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## Voters elect 3 school trustees

The ballots are in after the May 3 school board election. The results came in about 11:05 p.m. on May 3. The elected members are:

Stephen J. Hyer and Ronald D. Sullivan for the four-year term. Barry Bomier takes the two-year seat.

Hyer received 1,426 votes, Sullivan received 1,455 votes and Bomier received 881 votes.

Candidates David Lohmeier received 1,273 votes, Robin Matczak received 717 votes and Barbara Seiltz received 647 votes.

The new board members will be sworn in on June 27, and will take their seats as part of the Clarkston Community Board of Education the first meeting in July.

## FBI joins sheriff in investigation of bank robbery

BY DON SCHELSKE

Clarkston News Staff Writer

The FBI and the Oakland County Sheriff's Office are investigating an armed robbery at the Standard Federal Bank branch on M-15 on April 26.

The gunman escaped with more than \$9,000 cash, according to sheriff reports, after waving a semi-automatic pistol at bank tellers. No one was injured in the incident.

Witnesses said the suspect, who was wearing a ski mask, gloves and baggy clothing, jumped over the teller's counter and told the on-duty tellers to drop to the floor. One teller apparently hesitated, and the robber pushed a chair at her, reports said.

The suspect took cash from at least one teller's drawer, dropping some and ordering another teller to pick it up off the floor. The gunman put the money into a plastic grocery-style bag before leaving the building.

Witnesses said the suspect drove away in a white Buick with a Mackinaw Bridge-style license plate bearing a possible partial license number of "MI 5UL." The vehicle was last seen traveling south on M-15 toward I-75, reports said.

While the bank surveillance video recorded good images, detectives said the baggy clothing would make physical identification difficult. The best information gained from witnesses said the suspect was a black male between 5 feet-6 inches and 5 feet-8 inches tall.

A county sheriff crime lab technician was able to get two shoe prints from the counter, reports said, but local investigators reported no progress in the case as of Monday.



Bystanders (above) watch as firefighters continue their efforts to extinguish the multiple vehicle fires on I-75 on April 30. Smoke fills the sky (below) as gasoline-splattered vehicles burn. The northbound side of the freeway was closed for several hours as state police continued their investigation and firefighters cleaned the roadway. Photos by Don Schelske and Jenny Matteson



## Fiery crash kills 3 on I-75

BY DON SCHELSKE

Clarkston News Staff Writer

As of Monday afternoon, three people had died and one was described by Michigan State Police as "critically injured" after a fiery weekend crash on northbound I-75 just south of Sashabaw Road.

Multiple pillars of black smoke marked the scene at about 3:30 p.m. on April 30, as a total of five ve-

hicles burned after a two-vehicle head-on collision.

According to a state police press release, a southbound 2002 Chevrolet S-10 pickup truck crossed the median, striking a northbound 2004 Jeep Cherokee. The crash spread burning gasoline, which caused three other vehicles to catch fire.

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### Millstream

Clarkston Lions Club celebrates new charter.

