highway corridor. He cited Hosler Pontiac and Springfield Town Square as new developments which meet those standards.

Officials had been tight-lipped about the chain's attempt to locate in Springfield Township.

"I don't talk to people about things until a plan is submitted," Walls said, because in most cases informal conversations do not lead to hard proposals.

The 10-acre site is still zoned C-2 commercial, however, and Walls said it was always intended to be connected with the Kroger development. Storm drainage and sanitary infrastructure are already in place for additional commercial development.

"It's more than conceivable," Walls said. "It's going to happen."

Bank celebrates local renovation...

Participating in a \$250 check presentation from National City Bank to the Clarkston Schools Instrumental Music Association are (from left) Chelsea Gross, Clarkston High School student; Kurt Kuehn, National City branch manager; Sam Gianino, National City vice chairman; Jessica Daukas, CHS student; and Sherri Salk, assistant branch manager. The March 10 event marked the grand opening of the expanded branch office on Dixie Highway in Independence Township. Photo by Don Schelske

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Opinion

So much to say, so little space

Oh my, oh my. Okay, I have a lot to say this week, so let's get right down to it.

First, I got to spend my Friday evening with the Clarkston Village Players and their production of "Lost in Yonkers" - and I have to say, one scene truly stole the show in the well-intentioned production.

Act II, Scene 2 centered around Aunt Belle, played by Elizabeth Wingert-Nelson. Belle is a woman with a "childlike" understanding of the world in a family that is bonded and torn apart by their relationships to each other.

In the scene, Belle tells her cold, hard, demanding mother; gangster brother; terrified sister; and naive nephews that she has found a man to marry and she wants to open a restaurant with him. The scene explodes into an emotional collapse for the family that leaves the audience wondering how everyone will continue forward.

I must say, Wingert-Nelson put forth an excellent performance. Her character was believable, emotional and innocent. Even though the focus of the play is on two young boys (Jay and Arty) being displaced in Yonkers, Belle was really the character that grew and changed.

The audience was able to see the cloudy veil lifted from the family as they faced her situation and reacted in their own unique ways. I lost track of the primary characters, the two youths in the play, and focused upon a woman who caught my attention from the moment she came on stage.

I felt sorry for the woman who was really "Lost in Yonkers," until she found herself, and her family found themselves, in the end.

To get "Lost in Yonkers" with CVP, make sure to order tickets at 248-625-8811.

Now, onto another topic. For the past year and a half, *The Clarkston News* has been running articles to celebrate our 75th anniversary. Well, guess what... those were only warm-ups for the real thing.

Allow me to go on about my job for a moment here.

For the past couple of months I have been making contacts, all be them sometimes preliminary, for help in putting together a special 75th edition of the paper. For those history buffs out there, this will be a real treat. We are planning stories on histories ranging from business in Clarkston to Clarkston schools to the newspaper in Clarkston in general to Sherman Publications, Inc. to top historic news stories. There will be lots and lots of pictures, and even a section on *The Clarkston News* as we operate today.

We are planning one stop-the-presses party including open house, trying to put together a cookout (no guarantees yet on that one!) and redoing the office for the whole shindig.

Oh, and did I mention all this is to be done by May 18? Say it with me ladies and gentlemen - Aaackkk!

Well, it happened. I've run out space. I guess I will simply have to put everything else on hold and leave everyone with this final question: Did you remember to fill out your college basketball brackets?

The News to Me



Jenny Matteson

Residents respond to Harry Knitter Don't give up fight against WalMart

Dear Editor,

In your March 9 paper you printed a letter from Clarkston citizen Harry Knitter.

In reading Mr. Knitter's letter, I came away feeling that he is ready to give up the fight and allow the big box stores to destroy our community.

Well, I was at the first two COG meetings and I am willing to bet that the 300 people I saw at those meetings don't share in his feelings.

Mr. Knitter, there are examples of big box stores being defeated all over the country. Here in our own state, the town of Charlevoix defeated WalMart with only 30 people. At the first COG meeting, there were 300 concerned citizens ready to fight the good fight against the developers. I am confident that not one of the 300 folks at the COG meetings had the simplistic notion that by just telling WalMart to go away, they would turn tail and run. This is going to be a long fight and we must all be willing to wage it.

Instead of giving up Mr. Knitter, you should be the next person to join COG and lend your hand to gathering facts, creating presentations or simply attending township meetings. Please, help our entire community, and your neighbors, to defeat the big box stores. You can even join online at www.cogmi.org.

I would much rather shop at Rudy's, the Clarkston Bakery, Kinetic Systems, Kroger, ACO and many of the other friendly stores we have here in Clarkston. If I am going to be greeted at the front door of a store, I want it to be by someone who actually knows my name

and not someone paid to give me a false hello.

Join the team Mr. Knitter, you will be welcomed by people who will call you by name and remember you the next time you return.

Sincerely,
Randy Golab
Concerned, but not naive,
Independence Township Citizen

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor:

This letter is really written to Harry Knitter, who wrote last week in these pages that "there is nothing this community can do to stop the Big Box Proposal from happening in our town."

The simple fact is that hundreds of communities have defeated the threatened invasions of these Big Boxes and the problems they bring. The secret to their success is simple. It takes organization, participation, determination and the patience for the long battle.

It is not naive to think that these Big Box retailers can be rejected. The letter does a good job of explaining some of the ways in which these Big Box stores can overwhelm and literally alter the fabric of a community.

So, it is not time to give up. It's time to get ready and create the stronger hammer. I urge Mr. Knitter and everyone who reads this letter to join more than 400 other local residents who have organized as Citizens for Orderly Growth, so we can be the ones that define our community.

Craig Bennett
Independence Township

A few words on Clarkston basketball

I have known Dan Fife since high school, when we competed on the basketball court and on the baseball diamond. I went to Waterford Township High School and we both graduated in 1967.

I moved my family to Clarkston in 1979 so that our son and daughter could attend Clarkston schools. As our son Scott was growing up, he worked hard in the McGrath program, and he and I always dreamed that one day he could play basketball for Dan at CHS. Since I knew Dan and Scott loved baseball, we got together and I helped him coach the boys in the summer baseball program.

I always have had the utmost respect for Dan as a person and a coach. When he had to face some unfair controversy, due to his sons regularly starting on the varsity as freshmen in football and basketball, I took the side of many others to support him and encourage him to remain in Clarkston... thanks goodness he did!

Scott got the chance he (and I) wanted in the 1994-95 and 1995-96 seasons to play for Dan on the CHS varsity. As a starter his senior year, Scott learned firsthand the value of working hard and how to play his role for the good of the team - two significant traits that Dan teaches. That was an experience that neither Scott nor I will ever forget and we owe the vast majority of that wonderful experience to Dan Fife.

As excellent a basketball player as each of Dan's three sons were (Dugan, Jeremy and Dane), Dan's most positive characteristic as a coach and a person is his ability to get the absolute most out of every player and convince them to play to the very best of their ability. This encouragement produces not only good players, but good people as well. Dan's teams are all about being successful and at times that may not necessarily be winning, but it will mean that his team played the very best they could and they played as a team, representing their community, their family and themselves in the high-

est manner possible.

At the time of this writing, Clarkston has again advanced to the quarterfinals of Class A and regardless of the outcome this year, the recent success of the varsity basketball team in reaching the quarterfinals each of the past three years is an outstanding tribute to whom I consider to be the best basketball coach in the state of Michigan.

Dan Fife and his program are envied and highly respected by nearly every coach and every program around and he belongs to Clarkston. We should all be thankful for it.

Bill Hill
Clarkston

Dear Editor,

If you're an avid fan of the Clarkston Wolves hoops team, as I am, you know how their scheduling during the state tournament left a lot to be desired.

The home team put on a great show in recent games against Grand Blanc, Waterford Mott and Kettering, and Brighton, winning all of their "must" contests to advance to the next round, on their way to the finals at Michigan State's Breslin Student Events center.

However, it became almost impossible for the average fan to attend the games and root for the Wolves, since the geniuses who schedule them put Clarkston against Brighton and Grand Blanc at Anchor Bay instead of placing them in some nearby gym for the games. I'm told that league rules demanded that placement, but in an era of record-highs in gas prices, it would have made good sense to stay closer to home.

If fans who drove from Clarkston, Brighton or Grand Blanc calculate the impact of gas price increases on their transportation budgets, they will be in for "sticker

Please see Letters, page 17A.

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A Look Back

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

15 YEARS AGO (1990)

• Village officials all re-elected: There was no upset in the Village of Clarkston election Monday, March 12. The Clarkston Village Council Members, all incumbents, retained their seats despite votes for three write-in candidates.

• School trustee resigns position: Trustee Elaine Schultz has resigned her position on the Clarkston School Board of Education.

Schultz announced her intention to resign at the board's regular March 12 meeting. Although the resignation became effective immediately, the board unanimously voted to appoint her to finish out the term year ending June 11.

• Supervisor uncovers elusive tooth: Matt Crigger, 8, uncovered the true identity of the Tooth Fairy march 13 - on his elementary school playground.

At Recess last Tuesday, the Bailey Lake Elementary third-grader was running and sliding on the icy playground when he fell over another boy and broke his tooth on the ice.

The tooth broke off at the gum line and Matt also received a swollen lip from the fall.

25 YEARS AGO (1980)

• Remke Sr. buys Clarkston Mills: The Clarkston Mills

now has a new owner, Tom Remke Sr., and optimism about the future of the shopping mall abounds.

Opened about one-and-one-half years ago, the Clarkston Mills, 20 W. Washington, Clarkston, has been a curiosity for area residents as plans for a restaurant were discussed and then dropped off and on over the time span.

• Boundaries to change at three schools: Elementary school boundary changes which would take Andersonville sixth graders out of Clarkston Junior High have been tentatively approved by the Clarkston Board of Education.

• No 'raggedy flag' for Clarkston headlined the front page picture of women putting up a new American flag.

• CHS attendance policy unchanged: enforcement of Clarkston High School's "tough" attendance policy is being tightened up, but protesting parents have won no change in the policy during this school year.

Some of those who have been complaining about the way the policy is being carried out are threatening a lawsuit.

50 YEARS AGO (1955)

• Goodwill trucks Here Monday: An emergency call for usable, repairable discards was made today by Goodwill Industries, Michigan's largest employer of handicapped people.

• Gail Wilds Named Homemaker: Gail Wilds has been named the Homemaker of Tomorrow in Clarkston high School.

She received the highest score in a written examination which tested the homemaking aptitude of the senior girls in her graduating class.

• Township Holds last Caucus: The last caucus to be held in Independence Township for the nomination of township officers took place last Saturday at the Community Center. The primary method of election will be used from now on until changed. It was probably the largest caucus held in the township.

Some Irish jokes for ye

March is a time when folks start to think spring in Michigan may actually arrive. It's also a time car dealerships and furniture stores have Irish-themed sales. There's still snow on the ground. The air is still cold and, wouldn't you know it, St. Patrick's Day is here.

To help all you of non-Irish descent let me say this: Green beer is for wanna-bees. Don't drink green beer. And, while you're sippin' your pint, here's a few jokes your can share with the lads.

An Irishman fell a hundred feet from a building site and asked if he was hurt by the fall. "Indeed not," he replied, "It wasn't the fall that hurt me at all, it was the sudden stop."

Murphy said to his daughter, "I want you home by eleven o'clock." She said, "But Father, I'm no longer a child!"

He said, "I know, that's why I want you home by eleven."

Murphy told Quinn that his wife was driving him to drink. Quinn thinks he's very lucky because his own wife makes him walk.

A Texan rancher comes to Ireland and meets a Kerry farmer. The Texan says: "Takes me a whole goddam day to drive from one side of my ranch to the other." The Kerry farmer says: "Ah sure, I know, sir. We have tractors like that over here too."

O'Connell was staggering home with a small bottle in his back pocket when he slipped and fell heavily. Struggling to his feet, he felt something wet running down his leg. "Please, God," he implored, "let it be blood!"

don't rush me



Don Rush

Padraic Flaherty came home drunk every evening toward ten. Now, the Missus was never too happy about it, either. So one night she hides in the cemetery and figures to scare the bejeezus out of him. As poor Pat wanders by, up from behind a tombstone she jumps in a red devil costume screaming, "Padraic Sean Flaherty, sure and ya' don't give up your drinkin' and it's to hell I'll take ye'." Pat, undaunted, staggered back and demanded, "Who the hell ARE you?" Too that the Missus replied, "I'm the devil, ya' damned old fool." To which Flaherty remarked, "Damned glad to meet you sir, I'm married to yer sister."

His wife had been killed in an accident and the police were questioning Finnegan. "Did she say anything before she died?" asked the sergeant. "She spoke without interruption for about 40 years," said the Irishman.

Pat and Mike had been drinking buddies and friends for years. After having a few drinks in a bar, Mike said to Pat, "We have been friends for years and years and if I should die before you do, would you do me a favor? Get the best bottle of Irish whiskey you can find and pour it over my grave." Pat replied, "I would be glad to do that for you my old friend. But would you mind if I passed it through my bladder first?"

And, I'll leave ye with a Irish Saint Patrick's Day Toast . . .

Saint Patrick was a gentleman,
Who through strategy and stealth,
Drove all the snakes from Ireland,
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But not too many toasting

Lest you lose yourself and then Forget the good Saint Patrick -- And see all those snakes again.

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

A personal letter to my dog, Shayna

Dear Shayna,

I have come to the conclusion that you have selective hearing, so I'm going to see if your reading would bring better results.

When I say move, in either a mild or forceful voice, it means putting your whole body someplace else, not rolling your eyes and flipping your tail.

Stairways are designed for single-person use. It is not necessary that you pass me to get to the top or bottom first. In fact, most of the time your trip is totally unnecessary.

I'd like to remind you, Shayna that you have numerous things to play with, and you should chose one in some other room when you see me headed for the bathroom.

Again, it is not necessary that you beat me there or that you are there at all. I'm not going to wash you, your facilities are out-of-doors and, if you remember, you're scared of my electric toothbrush. I know you like my shaving cream, but when I offer it to you, your tongue is so big I have to re-lather.

Besides, though you limit your observing me coming out of the shower to quick glimpses, it's still embarrassing. Too, there's something about that glimpse that intimates either a smirk, vile grin, sorrow, sympathy, boredom, chuckle, comparison and/or rejection.

Shayna, when I start my back healing exercise routine on my hands and knees, don't take me as a bridge that has to be passed under.

And, when I draw my knees up to stretch my back, you should refrain from sniffing you-know-where. It hasn't changed since yesterday's workout. Please limit that cold nose smelling to at least annual.

You've got to realize that all my trips to the kitchen are not to give you treats. The pecan pie is mine. Oh, you may get a little crust. Steak, chops, bacon, lamb, pizza, kielbasa, cookies, chili and even baked beans are man-food.

You get Milk Bone and Natural Choice stuff. Oh, you may get some grizzle I couldn't chew, some fat or some dropped stuff. Though your nose is higher than my dining table, it does not have to be present three meals a day.

Shayna, I rechecked the title on my mini van. It really is mine. You may believe you can convince passers-by that it's yours by sitting upright in the driver's seat, but you're fooling no one.

You and I know the only reason you're in that seat is because it has a warmer, besides me, and is inviting in my absence.

As per your suggestion, I'm considering posting some rules for visitors. Like:

Please bring another dog with you. It doesn't matter what gender, Shayna's neutral.

I (Shayna) live here, you don't. So, if you don't want hair on your clothes, stay off the furniture or floor. That's why they call it "fur-niture."

I'll sit when I please, so save your commands and coaxing.

Some for shaking hands, coming when called and staying down.

I'll lick where and when I want to. I don't blush. I make the usual animal smells, no better or worse than yours. I particularly like black clothes to shed on.

My toys are not to be admired. I chew them toward one common goal, elimination.

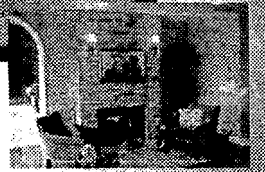
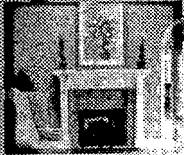
According to a coffee-table dog book, I'm trainable. That book was not written by a dog, so it can't be believed.

JAS

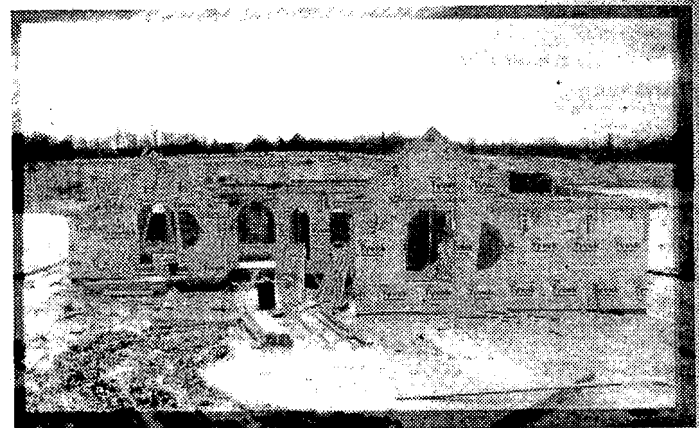
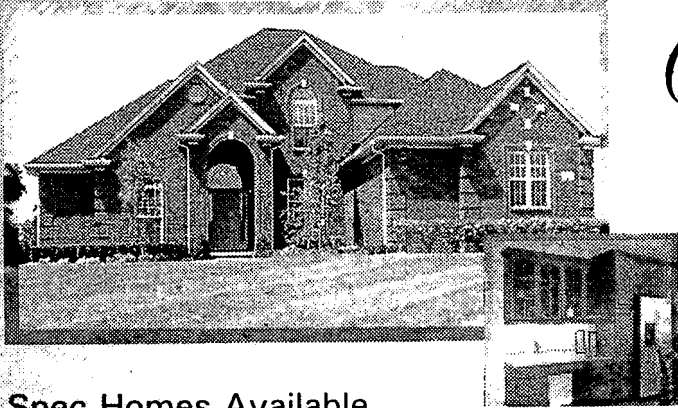
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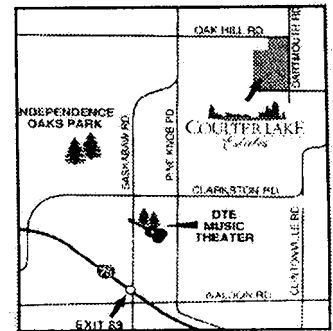
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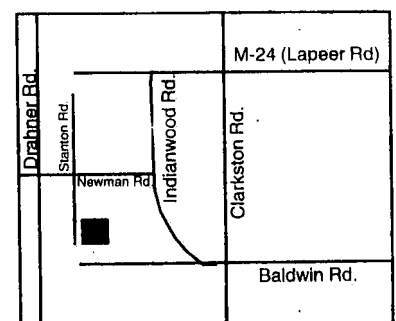
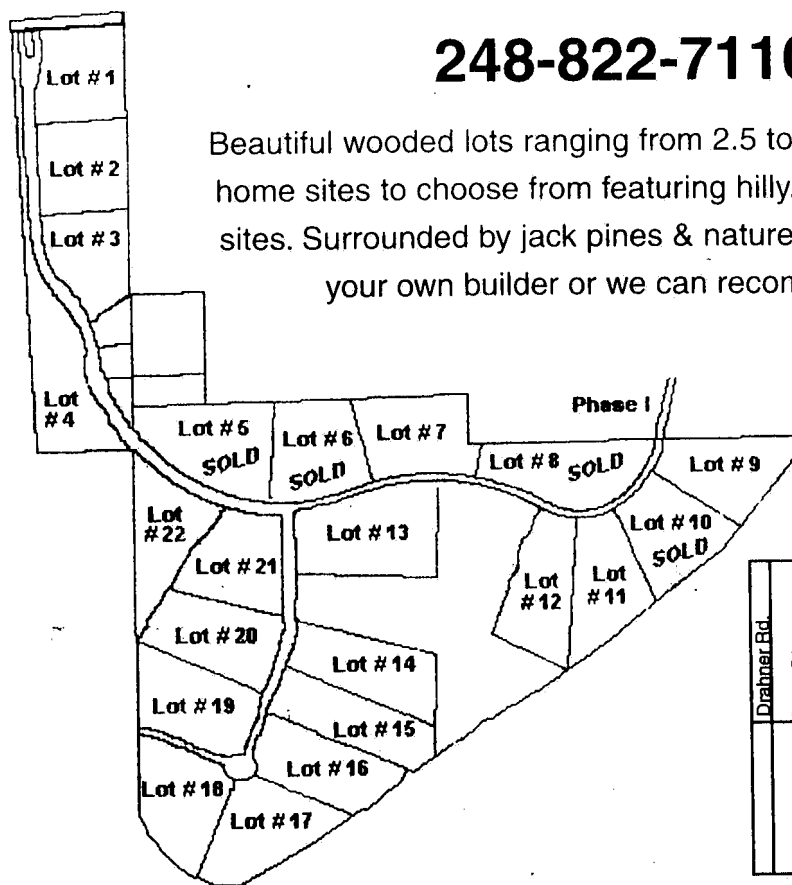
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Police and Fire

Independence Township

March 9: Arrest for possession/use of marijuana on Parview Drive near Andersonville Road. Two Clarkston men, age 21 and 22, were arrested after they returned to the area of an ongoing investigation after being told to leave the area. Both were found in possession of suspected marijuana and glass smoking pipes.

Arrest for retail fraud at Blockbuster Video on Dixie Highway. A clerk reported seeing a known theft suspect, giving both physical and vehicle description. After a traffic stop, deputies found the duo in possession of eight DVDs. Arrested were a 41-year-old Waterford woman and a 44-year-old Clarkston man.

March 10: Larceny of cell phone report at Clarkston High School. A student said she placed the cell phone on her book bag while on the school bus, then turned around to find it missing.

March 11: Check fraud report at Pine Knob Wine

Shop on Sashabaw Road. Someone cashed a business check for \$437.96, but upon attempting to deposit the check learned that it was counterfeit. Based on signature and fingerprint, the suspect is an 18-year-old Clarkston woman.

March 12: Arrest for operating while intoxicated on Sashabaw Road near Clinton Drive. A 24-year-old Clarkston man registered a blood alcohol level of 0.18 percent.

Arrest for possession/use of marijuana on Andersonville Road. After stopping a vehicle with a headlight out, deputies found an 18-year-old Clarkston man in possession of suspected marijuana.

March 13: Larceny of snow blower and drill motor from storage shed on Pine Knob Road.

Arrest for operating while intoxicated, driving with an expired license and refusing a preliminary breath test on Andersonville Road. A 31-year-old Waterford man was uncooperative during the incident, reports said.

Homeless man keeps deputies busy

A 41-year-old man, believed to be homeless but possibly from Pontiac, was in and out of jail several times last week after encounters with sheriff deputies from the Independence Township substation.

On March 7, deputies were dispatched to the medical center parking lot at Dixie Highway and M-15. The man, who reports said was already familiar to deputies, was bleeding from scrapes on his face, apparently from falling on the pavement. He also had two bottles of wine in his pockets, reports said.

On March 8, the man was arrested at the Dixie Highway Kroger store after allegedly taking wine without paying. At that time, he registered a blood alcohol level of 0.301 percent. Deputies found outstanding warrants for a previous parole violation, but the county prosecutor's office denied a warrant to prosecute for retail fraud and disorderly conduct since the wine cost less than \$25, reports said.

On March 10, the man was again arrested for disorderly conduct after a report that he was crawling in the middle of Dixie Highway near Waterford Hills Terrace. On March 11, he was again apprehended on Waterford Hills Terrace after sleeping behind a stone sign.

In each case, the man was taken for treatment and detoxification, although reports said he has resisted offers of medical assistance and counseling.

Lt. Dale LaBair, commander of the Independence substation, said deputies gained the assistance of 52-2 District Judge Dana Fortinberry in processing several cases, resulting in multiple 90-day sentences to the Oakland County Jail.

Local woman dies in I-75 crash

A 21-year-old Clarkston woman died after a March 13 rollover crash on I-75 near Dixie Highway in Springfield Township.

According to a prepared statement from Michigan State Police Trooper Chad Gruenwald, the crash occurred shortly before 3 a.m. on the southbound side of the freeway. The initial investigation revealed that the vehicle ran off the right shoulder. When the driver attempted to steer back onto the highway, she apparently lost control and the vehicle rolled several times, coming to rest in the center lane upside down.

Gruenwald said several motorists assisted by placing their vehicles in the path of oncoming traffic and activating their hazard lights. Because of the exten-

sive nature of the damage to the vehicle, bystanders were not able to reach the victim, he said.

The Springfield Township Fire Department extricated the victim, who was not responsive to treatment at the scene, reports said.

The driver was wearing a seatbelt, and police had yet to determine if alcohol was a factor.

Southbound I-75 was closed from the East Holly Road exit to the Dixie Highway exit from 3 a.m. to 6:30 a.m. for the investigation and cleanup. Oakland County Sheriff deputies assisted with traffic control.

The identity of the victim was not disclosed, and Gruenwald was not available for comment on Monday.

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Clarkston News Sports

Wolves forced to skate uphill in state semis

BY NOAH PURCELL
Clarkston News Sports Writer

Knocking off a juggernaut is hard work – a lesson Wolves hockey learned on March 11 in their 3-1 loss in their state semifinal matchup with Detroit Catholic Central.

“We ended the season well. We have nothing to be ashamed of. We gave everything that we had. I thought we played a very good game,” said Clarkston Coach Bryan Krygier.

Trailing 2-0 with :21.1 remaining in the second period, junior Kyle Cummings’ laser shot from the point put Clarkston on the scoreboard and hope in their loyal fans hearts. Yet the opposite side of the arena was the next to cry thunder as CC’s Harrison Niemann punctured the Wolves defense, emerged all alone in front of the Clarkston net and like a hammer on a nail drove the puck into the back of the net.

“We play a lot more confident with a two goal lead than with a one goal lead,” said Catholic Central Coach Todd Johnson. “(Clarkston) is one of the top five teams in the state irrespective of class. We knew we were going to have a real battle on our hands tonight.”

The flow of the game, especially in the first period, was stunted by a rash of penalties. After CC’s Colin Ronaye was taken to the locker room with an arm injury at 1:43 of the first period.

“We were able to pop in one extra power play goal. (Clarkston) got one and we got two. That may have been the difference in the game, special teams. Maybe it was just the bounce of the puck, but we got that extra power play goal,” said Johnson.

Both the Wolves and the Shamrocks dug hard for loose pucks, battled along the boards and left everything on the ice, but too often the crowd’s mouths hung open due to an official’s whistle rather than a superb play on the ice.

In the first period alone, three Clarkston players and two Shamrock skaters were sent to the box for two-minute minor infractions. Due to the penalties being issued in a tight cluster, Clarkston only got :17 on the powerplay to CC’s 1:12. But just over a minute was all the Shamrock’s needed as they netted their first goal with :21 seconds left in their man advantage, on a point blank shot from Mike Oakleaf which deflected off Clarkston senior goalie Michael Brach’s pads and flipped into the net.

“The penalties affected the game a lot. That’s the problem with the officiating in the playoffs. They call everything all year long and now it’s a judgement call. It’s either a penalty or it’s not a penalty,” said Krygier.

The Shamrock’s Jason Lewarme got the eventual game winning goal at 12:08 of the second period on the powerplay. While the Wolves were able to get within scratching distance when Cummings scored with the Wolves up a man, the Catholic Central defense did not allow many quality chances throughout the rest of the game.

Brach had 20 saves, keeping Clarkston in the game with several key saves. Brach’s counterpart, Bryan Hogan, nabbed 17 pucks for the win.

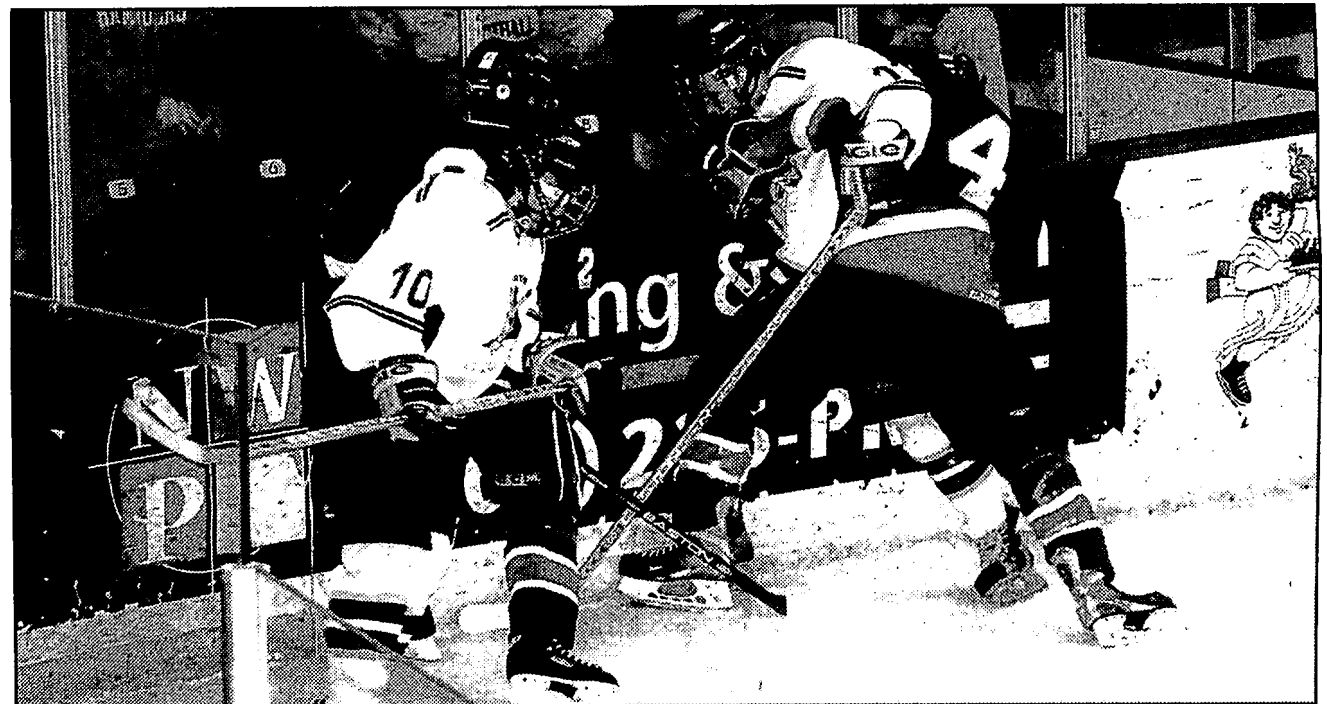
Trevor Johns and Mike Fogg assisted on the lone Wolves tally.

Catholic Central claimed their fifth championship in six years by defeating East Kentwood on March 11, 4-0.

The Wolves will lose 11 seniors this year including leading scorers Fogg (46 points) and Johns (35 points). Clarkston will also lose seniors Adam Stoyek, Brach, Alex Handley, Bryan Morin, Eric Paddison, Dan Mutz, Mike Zak, Chris Degen and Steve Eddy next year.



Junior Kyle Cummings scored Clarkston’s lone goal in their state semifinal matchup with Detroit Catholic Central. Photo by Noah Purcell



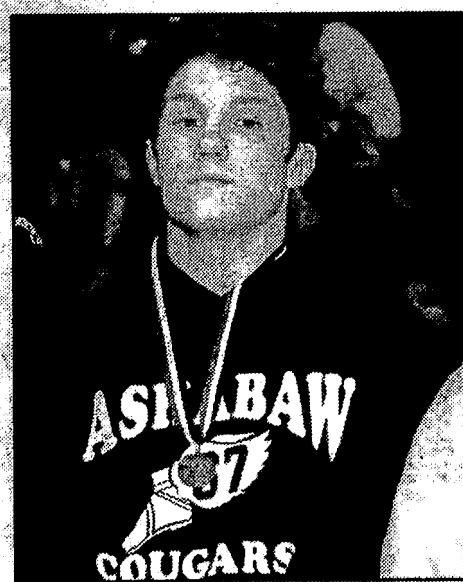
Trevor Johns (10) and Mike Fogg struggle for the puck against Catholic Central. Photo by Noah Purcell

State Champ Wrestling Camp

This summer children from ages seven to high school have the opportunity to be coached by five division one college wrestlers from the Clarkston wrestling program at the State Champ Wrestling Camp.

Clarkston head wrestling coach Joe DeGain, high school champion and All-American, former captain of the U of M wrestling team and NCAA qualifier, is the coordinator and head instructor at the camp which will feature techniques, mat strategy, live wrestling and conditioning drills.

Sessions run from June 20-23, from 10 a.m.-noon and from 12:30 p.m.-2:30 p.m. To register, contact Joe DeGain at CHS at 248-623-3765 or click the wrestling link at the bottom of the CHS athletic department web site at: ww2.clarkston.k12.mi.us/education/sportszone for a downloadable registration form. Those who register before April 1 get a free t-shirt.



Athlete of the Week Braden L'Amoreaux

Braden L'Amoreaux, wrestling predominantly in the 145-pound weight class, posted a 35-4 record this year, finishing second at the individual state finals.

This year, second place carries a lot more weight as the champion, Brent Metcalf, has never been defeated throughout his high school career. L'Amoreaux, an undefeated state champion last year at 140 pounds, purposely

moved up to challenge Metcalf.

Next year, Braden will head to University of Michigan, having signed a letter of intent in the fall. He chose U of M based on the university's offer, coaches, campus and wrestling team, although he admits that it "was a very hard decision" choosing between U of M and Michigan State University.

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Clarkston grapplers give all at states

BY NOAH PURCELL
Clarkston News Sports Writer

Nothing, not even Clarkston senior Braden L'Amoreaux could stand in the way of history on March 12, at the MH-SAA individual wrestling finals at the Palace of Auburn Hills.

Davison's Brent Metcalf would not be denied as he grappled his way to a fourth consecutive championship, accenting his unblemished high school record of 228-0 with this year's 145-pound division crown.

"He's strong," said L'Amoreaux of Metcalf. "Stronger than he needs to be."

"I thought (L'Amoreaux) brought everything he had to the table against Metcalf," added Clarkston Coach Joe DeGain. "I give Braden credit, he could have cut weight or gone up a class, but he didn't. He wanted to wrestle the best competition out there."

On his way to the title match, L'Amoreaux, who won the state championship last year at 140 pounds, was able to exact some revenge, besting Grand Ledge's Brandon Johnson in the semifinals 10-5. Johnson was the only other wrestler from Michigan, other than Metcalf, who had beaten L'Amoreaux this year. In a tournament midway through the season he lost to an Ohio wrestler.

In the semifinals and finals, L'Amoreaux adopted a more conservative attack than his normal fire and fisticuffs approach in order to counter

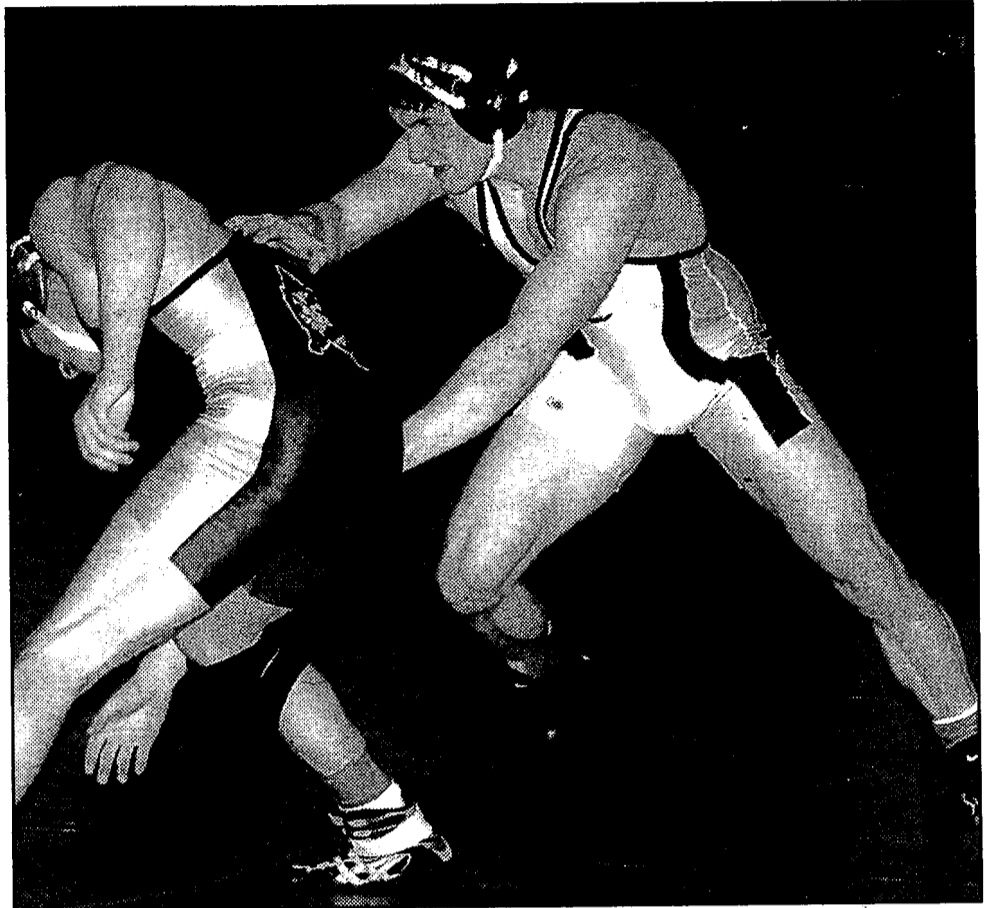
Johnson's inane ability to counter and Metcalf's vaunted speed, power and technical prowess. While Johnson succumbed in what DeGain described as a "dominating" performance, Metcalf was not to be denied the chance to become Michigan's 11th four time state champion.

"I hadn't wrestled that kind of style before so it was kind of difficult for me. Honestly, I don't think I should have changed up. I wrestled my normal style two weeks ago against (Metcalf) and I lost by 12 points then and I lost by 12 points this time," said L'Amoreaux.

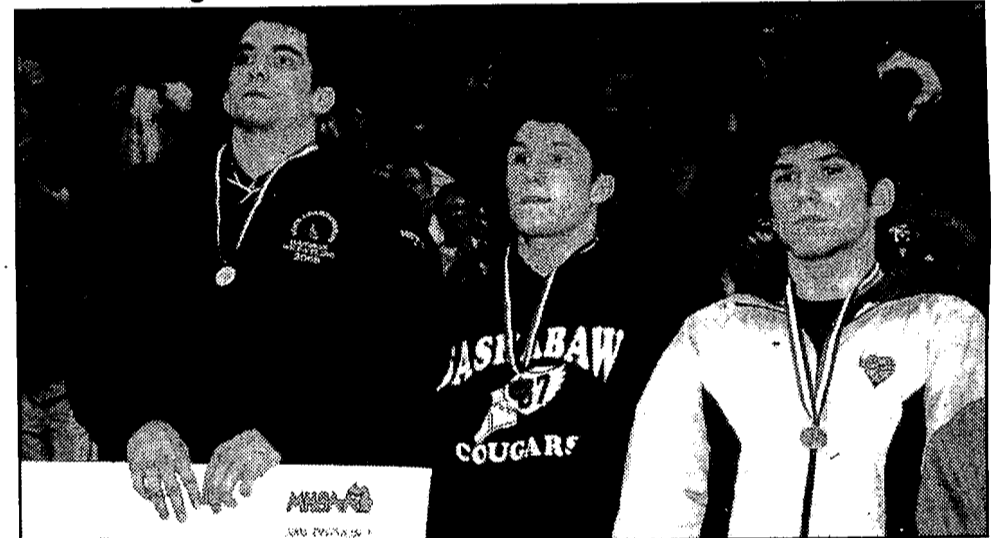
Three other Clarkston wrestlers, Juniors Tommy Ellsworth (145 pounds) and Josh McAllister (152), and Sophomore Mike Maguire, also qualified for the individual state finals. All three lost their opening round matches on March 10. Maguire started on the comeback trail, winning his first consolation match, but bowed out to his next opponent. DeGain feels the experience gained by the three who did qualify for states will be invaluable to next year's wrestling team.

"We've got more of a core returning this year than this past year," said DeGain.

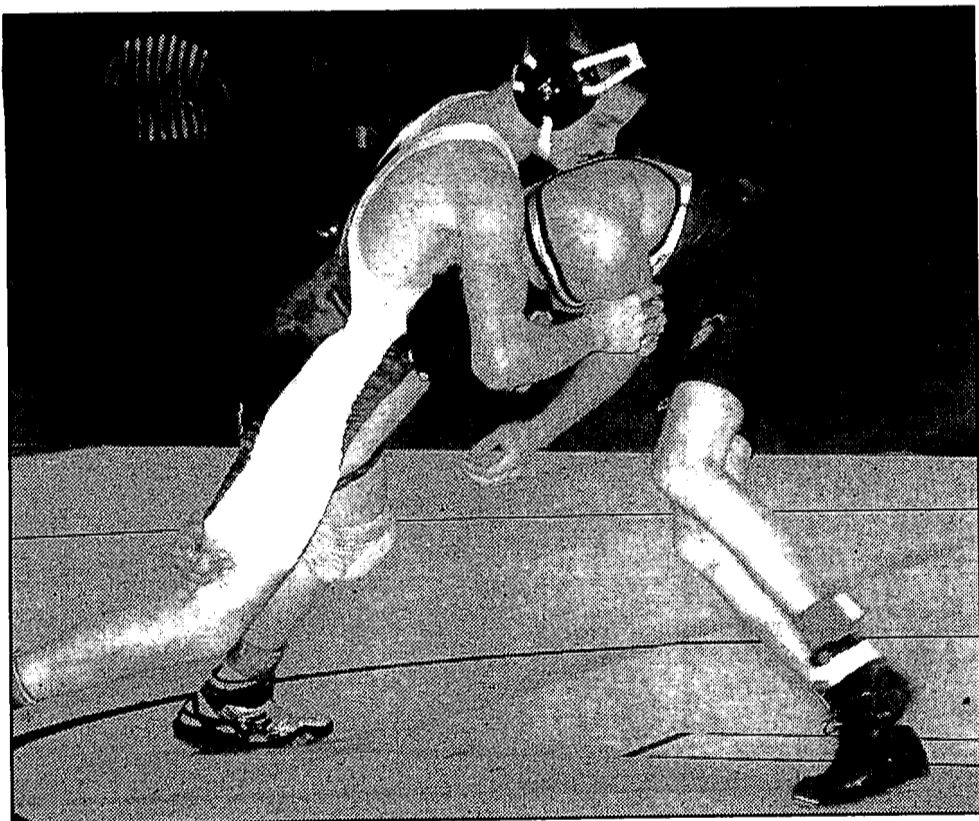
Aside from the three who soaked in the experience of wrestling under the big lights this year, the Wolves will hopefully return a healthy Steve Smiley, who finished sixth in the state in the 171-pound division. Smiley was slowed at the end of the year by a lingering knee injury.



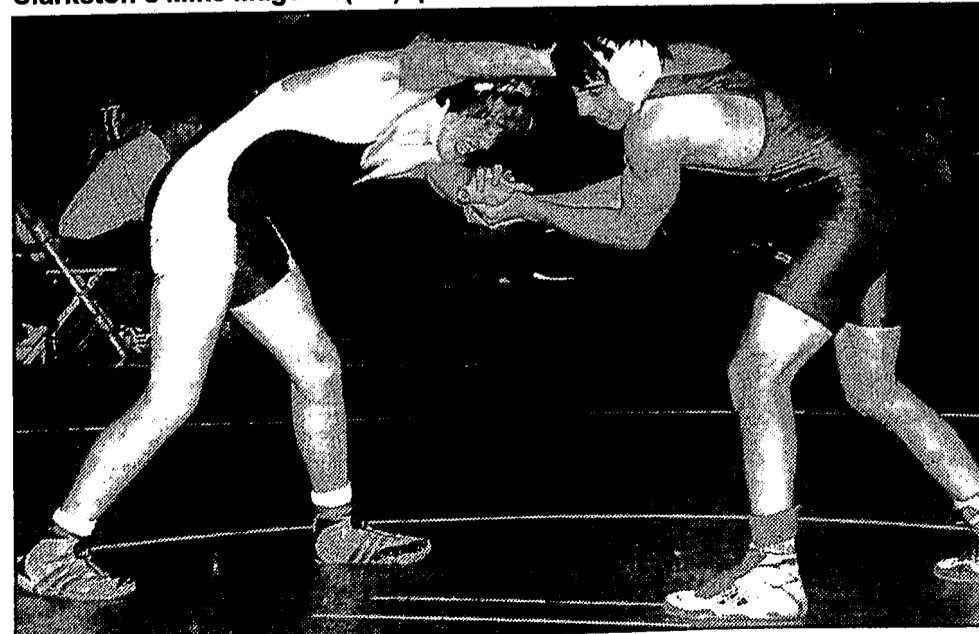
Braden L'Amoreaux could have dodged Brent Metcalf by moving to another weight, but he valued the challenge of trying to sully the Davison wrestlers' undefeated high school record.



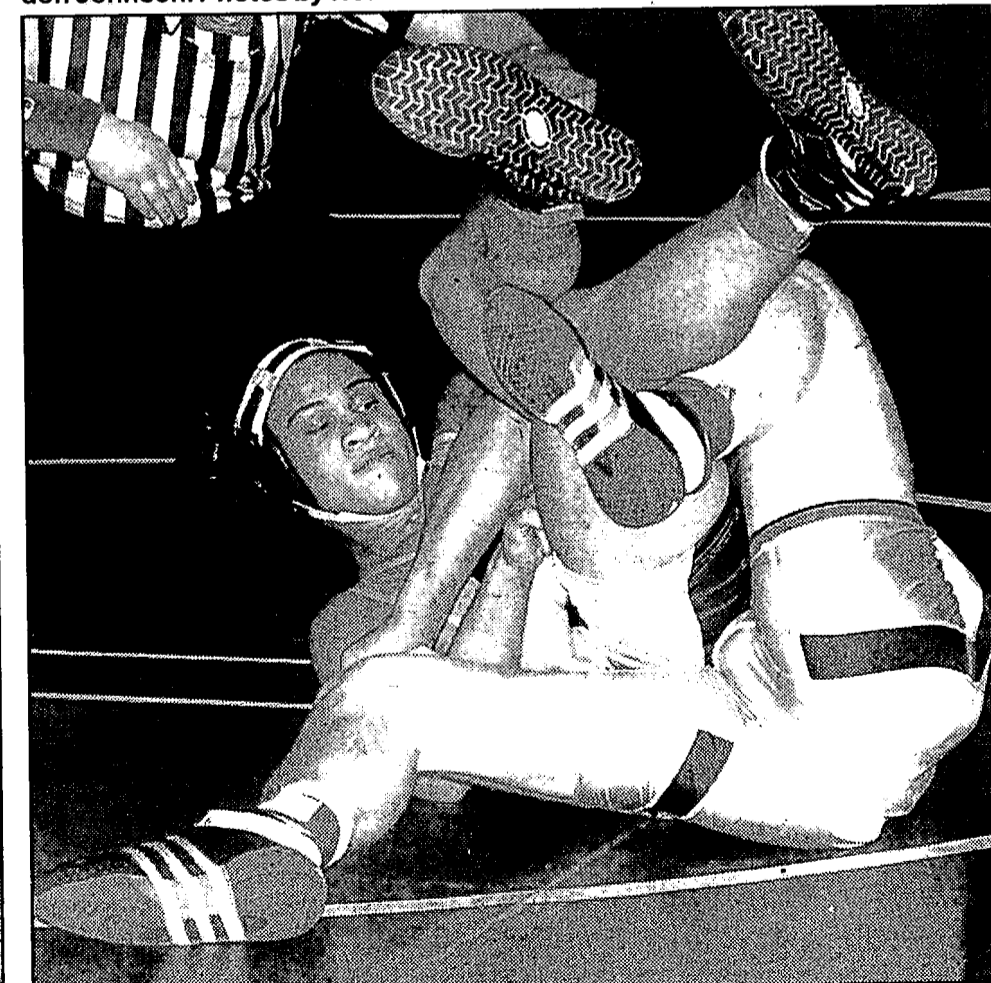
Braden L'Amoreaux is framed by his toughest competition from the past season, Davison's undefeated legend Brent Metcalf (left) and Grand Ledge's Brandon Johnson. Photos by Noah Purcell



Clarkston's Mike Maguire (left) qualified for the state finals at 103 pounds



Tommy Ellsworth (left) was also in the tough 145-pound division.



Junior Josh McAllister, along with sophomore Maguire and junior Ellsworth, gained valuable experience at this year's individual state finals.

Ballers live to fight another day, quarterfinals next

BY NOAH PURCELL

Clarkston News Sports Writer

The jungle nearly wilted on March 11 as the Wolves basketball team edged Grand Blanc 50-47 in the regional final.

On the whole, Clarkston's camouflage clad student section and the rest of the school's basketball fans have been doing a lot of nail biting throughout the MHSAA playoffs.

After triumphing over Waterford Mott and Kettering in succession by a combined margin of 10 points in the district tournament, the Wolves gave their fans' nerves the night off by drubbing Brighton 75-53 in the Regional semifinal on March 9.

However, brow sweat and compulsive twitching were back as No. 8 Clarkston found themselves down four points to No. 2 Grand Blanc with 1:00 remaining in the fourth quarter.

"We kept our composure. We got down, but we didn't panic," said Clarkston Coach Dan Fife. "Defensively, we

didn't give (Grand Blanc) anything. They worked for all of their shots all night."

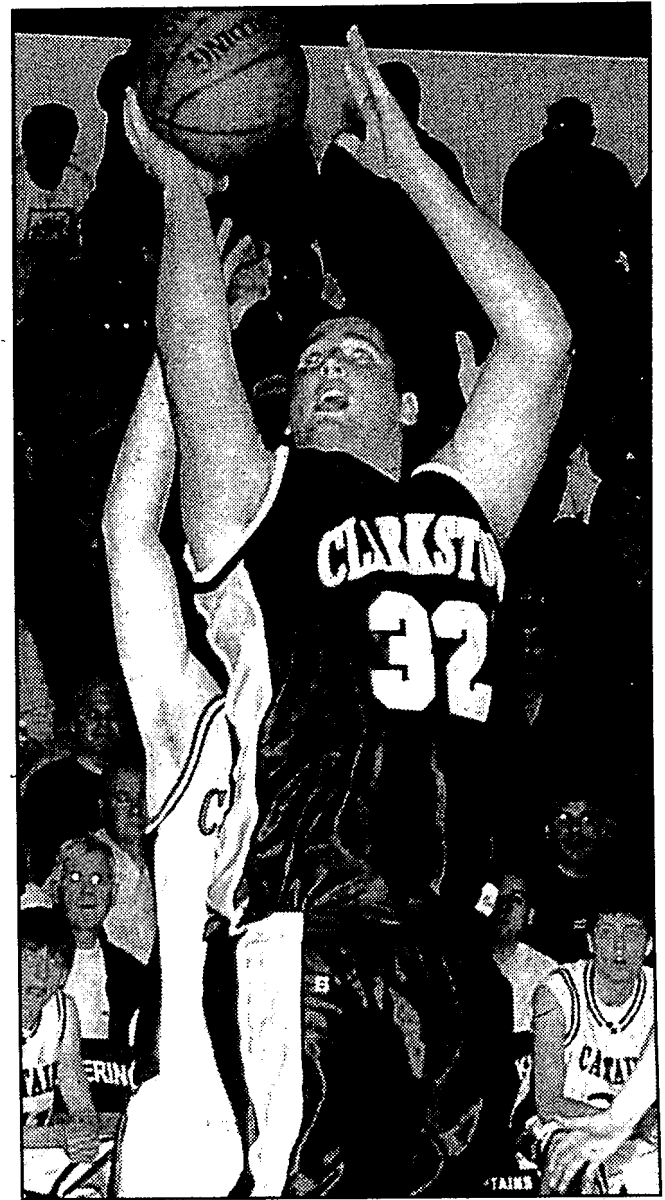
An inch of daylight was all that the Wolves needed as senior Robbie Clark tied the game up at 47 on an 'and one' field goal and free throw combination. Clark then rebounded Grand Blanc's missed field goal and went coast to coast to give the Wolves a one point lead.

After another errant Grand Blanc field goal attempt, senior Brad Goodman iced the game with two free throws. Goodman finished with a game high 22 points.

The Wolves state quarterfinal matchup with Saginaw at Saginaw Valley State University on March 15 finished too late for this edition of *The Clarkston News*. Visit www.clarkstonnews.com and click *The Clarkston News* link to read the game story on March 16.

In practice this past week Fife has instilled seven on five drill to simulate Saginaw's full court presses and traps.

"It's going to be an up and down ball game," said Fife. "They force you to play their style of basketball."



Senior Chris Miller has given the Wolves good run in the middle during the playoffs. Photos by Purcell



Seniors Brad Goodman (left) and Robbie Clark have been the Wolves backbone all year long.

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For those who want to be healthier 'in the worst way'

By Ernie Harwell

I'm often asked whether I dreamed of being a major league broadcaster as a child. My answer is always the same: I became a broadcaster because I grew up wanting to play baseball in the worst way—and that's exactly how I played it.



Though this tongue-in-cheek reply gets a chuckle or two, it also reminds me that there's often a best way, and a worst way, to do things.

So if you have decided to exercise to improve your health, here are three important things to remember about the best way to begin:

First, consult your doctor. Next, start slow and increase your level of exercise gradually. Even a little exercise is better than none. Just walking three to four times each week for 30 to 40 minutes will deliver many benefits. In fact, the U.S. Surgeon General says 30 minutes of moderate exercise cumulative each day is enough to keep us in shape.

Finally, remember that pain during exercise is a sign that something is wrong. If you experience unusual pain while exercising, slow down or stop until you have again talked to your doctor.

These three simple tips are your keys to improving your health "in the best way."

And please remember to take care of your health before it's lonnnngg gone!

Ernie Harwell, "the voice of the Detroit Tigers" for more than four decades, retired after 35 years behind a major league microphone. Today, at age 86, Ernie's days are filled with serving as a health and fitness advocate for Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan and Blue Care Network, public appearances, writing, traveling and taking long walks with "Miss Lulu," his wife of more than 60 years. His latest book, a collection of his baseball columns titled "Life After Baseball," is available at local bookstores or by calling 1-800-245-5082.

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Clarkston youth can't help but go big

BY NOAH PURCELL

Clarkston News Sports Writer

Swish, swish, swish, swish.

That's what Clarkston resident Corey Roberts heard in Colorado as the 14-year-old flew 40 feet through the air, off a 10-foot-high ski jump and spun 900 degrees. In the process of landing backward he shed a ski yet maintained his balance before drawing to a stop in front of a slack jawed crowd of hundreds.

As 1998 Olympic gold medalist Johnny Mosley handed Corey his ski and slapped him five the idea dawned on the Sashabaw Middle School eighth grader how "big" he had actually gone.

Most of the kids who competed in the Sports Illustrated for Kids Next Snow

Search hailed from skiing havens in Vermont, Colorado, California and British Columbia. Roberts' skills are forged in his back yard, Pine Knob Ski Resort, which in the end may have been his secret weapon.

"At Pine Knob you have to spin real fast to get around, out there you don't. So when you get out there, the jump might be more intimidating but, it's easier to do your trick and make it look good," said Roberts. "They told us before our jumps that if we didn't make the lip, (forty feet down the hill), we probably wouldn't walk away."

The Next Snow search is a competition designed to recognize young skiing talent, featuring contests popularized by the X games and also found in the Winter Olympics.

Roberts' trick launched him into fourth place in the big air competition and on to national television. Having heard that NBC would be broadcasting highlights of the "Next Snow Search" on March 5, the Roberts' family tuned in not only see Corey's 900, but also catch footage of Mosley's exuberant praise and an interview with a NBC correspondent.

"I was going to do a 720, but then I saw that everyone was going so big, so I went for the nine. I'm just glad I landed," said Roberts. "It was really cool (meeting Mosley). When I was younger I used to look up to him, back when he did the X games."

Having started skiing Pine Knob at the age of four, Corey began competing locally at the age of 11. When he was twelve he burst onto the national scene at the USASA nationals.

"I'd love to ski all year round. The longer the winter the better," said Roberts.

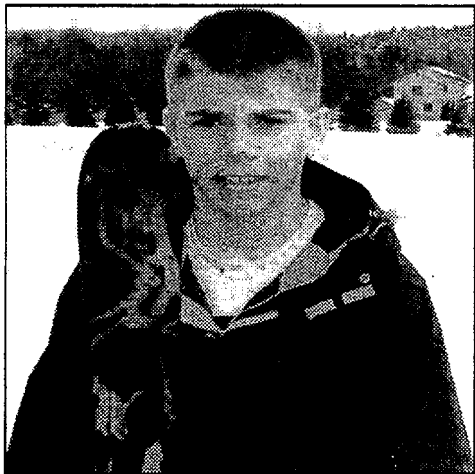
"You have to practice a lot to be good at what he does. The tricks he can do are very high up, even Johnny Mosley told the kids 'When I won my competition, I did a 360 grab.' These kids now are doing 720's without batting an eye, doing 900's and now are getting to the point where they are doing 1080's," added Carl Roberts, Corey's father.

Corey finished 40th overall out of a

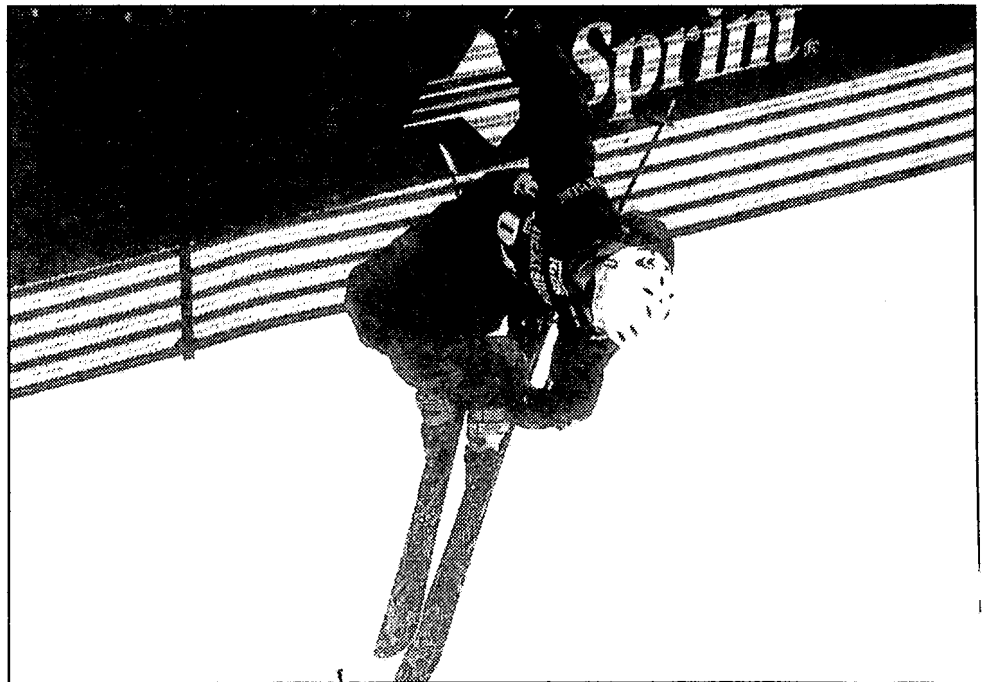
field of 162 entrants. Aside from the big air event, the competition also featured a big mountain top run, slalom race and a slope style course. Corey had the highest score on the slope style course in the preliminaries, but a fall slowed him in the finals.

Since he began competing seriously, Corey has picked up two sponsors, Oakley and Solomon, to help with travel expenses. Currently, he is looking for further sponsorship and has had a 10-minute DVD made of his highlights both from the "Next Snow Search" and from Pine Knob Ski Resort.

Anyone interested in sponsoring or contacting Corey Roberts about skiing can reach him at csscc@aol.com.



Corey Roberts took fourth in the big air event at the "Next Snow Search" with a 900 he landed on one ski.



Corey Roberts executes what he calls a "Simple little grab" at the "Next Snow Search" in Keystone, Colo. Photo submitted

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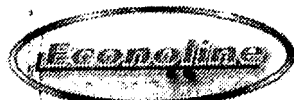
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Students from Japan meet Clarkston USA

BY CHRISTINA ULAJ
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Clarkston High School welcomed six exchange students from Japan on March 11 with "A Day in Japan."

The Japanese exchange students are in the Clarkston area for a two-week experience. Participating in the program are: Raira, Yumi, Akane, Asako, Sayaka, Masumi and their teacher Yoshio Natori. Each student temporarily resides with Clarkston High School students who participate in the Japanese Club.

"Everyone is so nice to us," said Akane.

Once settled, the students began enjoying an eventful couple of weeks. The Japanese Club coordinated activities including whirly ball, a welcoming party and a sleep over. The visiting young ladies visited the police station where they shot handguns and did a simulation course.

"A Day in Japan" was filled with traditional Japanese activities. Each room of the high school was reserved for a special activity: karate experts used real life scenarios to demonstrate self-defense through Isshinryu Karate; and students participated in Shodo-Japanese and Chinese Calligraphy, Origami, cultural games sushi bar and art history.

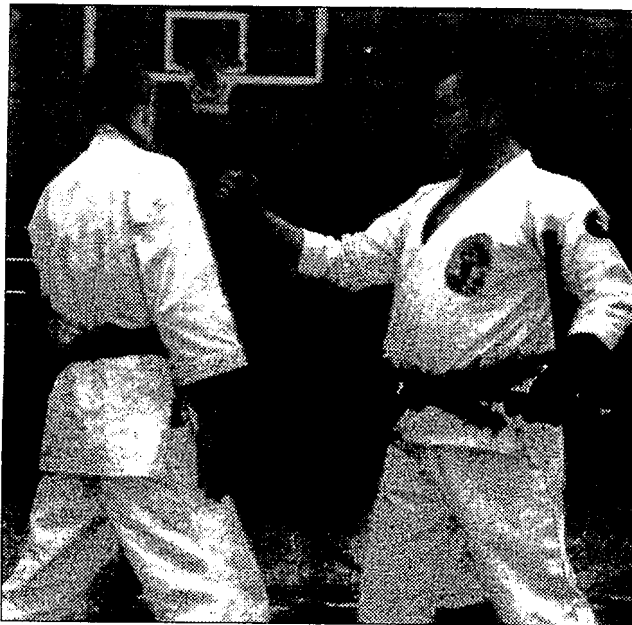
"I really enjoyed making sushi," said Masumi.

The goal for the day: have fun while making the guests feel welcomed.

Photos by Christina Ulaj



American and Japanese students find common ground during Japan Day at Clarkston High School.



Karate experts demonstrate self-defense techniques for the Day in Japan audience at CHS.



Erica Sciau makes an origami t-shirt.

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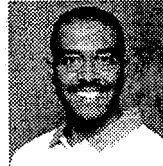
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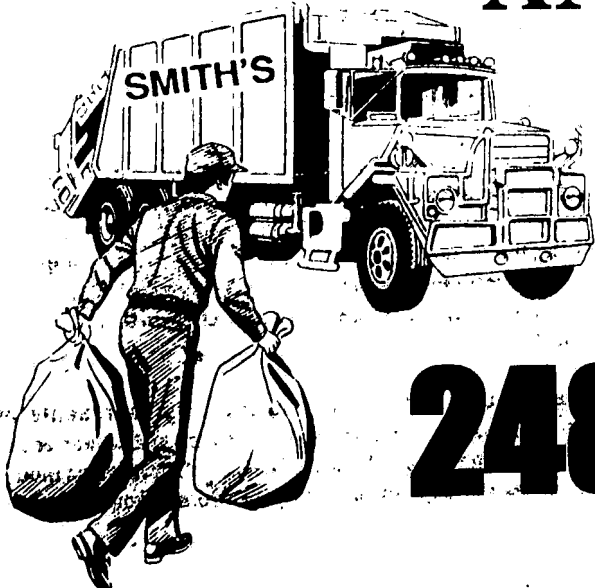


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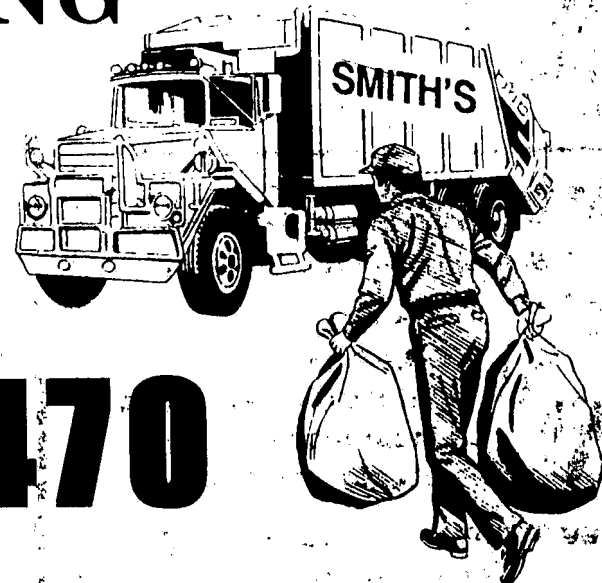
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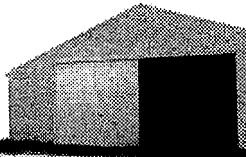
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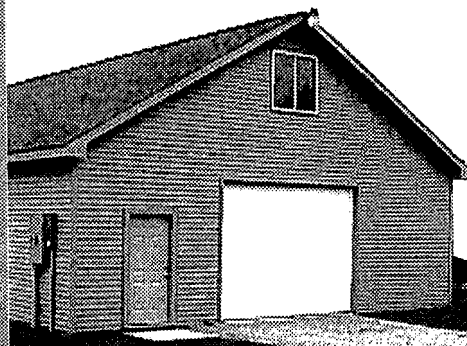
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Letters to the Editor

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shock." In a car that gets 15 mpg, the typical trip to Anchor Bay and back would have swallowed at least 4 gallons times \$2.15 each or \$8.60 times the two nights it took to play in the tourney, or \$17.20. Add to that amount the cost of tickets and you are talking about a princely sum compared to the nominal amount that Wolves fans pay for regular season games.

I'm not complaining that Goodman, Clark and company aren't worth the extra expenses to get to tourney games, but

having to drive long distances on slippery winter roads is, in my opinion, ludicrous.

While we're driving our wheel covers off trying to get to sold-out tournament games, our gym - one of the largest and finest in Michigan high schools - sits empty.

Maybe we should call on Dan Rather to investigate this travesty.

He suddenly has lots of time on his hands.

Harry Knitter
Independence Township

Township: honor thy easements!

Dear Editor:

The Pine Knob easement referred to recently in newspapers is a Conservation/Scenic Easement, intended to preserve open space in Independence Township. If it was withdrawn to allow for the construction of homes, there would be at least two effects: 1) the loss of open space in a township which is experiencing

growth, particularly in the Pine Knob area, and 2) the creation of a "slippery (legal) slope," making other open space easements less secure in the future. The preservation of the character of Independence Township is at stake - Honor thy easements!

Tom Stone

Some in Garden Sub want paving

Attention residents of Clarkston Garden Sub,

I have lived here for all my life, all 41 years. As a child, I walked to all three Clarkston schools.

I have watched other neighborhoods be put in all around us. These other neighborhoods dwarf our subdivision with their class looks and style. We must ensure our investments remain sound and solid.

It's time to pave our roads. If you

live on Wealthy, Transparent, Church, North Snow Apple, Almond, Peach, Plum, Pear or Crab Apple and have not signed our letter of intent with the Road Commission for Oakland County, please see me ASAP at 6321 Peach.

Four of the above roads are complete. Don't be left out, because you will be!

Sincerely,
Marka Petterson

Honor all who 'try to protect us' Atlanta shooting hits personal note

Well, I don't know about you, but I take the shooting of people in the Atlanta courtroom personally. My grand-uncle was killed in a similar fashion 78 years ago. He was a Detroit policeman who was bringing a prisoner from the holding cell to the courtroom for arraignment.

Such events remind us of the significant risks that those who serve to protect us place themselves in every day. And history tells us that many of these deaths are a result of seemingly minor events such as traffic stops and domestic abuse calls.

Loss of life is sad and unfortunate. Senseless loss of life is brutal and tragic. The loss of life of those who are sworn to preserve law and order is unforgivable. Let us make greater efforts to protect those who try to protect us, and learn to appreciate the risks that they take for our safety.

My sympathies go to all families who have lost a loved one "in the line of duty," and, especially today, to the Atlanta families.

Tom Stone

A 'Taste of Spring' thank you

Despite winter being clearly evident outside last Wednesday evening, Clarkston Rotary's 5th Annual "Taste of Spring" fund-raiser provided a break from reality.

Held at the elegant Oakhurst Golf and Country Club, the 300 people in attendance strolled spacious rooms and enjoyed delicious appetizers created by the chefs of Oakhurst. A wide variety of crafted wines were sampled from the 12 Michigan wineries present. Oakhurst management and staff exceeded everyone's expectations in the surroundings, service and willingness to assist.

The Clarkston Rotary would like to express a heartfelt thank you to Oakhurst for providing the use of their facility.

The time and efforts of the wineries in traveling to Clarkston for the event should not be forgotten. The following wineries provided the real meaning for the event: Bel Lago, Black Star Farms, Chateau Chantal, Chateau de Leelanau, Chateau Fontaine, Cherry Creek Cellars, L. Mawby Vineyards, Rathshol Vine-

yards, St. Julian Vineyards, Tabor Hill Vineyards, Willow Vineyards and Zafarana Vineyards.

The highlight of the evening was the drawing of the winning ticket for a grape garnet and diamond necklace donated by Buck Kopietz of Tierra Fine Jewelers. The necklace was designed and handcrafted by Heidi Abbott, a jewelry specialist at Tierra. The Clarkston Rotary expresses its deepest appreciation to Kopietz, Abbott and the staff of Tierra's for their extraordinary efforts to make our event an absolute success.

The fund-raiser allows the Clarkston Rotary to continue its community service projects during the upcoming year. A special thank you to everyone who attended and those who support our endeavors. Plans are underway for the Clarkston Rotary to host a November wine tasting fund-raiser at Bordine Nursery. Please visit clarkstonrotary.org and watch your local newspaper for upcoming information.

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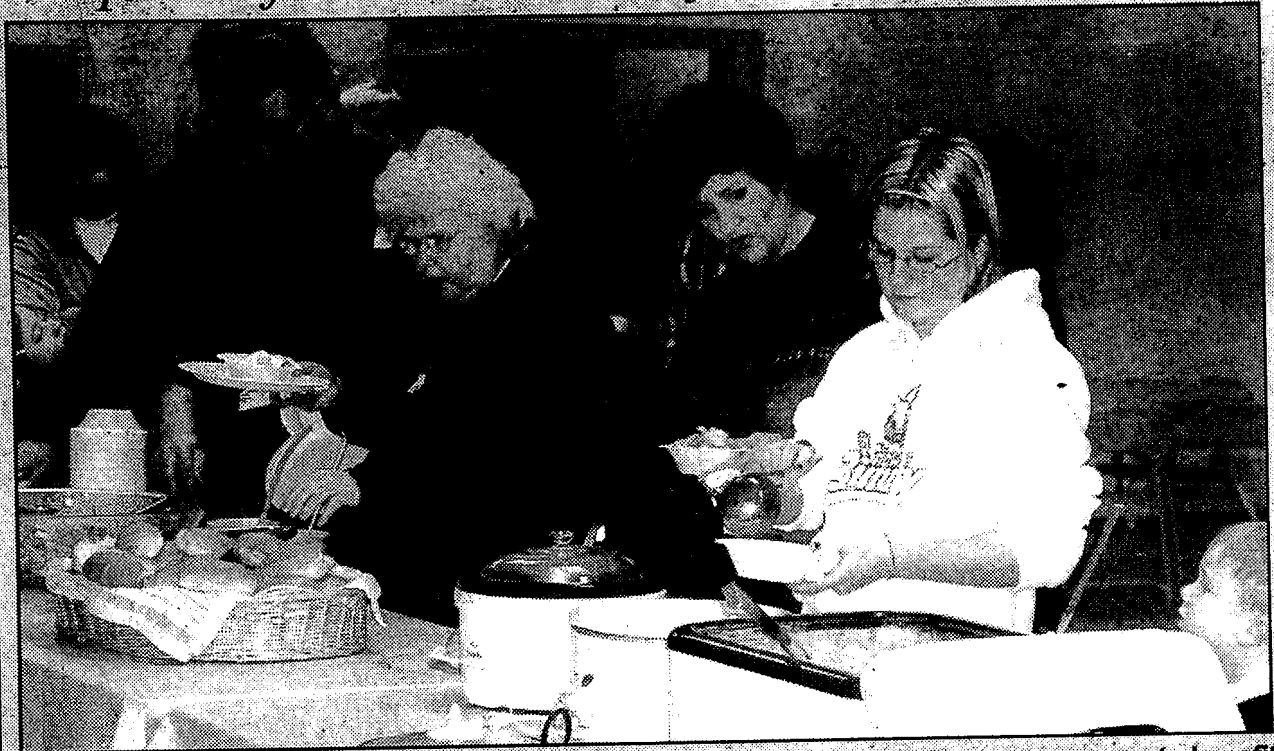
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Soup's on for tsunami relief...



Guests enjoy the buffet line at St. Daniel's Catholic Church on March 9 for a soup supper to benefit relief efforts for tsunami-affected areas in Asia. The event was hosted by St. Dan teens, who raised \$776 for Catholic Relief Services. Soup, salad and bread were donated by Mr. B's Roadhouse, Red Knapp's American Grill, Union Bar and Kitchen, Outback Steakhouse, Mesquite Creek and Mel's Grill/Gateway Park. Photo submitted

Watershed council seeks volunteers

Volunteers are invited to participate in hand-on training workshops to learn how to help monitor the health of the Clinton River, its tributaries and Lake St. Clair.

The Clarkston area is considered part of the "upper Clinton watershed," according to the Clinton River Watershed Council, and two sessions are scheduled

locally as part of the "Adopt-a-Stream" program.

Part I of the training will help volunteers learn about the watershed and how everyday actions influence its health from 1:30-4 p.m. Sunday, April 3 at the Independence Township Library, 6495 Clarkston Road.

Part II of the training includes plans to get boots wet, as volunteers will head streamside to fine-tune skills. The group will meet at Clarkston United Methodist Church, 6600 Waldon Road on Saturday, April 23. The session will run from 1-4 p.m., with carpooling to at least one additional site.

Twice a year (May and October), volunteer teams will visit their adopted sites and collect data, including physical, chemical and biological information. This data will allow CRWC to develop a long-term record of aquatic organisms, habitat quality and basic chemical conditions to be used by municipalities for programs to protect water quality.

For more information or to register for the training, call 248-601-0606 or visit www.crwc.org on the Internet.

Whoopee

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led a discussion of details to the proposed compromise, including a deadline of 90 days for the demolition of the one-story building and removal of one of the remaining semi-trailers to the rear of the building.

Referring to previous conversations with Cotton, Walls asked if the Marlowes "might be" willing to repaint the outside of the familiar orange building in another color.

"That is still an option," Cotton told the board, "and I told Mr. Walls he could pick the color. He told me he wasn't interested."

After laughter from everyone, Cotton said, "We're thinking earth tones."

Walls then mentioned the large, free-standing, orange and black sign in front of the building.

"Would there be a willingness to remove the sign with the one-story demolition?" Walls said.

After a pregnant pause, Larry Marlowe said, "We'll have to go into a closed session for that."

After more laughter, the board allowed the family and Cotton to meet in the hallway for a couple minutes.

"Despite its historic significance, and despite the fact that it's an Oakland County icon, the Marlowes will agree to take down the sign," Cotton said upon their return to the meeting room.

The township board vote was unanimous, giving the business 90 days to accomplish the demolition and cleanup, with another 30 days to repaint the remaining building.

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

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

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

In October 2004, the board voted unanimously to stop granting extensions. That led to Cotton's filing of a lawsuit in Oakland County Circuit Court, and in November 2004 township officials agreed to a "voluntary stay" of the demolition order pending the result of the court case.

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Going 'spacey' over reading and math

Independence Elementary's fifth annual math and reading night was "Out of this World" on March 9.

Students in grades K-5 and their parents enjoyed an evening of puzzles, problem solving and physical challenges.

The space cadets and their time-traveling guides enjoyed activities in several different sectors and then made a final pit stop to recharge with some stardust cookies and wormhole juice in the Moonwalk Cafe.

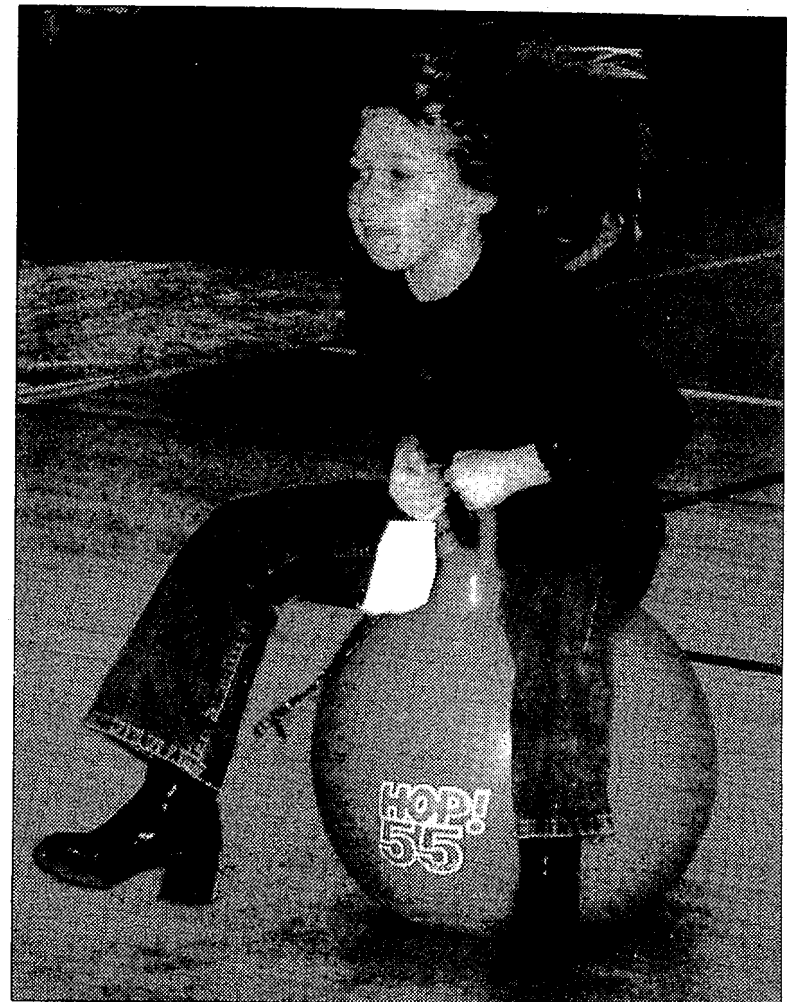
"We really need to thank the

Massar family," said reading teacher Pat Halihan. "They made all the decorations and props. The robotics they created are absolutely wonderful."

So, curious space souls, check out these great times at IE's space station.



Many of the space cadets were delighted with the planet puzzlers. Earthling Debbie Anderson assists her daughter Erika, 10, with the challenge.



Second grader Brianna Sholte defies gravity on the moonhop.

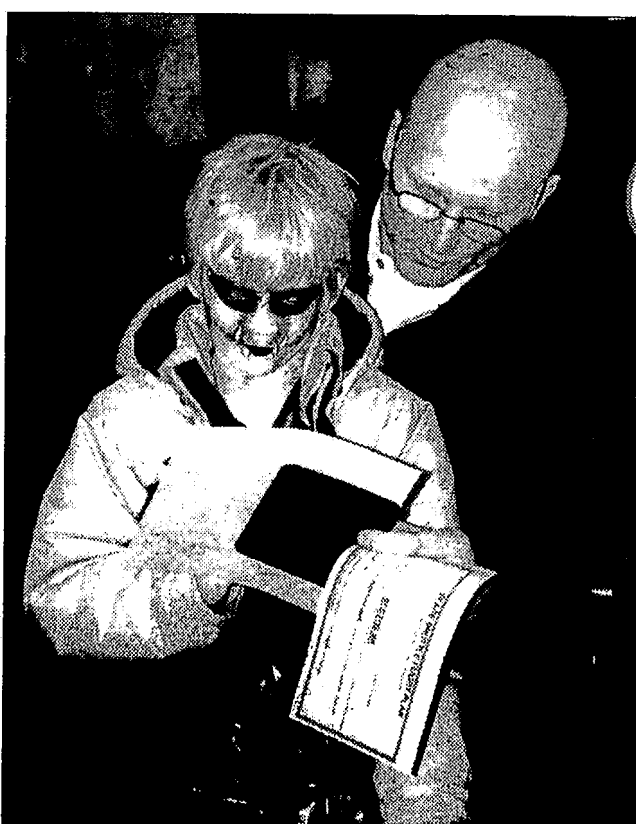
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Fifth grader Erika Snoeyink concentrates as she tries to guess the number of moon pebbles under the black light in the Moonwalk Cafe.



Shape fitting becomes a team effort for siblings Bridget Chiodo, 11 and her brother Frank, 8.



Space monster Brock Nowak, 8, works on a space team puzzler with his human father, Bruce.



Running the Sector 5 check-in station is teacher Jessica Sorenson.

People Poll

Are celebrity pitfalls 'news'?



"Yes, I think so. We talk about them every day at my work. There is a certain intrigue as to what is going on in (celebrities') lives."

— Cyndy Grugen



"I love all of that stuff. I just like to catch a brief minute or two."

— Carole Davies



"No, you are supposed to get the news and move on. This stuff is rehashed over and over."

— Tom Davies



"Sure they are. The celebrity trials are kind of like harmless gossip."

— Kristin Sloan

By Noah Purcell

The Clarkston News' Millstream

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

Rotary supports Clarkston through wine

BY CHRISTINA ULAJ
Clarkston News Staff Writer

The guest list was long and the wine was flowing during the Rotary Club's annual Spring Wine Tasting Gala on March 9.

Held at the beautiful Oakhurst Club House, Rotary members and guests enjoyed good company, great food and even better wine.

The wine was supplied from Michigan wineries, and the display tables were decorated with classic bottles of Cabernet, Merlot and other favorites. The night brought together many people, including Oakhurst residents.

"I live five minutes away," said Laura Clayton. "My girlfriend told me about the party, so all of the girls got together and came to have a good time."

"This is a wonderful venue," said Rotary Assistant District Governor Mike Spillum. "The food is great. We have plenty of wine to try and everyone is having a good time."

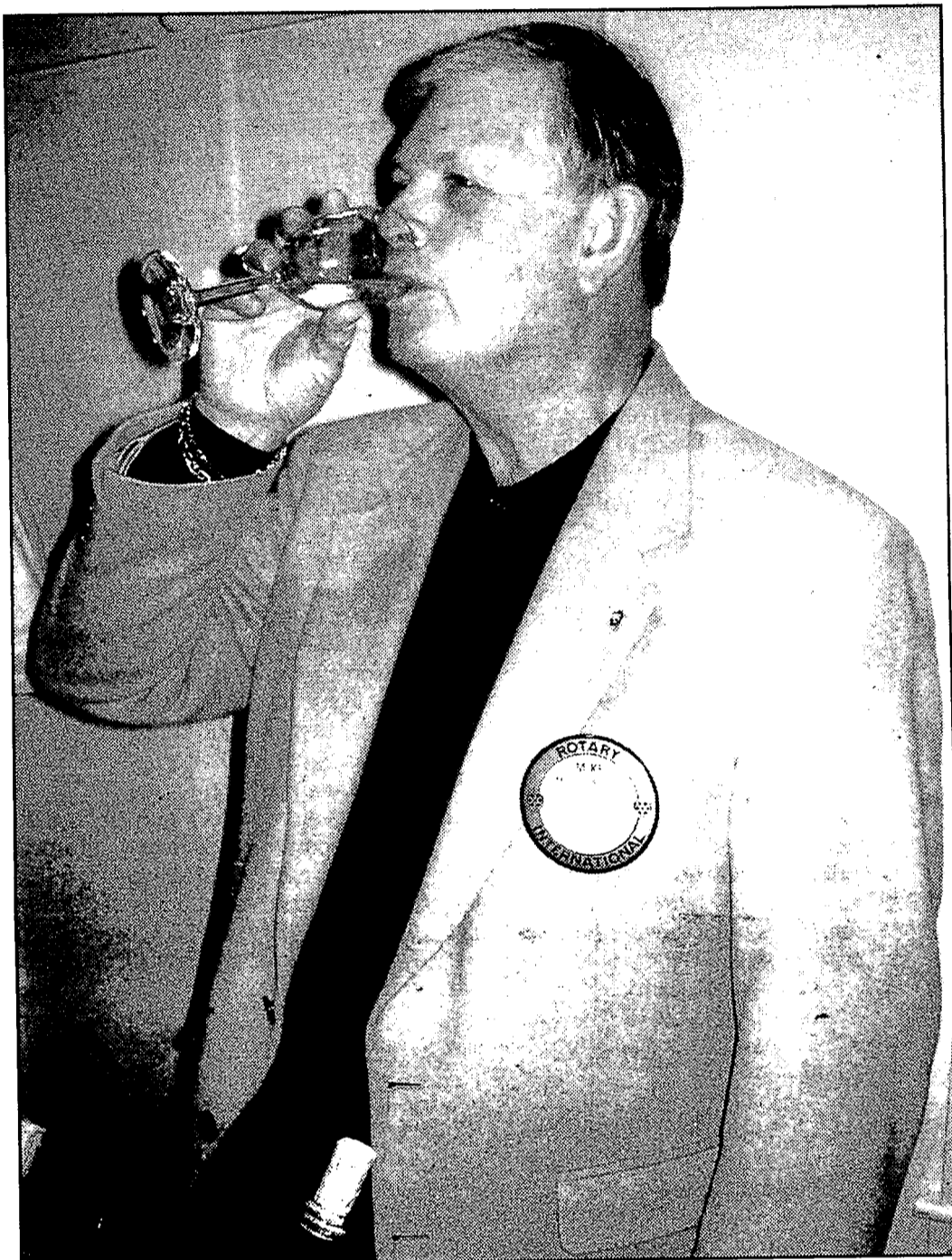
"This is the fourth year we have participated," said Don Hartwick, L. Mawby Vineyards. "I think the turnout is great and the patrons seem to be willing to try new things."

A common sentence heard among the wine distributors was that people in Clarkston are strong supporters of Michigan wines. Michigan wine distributors participating included: Chateau de Leelanau Vineyard, Black Star Farms, Cherry Creek Cellars, L. Mawby Vineyards, Bel Lago Vineyard, Raftshol Vineyards, Willow Vineyard, Chateau Chantal, Zafarana Vineyards, Chateau Fontaine and Tabor Hill Vineyards.

"This year's party is at this beautiful country club, and all the people who come here are absolutely phenomenal," said Lu Hewko, Chateau Fontaine. "When it's a Rotary event, they make it so easy for everyone."

There were plenty of familiar faces in the crowd, and each individual had one thing in common: they are all supporters of Rotary.

"I am having a wonderful time," said Anne Evans, director of student support services for Clarkston Community



Assistant District Governor Mike Spillum samples a glass of wine. Photo by Ulaj

schools. "It's a great opportunity to support Rotary."

"This is one of the nicest events the Rotary has had," said Sue Dendler-Kazmierski. "The night is absolutely wonderful."

"I enjoy volunteering for my local community," said Chuck Fortinberry. "I know so many great people always show up for these

events."

Even more thrilling, was the fact that Oakhurst opened its doors for the Rotary and donated all of the food.

"I am having a very good time," district governor Jeff Lichty. "It's fun seeing a lot of local neighbors and people I haven't seen since the last wine tasting."

Since Oakhurst is licensed to sell alcohol, guests were able to purchase their favorite bottle of wine, something that pleased many patrons.

All proceeds from the night will go toward the Rotary Club's general operations, scholarships, Christmas events, parades and all other programs offered by the Rotary.

For more photos of the evening, please see Wine Tasting on page 12B

'I live five minutes away. My girlfriend told me about the party, so all of the girls got together and came to have a good time.'

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Around Town

The Independence Township Senior Center has several fun and exciting upcoming activities:

• **Joanne Bogus** of Oakland County Social Security will visit March 17, and April 7 and 21 to present "Dream Your Dream: How to Get More Out of Life."

• Enjoy a delicious **spaghetti dinner** on March 18 from 5-7 p.m. The cost is \$4 per person. Desserts are \$1 extra. Meal includes homemade sauce, fresh tossed salad, garlic bread and beverage. Meatless sauce is available for Lent.

• **Walking opportunity** at Clarkston High School on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Please park in the front lot and enter through the main doors. Sign in will be with school security. Walkers can start anytime after 5:30 p.m., but everyone must be gone by 7:30 p.m.

For more information, please call the senior center at 248-625-8231.

La Petite Gallery is hosting an **Artists Meeting** on March 17 at 7 p.m. Come in for an evening of sharing, inspiration and motivation to keep art alive.

For more information, please call Terry at 248-625-2511.

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 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.

There's a lot happening at the **Springfield Township Library**:

• Come enjoy stories, songs, finger plays, crafts and more at the **Family Storytime** at 7 p.m. on April 19 and May 17. No registration is required.

• The Bag of Books/Bake Sale is April 14 from 10 a.m.-8 p.m.; April 15 from 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.; and April 16 from

10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Come hungry and ready to read!

• Looking for something to entertain your young one ages 5-12? Then bring them in for **Holiday Crafts!** April 5 is "Talking Chick and Egg," and May 3 is a "Secret Gift for Mom." Registration is currently underway.

• Celebrate National Library Week on April 12 with Margaret Schmidt presenting "**Spring on the Farm.**" "The Farm Lady" will bring a bottle-fed lamb and talk about sheep, wool and making maple syrup. Registration begins April 1.

• **Young adult craft nights** are coming up fast: April 6 learn how to cross-stitch and May 4 make a gift for Mom's special day. Both craft times are from 7-8 p.m.

For more information, please call the library at 248-846-6550.

Community "**Get Rid of Junk**" Sale March 18 and 19 from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at the Springfield Oaks Youth Activities Center.

One person's junk is another person's treasure, and surprises can be found when the community comes together, cleaning out attics, basements, garages and barns

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Please call Nancy Lopez at 248-634-9775 or email woodcreekfarm@comcast.net to reserve your space.

Gearing up for **Optimists**:

• The Clarkston Area Optimist Club is asking for gifts and prizes from area merchants for the March 19 **silent and live auctions** at Liberty Golf and Grille. Some of the items already collected include 3-room condo at Shanty Creek overlooking the 18th hole of the Legend Golf Course, baseball autographed by Al Kaline, golf for four at Oakland Hills Country Club and an opportunity to assist Dale Ryan in the Wolves press box.

To donate to the auction, please contact Jill Popour at 248-922-2700.

• The Optimists are holding a nationwide "**Just Ask**" campaign for new members. Anyone interested in becoming a part of the club can stop by a Wednesday morning, 7:30 a.m. meeting at the Liberty Golf Club and Banquet Center. For more information, please contact Roger Diederich at 248-625-5915.

The Clarkston Jaycees are collecting non-perishable food and HBA

items for Lighthouse on March 19 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at Kroger on Sashabaw Rd.

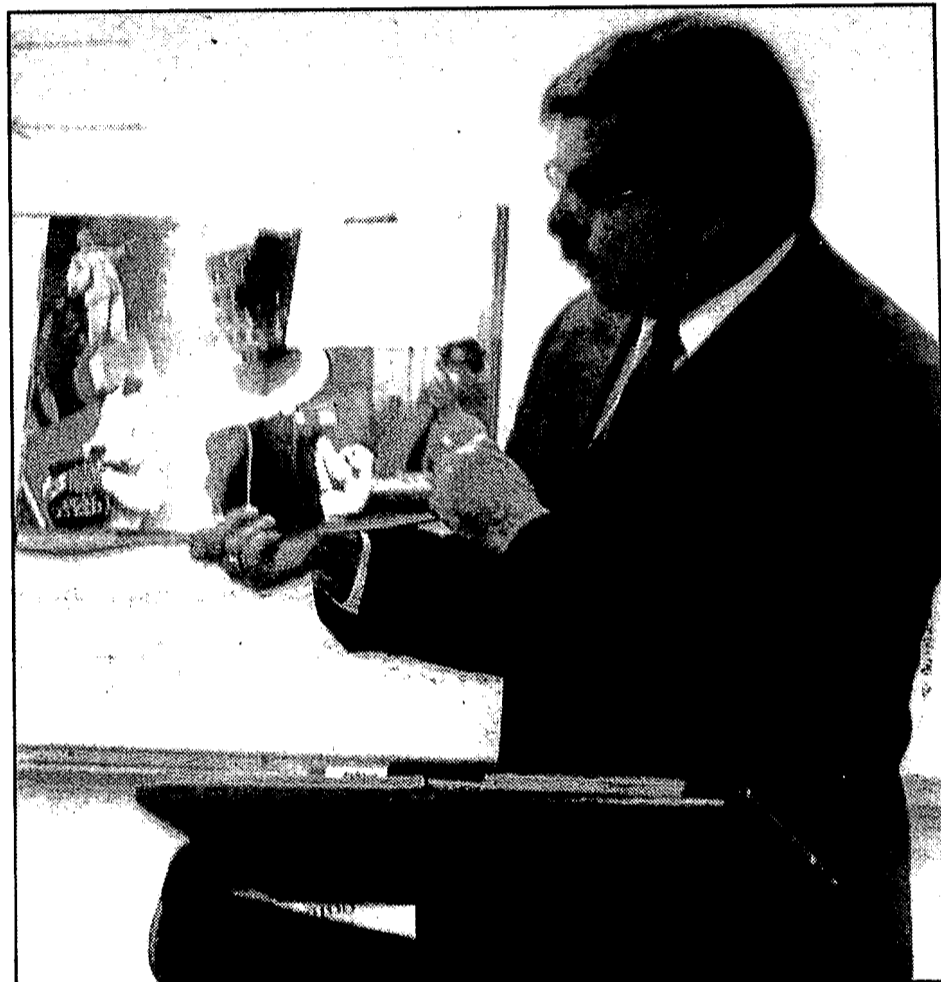
For more information, contact project chair Christine Mengyan at 248-770-0872 or at ctmeng@aol.com.

T&C Federal Credit Union is hosting a free **Shred-It Day** on March 19 from 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at the new Clarkston branch at 7357 Deer Lake Rd. The event is available to all T&C members and staff who wish to do a little "Identity Spring Cleaning" this year.

Iron Mountain, T&C's document shredding company, will be on site to help members shred their old, confidential documents in a timely manner.

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Marching to read...



In honor of "March Reading Month," State Representative John Stakoe made a special visit to Everest Academy to read to the children. This was this first stop on the list of 13 local elementary schools Stakoe will visit throughout the month. Photo by Christina Ulaj



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Resident 'campaigns' to benefit leukemia research

BY DON SCHELSKE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

In government elections, some complain about the subtle equation of money to votes.

Sherry Schaffert is not subtle about it. She is seeking "reelection" as the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society of Michigan's "Woman of the Year," and donations are "votes."

The Clarkston area resident earned the title in 2003. In 2004, she simply worked on the volunteer committee behind the fund-raiser, but in 2005 decided to throw her hat back in the ring.

The society's "Woman of the Year" and "Man of the Year" titles will go to the volunteers who raise the most money in the campaign, which ends with a silent auction on May 4 in Auburn Hills. The kickoff was March 6 at Nordstrom's in Troy, and in between the "candidates" will be engaged in a variety of efforts to gain either cash donations or items for the silent auction. Each dollar raised equals one "vote" for the candidate.

Schaffert's motivation comes from personal experience. About four years ago, her father was diagnosed with leukemia.

"We didn't know much about it," she said. "We didn't know what it meant, and we didn't know what to expect."

Schaffert did some research on blood-related cancer, and ended up being a volunteer for the society.

In 2003, Schaffert won the title with about \$4,000 in donations. Competition among five candidates is expected to be

tougher this year, and she has set a goal of \$25,000.

"It's very aggressive," she said, and she already has more than \$2,000 pledged. "I'm aiming high."

Some of the items she has obtained for the silent auction include an autographed football from the Green Bay Packers, an autographed puck from the Detroit Red Wings and various gift certificates from businesses such as hotels and hair salons.

In passing the word for cash donations, Schaffert is sending letters to family members and friends, some of whom have promised to write their friends, too. "We just mention it wherever we go," she said.

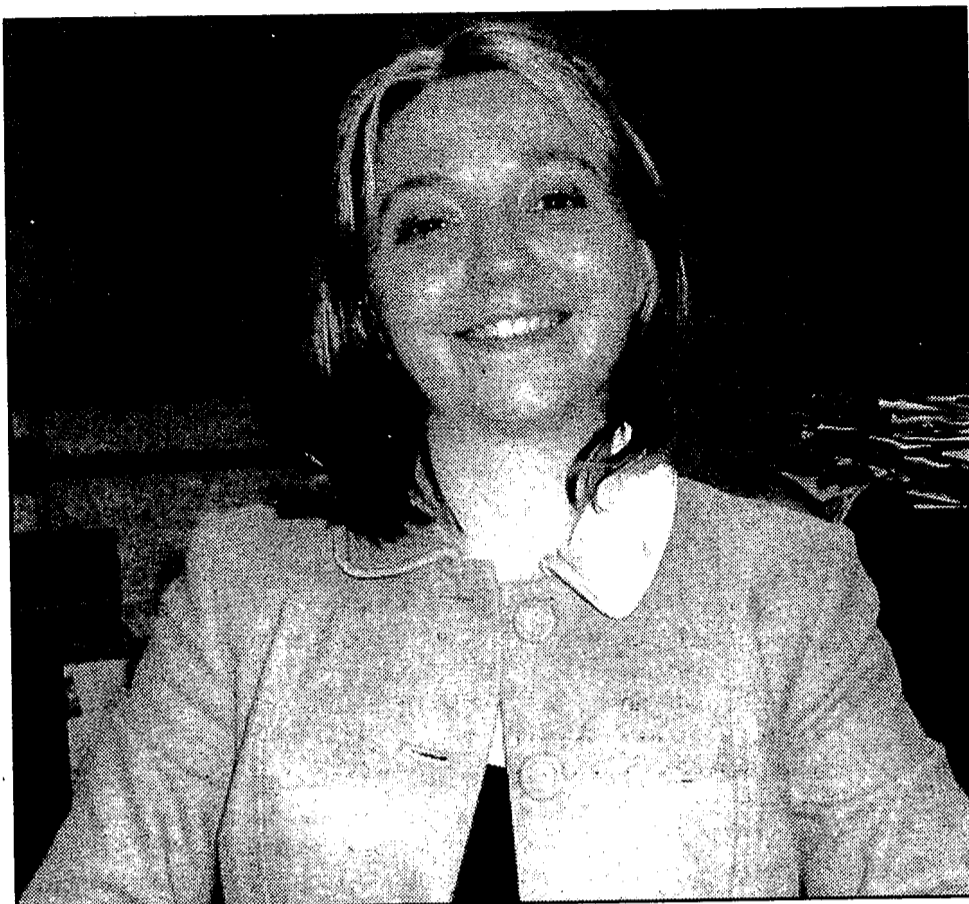
There are few limitations as to how candidates may raise funds. Schaffert didn't stage a lot of special events in 2003, but she is considering several ideas this year.

"Your campaign is your campaign. You can do whatever you want to do," she said. "I'm taking ideas from everybody. You never know what I might end up doing."

The event has some built-in drama, as totals are not announced until after the silent auction.

"You don't know until the end," Schaffert said. "Up to that night, you don't know what people bid on your silent auction items."

Along with the fun of the campaign is the serious side of making more people aware of the cause. Approximately 111,000 cases of blood-related cancer are



Sherry Schaffert hopes to win many "votes" in her bid to win "Woman of the Year" from the Leukemia and lymphoma Society of Michigan. Photo by Don Schelske

diagnosed each year, with more than 712,000 currently with the disease, Schaffert said. In 2004, more than 55,000 people died from leukemia and lymphoma.

"Some find it hard to discuss leukemia," she said. "You think it's the end."

There is good news, however, and Schaffert said her father has been in remission for about five months.

For more information on Schaffert's campaign, call 248-894-9202. To donate online, visit www.active.com/donate/sschaffert on the Internet.

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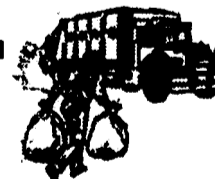
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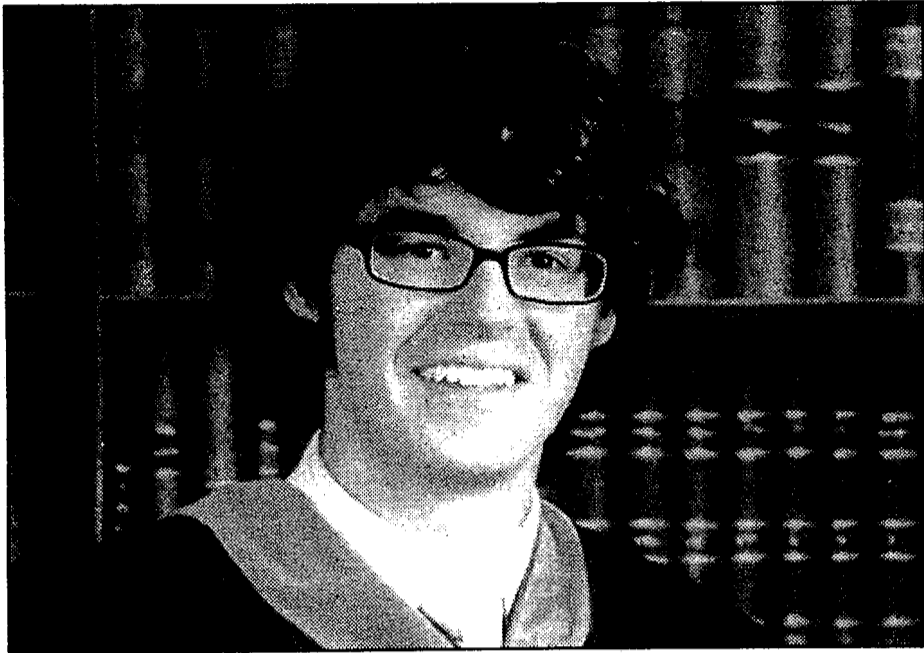
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2-5 year olds, Start at 11:15 am; 6 years & Up, Start at 1:30 pm

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Milestones

Wadecki earns fellowship



Adam Wadecki, lifelong Clarkston resident and son of Allan and Marie Wadecki, will graduate spring 2005 from the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, College of Engineering with degrees in mechanical engineering, industrial and operations engineering and a minor in mathematics.

Wadecki had been admitted to the University of Michigan's Industrial and Operations Engineering Department five-year doctoral program, and was awarded a fellowship in the IOE, Ph.D. program.

Wadecki is a 2001 graduate of Detroit Country Day School, Birmingham.

Locals make Dean's Lists

Christopher Laney and Kathi Wiegand were named to the Michigan State University Dean's List for the fall 2004 semester. Students must achieve a grade point of 3.5 or higher to be listed.

Laney is the son of Becky and Jim Laney of Clarkston. This is his second time on the list.

A 2002 CHS graduate, Wiegand is a junior in the Eli Broad College of Business, majoring in marketing. She was recently selected to travel to New York City as a MSU marketing student representative and has been selected as a student volunteer to travel to the Dominican Republic this summer.

Molly Morgan was named to the Dean's List at Liberty University, in Lynchburg, Virginia, for the fall 2004 semester.

A total of 1719 undergraduates re-

ceived the honor. Students named to the list earn a grade point of 3.5 or better and carry an academic load of at least 12 credit hours.

Central Michigan University's fall semester honors list includes the following area students:

From Clarkston - Katie J. Bailey, Robert Bernardi, Sarah J. Booth, Lindsey A. Bramble, Kara R. Cantrell, Matthew L. Clark, Kelly A. Dougherty, Adam D. Drankhan, Suzanne Giroux, Anna M. Green, Rudy Hunt, Caitlin E. Johnston, Joshua C. Melvin, Melissa A. Ogg, Christina S. Paci, Thomas E. Paci,

Brian A. Secord, Trevor W. Sisk, Rachel C. Tyler, Jocelyn M. Valentino, Matthew S. Vercauteren, Ryan T. Wheaton, Michael P. Willett and Emily R. Zarzycki.

From Davisburg - Andrea E. Aldrich, Sarah A. Beck, Emily J. Broderick, Erin E. Broderick, Jennifer L. Daniels, Joshua J. Lawson and Samantha M. Marion.

Colby N. Albarkat, Megan L. Anderson, Robert E. Koch, Caitlin W. McLean, Tara F. Nico, Kaitlyn M. Sitar and Nicole D. Villiere were named to the Albion College Dean's List for the 2004 fall semester. All of the students received a grade point of 3.5 or higher for the term.

Albarkat is a sophomore and the daughter of Muwaffaq and Rhonda Albarkat.

Anderson is a sophomore and the daughter of Bill Anderson of Pontiac and DeLynn Anderson of Clarkston.

Koch is a senior majoring in anthropology and minoring in Asian studies and art history. He is the son of James

and Jana Koch.

McLean is a first-year student and a member of the Gerstacker Liberal Arts Program in professional management. She is the daughter of Mary Ellen McLean.

Nico is a senior majoring in speech communication and a member of the Gerald R. Ford Institute for Public Policy and Service. She is the daughter of Pete and Christie Nico.

Sitar is a junior majoring in psychology and the daughter of Steven and Janet Sitar.

Villiere is a senior majoring in chemistry and the daughter of Ted and Patricia Villiere.

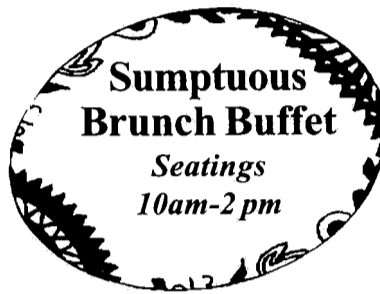
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Religion

St. Patrick taught about community

Everyone knows St. Patrick's Day is the holiday of Irish immigrants, and a very Catholic one at that. But most know little about him. He was a Roman living in Britain, born about A.D. 390. At the age of 16, he was kidnapped, taken to Ireland and enslaved.

He confessed that, while at home, he had never cared much for his religion. Christ was just not that important to him, and he was not even sure God existed. During the course of his enslavement this changed. He began to cultivate a rich spirituality while he was alone.

Eventually, Patrick escaped from his slave master and returned home. But the experience had changed him. He could not forget Ireland. In 432, he was ordained as a bishop and returned to Ireland as the first missionary in the church since the days of St. Paul.

Ireland in those days was on the edge of the known world and was inhabited by fierce pagan barbarians. Patrick is credited with converting the Irish nation and founding the church there.

The stories about him abound. He lit the first Easter Vigil Bonfire (which we still do on Holy Saturday before Easter). He used the shamrock as a symbol for the Trinity, with each leaf representing a person of the Trinity: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Supposedly, Patrick drove the snakes out of Ireland. Of course, who knows if there were any snakes in Ireland? It is more likely that he drove out the metaphorical snakes. One such snake could have been the evil of slavery. He wrote of slavery as "a crime so horrible and unspeakable," his efforts to end it must have come to some good, since during his lifetime the slave trade in Ireland virtually ceased.

Patrick saw that barbarians could enter the kingdom of heaven. He knew that even murderers could become peacemakers and slave traders could grant freedom. As far as we can tell, Patrick was not as concerned about sins and sex like his contemporary,

St. Augustine. Instead, Patrick focused on a vision of hope found in community. Underneath the green beer, corned beef and other things associated with St. Patrick's Day, his vision is the insight we celebrate.

St. Patrick died in 461. In less than 15 years, the last Roman Emperor in the West would die and the Dark Ages would begin. Thomas Cahill tells how Patrick and the Irish played a pivotal role in the history of the West in his book, *How the Irish Saved Civilization* (1995). We would all do well to know about "those essential moments when everything was at stake, when the mighty stream that became Western history was in ultimate danger and might have divided into a hundred useless tributaries or frozen in death or evaporated altogether" (Cahill).

It was from St. Patrick's Ireland that a fresh Christian spirit preserved our civilization in continental Europe. Irish monks went out as missionaries to other parts of Europe. They set up monasteries, preached the gospel and preserved reading and literature.

Each year we commemorate this forgotten turning point in history, whether we realize it or not. This is how it often is; we remember what was good and important while long forgetting exactly why and what made it so. This is especially the case with holidays.

I was recently visiting friends at Michigan State University and a few of us were sitting around after cigars and a few drinks. A friend commented, "We are good Catholics; we only have the classic vices: drinking, smoking and carousing."

Now, I doubt that makes us good Catholics (they are vices, after all), but this shows we appreciate community. We value time with people, while laughing and joking and having a good time. People all over the country will enjoy community this St. Patrick's Day.

St. Patrick's Day is not just an excuse to drink. It is a celebration of community, history and hope. We believe that, in some sense, the presence of God can be found in human relationships, and this compelling insight should not be lost sight of even in the face of excess (sometimes green beer).

(Garrett Garcia is a student and a parishioner at St. Daniel Catholic Community in Clarkston.)

Spiritual Matters



Garrett Garcia

In our churches...

The **Great Resurrection Debate** simulcast will be presented from 6-8 p.m. on Sunday, March 20 at Calvary Lutheran Church in Clarkston

Easter comes down to one question: Did Jesus really rise from the dead? Some would argue that Jesus' resurrection was simply a powerful religious metaphor rather than a real event.

In this landmark debate, Christian apologist William Lane Craig and Jesus' Seminar scholar Bishop John Shelby Spong square off to address this central question of Christianity.

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

Call the church office for more information, 248-625-3288.

Experience events from the **last week of Jesus' life** through the eyes of two of his disciples, Peter and Andrew, as presented in dramatic vignettes on Palm/Passion Sunday, March 20; and Easter, March 27.

Worship times are 8:15, 9:45 and 11:15 a.m. Mid-week services on Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Saturday Easter Vigil are all 7 p.m.

All are invited to Calvary Lutheran Church, 6805 Bluegrass Drive, at the southwest corner of I-75 and M-15. For more information, call 248-625-3288.

The First Baptist Church of Clarkston drama team will perform the original drama, **"This Hallowed Place"** at 7 p.m. on Friday, March 25 and 10:30 a.m. on Sunday, March 27.

Admission is free of charge, and childcare for infants is available during both performances.

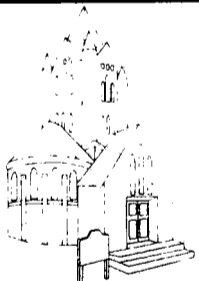
First Baptist Church meets at 5972 Paramus Drive. For more information, call 248-625-3380.

All are invited to join the youth of Calvary Lutheran Church for their annual **Good Friday CrossWalk** on March 25.

Gather at Clarkston High School at 5:30 p.m. and walk the cross through town, ending at Calvary by 7 p.m. for the evening service, reflecting on Jesus' suffering and death.

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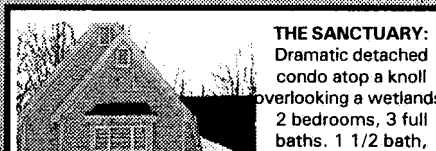
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THE SANCTUARY: Dramatic detached condo atop a knoll overlooking a wetlands, 2 bedrooms, 3 full baths, 1 1/2 bath, daylight finished lower level with wet bar, 2 fireplaces, open great room, gourmet kitchen. Call for pricing. (LW)
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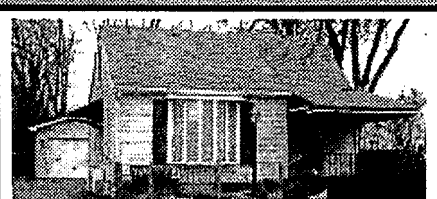
AWESOME LAKEFRONT! Ranch with 1900 sq. ft. plus finished walkout basement. Master suite has great view of water, three bedroom, study or 4th bedrooms, 3.5 baths, 2 fireplace and more! Woodhull Lake. Oakland Lake. \$489,900 (KT)
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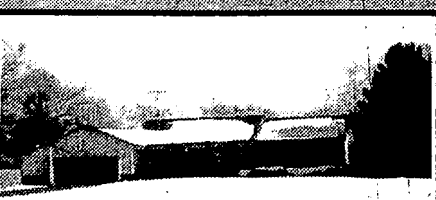
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SIMPLY SPECTACULAR! Wonderful 4 bedroom, 3 1/2 bath, 2 story in the best location in Clarkston. Customized for the well organized! Finished lower level with theater. \$549,900 (PG)
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Obituaries

Verda M. Taylor

Verda M. (Spencer) Taylor, of Marshfield, Missouri, formerly of Davisburg, passed away on March 7, 2005 at the age of 78.

Mrs. Taylor was born on May 21, 1926 in Pontiac. She lived with her parents, Harold and Lena Spencer, on a farm east of Ortonville. She graduated from the old Ortonville High School in 1944.

Mrs. Taylor is survived by her husband of 60 years Roy D. Taylor, eight children, 14 grandchildren, six great-grandchildren and many friends. May God hold her in His arms!

A funeral service was held on March 12, 2005 at the Sherman Wilk Funeral Home in Ortonville with Pastor Jill Zundel officiating. Burial ceremonies held in Ortonville Cemetery.

Howard N. Powers

Howard N. Powers, of Clarkston, absent from the body, present with the Lord on March 9, 2005. He was 96.

Mr. Powers was preceded in death by his wife Helen, daughter Linda Hartman and son Stephen. He was the loving father of Janice Parker of Ortonville; grandfather of Ronnie (Debbie) Parker, Lee Ann Mroz, Jennifer (James) Emblem, Jeffrey (Linda) Parker, Faye (Jeffrey) Gartrelle and Katie (Brett) Mosey; great-grandfather of Colleen, Lindsey, Ashley, Bridget Danielle, Rachel, Alexandria, Hannah, Emily, Emma, Noah and Morgan; and father-in-law of Dale Hartman and Bob Parker. Mr. Powers will be missed by all of his brothers and sisters in Christ.

Mr. Powers was a charter member of the Great Lakes Baptist Church. He dedicated his life to the work and service of Jesus Christ. He served in the army during World War II and retired from General Motors after 36 years of service.

A funeral service was held on March 12, 2005 at the Maranatha Baptist Church in Clarkston. Burial ceremonies held in Hillview Cemetery. Arrangements provided by Lewis E. Wint & Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Great Lakes Baptist Church Building Fund.

Leslie C. Forshee

Leslie C. Forshee, of Flint, passed away on March 13, 2005. He was 89 years old.

Mr. Forshee was preceded in death by his wife Esther. He was the father of Kristine (Ed) Levy of Clarkston and Janis (Larry) Mephram of Dearborn; and grandfather of Aimee (Ryan) Shirey and Matthew Mephram.

Mr. Forshee retired from Fisher Body in 1974 after 40 years of service as an employment manager. He was a member of the Flint Bowling Association Hall of Fame, having bowled a 300 game in 1981. He served as past president and life member of the Michigan State Senior Bowling Association.

A funeral service is scheduled for March 17, 2005 at 10 a.m. at the Lewis E. Wint & Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home. Friends may visit on Wednesday, March 16, 2005 from 3-5 p.m. and 7-9 p.m. Entombment will take place in Flint Memorial Park.

Memorials may be made to St. Joseph Mercy Supportive Care.

Around Town

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Secure, temporary storage is also available for members who wish to destroy their material, but don't have time to wait.

T&C members will also receive a coupon from participating Kmart stores for 10 percent off the purchase of a personal shredder.

For more information, please go online to www.tfcu.org or call 248-858-7159 or stop by the Clarkston branch.

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 Parks and Recreation office, or download a registration form at www.twp.independence.mi.us and mail to 90 N. Main St., P.O. Box 69, Clarkston, MI 48347.

Please call 248-625-8223 with any questions.

Other fun activities happening at the Independence Township Park and Recreation office:

• Staying home in Clarkston for Spring Break? Need something for the children to do? Then sign up for **Spring Break Activities!** There is a full week of activities from March 28-April 1. Children can sign up for one day or all week. Costs include supervision, transportation and entry fees. Lunch is not included unless stated. Registration deadline is March 18.

For more information, please contact the office at 248-625-8223. Late registrations will be accepted if openings are available.

• **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.

• **Youth Baseball and Softball Leagues** will need **Umpires** for this summer. Please sign up with Park and Rec to take an **Umpire Test**. Test dates and times vary and can be taken beginning March 17. Applicants must be 14 years or older. All accepted umpires will be expected to attend several mandatory trainings in May. Season begins early June and continues through July.

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 Clarkston Homeschoolers will gather to

hear about Leaders for the Blind on March 21 at 1:30 p.m. at the Independence Township Library. Come meet a real Leader Dog and learn about puppy raising, Leader Dog training and so on. Contact Carmen Ross at 248-620-9733 for more information.

U.S. Rep. Mike Rogers' staff will meet with Oakland County residents on March 21 from 9-11 a.m. at the Independence Township Hall. Citizens needing assistance with federal agencies, or with comments or concerns, may drop in and talk with the staff. No appointment necessary.

To contact the eighth district office call 517-702-8000 or toll-free at 1-877-333-MIKE.