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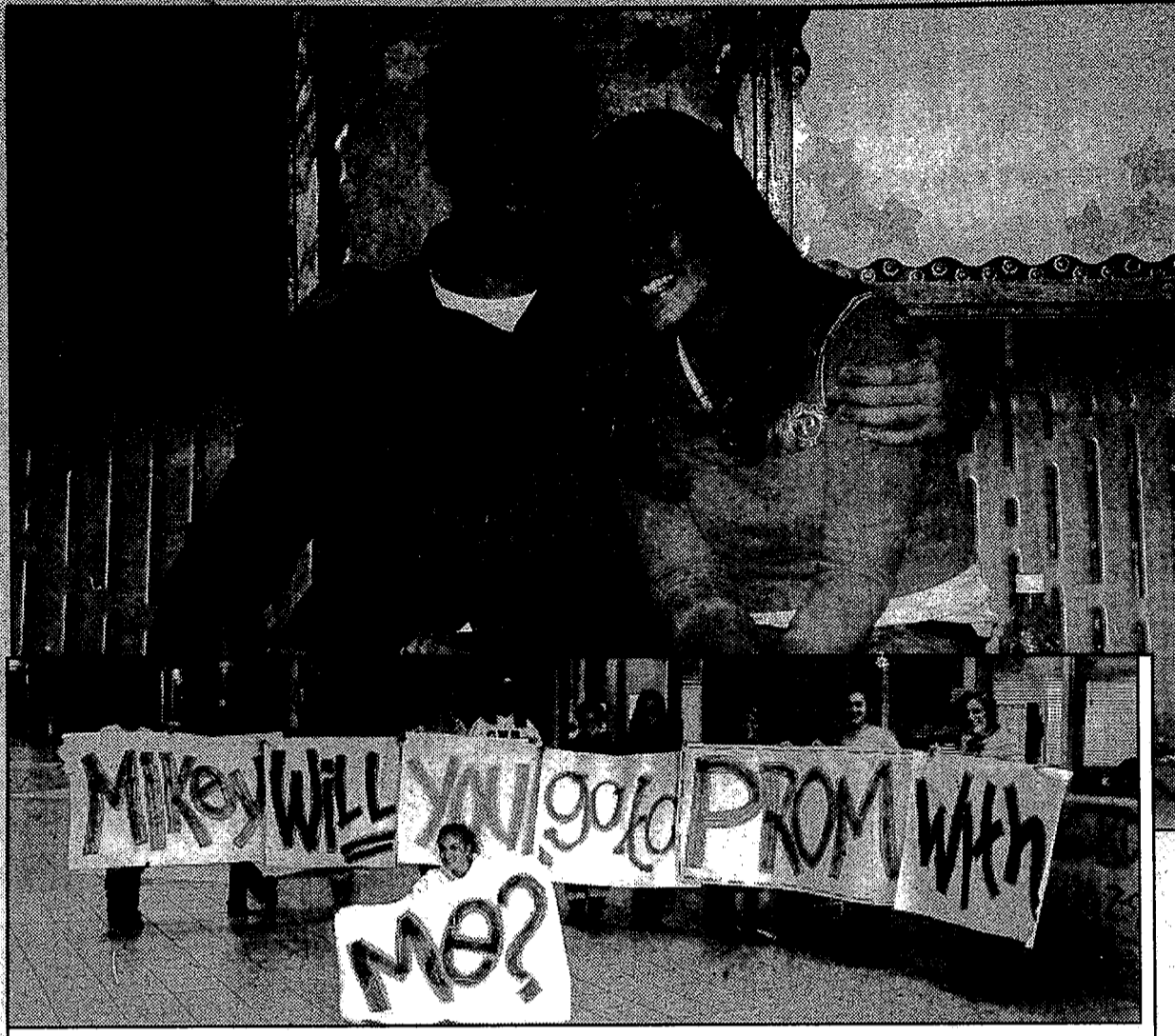
### Sports

Eric Bryan's three-run shot carries Wolves over Falcons.

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# For those who want to know...



For all those "inquiring minds who want to know" whether or not Mike Medonis agreed to Meghan Bonk's larger than life proposal, the answer was yes. "I was excited and laughing at the same time and of course I was a little embarrassed," said Medonis. "Then my plan worked," said Bonk. When asked about whether or not they felt the publicity would help propel them to homecoming king and queen status, the couple responded quickly and in unison "definitely." Photo by Noah Purcell

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Making use of a modern computer database (above) are Michael Baker, M.D., Nasser Sukhon, M.D., Dawn Ferguson, M.A., and Lena Brown, M.A. Representing other caring medical staff (below) are Tim O'Neill, D.O., Mary Beth Fladzinski, R.N., James O'Neill, M.D., and Lisa Craft, R.N.