Free Weight Management and Exercise Seminar offered at Deer Lake Athletic Club, in combination with Houston Fitness Consultants, on March 22 at 7 p.m. The evening will discuss "Understanding Metabolism and Metabolic Syndrome." There will be chances to win free door prizes such as one free BodyGem metabolic test, a \$50 value.

For more information, please call 248-625-8686.

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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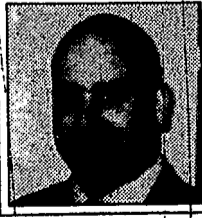
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Good eggs...

About 50 people gathered at St. Daniel's Cushing Center on March 12 to enjoy a different kind of Easter egg decorating.

Carol Schwarb led a session on Pysanky Ukrainian egg decorating.

Unlike modern techniques, the antique style uses raw eggs, with the finished product never intended to be eaten. Decorators using a candle-heated brass stylus with melted wax to draw various designs. Removal of the wax after dipping in color dyes allowed for interesting layered color effects.

Decorators were allowed to try traditional geometric patterns or freehand drawings.

With proper treatment, pysanky eggs can be preserved. The original intent was to use them as gifts exchanged with friends, to decorate a mantle or corner cabinet, or given as part of the centerpiece on a dining table — not only at Easter, but throughout the year.



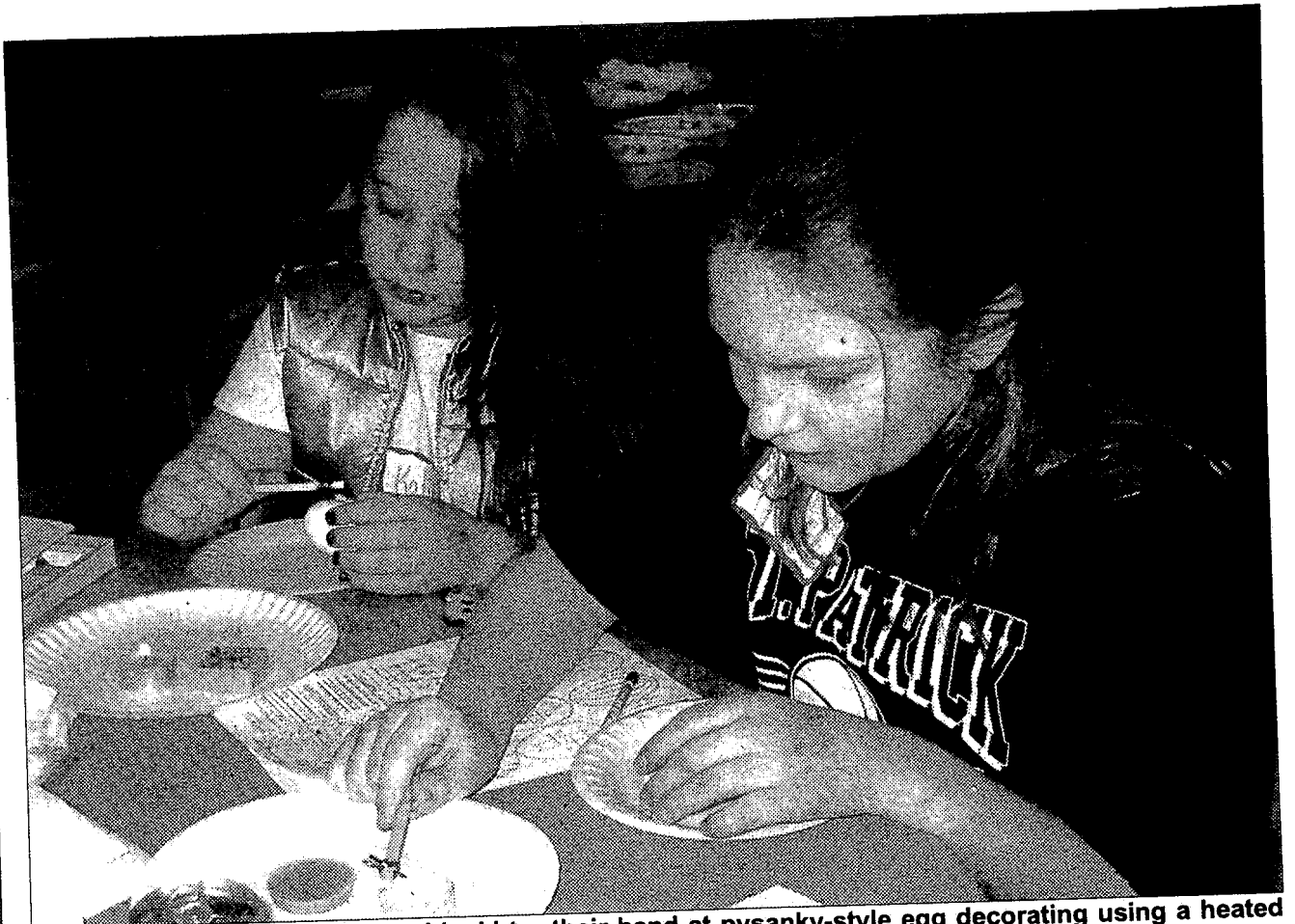
The finished product (from Carol Schwarb's collection) shows the possibilities of pysanky decorating.



Brothers Evin and Stephen Johnson go for the free-hand look with their eggs.



Sara Stopchinski proudly displays her egg after color dye dip.



Katie Sensoli and Rachel Stopchinski try their hand at pysanky-style egg decorating using a heated brass stylus and melted wax to draw the geometric patterns.



Olivia Kuchlbauer creates her own unique egg.



Pat Archer assists Sonia Foster in dyeing an egg.



The color dye dipping table is busy after egg decorators finish their wax line patterns.

Photos by Don Schelske



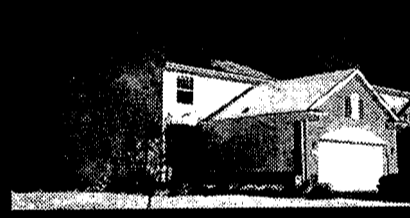
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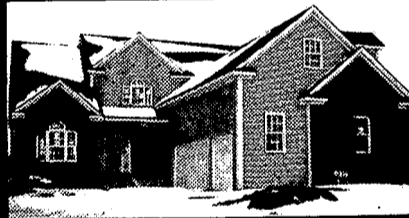
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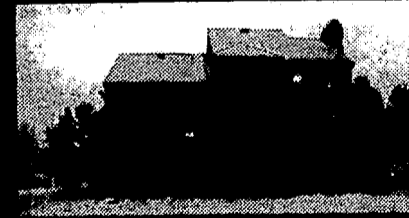
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Covering all sides of beauty... Tranquility Hair*Spa*Tanning

This salon comes from a special place. The dream began with a mother and her young daughter.

"Since my daughter Stephanie was a little girl, we dreamed of opening a salon," said owner Peggy Strutz. "When she grew up we went for it."

Peggy and Stephanie opened Tranquility Hair*Spa*Tanning one year ago. The salon was a new adventure for the mother-daughter team, however they have definitely come a long way.

Tranquility is literally an all-in-one salon. They offer a lot of variety in every area of beauty imaginable. From hair to tanning this salon has it covered.

Peggy and Stephanie aim to please

all of their customers. They provide many services for all ages, men, women or children. Items include: haircuts, styling, hair color, texturing, treatments, nail care, foot treatments, waxing and tanning.

The nice thing about Tranquility is the convenience. If you need a simple haircut, visit Tranquility. If you need a manicure and pedicure, visit Tranquility, and if you just need a day at the spa, visit Tranquility.

Spa items include: massage services, facials, body treatments and makeup application.

The staff at Tranquility are always ready and willing to satisfy their clients, and enjoy meeting new people everyday.

They have all been trained in their field and each specializes in a certain area of beauty care.

Tranquility Spa*Hair*Tanning has become very comfortable with their Clarkston location however, like every new business, they face challenges.

"I think our biggest challenge is that many people don't know we are here," said Peggy. "We aim to please everyone and we want people to know that we cater to men, women and children."

Peggy and her staff welcome wedding parties, or other special occasions into the salon.

"We enjoy being a part of a wedding or birthday or party," said Peggy. "I urge

everyone to visit our salon."

Tranquility is a new business in the area, however the experience and skills are well above most.

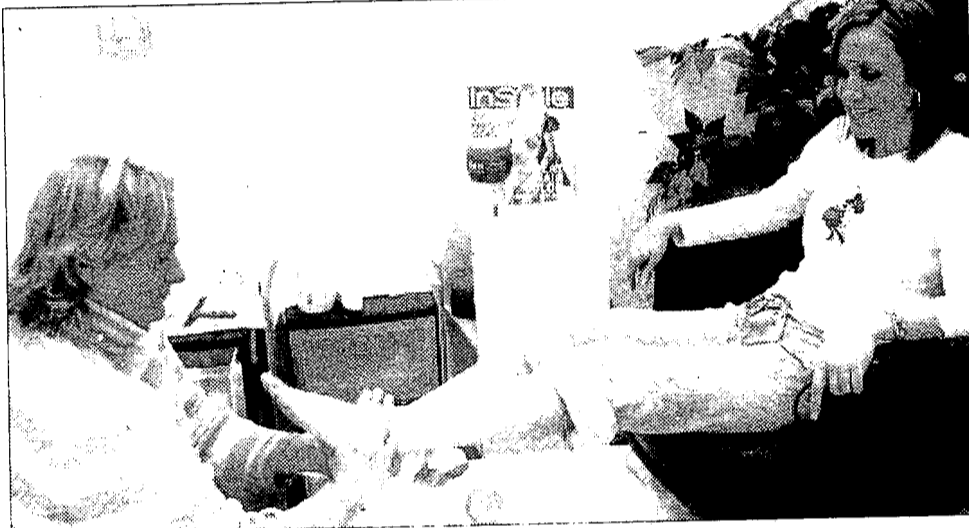
"We are excited about our new business," said Peggy. "We want everyone in the community to enjoy everything Tranquility has to offer."

Tranquility Hair*Spa*Tanning is located at 7030 Gateway Park Drive in Clarkston in the Gateway Plaza. Business hours are Tuesday through Thursday 9 a.m. - 8 p.m., Friday 9 a.m. - 6 p.m., and Saturday 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

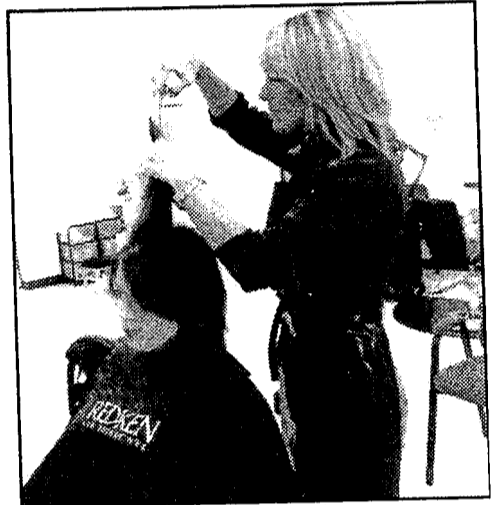
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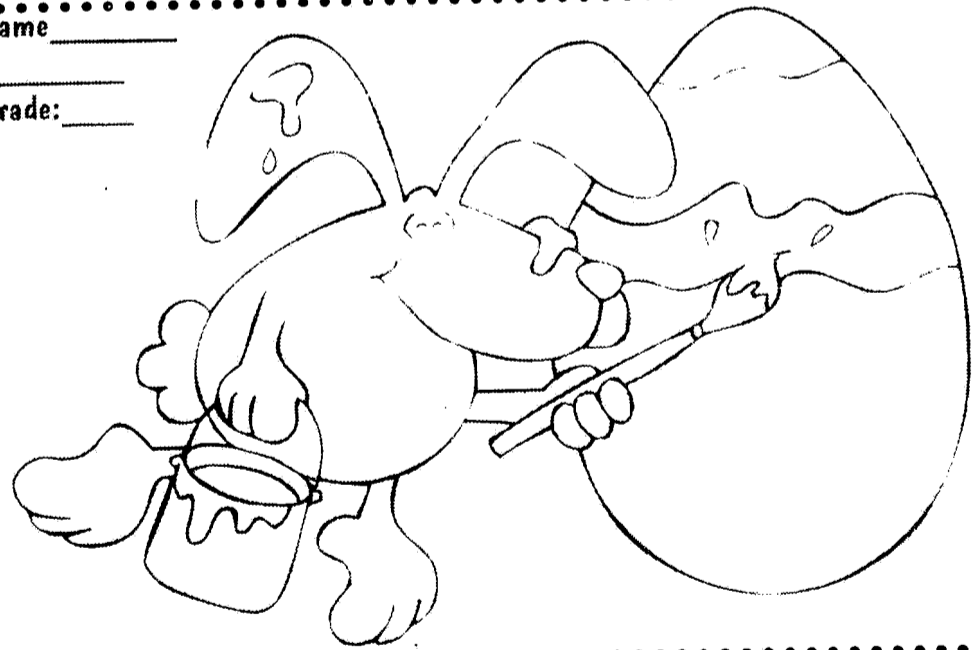
Sunday	Son Rise Service (Contemporary)	8:30 a.m.
	Sunday School-All Ages	8:45 a.m.
	Hour of Praise (blended Worship)	11:00 a.m.
	Evening Worship Service	6:00 p.m.
Wednesday	Bible Study - All Ages	7:00 p.m.
	Teens P.H.A.T. Wed.; 1st Wed. of the Month	7:00 p.m.
	Royal Ambassadors (boys 1st-6th grades)	7:00 p.m.
	Girls In Action (girls 1st-6th grades)	7:00 p.m.

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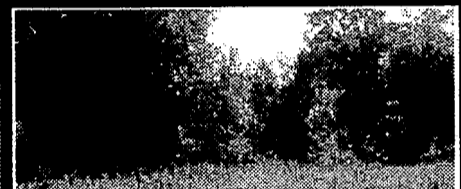


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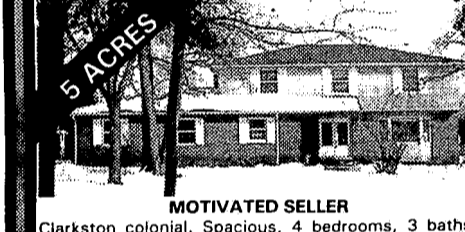
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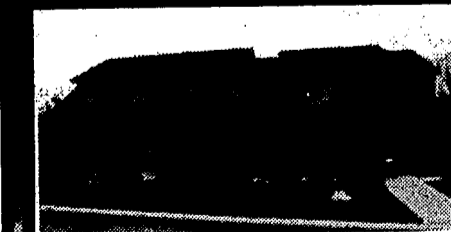


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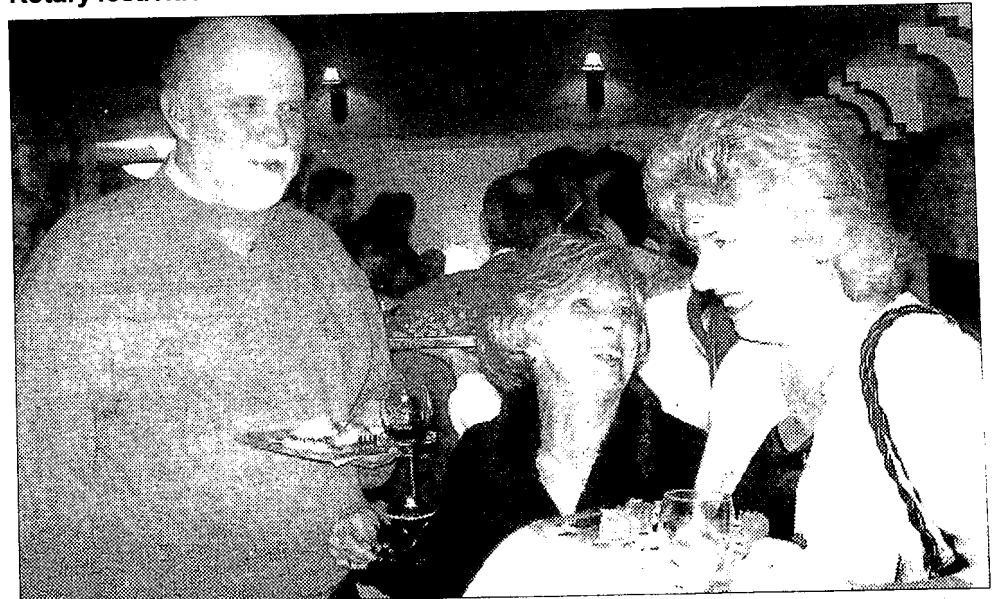
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Bob Zimmerman and Jeff Lichty prove sometimes business is pleasure.



Jim Sherman Jr., publisher of *The Clarkston News*, and his wife Linda join the Rotary festivities.



Gary and Pat Lessel with Elise Finch-Sophiea enjoy the Rotary Wine Tasting.



Debbie Stout, principal at Oxford Elementary School, enjoys a glass of wine.

Have Something Important To Say?



Tell Us!

STATE OF MICHIGAN
PROBATE COURT
COUNTY OF OAKLAND
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Decedent's Estate
FILE NO. Not Applicable
Estate of Norman V. Naylor, Deceased
Date of birth: January 17, 1936
TO ALL CREDITORS:
NOTICE TO CREDITORS:
The decedent, Norman V. Naylor, who lived at 24560 Martha Washington Dr., Southfield, Michigan 48075, died November 18, 2004.
Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Mary Beth Grim, Trustee, whose address is 24560 Martha Washington Dr., Southfield, Michigan 48075 within four (4) months of the date of publication of this notice.
March 7, 2005
Mary Beth Grim,
Trustee of the Norman V. Naylor Trust
24560 Martha Washington Dr.
Southfield, MI 48075
248-552-1937
Douglas A. Mielock P42924
Foster, Swift, Collins & Smith, P.C.
313 S. Washington Square
Lansing, MI 48933
517-371-8203

PUBLIC NOTICE

Because the People Want to Know

CLARKSTON

NOTICE OF LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION OF THE ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF CLARKSTON OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN

ALL ELECTORS ARE HEREBY GIVEN NOTICE that an Election will be held in the City of the Village of Clarkston on Tuesday, May 3, 2005.
Electors who wish to vote in the election must be resigtered no later than April 4, 2005. To register, visit any Secretary of State branch office, the County Clerk's office or local clerk's office.
If you wish to register at a local clerk's office, please call ahead for business hours.

City of the Village of Clarkston
375 Depot Road
Clarkston, MI 48346
(248) 625-1559

PUBLIC NOTICE

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CLARKSTON

CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF CLARKSTON
375 DEPOT ROAD
CLARKSTON, MI 48346
City Council
Regular Meeting Agenda
March 15, 2005
7:00 p.m.

PLEASE NOTE: Meeting normally scheduled for March 14 is being held on Tuesday, March 15, due to Board of Review Meeting on March 14.

1. Meeting called to order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll: Catallo, Colombo, Gamble, Meyland, Ottman, Savage, Wylle.
4. Minutes of Last Meeting
5. Approval of Agenda
6. Approval of Bills: \$114,869.42
7. Committee Reports/Council Comments
8. Mayor's Comments
9. Police Report
10. D.P.W. Report
11. City Manager Report

PUBLIC COMMENTS:
(Note: Public Comments will be limited to 5 Minutes per issue)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:
NEW BUSINESS:

1. Shriners Annual Hospital Fund Drive
2. American Legion Auxillary-Poppy Distribution
2. Clarkston News Resolution

PUBLIC NOTICE

Because the People Want to Know

INDEPENDENCE TWP.

OFFICIAL NOTICE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE PUBLIC NOTICE

The Charter Township of Independence Board of Review will meet for its organizational session, MCL 211.29(1), at the Township Hall's Office of the Assessor on Tuesday, March 8, 2005 at 9:00 am.

The Board of Review will meet for public hearings at the Township Fire Station #1 Training Room, 6500 Citation Drive, Clarkston, Michigan to hear year 2005 assessment appeals of value, classification and poverty on March 14, and 16, 2005 from 9:00 am to 4:30 pm, and on March 15, 2005 from 1:00 pm to 10:00 pm.

The year 2005 tentative equalization ratio is 50%, and the estimated multiplier is 1.0000 for all property classifications.

If you wish to appeal your assessment, it is required that you have an appointment with the Board of Review. An appointment can be made through the Assessor's Office at (248) 625-8114 between 8:00 am and 5:00 pm. Please use your parcel identification number when referring to your property so that your records can be quickly accessed.

Please note that taxes are levied against the TAXABLE VALUE.

Sincerely,

David J. Kramer, ASA, CMAE4, Assessor

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CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF CLARKSTON
375 DEPOT ROAD
CLARKSTON, MI 48346
County of Oakland, State of Michigan
TUESDAY, MAY 3, 2005

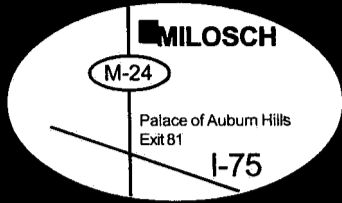
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AT THE POLLING PLACES LISTED BELOW:

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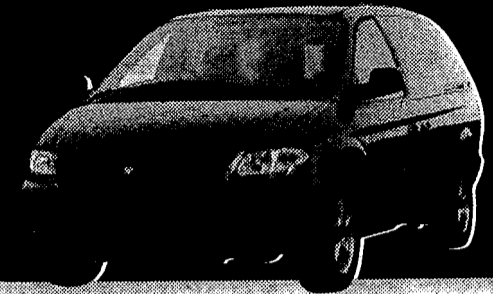
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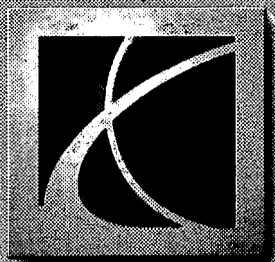
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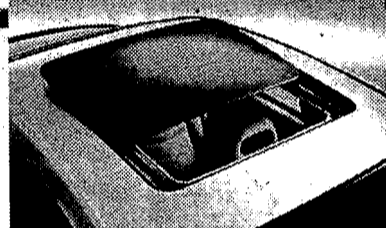
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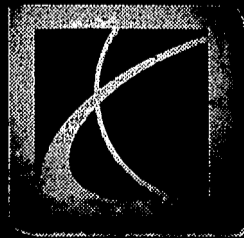
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LX14-1

SEARS 5hp snowblower, 2 stage, electric start, runs very good, \$225. 3X Mods cars: 1 Corvette, 1 Mustang, 1 sports car. Lots of extra parts, battery charger, carrying case includes tool kit, \$225. 248-623-1751. !!!CX35-2

030 WANTED

ANTIQUO FIREARMS WANTED: Winchester, Colts, Lugers. Top dollar paid. 248-628-7086. !!!LX13-2

WANTED: NEWER, used, tiny Barbie series for granddaughters. Mrs. Just 248-628-5143. !!!LX14-2

170 GENERAL

HIGH EFFICIENCY Boiler, 1 year old, will install. 248-420-7066 !!!LX14-2

ELECTRIC STAIRWAY Lift Chair \$475. Great shape. 12ft. run. 248-933-0790. !!!RX14-2

PROJECT GRADUATION 2005- All night party tickets available at school office. Patterson's Pharmacy and Oxford Leader. \$30.00/ after January 1, 2005 is \$45.00 !!!LX51-dhf

BRAND NEW HOME gym weight system. Cost \$1100, asking \$500. 248-628-0212. !!!LX13-2

"HUSKY" TRUCK Tool Box for full size pickup. Excellent shape. \$150 (new \$250). Greg 248-693-8497. !!!RX14-2

8' MYERS POLYFLOW Unimount, 3 years old \$1,700. Gas powered scooter, electric start \$250. 248-236-9592. !!!LX13-2

LUMBER FOR SALE. 1x4 through 1x12 ruff sawn pine boards. Construction lumber 2x4 through 2x12. Primed trim boards. Baseboard and door casing. More lumber in stock. 248-867-4408. !!!LX13-2

3 IN ONE WOOD Crib with mattress \$125; dresser \$20; Go Ped Big Foot Motorized scooter \$325. Lake Orion 248-693-2061 or 248-884-0358 !!!LX14-2

COMPUTER OFFICE SPECIALIST CLASS With Microsoft Office for adults, 1 night a week. Lake Orion Schools Career Training Certificate Program

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LX14-1

DJ SYSTEM- 650 plus wattage, self contained unit, 4 speakers, with extras. Call 248-240-4561. !!!ZXM29-2

MOTORCYCLES & PARTS wanted, dead or alive, don't let them rot away. Honda, Kawasaki, Triumphs, BSA, Nortons, BMW, other American and European models. Private collector, 248-703-5000. !!!LX14-4

YOU ARE INVITED to Shelly's Scrapbook Workshop at AmeriSuites Hotel in Auburn Hills on April 16-17th. Lodging, food and fun. \$85. 248-343-3438. !!!RX14-2

JOHN DEERE L130- 44 hours, mint condition, garage kept, with cart, \$2000. Wheelhorse new gas generator, 5500 watt, paid \$660; asking \$550. 248-895-6621. !!!LX14-2

LIKE NEW Pro-Form Treadmill, \$350, and Lifestyler System 300 weight lifting machine, \$200. OBO. Call 248-814-0765. !!!LX13-2

180 REC. EQUIPMENT

8x8ft. SNOWMOBILE trailer with 2ft. sidewalls, tilt bed, tailgate, 2 winches, \$900 firm. Side by side double barrel 12 gauge, \$500 firm. 248-941-3112. !!!LX14-2

2000 HONDA CR 125. Too many extras to list. Excellent condition. \$1,800. 248-535-4465. !!!RX14-2

SOLID OAK GUN cabinet. Holds 11 rifles. \$300. 248-625-6073. !!!LX13-2

GOLF BALLS. WITH Experience. 6 dozen \$24.00, or 5 dozen \$25.00. Call 248-693-4105. !!!LZM11-dhft

NEW PREMIERE Workout Machine, \$350, with warranty, 248-961-2455. !!!LX14-2

1985 SYLVAN PONTOON boat 16', 25hp Mercury. Good condition. \$1,800. 248-535-4465. !!!RX14-2

2003 HARLEY DAVIDSON Softtail, Pearl white. Samsom pipes, sissy bar. 2,300 miles. Beautiful bike. \$13,500. 248-535-4465. !!!RX14-2

2000 SKI-DOO MXZ 700 Studded Track, only 2,000 miles. Excellent condition. \$2,400. 248-535-4465. !!!RX14-2

7' BRUNSWICK POOL table 3/4" slate. Excellent condition. \$750. 248-535-4465. !!!RX14-2

2005 GOLDEN TREE Tournament Edition. Excellent condition. \$2,700. 248-535-4465. !!!RX14-2

2000 SYLVAN 22' pontoon boat family fisherman 50hp Mercury. Live well, depth finder, porta potty, stereo, trailer. \$10,900. 248-535-4465. !!!RX14-2

200 PETS

LAKE ORION PET Centre. Experienced grooming. Dogs and cats. 693-6550 !!!RX14-tfc

BLOODHOUND PUPPIES 12 weeks old. Current shots, dew claws. \$350. 248-693-6389, 248-487-4084. !!!LX14-2

BASSET HOUND Pups, ready March 26, 1st shots, 248-467-4910; 248-627-5033. !!!ZXM30-2

APR. AKC POSSIBLE Bichon pups \$550 & up. AKC Lab pups \$300 & up. 248-745-6418 or 248-842-1301. !!!LX14-2

UMBRELLA COCKATOO, 2 green Amazon Parrots \$725 each. Cage, feeders and toys included. Call Mark at 248-778-8278. !!!CX33-4

OBEDIENCE CLASS STARTS Saturday April 2nd, 6 weeks. Enroll now. All Under One Woof Dog Daycare & Training. 248-236-0386. !!!LX14-2

4 YEAR MALE Daschund, red mini. Good family pet. 248-627-3060. !!!ZXM29-2

CHIUAHUA PUPPIES- lively, playful, loving, healthy. 810-664-0383 !!!LX13-2

LOOKING FOR A good home, 14 week old female lab mix puppies. 1 chocolate, 1 black. 248-249-9377. !!!ZXM31-2

RARE PUPPY- Brussels Griffon, exceptional female, 810-678-8840 !!!LX13-2

HUSKY PUPS 6 weeks. \$350. 248-628-5123. !!!LX14-2

220 HORSES

WANTED TO BUY: Western & English used saddles. 248-628-1849 !!!LZM14-tfc

HORSES BOARDED- new facility, paved road, 60x160 indoor arena, observation room, turn-outs, private tack lockers, \$290/month, 810-636-2849. !!!ZXM13-10

HORSE BOARDING, stall or pasture. Excellent care. Indoor arena, great trails. North Metamora. After 5pm. 810-667-4274. !!!LZM14-2

SCOTT FARMS

Pine Shavings \$4/ bag
Pelletize Pine Bedding \$4/ bag
Delivery available for additional fee.

First cut Round Bales stored inside
First cut Square Bales

248-628-5841
248-408-8037

ZXM38-3

HORSE DRAWN SURREY, seats 4, \$1,200. 248-634-7319, 248-894-1269. !!!CX35-2

4-H & PUBLIC TACK Sale Saturday March 19, 10am-2pm at Dryden Wesleyan Church. 5274 Main St. (Dryden Rd.) 810-721-1485. !!!LX14-1

ACCEPTING BOARDERS- large indoor, 2 outdoor arenas. Daily turnout. Oxford, 248-236-9927. !!!LZM11-4

230 FARM EQUIPMENT

JOHN DEERE 4500-4x4 loader, 240 hours, extras like new, \$18,700. 810-664-9380. !!!LZM13-2

FORD TRACTORS: 9N \$1,900, 8N \$2,050, Jubilee \$2,450. 248-625-3429. !!!LX12-4

1999 MID ATLANTIC landscape trailer, 7000 lb. GVW. 6'9"x16". \$1,500. 248-459-1812. !!!LX14-2

240 AUTO PARTS

1988 S BLAZER and 1991 S10 for parts or whole, 248-391-0518. !!!LX13-2

250 CARS

1992 FORD FESTIVA, many good parts. Electrical problem. \$250. 248-420-8257. !!!LX13-2

1997 FORD ESCORT, good condition, \$1800 obo. 248-420-0240 !!!LX13-2

1999 PONTIAC SUNFIRE SE, 4 door, AC, power windows, power locks, tilt wheel, cruise, compact disk & cassette player, ABS brakes, rear spoiler. Very clean. 132,000 miles. \$2,000. 248-563-8012. !!!LX13-12nn

2003 FORD MUSTANG convertible Millennium Edition. Black, leather, loaded, automatic, 1,000 watt stereo. 800 miles. \$25,000. 248-814-9606. !!!LX8-12nn

1993 PONTIAC BONNEVILLE- 4 door, 3800 V-6, emerald green, all power, 70,000 miles, excellent condition, \$3100 obo. 248-343-8804. !!!LZ9-8nn

1988 PONTIAC 6000, V6, 4dr, runs good. \$600 obo. 248-830-7499. !!!LX14-2

1994 HONDA ACCORD EX- good condition, AWD, sunroof, \$2900. 248-693-9477. !!!LX14-2

1990 CADILLAC SEDAN DeVille, V-8. Runs & drives. Sold as is. \$1,250 or best offer, blue book value \$3,000. 248-377-4334. !!!LX13-8nn

1995 VOLKSWAGEN PASSAT GLS. 4 cylinder, 5 speed. Dark blue/ tan interior. pw, pb, pl. Nice, dependable car. 131,000 miles. \$2,995. 248-693-6924. !!!LX4-12nn

1997 CADILLAC De Ville, immaculate. New brakes & tires. 58,000 miles. \$11,000. 248-625-3673. !!!CZM35-4nn

2002 DODGE NEON- automatic, air, CD, power locks, windows, side air bags, 8000 miles. \$5900. 248-666-5655. !!!CX34-2

2000 GROUND PRIX GPT- Daytona 500, loaded, only 2000 made, 75,000 miles, \$12,900 obo. 248-736-9719. !!!ZXM22-12nn

1993 FORD TEMPO. Runs great. 4 cylinder, 5 speed, power mirrors. Needs rear brakes. Nice little economical car. \$800. Scott, 248-693-6415. Can see at Forster's Auto Wash, Lake Orion. !!!LX11-4nn

GET READY FOR Spring. 2001 Chevrolet Camaro convertible. Arctic white with tan top/ leather. All power options, Monsoon sound with CD. Only 44K miles. Wearing \$4K Corvette wheels. \$15,000. 248-842-9486. !!!LX10-12

2002 DODGE STRATUS 2 door, automatic, remote keyless entry, remote starter, power windows and locks, power seat, 4 disc CD changer, new tires. Great condition, 39,000 miles. \$8,900. 248-969-0660, Jenny. !!!LZ8-8nn

1999 SAAB 9-3, 5 speed, turbo, 5 door, heated seats, CD, leather, ski/ bike rack, summer & winter tires. Looks & runs great. Red/ tan. 139K highway miles. \$5,900. 248-895-5087. !!!CZM30-12nn

JUNK CARS- Hauled away free. Will buy repairsables. Bob Rondo, 248-310-2687. !!!LX14-2

1994 FORD ESCORT- low miles, excellent condition, \$1925 obo. 248-627-6929. !!!ZXM30-4nn

1993 CADILLAC- 4 door, all white, leather, 60,000 miles, 4.9, 1 owner, showroom condition, \$6200. Kelly, 248-332-5157. !!!LX11-4nn

1996 SATURN SL2, dark green, 4 door, automatic, am/fm/ cassette, leather, power everything with air, new brakes. 111,000 miles. Excellent condition. \$3,500. 248-627-9576. !!!ZXM23-12nn

2000 SATURN L3000 wagon, V6, all power options, deep metallic blue with gray heated leather seats, premium stereo with CD & cassette. Very nice car. 83,000 miles. \$8,750 obo. 248-842-9486. !!!LX10-12nn

1999 SATURN SC-2, 3 door coupe, 111,000 miles, looks great, runs great. \$3,800 obo. 248-431-8013 !!!LZ14-4nn

1987 IROC CAMARO, very fast, Holly Stealthram intake, heads headers, rebuilt lower end, Kevlar built transmission, aluminum driveshaft, built axle, newer suspension by Hotchkis. Must sell. \$6,000 obo. 248-271-0497, 248-628-6232. !!!LX112nn

1994 CADILLAC SEVILLE SLS. 4 door, NorthStar. Nice car. \$3050. 248-891-6306, 248-236-9592. !!!LZ7-8nn

2000 FORD FOCUS 4 cylinder, 4 door, automatic, silver with gray interior. AM/FM/CD player, power everything, with air. 62,000 miles. Excellent condition. \$6,000 248-310-0952. !!!LX6-12nn

1997 CHEVY WAGON- 4 door, fresh 350 4-barrel. New interior, chrome, wiring, Craigers, Hurst auto. Parts and manuals. \$12,500. 248-421-4526. !!!RMZ10-12nn

2000 FORD TAURUS SE, power steering, power brakes, power windows, power seat, 10 disc CD. 76,500 miles, new tires, excellent condition. \$5000 obo. 313-585-2534; 248-969-2596. !!!LZ7-12nn

1993 CHEVY SEDAN- 7 window, excellent project car, set up for small block Chevy, \$1500 firm. 248-343-4264. !!!LZ14-4nn

1999 SATURN SC2 two door coupe. Excellent condition, Florida car. Power windows, power locks, sunroof. Very nice car. \$4,600. 248-969-1714. !!!LX10-8nn

1998 CHEVROLET LUMINA LS. 61K miles, 6 cylinder, cruise, tilt, air, cassette, 4 door. Great condition. \$5,500. 810-636-3068. !!!ZXM24-12nn

1984 CADILLAC ELDORADO Biarritz Convertible, 54,000 miles. Excellent condition. \$9,800. 248-933-4440. !!!LX13-12nn

1997 CHEVY LUMINA, 130,000 miles, newer engine, am/fm/cd, air, looks good, mechanically sound, \$2495. 248-693-2099/ 248-421-9673 !!!LZ11-4nn

CHRYSLER T&C LTD, 2000, silver. Loaded. \$9,500. 248-391-6778. !!!RX14-2

1997 DODGE INTREPID, 210,000 miles, good transportation, \$1500. 248-895-6621. !!!LX14-2

1998 DODGE NEON, good shape, \$2800. 810-636-2990 !!!ZXM28-4nn

1998 CADILLAC DEVILLE- leather interior, loaded, non-smoker, 115,000 miles, \$5950. 248-318-7651 cell. !!!LZ7-12nn

2000 MERCURY SABLE LS Premium 24 valve. All available options. 50K miles. Excellent condition. Well maintained. Must sell, getting company car. \$6,975 obo. 248-628-8074, cell 248-202-4937. !!!LX12-12nn

1997 DODGE INTREPID, 3.5L, V6, am/fm, AC, PS/PB/PW, Low miles, excellent condition, \$5,099. 248-693-3849 !!!RX13-2

2002 HYUNDAI ELANTRA GT, burgandy, excellent condition. Leather interior, power moon roof, locks and windows, CD player, new tires. 47,000 miles. Below book, \$6,200. 248-693-2996. !!!LX11-4nn

2002 CHRYSLER 300M- silver, loaded, leather, Luxury Group, premium stereo, CD changer, moonroof, non-smoker, very clean, well maintained, 53,000 miles, \$12,000 obo. 248-969-7900. !!!LX14-4nn

260 VANS

1992 FORD Conversion Van, new motor & transmission, many new parts, runs good, \$3000 obo. 248-693-0955. !!!LZ13-4nn

2002 FORD WINDSTAR SE- excellent condition, 32,000 miles, Auto Vision entertainment system with flip down screen (plays video games), CD player, cruise control, adjustable pedals, traction control, \$11,700. 248 388-2960. !!!ZXM24-12nn

2000 CHEVY ASTRO AWD, 7 passenger, front and rear air, leather, fully loaded, very clean, non-smoker, well maintained. \$10,500. 248-625-7448 !!!CZM33-4nn

OLDS 2001 SILOUETTE Premier, loaded, leather, VCR, garage kept, wife's car, non-smoker, well maintained, 69,000 miles. \$11,900. 248-393-7700 !!!CZM26-12nn

2000 DODGE GRAND Caravan. All options including upgraded interior package. Runs great, well maintained. 92,000 mostly highway miles. Well below Blue Book price, \$6,595 obo. 248-391-2162. !!!LX13-4nn

1997 PLYMOUTH VOYAGER, pay off balance of loan, \$5,100 or less. 92,000 miles. Contact Jim for more info. 248-431-7429 !!!LZ12-4nn

1998 PONTIAC MONTANA, all power, AC, roof rack, towing package. Runs great. 110,000 miles. \$5,500 obo. 248-814-9753. !!!RMZ9-12nn

1991 DODGE RAM Conversion, B-250, V6. Runs great, power everything, \$2,000 obo. 248-830-7499. !!!LX14-2

1998 CHEVY VENTURE, teal, 7 passenger extended. 104,000 miles. Very clean, 1 owner. \$5000. 248-747-7477 !!!LZ14-8nn

1997 TRANS SPORT SE Extended, excellent condition, power windows, power locks, am/fm cassette, tilt, cruise, seats 7, 86,000 miles, new tires, new brakes. \$4800 obo. 810-636-2737. !!!ZXM26-12nn

1999 DODGE GRAND Caravan Sport. Silver, 84K, quads, well maintained. \$6,700 obo. 248-625-6073. !!!CX34-2

2000 HONDA ODYSSEY EX, excellent condition, CD, full power, silver color, gray leather, 75k, always dealer serviced, always reliable, nearly new Michelins, \$12,900 obo. 248-814-7477 !!!LZ14-8nn

1997 MERCURY VILLAGER GS, blue/ silver. 7 passenger, power steering, windows, locks, tilt, cruise, dual front air bags. Good mechanical/ vehicle condition. 95K miles. \$5,400. 248-892-8502. !!!LX7-12nn

1992 DODGE GRAND Caravan. Low miles, runs good. \$2,700 obo. 248-628-6814. !!!LX13-2

270 TRUCKS

2001 GMC SONOMA ZR2 HighRider extended cab, 3rd door, pewter, 57,000 miles, spray-in bedliner, tonneau cover, all power/ Heavy Duty options, tow package, very clean, new tires, \$14,750 obo. 248-842-9486. !!!LZ10-12nn

2000 FORD EXPLORER XLT- 4 door, 4WD, CD player, new transmission and tires, runs great, 98,000 miles, \$5,750 obo. 248-969-3174. !!!ZXM21-8nn

1991 BLAZER. Engine runs great. All parts, tires new. Needs transmission. \$1,500 obo. 248-236-8614. !!!LX14-2

2000 CHEVROLET SILVERADO Z71 extended cab 4X4. Full power with bucket seats & center console, third door, fiberglass cap, 5.3L, V-8, garage kept. 79,000 well maintained highway miles. \$15,600. 248-969-1714. !!!LX10-8nn

1997 F-150 4X4, good condition, female owner, 87,000 miles, power windows/ locks, A/C, bedliner, burgundy exterior, grey interior, well maintained. Trades available. \$5500. Motivated seller. 248-891-3205 !!!LZ12-12nn

1983 GMC 4x4 with Western 6-way plow. Rusty, but mechanically sound. Ready to plow. \$2000 obo. 248-909-4946. !!!LZ7-12nn

2002 JEEP GRAND Laredo, 4wd, excellent condition, white with taupe interior, loaded with tow package, sun roof, 31,000 miles, \$16,500. 248-969-3952 !!!LX13-2

1994 GMC Pickup Z-71, extended cab, 4WD, 85,000 miles, \$4200. 248-969-0279. !!!LX14-2

1995 JEEP LAREDO- wrecked, many good parts, runs. 248-701-7411. !!!ZXM30-2f

1991 EXPLORER- new brakes, drums, rotors. More new parts. 164,000 miles. \$1700 obo. 248-628-0768 after 5:30pm. !!!LX13-2

1995 CHEVY SILVERADO extended cab, 4x4, 2500, 454 engine, 8' tool box, CD player, new dual exhaust. Very good condition. \$8,000 obo. 248-343-6022. !!!LX12-4nn

1989 GMC 3/4 ton pickup, ext. cab, 4 wheel drive, new motor, trans, etc. \$2850. 810-636-2990 !!!ZXM28-2

2002 DODGE DAKOTA- V-8, 4x4, blue, 4 door, short box, trailer towing package, sharp, 76,300 highway miles, good condition, \$13,500 obo. 586-698-8553. !!!LZ6-8nn

2001 CHEVY SILVERADO 2500HD, 8.1 Liter, V8, extended cab, full bed, heavy duty trailing package, CD, Tonneau cover. 72,000 miles. Work ready. \$19,900. 248-969-5963 Oxford. !!!LX10-12nn

1999 FORD RANGER XLT SuperCab- V-6, automatic, air, cruise, tilt, am/fm CD cassette, 4 wheel drive, bedliner, good condition, 130,000 miles, power windows & locks, \$7000 obo. 248-627-8636. !!!

1993 FORD F150 4X4, 5.0L, V-8. Extended cab, 6' box, am/fm/ cassette, bucket seats, Reese hitch, with red 8' aluminum cap with ladder rack. 180,000 miles. Runs good. \$2,300. 248-343-8804. !!!LX9-12nn

BUY OF THE WEEK

BUY HERE, PAY HERE!

270 TRUCKS

1989 CHEVY PICKUP, 1500 V8, 350, header exhaust, all new springs, new tires/battery, cap, \$1800. obo. 248-330-7369. !!!LZM12-12nn

2000 EXPLORER- white, 4WD, power steering & brakes, good interior, CD stereo, roof rack, hitch, 68,000 miles, good condition, \$6400 obo. 248-628-1764. !!!LZ8-8nn

1993 FORD RANGER pick up. V8, 4WD, cap. 68,000 miles. \$3,450. after 6pm. 248-628-9770. !!!LX14-4nn

2000 FORD RANGER, white XLT extended cab. 4x4, V6. All service records, 1 owner, runs perfect. Bedliner & cover. New tires. 59K miles. Must sell. \$9,800 obo. 248-628-0527. !!!CZM32-4nn

JEEP GRAND CHEROKEE LTD 4X4, 2000. Black, loaded. \$15,500. 248-391-6778. !!!RX14-2

1979 AUTO CAR Tri-axle dump truck. \$8,500. 248-459-1812. !!!LX14-2

2000 JEEP CHEROKEE Sport- 6 cylinder, 4x4, silver, power, CD cassette, cruise, tilt, looks & drives like new, \$7900 obo. 248-240-3999. !!!LZ13-12nn

1989 TOYOTA PICKUP-V6, 5 speed, regular cab. 85,000 miles. 2WD, longbed, \$800 obo. 248-693-6924. !!!LZ11-12nn

1991 CHEVY S10 pickup, many new parts! Needs engine 2.8, \$600 obo. 248-673-0811. !!!CZM34-2

1995 FORD RANGER Club Cab, \$1600 firm. 5 speed, V-6, matching fiberglass cap, runs perfect, no rust, original owner, maintenance records, high mileage (highway), fresh oil, new brakes/battery, 810-441-4632.

2004 GMC YUKON XL 4x4 3/4 ton SLT. White, loaded. Snow plow prep. pkg., never plowed. New condition. 11,500 miles. \$36,300. 248-628-9130, Cell 248-933-8138. !!!LZ10-8nn

2002 CHEVY 2500HD with Duramax diesel 4x4. Loaded, LT package, extended cab, 8' bed, forest green with matching fiberglass cap. 75,000 miles. Well maintained. \$27,000. 989-761-7227. !!!LX8-12nn

2000 FORD RANGER- 4 wheel drive Sport, V-6 engine, 4 door, flareside, white, power windows and locks, alarm, CD, low mileage, excellent condition, \$9900 obo. 248-628-0527. !!!CZM29-8nn

2001 GMC SONOMA- 59,000 miles, cruise, tilt, A/C, CD, 4.3, 6 cylinder, extended cab, black, GMAC transferable warranty, \$8995. 810-636-3068. !!!ZXM6-12nn

2002 CHEVY SILVERADO 4x4, white with flares, extended cab, long box, 4.8L, 28,000 miles. \$19,750. 248-431-9681. !!!ZXM23-12nn

2002 CHEVY S-10, regular cab, indigo blue, excellent condition, 4.3L V6 engine, ABS, CD player, rear differential, 41,000 miles. moving, must sell. \$8,300. 248-391-5910 !!!LZ12-4nn

1995 CHEVY TAHOE LT- 2 door, black, 350 engine, 4x4, tow package, loaded, leather, runs great. Well maintained. \$4600. 810-614-8486. !!!LZ9-8nn

1998 LAND ROVER Discovery LSE 4WD. 48,000 miles. Very clean, one owner. Rear jump seats, two sunroofs, gold heated leather seats, deluxe, loaded. \$13,500. 248-535-4311. !!!LZM5-12nn

2002 FORD RANGER FX4, 4x4, extended cab, metallic midnight blue, 28K, loaded. Excellent condition, no salt. Bed liner, complete tow package. \$15,250. 248-330-4059. !!!LZ14-4nn

2002 GMC SIERRA- extended cab, burgundy, 43,000 miles, fully loaded, Z-71, 4x4, SLT, 5.3L V-8, excellent condition, power everything, side stepbars, soft tonneau cover, bedliner, original owner, \$20,800. 248-627-8388. !!!ZXM21-12nn

1993 4x4 GMC JIMMY, 4dr, black, 4.3L, 135,000 mi, fair condition, \$1800 obo. 810-797-5232 !!!LZM1

2003 F350 LARIAT Dually Crew Cab, 4x4, 6.0 diesel, 39,000 mostly highway miles. Auto, air, power everything, moonroof, bedliner, tonneau cover, sliding rear window, trailer tow package. Asking \$35,000 obo. 248-379-6809 !!!LZ7-12nn

1985 CHEVY BLAZER- 6.2 diesel, with 7-1/2ft. Western plow, newer front drive axle components, all new U-joints, rebuilt transmission, chrome 15" rims, runs good, \$1750 obo. 248-852-9845. !!!LZ7-12nn

1987 CHEVY BLAZER 4x4, 2.8L, runs good, high mileage, some rust, \$900 obo. 248-627-9514. !!!ZXM30-2

2003 CHEVROLET SILVERADO 4X4, V-6, auto. Reg. cab, 8' box. 30,000 miles. Alum. tool box, split bench. AM/FM/CD, dual climate control. Non-smoker. \$14,900. 248-884-0580, Lake Orion. !!!RMZ10-8nn

1982 CHEVY TRUCK on a '76 frame. Tubed, lowered, southern body, in primer, needs finish. \$4,000 obo. 248-830-0435. !!!ZXM30-4nn

1990 GEO TRACKER 4x4 Convertible, good shape, extra rims, 147,000 miles, \$1000 obo. 810-636-8058.

1994 EXPLORER 4X4, 4 speed manual am/fm/ cassette, 108K miles. White, luggage rack, straight 6 cyl. Runs great. \$3,300. 248-343-8804. !!!LX9-12nn

2000 F250 CREW cab Lariat 4X4. Remote start, leather, custom conversion, toatlly loaded, spray-in bedliner, tow package. \$19,850. 248-969-2689. !!!LX6-12nn

2003 YUKON XL SLT, excellent condition. Leather interior, sun roof, On Star, fold-in mirrors, aluminum wheels, Stabilitrak, 6 disk changer, heavy duty trailering equipment. \$29,800. 248-627-6698. !!!ZXM30-4nn

280 REC. VEHICLES

JOHN DEERE GATOR 4X6, heated cab, dump box. \$3,200. 248-628-9770 after 6pm. !!!LX14-2

2001 HARLEY-DAVIDSON, Sportster Hugger, plus lowered 3". Pearl white with red. Too many extras to list. Female owned. Lots of chrome, great for female. Asking \$7,000. 248-693-9732 !!!RX13-2

2002 KAWASAKI KX85- excellent condition, \$1800. 248-628-0278. !!!ZXM31-2

2003 YAMAHA YZ450F, like new. Less than 10 hours. Save \$2,700 from new. \$3,950. 248-379-4827. !!!LX13-2

1997 CROWNLINE 200DB 20ft deck boat, teal on white, CD player, good condition, \$13,500. 248-310-9220 !!!RMZ14-2

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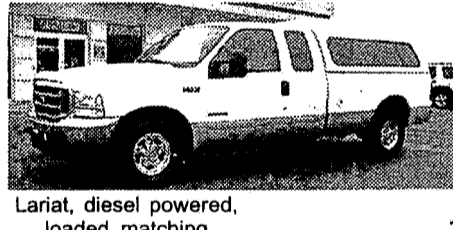
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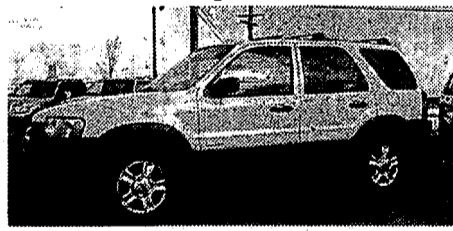
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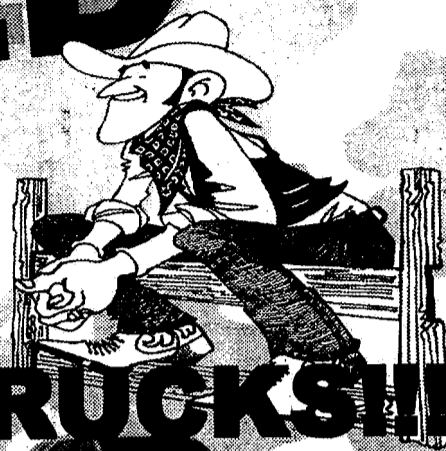
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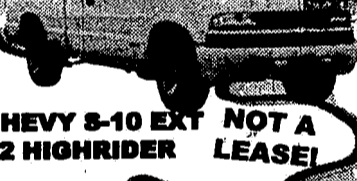



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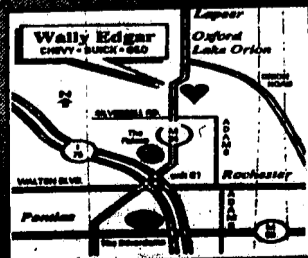
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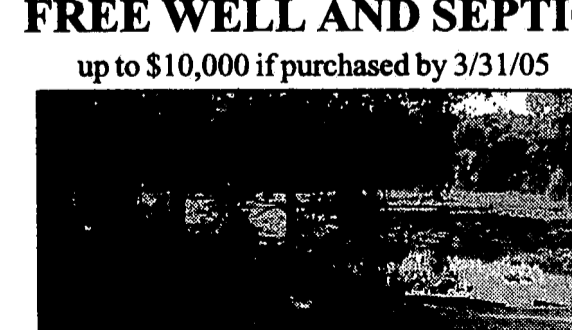


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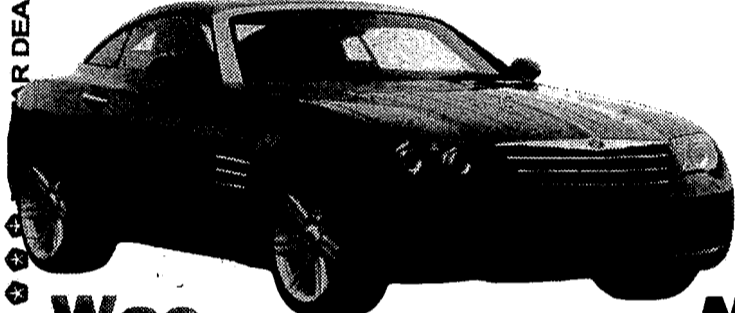


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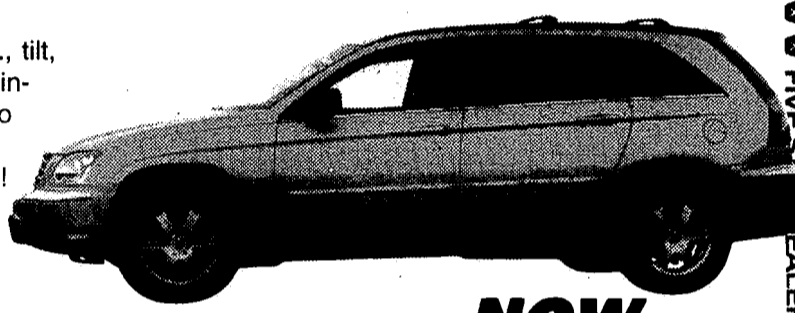
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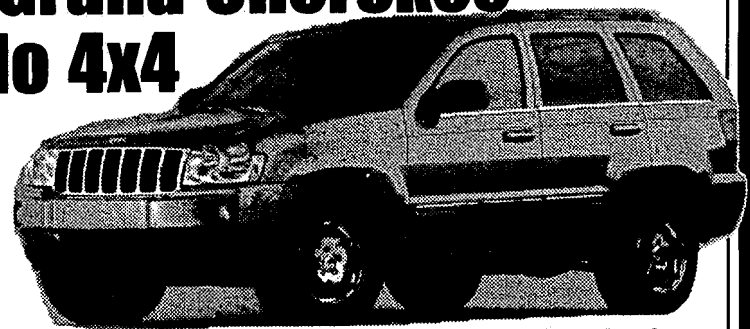
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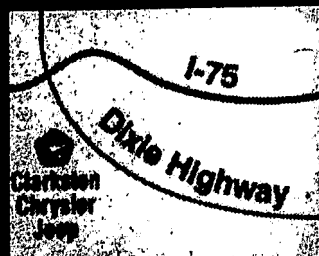
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Waterfall Jewelers, your hometown jeweler

Waterfall Jewelers began with the dream of Thomas F. Brown, Sr.

Beginning his career as a jeweler and manager of the Thomas Jewelry Company's chain of stores, Brown would allow his children to work at the store each summer. The children attended work with their father, and took in all the sights in the business. As they grew older, the children became more interested in the company and were anxious to learn the ropes.

"The allure of learning about the beautiful jewelry and Dad's patient tutelage kept us coming," said Thomas Brown, Jr.

The future of the children seemed inevitable. Even as youngster's, Mom, Betty, would freeze her 18Kt. Gold bangle bracelets and bring relief to her little one's aching gums during teething.

"Dad used to get so upset and tell her that we would ruin the value of the bracelets," said Thomas.

Years later, Betty cherishes the teeth markings left by her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Thomas says the value of the story for him and his siblings is the balance they learned from both of their parents; and the

value of beautiful things combined with the treasure of people and memories.

"This unique balance has enabled us to transform a business of selling into a business of people," said Thomas.

Whether selling a bracelet, diamond ring or necklace, the Brown children never forget there is a person behind the sale. Today, the children keep their father's dream alive, through their own Waterfall Jewelers.

Waterfall Jewelers opened in 1979 and continues to run strong. The business philosophy is simple: a customer is the most important visitor in our business. He is not dependent on us. We are dependent on him. He is not an interruption in our work. He is the purpose of it. He is not an outsider in our business. He is a part of it. We are not doing him a favor by serving him. He is doing us a favor by giving us an opportunity to do so.

Waterfall Jewelers houses many staff members, and most of them are family members. Each of the staff offers extensive experience and each have specialized in the field with passion.

As part of the Clarkston/Waterford community for years, Thomas and his loyal staff have

built many wonderful relationships. They also do many things for the community including: donating time to schools, youth organizations and other groups across Oakland County. Waterfall Jewelers also includes their

customers in the donations, by encouraging them to donate to a charity for a free watch battery and sizing.

Waterfall Jewelers specializes in jewelry, but even more, the company and the staff spe-

cialize in family and friends - two things that keep this business successful.

Waterfall Jewelers is located at 5649 Dixie Highway in the Waterfall Plaza. For more information, call 248-623-9422.



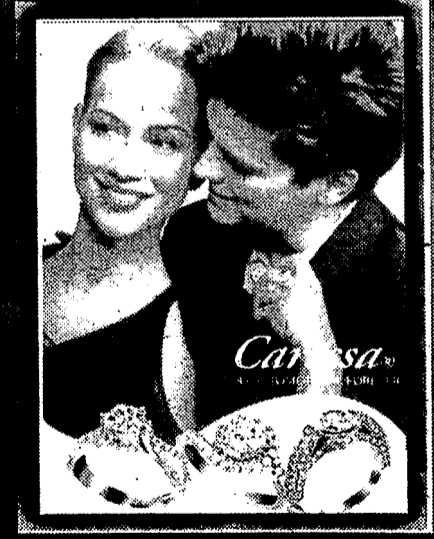
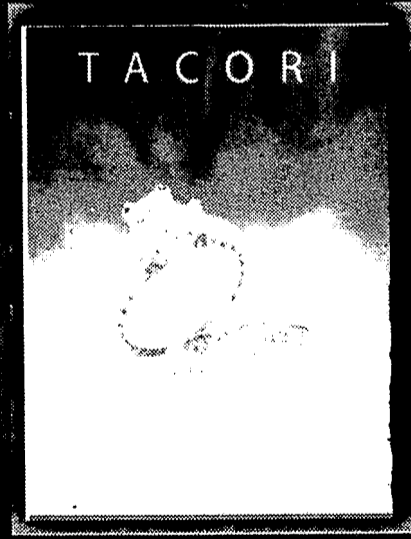
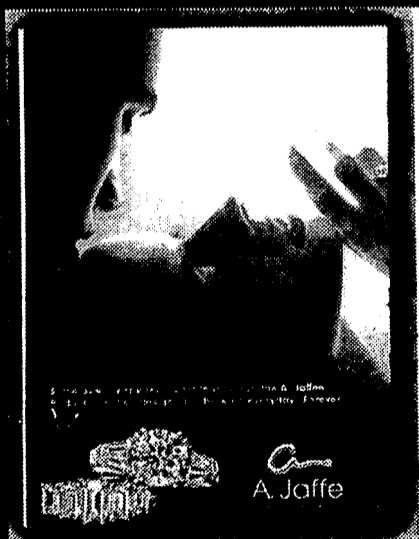
Front row, from left: Tom Brown, Sue Shelton, Chris Strong, Joe Strong and Mark Ettinger. Second row, from left: Desirae Raymond, Al Dady, Dawn Harkey, Kelly Robinson and Myron Taylor. Third row, from left: Adam Strong, David Sliwka, Andrew Brown and Joey Strong.

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Local church plans new outreach activities in 2005

From international mission trips to home Bible studies, Oakland Woods Baptist Church continues a mission of love and outreach to the Clarkston community and beyond.

"Lives are being touched by Christ," said Senior Pastor Bob Galey, summing up the mission of the church, which started as a living room Bible study in 1985 and has now grown to a congregation of 168 regularly attending families.

Galey has been pastor since 1994, and he cites Jesus' two-pronged command to love God totally and

love others. The church (affiliated with the Southern Baptist Convention) has a strong foundation on the Bible and the Gospel, and members are encouraged to get involved in ministries to share that love with others.

A group is headed for Jamaica in July to help with hurricane recovery efforts, and a recently-purchased 47-passenger Greyhound bus will be used to take a group of young adults to New York City in June for Billy Graham's last crusade.

Closer to home, the church continues service programs such as hosting the distribution of shoes during

the annual Clarkston Rotary "Shoes for Kids" program.

Meetings include a Sunday morning "Son Rise Service," which offers a praise band-led worship time, while a second morning service offers a more traditional church choir. Plans are in work to expand the weekly Sunday School into two separate hours.

The church has an active youth program and has seen exciting growth in the college-career and young married groups.

The church offers several special events annually, including a summer vacation Bible school featuring a 100-foot long banana split, and a fall festival which attracts hundreds of people with free food and games to all.

Galey is excited about August revival meetings which will feature "Wild Horse Ministries." The church grounds will be equipped with a round pen with bleachers for the audience, and a horse whisperer will work with a never-before-ridden horse, explaining the procedure with spiritual parallels.

Coming soon are Easter ministries including the musical, "The Cross," at 6 p.m. March 19-20, and the annual Easter Egg hunt at 1 p.m. March 26. A children's musical, "Acorns to Oaks," is scheduled for April 10.

As the church celebrates their 20th anniversary, they are making plans for a new building. After raising money for about a year, they hope to break ground and enjoy a new facility in the spring of 2007.

Galey said Jesus Christ is relevant to the needs of today's society, and Oakland Woods Baptist Church wants to prove that to the community.

"Most people, at some point, want to be part of something bigger than themselves," Galey said. "We're trying to be the body of Christ in this community."

Oakland Woods Baptist Church meets at 5628 Maybee Road. Current Sunday services are at 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m., with Sunday School at 9:45 a.m. and evening worship at 6 p.m. Telephone is (248) 625-7557.

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The staff of Oakland Woods Baptist Church includes (from left) James Fitzwater, associate pastor; Bryon Harvey, youth pastor; Mary Reed, music ministries leader; and Bob Galey, senior pastor.

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Dale Frenkel stands on a stairway showcasing the entrance to a beautiful home currently under construction at Autumn Shores. In back is a large window with a view of unobstructed protected open space in the planned unit development.

Autumn Shores community provides luxury lake living

The Autumn Shores residential development includes 72 lots averaging about two-thirds of an acre in size with a minimum frontage of 120 feet. Each overlooks a lake, a pond, open space, or Springfield Plains Elementary School — not another residence.

The planned unit development came from the work of developer Dale Frenkel, who is also building a home in the neighborhood located off of Bridge Lake Road north of Davisburg Road in Springfield Township.

Frenkel has more than 18 year experience as a builder and developer, and he is proud of the features at Autumn Shores.

The creative layout includes a one-and-one-half-mile asphalt trail (which leads to Springfield Plains Elementary School) and an almost one-mile wood chip nature trail.

Various builders have created homes in the community, but standard guidelines ensure compatible designs. Six lots with frontage on Waumegah Lake are still available, and Frenkel anticipates the recent addition of an augmentation well on the lake will make those lots even more attractive.

"The unknown has been resolved," he said.

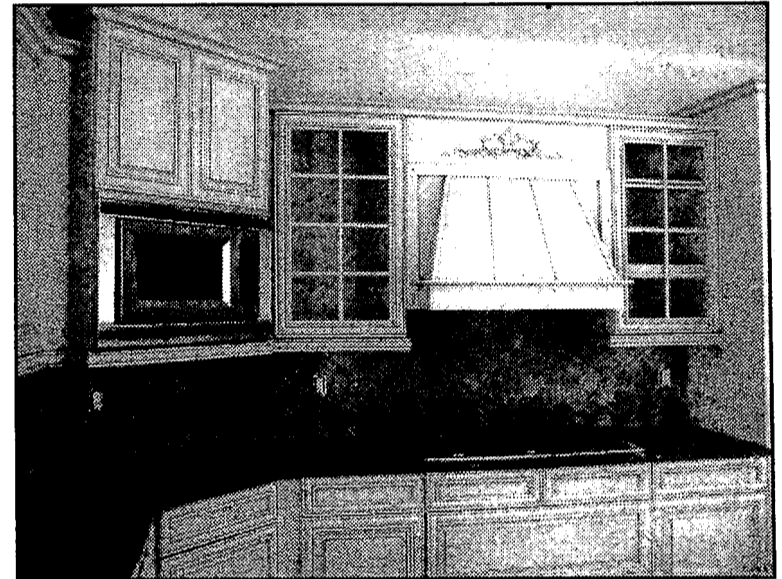
Open space was an important feature when the planned unit development was approved. Frenkel fought for the preservation of many old trees, with home footprints carefully planned to take advantage of existing trees, two of which frame the entrance to a special section of the community called, "The Bluffs."

"Some of the trees are as old as George Washington," he said.

Frenkel is especially proud of a home currently under construction by his own building company. The home offers the highest quality building materials, luxurious design, granite countertops, nine-foot ceilings and a beautiful view of woods behind the home.

"No one lives behind this house except the deer," he said.

For more information on Frenkel's home or other lots at Autumn Shores, call 248-547-8778.



The kitchen in this Autumn Shores home showcases some of the intricate detail which promotes both function and beauty.

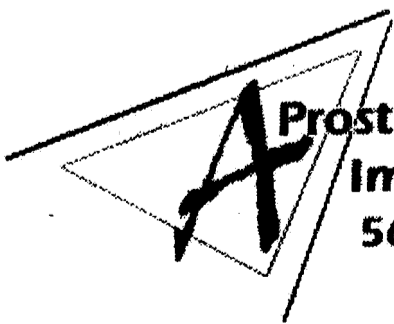
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No need to shop around when you stop at Wireless Toyz

Since opening in Lake Orion last March, Wireless Toyz on Lapeer Road has become a complete wireless store, with Cingular recently coming on board as a carrier.

"We now have all the major carriers," says Joey Manni of Wireless Toyz in Lake Orion. "We also offer pre-paid options, as well as long distance and pre-paid cellular phone cards."

Wireless Toyz is a nationwide chain, and the Lake Orion store, operated by brothers Joey, Richie and Frank Manni, is one of 60 stores nationwide.

The Manni brothers owned two Cingular stores prior to coming to Wireless Toyz, so they know their products well.

Because of their knowledge of the market place, they recently started selling Blackberrys, Treos and T-Mobile Sidekicks, which are becoming a more popular option to the traditional cell phone.

They also offer a variety of cellular phones, including camera and video phones.

"The industry is going towards your phone being more like a computer," says Joey Manni. "If you are out golfing, you can pull out your phone and take care of business as if you were at the office."

Shopping at Wireless Toyz as opposed to just one carrier's store is of advantage to the customer, because they can find a phone and a plan that is really tailored to fit their needs.

"We ask you the questions, and find the best product available for you," explains Manni. "Sometimes customers aren't sure what they really need, and for some people it might be better to go with a contract."

Wireless Toyz offers a variety of plans, both contract and pre-paid.

"You can now deposit \$50, and up to \$400, for a phone," says Manni. "That's good for someone who is just starting to build their credit."

Returning customers can also upgrade their phones at Wireless Toyz, and Manni says the store has seen a lot of repeat business.

"One of the best plans we have right now is from

Sprint, the Fair and Flexible plan," he says. "It includes only five cents a minute for overage, instead of the usual 40 cents, as well as instant rebates."

Wireless Toyz also offers a number of Bluetooth products, and adapters so that customers can use them with non-Bluetooth phones.

"We are going to be offering a wireless ear piece that has caller ID right on the ear piece," says Manni. "You will be able to use that from up to 30 feet from the actual phone."

Manni says Bluetooth technology is giving cell phone users the option to do a lot of things wirelessly.

"We're always finding out what's new and getting hands-on experience with it before we offer it to the customer," Manni says. "From our own experience, we can tell you what phone has a good battery life, and good reception."

"We can really recommend what we think is going to work out the best for the customer," he says.

Nextel at Wireless Toyz also offers free incoming plans, which allow customers to get rid of their home phones and keep their home number for their new wireless phone.

"That helps get rid of some of the telemarketers," Manni says. "It used to take a month to transfer the number, now it only takes 24 hours to two weeks to switch it over."

Wireless Toyz offers regular promotions, and advertises these "hot deals" in *The Advertiser*. Right now, while supplies last, they are offering a new pre-paid phone for \$39 with 60 minutes that are good for one year, and a year warranty.

Wireless Toyz is located at 325 S. Broadway (N. Lapeer Road), next to Applebee's. Hours are Monday through Friday, 9 a.m.-8 p.m. and Saturday, 9 a.m.-6 p.m.

The phone number is (248) 814-8888. Wireless Toyz is online at www.wirelesstoyz.com.



From left: Richie, Frank and Joey Manni of Wireless Toyz in Lake Orion.

Johnston Photography: The picture of perfection

Capturing that special moment on film takes skill, talent, experience and an artist's eye.

All four of those qualities can be found at downtown Oxford's Johnston Photography, owned and operated by Dorothy and Don Johnston, an Oxford resident for the last 11 years.

Johnston opened her studio in April 2003 after purchasing the building from local legend Mel Pawl when he decided to retire after decades of photographing Oxford's kids and families.

From high school seniors and babies to families and pets, Johnston Photography does a wide range of portrait work, continuing Pawl's tradition of high quality service. Johnston prides herself on the uniqueness of her photos and the variety she offers customers.

"It's not cookie-cutter stuff," she said.

Whether Johnston's shooting on location in a park or backyard or using one of her many eye-catching sets to create that perfect in-studio portrait, you can be assured she's tailoring the whole experience to her individual customer's wants and needs.

For instance, "some people want photos of just their baby's feet and hands," she said. "It's the hip thing right now."

However, the bulk of Johnston's business comes from doing high school senior portraits. Last year she snapped about 200 high school seniors from Oxford, Orion, Brandon, Holly, Clarkston, Lapeer, Romeo and even as far away as Troy.

Johnston's high school senior portfolios recently won her two blue ribbons and a national third place award at the Senior Photography International Convention in Tampa, Florida. It was the first time she entered the competition.

"It was such an honor for me," said Johnston, who's been a professional photographer since 1990 when she started shooting commercial work.

Johnston Photography is currently offering two specials for high school senior portraits.

Throughout the month of April, Class of 2006 high school students getting their senior portraits done at Johnston Photography will receive a week of unlimited tanning at the Tan Company in Oxford.

Members of the Class of 2006 can purchase a deluxe senior portrait session for only \$20.06. The deluxe session normally costs \$95 and is one of Johnston Photography's most popular sessions because it includes three or four outfit changes and 20 or more poses.

With spring and summer just around the corner, Johnston Photography is proud to offer the services of professional wedding photographer Kevin Krammer.

"He shoots weddings in a photo-journalistic style," Johnston said. "He shoots from the hip and does black

and white to give them a real fashion look."

When the time comes to frame that special student, family or wedding portrait, Johnston Photography can handle that aspect too with a wide variety of custom frames and mats to fit just about any size photo.

"From photo to frame, we're full service here," Johnston said.

Johnston Photography is located at 8 N. Washington St., right in the heart of downtown Oxford.

The studio's open Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Wednesday 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.; and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

For more information call (248) 628-6391 or visit the studio's website at www.johnstonphotography.net.

Trust your high school senior photos with the best - Dorothy Johnston, owner of Johnston Photography in downtown Oxford. She's the picture of perfection and professionalism.



More than just a florist...

The Clarkston Flower Shoppe offers a 'total floral experience'

During your next drive north along M-15, take a closer look at the right side of the road near the I-75 expressway. Tucked in among the busy office buildings and retail stores is a delicate flower shop full of beautiful surprises.

The Clarkston Flower Shoppe, located in the same building as The Birdfeeder on North Main Street, is a full-service, quality florist that has little treats around every corner.

"In addition to a large selection of fresh flowers, blooming plants and house plants, we are beginning to expand our home decor selection," said owner Shari Schulz. "Our customers love our selection of watches and jewelry. We're anxiously awaiting the arrival of the Scarf watches, previously featured as one of Oprah Winfrey's favorite things!"

In addition to watches and jewelry, the Clarkston Flower Shoppe offers an eclectic selection of furniture, mirrors, clocks, architectural pieces and home accent items. There is something original to fit every taste and style.

Some of the newest items available include a line of quality leather handbags and accessories, and a line of decorative lamp burners. The burners are beautiful glass bottles that purify the air, helping to kill some of the most stubborn odors from cooking, pets and cigarette smoke, by burning fragrant or non-fragrant oils.

"We've received excellent feedback from our customers on these products," said Schulz.

Specifically on the floral end of the business, Schulz is enthusiastic with how the wedding business has grown. The staff at Clarkston Flower Shoppe service a lot of local weddings, but will travel to accommodate out-of-town ceremonies.

"We take a lot of pride in what we do. We consider it an honor to be such a special part of a couple's most incredible day," said Schulz.

Schulz ultimately credits the store's success to her incredibly talented and dedicated staff. The team at Clarkston Flower Shoppe share a deep love for flowers and a commitment to doing "whatever it takes" to go beyond a customer's expectations.

At the same time, the fun-loving staff maintains a comfortable, relaxed atmosphere in the shop.

"My girls are the best," said Schulz. "They often treat this business like it was their own. Coming in early, staying late, running errands on their own time, making deliveries on their way home... I'm very fortunate."

This commitment to customer service carries through into every aspect of the shop. In fact, Schulz recently installed a new "point of sale" system to make ordering deliveries and pick ups easier for customers.

"This system took some getting used to, but it has made such a difference," said Schulz. It's much more efficient. Our customers can now call from the road and place an order, even if they can't



The talented staff at the Clarkston Flower Shoppe: Pam Spencer, Becky Holman, Lisa Bommarito, Jane Quigley and owner Shari Schulz.

reach their credit card at the moment."

When visiting the Clarkston Flower Shoppe, Schulz would like to invite customers to wander next door into The Birdfeeder. Those customers looking for something unique to accent a beautiful floral arrangement or trying to find that special keepsake for a memorable event will find a vast selection of beautiful statuary, birdfeeders and original nature-related products.

"I think the only other thing for the staff to say is thank you to all of our customers who have been so loyal to us,"

concluded Schulz. "You are awesome and we love you!"

The Clarkston Flower Shoppe is located right beside The Birdfeeder at 7150 North Main Street near I-75. Store hours are from 9 a.m.-6:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, and 9:30 a.m.-4 p.m. on Saturday.

For more information, call 248-625-9711 or go online at www.clarkstonflowershoppe.com.

For more information on The Birdfeeder, please see the following page of The Progress edition.

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Love birds? Then see what The Birdfeeder has for you!

For the past 13 years, Pat Stroud has been providing quality custom-blended seed for area residents at her well-loved store, The Birdfeeder.

However, even the most loyal customer may be surprised by the many other wonderful treasures available under the very same roof where they purchase their bird seed.

"Our primary focus is on the bird seed, but we carry many items that really make a unique gift idea or beautiful way to make use of the bird seed," said Store Manager Joyce Kresge.

Bird lovers of all ages will find a wide selection of birdfeeders, bird houses, nature-related products lines, books, C.D.'s, tee shirts, chimes, garden statuary and birdbaths. Special gift and seasonal items also become available year round.

"We recently returned from the Atlanta Gift Show where we found several great new products that are already arriving to the store," said owner Pat Stroud.

A new product line already highly sought after is the uniquely shaped watering cans scattered throughout the store. The cans come in a variety of shapes such as a lady's purse, flamingo or frog.

"Our customers really like these," said Kresge. "The designs are adorable."

Another new product line is the Beanpod Candles made from 100 percent stabilized soy wax. Each candle is made from soy grown by American farmers. They contain no paraffin and are clean burning, longer lasting and vibrantly colored.

Regular customers will be pleased to learn The Birdfeeder is once again holding its Store and Save Seed Program through the month of March. In addition to all seed being on sale throughout the month, customers can stop in and purchase an additional quantity of seed to last them the year - and then stop back whenever they want to collect the extra amount.

The Birdfeeder staff will maintain a record of how much each customer purchased, takes with them and can take at future times.

"Customers can come out and pick up whenever



To the staff at The Birdfeeder, their customers aren't just patrons, they're family. Pictured among many of the wonderful products available are store employees Susie Vanaman, in front, and Naomi Pannell, and store manager Joyce Kresge. Not pictured are store owner Pat Stroud and employee Sheryl Ferguson.

they need to," said Kresge. "We will keep track of how much they purchased for them."

Anyone looking to add a special little something to their Birdfeeder purchase, can walk right next door to the Clarkston Flower Shoppe. According to Kresge, the ladies next door would be pleased to add a floral arrangement to any purchase for a memorable gift.

"We have these cute benches here, and for a special occasion I had the girls next door put flowers all across the top. It was beautiful," said employee Naomi Pannell.

Pannell mentioned customers have had flowers put in birdbaths, around staturaries and even in the unique-shaped watering cans.

The Birdfeeder is open from 9:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, 9:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m. Saturday, and 11 a.m.-5 p.m. on Sunday. The store is located at 7150 North Main St., connected to the Clarkston Flower Shoppe.

For more information, please call 248-625-1399.

For more information on the Clarkston Flower Shoppe, please see page 6A of The Progress Edition.



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Wrinkles and stress disappear at Belle Visage

Like a butterfly emerging from its chrysalis, Belle Visage's patrons re-enter the world looking and feeling radiant.

"You walk through the door, there's a waterfall and a pond, bistro tables and chairs. You feel like you have literally stepped out of Clarkston Michigan into a whole other world," said Nancy Ramos, owner and spa director of Belle Visage, the first laser med spa to grace Oakland County. "Not everybody can run and take a vacation, but you can certainly come into Belle Visage for three hours and feel like you have."

Having recently gained popularity on the east and west coasts a laser med spa offers all the cleansing and therapeutic products and massage techniques of a day spa, melding them with a bevy of non-invasive procedures to rejuvenate people's skin and bodies.

"We are all changing what we are putting in our bodies. We are very health conscious about our food. We are working out. We're all trying to live longer. People want to look younger too. I can reduce the signs of aging," said Ramos.

The list of safe, effective medical treatments Belle Visage provides includes laser aided hair removal, wrinkle reduction, brown spots removal, rosacea treatments, acne treatments and spider vein treatments as well as micro-derm abrasions, glycolic peels, botox and collagen therapy, and more. They also offer a professional skin care line.

"People are too busy to take time off to get things done, like a facelift. Being that our procedures are non-invasive, they can go right back to work. There is no taking a week off and hiding under dark glasses," said Ramos.

Aside from providing the inspiration and spirit to Belle Visage, Ramos also serves as the laser coordinator. She is accompanied by her Medical Director Dr. Thomas Wright and plastic surgery consultant Dr. Kimberly Pummill.

Her full staff includes: aestheticians, laser techs,

massage therapists, airbrush tanning specialist and a makeup artist.

But the medical side of Belle Visage is only half of their one of kind experience. From facials, massages, a vichy shower and relaxing body treatments to indulgent body wraps and various detoxifying treatments painted onto the skin, the pampering available is second to none. Belle Visage even features a double body treatment room for couples or mothers and daughters.

"There isn't any place like us anywhere around. The closest vichy shower that I know of is in East Lansing and that's at a school where they teach massage," said Ramos. "With the vichy shower, you lay on a table that has heated water moving inside of it. The technician utilizes different shower-type hoses on various pressure points. It gives you an entire body massage with water. It's very therapeutic, very good for athletes."

One thing Ramos is trying to combat is some misconceptions about spa's and laser treatments.

"Women, for example, may have facial hair and they're saying to themselves 'I don't want this here, but I can't afford to have it permanently removed.' They

absolutely can, I am extremely affordable. I take all kinds of payment plans - they can manage their payments or they can even pay per treatment," said Ramos.

Another unique feature of Belle Visage is the wide array of party themes and events which can be held in the comfortable, wireless internet enabled bistro replete with espresso and juice bar. Ramos wants everything from bachelorette parties and birthday celebrations to men's poker night and even bible study to enjoy everything her business has to offer.

Belle Visage, which means beautiful face in french, is located in the shopping center at the corner of Andersonville and Sashabaw roads. Call 248-842-6444 or 1-800-248-9708 for a free consultation today.



Nancy Ramos uses a state-of-the-art gemini laser to remove unwanted blemishes without any scarring.



Nancy Ramos, owner and spa director of Belle Visage, with her medical director Dr. Thomas Wright.



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Century 21 Hallmark West has grown again!

Never content to rest on their lofty laurels, Century 21 Hallmark West, North Oakland County's favorite realtors, has recently added a fourth office to its company.

Owner's Bill and Carol Mountain, in the 36th year of their real estate business, acquired the new office, and the building it is in, during late Fall, 2004. The office has previously been Century 21 Executives since 1996. The spacious and aesthetically pleasing addition to the

Hallmark West family is located at 3604 Clarkston Road just west of Baldwin Road.

"We have a wonderful staff in place out there led by Barb Wood," said Bill Mountain. "It's a beautiful building to start and is in the midst of a rapidly growing area."

While growing tremendously over the years, Century 21 Hallmark West has remained a family oriented business. Bill and Carol's three sons - Bill Jr., Pat and Tom - are all involved in the real estate business. Other affiliated businesses owned by the Mountain's include American Home Mortgage Corporation, Hallmark Enterprises and Title USA.

"We're a throwback to the original family run business. We are very hands on, we would never ask one of our sales associates or staff to do something we would not do," said Bill.

Marketing consultants at Century 21 Hallmark West are among the most professional and well trained agents in the real estate business - with all the latest sales training and technology available at their fingertips 24 hours a day. Hallmark West has been part of the international Century 21 Real Estate Corporation, the largest and most recognized name in real estate, for 30 years. There are some 6,600 Century 21 franchises worldwide.

"We have a local town, local atmosphere type of attitude to running our business. As opposed to the big box stores and other companies; they don't know the local people from Adam," said Bill Mountain.

Century 21 Hallmark West was awarded the 2004 Business of the Year award in Waterford Township, one of the many awards the company has earned over the years. Bill is currently the president of the Waterford Chamber of Commerce. In the past, he has been president of the North Oakland County Board of Realtors and Real Comp II, the multiple listing service.

Along with their many accolades in the business world, Bill and Carol have made being active in civic

and charitable organizations a focal point throughout their careers. They also have received the Waterford Township Community Service award for their dedication to helping children's organizations and those with disabilities.

"Even though most of our offices are located in what would be considered mildly to greatly affluent areas, there's lots of people who seem to fall through the cracks in our society. We look for people who need help, but have not found it yet. We want to help people who are literally going to have nothing during the holidays or otherwise," said Carol.

The Mountain's companies, along with friends and supporters, raised over \$250,000 on behalf of Easter Seals. During the holidays, Century 21 Hallmark West, and its office staff and sales associates, has for over 20 years provided food and gifts for families in need in each of the townships where their offices are located. Gifts have included a variety of meals, bikes and televisions. The Mountain's and Century 21 Hallmark West feel it is their job to make a difference - both in the real estate business, and in the civic and charitable area.

The Mountain's are very excited to be expanding their real estate business into the growing areas of Independence, Orion and Oxford townships. They are committed to continue to providing the very best quality service to their clients. Call one of their marketing consultants for your listing and sales assistance.

The new Clarkston Road office can be reached at 248-814-0600. Century 21 Hallmark West's location at 6547 Dixie Highway is available at 248-625-6900. Call 248-674-4161 for the Century 21 Hallmark West Waterford office located at 4821 Highland Road. The Mountain's White Lake office can be reached at 248-698-2111 and is located at 9165 Highland Road. All offices are open 9 a.m.-7 p.m., Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturdays and 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Sundays.



Bill and Carol Mountain are pillars in the real estate community, with four branches of Century 21 Hallmark West and 36 years of experience.

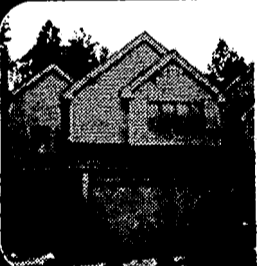
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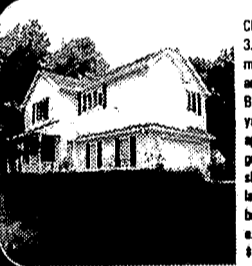
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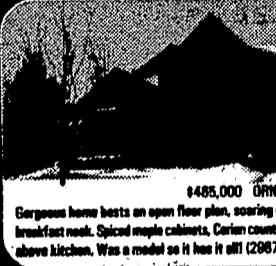
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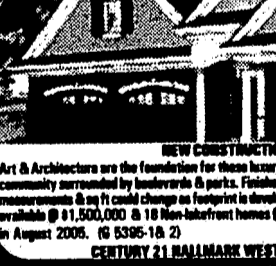
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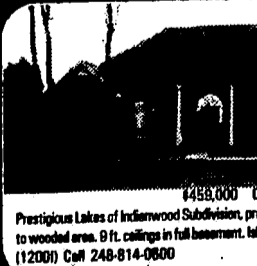
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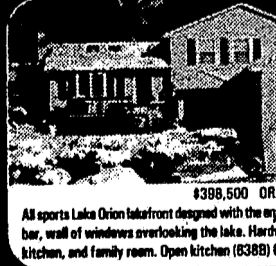
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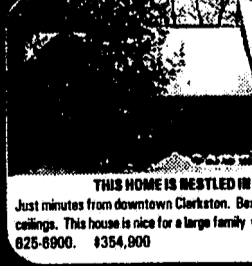
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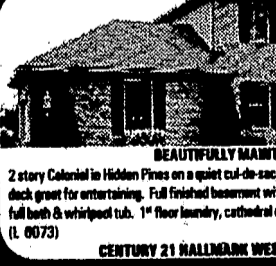
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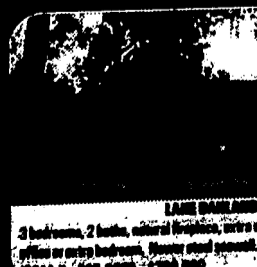
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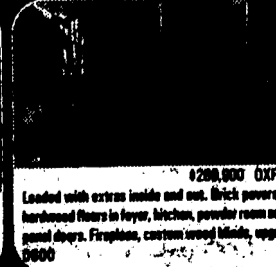
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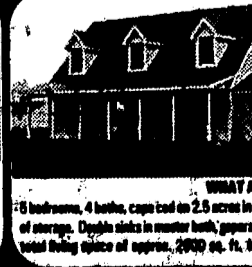
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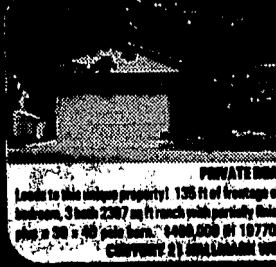
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Twice the Red Knapp's American Grill you love

For 10 years, Oxford area residents have been savoring the great tastes and enjoying the family atmosphere of the one and only Red Knapp's American Grill.

Now, it's the Clarkston area's turn to experience Oxford's not-so-best-kept-secret.

In November 2004, Brett Knapp transformed the old Duggan's Irish Pub on Dixie Highway (near M-15) into his second Red Knapp's American Grill – and business is booming at the family dining establishment.

"Clarkston's really welcomed us," said Knapp. "We're happy to be here."

Unlike his original Oxford location, Knapp said the Clarkston restaurant afforded him more kitchen space to offer different menu items on a regular basis such as barbecue ribs, salmon dishes and a wider variety of sandwiches.

"I now have a whole area in the kitchen that's dedicated exclusively to sandwiches and salads," he said.

From ham and cheese to chicken and turkey, the Clarkston Red Knapp's offers many sandwich combos you won't find in Oxford.

Clarkston's Red Knapp's also features an appetizer samplet basket big enough to feed four with everything from mouth-watering ribs to fried pickles.

The fried pickles – which are dill pickles coated in batter and deep fried – are "really popular" and only available in Clarkston, according to Knapp.

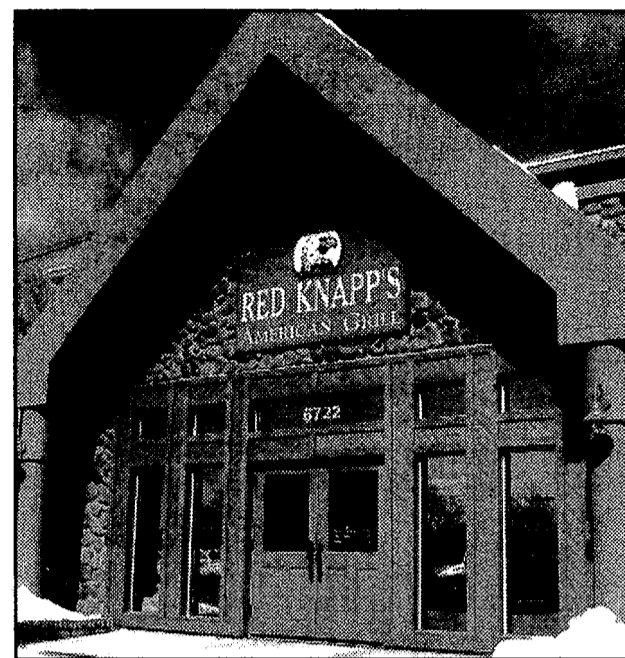
"People love them. We sell a ton of them," he said.

Despite some menu differences, both the Oxford and Clarkston restaurants offer many of the same pastas, meats, salads and of course, Red Knapp's famous burgers and pizza.

Pasta lovers searching for something out of the ordinary should sample Knapp's Bayou or Cajun Chicken dishes, a rich blend of totellini and chicken tossed in a spicy tomato cream sauce.

Oxford and Clarkston carnivores will delight in Red Knapp's 10-ounce prime rib served Mondays and Tuesdays for \$11.95.

Looking for something a lighter, yet still filling? Try Knapp's Cobb Salad, a delightful mix of greens, chicken



Red Knapp's American Grill in Oxford (left) is located on the northeast corner of Washington and Burdick streets in historic downtown Oxford. In Clarkston (right), the restaurant is located at 6722 Dixie Hwy.

breast, diced bacon and tomatoes, black olives, crumbled bleu cheese, cheddar cheese and hard-boiled eggs.

Just looking for a good burger. Try the "Nap Burger," a delicious family tradition since 1940. Invented by Knapp's grandfather who used to own a restaurant in Rochester many, many years ago, the burger patties are formed by hand using 7 ounces of the highest choice beef available.

Grilled to perfection and served on a fresh, homemade bun, Nap Burgers are always a best-seller.

If pizza is what you crave, don't turn the porch light on for the delivery man, head to Red Knapp's for a 12 or 16-inch pie featuring a mix of mozzarella and Muenster cheeses, special sauce and your choice of toppings.

Beyond serving great meals and offering the highest level of customer service, Knapp also enjoys giving back to the communities he does business in.

Although he's not yet involved with any Clarkston

groups, Knapp serves on the downtown development authority board in Oxford. He also offers his restaurant as a regular meeting place for the Oxford Lions Club and North Oakland Civitan Club.

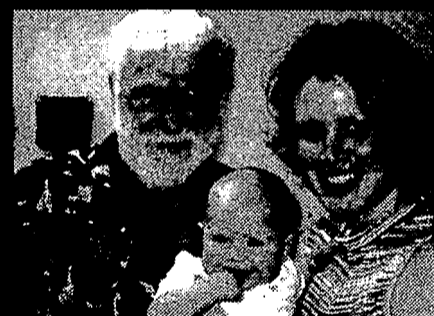
From sponsoring school groups to participating in the annual "Taste of Oxford," Knapp does more than do business in a community, he becomes an active part of it.

In Oxford, Red Knapp's American Grill is located at 2 N. Washington St. (northeast corner of Washington and Burdick streets). In Clarkston, the restaurant is located at 6722 Dixie Hwy. (near M-15).

Hours at both locations are the same – 11:30 a.m. to 10 p.m. Monday through Thursday; 11:30 a.m. to 11 p.m. Friday and Saturday; and noon to 8 p.m. Sunday except in the summer when it's noon to 9 p.m.

For more information call (248) 628-1200 in Oxford and (248) 625-3900 in Clarkston.

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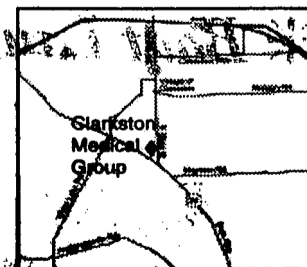
Dr. Abraham is a Clarkston High School graduate and attended the University of Michigan Medical School. Dr. Moscovic, also a Clarkston native, attended Michigan State University - College of Osteopathic Medicine. Both are William Beaumont Hospital trained and specialize in internal medicine and pediatrics.

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Creativity and passion fuel 'Ron Smith Photography'

Ron Smith does not merely take snapshots, he preserves people's lives. He does not have photo assignments, he immortalizes special occasions. He does not capture senior pictures, rather he creates unique pieces of art. He does not simply provide expertise, he infuses an artist's touch into his work so all his customers come away with a unique gallery of memories and moments to cherish.



Ron Smith and Orca. One day Ron hopes to train Orca to carry his spare camera equipment while he is on assignment. For now she just makes the studio brighter like only a five-month-old Newfoundland puppy can.

"It is always fun to be able to photograph and create something, for 15 years as a project manager it was a step by step methodology. Now I am able to use that side of my brain for the business aspect and the other side of my brain creatively," said Smith, owner of Ron Smith Photography.

When Smith shows off his work, his even-paced, somewhat faded, Texas accent starts to tumble from his mouth. The enjoyment he derives from his photography, shows in the quality of his work. And each project is approached carefully, with an acute attention to detail.

"Something I like to do is sit down with the bride and groom and find out what their expectations are. If I'm going to spend eight hours with a bride and groom on their special day, all three of us have to be compatible," said Smith. "The key to the wedding consultation is to get to know the couple. I don't just walk in and say 'Here's my album. Here's my prices. See you later.'"

Smith knows that when he is photographing a wedding, the bride and groom want his pictures to make them feel exactly how they did at the altar.

"I think I have an advantage over some of the bigger studios. With some of the large studios, a couple goes in for a wedding consultation and they look at all of the different albums, and they don't know who their photographer is going to be for the wedding," said Smith. "I like to be non-intrusive. The best compliment I've ever received, and I've gotten it twice now, was 'Don't take this the wrong way but we didn't even know you were there.' That's the way I want it to be. I want to put on my zoom lens, step back and shoot the first kiss, or a tight shot of the first dance and capture the emotion."

After the wedding Smith delivers traditional paper proofs and invites the couple back to his studio to hand-pick the best photos for their wedding album. With his skills at the keyboard, Ron has been able to show brief windows into his subject's thoughts on their special day.

One of Ron's creations shows a bride standing before a window in which she and her new husband are sharing their first kiss at the altar.

Smith's philosophy of providing excellent customer service in a relaxed atmosphere carries over to work done inside his studio, which is located in the Gateway Park plaza at the corner of Andersonville and White Lake roads.

With the addition of a brand new set, Smith can simulate a variety of outdoor and indoor settings to provide individuality to senior photos or family portraits while maintaining traditional appeal.

"I'm not going to push nine kids a day through my studio. I want to be able to enjoy my time with them. I want them to have fun. I'm not going to sit there and rush them through, that's not my style," said Smith, whose refreshing approach also carries over to his pricing. "I'm not going to say 'The black and white session is 15 minutes, this is 15 minutes, this is 30 minutes.' and get you out the door. I don't have a set package that I force you into. I have what I call 'Create a package.'"

Instead of trying to force square pegs into round holes with predetermined packages and strict pricing guidelines, Smith allows his patrons to mix and match, so as to custom design their own package.

"If they want 100 wallets and four 8x10's then they can get that package. I don't make my customers pay for photos they don't want," said Smith.

Ron Smith is available year round for all sorts of photo engagements. He has extensive experience in shooting everything from sports to professional head shots.

Located at 7044 Gateway Park Dr., on the corner of Andersonville and White Lake roads, Ron Smith Photography is open Tuesday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturdays by appointment. Call 248-625-3686 (FOTO) to schedule any type of session. Also visit www.ronsmithphotography.com to see what dates are available for wedding ceremonies.

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'Safepet Hidden Fencing' keeps pets in the yard

These days people don't need a wooden or metal fence to keep their pet out of the pound. In fact the best way to ensure the family dog doesn't become the neighborhood stray can't be seen at all.

"The idea when we set this business up was to offer a high quality product at a reasonable price. Something everybody can afford," said Randy Badour, owner of Safepet Hidden Fencing of Michigan LLC. "With some of the other companies out there, you call them up, have them come out and they give you a price that is usually very, very expensive. We wanted to offer something that everybody could do."

What Randy's business offers is a safe, economical alternative to chain link fencing. His product, Hidden Fence, is 99.2 percent effective at training a dog to respect the boundaries of a yard. Not to mention Hidden Fence can save pet owners \$1,000's of dollars compared to wood or metal fence installation.

"There's no guarantees that a chain link fence will work either. Dogs can climb over them or dig under them or someone will make the mistake of leaving the gate open. I've had plenty of calls to go put in an electric fence inside their fence."

With Hidden Fence, the dog is fit with a collar which emits a warning sound when the animal wanders too close to the boundaries specified at installation. If the animal continues towards the boundaries the collar delivers a mild corrective stimulation.

"Depending on the dog, you are talking about two to four weeks for training. Once they hear that warning tone that is all it takes," said Badour, who uses Hidden Fence to keep his dog, Kramer, from

terrorizing the neighbors.

Hidden Fence's collar interacts with a boundary of wire installed into the ground. The process of setting up the wire takes between two and four hours. Badour and his crew slice open the ground in order to thread Hidden Fence across the yard. The grass makes a complete recovery within days of installation.

"We're a local business. I think we offer a little more personal touch for the customer. We're available when the customer calls and we're there the same day doing whatever they need, from any problems they have with the system to training their dog," said Badour.

All of Badour's packages include up to one acre of Hidden Fence wiring. For

training purposes, Safepet also offers obedience remotes which sync with the collar.

As well as keeping pets in the yard, Safepet also offers solutions inside the home, in the form of small battery powered units which will safeguard anything from a garbage can or toilet bowl to a computer room.

"If you have something in the house you want to keep the cat away from, these will do the trick," said Badour.

Discipline for a dog is one thing, Badour has pet owners in mind with the newest edition to the Safepet stable.

Starting April 1, anyone who owns a goldfish, parakeet, cat, dog or any other housepet can go online at

www.safepethiddenfence.com and purchase everything from food to collars.

"Just go online order what you want and it's delivered right to your door," said Badour.

Customers can either make a one time purchase or schedule regular deliveries of a wide array of high quality products.

"People are so busy now they don't want to mess with buying pet food. Whatever they need just comes automatically and they don't even have to think about it," said Badour.

Safepet Hidden Fencing is available for appointments year round, Monday through Saturday, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Please call 810-654-9377 to set up an installation time.

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Randy Badour, pictured here with Kramer, started Safepet Hidden Fencing of Michigan three years ago.

Best Rate Dumpster Rental makes spring cleaning a breeze

Does your garage or basement need cleaning, yet you dread having to haul all the junk away?

Best Rate Dumpster Rental, located in Lake Orion, makes the job a snap, providing you with a dumpster to meet your needs, which they will drop off and then pick up again when you're done with it.

"We work with both commercial and residential customers, but mostly residential," says Best Rate owner Brian Cummings. "People come to us if they are cleaning out their house, basement or garage; or if they are replacing their roof."

"We take the dump to you," Cummings says. "In the old days, you had to haul all that stuff away yourself."

Best Rate Dumpster Rental is a family-owned and run business, and Cummings has been in business for eight years.

He was a Lake Orion resident when he started Best Rate on Joslyn Road just south of Brown Road, and now lives in Ortonville.

"This is something I wanted to do," he says of the business. "We work with a lot of builders, contractors and homeowners."

Best Rate has from 10- to 40-yard dumpsters, with 200 available.

"We serve mostly Northern Oakland County, but we will go just about anywhere in the Metro Detroit area," Cummings says.

Dumpsters can be rented for 1-2 weeks at a time, and Best Rate lives up to its name where prices are concerned.

Best Rate also does demolition work. "Our name says it all," Cummings says. "We have really competitive rates."

With spring and Mother's Day just around the corner, Cummings says a great gift for mom would be a clean house.

"Give mom what she really wants, and let us get rid of your junk," he says.

Best Rate specializes in residential customers, and their drivers are experienced in dealing with all kinds of residential property.



Best Rate Dumpster Rental is a busy homeowner's best friend, offering dumpster drop-off and pick-up.

"A lot of companies go after the commercial business, and they are not too concerned when they go onto a residential customer's property" Cummings says.

"As homeowners ourselves, we understand the need to leave the property as we found it."

Best Rate Dumpster Rental is fully insured, and Cummings says someone there answers the phone for customers seven days a week.

"Customers can call and arrange to have a dumpster delivered over the phone," he says. "We accept all

major credit cards."

Cummings says a lot of customers are concerned about how their debris will be disposed of after Best Rate picks up the dumpster.

"All rubbish is disposed of in a licensed land fill, and we are environmentally-friendly," he says.

Best Rate Dumpster Rental is located at 4856 Joslyn Road, near Brown Road. The phone number is (248) 391-5956.

Their website is www.1800rollaff.com

Mount Christie Estates makes a revival into paradise

Looking for paradise right here on earth?

Mount Christie Estates located at 1700 W. Davison Lake Road is the answer.

Just minutes away from Oxford, Metamora, and Lapeer the former Mount Christie Ski Resort has been developed into a spectacular community of country estates, complete with private club house, attached boarding stalls, tack room, a large turnout area with paddocks and 38 acres of fenced pastures.

A passionate vision of owner and developer Ron Lamparter, who wanted to preserve the rich natural forests and historical rolling 98 acres surrounding the highest pinnacle in Southeast Michigan.

"Mr. Lamparter wanted to do something special with this land, this is his dream," said Tim Goodwin listing agent for Max Broock Realtors of Clarkston.

Mount Christie Estates was developed by a team of award winning architects with national reputations in land planning, architecture, engineering, and landscaping.

"It's an incredible site and the number one attraction is the beauty of the area."

Only 34 elegant, custom built estate homes will dot the equestrian community so that each will enjoy a spectacular view of lush pastures, hardwood forests, picturesque ponds, or a mountain top gazebo.

"They are single loaded lots, meaning there will never be a home across the street from another," he said.

By preserving most of the original natural habitat including wooded ravines, old orchards, stone hedge rows, and fields of wild flowers, residents of Mount



Developed to preserve the historic elegance of the natural features, Mount Christie Estates is surrounded by dramatic views spanning up to 48 miles in portions of the community.

Christie Estates will share their country life with deer, pheasants, wild turkey and much more wildlife in their own backyards.

Each estate rests on 1 to 2 acres adjoining almost 50 acres of beautifully landscaped meadows, surrounded by two miles of rolling equestrian trails, walkways and a spectacular views.

The sophisticated estates, with names like Throughbread, Preakness, and Triple Crown will feature custom designed gourmet kitchens, luxurious master suites, ex-

pansive four-car garages, and dramatic fire place features constructed by the highly respected builder Miller Properties.

"Brian Miller, the preferred builder, fell in love with the area and is building his own home here, which says a lot for the plan," Goodwin said. "But anyone can bring their own builder with approved designs."

The entrance to Mount Christie Estates whispers exclusivity with its attractive guard entry and the luxurious Club

House, designer furnished with game room, kitchen, dining area, conference room, lounge, library, home theater, and shower rooms.

Adjacent are tennis courts and outdoor riding arenas, and future plans call for a heated indoor dressage arena with a glassed observation lounge. Future plans include a swimming pool with a beautifully landscaped deck area and executive golf course for families to enjoy.

While The Club at Mount Christie is privately owned and professionally managed apart from the Mount Christie Estates Property Owners Association, all residents are entitled to use of the extensive network of scenic riding or cross-country ski trails.

In addition, a picnic area and gazebo with a spectacular panoramic view sits on top of Mount Christie's 1,300 feet elevated pinnacle surrounded by a 12 acre sloping common area, dotted with foot paths and trails.

A perfect spot for family gatherings, weddings, showers, birthday parties, and hiking.

"It's going to become a family oriented community and Mr. Lamparter wanted the gazebo and common area built on the pinnacle so everyone can have a view," said Goodwin.

To learn more about our spectacular Mount Christie Estates visit our website at www.mountchristie.com.

To arrange for a personal tour of this beautiful community call listing agent Tim Goodwin from Max Broock Realtors at (248) 969-0400 or email Tim at: timgoodwin@maxbroock.com

Stars & Stripes Gymnastics Academy

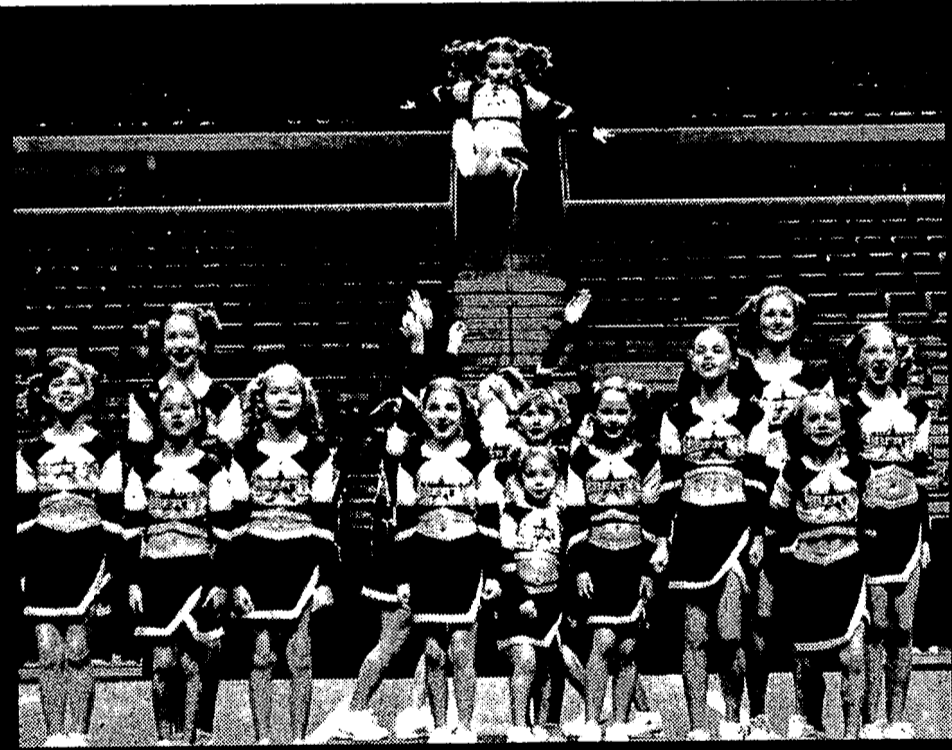
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Stars & Stripes is excited to introduce the new camps we will be offering this summer. In addition to our awesome gymnastics and cheerleading camps, we are holding 6 different, outrageous camps for children who wish to explore other adventures!

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Information on camps, classes, schedules and more can be found at www.StarGymnast.com

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Established in Oxford, Michigan in 1884, Oxford Bank provides competitive consumer and commercial banking services to local families and small-to-mid-size businesses throughout Oakland, Macomb, Lapeer, and Genesee counties.

Oxford Bank is the oldest commercial bank headquartered in Oakland County and has operated continuously under local ownership and management since its inception.

Currently, the Bank has seven retail banking locations in Clarkston, Dryden, Goodrich, Lake Orion, Oakland, Ortonville, and Oxford, along with a consumer loan center in Oxford and a commercial loan office in Orion Township.

In October of 2004, the Bank was selected from over 900 applicants as one of "Metropolitan Detroit's 101 Best and Brightest Companies to Work For" by the Michigan Business & Professional Association.

The award honors those companies that "recognize employees as their greatest assets and work with imagination and assurance to create organizational value and business results through people". To be considered, all candidates must be nominated by an individual employee. This is the first year Oxford Bank has been chosen.

In January, Oxford Bank opened its seventh retail branch office. Located in the Village of Goodrich, the new facility is its first in Genesee County. It has also announced plans to open a second Genesee County location in the City of Davison during the summer of this year.

Oxford Bank offers a wide range of financial and banking services, including



Ready to serve their Clarkston area customers are (left-right) Kara Vigneau, Assistant Branch Manager Sondra Hale, Erica Jarvi, Brett Treacy, Sharon Boothe, Maralee Burt, Branch Manager Debbie Hansen, Debbie Porter and Angela Williams.

mortgage and construction loans, consumer loans, commercial loans and checking accounts, credit cards, merchant services, personal checking and savings accounts, and on-line banking. The Bank also

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Tranquility Hair *Spa* Tanning

This salon comes from a special place. The dream began with a mother and her young daughter.

"Since my daughter Stephanie was a little girl, we dreamed of opening a salon," said owner Peggy Strutz. "When she grew up we went for it."

Peggy and Stephanie opened Tranquility Hair*Spa*Tanning one year ago. The salon was a new adventure for the mother-daughter team, however they have definitely come a long way.

Tranquility is literally an all-in-one salon. They offer a lot of variety in every area of beauty imaginable. From hair to tanning this salon has it covered.

Peggy and Stephanie aim to please

all of their customers. They provide many services for all ages, men, women or children. Items include: haircuts, styling, hair color, texturing, treatments, nail care, foot treatments, waxing and tanning.

The nice thing about Tranquility is the convenience. If you need a simple haircut, visit Tranquility. If you need a manicure and pedicure, visit Tranquility, and if you just need a day at the spa, visit Tranquility.

Spa items include: massage services, facials, body treatments and makeup application.

The staff at Tranquility are always ready and willing to satisfy their clients, and enjoy meeting new people everyday.

They have all been trained in their field and each specializes in a certain area of beauty care.

Tranquility Spa*Hair*Tanning has become very comfortable with their Clarkston location however, like every new business, they face challenges.

"I think our biggest challenge is that many people don't know we are here," said Peggy. "We aim to please everyone and we want people to know that we cater to men, women and children."

Peggy and her staff welcome wedding parties, or other special occasions into the salon.

"We enjoy being a part of a wedding or birthday or party," said Peggy. "I urge

everyone to visit our salon."

Tranquility is a new business in the area, however the experience and skills are well above most.

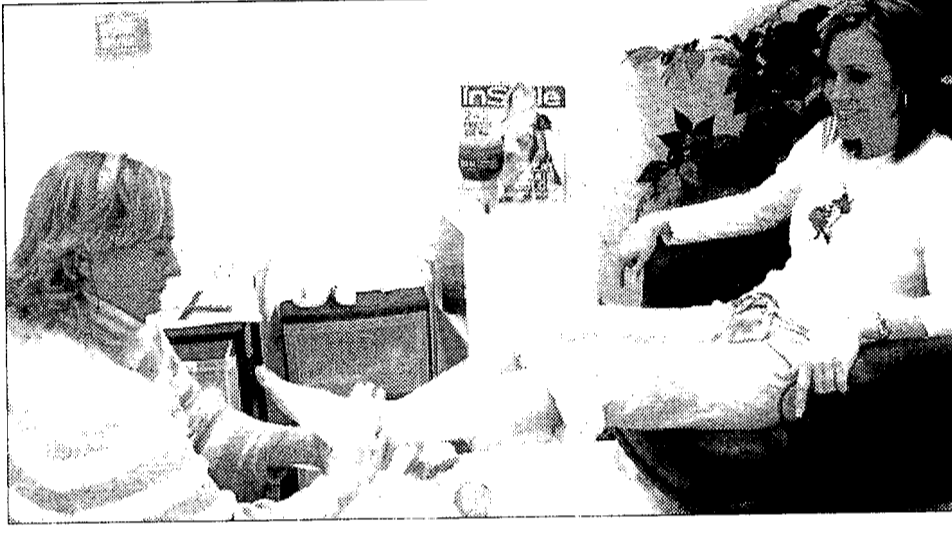
"We are excited about our new business," said Peggy. "We want everyone in the community to enjoy everything Tranquility has to offer."

Tranquility Hair*Spa*Tanning is located at 7030 Gateway Park Drive in Clarkston in the Gateway Plaza. Business hours are Tuesday through Thursday 9 a.m. - 8 p.m., Friday 9 a.m. - 6 p.m., and Saturday 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

To schedule your appointment, call 248-620-3900.



Owners Peggy and Stephanie Strutz



Anne Miller treats Jessica Walter to a relaxing foot treatment and massage.



Tammy Brimacombe gives Shaya Brandenburg a trendy new look.

Turn a basement into a whole new world Carpenter offers unique home decor options

A visit to Gary Lange's home can be both deceiving and entertaining.

One wall has outdoor-style siding which even features an eavestrough and downspout. Another has brick-style siding, while yet another looks like the exterior of an old-fashioned takeout restaurant.

A professional carpenter since 1971, Lange is an expert at traditional work such as trim, doors, windows, kitchen cabinets, mantles and decorative railings. In addition to those services, however, Lange offers a unique service for those who would like to turn a basement or a rec room into something special or even unusual.

"I think these false store fronts can be a lot of fun," said Lange. With use of quality building materials, authentic signs and various accessories available, his suggestions for home improvement include ideas from the seasonal to the silly.

One idea, for example, is to have the "storefront" look like a fitness center, he said. Upon opening the door, one could find a specialty mirror, like the fun house mirror at amusement parks. It is a contoured mirror which makes the legs appear to be 12 inches long and the torso three feet tall: It is always a great laugh.

While he is glad to offer ideas, he said the decision is ultimately up to the customer.

"I want to give them what they want," Lange said. "I would like to satisfy their needs."

Lange started his career as an employee of a commercial building company. In 1979, he decided to take the risk and go into business for himself. He is a licensed builder, but prefers finished carpentry projects.

"I like to be creative," he said. "I've got all sorts of ideas. The possibilities are endless."

According to his wife, Pat, Lange has had plenty of practice in their home of 11 years. To show the seri-

ous side of his skills, a kitchen cabinet door was converted into a beautiful woodgrain clock.

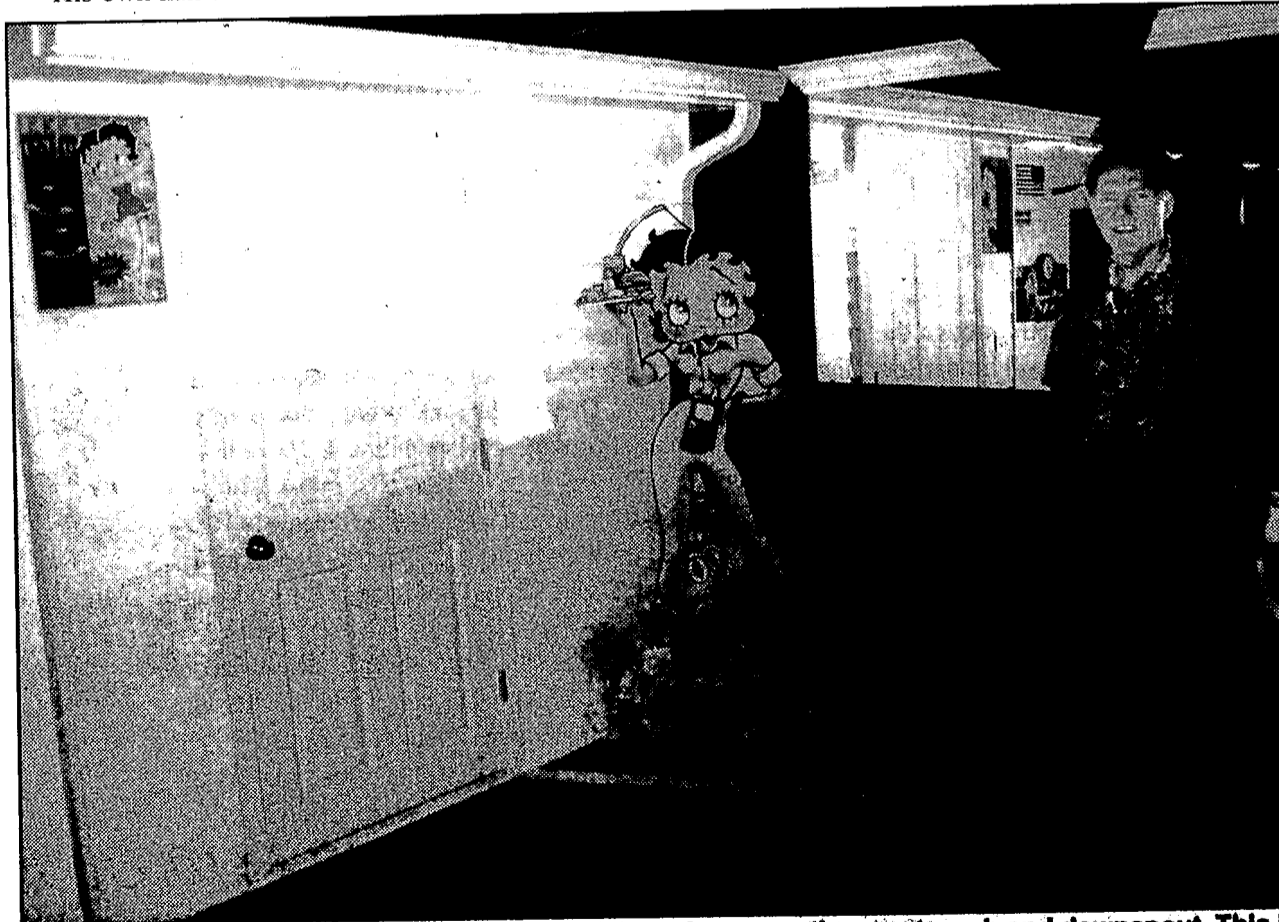
"We moved in here and he changed every room in some way," she said with a laugh.