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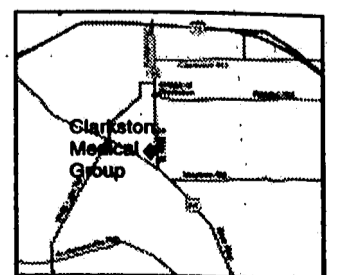
## Community Health News Topic: Osteoporosis

Among the myriad of problems we as individuals and society face with the aging of the Baby Boomers is bone health. Osteoporosis and the related osteopenia are increasing and often under recognized major health conditions. Osteoporosis is a disease characterized by low bone mass and structural deterioration of bone tissue, leading to bone fragility and an increased susceptibility to fractures. The conditions themselves cause no symptoms and are thus "silent" risk factors for major health consequences resulting from the related bone fractures particularly of the spine and hip. It is estimated that 44 million Americans, or 55 percent of the people 50 years of age and older are affected. One in two women and one in four men over age 50 will have an osteoporosis-related fracture in her/his remaining lifetime. While osteoporosis is often thought of as an older person's disease, it can strike at any age. Certain people are more likely to develop osteoporosis than others.

A partial list of risk factors include: being female (although males are affected as well), family history of osteoporosis, estrogen deficiency in females (especially following menopause) and testosterone deficiency in males, smoking and alcohol use, low body weight, nutritional deficiencies, physical inactivity and certain medications. Testing for osteoporosis can be done with a simple Bone Mineral Density scan, a non-invasive test readily available from your health care provider. Screening is recommended for all women following menopause or surgical removal of ovaries, men over age 70; adults with fractures with minimal trauma, and adults on certain medications or other risk factors. Treatment involves correction of underlying risk factors such as smoking cessation, increasing exercise and supplemental dietary calcium and vitamin D. There are several prescription medications available, which will restore bone density and lessen risk of associated fractures. Individuals are encouraged to discuss personal risk with their physician and determine whether Bone Density screening or other preventive measures are appropriate for them.

Source: National Osteoporosis Foundation (NOF.ORG)

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# The Second Front

## Briefly

### Spring clean-ups set

The Charter Township of Independence has set their Spring Clean-up Days on May 14 and 21 from 8 a.m. - 3 p.m. at 6050 Flemmings Lake Road. The township's Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day is on May 21 from 8 a.m. - 3 p.m. at the same location.

Items not accepted include brush, grass, fuel oil drums/barrels/tanks, propane cylinders, automobiles, any type of vehicle, large loads of shingles, garbage, compost of any kind, leaves, bricks, concrete and railroad ties with tar sealers. No commercial vehicles are allowed.

Hazardous waste items not accepted include explosives, ammunition, commercial or industrial waste, smoke detectors and radioactive material.

Electronics, appliances and computers will be collected on May 21. For more information and fee schedules, please contact the DPW at 248-625-8222.

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Got junk? Then come down for the **Springfield Township Spring Clean-up Day** on May 14 from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Springfield Oaks Youth Activity Center.

Proof of residency or property ownership is required. The following fees will be applied: Cars \$1, SUV/Minivan \$5, Pick-up Truck \$10, Large Truck \$15, Tire Unmounted (no tires on rims) \$2 each and Trailers \$10 and \$15 depending on size.

Items not allowed include brush, farm tractor tires, leaves or grass clippings, stumps, oil, paint, flammable liquids, concrete or bricks. No Commercial Dumping Allowed! If possible, please bag, box or bundle all trash.

On May 21, a household hazardous waste collection at Independence Twp. DPW will be held. Please call 248-634-3111 for information and a voucher.

Any questions, please call Springfield Township's supervisor's office at 248-846-6502.

### Sr. center seeks drivers

The Independence Township Senior Center is looking for volunteers to deliver Meals on Wheels to area seniors and handicapped persons one day a week, every other week or weekend. Routes require about one hour of time or less.

Please call the Independence Township Senior Center at 248-625-8231 and ask for the nutrition hostess to sign up or receive more information.

### Awards breakfast slated

The Clarkston area Community Awards breakfast, a part of the Michigan Week celebrations, is set for May 18 from 8-9:30 a.m. at Liberty Golf and Banquet. The theme for this year is "A Tribute to Community Service."