His own name on his own business is a reminder

of the need to provide quality workmanship.

"I only have one name," he said. "If I destroy that, then where am I?"

To learn more about the work of Gary Lange Custom Carpentry, call 248-623-1105.



Don't be fooled by the exterior-style siding, brick work or even the eavestrough and downspout. This is Gary Lange's basement, showing just part of what the custom carpenter can do to spice up a rec room.

Macksey interior design

More than 200,000 women in the United States will be diagnosed with breast cancer this year, and almost 40,000 will die from the disease. Men can develop breast cancer, too. Approximately 1,500 men will be diagnosed with breast cancer each year, and 400 will die from the disease. The diagnosis may come out of the blue - detected with a mammogram, during a visit to the doctor's office or through a breast self-exam at home. That's if it's detected at all. Almost half of American women over 40 don't follow the recommended guidelines for clinical examination and regular mammography. Many of them don't have a doctor or are too afraid of the results to find out.

Ninety-five percent of women diagnosed with breast cancer at an early stage (confined to the breast) survive for more than five years. The death rate from the disease is declining - people are surviving. But in order to do so, they need access to medical care, screening, education and treatment. And we ultimately need a cure.

Macksey Interior Design, LLC, downtown Clarkston's premier design center at 6 and 14 North Main Street has always believed in team work. The insured and licensed design/build firm attacks all their larger projects as a team. So when employee, Stefanie Maas came to owner Pam Macksey to ask for her support for the up-coming Breast Cancer 3-Day Walk, Pam replied... "We'll do it as a team." Pam will be walking for her own mother, Barbara Bergen who was diagnosed in May 1998 and is a survivor, as is two of Pam's aunts. Joy Ballard will be walking for Jane Lynons, also a breast cancer survivor. Laura Wendt will be walking for Connie Daros, who passed in 1997. Stefanie Maas is walking for her mother, Jeanette Maas.

In 1992 Jeanette Maas was diagnosed with breast cancer. "Having breast cancer broke my mom down physically and emotionally," said Stefanie. "After two years of fighting to stay strong, keeping her head high with a smile on her face, Stefanie's mom, now her angel, past away on July 31st, 1994. Stefanie was only seven years old and her brother, Justin, was twelve.

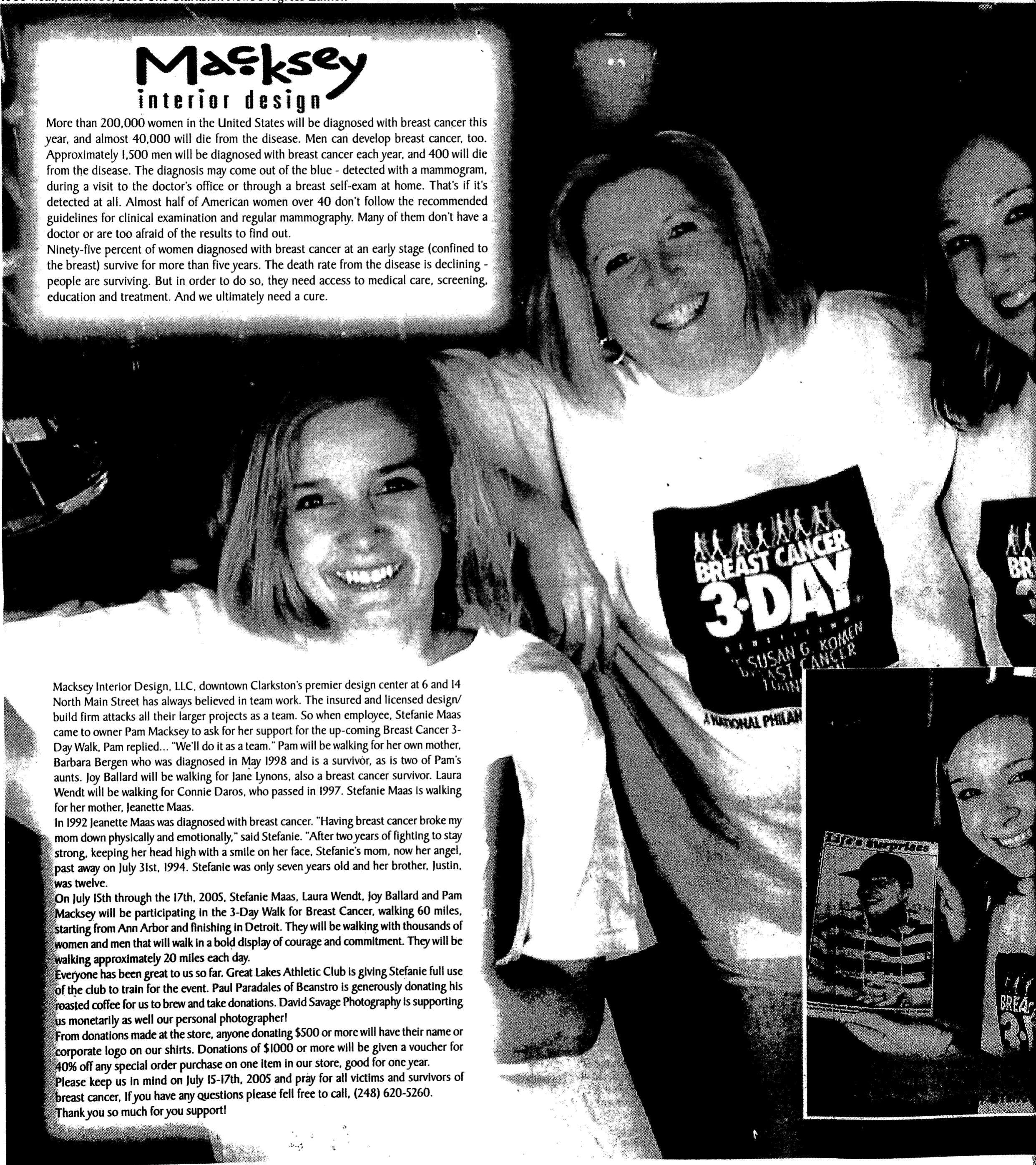
On July 15th through the 17th, 2005, Stefanie Maas, Laura Wendt, Joy Ballard and Pam Macksey will be participating in the 3-Day Walk for Breast Cancer, walking 60 miles, starting from Ann Arbor and finishing in Detroit. They will be walking with thousands of women and men that will walk in a bold display of courage and commitment. They will be walking approximately 20 miles each day.

Everyone has been great to us so far. Great Lakes Athletic Club is giving Stefanie full use of the club to train for the event. Paul Paradales of Beanstro is generously donating his roasted coffee for us to brew and take donations. David Savage Photography is supporting us monetarily as well our personal photographer!

From donations made at the store, anyone donating \$500 or more will have their name or corporate logo on our shirts. Donations of \$1000 or more will be given a voucher for 40% off any special order purchase on one item in our store, good for one year.

Please keep us in mind on July 15-17th, 2005 and pray for all victims and survivors of breast cancer, if you have any questions please feel free to call, (248) 620-5260.

Thank you so much for your support!





In order to participate in the 3-Day Walk to Breast Cancer, the team from Macksey Interior Design has to raise at least \$8,400, \$2,100 for each participant. If you would like to donate we will be accepting checks, cashiers checks and money order until June 1, 2005. Checks may be written to "Breast Cancer 3-Day" and can be mailed to Macksey Interior Design, 14 North Main Street, Clarkston, MI 48346. All in-store donations will be entered into a drawing for one, one month membership and one, 3 month membership at Great Lake Athletic Club. If you would like to donate electronically, follow these instructions or drop them off at the store:

1. Go to www.the3-day.org
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The Clarkston Cafe An area landmark since 1927

The Clarkston Cafe is definitely deceiving. From the outside, the cafe looks like a nice restaurant; however, once you walk through the door, there is so much more than meets the eye.

The Clarkston Cafe was established in 1927. The restaurant has been a favorite to many over the years, and the offerings seem endless.

Many local residents have grown up with the establishment, and enjoy the distinct beauty.

The environment is relaxed, friendly and cozy. The bar area is quiet yet inviting. Many residents and local business people enjoy visiting The Clarkston Cafe after work to enjoy a cocktail before heading home.

The main dining room area is spacious yet enchanting. While walking through the dining area, the style is up to date, but still captures the old time feeling.

The floors squeak with every step, reminding the customers that this restaurant is definitely a landmark in the community. The scenery is authentic, with antique pieces decorating the corners.

The Clarkston Cafe adds a warm feel with a fireplace and the Library, as known to many in the area, was built in 1988. The Library room is home to many old books. The vision of the bookcase against the wall showcases a passion for historical pieces.

Also, The Clarkston Cafe offers a variety of live entertainment Wednesday night through Saturday night.

The Clarkston Cafe not only offers delicious servings, but also makes memories for many.

The restaurant has been a part of many special occasions, including: birthday parties, wedding anniversaries, reunions and romantic engagements.

Because the Clarkston community has developed at a vast rate, the restaurant has also improved with the times.

"The Clarkston Cafe can be whatever you want," said general manager Doug Haack. "It can be a special occasions restaurant, or it can be a place you stop at after work."

Whatever the occasion, The Clarkston Cafe can accommodate. You can come in for something as simple as a hamburger or something as elegant as a filet.

The Clarkston Cafe also offers fresh daily specials for lunch and dinner, and Sunday brunch. On Tuesdays, The Clarkston Cafe offers 1/2 off bottle wines and Thursday nights are "All You Can Eat Frog Legs." Whatever the day, The Clarkston Cafe rewards their customers.

The Clarkston Cafe faces challenges with competition, and many may be unaware of all they offer.

"Many people see our name and think we are a cafe that serves sand-

wiches," said Haack. "A lot of them don't know that we offer fine dining."

Customers who attend The Clarkston Cafe know the importance and the offerings, but, word of mouth only travels so far.

"We want people to know that they can come here and experience a wonderful meal, and also have a hamburger and fries if they want," said Haack.

The Clarkston Cafe can accommodate groups of six to 125. A luncheon, rehearsal dinner, anniversary, birthday or after-work get-together, The Clarkston

Cafe is here to help you make your occasion an unforgettable one.

Over the years, The Clarkston Cafe staff has built many lasting relationships within the community and look forward to many wonderful days ahead.

The Clarkston Cafe is located at 18 S. Main Street in downtown Clarkston. Business hours are Monday through Thursday 11 a.m. - 10 p.m., Friday and Saturday 11 a.m. - 12 p.m., and Sunday 10 a.m. - 9 p.m.

For more information or to plan your next occasion, call 248-625-5660.



Nate Vack, Doug Haack, Chef Ben and Nita Doorman consider the restaurant home. Many have worked in the establishment for years and many are starting their venture with the cafe which has maintained a wonderful reputation throughout the community.



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Thomas Lowrie and wife Tamera adore the Clarkston area and are glad their children - Olivia, Jeffrey and Robert - can experience an environment this wonderful.

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Tom Lowrie receives the Gold Award. His business, Lowrie's Landscape, is the only landscaping business in the Clarkston area to be recognized with the honor.

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"I think this will be convenient for residents and it will benefit us all," said Lowrie.

Lowrie strives to achieve satisfaction from each of his customers. He explained the challenge of pleasing people and trying to transform their vision to an actual landscape design.

"I have always had positive feedback from my customers," said Lowrie. "And I have made many friends."

Lowrie is anticipating a wonderful year, and looks forward to building many more relationships in the community.

Remember: a beautiful house can become a breathtaking one with the right landscape design. For your next landscaping project contact Lowrie's Landscape.

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"We have two pharmacists on duty. I don't know of any pharmacies around here that have two pharmacists on duty, open to close every day," said David, who for five years ran the RiteAid pharmacy in downtown Clarkston.

Two years have passed since David was offered the chance to open his own pharmacy. His first thought was to enlist the help of his former mentor and close friend, Edward, in the endeavor. The pair, with a com-

bined 34 years of experience between them, are trying to reestablish what a pharmacy should be.

"With a lot of the big chains, you can be told to wait for half an hour to an hour for your prescription. That's never going to happen here," said David.

"There is a different atmosphere here than at a chain. They want you in and out. They are more interested in speed above all else. It's not real personable at a chain. The service here is second to none," added Edward.

David and Edward have ensured that any open health insurance plan in the state will be accepted at MedCenter Pharmacy. They also have unrivaled access any prescription drug and stock a large array of vitamins, herbal and over the counter remedies.

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"Every prescription that leaves here is counseled. Any kind of questions people have, on whether over the counter or herbal medications will interact with their prescription drugs, we answer. If we don't know we, can find out. Even doctors in the building ask us if they can call if they have questions on drugs," said Edward.

With one of the most sophisticated computer systems in the industry, MedCenter can pull information on patients and ailments from literally thousands of sources in seconds.

One of MedCenter's major objectives for this year is to become part of the community.

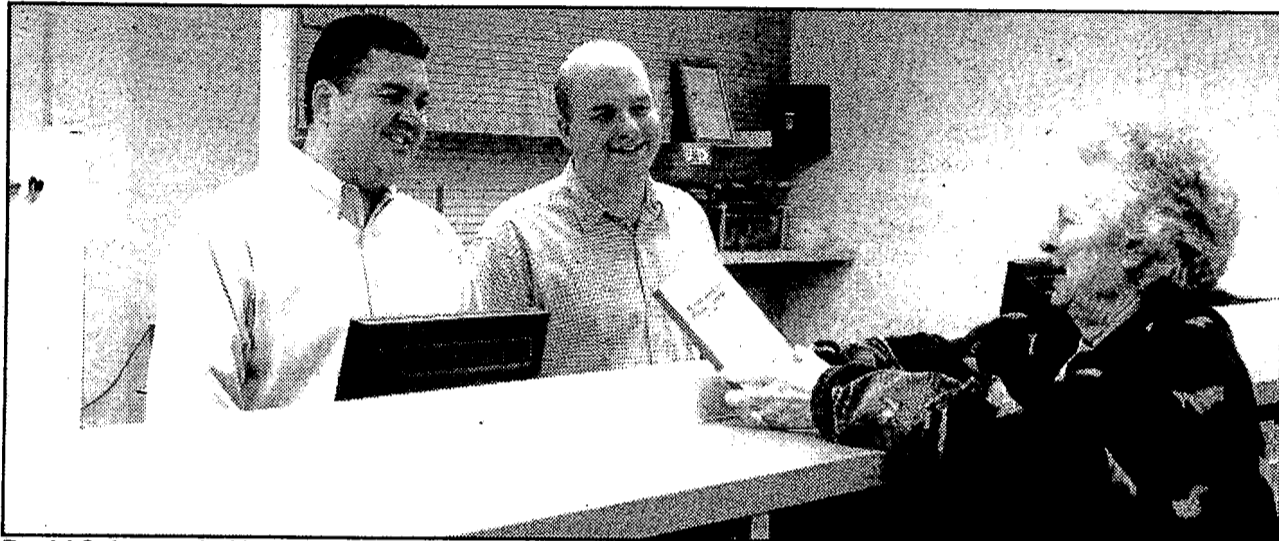
"All of the employees we have hired are local to the area," said David. "We're trying to keep everything we do local."

Their location in the Independence Pointe Medical building has already inserted them into prestigious company.

"There's no reason to leave the building now with the incredible variety and level of expertise that we have among the physicians here," said David.

"I think people will eventually see us in here, and come right from their doctor to get their prescription filled. Like David said 'There's no reason to leave the building,'" added Edward.

Located on the first floor of the Independence Pointe Medical/Dental building, and next to Mesquite Creek, MedCenter Pharmacy is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m.-6 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. You can call them at 248-625-3885 or visit them online at www.medcenpharmacy.com



David Sakstrup (left) and Edward Ghannam, pharmacists and owners of MedCenter Pharmacy, help Alice Churchill get acquainted with the brand new business in the Independence Pointe Medical building.

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LCM is an independent and full-service financial and consulting firm, providing a vast array of financial solutions for both companies and individuals.

Langdon has 17 years ex-

perience in the financial and retirement planning industry and is board certified in mutual funds and retirement plans. He specializes in IRAs, rollover IRAs, insurance, educational funding, retirement transition services, small business retirement plans, 401Ks, 403bs and estate planning.

Prior to LCM, Langdon served as district manager and registered representative with Waddell and Reed Financial Services Inc. from 1988 to 1991.

While his credentials are impressive, something else sets Langdon apart. His philosophy — stewardship over salesmanship — permeates every client's relationship based on building a close, strong and long-standing relationship.

"We're relationship based," he said. "We build relationships for a living. We don't sell products for a living."

Langdon describes LCM as "big enough to provide professionalism, yet small enough to provide personalized services."

Langdon's educational background is extensive. He is a graduate of Arizona State University with a Bachelor of Science in administration and business sociology. He is a graduate of Michigan State University's Life-Health-Disability Institute's board certification and of the Institute of Business and Finance, with board certification in mutual funds and retirement funds administration.

Langdon's past professional associations have included

Goodrich's Lion's Club District 11D-1; co-chair of the Ambassador's Club and chair of the golf committee for the Farmington/Farmington Hills Chamber of Commerce; co-chair of the fund-raising and project committee for Oakland County Easter Seals; fund-raising committee for the Juvenile Diabetes Foundation; co-chair of the golf committee and Ambassador's Club for the Southfield Chamber of Commerce; chair of the Ambassador's Committee and three-year member of the board of directors for the Lake Orion Chamber of Commerce.

Langdon is still busy with professional and community activities. Since 1989, he has been a member of the Financial Planning Association (member of the Practitioner's Division since 1990).

He has been active with the Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce since 1999, serving three years on the board of directors, four years as chair of Concerts in the Park, three years co-chair of the golf committee, Ambassadors Club, 2004-2005 Treasurer and 2004-2005 Executive Committee.

Since 2001, he has been active in the Clarkston Rotary Club, both on the board of directors and chair of fund-raising and community involvement. He is also on the stewardship and fund-raising committee and the finance and endowment committee of St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church.

Langdon's most recent community involvement is as co-founder of the Clarkston Philanthropic Endeavor (CPE) in 2004. This coalition of local business people has as its goal the placement of automatic external defibrillators (AEDs) in public places throughout Clarkston. AEDs are the latest technology in helping people in cardiac emergencies.

Langdon Capital Management Inc. is located in the Clarkston-Waterford-Northville area. Telephone is 248-666.2800 or 1-800-755-7574. Fax is 248-666-4060. Email is LCMMI@aol.com.

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HealthQuest Physical Therapy: Experience/Commitment

Local physicians and residents who have relied on quality physical therapy will recognize the name of HealthQuest.

HealthQuest, directed by Phil Krause, a physical therapist in the Lake Orion area since the early 90s, opened in April of 2001. Krause and his staff let patients know they are the number one priority.

"In today's world, people are constantly on the go," says Krause. "If you're injured, HealthQuest will accommodate your needs and schedule."

Krause graduated from Wayne State University in 1979, and received his board certification in Orthopedics through the American Physical Therapy Association in 1991. He specializes in General Orthopedics and sports injuries.

Whatever your injury or reason for seeking physical therapy, HealthQuest is well prepared to meet your needs. Krause believes "a clinic is only as good as its therapists," and he has surrounded himself with the best.

Dan Cady, Assistant Director, graduated from Oakland University in 1996, and received board certification in Orthopedics in 2003. His primary focus is shoulder and knee injuries, including biomechanical problems of the legs, especially running injuries.

Jeff Dehn, a Lake Orion graduate, received his Master's Degree from Oakland University in 2004, and is working towards board certification. He specializes in General Orthopedics, and graduated at the top of his class. "He brings a lot of energy and enthusiasm towards his patients," Krause says.

Kristie Wilson, another Lake Orion resident, graduated from the University of Flint in 1997. She has practiced Out-Patient Orthopedics for the last eight years, with a special interest in Women's Orthopedics and Health issues.

Judith Senseney of Clarkston recently joined the staff at HealthQuest. She brings over 30 years of experience in physical therapy, and is NDT certified, making her qualified to work on neurological problems, such as Cerebral Palsy, Strokes, MS and Closed Head

injuries.

Elaine Zampino, a Physical Therapy Assistant and Oxford resident, joined the staff in January of 2005. She has over 25 years of experience in physical therapy, and specializes in General Orthopedics. She also has a strong interest in Women's Health issues.

Krause is involved through sponsorship and coaching sports in the Lake Orion area. With two children at LOHS and one at Webber Elementary, he knows what a difference sports can make in the life of a child.

HealthQuest sponsors boys baseball, girls softball and youth hockey, and has initiated a Saturday Educational Series with their Throwers 10 and ACL Prevention programs.

"We want to get more involved in injury prevention, and recognize potential problems that can shut down a kid's season," Krause says.

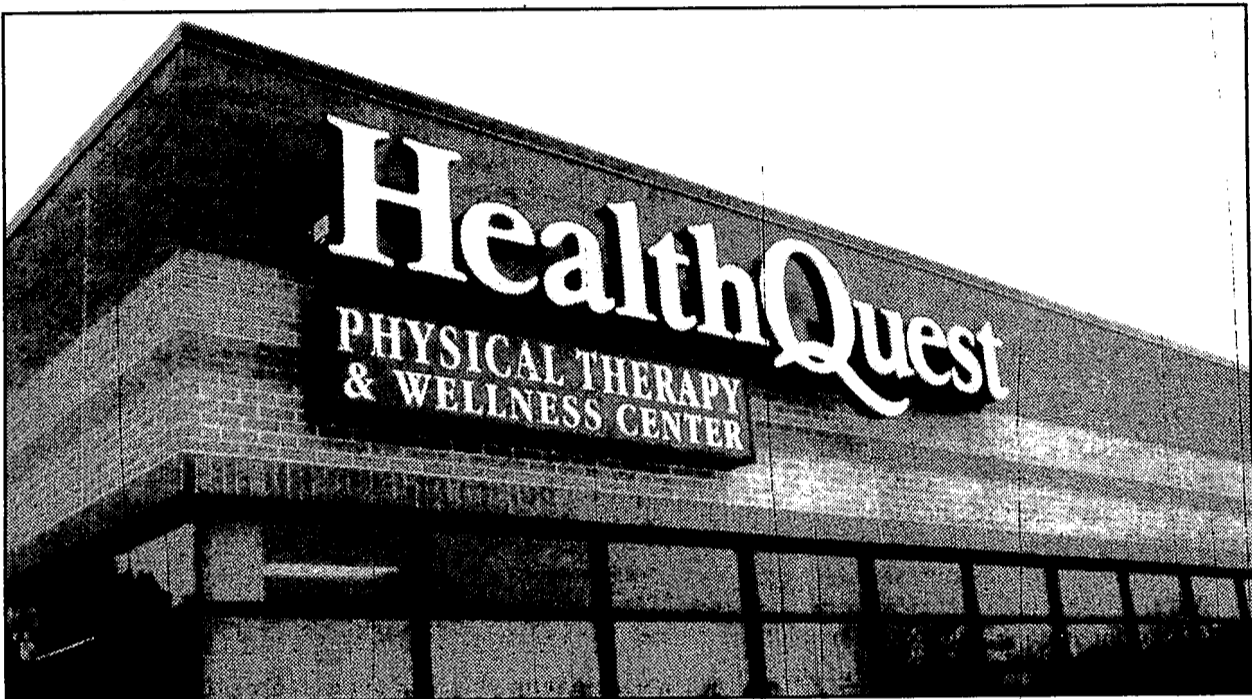
HealthQuest offers "easy in/easy out" treatment,

flexible scheduling and same-day appointments. Most insurance plans are accepted, as well as work and auto-related injuries. There is no delay at HealthQuest.

Over the years, HealthQuest has developed relationships with most of the doctors in the area. "It's a good relationship between doctor, patient and therapist, that results in a success story," says Krause. "There are some great doctors in this area, and their reputations only get stronger with a satisfied patient."

In addition to therapy, HealthQuest has a performance center where patients can continue their exercise and conditioning for a nominal fee.

HealthQuest is conveniently located at the corner of Baldwin and Waldon Roads in the Shops on Waldon Pond Shopping Center, at 3009 S. Baldwin. Hours are Mon., Wed., Fri., 6 a.m.-8:30 p.m.; Tues., Thurs., 8 a.m.-8 p.m.; and Sat., 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Call (248) 393-7707 to schedule an appointment.



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Rotary Club to welcome new 2005-06 President

The Clarkston rotary has some big plans, but then, they have a big history of service.

"The movers and shakers of Clarkston were all in the Rotary Club," when it was founded in 1940, said Assistant District Governor and Vice President Mike Spillum.

The club is no longer limited to "movers and shakers," but they do seek service-minded people from the community who want to help with the club's service to the community.

The object of Rotary is to encourage and foster the ideal of service as a basis of worthy enterprise and, in particular, to encourage and foster the development of acquaintance as an opportunity for service, high ethical standards in business and professions, and dignifying of each Rotarian's occupation as an opportunity to serve society.

The application of the ideal of service in each Rotarian's personal, business and community life, and the advancement of international understanding, goodwill and peace through a world fellowship of business and professional persons united in the ideal of service.

In July, Spillum will take over from current president John Halleran. This won't be the first time Spillum will sit in the president's seat. From 1993-94, Spillum served as president in Clarkston.

"We alternate jobs every year," said Spillum. "We already know that Burke Ried will take over as president next year."

Spillum officially joined the Rotary in 1979. He has been active with the organization since and looks forward to serving the community.

The Rotarians are seen regularly at annual fundraising and service events.

The Goodfellow newspaper sale (printed by Sherman Publications Inc.) helps raise money for Christmas charity work, including "Shoes for Kids," which helps needy children throughout the school dis-



Mike Spillum will take over as president in July.

trict.

Other service projects include:

- The hosting of the Labor Day parade in downtown Clarkston, which the Rotary has run for 65 years.
- Displaying Christmas decorations in downtown Clarkston.
- The awarding of scholarships to students from Clarkston and Renaissance High Schools.
- The providing of a picnic for the students attending the SCAMP program in Clarkston.

The Rotary also hosts events such as "Taste of Spring" or the annual "Wine Tasting" events. These are coordinated to better serve the community.

"My favorite parts about Rotary is the parade and selling the newspapers," said Spillum.

An interesting fact about Rotary: they host the largest exchange student program in the world.

"We always have two or three exchange students a year," said Spillum.

To help build the membership, the Rotary Club will attempt a "business partnership" with Clarkston Chamber of Commerce and individual businesses. The aim is a mutual relationship.

Spillum says, "There has been a benefit to the businesses, and the Rotary would like to see that too."

Although the club seeks new members, they have definitely grown and see new prospects developing everyday.

"I am really looking forward to getting more new younger members in the club," said Spillum. "We could then expand some of the projects we are currently doing."

The Clarkston Rotary meets at 6:30 p.m. on Mondays at the Clarkston Cafe.

Each meeting includes dinner and a short business meeting.

For more information, call Mike Spillum at 248-922-9250 or Burke Ried at 248-625-7709.



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Clarkston State Bank Continues Rapid Growth

Last year was a year of tremendous growth for Clarkston's hometown bank - Clarkston State Bank.

The bank was started by its parent company - Clarkston Financial Corporation, which was incorporated on May 18, 1998 by eight north Oakland County businessmen: Ed Adler, Lou Beer, Bill Clark, Chuck Fortinberry, the late David Harrison, Bruce McIntyre, the late Robert Olsen and John Welker. These successful entrepreneurs represent broad backgrounds in business, banking, real estate and consulting.

Clarkston Financial Corporation's officers and directors share a vision of focused community banking and a commitment to future growth and success of their banks. The company's vision is to build quality, full-service banks that offer competitive financial products and superior customer service. Fundamental to the company's vision is the building of long-term relationships with customers.

In 2004, Clarkston State Bank was ranked second on Crain's Detroit Business' Michigan's Superstar 10 List. Crain's Detroit Business annually ranks Michigan's top 50 public companies based on four key variables: revenue growth, net income growth, total return, and return on equity, for the trailing 12 months ended June 30, 2004.

Clarkston State Bank earned second place on the Superstar 10 list with revenue growth of 48.50%, net income growth of 83.53%, total return of 79.11%, and return on common equity of 13.99%. In 2003, Clarkston State Bank was ranked number six.



In December 2004, Clarkston State Bank opened its newest branch at 5800 S. Main in Clarkston (on the former True Value property).

"It was gratifying to see a respected publication such as Crain's Detroit

Business recognize and highlight our results and accomplishments. It all comes down to the commitment and dedicated work of the great people who make up the Clarkston State Bank team," Mr. Adler said.

Also, the bank's fifth branch, located at 5800 S. Main St. (on the former True Value property), has lobby hours, drive-

thru banking and 24-hour, drive-up ATM.

"We're thrilled to be providing new services for our Clarkston-area customers," says Dawn Horner, President and CEO. "The customers have been asking for a drive-thru service like at our Waterford branch and now we have it!"

The new branch's lobby hours are:

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• Saturday - 9 a.m. to Noon

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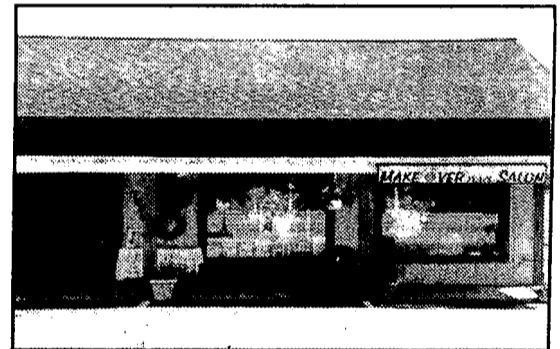
• Monday through Friday - 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

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Great Lakes Athletic Club hosts open house on March 19

Spring is coming, and along with it the perfect opportunity to renew your commitment to being healthy and staying in shape.

The Great Lakes Athletic Club will host an open house for the community on March 19, from 10 a.m.-1 p.m., at the facility on Baldwin Road.

The 80,000 square foot facility is located in Orion Township, and will offer special membership promotions at the event.

Membership at Great Lakes Athletic Club includes use of the facility's 7,000 square foot outdoor pool, which is 25 meters long and consists of six lanes. There is also a diving well and an open family swim area with zero depth/beach entry.

Great Lakes Athletic Club has a swim team, the Great Lakes Navigators, that will be part of the Tri Cities League, starting this summer. The program runs June 1-July 29, with registration beginning on May 1.

The team, coached by Jessica Herderick, will have divisions for ages 6-8 years, ages 9-12 and ages 13-18. The team is open to the community, with Great Lakes Athletic Club members receiving a reduced fee to participate.

Besides access to the outdoor and indoor pools, Great Lakes Athletic Club members receive: 30-day money back guarantee, child care, fitness equipment orientation, group fitness classes, cardio and strength training equipment, free weights, and an indoor track.

Members also receive access to the club's basketball courts, racquetball and squash courts, circuit training studio (ladies only; Monday, Wednesday, Friday), family hours (for children under 12), locker rooms, steam room and dry sauna, workout towels and teen fitness classes.

Additional amenities available are sports specific conditioning, martial arts, birthday parties, Hex Tanning, golf school, personal training, specialty fitness classes, swim lessons, sports leagues and camps.

Camps include a summer kids camp, and sports specific training camps.

Schenden's At Great Lakes spa will open this spring at

the Great Lakes Athletic Club, owned by Dr. Michael Schenden, who also owns Schenden's Spa on the Lake in Lake Orion and European Body and Facial in Troy.

The Great Lakes Athletic Club has a website at www.greatlakesathleticclub.com.

The club's summer schedule will be on the website on May 1, and there is also a schedule for group exercise programs.

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While the Illusion tanning bed is the pinnacle of technology and comfort in the industry, the rest of Luxor's equipment would easily be the crown jewel of other tanning businesses.

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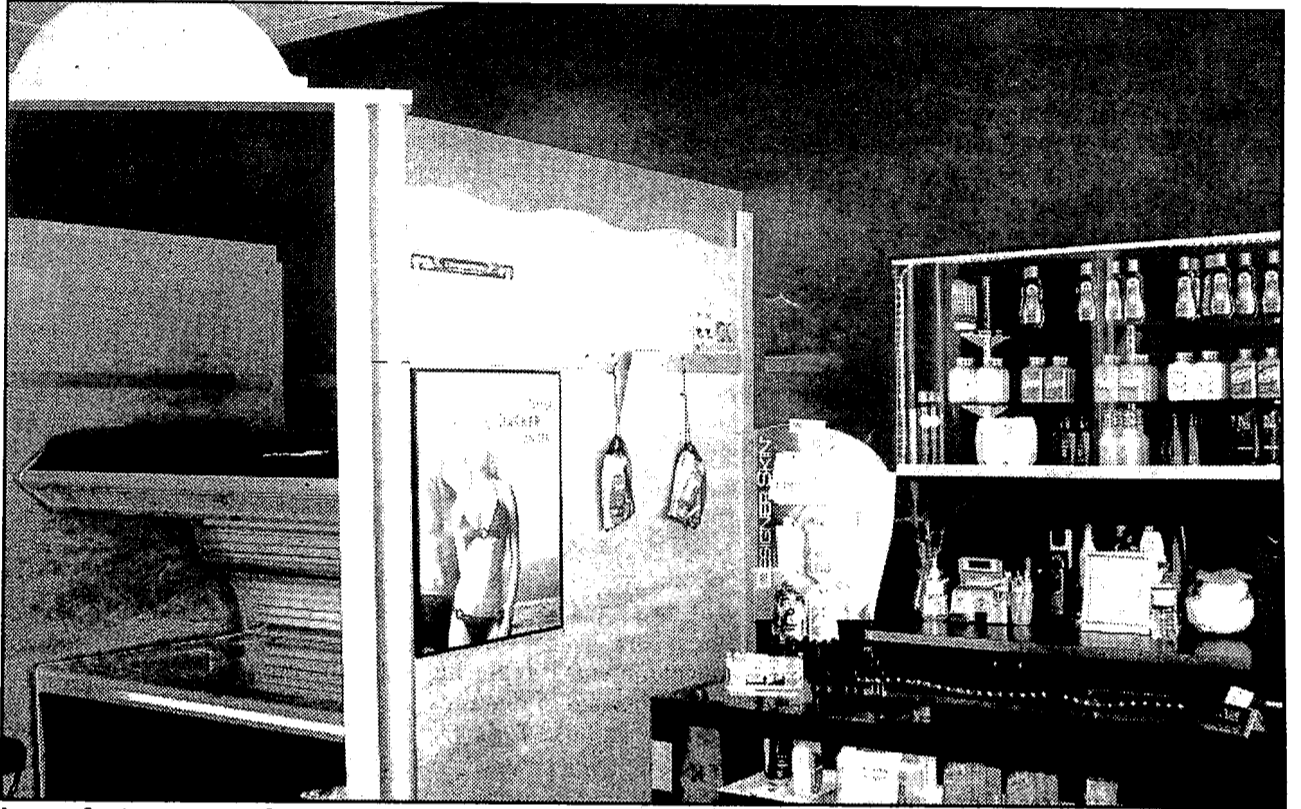
tion during five, nine-hour sessions at a seminar in Orlando, Florida.

"When a client comes in for the first time, we give them a guided tour and determine what their optimal tanning experience is. We like to get to know our customers and we have a tanning package for everyone," said Boyle.

Despite offering such first class experience, Luxor maintains extremely economical rates. First time visitors to Luxor can tan for \$3 and students enjoy dis-

counted tanning. There is a wide variety of packages involving all of Luxor's equipment.

Luxor was recently recognized as one of the top 250 tanning salons in the country. They can be reached at 248-922-9900 and are located at the corner of Sashabaw and Maybee roads in the new Kroger shopping center. Visit them online at www.luxortan.com. Business hours are: Monday through Thursday: 7 a.m.-10 p.m.; Friday: 7 a.m.-9 p.m.; Saturday: 8 a.m.-9 p.m.; and Sunday: 10 a.m.-5 p.m.



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More than a dentist, Dr. Mark Adams gives patients another chance to smile

Most Clarkston residents are probably aware of the hit prime time television shows "Extreme Makeover" and "The Swan."

Through a combination of medical and dental procedures, participants receive what ultimately becomes a complete physical transformation. They are literally "made over." The emotional impact on everyone involved can be overwhelming.

However, what many people may not realize is that a nationally renowned dental specialist, one who can provide the exact dental procedures seen on the show "Extreme Makeover," is right here in Clarkston.

Dr. Mark Adams, a prosthodontist, is recognized by the American Dental Association as a restorative specialist dealing with cosmetic, implant and reconstructive dentistry. Specialists acquire two to three additional years of training beyond their regular dental schooling.

Although Dr. Adams does offer his patients the same services as seen on television — implants or porcelain veneers for example — he does find some of the makeovers a bit extreme. Instead, Dr. Adams takes his practice to a more personal level and offers not only a great smile boosted with confidence, but also a return to function and health. He believes strongly that not everyone needs or wants an "extreme" treatment.

"It should really be about developing a relationship with your patient and get-

ting to know them well enough to understand what they want so that you can help them to get just that. I approach dentistry from a holistic standpoint, I call it complete dentistry, whereas we go beyond repairing just the obvious physical damage because I've found that many of my patients carry with them enormous emotional scars and burdens caused by many years of not having a smile that they are happy about and the physical pain associated with their dental conditions.

"We set out to heal the entire being by giving them the smile that they've always dreamed of having and this serves as a huge deposit in their emotional bank account, which helps them develop a much improved outlook on their lives and futures."

In the end, Dr. Adams' goal is to provide patients with the least amount of dentistry they need to achieve whatever results they want.

"Taking away someone's teeth is devastating," said Dr. Adams. "The physical and emotional effects can continue for years."

Dr. Adams added that with so many new advances in dentistry today, patients can now receive a third chance with a great, long-lasting smile. Just one of those developments is replacing teeth with implants instead of dentures.

"What I like is the fact that implants are sophisticated enough to be done in one day and with modern implants we can eliminate complete dentures," said Dr.



Dr. Mark Adams, photo provided by David M. Humphrey/Masters Photographics.

Adams.

To learn more about dental makeovers, from the simple to the "extreme," please contact Clarkston's own prosthodontist Dr. Mark Adams.

The Clarkston office is located at 5649 Sashabaw Rd. To set up a consultation, please call 248-620-6396 or go online at www.dradamsonline.com.

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The salon has an array of staff that treats you with a warm friendly welcome. Whether it is hair care, nails, skin treatments

or massages, Terri King Salon & Day Spa provides wonderful services that will make you want to return.

The salon's focus is simple: make your visit an enjoyable one.

Terri King Salon & Day Spa has definitely made a mark in the Clarkston and Waterford com-

munities. Being in business for seven years, owner, Terri King Kauth has comprised an excellent team of Stylists, Nail Technicians, Estheticians and Massage Therapist.

"We have over twenty-five great employees and still growing," said Terri. "We work ex-

tremely well together and everyone helps each other out. We are like family here."

The Stylists are always up to date with all the new looks and techniques. They will listen and assist you with all your hair issues and well... Your personal issues also.

The Nail Technicians can do it all from pedicures to acrylics. They will get you looking absolutely fabulous. Also, recently there has been a demand in today's society on skin treatment.

The salon has a wonderful group of Estheticians to evaluate and treat your skin that will drastically improve its condition and make you feel and look years younger. They will also educate you in maintaining healthy skin. Try it and you'll definitely notice a difference. And let us not forget about those masseuses.

The Terri King Salon & Day Spa provide excellent massage services. They are all extremely educated and professional.

Their services range from deep tissue to hot stone to pre-

natal to reflexology. They can give you what your body aches for.

Some other salon services consist of men's haircuts, facials, waxing, perms and body treatments. All are performed with great care and professionalism. There is a service there for all ages to enjoy.

"We make every effort to pleasing all of our clients not only some of the time, but every time they come to visit," said Terri. "We merely do what it takes and that is what great service and reputation should be about."

"Our wonderful receptionist working with the rest of our staff makes that possible."

For a new cut, refreshed skin, relaxed back or pampered hands and feet, Terri King Salon & Day Spa makes it happen.

Terri King Salon & Day Spa is located at 5826 Dixie Highway in Waterford. Hours are Monday 10 a.m. - 5 p.m., Tuesday through Thursday 9 a.m. - 8 p.m., Friday 9 a.m. - 6 p.m., and Saturday 8 a.m. - 3 p.m.

For an appointment, call 248-623-KING (5464).

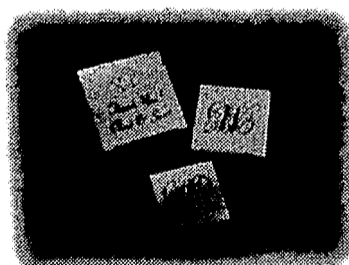


Staff members of Terri King Salon and Day Spa are not only employees, but are considered members of the King family.

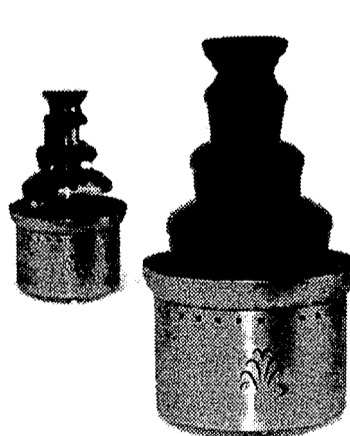


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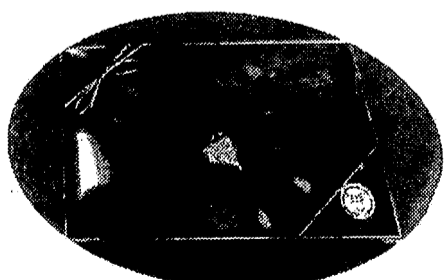
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Home Project Central began with a married couple and a new house. Mitchell and his wife Donna kept a "honey-do" list for projects to maintain the home. After a while, the list grew and Mitch was forced to take care of business.

So Mitch did what any person in need of help would do - he opened the yellow pages and began his search. Mitch's head filled with questions, "Which yellow page directory?" "Which heading?" "Which local directory should I check next?"

Mitch picked up the phone and began dialing numbers. He kept dialing and dialing, but wasn't achieving success.

"After spending two frustrating hours on the phone and getting nowhere fast, I realized what a waste of a beautiful Saturday morning," said Mitch. "I should be walking my dog or spending time with my daughter."



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At that moment, an idea was created: "Why can't I go to one source, the Internet, and find multiple local contractors in my area?"

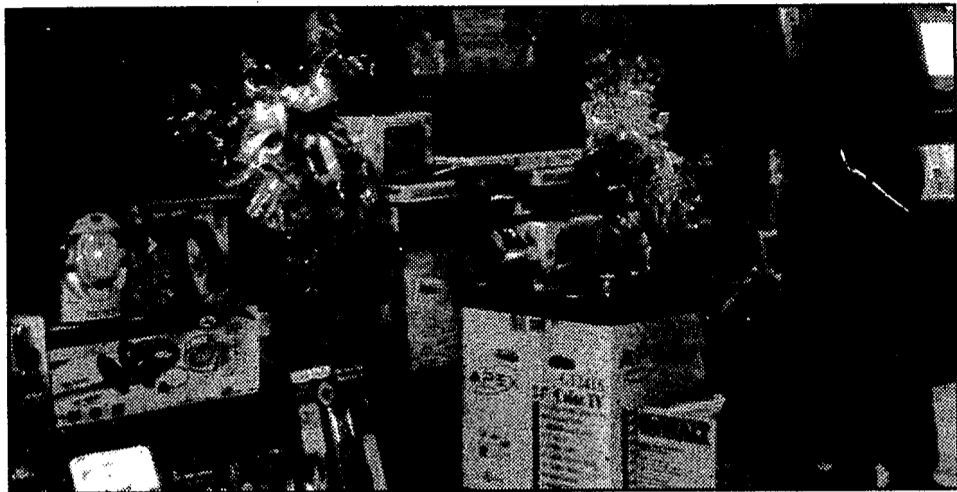
The source would list contractors, their name, phone number and email address; but the best part, this would take a few moments versus half a day. That is exactly what Mitch did.

Home Project Central Inc. was established in 2001. The business is a free consumer service where people can find, locate and contact local contractors, home improvement professionals and suppliers. The service is simple, convenient and free.

Home Project Central offers a web and printed directory of willing local contractors in your area. HPC produces a printed version of its web directory. It's the only Home Improvement directory of its kind in southeast Michigan.

Even better, the company website is unbelievable. From the time a person turns on their computer and performs the "Power Search" they have the contact information in a matter of seconds. The website is quick, powerful and intuitive because a login and password are not required. Anybody can utilize this resource and the feedback is instantaneous.

Mitch, along with partners Dennis Ptak, Armando Cruz and Juan Limon, have worked hard to build the business and reputation.



Door prizes at the very first HPC Power Networking Event: Building Your Network Referral Base.

Now, five years later, they have proved their success. In 2003, HPC printed 20,000 directories; in 2004 printed 100,000; and will print one million for 2005. Still the only printed home improvement directory in southeast Michigan.

The benefits to HPC are endless for both consumers and participating businesses. The consumer has the opportunity to view all participating businesses and has the option to directly email questions to one or more business at a time.

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they can trust throughout southeast Michigan and in their own backyard. HPC is fast becoming the resource of choice for both the consumers and the contractors to get connected.

HPC is proud to be associated with the Michigan Business & Professional Association. Both organizations offer special programs and member to member discounts. Call MBPA and ask for Jennifer Werner at 586-393-8800 or email: jwerner@michbusiness.org.

Home Project Central, Inc. is located at 1573 W. Hamlin Road in Rochester Hills. Business hours are Monday through Friday 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. For more information, call 248-853-7712, or visit www.GoToHPC.com.

Gott's Auto Service celebrates 25th anniversary

The staff of Gott's Auto Service haven't planned a big party or anything to celebrate their 25th anniversary in Clarkston; they simply plan to keep serving the community by emphasizing quality of service as they have done at the same location since 1980.

"The bitterness of poor quality lingers long after the sweetness of low prices and cheap service is forgotten."

The certified mechanics at Gott's Auto Service live by this simple philosophy displayed in the office of owner Robert Gott Sr.

Customers can be assured they'll receive reliable service, honest work and personal attention when they bring their car in for service.

"Personal service is very important to customers," Gott said. "If there's a problem, they can talk to me directly. That way customers can be confident the problem will be diagnosed correctly and the job gets done right."

Gott said it is important for him to stay current on the status of vehicles in the shop for repair. On a typical day he will receive constant updates from his mechanics on all jobs underway.

"That way, I can personally convey an update to my customer," Gott said.

Besides overseeing his business, Gott has shown personal interest in the community for the past 12 years by being a member of the Clarkston Rotary, something he has much pride in.

"The Rotary is a service organization that raises money to help scholarship programs in the Clarkston area," Gott said. "Being a Rotarian shows that you put service above self."

Gott's interest in auto mechanics surfaced in high school. Right after graduation, Gott started work at a car repair shop in Detroit. When its owner retired a few years later, Gott took over the business. In 1963, Gott's Auto Service was born.

Family owned and operated, the business has extended to include Robert's sons, Bob Kevin, and daughter Lisa Morgan.

Vinnie Ventimiglia, Brian McClure and Rick Verschleure round out the mechanical team.

"We can do most all mechanical repairs," Gott said. "We do work on domestics as well as some foreign cars."

A towing service is available as well.

Gott, his family and all the qualified staff members at Gott's Auto look forward to servicing your vehicle.

Gott's Auto Service is located at 5709 Maybee Road. Hours are 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday. Call 248-623-0119 or visit www.gottsauto.com for more information.



The staff of Gott's Auto Service includes (from left) Robert Gott, Vinnie Ventimiglia, Rick Verschleure, Kevin Gott, Brian McClure, Lisa Morgan and (not pictured) Bob Gott.

By hand or by computer, Rogers offers spinal health

Those who may have concerns about manual spinal adjustments from a chiropractor now have a new option.

Rogers Chiropractic Center is the only clinic they know of to have the new, state-of-the-art Pulstar computer-aided adjustment tool.

The hand-held instrument "scans" the spinal region. A computer determines the precise measurement needed and applies it in a gentle manner.

Dr. Dayne Rogers said the tool is designed for people who are scared at the prospect of adjustments by hand, are in major pain and cannot be adjusted by hand, are very arthritic or obese, or simply have not received the desired results from other chiropractors.

"With this machine, there is no fear, no pain and no surprises," Dr. Rogers said. "Only results."

The new technology is just part of the progress reported by Dr. Rogers and his wife, Heather, who have been in business for 13 years. Their practice has always included exceptionally loving, caring, prompt service, and a renovation of their office from floor to ceiling has resulted in a totally new look to make their client's visits even more comfortable.

New technology includes state-of-the-art video education systems in every room. High speed film and x-ray equipment provides for less radiation exposure.

Dr. Rogers is motivated to educate

the public concerning the great drug-free, surgery-free way to get healthy.

"The body heals from the inside out," he said. "Chiropractic taps into that by adjusting the vertebrae, getting the pressure off the nervous system and turning back on the power. Between God and your body, the healing begins. I just make sure the two are connected by the adjustments."

Rogers Chiropractic Center has a true heart for the community. In the office is a bulletin board with newspaper clippings featuring some of their patients. About eight years ago, Dr. Rogers began approaching Clarkston High School coaches to offer his services to athletes.

"Coaches were getting discouraged, because a lot of athletes were off for long periods of time" after injuries, he said. The standard response to many injuries was "stay off it" and take medications, but now Dr. Rogers offers adjustments to all CHS athletes.

Rogers Chiropractic Clinic is located at 5659 Dixie Highway, in the Waterfall Plaza near the intersection with Andersonville Road. Hours are 9 a.m.-1 p.m. and 3 p.m.-7 p.m. Monday and Wednesday; 3 p.m.-7 p.m. Tuesday; 9 a.m.-1 p.m. and 3 p.m.-6 p.m. Friday; 9 a.m.-noon Saturday and closed Thursday and Sunday. Telephone is 248-623-6200. Fax is 248-623-6886. Web site is www.rogerschiropractic.net.



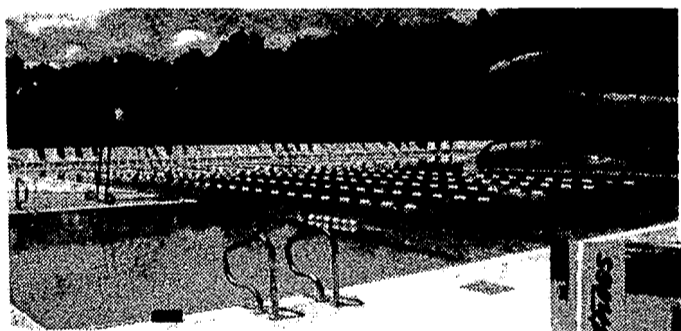
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Family dentist also offers modern cosmetic services

Dr. Thomas G. Santarossa has been practicing dentistry for 24 years, with 22 of those in the Clarkston area.

His successful family practice is evident by the large display of photographs of his young patients in the office lobby. He cares for many clients of a nearby pediatrics clinic, but has also built a fine reputation with families throughout the community.

Dr. Santarossa is a local resident and his family includes four boys ranging in age from 15 to six, so he has a special love for family practice.

Dr. Santarossa goes beyond offering standard dental care, however. He stays up to date on the latest advances in cosmetic dental care, and for 15 years has been a leader in restoring implants and with advanced orthodontic services. Patients, therefore, have an advantage in seeking Dr. Santarossa's services, because there is less need for referrals to other specialists.

Cosmetic dentistry is more than simply appealing to personal vanity. Severe dental problems can affect an individual's ability to properly chew, and even smiling can be an issue.

"It kind of ruins their self-esteem," he said, citing studies that, when meeting someone, most people's first impressions are hair and teeth.

Dr. Santarossa holds a fellowship in the Academy of General Dentistry since

1983. That designation requires him to maintain three times the continuing education than someone with a standard license to practice.

Along with his growing expertise, Dr. Santarossa is working to ensure that his practice stays up to date with the latest technology. He is preparing to launch a major office renovation, expanding his space to allow for more modern computers and camera equipment.

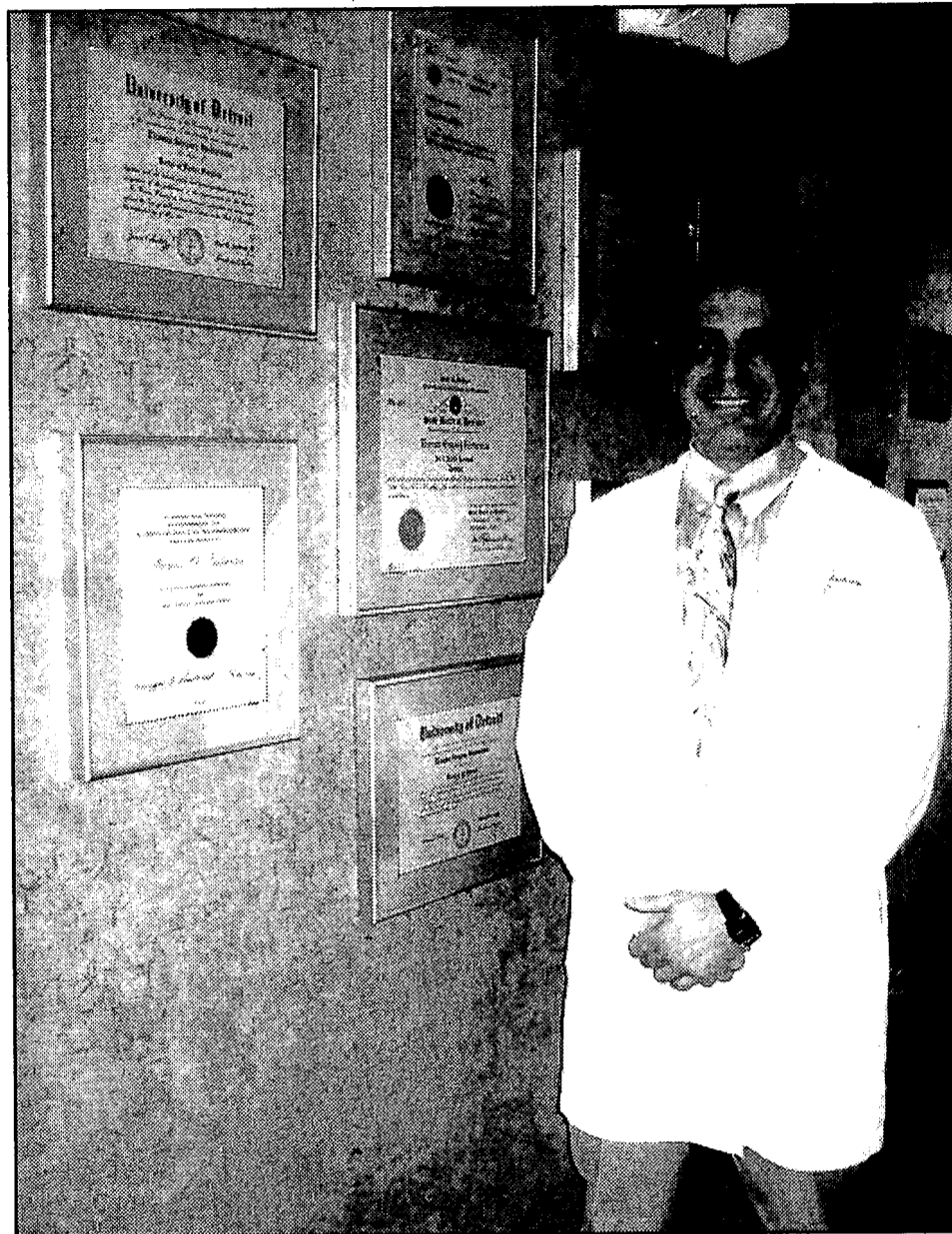
Scheduled to be completed within a couple months, the upgrade will allow Dr. Santarossa to provide advanced services such as digital x-rays and digital imaging.

"This is where dentistry is headed," he said. "We want to continue to provide high quality professional services that are near the cutting edge of the profession."

Some things will not change. Friendly smiles greet each family member in the pleasant waiting room, as a staff of eight joins with Dr. Santarossa in providing the best in family dental services.

Thomas Santarossa, DDS, PC, is located at 7210 N. Main Street, Suite 104, (in the medical-dental building behind the Mesquite Creek plaza near I-75).

Hours are 11 a.m. - 8 p.m. Monday, 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. Tuesday, 8 a.m. - 3 p.m. Wednesday; 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Thursday and Friday, and 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. on alternate Saturdays. Telephone is 248-620-9010. Fax is 248-620-0433.



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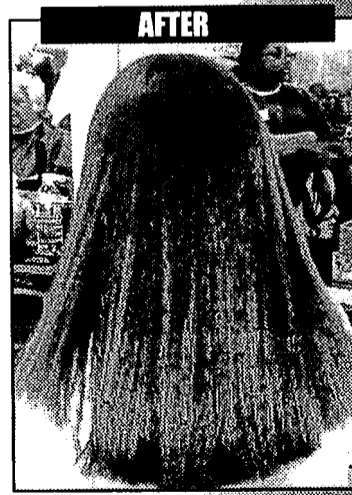
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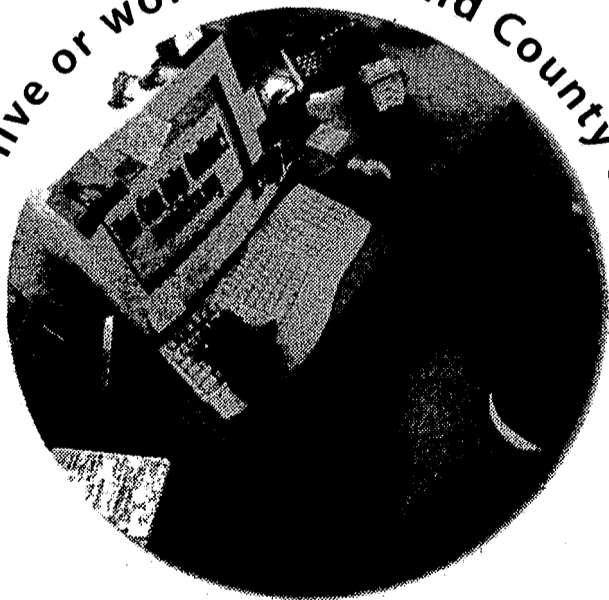
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Country Cords/Clarkston Stride Rite is your complete children's store

When many people walk into Country Cords for the very first time, they are amazed by the vast selection of children's apparel and accessories available.