The cost is \$15 per person or \$150 for a table of 10. The event is sponsored by Oxford Bank and The Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce.

To reserve your seat, please RSVP to the chamber at 248-625-8055 by May 13. Tickets will be held at the door.

### Addition

Two names were not included in the April 27 Clarkston Optimist Music Scholarship brief: Lynn Ashby will be attending Interlochen Music Camp and Corinne Sanger will be attending Blue Lake International Youth Symphony Orchestra.

## Spraypark committee says thanks...



Kid Rock and Tom Wilson, President of The Palace of Auburn Hills (center) accept plaques commemorating their contributions to the Renee Przybylski Memorial Spraypark at halftime of the Pistons-76ers game on April 25. Kid Rock and Palace Sports and Entertainment both donated \$30,000 to the spray park, located in Clintonwood Park in Independence Township. (Left to right) Malory and Michele Przybylski, Wilson, Kid Rock, Terri Bendes, of the spray park committee, and Kelly Hyer, recreation coordinator for Independence Township Parks and Recreation, were at half court for the presentation. Photo by Noah Purcell

## Legislators recognize 75th anniversary

The following tribute was presented to *The Clarkston News* in honor of our 75 anniversary:

### State of Michigan Special Tribute to The Clarkston News 75 Years of Quality Journalism

Let it be known, that it is a pleasure to join with the news industry colleagues, coworkers, readers and the entire community as *The Clarkston News* celebrates 75 years of providing a quality community newspaper. With the fine showing *The Clarkston News* team has attained, culminating in numerous awards, this group of dedicated journalists has generated great pride for area residents and businesses that can enjoy having an exemplary hometown newspaper.



*The Clarkston News* was first published in September of 1929, since then it has been published weekly, and uninterrupted. In 1966, James A. Sherman purchased *The Clarkston News*, where it has been family-owned and locally edited ever since—despite the growing trend in corporate newspaper takeovers. *The Clarkston News* has developed into the largest newspaper within Sherman Publications Incorporated group. The residents of Clarkston have come to rely on such a fine tradition of quality journalism for the best coverage of local government, schools, sports, community activities and people.

Opening *The Clarkston News* pages each week is a delight to readers yearning to be informed on state, local, business, school, sports and neighborhood news, as well as the catching a glimpse of family and friends looking out from the paper's photo pages. In the face

of daily challenges while under deadline pressure to keep the local people attuned to noteworthy happenings with informative and entertaining dispatches alongside ongoing, down-home tidbits that put readers in touch with their world, Sherman Publications, Inc. clearly has a winner in *The Clarkston News*.

In **Special Tribute**, therefore, this document is signed and dedicated to congratulate the news staff on its accomplishment, and all who make *The Clarkston News* a top-notch newspaper. May they continue to enrich their great reputation for many more years to come.

**John P. Stakoe, State Representative  
Michael Bishop, State Senator  
Jennifer M. Granholm, Governor**

The following tribute was presented to the Sherman Family in honor of 50 years in the newspaper industry.

### State of Michigan Special Tribute to The Sherman Family's 50th Anniversary As Newspaper Owners and Publishers

Let it be known, that it is with great pleasure that we congratulate the Sherman family on the eve of their 50th anniversary career as newspaper owner and publishers.

James and Hazel Sherman began their career in 1955. That is the year James Sherman purchased *The Oxford Leader* followed by *The Lake Orion Review*, along with the creation of two weekly shoppers, *The Advertiser* and the *Penny-Stretcher*. In 1966 James Sherman became the eighth owner of the *Clarkston News*, which became the largest news-

Please see Tribute, page 29A

# CHS Senior Spotlight

**Name:** Meghan Hall  
**Parents' names:** Lori and Michael Hall

**Favorite Subject:** Law and Society

**School Activities:** Secretary of Student Council, chair of snowcoming and homecoming dances, National Honor Society, peer mentor, teen court and Business Professionals of America.