In fact, owner Rod Lema is often told how surprised new customers are to find Country Cords is a children's shop.

"People see the sign and know we're here, but they don't always know what we sell," said Rod.

Located for the past 20 years on Dixie Highway in Ritter's Country Square, Country Cords/Clarkston Stride Rite is a Clarkston treasure with an extensive children's clothing and shoe lines.

Country Cords carries everything from gift items for showers, birthdays, Christening gowns, bonnets and seasonal holiday clothing, not to mention a great selection of toys such as Groovy Girls for the little ladies and model trains, cars or planes for the young gentlemen.

"We try to carry everything we possibly can here," said Rod. "Our primary focus though is on everyday playwear."

Moms can find a wide selection of popular and moderately priced clothing lines such as Healthtex, Hartstrings/Kitestrings, b.t. kids, Good Lad and le top. Recently, the business added a few more fashionable lines like Rubbies and Guess Jeans, and hopes to add even more throughout the year.

Customers are sure to find

that perfect outfit for any child newborn to around ten years old in sizes preemie to girls 16 or boys 7x.

And what new outfit wouldn't be complete without a great fitting pair of supportive, quality shoes? Parents and grandparents can walk right into the attached shoe store to browse a large selection of Stride Rite, Skechers and Teva footwear for pre-walkers through size six.

Also, Clarkston Stride Rite recently added a new line of shoes from Stride Rite specially designed for wear and support before a child is actually walking. The new design helps a child through the "crawling" and "cruising" phases of development thanks to a soft, rounded sole that protects the toes.

Toddler Tech is the next progression of shoes designed for the active two and three-year-olds. They incorporate many important features such as flexible bottoms, impact heel gel packs and reinforced toes. A parent can always be confident that the right pair of shoes is being recommended.

Rod said parents will also be happy to know that just in time for back to school shopping, the store will add a new "Born" brand licensed by Stride Rite. The footwear offers the same comfort and quality as the respected adult "Born" version.

"We have a relaxed, friendly atmosphere. Our sales staff is very experienced in helping cus-

tomers select the perfect gift or size of clothing," said Rod. "We size and fit shoes to achieve the best fit, support and comfort possible."

"I like the stuffed animals," said five-year-old Cameron Schimp of Whitelake. "I like the doggies a lot. Mommy bought me a pretty new pair of boots here."

"We come from all over to shop here," agreed mom Connie. "The shops are wonderful. She always smiles and says, 'We're going to Rod's.'"

Country Cords and Clarkston Stride Rite bring an extra personal touch to their customer service. The staff pays particular attention to detail - whether remembering a child's favorite activity or making sure to notify a customer when a sought after item arrives in the store.

"My customers are more like friends than customers," said Rod, "because I've known so

many of them for so long. After 27 years in the business, we are now servicing a second generation of repeat customers who grew up with us.

"We understand how important a mom's time is, so we try to make her shopping experience pleasant and quick."

Country Cords is located at 6678 Dixie Highway. For more information, please call 248-625-1019, and make sure to ask about both stores' frequent buyer programs that reward customers for their generous loyalty and their customer mailing list.



Country Cords owner Rod Lema takes the time to carefully fit five-year-old Cameron Schimp's new boots.



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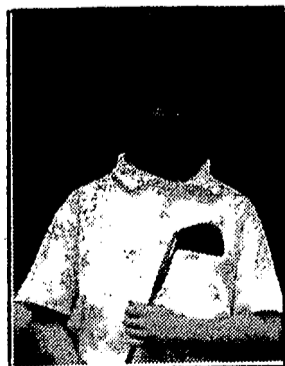
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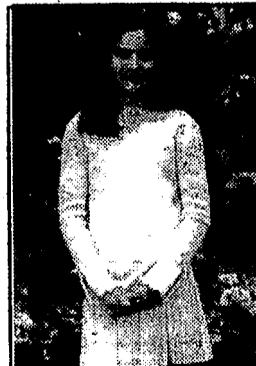
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"We try to take the mystery out of buying a mattress by allowing people to actually see how mattresses are made. We educate them on how to make the right choices," said Dave Moor, manager at the Waterford location.

In addition to customer education, the store prides itself on being able to provide quality, Spring Air mattresses at near wholesale prices, consistently 15 to 25 percent below its competitors. They are able to offer these savings because they are the only true Spring Air factory-direct outlet in Michigan.

Grand Rapids Bedding Company was founded in 1889 and has been a factory-authorized Spring Air dealer since 1926. Today, Spring Air is considered one of the big four of the "S" group of bedding manufacturers along with Sealy, Serta and Simmons.

Spring Air mattresses offer the long-lasting comfort, durability and support characteristics necessary for a good night's rest.

Grand Rapids Bedding Company Mattress Superstore has seven factory-direct stores, located in Royal Oak, Madison Heights, Rochester Hills, Utica, Roseville, Troy and Waterford.

The Waterford store and clearance center is located on Dixie Highway next to Dalton Direct. The location enables them to offer next day mattress delivery. Shop at Grand Rapids Bedding Mattress Superstore — buy bedding direct and save!

Hours are 10 a.m.-8 p.m. Monday-Friday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturday and noon-5 p.m. Sunday. For more information, call 1-800-929-MATS.



Dave Moor, manager of the Waterford location of Grand Rapids Bedding Mattress Superstore, shows just part of the store's inventory in an attractive showroom ready to welcome customers.

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And that hard work is evident in every aspect of the all new family-friendly showroom and service center.

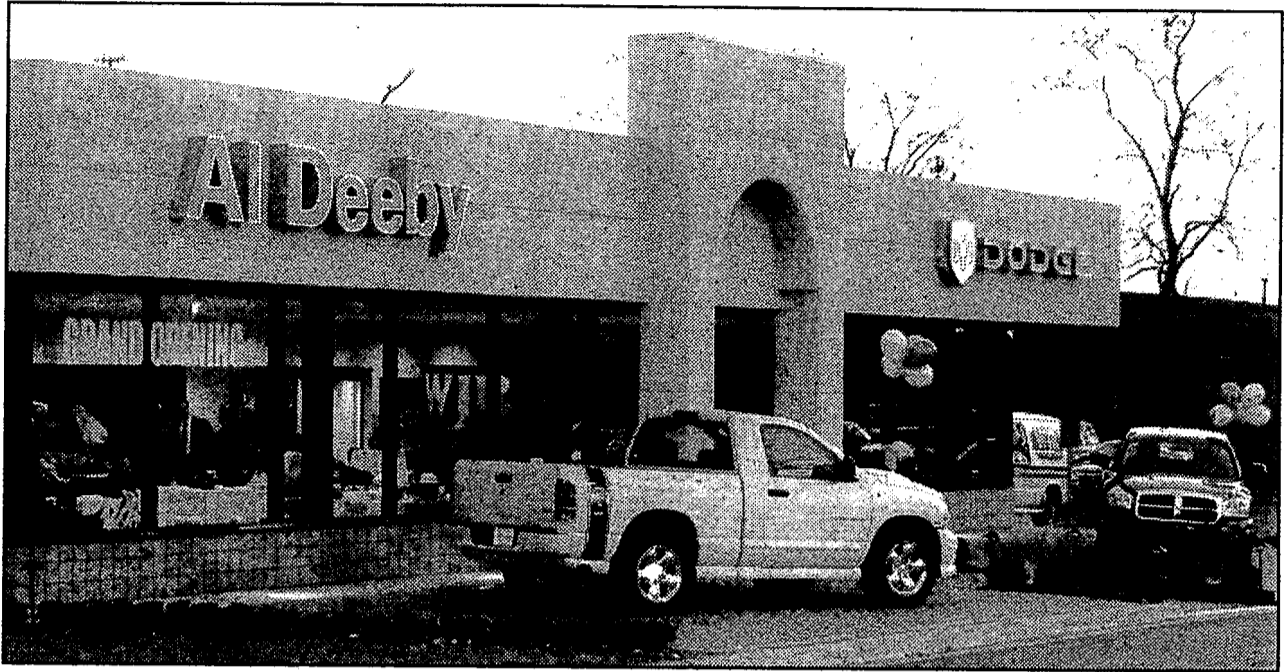
After dropping off a vehicle for the highest quality care, customers can relax in the service center's spacious lounge featuring a 42-inch plasma television, internet access (wireless available) and complimentary gourmet coffee and snack bar. Forgot your laptop? No problem - just borrow one from Al Deeby Dodge Clarkston!

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teed. Customers can even purchase their new or pre-owned SUV, car, truck or minivan online at www.aldeebydodge.com or fax in their selection choosing from the hundreds in stock. Pick-ups can be arranged for repairs, whether a simple oil change or major overhaul.

Al Deeby Dodge Clarkston is located at 8700 Dixie Highway in Springfield Township. Showroom hours are 9 a.m. - 9 p.m. Monday and Thursday; 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday; and 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Saturday. Service center hours are 7 a.m. - 7:30 p.m. Monday and Thursday, 7 a.m. - 6 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday; and 8 a.m. - 1 p.m. Saturday.

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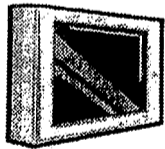
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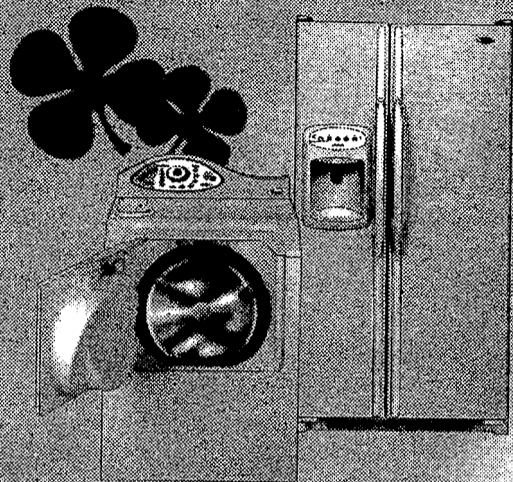
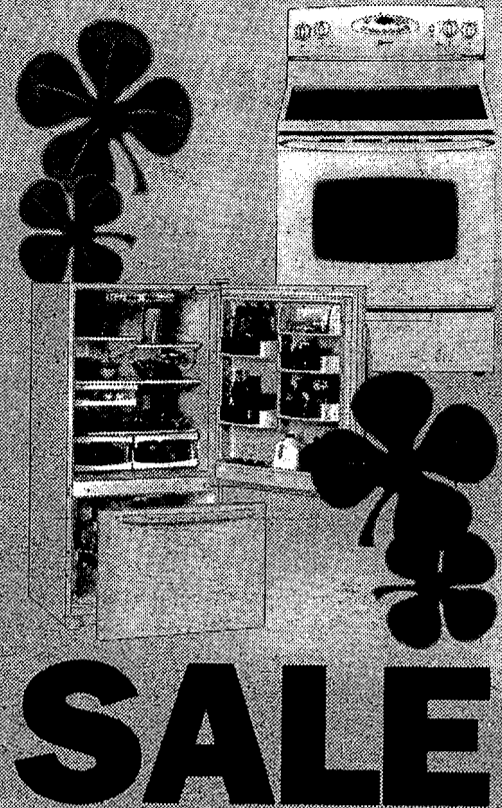
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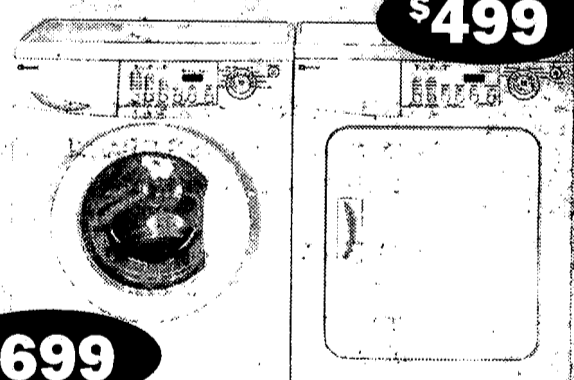
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People are busy these days. Not everyone has time to keep their house as clean as they would like to.

Dawn Raffler is a woman who demands a clean house. As owner of Clarkston Cleaning Services she seeks to give people what they deserve when they hire a cleaning company - a totally clean house.

"We do a deep clean every time; we don't do rotational cleaning like a lot of other cleaning services. We clean every room how we would want our house cleaned every time," said Raffler.

But their acute attention to detail is not the only thing putting Clarkston Cleaning Services ahead of the pack.

"We don't charge as much as some

other cleaning services and we do a deeper clean each time," said Raffler. "When guests come over, a clean home reflects positively on the owner."

Whether they are edging before they vacuum, checking every room twice or getting on their hands and knees to ensure the baseboards are done right, the staff at Clarkston Cleaning Services bring a personal touch to keeping a pristine home.

"I want my employees at the same house every time the client's house is cleaned," said Raffler. "It works better for the client because they know the same person is coming in, and they get to know each other. So they are not just the cleaning girls."

The best part about the thorough, deep clean which Raffler's crews diligently maintain is that they never lose sight of the fact they are guests in people's homes.

"I want to be very accomodating to my clients. We want to be in there after they've have gone to work and out of there before they get home," said Raffler.

Clarkston Cleaning Services' efficiency is derived from a wide reaching, checklist-assisted, walkthrough which each team leader performs prior to leaving the home.

"Every room is broken down into specific areas. The team leader walks through each room when they are done

with the house to make sure out of the way spots are dusted, toilets are clean and all the corners are done," said Raffler.

The fact that getting the job done right is prized over speed at Clarkston Cleaning Services is what allows Raffler's team leaders to ensure every house is spotless from top to bottom.

"I don't like squeezing houses in because I want everyone's house to have the same touch. I'm not one to say 'Okay, we are only going to be in there an hour and a half.' If a house takes two hours we will be in there two hours. I like giving the girls plenty of time to get the house done and in the shape they would want their own homes," said Raffler.

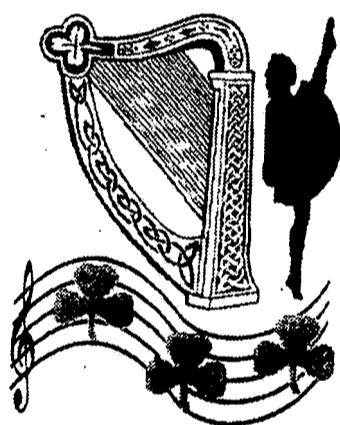
Having perfected their approach to cleaning homes over the past four years, Clarkston Cleaning Services is launching a brother company: Handyman of Clarkston, owned and operated by Ken Raffler, Dawn's husband.

"We will provide maintenance for anything that can break or go wrong in your house. If your husband's too busy to do it, we'll do it," said Raffler. "We're already in the houses cleaning them, so now people can have a familiar face coming in to do maintenance as well."

To set up a free walk-through estimate or to schedule cleaning services, call Clarkston Cleaning Services at 248-620-9410.



The Clarkston Cleaning Services family: (left to right) Dawn, Kelly, Jeannie Sam, Michelle, A.J., Kat and Carla (not pictured Donna and Viva).



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"Indoor tanning is the safe way to lift your spirits on these dark cold winter days," said Wow Tan owner Tim McIlrath who says indoor tanning is a responsible way to gain that golden glow. "Done correctly tanning year around is safer than burning the first time out in the sun."

Keeping that tan all year is easy at Wow Tan. From the relaxing massage chair in the lobby, to

the ultra warm high pressure non-burning bed—Wow Tan is the right choice for a tan in a safe controlled environment. And with the availability of 2,000 watt facial bulbs and 22,000 watts of non burning rays, Wow Tan will color your world with a deep bronze glow the right way.

McIlrath says the key to a rich, long lasting tan is the quality of bulbs, a regular tanning schedule and the proper skin lotions.

"It's a matter of economy," McIlrath. "Less time and money can be spent tanning if the right lotions are applied."

For example, one tanning session costs \$5 and lo-

tion cost about .25 cents per application with a net savings of \$4.75 over the cost of tanning.

"By removing the dead, dry skin through exfoliation and applying a quality lotion will unblock 33 percent of the sun's rays," says McIlrath. "

Wow Tan also offers the latest technology in tanning through a spray booth.

"We offer a custom made spray booth at our Clarkston location, 5890 Dixie Highway for that instant tan," said McIlrath. "You'll never get that orange look when you leave here—customer satisfaction has been 100 percent."

McIlrath says the solution was developed just to that "right color."

Wow Tan also carries a multitude of tanning care enhancers and moisturizers, not found elsewhere, to help maintain a healthy skin tone. The friendly staff at Wow Tan is happy to offer tips including tanning extenders, and hydration useful in preserving the tan.

Now in his fifth year, McIlrath says the community has been very responsive to Wow Tan.

"We're very appreciative for the support we've gotten from the community," said McIlrath. It's a great community to have a business—it's great to go out and talk with everyone."

In recognition and to give back to the community, McIlrath regularly offers promotions to clients who visit Wow Tan, including free tanning weekends, 'bring a friend' specials and student discounts, and tri-level tanning packages.



Wow Tan general manager, Pam Sulenski and owner Tom McIlrath will help clients with a safe quality tan at two locations 5890 Dixie Hwy. Clarkston and 950 Ortonville Road, Ortonville.

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Without pressure being applied from an insurance company, Total Insurance is free to search out the best possible fit for their clients.

"For every file that we have in our office, we see another boss, and that boss can fire us in an instant. We don't want that to happen," said Chuck Zamek, partner agent and executive secretary at Total Insurance Services.

Total's roots in Oakland County extend back to 1913 and the companies which Total Insurance uses are as diverse as they are esteemed.

"We have a tremendous stable of 'A-plus' rated companies that we contract with. Insurance company contracts are a very difficult to come by these days and we have a dossier of companies that we are proud of," said Bannasch.

The sheer amount of companies tied to Total Insurance allows the agents to tailor policies to meet their clients exact needs.

"We're hands on. If a client calls us for auto insurance, we get all the data that we can from them and then we market it, and I do not use that term loosely," said Bannasch. "We market the customer's data amongst our group of 'A-plus' rated companies. Whichever company comes in with the best bottom line for that client's set of circumstances is the company we quote."

Too often these days, insurance is sold like hot lunch at a grammar school, the customer buys what is being sold and moves on. At Total Insurance, when someone buys a policy they become part of something.

"Unlike the common perception of insurance agents, you can usually find us at our desk working," said Bannasch. "We are trying to do our best for the client, and service is foremost."

Total Insurance agents and customer support staff take pride in being there for their policy holders because of the bond they and the agency have with the community.

"We've developed a personal relationship with this area," said Zamek.

"Returning phone calls is a priority, nobody likes to hang in the wind. We get back with our customers and people seeking quotes as quickly as possible," added Zamek. "If they need a certificate of insurance, it can be issued electronically right then."

Having been one of the first agencies in Oakland

County to jump into computers back in 1972, when a former Pentagon employee programmed their first system, Total Insurance has always been at the top of the technology wave.

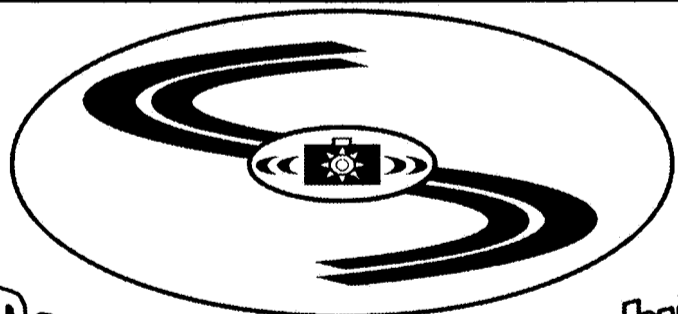
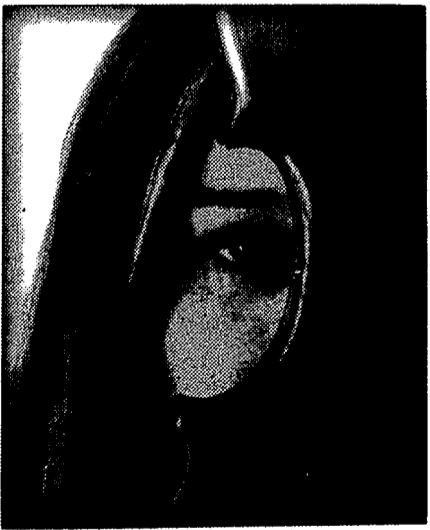
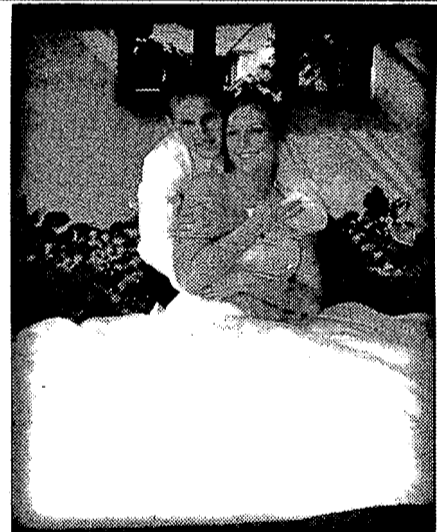
They have diligently upgraded their computers over the years so the way business is efficiently and effectively taken care of has not changed.

"We don't have a huge staff, but we have a very competent and caring staff. Most of the staff here have been with the agency for a number of years," said Bannasch. "We really operate as a business family."

Total Insurance Services moved into their new building at 5900 S. Main three months ago. To speak with an agent, call 248-625-0410 Monday through Friday from 9 a.m.-5p.m.



The Total Insurance Services family: Back row (left to right) Mike Descamps, Amy Barry, Chuck Zamek, Jim Litwin, Thelma Wright and Hal Bannasch. Front row (left to right) David Warshawsky, Gary Macks, Georgine Ortez, Dottie Patton, Jolene Boggs, Sharon White and Bill Smith.



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"We get such a wide variety of people walking in the door. We want to find their talents and put them to good use with a company," said Judi Crawford, owner of 'a' Career. "That's the beauty of Oakland County, there is a lot of employers here, and you can work close to home. Most of our people work within 15 minutes of where they live."

For the past 13 years, 'a' Career has been putting people to work in Oakland County. Last year alone they helped over 300 people draw a paycheck rather than receiving an unemployment handout.

"When you are knocking on doors, you are going to one company, you're talking to one person. We can talk to hundreds of employers and get results faster - we know who to talk to," said Crawford. "Already this year we've had a 50 percent increase in job placement."

From office manager positions to carpentry work, 'a' Career has the contacts necessary to place people in positions for sustained employment.

"You name it, all fields. We're well rounded. We've learned to be that way because of the diversity of our employers. They need one source they can go to, to help fill whatever their need is, and that's us," said Crawford.

Sometimes finding the right job is more complicated than knowing the right field of work. For everyone who may not have a resumé or is not as prepared as they would like to be prior to entering the job market, the staff at 'a' Career can mean the difference between "we'll be in touch" and "you're hired."

"Depending on skills and abilities, we can send people out to work the very next day or within 12 hours," said Crawford. "Sometimes people don't realize the skills that they have. Sometimes they just need help putting their skills on paper."

A unique wrinkle recently added to the plethora of placement opportunities is private home assignments.

"If someone needs a personal secretary, a driver, a

nanny for the kids, a gardener or a companion for an older parent while they're going away - We're doing all of that. We're covering everything, either at home or at work," said Crawford.

Even individuals who have been out of the workforce, or need seasonal employment can benefit from a trip to 'a' Career.

"There's a lot of guys like me, who don't want to sit around the house. I have to be out doing things. They find stuff for me that I really enjoy," said Jim Shellenberg, who has been with 'a' Career for eight years.

'A' Career has built partnerships with over 600 different businesses over the years and these companies rely on them for their staffing needs. This expansive network of clients allows 'a' Career to not only help businesses by providing custom fit employees, but in other ways as well.

"We network for our employers too. We want to keep them busy, because when they're in business, we are in business," said Crawford. "We've got a gentleman who runs a canoe rental, and during the downtime his vehicles are not being used. We work with him to get him out delivering cars for the dealerships, driving around handicapped people or taxiing people to the airport."



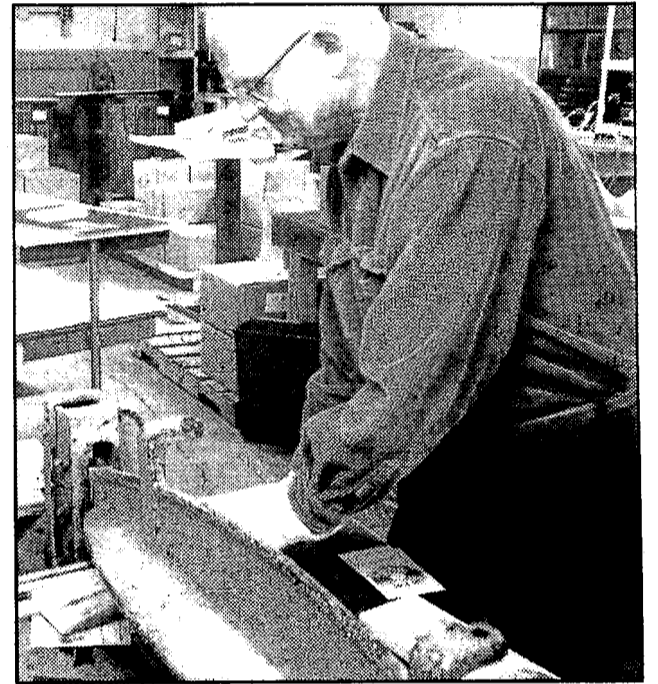
(Left to right) Barb Downing, Carol Denton, Judi Crawford and Libbi Staab (front) want to put people at companies where they can succeed.

The proof of 'a' Career's success is reflected by their clients.

"(The workers) have been screened by 'a' Career first. They know who we are; subsequently, we are going to get somebody who is a good fit," said Michael Chevrie, whose business, M. Chevrie's, has relied on 'a' Career the past five years for their staffing needs.

To make things even easier for their partner businesses, 'a' Career takes care of all payroll services and routinely checks that everything is going all right with their workers.

Conveniently located at 9155 Highland Road (M-59), 'a' Career is open Monday through Thursday from 7:30 a.m.-4 p.m. and Friday from 7:30 a.m.-3 p.m. They can be reached by phone at 248-698-0097 or visit their website at www.acareer.net.



Jim Shellenberg, here assembling plaques at M. Chevrie's, is able to stay busy during the winter thanks to 'a' Career.

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More room and technology helps Dr. Maldonado help others

Having moved into new spacious offices a little more than a year ago, Dr. Victor Maldonado and the staff at Associated Radiologists of Oakland County are still getting acclimated to the surroundings.

"The lack of space at the old offices was embarrassing," said Maldonado. "Long gone are the days where people had to stand up and wait because all the chairs were taken in the waiting room."

Aside from the creature comforts afforded to staff and patients in Associated Radiologists offices in the Independence Pointe Plaza (next to Mesquite Creek), added space has meant better treatment.

"With our multi-slice CT scanner, we can do a scan of a brain in as fast as 20 seconds," said Maldonado.

Associated Radiologists' list of state of the art technology is extensive and varied. On site there are two X-ray rooms, as well as bone densitometry, two ultrasound machines and two mammography units.

From the records room to the reception area, the office is outfitted with the latest computers to track patients' medical records and insurance information. But the real appeal of the technology at Associated Radiologists is the time and anxiety it saves the patients.

When a patient comes in for an X-ray or CT scan, the results are expeditiously uploaded to a heavily encrypted Picture Ac-

quiring Computer System linked to thousands of doctors around the country.

"A patient is referred to us for some testing. When we are finished testing, we can call their doctor and not only give them the report, but because of PACS their doctor will have a code with which he can access their X-rays from home," said Maldonado. "The future of Radiology is digital and we are on the cutting edge."

If Dr. Maldonado wants a second opinion, he can get one in minutes, rather than days, using PACS. Since they are affiliated with St. Joseph Mercy Hospital and a member of the Oakland Physicians Network Services, there are over 900 doctors to provide insight.

"Another one of the key features of this practice is that we always have a doctor here. There is always a radiologist during any of the business hours available to the technician and to the patient; other practices don't have a physician on staff at all times that's trained to interpret these studies," said Mary Slabinski. "We can accommodate patients for testing within 24 to 48 hours. At some of the bigger hospitals and practices, people have to wait much longer for a cat-scan."

"If a doctor refers a patient to us, we have a policy of less than 24 hours to get the printed report back to their office," added Maldonado.

Encryption systems aside, the new offices also keep patients' information from being disseminated to the wrong eyes or ears.

"A lot of offices are not totally enclosed in glass. That's for the protection of the patients sitting in the waiting room so that no one can hear scheduling information," said Slabinski.

All the procedures and data storing techniques at Associated Radiologists are in line or exceed the most stringent privacy regulations including those set forth in the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPPA).

The new spacious offices have also bolstered Associated Radiologists' interactions with their residential and medical neighbors.

"We have had excellent support from the community. It helps that we are not an island in this building, in which we are surrounded by an excellent group of physicians," said Maldonado. "This is a solid group of physician practices, seventy five percent of the referrals which come to us come from other doctors in the building."

Associated Radiologists of Oakland County, affiliated with St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, are located at 7210 Ortonville Road (M-15) in the Independence Pointe complex. Office hours are 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday through Friday and 8 a.m.-noon Saturday. Telephone is (248) 620-9199.



Dr. Maldonado and Virginia Martin of Associated Radiologists assist Norma Dubay on the Multi-Slice CT scanner.

Faded Ink

'Dancin' Feet' brings Gaelic culture to life

Describing the hills of Ireland as simply being green does a great disservice to the majesty and intoxicating beauty of the lush rolling landscape. In the same vein, calling Dancin' Feet School of Music and Dance a Celtic/Gaelic dance studio falls laughably short of encompassing the total package offered by the new business.

"We don't just teach dance here. We teach music and song and culture," said Renee Ginell, owner of Dancin' Feet.

Nestled on the backside of Ritters Country Square off Dixie Highway, Ginell's brainchild offers a unique, wholesome family-friendly experience which brings the rich Gaelic culture to life.

"Mel Gibson in 'Braveheart' said 'Unite the clans,' and that is what we are doing here," said Ginell. "I'm taking the Scottish side of the Celtic (Gaelic) culture, the Irish side and the Canadian side and uniting them all under one roof."

Under one roof, Ginell's students not only learn ancient Celtic dances, but also have the opportunity to be steeped in the Gaelic culture as a whole. Dancin' Feet offers instruction in traditional instruments and tutelage in the Celtic tongue.

Three classically trained musicians are available throughout the week to instruct students: Darylann Garcia offers classical piano and voice lessons, Marilyn Hotaling teaches the celtic fiddle, and Icie Marie illuminates the intricacies of the tin whistle and Bodhran drum and also tutors in gaelic language.

Ginell's studio is unique even when compared to other Celtic themed studios.

"Most Irish or Scottish studios run competitive programs. I do not compete," said Ginell. "I am very firm about not judging art and letting traditions and art carry on as an heirloom from one person to the next."

Dancin' Feet fosters an atmosphere of learning and comradery instead of competitiveness. Once a month all of the dancers hard work and training is rewarded at

the Ceilidh (Kay-lee) celebrations.

"Many dancers from other studios come to our studio on Ceilidh night just because they know they can dance and have fun," said Ginell.

At the Ceilidh, everyone is decked out in traditional celtic regalia. A cross between a recital and dance party, the festivities usually run from 6 to 11 p.m.

Renee Ginell would like to cordially invite anyone interested in a safe good time to join Dancin' Feet as they celebrate St. Patrick's Day on March 19th with a Ceilidh at the Ortonville town hall.

Dancin' Feet also travels to festivals across the state and puts on several recitals during the year.

From age three on up to 72, people flock to Ginell's weekly classes and Ceilidhs. From the 'Bravehearts' (just for the guys) to the 'Bonnie Lassies' right down to the 'wee ones,' dancers of all ages can find their niche.

"There is a nice handful of dancers who are trained when they start here, but the majority come to me as beginners," said Ginell, "The more experience that people get with the steps the more aerobic the dances become. They love what they are doing so they don't

realize that they are out of breath."

Wednesdays are when the fun starts at Dancin' Feet. The classes begin at 4 p.m. with the wee ones and become increasingly mature and technical as the night continues. By the time the "Bonnie Lassies" wrap up in the evening the windows of the studio are fogged over.

"Most people are very intimidated to explore their creative self. Here in the studio you become very comfortable," said Ginell. "Every single person walking this earth has a creative self, and that is what I aim to bring out."

Dancin' Feet's next Ceilidh is on Mar. 19 followed by one on Apr. 30; anyone is welcome at the monthly Ceilidhs regardless of experience.

Dancin' Feet School of Music and Dance is located at 6678 Dixie Highway on the east side of Ritters Country Square. Contact Renee Ginell at 248-240-2457. Classes are Wednesdays from 4-9 p.m. Specialized classes are offered throughout the week and Saturdays. Music and voice lessons are also available throughout the week.



Dancin' Feet has students from age three to 72.



Renee Ginell (left) leads the 'Bonnie Lassies' class.

Today's Solley's: Great prices, service, products

Solley's Appliance and Fireplace Center customers are treated to prices as low as big-box stores.

Customers also get unrivaled personal service, along with quality and high-end appliance and hearth product selection not usually found outside urban design centers.

"Why wouldn't you go to Solley's?" says new manager Mark Rigato.

Rigato assumed management of Solley's in February, when Springfield Township resident Paul Valentino purchased the M-15 appliance and fireplace store.

With appliances acquired at the same price national chains get, Solley's passes along value to customers.

The store also guarantees standout delivery, installation, and service.

Regardless of the number of appliances purchased, Solley's gives customers free delivery, free removal, and free disposal.

Stand alone appliances are also installed completely free of charge with the exception of dishwashers and microwaves, which the company installs at fees less than the cost of hiring a plumber or electrician, says Rigato.

Whereas national stores wrangle unknown contractors, Solley's takes care of customers, either employing a team of its own employees and locally-acclaimed licensed contractor Tom Sanford, or using manufacturer-directed service agents.

While Solley's philosophy isn't about to change, its showroom is slated for significant expansion in the next year.

Customers can currently shop for and

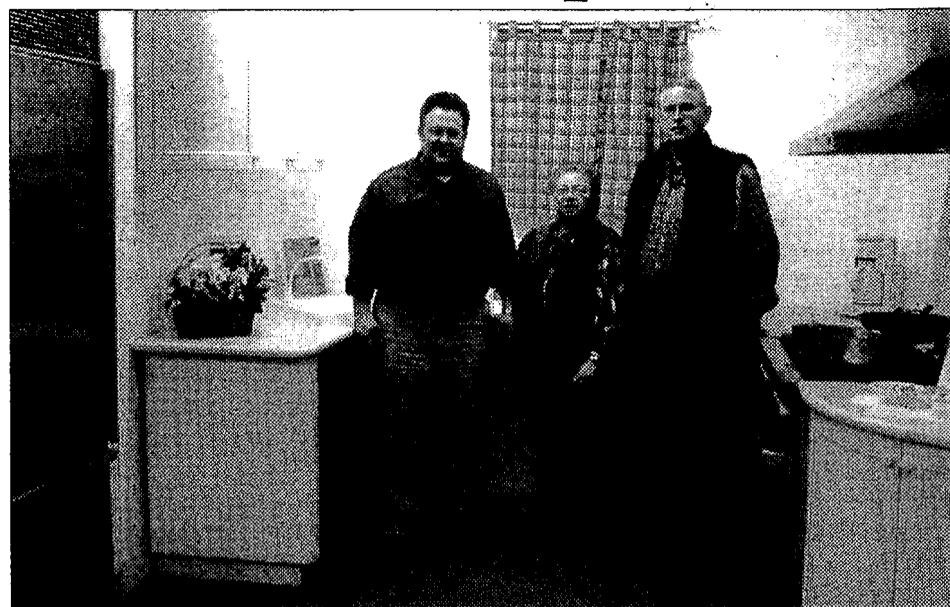
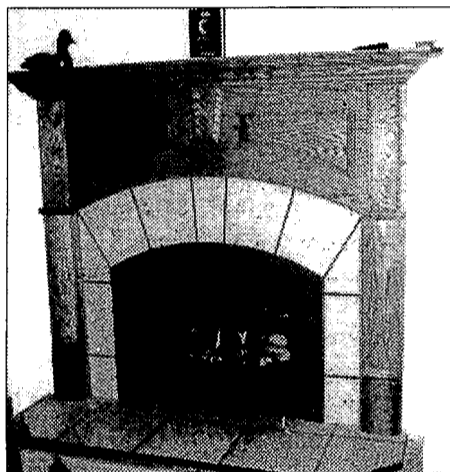
special-order brands like Sub-Zero refrigeration, Wolf ranges, Bosch washers and dryers, ASKO dishwashers, Jenn-Air, Dacor and Cal Flame outdoor home resort package installations, as well as in-stock brands like Maytag, Amana, Magic Chef, GE, and Fisher & Paykel.

Within the next six months, customers will find upscale appliances and hearth products showcased in vignettes at Solley's, where cooking demonstrations and barbecues will be held.

Luxury appliances will be integrated into cabinets, combined with state-of-the-art fireplaces and hearth stoves in the showcase.

If you're currently planning a cozy kitchen hearth area, check out Fireplace Xtordinair's flush-mount Bed & Breakfast gas fireplace, featured in the March-April edition of Better Homes and Gardens Kitchen and Bath Ideas magazine.

Solley's will also expand its line of hearth products like Lopi, Heat-N-Glo, Vermont Castings, Jotul, and more.



(From left) Mark Rigato pictured with Tom and Lynn Thurlby who have nearly 80 years combined experience and tenure at Solley's.

Enjoy upscale outdoor entertaining? You won't want to miss the Cal Flame outdoor packages, including integrated outdoor cooking centers and refrigeration drawers, islands, snack bars, gazebos, and outdoor fireplaces and saunas.

Traditional quality appliances will still be sold at Solley's, where showroom space will be expanded over the next year. A Web site—featuring product and support information—is in the works.

Rigato, who has seven children, encourages parents to bring their children to the store, where a candy jar is kept stocked.

Solley's was founded in 1948 by Alan Solley, Sr. and his wife Beahice. Three Solley family members remain connected with the store, where blending high qual-

ity merchandise and hometown manners is more than a marketing trend.

"Solley's is known for combining great brands with very competitive pricing and small-town friendly service," said Allan Solley Jr., who is confident "the staff will not only keep it up, they will improve upon the foundation we've built here."

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Amelia Cortis, Lake Orion High School soccer player, ACL Reconstruction 2-17-05. Receiving muscle stimulation to the quad.

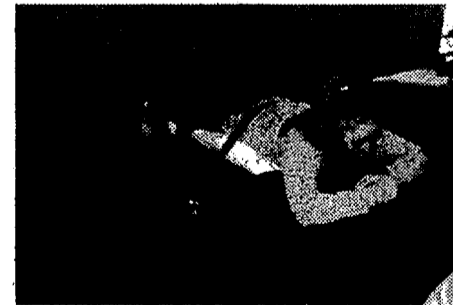


Scott Avery, Lake Orion Dragon football player performing left arm strengthening exercises.

Success Stories



Ramsey Attar, Patella Femoral pain, strengthening leg on the total gym, has returned to the slopes with the Dragon ski team.



Hallee Doyle, LOBOs soccer player, ACL Reconstruction 2-22-05. Seen working on knee extension with therapist, Phil Krause.

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Stars and Stripes Gymnastic Academy is bigger and better

More offerings and easier registration make a local gem shine brighter.

A truly great gymnast must be versatile. Stars and Stripes Gymnastics academy has been teaching kids to become great gymnasts since 2002.

Still, Becky Foster and Cassie Davis, co-owners of Stars and Stripes, want to explore new avenues this summer as well as strive to make their business more accessible to all.

Well known for both gymnastics and cheerleading classes and camps, Stars and Stripes will offer a multitude of "Summer Adventure Kids Camps" focusing on a varied range of topics.

"What we found is that a lot of kids, who have been in gymnastics throughout the school year, want to explore other options over the summer. So we wanted to bring some new activities here to the gym," said Davis.

At "Camp Hollywood," kids get to slip into the glamorous shoes of a movie star, steep themselves in a brief history of film making and receive a DVD 'movie' of their fun times.

"Everyone is really excited to try something different. All the coaches are looking forward to being able to see our students in another light," said Davis.

The mystery of "Who stole the cookies from the cookie jar?" may unravel at "CSI: Stars and Stripes" which will teach children about forensic investigations. Campgoers get to meet a trained professional and receive an investigation kit as

they examine simulated scenarios.

"Some kids might not know much about forensics or what exactly a police officer does. They will get to explore things that they may have been curious about or may have no prior knowledge of at all. All of the camps are educational as well as good exercise," said Davis.

Parents worried about academic retention over the summer need look no further than any of Stars and Stripes Summer Adventure Camps. Other camp offerings include: "The Fitness Challenge," a fitness/nutrition camp; "Everyday Heroes Camp" which highlights professions such as firefighters, police and paramedics; and "Camp Mission Impossible" which highlights the virtues of leadership and team work.

For more information on all of the Summer Adventure Camps go to www.stargymnast.com.

The other big change on the horizon for Stars and Stripes actually focuses around their website.

"We are trying to make things more convenient for people who are already with us and people looking to join. Soon on our website, people can pay or register online, get monthly billing or sign up for more information," said Foster.

In August, Stars and Stripes will launch a major web-based program designed to overhaul their registration process, which due to the popularity of their



Stars and Stripes students (left to right) Riley Smith (four-years-old), Samantha Need (five) and Julie DeNeen (five) perform on the balance beam.

classes is no longer adequate.

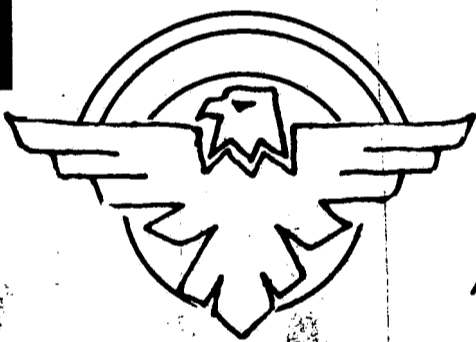
"The main reason for the change in registration is for the convenience of our customers. We want everything to be as easy as possible for them," said Davis. "We are going to monthly registration rather than every eight weeks. New students can enroll at any time.

The new way of doing things will also reach out to kids who may have slipped through the cracks of the old system and makes registration a breeze.

"Under our old system, people would be on a waiting list for eight weeks, but then when the new session started,

they would start all over. Now, when they get on a waiting list, they are on the waiting list until we get them into class," said Foster. "The new system also takes care of the lines at registration time, which can get pretty frustrating. There have been people in line for 45 minutes in the past."

Stars and Stripes is located at 7152 Gateway Park Dr. in the shopping center at the corner of Andersonville and White Lake roads. They are open Monday through Friday 10 a.m.-8 p.m. and Saturday 9:30-4 p.m. Call 248-625-3547 (FLIP) for more information.



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The Drs. Munk: growing with their patients' changing needs

"Change" has recently been the word of the day around the office of Dr. Charles F. Munk and Dr. Charles W. Munk.

Over the past year, Clarkston's two most dedicated orthodontists have added new technology to their practice, opened a new office in the Davison area and sent themselves back to school.

"We want to make sure that with every patient we are creating a healthy environment for the teeth, joint and musculature," said Dr. Munk. "We use the latest equipment available to do this in the best way possible."

One of the latest orthodontic technological advances is the use of self-ligating, "Breakthrough Brackets" and "space-age" wires for teeth straightening. According to the doctors, the new appliances work with less frictional resistance which creates a more gentle, near constant force for effective tooth movement. The result is fewer appointments, greater comfort, better hygiene and a great end result.

"We are using these brackets in conjunction with new metallurgical advances," said Dr. Munk. He continued to explain that the wires were actually discovered through the space program, and hence the term "space-age."

"These days people have a million and one things to do. The kids are so involved, and families are constantly running here and there," said Dr. Munk. "These new braces are a tremendous advantage to everyone in these very busy days. Often times, treatment can be completed with fewer appointments that require less time in the chair."

In addition to incorporating the latest technology for tooth alignment, the office has installed new, state-of-the-art, digital

x-ray equipment that greatly reduces the exposure to radiation while providing clearer, more detailed images.

"Our diagnostic ability is greatly improved," said Dr. Charles Munk. "We can now make growth predictions and find faster, more efficient treatment methods for our patients."

The Munk team did not stop with just improving their technology inside the office. Patients now have the convenience of retrieving information right online at www.munkorthodontics.com. The website went live this past fall.

"The website was created as a natural evolution of my son coming into the practice. He is experienced with the technology, and in this new, modern era, you have a website. It was almost automatic," said Dr. Munk.

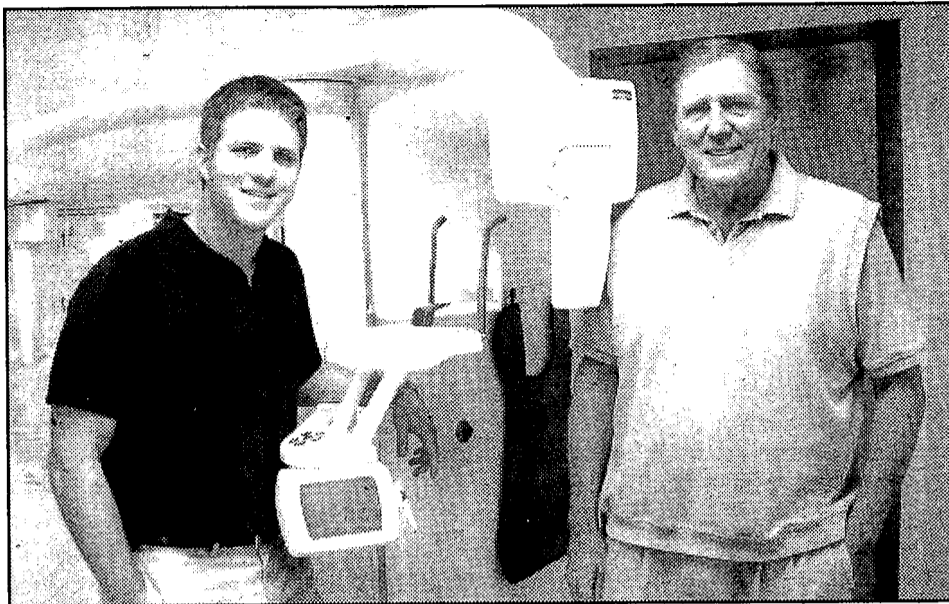
"Many people research a vast majority of subjects regarding their lives on the internet now," added Dr. Charles Munk. "I feel people can really see our services and what kind of office we have."

Currently, patients can request an initial appointment online, as well as review services available at the office and view before and after treatment photos. The site is mainly informative at the moment, but the doctors hope to have it become more interactive in the near future.

Not stopping there, the Munk team also opened a new satellite office in the Davison area this past September.

"We have been very well received by the patients and the dental community in Davison," said Dr. Charles. "There is no other orthodontist in Davison, and people seem very appreciative that we're here to meet their needs."

Even with all this, the two doctors still



Dr. Charles W. Munk and Dr. Charles F. Munk display their upgraded digital x-ray technology. After 37 years, the doctors still continue to grow and improve with the continually changing world of orthodontics.

find time to continue educating themselves on the vastly changing field of orthodontics. Both doctors are currently enrolled in an intense two-year course focusing on achieving ideal occlusion and functional goals in contemporary orthodontic treatment.

Serving and educating the community also take top priority for the doctors. The office avidly supports the SCAMP program and enjoys promoting dental health throughout the entire community.

"Our office really appreciated the opportunity to present our dental health program to Clarkston Middle School, Cedar Crest Academy and Our Lady of the Lakes," said Patti Borsh, office manager. "Last fall, we were also very proud to have

two of our patients use their beautiful smiles to help them become homecoming queens for Clarkston and Lake Orion high schools."

Dr. Charles F. Munk and Dr. Charles W. Munk now have three locations to serve customers:

The Clarkston office is located at 5825 S. Main St. Please phone 248-625-0880 to schedule an appointment.

The Oxford office is at 837 S. Lapeer Rd. Appointments can be made by calling 248-628-6441.

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Nova Care works toward well-being

NovaCare Rehabilitation is a national physical therapy provider with seven clinics located in the Metro Detroit area. The Clarkston office, located in the Clarkston Medical building on Dixie Highway, offers a wide range of programs in physical therapy and general well-being.

Clients may work with a clinical team of physical therapists, physical therapists assistants, and athletic trainers during their time in the clinic.

The 10,000 plus square foot facility offers many programs, one of which is traditional physical therapy. Admissions into this physical therapy program requires a physician's prescription and treatment is aimed at restoring motion, strength and function in patients who have been injured.

NovaCare specializes in treatment of orthopedic problems such as bone and muscle injuries. In addition, NovaCare Clarkston has a staff of individuals qualified to treat clients with neck and back pain, spinal disc problems, TMJ, headaches and pain associated with auto

accidents, work related injuries as well as other types of injuries.

Aquatic therapy or "water therapy" is also offered at this location. A SwimEx pool may be used as a part of a client's physical therapy program as determined by the physician and physical therapist.

A patient may be in physical therapy a few weeks or even a few months. Jodi Hines, Manager of Clinical Operations for Southeastern NovaCare, comments on the relationships that the staff develops with their patients.

"When patients come here, they spend a lot of time with our staff," said Hines. "We build relationships with them while they are here and that makes helping patients even more rewarding."

And often times, those relationships continue long after the patient has finished their formal physical therapy treatment. Many individuals who have completed their rehab, come back to the clinic to show the staff how well they are doing since they "graduated" from the program.

Hines says, "It's such a wonderful feeling to see a person happy and fulfilled after working with us. The staff is privileged to be a part of their recovery."

After graduation, some clients choose to continue exercising in the fitness program offered at this clinic. This program is not a structured rehabilitation program, but is an informal setting where clients have access to strengthening and cardiovascular conditioning equipment, and perform exercises under the guidance of an athletic trainer.

NovaCare Clarkston is proud of these programs that it currently offers and is committed to developing new programs for its clients.

The staff is especially excited to announce that a new procedure will soon be offered at the clinic - Anodyne treatment. This Medicare-approved infrared treatment program can be used as part of a patient's treat-

ment to help reduce pain. It is especially helpful for treatment of neuropathy in diabetic patients. NovaCare Clarkston will be one of the only centers in the area to offer this type of treatment.

Another unique service that NovaCare provides is an injury hotline that has been created to assist residents in the community with injury-related questions. The hotline is available 24 hours and incoming calls are answered by Mike Perkins, A.T.C., a Clarkston staff member. Mike advises the caller and helps guide them to the services that they need.

NovaCare has been helping members of the community for over 6 years and looks forward to continued relationship with Clarkston residents.

NovaCare Clarkston is located at 6770 Dixie Highway, suite 104 in the Clarkston Medical Building. Business hours are Monday through Friday 6 a.m. to 8 p.m., and Saturdays as needed. For more information, please call 248-625-5998.



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have statements every quarter and offer investment options, so a lot of people think they are very generic," said Wayne. "But if you have 100 employees would you rather have 50 in the plan or 90 in the plan. With only half of the people participating, half of a company's employees are going to fail right off the bat."

Freedom One has generated fantastic confidence in their ability to ensure a fruitful retirement by producing consistent, positive results.

"We have 99 percent client retention, which is unheard of in our industry. We design portfolios that are very diversified and very successful. In fact, four out of five of our portfolios outperformed the S&P over the last five years," said Wayne.

Freedom One's exceptional investment history is augmented by the company's status as a Registered Investment Advisor. They are also endorsed by the Michigan Automobile Dealers Association, the Michigan Manufacturers Association and the Michigan Tooling Association.

"As an RIA, we are registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission and we take an oath to be unbiased," said Wayne. "We are paid by our clients, not by the investment companies we recommend. We don't serve two masters. By contrast, nearly all other 401(k) providers receive undisclosed revenue from mu-

tual funds. That is a Department of Labor regulations violation."

Wayne's team members are an extension of his philosophy of excellence derived from professionalism, proactiveness, a positive attitude and accountability.

"We are able to maintain our core values because we hire with those goggles on. If I can not find multiple examples of each of our core values, I can not hire that person," said Wayne. "Frankly, it's a heck of a lot easier for us to achieve excellence when we are start-

ing with strong core values."

From personal meetings every six months with plan participants to persistently pursuing the shrewdest investment opportunities, Wayne's employees work as a unit to ensure overall excellence.

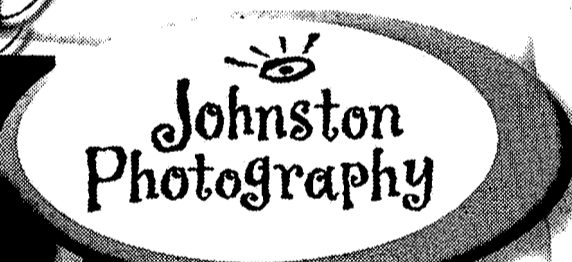
"We don't focus on a lot of different things. Our goal in life is to help people retire successfully," said Wayne.

Freedom One Financial Group's new, 35,000 square foot office is located at 8031 M-15 just north of I-75. Business owners should call 248-620-8100 to set up a consultation.

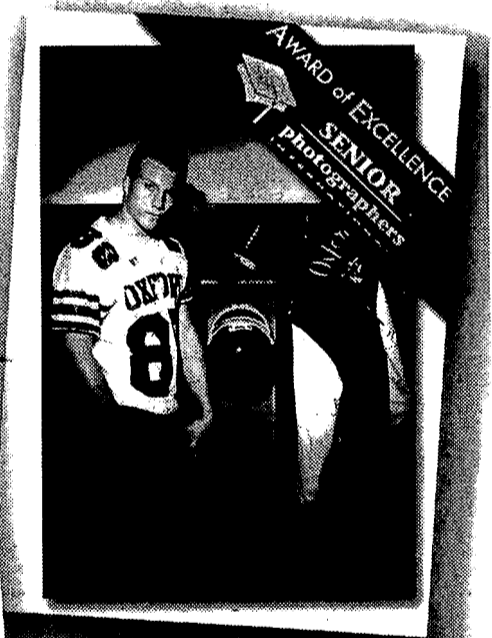


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Serving the area for 20 years: Clarkston Chrysler Jeep

The mission statement at Clarkston Chrysler Jeep is simple: "Treat every customer as our best customer by meeting or exceeding that customer's expectations in Sales, Service and Value." After serving the community for two decades, owner Chuck Fortinberry and the Clarkston Chrysler Jeep team still adhere to that mission as they strive to make every customer a "Customer for Life."

Fortinberry opened the business during the early days of Clarkston's growth in the 1980s, and Clarkston Chrysler Jeep will celebrate its 20th anniversary on July 1. The dealership expanded to its current location on Big Lake Road in 1995.

"As originally constructed, his facility was 22,000 square feet and Chrysler told me we didn't need that much space," remembers Fortinberry. "I knew this community and I knew they were wrong. Five years ago, we expanded to 32,000 square feet. I'm proud that we've been here for 20 years providing quality service to our neighbors."

When it comes to product options, Clarkston Chrysler Jeep has no equal. Offered are a full line of new products such as the Stow & Go Minivan, Chrysler 300, Crossfire, the new Jeep Grand Cherokee and Wrangler Unlimited. Clarkston Chrysler Jeep offers an extensive selection of fully reconditioned pre-owned and off-lease vehicles as well.

"Chrysler minivans always have been popular," notes Fortinberry. "Our customers also really like the Jeeps because of the many miles of dirt roads in our community. You can't beat a Jeep for surviving the winters of northern Oakland County." Fortinberry notes that some customers are beginning to come back to passenger cars, though they still want the power of the V-8 engine.

A 15-year resident of the community, Fortinberry knows his customers and the value of his personal involvement in the day-to-day operations of the dealership. "I see my customers every day at the grocery, at church and at community events. They know I appreciate their loyalty, and I do everything I can to provide a



Clarkston Chrysler Jeep is celebrating 20 years of providing the Clarkston community with quality service. Discover a new level of customer service - become a "Customer for Life."

personal touch at Clarkston Chrysler Jeep."

Fortinberry's commitment to the community goes well beyond Clarkston Chrysler Jeep's daily operations. In addition to running a Five Star dealership that creates jobs and contributes to the community's tax base, he hosts an annual golf outing and a motorcycle ride that together have raised more than a half million dollars for the Children's Leukemia Foundation of Michigan. Fortinberry also supports such charities as SCAMP and Lighthouse and is an active member of Clarkston United Methodist Church. He represented his industry as Chairman of the 2004 North American International Auto Show and recently was featured in "Time" magazine as a recipient of the 2005 Quality Dealer Award.

"My involvement outside the business is not motivated by personal financial gain," said Fortinberry. "Clarkston has been very good to my family and my company. All business owners need to give back to the community that supports them."

So what is Fortinberry's vision for the Clarkston

Chrysler Jeep of 2005?

"I need to be busy, so I don't think I'll ever completely retire," he laughs. "My wife and I are the parents of three sons, so I'm hoping that at least one of our children might take an interest in the business. Both the company and my family will continue to serve this very special community for many years to come."

The 20th anniversary celebration at Clarkston Chrysler Jeep already has begun. Check Clarkston Chrysler Jeep's ads in this newspaper for special deals and an exciting celebration planned for July.

Clarkston Chrysler Jeep welcomes customers from 7:30 a.m.-8 p.m. Monday through Thursday; 7:30 a.m.-6 p.m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday; and 8 a.m.-3 p.m. on Saturday.