**Outside Interests:** Worker at Sunroom Tanning Salon, babysitting, spending time with family and friends, and doing what most 17-year-old girls do.

**What are your plans after graduation?** Attending Michigan State University.

**Where do you see yourself in 25 years?** I see myself married with many children, living in a major city and maintaining a career in education or advertising.

**Best friends are people who:** may not always agree with you, but will stand by your side. Best friends are trustworthy and dependable. They love, accept and respect you for being yourself.

**What worries me most about the world is:** patriotism. America takes for granted all the rights and freedoms we have. All of us may not always agree with what's happening in the world or decisions that are being made, but we should always be proud to live in such an amazing country.

**I will make a contribution to my community by:** always being involved even if my community changes in the future. Volunteering is very rewarding and not only makes you feel great, but reminds you to appreciate what you have.



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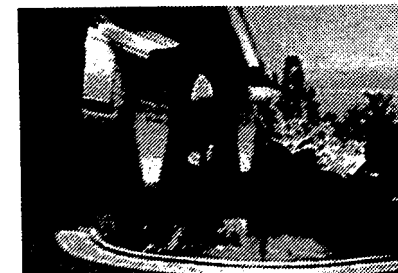
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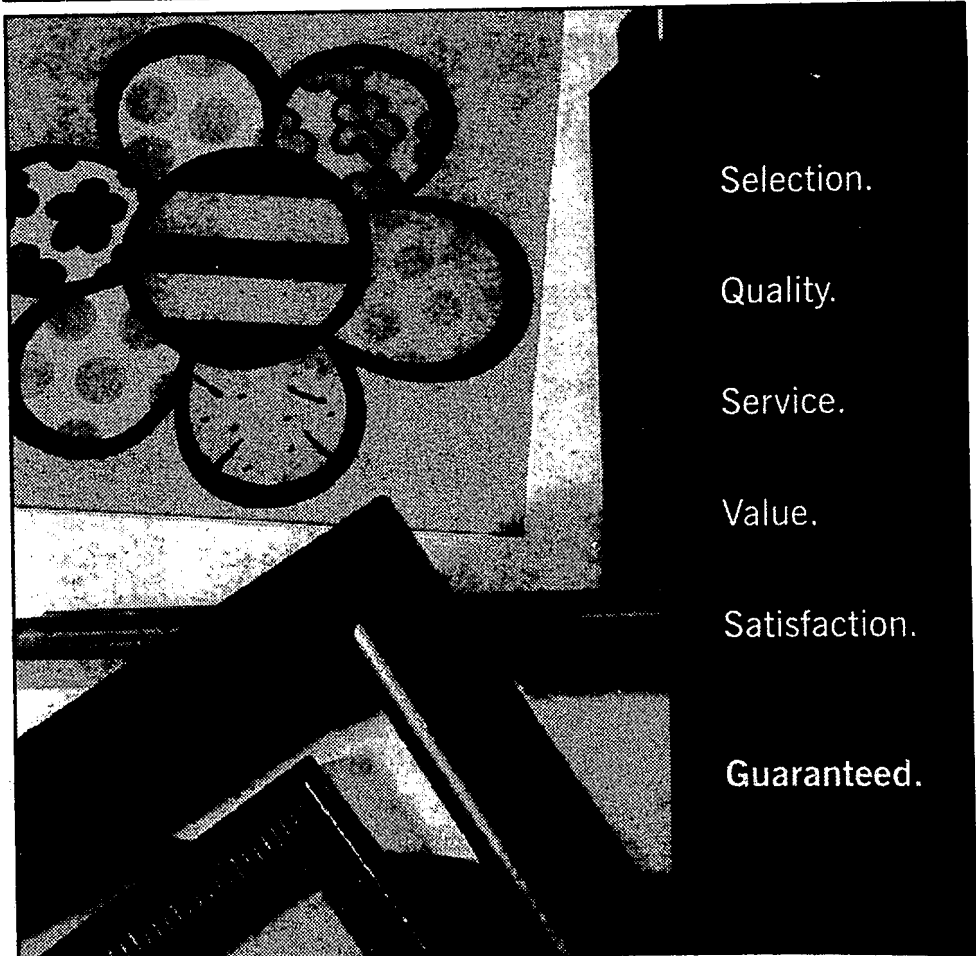
On April 16, the Clarkston Middle School band and orchestra students performed at the District Four Solo and Ensemble Festival at South Lyon Millennium Middle School.

The following students received a superior rating of one: Dan Ashby, Shane Kouri, Chip Tuson, Megan Johnson, Allie Browe and Nick Posawatz - percussion ensemble; Jordyn Winship - clarinet solo; Nicholle Cardinal and Megan Pillow - saxophone duet; Jenna Shahly - clarinet solo; Jonas Vogler and Ron Etters - percussion duet; Cameron Johns - trumpet solo; Natalie Frendberg - clarinet solo; Rachael Whitmore and Sophie Angelis - string ensemble duet; Samantha Morawski - oboe solo; Olivia Tomei and Samantha Wint - saxophone duet; Fred Draska and Charlie Owczarzak - saxophone duet; Amanda Hargett - flute solo; Matt Lawson - violin solo; Rachael Whitmore - violin solo; Carrie Thams - bassoon solo; Kara Marsac - flute solo; Audrie Bedenis and Kara Marsac - flute solo; Jill Roberts and Olivia Tomei - saxophone duet; Nicholle Cardinal and Megan Pillow - saxophone duet; Ashley Chamberlain, Jenna Manilla and Amy Cannons - flute trio; Carrie Thams and Jenna Shahly - woodwind duet; Hillary Hacker and Maddie Badgley - string ensemble duet; Ben Rogers, Chris Hyde, Cameron Johns and Andrea Kovacic - brass quartet; Ron Etters - drum set solo; Tim Ginn - trumpet solo; Cameron Johns and Kasey McKay - trumpet duet; Emily Bullen - oboe solo; Allie Browe and Megan Johnson - snare duet; Ben Fuller - tuba solo; Morgan Buss - clarinet solo.

The following students received a good rating of two: Lauren Mitchell and Elizabeth Wong - trumpet duet; Emily Beattie and Maddie Badgley - mixed duet; Kayla Bell and Stefani Galik - clarinet duet; Tim Ginn, Philip Finazzo, Heather Arpoika, Michael Schreiber and Jacob Rutilla - brass quintet; Andrea Kovacic and Kasey McKay - trumpet duet; Andrea Kovacic - trumpet solo; Ariel Black and Hillary Hacker - string ensemble duet; Katie Chasins and Amanda Choi - string ensemble duet; Aditi Patel and Emily Bullen - oboe duet; Natalie Bourdon and Melinda Cabaj - woodwind duet; Chesney Oldenburg, Emily Allen and Shelby Isenberg - flute trio; Taylor Seng - trumpet solo; Kristen Cross and Taylor Benson - french horn duet; Lindsey Goode and Kasey McKay - trumpet duet; Heather Arpoika and Blaine Schlosser - trombone duet; Emily Beattie - flute solo; Alexa VanBrocklin, Emily Smith and Lindsay Viviano - clarinet trio; Callie Colbert and Samantha Irwin - clarinet duet; Hillary Hacker, Mary Crawford, Johannah Kupe and Sophie Angelis - string quartet; Jonas Vogler, Ron Etters and Carson Ratliff - percussion trio; Jessica Stiles and Emily Allen - woodwind duet; Andrew Miller and Patrick Blust - brass duet; Alex Berquist - trombone solo.

Other participating students included: Danielle Hurst and Katie Neisler - flute duet.