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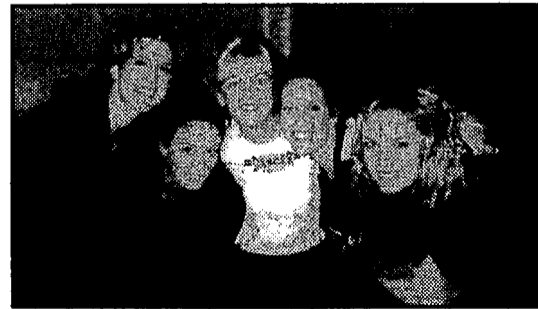
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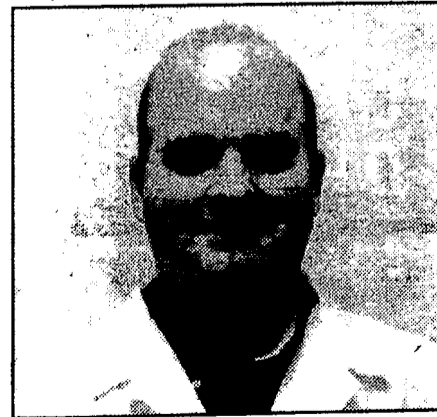
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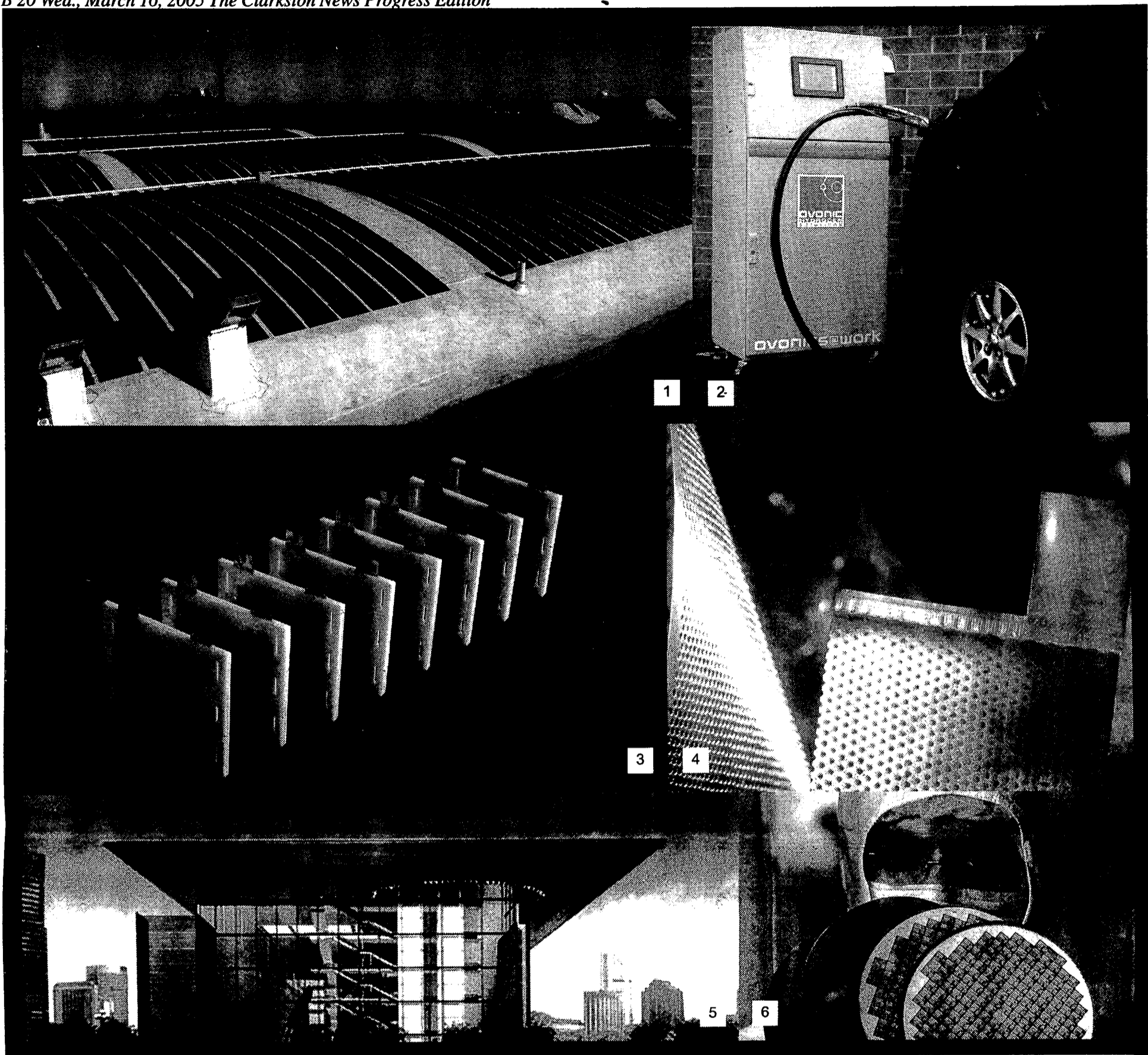
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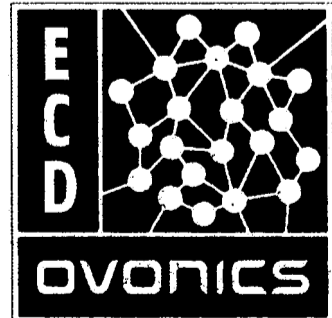


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"We are trying to take care of the whole woman from her reproductive age to menopause," said Dr. Adam Ziff, D.O., the newest partner with the practice. "We can work very closely with our patients' primary care physicians."

Dr. Ziff joined Associated Obstetrics and Gynecology this past August. A graduate of Kirksville College of Osteopathic Medicine in Missouri, he completed his obstetrics and gynecology residency with Providence Hospital in Southfield.

He is very excited to be joining the many excellent physicians at Associated Obstetrics and Gynecology.

"I've never met a finer group of physicians than the ones I work with here," said Dr. Ziff. "Their moral character, technical expertise and ability is higher than any other team of doctors I've ever worked with."

Associated Obstetrics and Gynecology includes Dr. Stanley Dorfman, M.D.; Dr. Robert Robins, M.D.; Dr. William H. Jewell, Jr., M.D.; Dr. Paul J. Corsi, M.D.; and Dr. Patricia Kondratenko, D.O.

"I knew this was a group I wanted to join since I decided to become an OB," added Ziff. "I really enjoy, respect and

appreciate their caring and compassionate attitude."

Dr. Ziff brings with him a wealth of services specializing in urogynecology: treatment of overactive bladder; urinary incompetence, chronic pelvic pain and pelvic organ prolapse.

In addition to these new specialties, Associated Obstetrics and Gynecology recently purchased a new Lunar Prodigy bone density machine, available in the Pontiac office.

Bone density measurements are most often done measuring the spine and hip. The Lunar Prodigy is even able to measure the bone density in a patient that has undergone a hip replacement. Previous bone density machines could not do this.

In addition, the office has an ultrasound bone densitometer that will allow any woman over the age of 20 to undergo an inexpensive osteoporosis screening of her heel. If abnormal, a full spine and hip exam could be done.

The Lunar Prodigy can also calculate total body fat composition for those patients attempting to lose weight or resculpt their body. Dr. Robins stated that individuals can take their body fat composition results to personal trainers and nutrition experts to better focus on target areas in their physique.

Another excellent service being offered by the practice is laser hair removal. After researching the different options available, the doctors decided to purchase



The doctors at Associated Obstetrics and Gynecology are ready to provide their patients with a full list of complete services. The practice specializes in "Caring for Women."

the Gentle-Lase laser.

"We found the Gentle-Lase had the best results for hair removal on the market," said Dr. Robins. "This same machine is the laser of choice seen on the television show 'Extreme Makeover.'"

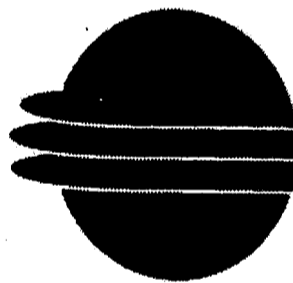
Dr. Robins said the process is extremely effective with most patients experiencing the best results after five treatments. Other patients may opt for fewer treatments to simply decrease the amount of hair they have as opposed to eliminating it altogether.

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concerned with a sudden problem; looking for a confidence boost with hair removal; or wanting to learn more about bone loss and overall health, Associated Obstetrics and Gynecology can take care of the whole woman.

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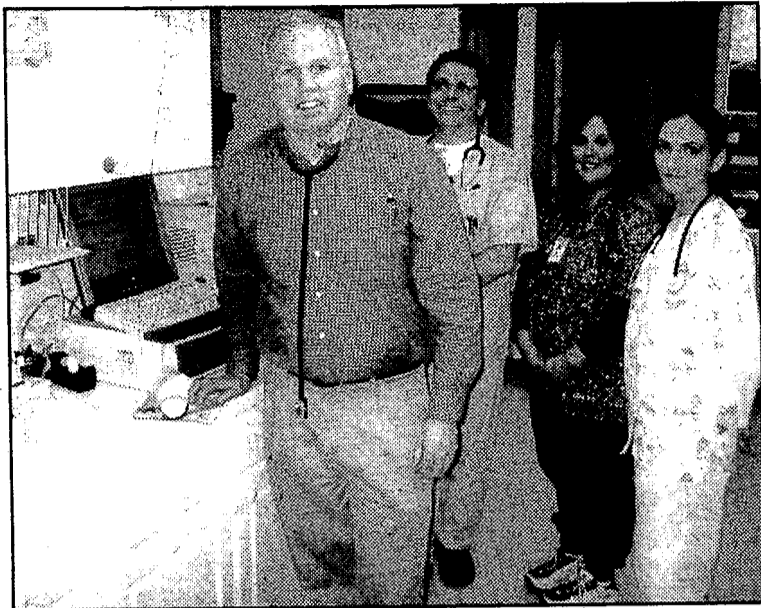
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Clarkston Medical Group expands with community

Times and the community have changed in the 40 years since Dr. James O'Neill began his medical practice. What is now the Clarkston Medical Group has made progress in technology and services, but the strong commitment to old-fashioned caring has not changed.

Dr. O'Neill, whose specialty is in pediatrics, gradually added doctors specializing in internal medicine. About 20 years ago, the practice began the after-hours clinic, and about 15 years ago, Clarkston Medical Group was officially created.

Now, there are 11 full-time physicians who help provide regular daytime medical services and 24-hour urgent care.

Dr. Michael Baker, an internist, has lived in Clarkston since 1976. He had his own practice in Clarkston, then went into medical administration for several years. About two and a half years ago, he decided to return to full-time patient service and joined Clarkston Medical Group.

Dr. Baker likes the cooperative spirit of the medical team. While each doctor has his or her own regular patients, they cooperate in providing urgent care.

"People know we never turn out the lights," he said. "There's always a physician here who can see them."

Recent additions to the medical staff include Dr. Renny Abraham and Dr. Dean Moscovic. Both are on staff at William Beaumont Hospital.

Dr. Baker said the addition of new staff is a "watershed moment," since Clarkston Medical Group offers the best "access" for patients. The local office is convenient for regular medical care, but doctors are on staff at all the area's major hospitals, including Beaumont, St. Joseph, Genesys, North Oakland and Crittenton.

Dr. Baker said O'Neill is still the guiding inspiration, both in his own continued enthusiasm for helping people and in how that tradition is handed down through his children. Two sons and a daughter are on staff, and Baker cited his own long-time Clarkston residency as another example.

"The core people of this group are part of the community," Baker said, noting involvement and attendance at local school, church and community activities. "I think people get

some trust and comfort from that."

Dr. Tim O'Neill offered a great way to explain what "urgent care" is all about. Patients should come to the after-hours clinic, "if it doesn't require an ambulance but it can't wait until morning."

With the traditional caring attitude has come advances in technology. The offices recently converted to a new computerized information system. Work stations have computer terminals where doctors can check on the latest information on symptoms, treatment options and medication interaction.

Eventually, Baker said, all physicians will have the ability to issue prescriptions through hand-held computers directly to the pharmacy.

Clarkston Medical Group is located at 6770 Dixie Highway (at M-15). Pediatric clinic hours are 7 a.m.-7 p.m. Monday-Friday and 7 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday. Adolescent medicine and internal medicine hours are 7 a.m.-9 a.m. Monday-Friday and 7 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday. Urgent care is available 24 hours a day. Telephone is 248-625-CARE.



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'Market Place Pet Supplies' Easy on the owners, good for the pets

From their enormous selection of products for animals large and small, to the staff's fantastic attitude, Marc and Nancy Bleckley, the husband and wife ownership team of Market Place Pet Supplies, strive to make shopping for pet supplies a satisfying experience.

"Our goal is to give the public old fashioned service, which is lacking in today's retail," said co-owner Nancy Bleckley.

For the past seven months the staff at Market Place Pet Supplies has been making their

business a comfortable and easy environment to shop in.

"We focus on what people in the area are looking for. Our relationship with our customers and our wide and specialized selection is what separates us from the franchises," said Marc Bleckley.

Greeting people with a smile and carrying packages to their customer's cars is only part of what makes Market Place Pet Supplies and it's staff so special. Each employee knows the vast selection forwards and back and are brimming with helpful advice.

"We try to talk to people and learn about their animal and their needs and then make a recommendation," said Marc Bleckley. "I've been around animals my whole life and when I hire people I always ask if they have pets."

When the Bleckleys say pets they really do mean pets. From wall to wall inside Market Place's 5,000-square-foot store are products for dogs, cats, birds both wild and caged, gerbils and other small animals, reptiles and fish. Starting this spring they will also carry horse supplies and equipment.

'Market Place' also houses an impressive array of tropical

fish in all sizes, shapes and colors.

In short, anything someone needs to own a pet can be found at Market Place Pet Supplies.

While customers will always be able to find familiar brands of food, 'Market Place' has everything from holistic and organic pet food to blends specially formulated for old or young pets.

"Pet owners are becoming much more educated about what they feed their animals, we can answer their questions and provide their pets with a food that suits them," said Marc Bleckley.

Down the road Marc and Nancy Bleckley will continue to seek out and stock the best products for pets in the area. Right now the happy couple would like to invite everyone to help celebrate with Boomer, the store's miniature schnauzer, on his first birthday, with storewide savings and specials through the end of March.

Market Place Pet Supplies is located at 7200 Dixie Highway, one-quarter of a mile north of White Lake Road. Store hours are Monday through Saturday 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Sunday 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. For any questions call 248-620-6135



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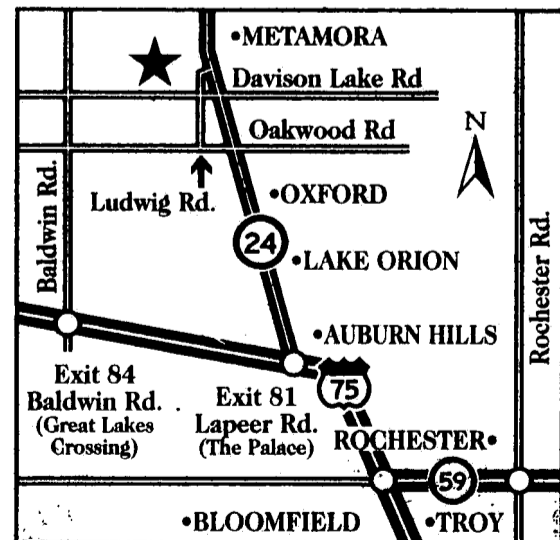
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T&C Federal Credit Union: A Good Neighbor In Your Community

Backed by a long history of trust, personal service and responsible corporate citizenship, T&C Federal Credit Union is a true asset to the communities it serves which include Orion, Clarkston and most recently Oxford.

Founded in 1936, T&C Federal Credit Union was established in Pontiac to exclusively serve the hourly and salaried employees of General Motors Truck and Coach.

Over the years, the credit union has grown by leaps and bounds accumulating more than \$500 million in assets until, finally, in February 2002 the Bloomfield Hills-based financial institution changed to a community charter and now serves the general public in Oakland County.

"Virtually anyone who resides, worships, works or goes to school in Oakland County can now join T&C Federal Credit Union," said Lonnie Bone, Vice President of Marketing.

T&C Federal Credit Union offers a full range of services including mortgages, savings and checking accounts, IRAs, financial planning, loans of all types and complete electronic banking including paying bills and banking from home - something the financial institution is particularly progressive about.

"Our goal is anything you can do at one of our branches, you can also do on-line from your home or work computer," Bone said. "You can literally join the credit union over the Internet. You don't even have to come into one of our offices."

Even loans can be done on-line with T&C Federal Credit Union. The only thing the customer has to do is pick what type of loan they need.

Loans can be taken out for mortgages, home improvements, automobiles, recreational vehicles, boats, airplanes, construction, vacation properties, investment properties and small businesses.

"Mortgages can be taken out with as little as three percent down," Bone noted.

Joining T&C Federal Credit Union gives members access to more than 20,000 no-surcharge ATMs nationwide, 1,800 of which are in Michigan.

"It's the largest ATM network in the United States," Bone said.

In January 2005, T&C Federal Credit Union opened



The friendly, professional staff at T&C Federal Credit Union's Clarkston branch is waiting serve you.

a brand new 7,000-square-foot branch at 7357 Deer Lake Road in Clarkston.

"It's a beautiful new branch offering our full line of services including drive-through tellers and drive-up ATM," Bone said, noting T&C had previously served Clarkston for 10 years from a strip-mall location.

In Oxford, T&C Federal Credit Union just recently opened a new 3,200-square-foot, full service branch at 168 S. Washington St. inside the Oxford Marketplace.

Bone said the Oxford branch is "unique" in that the lobby area features a giant photograph of downtown Oxford that completely covers one of the walls.

"We want to make people feel they're at home. That we're a real part of their community," Bone said.

Although the Oxford branch does not have drive-through tellers, it will feature a drive-up ATM in the parking lot later this spring.

When asked what separates T&C Federal Credit Union from other financial institutions, Bone replied, "Personal service. That personal touch."

"We always try to do what's in our members' best interests," he said. "If we see a large amount of money in a savings account, we will suggest to the member that he or she move it to a high yield account or a certificate, somewhere they can earn more interest."

"We take a personal interest in our members' lives and always try to get to know them on a first name basis," Bone added.

Bone is also proud that T&C Federal Credit Union is a "good corporate citizen" that gets involved in the communities it serves, even before it has a branch established there.

In Oxford, T&C recently cosponsored bringing "Harley the Groundhog" here from the Howell Nature Center for the Chamber of Commerce's annual Groundhog Day festivities. T&C employees even served hot chocolate and coffee from Starbucks to the thirsty Groundhog Day crowd in Centennial Park. How's that for full service!

T&C has also been involved with Crossroads for Youth, the Boys and Girls Club and Oxford High School's Senior All Night Party. "We're a good corporate citizen even before we get there," Bone said. "Now you're going to see even more of us."

T&C Federal Credit Union's Clarkston and Oxford branches are open 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and 9 a.m. to noon on Saturdays. T&C also has a branch in Orion at 4055 S. Lapeer Road.

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Groves' Ace Hardware: A family institution for 75 years

For 75 years the Grove family has been a retail fixture in the Village of Oxford.

It all started with the Groves' 5 & 10 store - which served the town from 1930 to 1980 - and continues today with the Groves' Ace Hardware at 190 S. Washington St. in the Oxford Marketplace.

Nathan Grove, co-owner and operator of the Oxford Ace and several others, wants people to know that his hardware store is an independently-owned and family-operated business, not some corporate outpost.

That's why the Grove name is being incorporated into the Ace Hardware logo this year.

"We want people to know this is a locally owned and operated hardware store," Grove said. "We're a small town family business and we're very proud of that fact. We've faithfully served this community for 75 years, not many families can make that claim."

But just because the Groves' are celebrating their 75th anniversary, don't think the family is now going to start resting on its laurels.

The Oxford Ace Hardware is in for some other big changes this year, according to Grove.

A whole new outdoor power equipment center is being created to welcome the addition of the Echo line of chain-saws, weed whips and blowers, and the arrival of Toro zero-turn commercial riding lawn mowers.

Echo offers top of the line, high quality outdoor power equipment for everyone from the average home owner to the commercial user. Oxford Ace will function as a service dealer for the Echo line, able to handle everything from repairs to part replacement to blade sharpening.

An Open House to introduce the Echo line to the pub-

lic will be held at the Oxford Ace sometime toward the end of April, Grove said.

Oxford Ace is also welcoming a line of Toro zero-turn commercial riding lawn mowers. Grove said these mowers are superior to the traditional lawn tractor in that they're "more durable" and they mow "a lot faster."

more extensive line of Toro push mowers.

But spring and summer aren't all lawn cutting and weed whipping. It's also barbecue time!

That's why Oxford Ace carries the full 2005 line of revamped Weber grills. Besides adding 8 or 9 models to the line, Weber also redesigned the grills making them a few inches higher for easier access and giving them an enclosed cart below for safe storage. Weber has also introduced a triangular-shaped outdoor fireplace - perfect for patios or decks - that runs off the standard 20-pound propane tank and features a gas log.

Grove wishes to remind everyone that spring/summer is a perfect time to have a brand new Kohler generator installed to give your home or business an automatic backup power source.

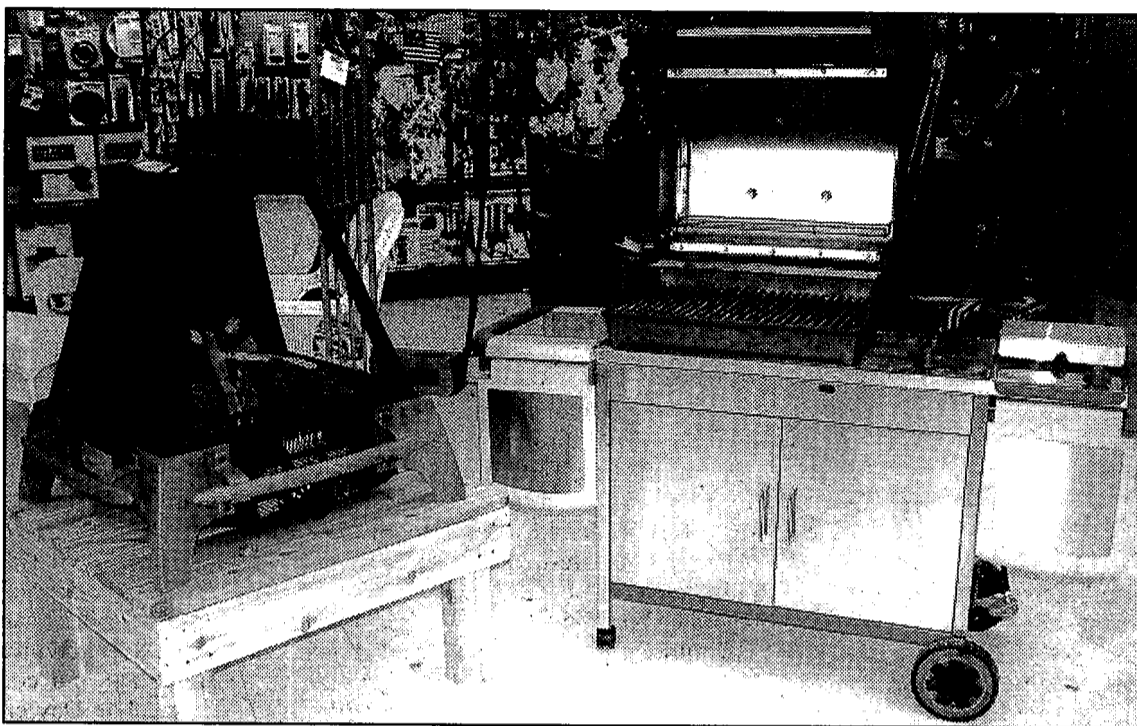
Last year, Oxford Ace was selected as the "Kohler Built-in Home Generator Installer" for TV's *Extreme Makeover Home Edition* in Oak Park.

But Oxford isn't the only place where big things are happening for the Grove family business.

In addition to the Ace hardware stores they own and operate in Oxford, Orion, Ortonville, Pontiac and South Lyon, the Groves opened a 9,000-square-foot True Value Hardware in downtown

Rochester on March 8. "We're very excited," Grove said. "We've wanted to be in Rochester for quite some time. There's a big need in that market for an independent hardware store like ours."

Big, new things are happening with the Groves and their hardware stores, but the family's tireless commitment to customer service, quality merchandise and "a job done right" remains the same. And it will continue to be that way for the next 75 years.



Check out the new Weber outdoor fireplace (left) and the 2005 line of Weber grills at Groves' Ace Hardware, 190 S. Washington St. in the Oxford Marketplace.

"They last a lifetime for residential use because for the average homeowner it gets used once, maybe twice a week whereas a commercial user will run it 5 or 6 days a week, 8 to 10 hours a day," Grove said. "The average lawn tractor needs to be replaced every 5 to 10 years."

"Because of its maneuverability and speed, the zero-turn model can mow in a third of the time it takes a lawn tractor," Grove noted.

Along with the zero-turn, Oxford Ace will also carry a

Relaxing salon provides soothing styles to clientele

Tucked away off Main Street and Depot Road in downtown Clarkston is a lovely little gem called Creekside Salon.

The salon has been part of the village for over eight and all the staff members are career stylists at Creekside.

Lisa Burdick, salon owner, expressed her pride and appreciation for the staff.

"The women who work here with are the greatest, both professionally and personally," Burdick said. "They strive to excel in their work and continue to focus on updating education and fashion sense. We have an exceptional staff of serious professionals who are wonderfully talented, friendly people."

Specializing in total hair care, the staff has every aspect of color and cuts down to a science. 'Easy hair care' is the motto and that is exactly what is the fashion and desire of the clientele. With everyone living very busy lives, the requests always seem to be for great cuts that are easy and quick to do, and of course, in style.

The talented stylists can include color and sun-catching hues to add dimension and shadows to pull the entire look together.

"This time of year is always a popular time for colorful hair," Burdick said. "After a couple of gray Michigan months, the March color madness begins."

"It seems everyone needs a sunny boost, even in their hair," Burdick said. "We do a tremendous amount of color especially at this time of year to brighten up the mood and the hair. It truly is a wonderful lift."

Creekside is a unique salon situation. The staff's goal is to go above and beyond great hair care and service. Once inside, the peaceful environment allows the client to be relaxed and pampered. Soft music plays to lull the stress of the day away and allow the individual to melt into total relaxation.

According to Burdick, the goal is to get a client to forget every little stressful issue, if even for 30 minutes.

"It is such a fabulous gift to give them, and they



Meet the experienced staff at Creekside Salon - Brooke Manuel, Cyndy Grugen, Salon Owner Lisa Burdick and Rebecca Laney are ready to provide a great style in a relaxing atmosphere.

truly appreciate it," Burdick said.

The staff welcomes everyone to Creekside Salon. "We are so fortunate to have such a great following," Burdick said. "I cannot say 'thank you' enough to our customers who have been with us for so long."

Creekside Salon welcomes new customers to their unique salon and the talents they possess.

Creekside Salon is located at 20 W. Washington St., Suite 12 B, in the back of Washington Mills easily accessible off Depot Street. Salon hours are Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 10 a.m.-7 p.m.; Friday 10 a.m.-6 p.m. and Saturday 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

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When Someone You Love Needs More Care than You Can Give

This month POH Medical Center releases a 10-page publication devoted entirely to the concerns of Senior Living and healthcare. To receive a copy, call 248.338.5385. Below are edited excerpts.

Resources for an Aging Population

There is reassuring news for everyone who oversees the needs of an aging senior. POH Discharge Planner Sue Stepanski and her staff bring solutions to what could otherwise be an overwhelming experience.

POH's dedicated team will:

- Assess the senior's home to determine what additions are needed to allow the senior to function well at home.

- Arrange for necessary medical equipment and supplies to be delivered to the home, including items such as a hospital bed, wheelchair or oxygen.

- Arrange for a visiting nurse, if needed.

- Refer the senior for physical therapy evaluations.

- If a nursing home is needed, analyze the patient's medical and financial needs, then match the senior with an appropriate residence.

"Finding a nursing home is the most challenging obstacle families face when caring for an aging loved one," says Stepanski. "People tell us that no other hospital goes as far as we do to help families in this matter."

"We do this because so many people need really good advice at a time like this. We just want them to know they are not alone."

Assisted Living

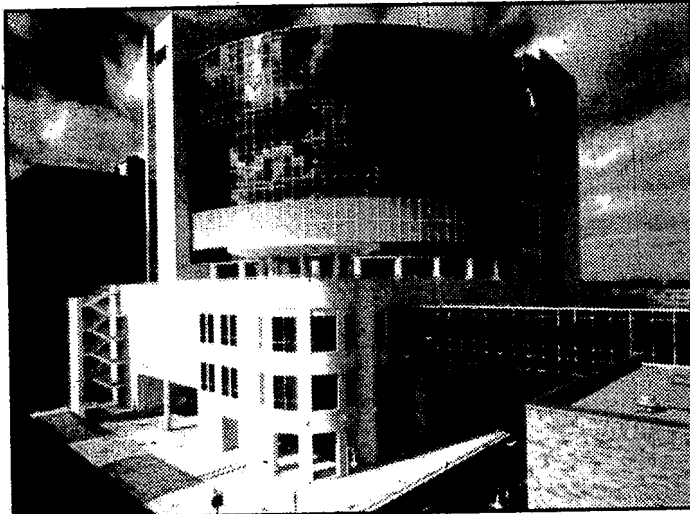
It almost always begins this way: a daughter sees telltale signs that Mother isn't quite the responsible person she should be. At times Mom forgets to pay her bills, to turn off the stove or to take her medicine.

The daughter believes that if she spends more time with her mother on a regular basis, she can prevent a disaster, allowing mom to live in her own home for a while longer. Eventually the situation becomes over-

whelming.

"Many seniors do not need nursing home care, but they are frail and need help with the activities of daily living," explains Gail Fox, Community Relations Director for Sunrise Assisted Living in Clarkston.

"While an assisted living arrangement can be a difficult transition for them in the beginning, many seniors



POH Medical Center is a tower of strength for the senior population. Its main campus, shown here, is supplemented by Emergency Care Campuses in Clarkston and Oxford, as well as hundreds of physicians throughout North Oakland County.

soon realize that this was the best move they could ever have made. Without the responsibilities of home care — and with someone to cook, clean and do laundry for them on a regular basis — seniors often thrive on their newfound freedom." Beyond that, they have someone near 24-hours a day to lend a hand or to ward off loneliness.

Sunrise Assisted Living in Clarkston is a private pay arrangement and does not accept Medicare funding for residents. However, this does not mean it is financially

out of reach for seniors who have worked productively and planned for their future. Their combined savings, investments, longevity care insurance and social security pensions allow them to live comfortably here. According to Fox, when you add up the actual costs of everyday living, very often, assisted living truly is the more economical arrangement.

Nursing Home Care

Barbara Lawson, Lake Orion Nursing Center Administrator, knows first-hand the gut-wrenching emotions that must be faced when a loved one can no longer care for themselves. "You find yourself so conflicted. You know you need help. But is it really the right thing to do ... turning your loved one over to a nursing home?"

"In all actuality," she pauses comfortably, "you are absolutely doing the right thing. Caring for a senior requires a professional, yet tender touch."

It helps to know that good nursing homes, like Lake Orion Nursing Center, are a far cry from the old institutions of yesteryear. Warm, touches flourish everywhere. Here, the staff has cultivated a wheelchair garden at arm level where they invite residents to rekindle a passion for gardening. On good days, the cook fires up the outdoor grill, creating a favorite gathering spot for patio conversation.

"From a financial standpoint, it is helpful when your loved one has been hospitalized for three days prior to entering the nursing home," Lawson advises. "Medicare will then pick up many of the costs for the next three months, giving you time to make important decisions.

"Also remember that Medicaid will pay for nursing home care only if a resident is down to their last \$2,000. (You should talk to a lawyer to be sure you understand the legal definition of this.) "But we don't advise you to let the situation go this far. When someone is down to their last \$10,000, you need to make some key decisions.

"Most of all, we encourage you to talk to your loved ones early about their future care. That way everyone involved will be prepared for the inevitable decision."

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Owner and instructor Diane Couture opened Step by Step in 1997. Due to increased enrollment she moved the business last year to a new, bigger location on Baldwin Road, across from Friendship Park.

"We have a state-of-the-art facility," Couture says. "Our 2,500 square foot dance studio features two large dance floors, and a spacious waiting room and lobby area."

Step by Step has been set apart from other area dance studios by installing suspended dance floors.

"Our scientifically-designed suspended dance floors have a multi-layered floor system that is designed to protect students' ankles, knees and hips from possible joint injuries while dancing," Couture says.

Parental viewing has been enhanced with large viewing windows in the lobby. By doubling their dance space, Couture says Step by Step is now able to offer a wider variety of dance classes and times.

"We've added staff, and we offer classes for ages three through adult, six days a week, with day and evening classes available," she says. "For the convenience of parents, our classes are scheduled around the area school schedules."

Step by Step School of Dance's daytime classes begin at 10 a.m., Monday through Saturday. Afternoon classes begin at 4:45 p.m.; running Monday through Friday.

Both recreational and competitive dance classes are offered. Classes include: Ballet, Tap, Jazz, Lyrical, Pointe, Hip-Hop, Acro-Dance (tumbling), Preschool and Kinderdance, as well as All Boys Tap and All Boys Jazz.

Step by Step School of Dance staff receive updated training to remain current in the latest dance styles and trends. Instructors travel to New York, Chicago, Florida, and a variety of other locations to further their training.

Step by Step's recreational dancers perform in local

recitals and specialty shows.

The competitive dancers have received Gold, Hi-Gold and Platinum recognition at both the regional and national levels.

"Each student at Step by Step School of Dance is encouraged and motivated to reach their personal highest potential," Couture says.

The school offers a full line of Step by Step apparel, including T-shirts, sweatshirts, sweatpants, jackets, dance bags, water bottles, zippered hoodies and more.

Step by Step School of Dance is located at 936 S. Baldwin Road, Suite 105, across from Friendship Park near Clarkston Road.

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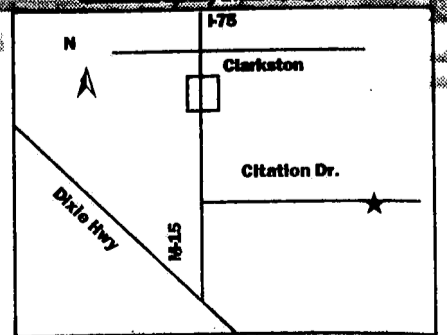
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Are your energy costs skyrocketing? United Solar Ovonic, located in Auburn Hills, has answers to help business owners and residents alike use the energy of the sun to power their facilities and homes.

United Solar Ovonic, a subsidiary of Energy Conversion Devices, Inc., is located on Lapeer Road across from the Palace of Auburn Hills.

The factory there produces solar electric modules and laminates that have been used across the world.

"We make and manufacture thin-film solar modules that convert sunlight into electricity," says Uni-Solar Senior Product Market Manager Thomas Moran.

"We are a global manufacturer. In the U.S., we sell our products in California, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Hawaii...These states often have the best incentives," he says.

"We also have sites in China and Germany, and a few in Michigan like Grand Valley State and Oakland University."

Oakland University used the Uni-Solar shingle system for the roofing on their student apartments, which has a 20-year warranty on power output.

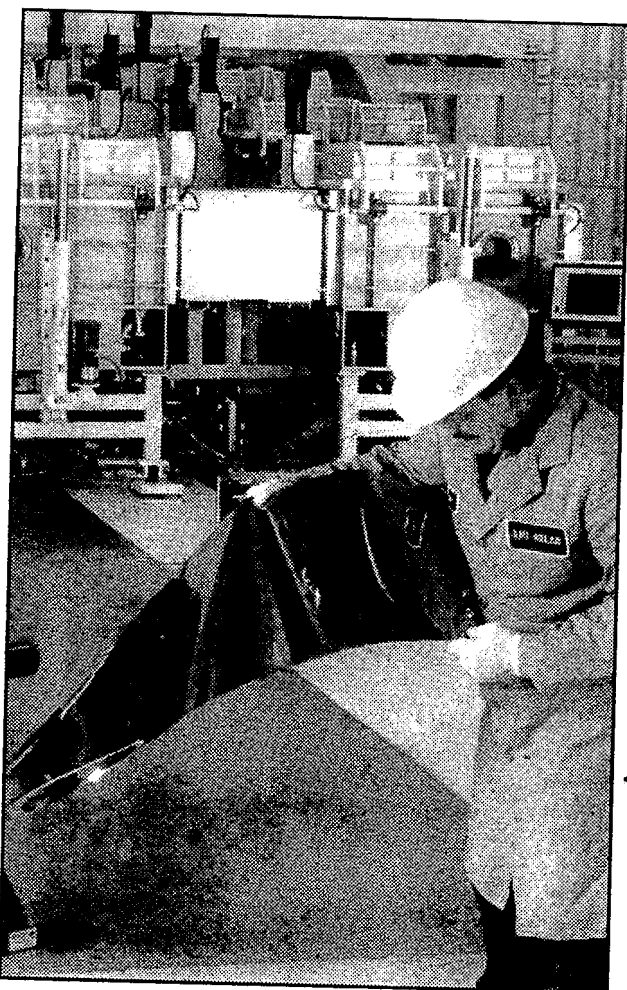
The solar system not only helped OU lower their electric bill, but they were able to avoid pollution and reduce the impact of global warming at the same time.

Other uses for Uni-Solar's lightweight, rugged and flexible products include charging batteries for solar lanterns and large solar farms for utility-scale applications.

They are used most extensively for Building-Integrated Photovoltaic (BIPV) solar energy systems for residential and industrial customers, providing roofing and power-generation in a single product.

Uni-Solar has been operating for 20 years, and is the world's leader and largest manufacturer of thin-film. The company plans to open another factory in the Metro Detroit area soon.

Most of Uni-Solar's business comes from commercial entities, such as Coca-Cola Bottling, who used



A technician at United Solar Ovonic inspects a roll of photovoltaic material on the huge roll-to-roll solar cell manufacturing equipment at the company's Auburn Hills plant. The football field-length machine is capable of producing nine miles of thin-film solar material in just days.

solar technology to benefit both the company and the surrounding community at their plant in Los Angeles, California.

Uni-Solar's thin-film solar cells were integrated into single-ply roofing membranes, which helped Coca-Cola's bottling facility generate electricity to help offset peak demand utility rates, especially during the summer when electricity is most expensive.

"Our product integrates with a variety of roofing substrates," says Moran. "We also have products for space application, as part of the MIR space station, and used for homeland security devices."

Moran says Uni-Solar is a technology company first, and they are leading the effort in that growing field.

"More and more people are adapting that technology, and finding a cleaner, renewable source for energy," he says.

"There are huge environmental benefits, as well as economical benefits. The industry is growing, and with it, job growth."

Uni-Solar currently employs about 200 people at their facility in Auburn Hills, and will hire more for their new plant.

"We have a fully automated factory," says Moran. "Every 72 hours, we create nine miles of solar material, that is then cut into different sizes and can be made to look like roofing shingles."

As the cells generate electricity during the day by using the sun's rays, the user gets a credit on their electric meter for the energy they are producing. At night, the power is debited out from the meter as it is used.

United Solar is located at 3800 Lapeer Road in Auburn Hills, across from the Palace of Auburn Hills, and behind The Post Bar.

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New 'cafe' offers bagels, sandwiches (coffee, too)

Fred Lenz is a businessman of the times. A "downsized" accountant and CFO/controller, Lenz has launched what he hopes will be a successful family business with a new Big Apple Bagel Cafe franchise in the new Kroger shopping center at Sashabaw and Maybee roads.

When seeking a franchise business, Lenz carefully evaluated all the possibilities. A number of things influenced his decision, but he believes the primary advantage is that Big Apple Bagels is not a typical fast-food establishment.

He likes the idea of starting every day with fresh ingredients, offering not only bagels but also a wide assortment of muffins, along with toasted, specialty and breakfast sandwiches, coffee and espresso and smoothies.

The broad menu is so important that the store carries "cafe" as part of the name, and there are catering services in addition to in-store dining. Advanced orders are appreciated for box lunches, sandwich platters, breakfast boxes and even a "coffee to go" box.

(Lenz' favorite sandwich is the spicy Italian, which features ham, genoa salami, provolone cheese, pepperoncini peppers, red onion, lettuce and vinaigrette dressing.)

Lenz also welcomed the opportunity to work with a parent company which did a lot of the market research and helps franchisees with quality training and high standard products.

What's left for Lenz, primarily, is to hire and manage more professional employees who will offer friendly, personalized service to each and every customer.

"We want satisfied customers," he said. "We look at every order separately. If a customer wants it done differently [from the menu], we will do it."

A Clarkston resident himself, Lenz was happy with the location in the growing Sashabaw Road corridor.

"That made the decision even more logical," he said.

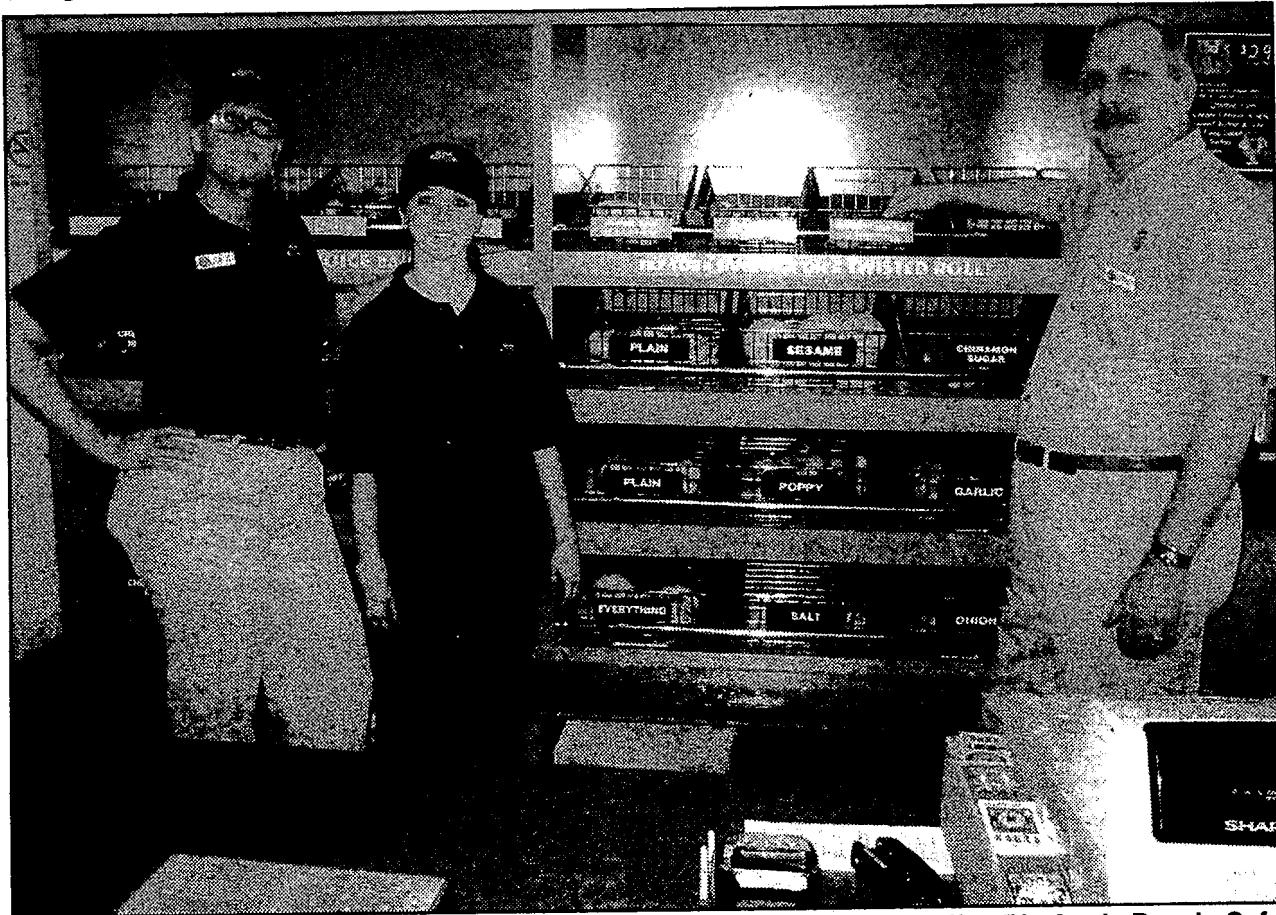
Now that the boulevard construction is complete, he believes his eatery will be attractive to everyone. There's even an irony in the current business development along the new stretch of road.

"On this side of the road, I'm the only person who offers a cup of coffee," he said with a smile.

Lenz eventually hopes to hand off full management to his family. Daughter Samantha Stark is a co-owner (along with Michelle Hackel). Lenz' son works part-

time as a baker, joining the team of 10 who are ready to serve all customers. As time goes on Lenz, sees the possibility of having 15-20 employees, and the owners have a business plan that includes a second store sometime in the future.

Big Apple Bagels Cafe is located at 5880 Sashabaw Road (in the Kroger center near Maybee Road). Hours are 6 a.m.-7 p.m. Monday-Friday and 7 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Telephone is 248-620-0327.



Scarlett Mosher, Kaitlin Travelbee and Fred Lenz are among the helpful staff at Big Apple Bagels Cafe.

Dr. Michael Zak offers complete eye care for the whole family

Making the decision to relocate an existing business isn't necessarily a difficult one.

As the optometric practice of Michael C. Zak, O.D., P.L.C. approaches the one year anniversary of their new location at 6445 Citation Dr., Dr. Zak is sure he made the right choice. He stated, "Both our existing patients and new patients appreciate the traffic light access to M-15, as well as the ample parking available in front of the building. Giving directions is never a problem when you're across the street from Independence Fire Station 1."

But while "location, location, location" still rings true, it should only be part of the decision in choosing the primary eyecare provider for you and your family. "It may seem that I'm stating the obvious, but how well we see directly affects our quality of life and how well we process information in school and the workplace," said Dr. Zak. "It's an important decision."

In Dr. Zak's office, an examination always focuses on the whole patient, not just their eyes. "Good primary eyecare involves getting to know our patients. A comprehensive primary eyecare examination always involves a good patient history, a precise refraction to determine the patient's best possible vision and thorough eye health evaluation," said Dr. Zak. "If there is a vision related or medical eye problem, good communication is very important. There's almost always a treatment choice to be made."

With regard to refractive surgery, Dr. Zak said, "LASIK or CK is a lifestyle issue, and a well informed patient is a

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For Dr. Zak's existing and new patients who do wear glasses, they are seeing better than ever. He said, "When I moved the office, I was committed to two things pertaining to the dispensary: one, finding a local lab that consistently provided the highest quality lens fabrication, premium patented no line bifocal designs and lens surface treatments available; and two, provide a quality frame selection of current best selling designs of major manufacturers."

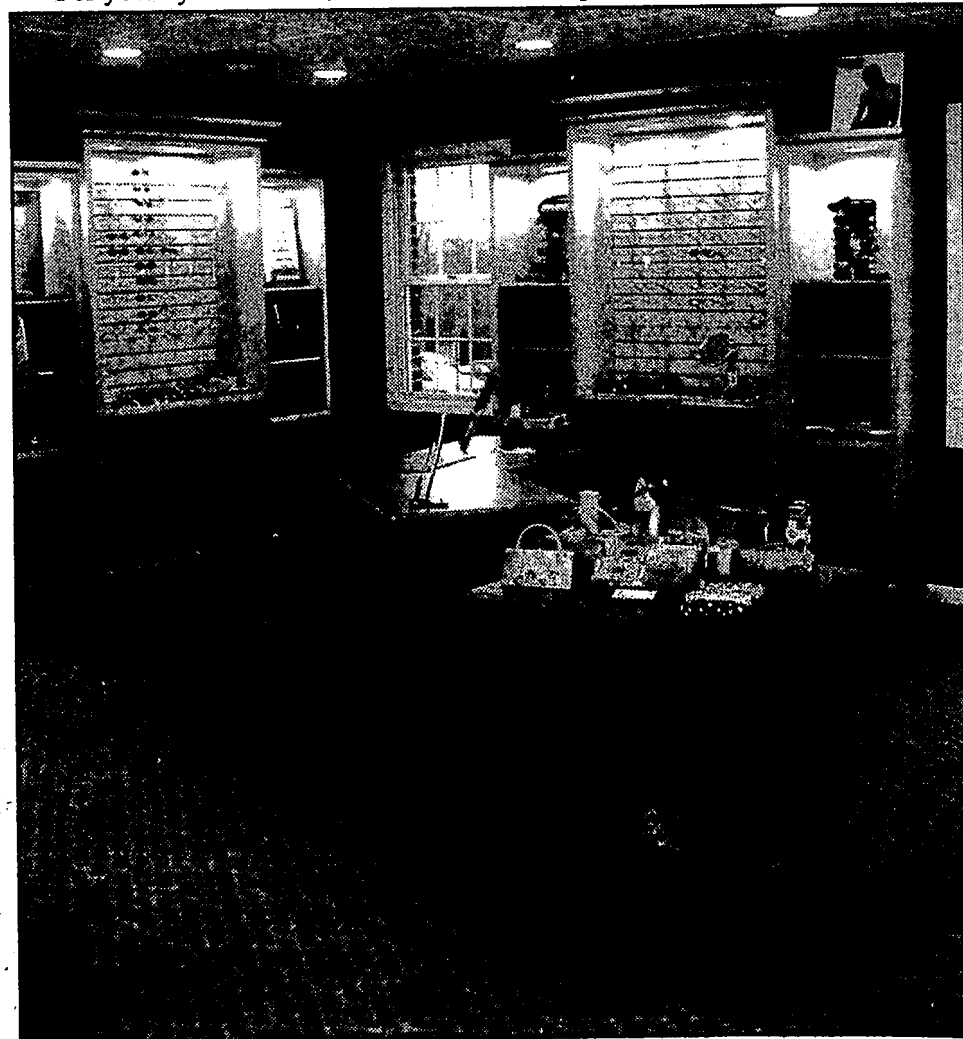
For example, Teflon Clear Coat Lenses, a new unique development in lens technology from SOLA International and Dupont. Ordinary lenses cause reflections that create hazy, fuzzy ghost images and haloes. Teflon Clear Coat Lenses eliminate lens reflections, so you get the clearest vision available in eyeglasses. Dr. Zak said, "Two out of three patients who purchase eyewear from our dispensary choose Teflon Clear Coat Lenses and the feedback is very positive. Not only do you see better, but those lenses look better in today's current frame styles from our dispensary. We feature Polo, Nike Flexon, Burberry, Gucci, Nine West, Kate Spade, Armani, Ralph Lauren, Brooks Brothers and Fossil."

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Zak, O.D., P.L.C., 6445 Citation Drive, Suite B, Clarkston 48346. Phone: 248-922-1862. Hours: Monday, Wednesday and Thursday 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; Tuesday 9 a.m.-8 p.m.; Friday 9 a.m.-1 p.m.; first and third Saturdays of every month 9 a.m.-1 p.m.



Dr. Michael Zak offers only the highest quality materials and products.

Free Methodist church enjoys growth in Clarkston

In 1960, a group from the Pontiac Free Methodist Church planted a new ministry in the Clarkston area with meetings in local homes. In 1961, a building was erected and the Drayton Heights Free Methodist Church was launched.

The assembly is now Clarkston Free Methodist Church, and they are celebrating 40 years of growth with the same core mission.

"During that time, the church has developed a rich heritage of building up people and families," Senior Pastor Dave Coleman said. "Our goal is to share the good news that Jesus Christ is alive."

To focus all church ministries toward that goal, the church sanctuary now features six decorative pillars, each with one of the "Six Pillars of a Great Church." They include principles of exalting Christ, holding to biblical integrity, being an authentic Christian community, impacting the community and the world for Christ, experiencing the joy of the Lord and being motivated by love.

To carry out their mission, the church has a wide variety of ministries and activities, including regular Bible classes and women's and men's ministries. The church tithes their yearly

budget to Free Methodist World Missions and engage in their own outreach activities.

This year, church members will go to Brazil and Tanzania, for example. The church sponsors 147 children in Nyasaka, Tanzania, providing the children with schooling, books, medical care and food.

The church offers athletic programs such as softball, basketball and golf, and teen groups are active with separate activities for junior and senior high youth. Each participates in some kind of service project each month, ranging from raking leaves for the elderly to serving a meal at a rescue mission.

Those who like music will love the church praise team, with soloists, vocalists and instrumentalists participating in worship services.

A special dramatic musical, "Peacemaker," is scheduled this spring, presenting the story of the resurrection from the perspective of Mary, John and Mary Magdalene.

According to Associate Pastor Kyle Gerrild, the message of the musical is, "Jesus can bring you peace in the midst of the chaos going on around you."

The effectiveness of the church ministry has produced

some challenges, including a crowded parking lot. ("Come early for a good spot," Pastor Gerrild said.)

To better accomplish their mission, the church is currently looking for a part-time children's director and a full-time worship leader.

The future, according to Pastor Coleman, "is to see fami-

lies changed and made whole and strong."

As the church continues to grow, the future may also hold a new building program, as the church owns 38 acres in the vicinity of Sashabaw and Stickney roads.

Clarkston Free Methodist Church currently meets at 5482 Winnell Street (off of Maybee

Road). Sunday morning worship, children programs and adult Bible fellowships all meet at 9 a.m., 10:30 a.m. and 11:45 a.m. Teen Sunday School meets at 9 a.m. (small group discussion) and 10:30 a.m. (traditional class-style). A full listing of meeting times and ministry information is listed at www.clarkstonfmc.org. Telephone is 248-623-1224.



The staff of Clarkston Free Methodist Church includes (front) Amy Horvath, junior high youth pastor; Chris Horvath, high school youth pastor; (back) Gail Lake, administrative assistant; Kyle Gerrild, associate pastor of adult ministries; Rev. Dave Coleman, senior pastor; Laura Hubbert, administrative assistant.

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Think Chocolate Moose for your next special occasion

Chocolate addicts beware - this article contains extensive references to the luscious, rich, creamy Belgian chocolate offered at The Chocolate Moose. For those afflicted with a sudden chocolate craving, please stop by The Chocolate Moose and order one large caramel kiss.

Are you looking for something unique for an upcoming wedding, birthday party or celebration? Trying to find a great fund-raiser that will help your group stand out from the crowd? Tired of birthday cake, pies and the usual pastries?

Then take a trip into downtown Clarkston to visit The Chocolate Moose.

More than just a candy shop, The Chocolate Moose offers a large variety of special occasion treats featuring their unique Belgian chocolate.

"We want people to understand that there is a difference in chocolate," said Christie Kojima, owner of The Chocolate Moose. "Chocolate is not unhealthy unless it is consumed in large quantities. Our regular customers know that, because of the quality of our chocolate, they are able to totally satisfy themselves without over consuming."

And thanks to the creativity of Christie and her staff, that rich

chocolate comes in so many fabulous forms.

Looking for a unique party piece? The Chocolate Moose offers the elegant, yet playful Chocolate Fountain. The delectable center piece features streams of flowing dark, white or milk Belgian chocolate for dipping.

"It looks like the Stanley Cup of chocolate," laughs Kojima. "We start with the same chocolate we use right here in our store. You get the same quality chocolate and taste."

"This is just a fun, interactive, hands-on piece that appeals to all ages."

Let's not forget that Easter is just around the corner. The Chocolate Moose is offering pre-made baskets which can be customized in the store. For adults, pre-made gift boxes are available.

"We like to say, 'Come shop where the East Bunny gets his chocolate,'" said Kojima. "We like to assist the Easter Bunny sometimes - even he needs a hand now and then. We carry individually wrapped candies that can be placed into a larger bag for easy-access. The Easter Bunny loves them."

School groups looking to spice up their fund-raiser this year can special order their organization's name right on the

candy's wrapper.

"We can really make something special for our clients," said Kojima. "We'd like people to think of us first when they're considering a fund-raiser. We can really give them something different."

Still, if these original chocolate opportunities are not enough, Christie mentioned one more need customers may have - sugar-free treats.

"We offer the best sugar-free chocolates, and no one needs to just take our word for it," Kojima said. "The Belgian chocolate we use just became available last year in sugar-free. The average person would not be able to tell the difference between the flavors or textures."

The sugar-free chocolates are available in a wide variety of products, including the pre-made Easter baskets.

"We really enjoy our customers and are always happy to help them with their special needs and events," said Kojima. "We have always been able to work within our customers' budgets and take pride in the quality product we are able to deliver."

So what does the future hold for The Chocolate Moose? Popcorn, of course!

That's right. The Chocolate Moose will be adding a selection of flavored popcorns to their

store later this year. In addition, a website is currently under construction so customers can easily browse for all their favorite sweet goodies.

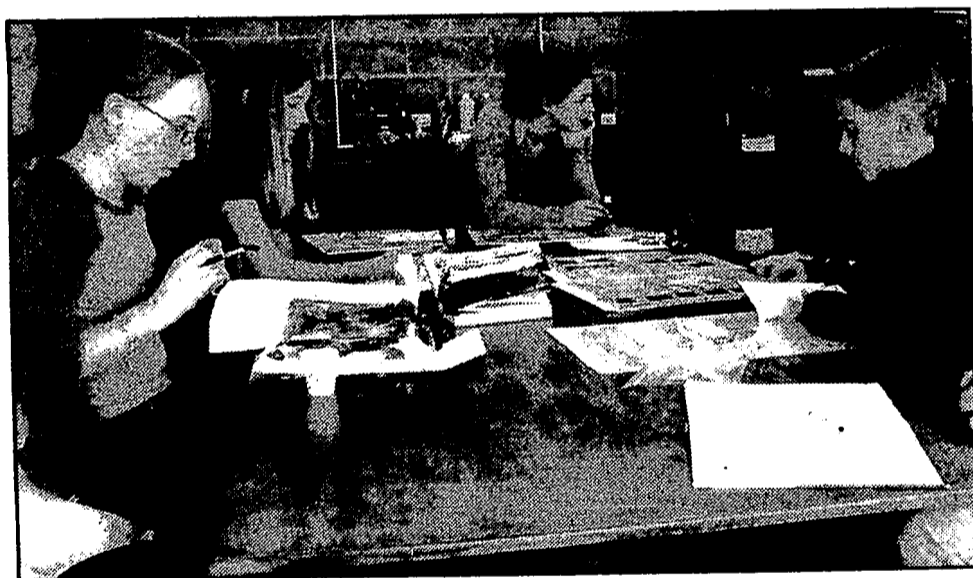
For those now needing to satisfy their sweet tooth, please

stop by The Chocolate Moose at 23 S. Main St. right in downtown Clarkston.

To make arrangements for a special occasions or fund-raisers, please call 248-922-9848 or fax 248-927-0309.



Ten-year-old twins Abbey and Bridget Kojima hold two delicious Chocolate Moose Easter baskets. The Chocolate Moose enjoys helping the Easter Bunny with his deliveries every year.



Middle school students at Cedar Crest academy enjoy a wide variety of creative arts, including publishing their own yearbook (above) and instrumental music (below).



Cedar Crest Academy marks 20th anniversary

For 20 years, Cedar Crest Academy has promoted a progressive educational experience which emphasizes creative skills, independent thinking and global awareness among their students.

When Director Bette D. Moen talks about the school's programs, it is with enthusiasm. She gives much credit to the staff, which includes "a lot of people who are passionate about education, giving it their best and having fun in a learning environment."

The 13-acre Springfield Township campus plays host to about 250 students, counting those in the Academy proper and the neighboring Cedar Crest Early Childhood Center. Programs include a preschool through grade 8 curriculum, with day care and extended care opportunities as well.

Recent building additions include a new gymnasium and fine arts studios, and the staff looks forward to eventual projects for a new administration building and middle school.

Moen sees family involvement as one of the reasons for the school's success.

"It's not unpredictable that our students are so creative," she said. "It is a partnership in educating children. Families have to want what we offer."