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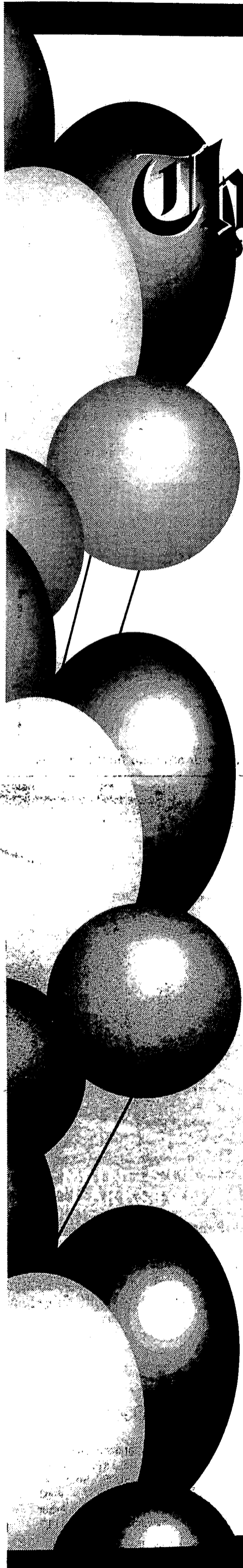
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# Opinion

## Hold me Bat Boy

When I was in the seventh grade, I was faced with a visage that I will never forget. As I sat in my french class waiting for the lesson to start, one of my fellow students proffered a copy of a periodical of quite ill-repute, a tabloid if you will. The sight I saw then shook me to my very core.

Adorning the cover of said publication was the ghastly visage of a half-man half-bat creature, replete with pointy ears and teeth, his mouth impossibly contorted into a silent ear piercing scream.

Why was Bat Boy screaming? What horrible event had provoked such a pained expression upon his face?

What I did not know then I know now. The answers which slipped through my fingers like so much sand were laid out for me in the Clarkston Village Player's production of "Bat Boy: The Musical."

To say that "Bat Boy: The Musical" is a combination of the themes of suffering seen throughout "Les Miserables" coupled with the comedic buoyancy of "Pirates of Penzance" might be going too far. But the CVP's latest production does offer laughs and personal traumas. It is light hearted, yet the core of the play is rooted in darkness.

The story of a boy with bat-like features striving for acceptance from the people of the town, as he struggles to attain inner peace with what he is, recalls Frankenstein's monster's plight. Yet "Bat Boy: The Musical" definitely tends to be more Mel Brooks' than Mary Shelley.

In fact, to backtrack some, Bat Boy is hilarious, from the hapless townfolk to Bat Boy's adopted family and right down to the inner struggles of the title character. The dialogue sparkles with non-sequiturs, razor sharp wit and at times good old, pure unadulterated, low brow humor.

The dialogue's comedic tone is amped up in the musical pieces as the hilarity of the verses are enhanced by a wide assortment of musical styles. With the exception of a rap duet, which gave me serious awkward chills. But I place the blame for the rap more on the original authors than the current production cast. They were just given a palate to work with, they could not change the colors, only how they presented them.

And the cast of Bat Boy paints a beautiful picture with the colors they have to work with. Every single scene of the play caused me to laugh audibly, several times deeply, even to double over in my seat at times.

In terms of the casts singing voices, the "good chills" caused by especially passionate and skillful singing outnumbered the "awkward chills" five to three.

Several members of the cast stood out. Timm Gillette, nailed the role of Bat Boy with a singing voice which lacked not for conviction nor range.

Merideth Parker, who played the homemaker who deals Bat Boy the first favorable turn he has had in his life, was consistently good in every scene she was in - anchoring the play.

Last but not least, I also think that Johana Bell's performance as the female lead in the play was helped immensely by her astoundingly beautiful and powerful pipes. Her duet with Gillette was responsible for two of the "good chills" I had during the performance.

While "Bat Boy: The Musical" was not without its warts, they were few and far between. On the whole the cast does a wonderful job with this modern American drama. While the sets are minimalistic, they never detract from the performance. The live band which accompanies the show provides a catchy and varied musical backdrop to the hilarity of this CVP production.

I highly suggest that anyone who has even the faintest hint of a sense of humor goes to see "Bat Boy: The Musical" - leave the little kids at home though.

For tickets to Bat Boy The Musical call 248-625-8811.