While there is a traditional grade structure at Cedar Crest Academy, the staff stresses individualized education, helping each student discover and develop his or her unique skills. There is

also a focus on cognitive thinking and problem solving skills.

"It's all about a child's possibility," Moen said.

The curriculum also includes a wider variety of offerings in the humanities than available at most public schools.

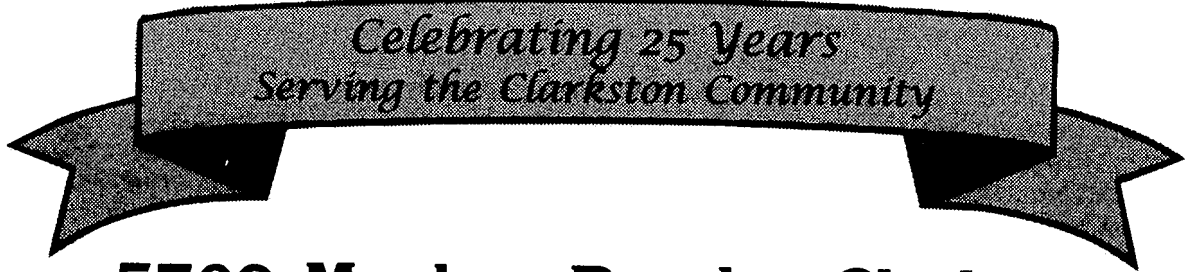
All preschoolers are introduced to Spanish as a second language. Kindergarteners choose either Spanish or French. Japanese is also available at the kindergarten level, and middle schoolers may choose to study German.

The measure of success is also a feature of the year-long 20th anniversary celebration. Former Cedar Crest students have returned to the campus to share their experiences, and Moen said alumni include valedictorians and honor students in law, business, engineering, education and microbiology. Some work in Fortune 500 companies, while others have created niche companies.

"People are doing what they love," she said, and they are making a difference wherever they are.

"This Cedar Crest Academy celebration isn't about years, it's about people," Moen said.

Cedar Crest Academy and Cedar Crest Early Childhood Center are located at 8970 Dixie Highway in Springfield Township. Telephone for the Academy is 248-625-7270. Telephone for the Early Childhood Center is 248-625-1091. Web site is cedarcrestacademy.com.



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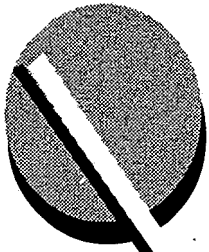
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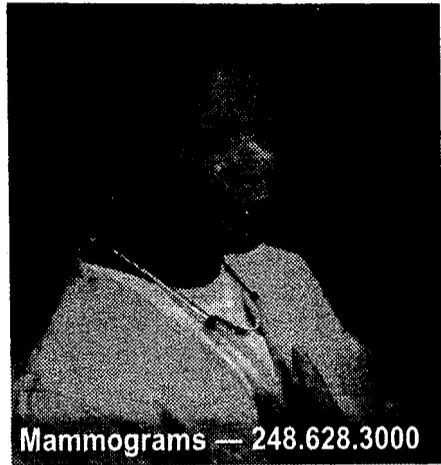
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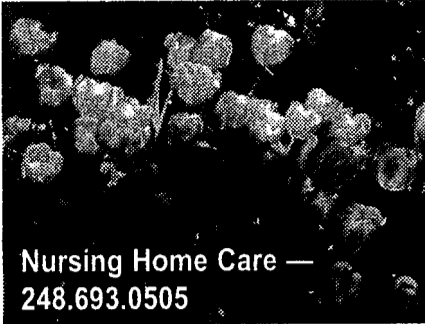


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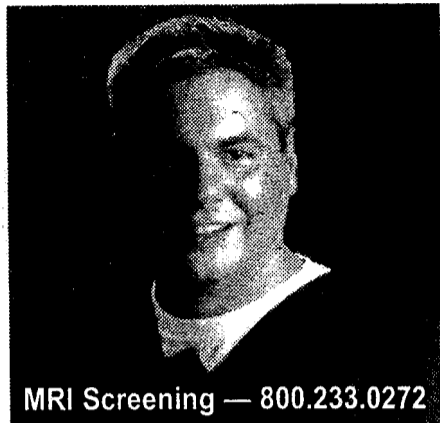
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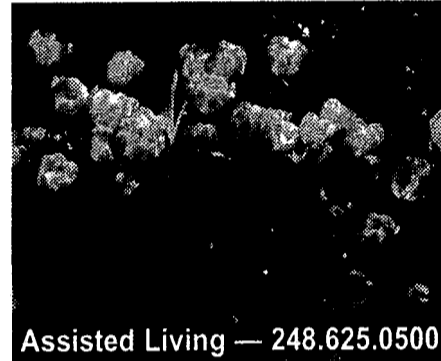
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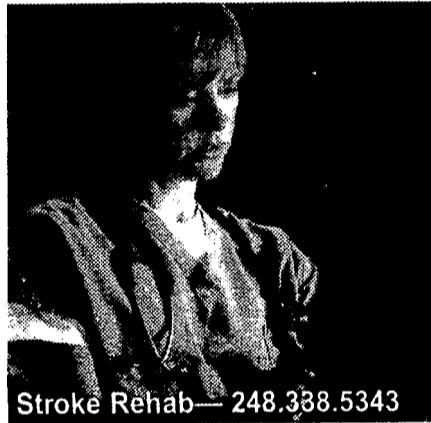
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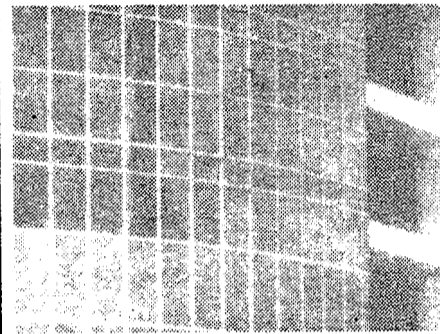
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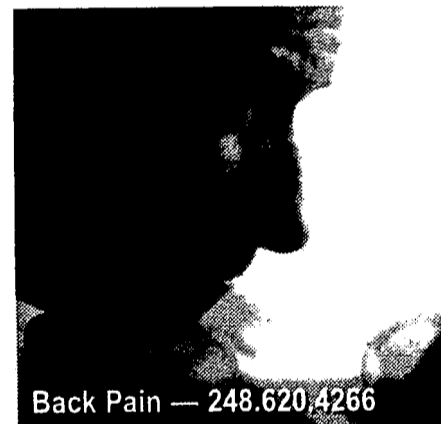


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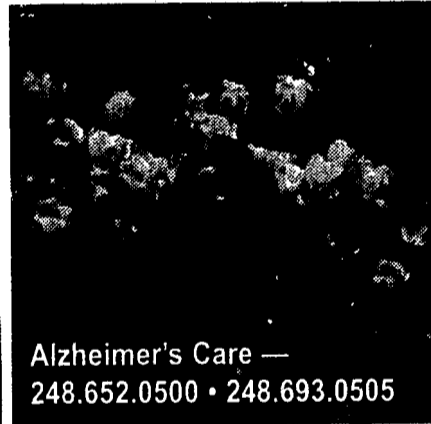


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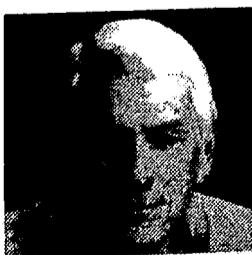


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Mr. Clean has powerwashing knowledge, experience

When Randy Solmen started his powerwashing business 14 years ago, he was in a unique profession. "There was no one else doing it at the time," he said. "I was one of the pioneers in the business."

Others are in the business now (some with Solmen's help), but few can boast of the experience and expertise demonstrated by the staff of Mr. Clean High Pressure Powerwashing.

"Just because you have the equipment doesn't mean you know how to use it," Solmen said.

Mr. Clean has nine employees who know how to do it right. Solmen said he treats them well, so they treat others well.

Decks, homes, fences, buildings, patios, pools and other concrete surfaces can be cleaned to the customer's satisfaction.

Wood decks and brick pavers have become popular additions to area homes, but Solmen said proper maintenance is crucial to their ongoing stability and beauty. Mr. Clean offers not only stripping and power washing services, but also the right advice on how to maintain decks and pavers without hurting the surface or nearby plants and landscaping.

"A lot of products look nice when they're new, but what does it take to maintain it?" he said.

Solmen does not recommend painting or staining of decks. A horizontal surface will peel, flake and fade, requiring additional applications which lead to an unsightly buildup. He recommends only two specific brands of wood sealing products to maintain natural beauty and promote long-term service of the wood surface.

Brick pavers require special attention, and Mr. Clean uses specialized equipment to clean walkways without causing flaking or peeling. Weeds are removed and sand is swept into cracks to provide stability to the surface. The equipment is designed (and used) to minimize overspray.

After cleaning, the crew can apply a special sealer to add a rich tone to the bricks and ensure a clean sheen.

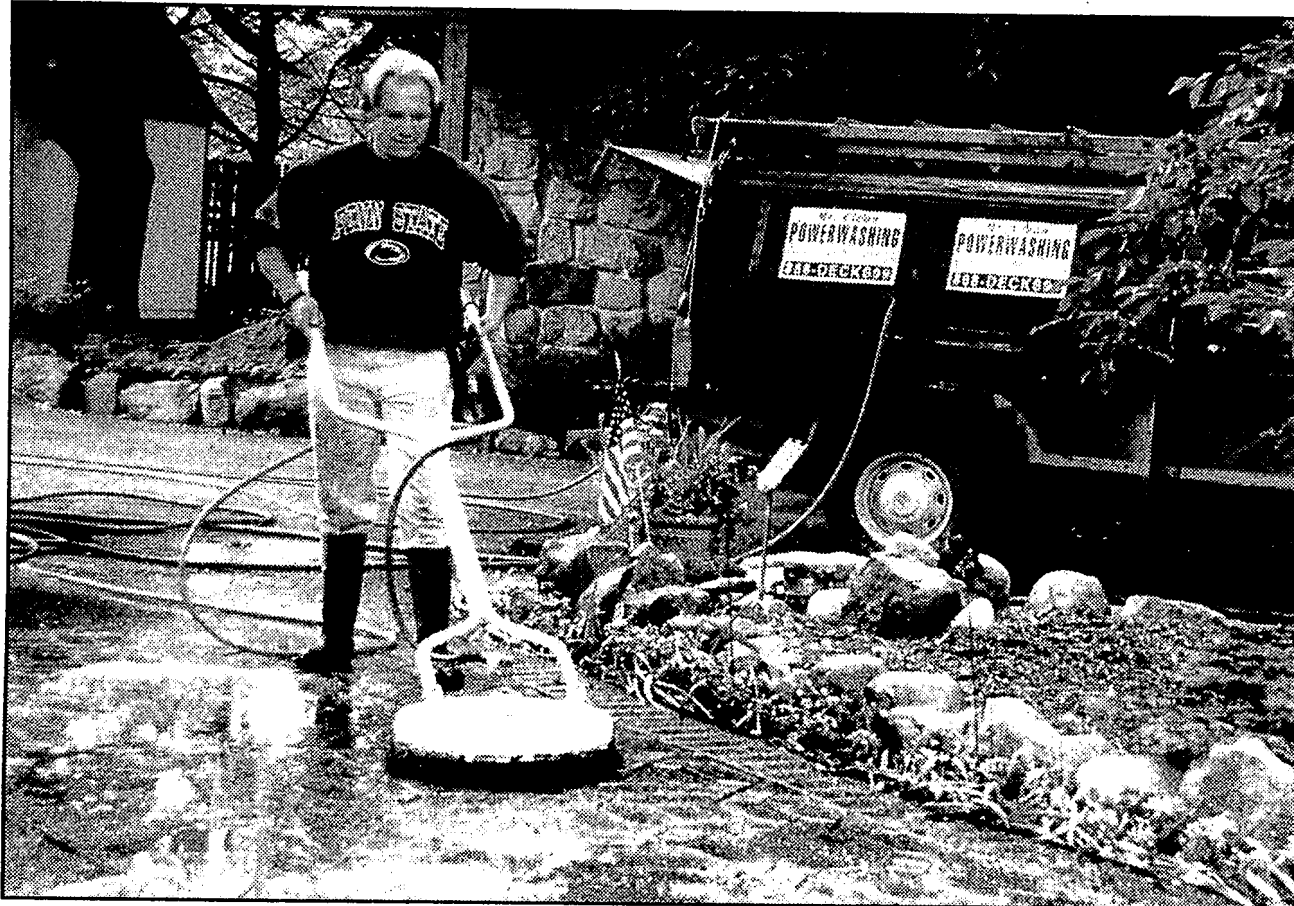
A Clarkston area resident since 1984, Solmen is involved in community activities when he is not working.

A Scout leader and youth hockey coach, Solmen plays drums for his church worship team and has a vision for an ongoing ministry called Safari for Christ. A hunting consultant, he has organized two trips to Africa so far and hopes to book more in the future.

Such activities show a commitment to the community which carries over into Solmen's business.

"I've been around, and I'll be around," he said.

Mr. Clean High Pressure Powerwashing operates from Solmen's Springfield Township home, and he maintains office hours from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday. Telephone is 248-625-3284.



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Gregg's Gourmet Cafe is 'here to stay'

There may have been a bit of confusion in the Clarkston area lately concerning Gregg's Gourmet Cafe. Some of the confusion was a result of the Ryeson family moving to Tampa, Florida for a year.

Well, they are back home in Clarkston and spreading the word that Gregg's Gourmet Cafe is here to stay.

Gregg and Michelle Ryeson live in Clarkston with daughters Gabrielle and Rachel. They all agree that Clarkston is a wonderful place to live and have enjoyed

witnessing first hand the growth of the community and their restaurant.

In business for over 13 years, the restaurant is better than ever. Absolutely everything on the menu is fresh and homemade, which is one of the many things that sets this restaurant apart from others.

Aside from the pizza and breadsticks people have come to love, Gregg's Gourmet Cafe also offers an extensive catering service.

The staff at Gregg's work long and hard to prepare great food for: weddings, parties or special events. Gregg's has catered to industries like General Motors, Warner Brothers and Polygram Records.

"Many people in the area don't realize that we of-

fer catering," said Michelle. "We want people to know we can do it all."

The Ryeson family is proud of their business. They are fortunate to have been established in the area for many years and hope to grow along with the growing community.

The vast five page catering menu includes simple to gourmet fare. Some of the favorites include: baked brie en croustade with granny smith apples, spinach and cheese phyllo triangles, southwest chili cheese tart, shrimp and scallop kabobs, baby back ribs, chicken marsala, tusca and scallopini, pasta primavera, prime rib, and many other delicious dishes.

They also offer homemade desserts and will grill on site at your next event.

The Ryesons are looking forward to making some changes with Gregg's Gourmet Cafe. They hope to add more options on the daily special board, and begin offering homemade pies.

"I just want the public to know that we will be offering many of their favorite treats," said Michelle. "We are a family-owned business and we think of our customers as family."

Gregg and Michelle are thrilled that their children take pride in the family business.

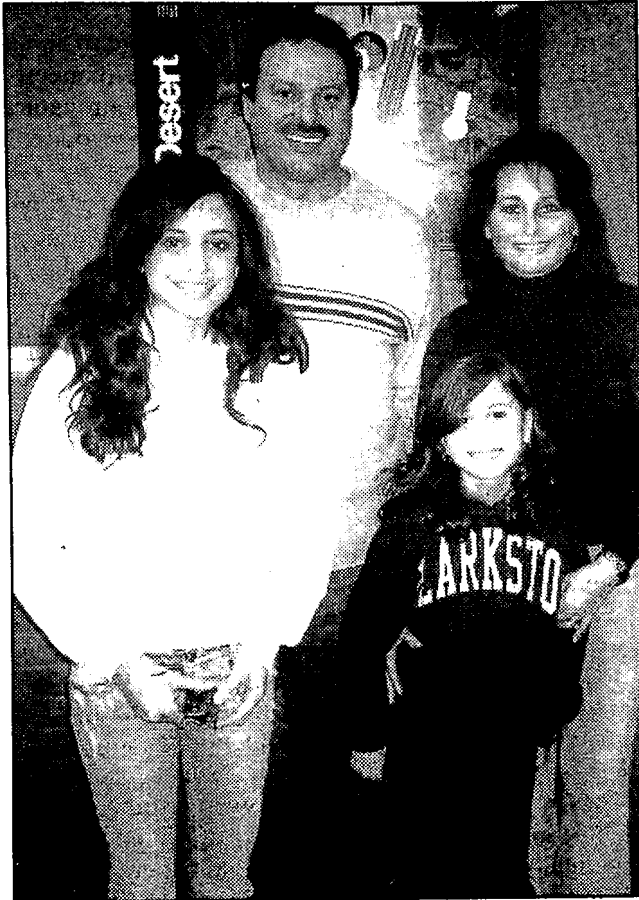
"When Gabrielle is here, she usually props herself up and assists customers at the register," said Gregg.

The family enjoys the quality of the restaurant and the people.

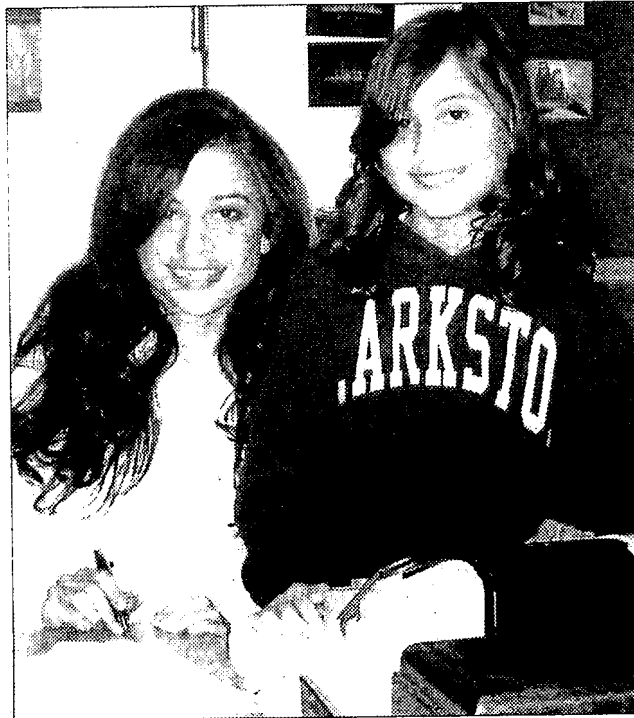
Michelle and Gregg both agree that without the loyalty of their customers, Gregg's Gourmet Cafe would not be the success it has grown to be.

Through the years, they have built many wonderful relationships in the area and look forward to a future filled with many more.

Gregg's Gourmet Cafe is located at 5914 S. Main Street in Clarkston. For more information, call 248-625-6612. For questions regarding catering, call toll free 1-866-GREGGS-1.



The Ryeson family enjoys the Clarkston area.



Gabrielle and Rachel enjoy assisting customers.

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No corporate sellout — Smith's Disposal is still local

Ken Smith's office is filled with reminders of what a truly local business means to the community.

Trophies from local sports teams sponsored by the 23-year-old business and photos of family members combine to reflect a truly local family business.

"There's not many family-owned garbage businesses left," said Smith. "We're the only large independent company left in the northern area."

Customers appreciate the local service, and Smith's Disposal appreciates that customers choose them to

provide pickup and recycling services in Springfield, Independence, Waterford and Brandon townships as well as portions of Holly, Groveland and Orion townships.

This past year, the company purchased a new garbage truck and a new recycling truck. Since garbage trucks can cost as much as \$150,000, that represents a significant investment in continued local service. About 37 employees keep busy with eight residential garbage pickup routes, three recycling routes a rolloff route and one commercial Dumpster route.

The business is a year-round affair, and Smith's Disposal could give the postal service a run on their familiar slogan of dependability.

"I can't remember a day we did not run," Smith said.

Smith, his mother Doris and his sister Carol Evans all share ownership. The company's longtime owner, Leonard H. Smith, Ken's father, died six and a half years ago.

Originally, the Smith family owned Clarkston Fuel and Supply for more than 20 years.

During that time, Ken also worked the summers driving an extra garbage truck for Ben Powell Disposal on Clarkston Road. The Powell family, who ran their business for 30 years, discussed selling, which led to the Smith's acquisition of the company and relocation.

Smith's Disposal is also involved in many aspects of community life, including membership with the Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce and the Clarkston Area Optimist Club.

For several years, the company has been a significant sponsor of the Clarkston High School graduate all-night party, and they sponsor youth baseball teams in Clarkston and Waterford as well.

Smith's Disposal and Recycling, Inc. is located at 5750 Terex, just off of Andersonville Road, in Springfield Township. Office hours are 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Call (248) 625-5470 for more information



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The Downing Clinic Welcomes Dr. Laura Kovalcik

The Downing Clinic is now in their 14th year of serving the health care needs of Clarkston and the surrounding areas.

In 2004, Laura Kovalcik, DO, Dr. Downing's daughter, joined the practice. Dr. Kovalcik is a board-certified internist with similar training as her mother — using natural supplements where possible and traditional medicine where that is the best solution.

This type of practice, called integrative medicine, is popular now, but Dr. Downing was a pioneer in bringing this type of medical practice to the Clarkston area in the late 1980s.

The Downing Clinic was also one of the first medical practices in the area to offer women experiencing menopause a more natural way to deal with changes. By using bioidentical hormones (long before Suzanne Somers' recent book became popular), Dr. Downing was recommending bioidentical hormones, progest-

erone cream, testosterone cream, herbal formulas and revised eating plans to help women experience improved wellness and vitality during menopause.

Now, both Dr. Downing and Dr. Kovalcik are helping their patients with the successful treatments established through research, scientific seminars and personal attention that The Downing Clinic is known for.

Some of the many support services The Downing Clinic their patients includes:

- massage, Reiki and Healing Touch
- hypnosis and counseling
- acupuncture
- IV therapy for Chelation and nutrition support
- Electrodermal (EDS) screening
- facial toning
- a wide selection of physician selected nutritional supplements, herbs and homeopathic remedies, books and CDs
- a wide selection of physician selected natural cosmetics and skin care products.

The best news for 2005 is that many of the staff that have been with us for years are still with us — Acupuncturist Jing Fei Huang, Medical Assistant Mickey Kellogg, Office Manager Tammy Marshall, EDS Specialist Jan De Vary, Billing Expert Karin Isbell, Product and Inventory Manager Judi Anderson, Massage and Reiki Therapist Vicki Evans, Counselor and Hypnosis Therapist John Miller, and our front desk staff: Karen, Peggy, Sue and Chris.

New to our team, Nancy Aksten joined our staff in August and will per-



form Electrodermal (EDS) screenings. She has over seven years experience in this area and will support Jan De Vary who has been our primary EDS specialist for over 10 years. EDS screens patients to determine if they have any toxicities, food allergies or unusual food stressors.

Nutritional recommendations are made based on this evaluation and follow up confirms if the program is working for each individual. (Photo supplied to support this content)

And, we are very pleased to let you know that we have launched our website. The address is [www.thedowningclinic-](http://www.thedowningclinic.com)

[.com](http://www.thedowningclinic.com). You'll find information about our staff, hours, types of conditions we treat, services we provide and what new patients need to know.

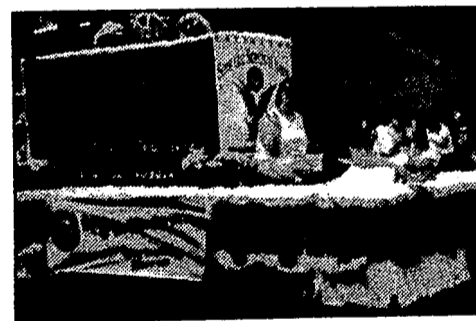
Also if you want to purchase a product, you'll be able to do so via the website instead of coming into the office or calling in for it. We know you'll like the time this will save you.

The Downing Clinic is located at 5639 Sashabaw Road, Clarkston, MI 48346. You may reach them by phone at 248-625-6677 or go to the website at www.thedowningclinic.com

Office hours are Monday through Friday 9 AM to 5 PM.



Clarkston Rotary Arch at Clintwood Spraypark



Clarkston Rotary Club puts on Clarkston Labor Day parade annually.

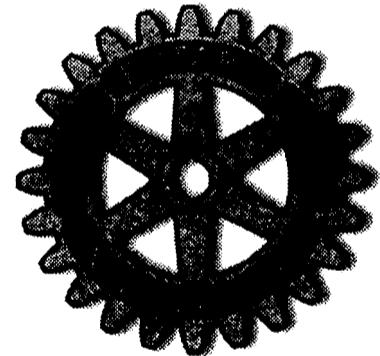


Even Santa helps sell the Clarkston Rotary's Goodfellow newspapers to support its annual "Shoes for Kids" program.

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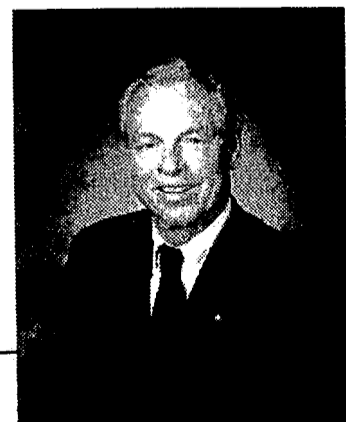
Where do they meet?

The Clarkston Cafe — 18 S. Main Street in downtown Clarkston — on Mondays from 6:30pm to 8:00pm.

What does the Rotary do?

The Rotary provides a great place to network and meet new people and... sponsors many community and international service activities.

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John Halleran,
President
Clarkston Rotary Club



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Clarkston Family Dental

Making more and more people smile everyday

In business for over 30 years, Clarkston Family Dental continues to spread the joy of dentistry throughout the area.

The working environment of the office is spelled clearly in the name – Clarkston Family Dental, where patients are treated like family.

“We do not try to sell dentistry,” said Foster. “We do what the patients need in order to maintain their oral health.”

With a staff of over 14, the office is reliable, enthusiastic, agreeable and most importantly, prepared to tailor their services for each and every patient. Staff members agree that the comfort of the patient is key; and if they want something accomplished a certain way, the staff will do what they can to make that possible.

“We will personalize people’s care,” said Foster. “This is a family practice and we like to treat our patients like family.”

The office provides a variety of services to meet the patients needs: cosmetic dentistry, restorative dentistry, routine cleaning and x-rays. This is a full service dental office with many smiling faces all around. The practice aims to cater to

patients of all ages. The office accepts all major insurance and even finances for cash paying customers.

Most people hold off going to the dentist, and some don’t go at all because of a past experience. This is where the doctors at Clarkston Family Dental urge patients to come to their establishment and experience the difference.

“We want people to come in and receive the proper dental care,” said Foster. “I know people have had many experiences in the past, but we need to move forward and make people comfortable.”

How do you actually make people feel comfortable in a dentist office? For the staff at Clarkston Family Dental, the answer is obvious: patients feel comfortable because the staff is caring, consistent and gentle.

According to Foster, his practice is strong and successful because of the staff members.

“We just couldn’t do it without them,” said Foster.

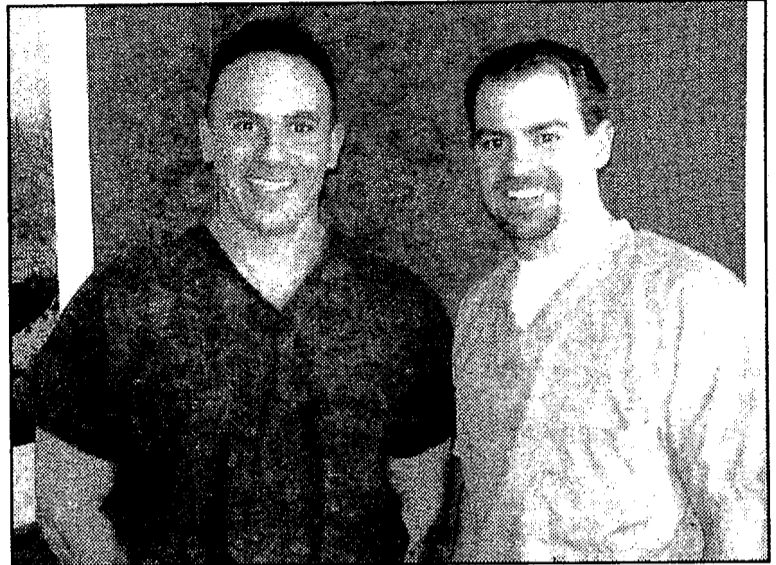
Clarkston Family Dental looks forward to a wonderful year. Dr. Foster and Dr. Fleming anticipate some changes with

technology and equipment, in order to better serve the community.

Clarkston Family Dental is definitely a step above the rest, and proves everyday the next 30 years will be even better.

Clarkston Family Dental accepts most major insurance policies.

Clarkston Family Dental is located at 6778 Bluegrass Drive in Clarkston. Business hours are Monday 12 p.m. – 7:30 p.m., Tuesday and Thursday 8:15 a.m. – 5:30 p.m., Wednesday 8:15 a.m. – 7 p.m. and Saturday hours available. For more information, or to schedule your appointment, call 248-625-2424.



Dr. Foster, owner, and Dr. Fleming, of Clarkston Family Dental, believe in treating patients like family and urge the Clarkston community to stop in.



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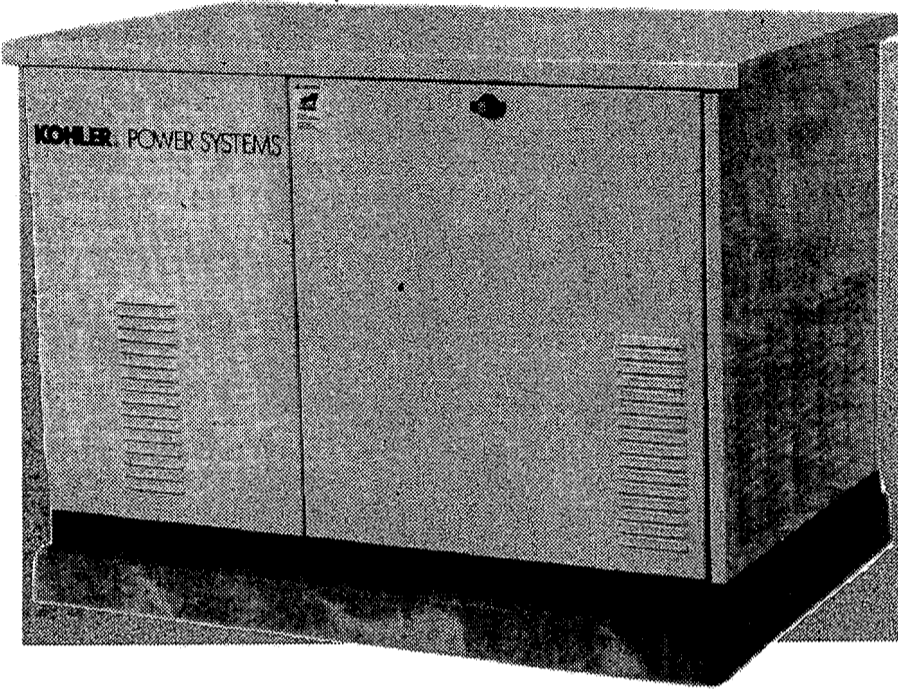
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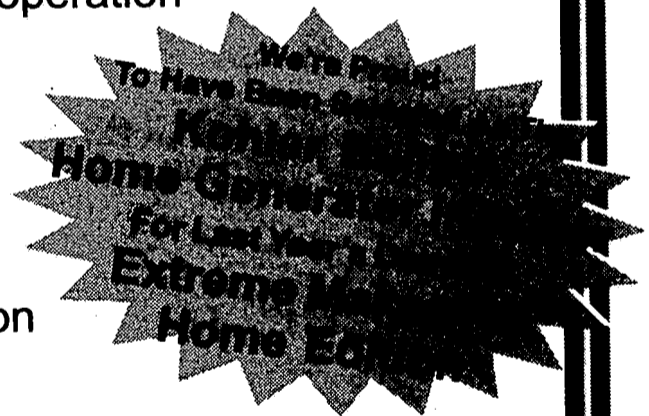
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Manager/coach Bill Clark said the staff has worked hard to earn top status by keeping agents educated, informed and dedicated to thorough service.

"The reason we are number one is we do pay attention to detail," Clark said. "We have the best training program in the state."

That training includes a 90-day program for new agents at their Sterling Heights headquarters. Agents tend to stay with the company (many since the company was formed in 1989), adding to their reputation of

experience.

"We have a good, experienced, helpful staff," said Clark.

The Clarkston office was founded as Clarkston Real Estate Services in 1989, later affiliated with the national Coldwell Banker company and merging with Schweitzer (the third largest agency in southeast Michigan) in 1999.

The 47 agents and seven office staff know what it takes to help buyers and sellers. Real estate agents have several national designations to which they can aspire, and the Clarkston office has 10.2 percent of all the national designations in the North Oakland County Board of Realtors.

The agents believe in giving back to the community, and have done so with annual participation in the Toys for Tots campaign, last December collecting around 2,500 toys. They've also adopted up to 100 senior citi-

zens through Lighthouse Emergency Services each year for the past nine years, and helped raise \$38,000 for the agency in a February event at which three top sponsors were from the agency. The Clarkston office also holds a Fire Safety Day in October, inviting the community to participate in learning about fire safety from the Independence Township fire department.

Starting in 2005, the Clarkston office will be the headquarters for the Oakland Liver Transplant Fund. As part of this, the office is helping Teresa Tersigni, a loan originator with a mortgage company in the same building. Teresa needs a liver transplant, and the Clarkston office is helping to raise money for her expenses. They will be helping to organize and run a variety of fund-raisers during the year to assist in uncovered medical costs, which will exceed \$400,000.

An account has been set up at Clarkston State Bank, donations can be made out to Oakland Liver Transplant Fund, c/o Coldwell Banker Schweitzer, 7151 N. Main St., Clarkston, MI 48346.

The Oakland County Board of Realtors gives an annual humanitarian award, and six of the last 10 recipients were from Coldwell Banker Schweitzer Real Estate's Clarkston office.

The majority of the business is in residential real estate, although two agents also help commercial customers. Some specialize in new home construction.

While some are still concerned about the state of the economy, Clark said "all the indicators" show a comeback. In the Clarkston area, the real estate market is always a busy one.

"Clarkston is a premier area," he said, with quality neighborhoods, shopping and schools. "It's everything anybody would want."

Coldwell Banker Schweitzer Real Estate is located at 7151 N. Main St. Hours are 9 a.m. - 6 p.m., Monday through Friday; 9 a.m. - 5 p.m., Saturday; and 10 a.m. - 5 p.m., Sunday. Telephone is 248-625-1000. For more information, visit www.cbschweitzer.com.



Pictured are just a few of the many community activities Coldwell Banker Schweitzer Real Estate participates with and organizes in the Clarkston community.



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Claudia Armstrong, branch manager for Park Place Mortgage, opened the Clarkston location just 14 months ago, on Dec. 7, 2003. At that time, the business had only two employees. Today, the branch is full with 13 loan officers.

Because Park Place offers a variety of programs, the staff is always busy assisting clients any way possible.

"I believe our challenges are communicating and educating the people of the greater Clarkston area of the vast number of new loan programs available," said Armstrong.

The goal for Park Place is to meet the needs of the client, not only short-term, but also taking long-term.

"In today's market, there is a huge

amount of misleading advertising," said Armstrong. "We consider it our privilege and duty to dispose of the myths and give sound and honest advice to our clients while maintaining professionalism and integrity."

With mortgages come rates, and today rates are very close amongst companies. Park Place employees are adamant on helping clients to find the best rate and program for them.

The philosophy for Park Place is simple: when a service is provided for clients, there is no hidden agenda or surprises. The entire clientele base of Park Place repeats their business, proving a track record success.

Park Place Mortgage provides convenience for their clientele by dealing with over 70 lenders. Because the assortment of lenders varies, the client is faced with many options, rather than being told they only qualify for one or two.

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People faced with situations that may restrict them from achieving a loan can find assistance at Park Place. The company offers programs including: financing, 2nd mortgages, lines of credit, jumbo loans, ARM products, interest only programs, balloon programs, FHA/VA,

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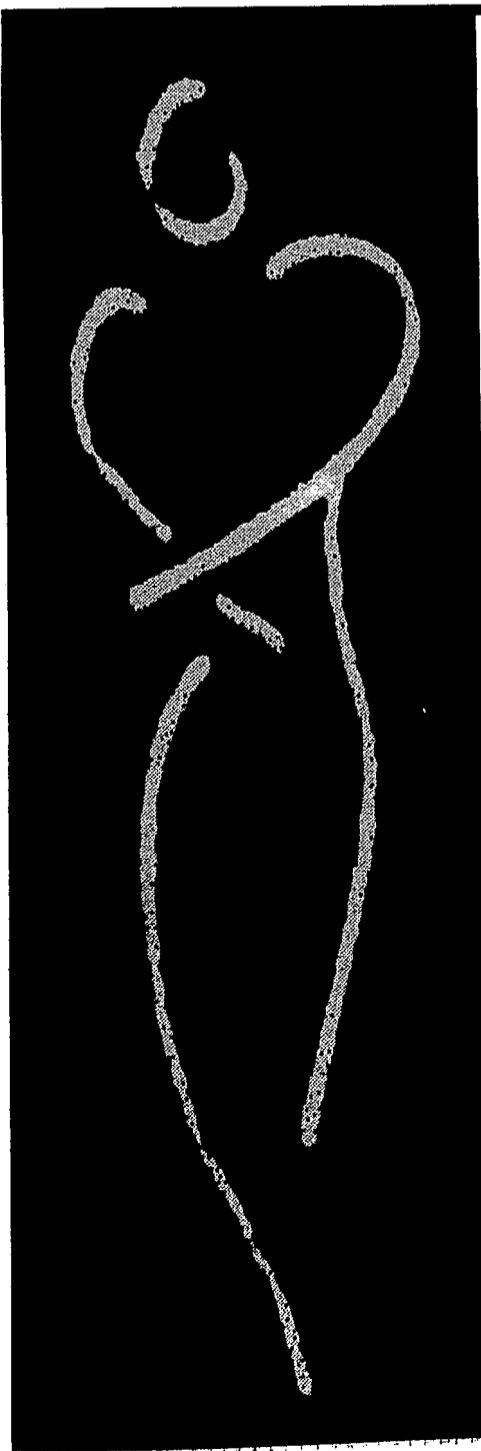
"I encourage everyone in the Clarkston area to contact our office," said Armstrong. "We are an honest bunch of

people who care about the well-being of our customers."

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The school of cosmetology allows for individuals to attend an institution where the learning environment is not only lectures and books – but also an opportunity for hands on teaching and expression.

Students at Michigan College of Beauty are trained in every aspect of the cosmetology field.

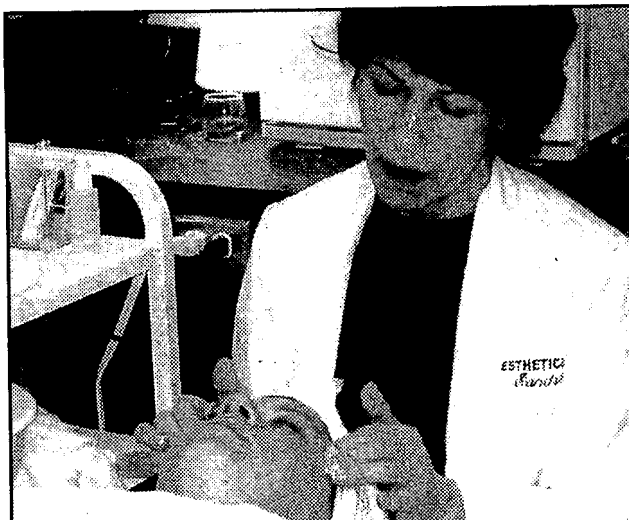
Once a student successfully tests out of a subject, they are able to work on the floor assisting customers.

Areas of study include: hair, nails, facials, makeup and hair removal. Typically, course completion takes a year, depending on the area of study.

Students who attend Michigan College of Beauty are at an advantage – these students have the comfort of small classrooms with one-on-one teaching. Instructors at the college are licensed, and must maintain yearly accreditation.

The nail area teaches students manicures, pedicures, artificial nails and paraffin dip. Also, the Esthetics program educates students on facials, seaweed body wrapping, makeup application, full body waxing and treatments for the eyes.

The programs offered are for everyone. Michigan College of Beauty aims to please men, women and chil-



Sandra Smith gives Sandy Sander a relaxing facial as part of the Esthetics program at the college.



Mrs. Rose helps Sharif Albarkat practice hair care needs by demonstrating technique on a mannequin

dren. With each area of study, the students are taught to perform for all age groups.

If all this sounds too good to be true, then the prices may shock you.

Typically, individuals consider a day at the salon quite an expense. The prices at Michigan College of Beauty are very inexpensive: haircuts run \$8 and facials run from \$20 up to \$45 for the high-end facial.

"We train our students to be well prepared to deal with clients," said Allison Murphy, admissions director.

Students who have graduated to working on the floor with clients, continue to receive plenty of support. They are observed carefully by licensed instructors.

"Our students learn from experienced professionals, not just someone lecturing from a book," said Murphy. "That makes it a lot easier for a student to grasp the information."

Students work for perfection in all they do. They are expected to master all assignments without flaws.

The bottom line is simple: Michigan College of Beauty is an institution that puts forth great effort to prepare students for the competitive world of cosmetology. The graduation rate is successful.

"We take pride in what we do," said Murphy. "We are proud of our students and their accomplishments."

Michigan College of Beauty is located at 5620 Dixie Highway in Waterford. Business hours are Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.; Thursday 8:30 a.m. – 9 p.m.; and Saturday 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.

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Maria Rotondo Mark

Makeover Place Salon is a friendly, fun, invigorating, eye opening, spirit raising and relaxing environment. The salon brings light to peoples eyes and character to their appearance.

For Maria, beauty goes beyond the outer self. The importance of beauty is skin deep and without inner beauty, self respect and confidence, beauty is something that is no more.

An individual who carries these characteristics is flawlessly beautiful - the outer beauty is just a bonus. Maria feels deeply that her job is an important one. She loves the challenge of building trust with a newclients.

"If someone new comes into the salon, I get to know that person on a personal level before I am able to do anything," said Maria.

Maria speaks time and time again that a special relationship is necessary in order to have a healthy clientele base. A relationship must first be established and a certain understanding is helpful before any work is done.

People experience different levels of frustrations everyday, and when individuals come to Makeover Place Salon, Maria tries to understand that person's feelings at that moment and then works to accomplish that person's goal without all the words.

"I believe it is important for the client and myself to come to an agreement," said Maria. "I accept that person in that moment for what is and work toward when can be."

Maria spreads the gift of communication, friendship and respect. Her salon has no limits and does not draw the line anywhere. Open to all who strive to feel the importance of themselves. Maria urges everyone - male, female and children - to walk through the doors of better self and allow the light to shine down on their dreams, on their feelings and their needs at that moment.

"My life has purpose because of who I am," said Maria. "I meet new people, I build great new relationships and I am excited to continue."

Makeover Place Salon stands apart from other salons for many reasons. Maria knows each of her customers and has a level of importance for each of them. They are her friends; they are her purpose.

Maria explains that certain looks form a sense of security for certain individuals, and a lot of people fear going to a salon and changing their style because they may fear that security will be stripped.

Maria says that nobody has bad hair. Hair is hair, and sometimes, maybe when things are not the way they want or stress is a factor. A makeover can help. Each time you visit the salon, you give yourself the opportunity to express.

The world is a busy one and people seem to have a million things on their to do list. One more item on that list will not hurt, that item could make all the difference. Because of schedules and hectic lives, individuals may neglect the one area that will bring satisfaction and happiness: personal care. MakeOver Place Salon can be your first stop on your list of things to do.

The MakeOver Place Salon is well-known and has a strong foundation. Each brick that holds up the building represents a relationship, a respect and a new fabulous look.

To feel good about yourself and enjoy great company, call MakeOver Place Salon at 248-623-9348 and ask for Maria. Business hours are: Tuesday through Friday, 9a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., and evening by appointment. MakeOver Place Salon is located at 5888 Dixie Highway in Clarkston.



Maria brings humor as her client, Heather Crean, expresses her haircare needs. Maria tries to achieve everyone one of her clients' goals, whiling having a good time in the process.

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It's always a great day at Merry Maids. Just ask any of their many, many satisfied customers.

Owners Ron and Janna McCann, who have been with Merry Maids since 1994, opened the Clarkston location in September 2003. Since that time, the company has built a loyal client base that reflects the company's commitment to high quality home cleaning.

"We definitely have a larger clientele and we have a larger staff now," said Amy Escobedo, Clarkston branch manager. "We have grown so much."

In fact, the Clarkston location has experienced so many growth spurts, the cleaning business is looking for a new location.

"We are looking for a larger, more visible office so we can provide more convenience to our customers," said Escobedo, who started with Merry Maids in 2001 as a teammate. "Our goal is to be able to provide walk-in service."

Currently, Merry Maids offers many services to clients needing a "clean sweep" of their homes. The company specializes in deep cleaning techniques.

"It's a more thorough procedure," McCann said. "We have set procedures for each room of the house."

For regular customers, a rotation approach is taken to a home. A different room is "deep cleaned" each time the home is cleaned to keep the spring-cleaning feel fresh all year long. The staff uses a nonabrasive line of products designed especially for Merry Maids.

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Merry Maids is ready to make your day great. Serving the Clarkston area are Meghan Handy, Sue Douglas, Pamela Deblauwe, Branch Manager Amy Escobedo and Amanda Wyman.

trained members of the Merry Maid staff.

Known as teammates, the Merry Maid staff members go through intense training to execute the high standards required. Extensive background checks, a day of orientation and two weeks of training are all part of the process to become a Merry Maids teammate servicing the Clarkston area.

"We look for positive attitudes and work ethics," said McCann.

Accountability and dependability are traits checked not only by the teammates, but also by their supervisors. At the Clarkston office, Escobedo does random checks of homes to make sure Merry Maids' standards have been followed by the staff.

The quality work atmosphere and company philosophies result in staff

members who are proud and happy to represent Merry Maids. Teammates often work their way up to higher positions in the company. Their green and purple uniforms are always easy to identify.

"We like to promote from within," said McCann. "We don't want to take away from our employees."

The Merry Maids Clarkston office is located at 3694 West Clarkston Road and services a large area.

"We now service both northern Macomb and northern Oakland counties," said Amy Escobedo, Clarkston branch manager. "We're able to assist our customers in areas not previously served."

There are no set fees for the services at Merry Maids: costs are based on the contents and conditions of indi-

vidual homes. Merry Maids often works with other cleaning services, such as those for outdoor windows, to provide a complete service for customers.

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Salon Williams, special in many ways

When the staff at Salon Williams looks out the frontbuilding long-lasting relationships with both clients and door, they are in plain sight of four other salons.

Salon owner Ida Williams is keenly aware of the with such a legacy. competition, and says, "There's really nothing we can do about it."

"The only reasonable response to increased competition is to work harder to give clients what they want."

That said, Williams and her team are committed to educate clients on what makes the Salon Williams experience unique.

In business for 30 years, Salon Williams has a history of providing the highest quality personal care services at value pricing. The business has a tradition of

staff, and is aware of the responsibilities which come with such a legacy.

While Salon Williams is proud of its heritage, it is also an organization dedicated to progress.

One big change came recently when the salon became a "Redken Elite" salon. This unique designation means the salon now uses and recommends Redken products exclusively.

"We're thrilled to be an elite salon," said Williams. "It allows us to educate our team and serve our clients like never before."

The salon prides itself in having a great team of highly educated professionals and often hosts classes

taught by national educators.

"Having access to such high level education is one more way we are different from other salons," said Williams.

Another distinction - the business is one of the largest salons in the area with a staff of over 20, some who have been with the salon since its inception.

"As the business grew we needed to add team members," said Williams. "So we started a mentor-training program."

The program allows recent cosmetology school graduates to work with experienced stylists until they have refined their skills.

"It's a great opportunity for the graduates and for the salon," said Williams.

Salon Williams provides services for men, women and teens. The salon has also extended business hours including morning and evening appointments.

The experienced staff offers an extensive array of services including: complete hair care, manicures, pedicures, artificial nail enhancements, massage therapy, skin care and waxing.

"Our goal is to grow the business by 10% this year," said Williams.

Some planned improvement includes: advanced education for the technical teams, enhanced marketing, online appointment scheduling, a new website and referral program.

"I think this is a realistic goal," said Williams. "We have a great team and with the support of our loyal clients, 2005 should be a very good year."

For your personal care needs visit Salon Williams, located in the Waterfall Plaza at 5677 Dixie Highway, in Waterford. Business hours are Monday 10 a.m. - 6 p.m., Tuesday 9 a.m. - 8 p.m., Wednesday 11 a.m. - 9 p.m., Thursday 9 a.m. - 8 p.m., Friday 9 a.m. - 6 p.m., and Saturday 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. For your appointment, call 248-623-6654



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Saturn facility expands to better serve local guests

What was Saturn North is now Saturn of Clarkston. Along with the new name are a new look for the Springfield Township facility and new models from which to choose.

What has not changed is Saturn's philosophy of keeping customers in low stress mode.

"We still operate in a no-hassle, no-haggle environment," said retail manager Rick Clift. "We want people to be comfortable."

Clift, who has been in the auto business for more than 20 years and at Saturn of Clarkston for two years, said the interior colors and casual decor were deliberately chosen to promote a distinctive experience for their guests.

Saturn of Clarkston is part of the Al Serra Auto Group, which has a strong reputation in ethics and integrity.

Some of the terminology illustrates the difference. Saturn of Clarkston is a facility, not a dealership. People who walk in the door are guests, not customers, and the guests are never required to negotiate a price.

While maintaining the distinctives, Saturn is now a completely integrated division of General Motors, taking advantage of common advances in technology and design.

Already available is the new Saturn RELAY seven-passenger sport van, which Clift described as a joint venture with other GM products.

"Saturn is combining great quality and value," Clift said.

At the North American International Auto Show, meanwhile, Saturn introduced their first convertible, the SKY, scheduled to be available in early 2006; and the Aura concept car.

Saturn of Clarkston continues to rack up awards, with one of the most recent coming from Saturn Corporation for exceeding standards in both sales and customer satisfaction in 2004.

The Dixie Highway facility was built around 1990, and the interior renovation was accompanied by an

expanded parking lot, adding space for about 400 new vehicles.

Saturn of Clarkston has a stable sales staff who are committed to supporting the community. The local business participates in the Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce and supports the American Red Cross, National Donor Day, local sports teams and Clarkston's Concerts in the Park.

Saturn of Clarkston is located at 8400 Dixie Highway in Springfield Township. Sales hours are 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Thursday; 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday and 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday. Service department hours are 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Thursday; 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday and 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday. Telephone is (248) 620-8800. Fax is (248) 620-9750. Web site is www.saturnofclarkston.com.



Rick Clift, new car sales manager for Saturn of Clarkston, stands with the new Saturn RELAY sport van (front) and the 2005 L300.2 sedan (back).

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Pine Tree Place makes assisted living 'a family affair'

Pine Tree Place opened in February 1999, but many may be unfamiliar with who they are and what they do.

Reversing the trend of large conglomerates, Sandy Mabery, along with his parents and sisters, opened a purpose-built home for the frail elderly.

"We are not an assisted-living facility; we are an assisted living home. Rather than call it 'home-like,' we refer to it as a home," said Mabery.

Pine Tree Place has redefined what home-like should truly represent. There are no huge dining halls, sitting areas or commercial kitchens at Pine Tree Place. A beautifully furnished living room and dining room is connected by a centrally-located open kitchen as the focus of the home.

Apartments are not connected by long corridors, but nicely-appointed bedrooms open into short hallways leading to the living areas of the home.

The home does not have 50 to 100 elderly residents sharing a building. Instead, it is a home with 18 to 20 people who have truly become a family.

Mabery's sister, Crystal Carrier, is director of operations and a Licensed Practical Nurse with more than 30 years of nursing experience. She also has a degree in human resource management with a specialization in gerontology and previous experience working at senior centers in Macomb County.

"On most days you will find my brother or father doing maintenance jobs, or my younger sister, Kim, volunteering in the office," said Carrier, "and we have some great employees who have been with us since we opened. Pine Tree Place is truly a family business."

Pine Tree Place combines the features of the traditional home with the amenities of a modern assisted living facility. The 9,500-square-foot ranch-style home has 18 bedrooms with private baths, with a licensed capacity for 20 residents. Monthly fees for the basic level of care ranges from \$2,585 to \$3,650 and includes three home-cooked meals per day, weekly housekeeping, weekly laundry, cable television, medication assis-

tance and activities including exercise therapy.

Pine Tree Place has a high staff to resident ratio and Carrier is on call 24 hours a day to assist the staff.

Residents are encouraged to treat Pine Tree Place like their own home.

"If a resident is having trouble sleeping and wants to come out for milk and cookies at 2 a.m., that's fine," Carrier said. "The midnight shift loves to visit with the residents whenever possible."

In 2005, they plan to build a 12-unit senior apartment building on their 4.6-acre site.

"These units will cater to more independent seniors, but will still offer housekeeping, laundry, emergency call system and one meal per day," Mabery said. Plans in-

clude both efficiencies and one-bedroom apartments with full kitchens. All will be handicapped accessible.

Their first priority is the customer, but Mabery said they also strive to make Pine Tree Place an enjoyable work environment for employees, also.

"We realize happy employees are critical to the success of a business; they are the front line that keep the customers satisfied," he said. "We don't necessarily look for employees with long-term care experience, but we look for caring, compassionate individuals who like working with the elderly and train them on-site."

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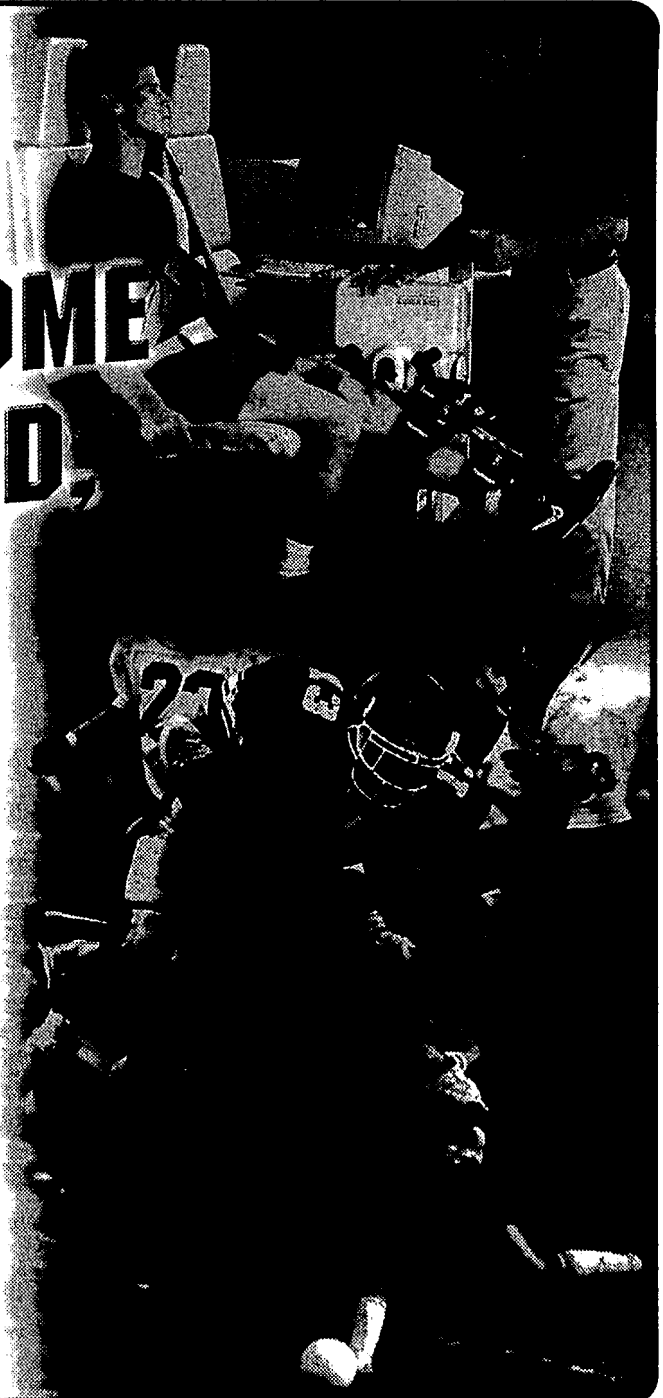
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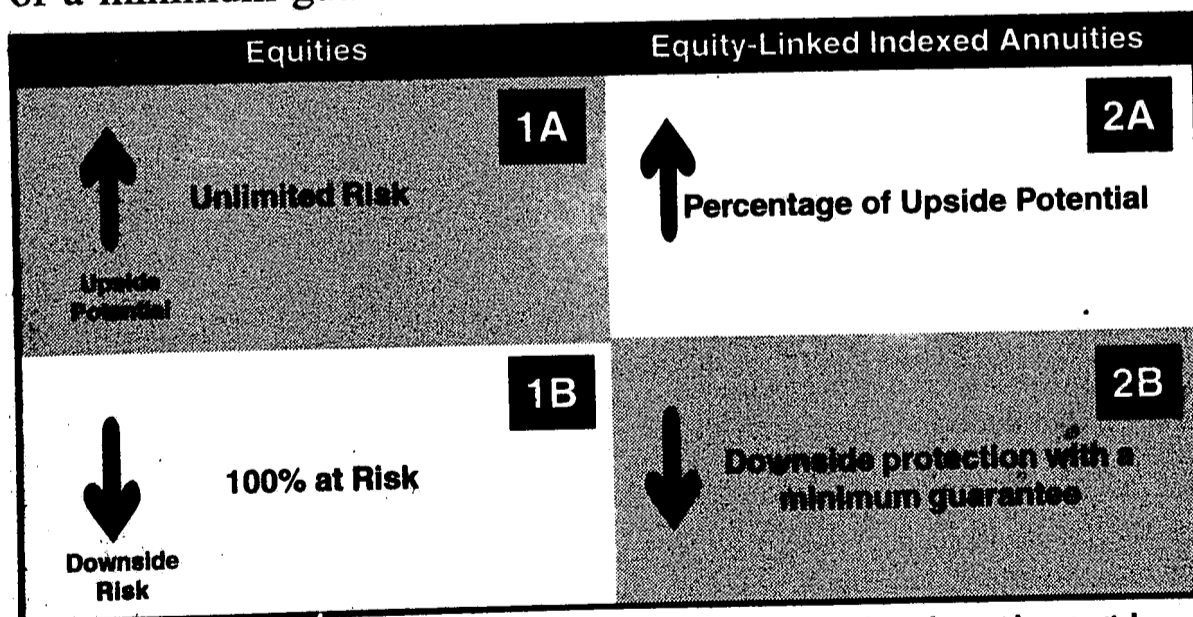
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