Started Out Dumb  
Noah Purcell

## Mr. Rush, I agree...

### 'We have, in fact, taxation without representation'

Dear Editor:

As an assessor, employed by and serving the people of Independence Township, I seldom write letters to the editor, choosing instead to let politicians and citizens address serious issues discussed in the newspaper.

However, I am motivated by the weekly column written by Don Rush wherein he explains that voting the increase in taxes for non-homestead millage for school operating purposes is passed through to the consumer. I agree.

Letters to the Editor

The Headlee Amendment requires taxing authorities, think school districts in this case, to roll-down the millage to provide the same income to that taxing authority that they had in the previous year, plus the rate of inflation, plus the taxing benefit of any new value created, i.e. new construction.

There is another point that needs to be addressed regarding this annual event by school districts wherein they ask the voters to override the design of the Headlee Amendment. Voters must live, and if they choose to, vote in the school district wherein their homestead is located. But it is the non-homesteaded properties that pay the 18 mills of school operating non-homestead tax.

What are non-homestead properties you may ask? Commercial and industrial properties, personal property owned by businesses, and second homes or residential properties such as cottages up north; any property that is owned, but not occupied as a homestead (principal residence). So the people that own non-homestead properties do not have a vote in the school elections to override the Headlee rollback unless they coincidentally happen to live within the same school district where their non-homestead property is located.

What this boils down to is "taxation without representation." Our country was, in part, founded on the principal that those who pay taxes have a voice in the process that allows taxes to be levied and collected, i.e. colonists wanted a voice in Parliament.

However, in the current twist, non-homestead property owners pay a tax voted by those who do not pay the tax. Consequently, we have a system that philosophically violates one of the most profound tenets of our representative form of government. We have, in fact, taxation without representation.

Sincerely,  
David Kramer, ASA, CMAE3  
Assessor

## Reader finds editor's column 'condescending'

Dear Ms. Matteson:

I am writing in response to your column (I dare not label it an editorial for fear of being publicly chastised in this newspaper) entitled "Fun with words... and other interesting ideas" in the April 20 edition of *The Clarkston News*.

Perhaps you should consult your Webster's New World dictionary for this word: condescend. According to my Webster's New World dictionary (a resource I have used for years without Associated Press approval), condescend is defined in part as: "to descend voluntarily to the level, regarded as lower, of the person that one is dealing with" and "to deal with others in a proud or haughty way." Your column oozes condescension on many levels.

Firstly, do the reader of *The Clarkston News* really need you to teach them the meaning of the "big" words used in the COG letter and in your column? Your column implies such a need and is insulting to anyone reading it. To pick apart a letter to the editor word by word is petty. Were there no other hard news items or happenings in Clarkston to report and comment on this week? The self-important, preachy tone of your column assumes that your readers cannot form an opinion on their own without you literally spelling out and defining the facts for them.

Secondly, both the "Editor's Note" at the end of the COG letter and your column stress the difference between an editorial and a column. Okay, we, non-newspaper people, get it (we actually got it the first time and really didn't need it explained twice).

How silly of some readers to have made the mis-

take to call a column written by the editor (your official position, correct?) an editorial. And, if we are going to split hairs, as you are apt to do, the COG letter reads "The editorial in last week's *Clarkston News*..." and not "...an editorial by *The Clarkston News*..." as the Editor's Note maintains. Do we need to consult Webster's again to clarify the difference between the words "in" and "by?" They are completely different in meaning. I guess you are just as prone to the misuse of words as others are.

Finally, the idea that everyone can have a voice through the open forum of a newspaper is debatable at best. Who chooses which letters get printed? The publisher and editor do. Does every letter get printed and is every voice heard? I very much doubt it. (Will this letter be printed? I wonder.) And who always has the last word in this forum? The editors who can attach notes and corrections and write entire columns in response if they so please.

Why would anyone choose this forum where the power of the ink is so clearly stacked against him or her? Is this newspaper a mature "open forum for discussion and opinions" or is it a playground where, like children, we mock each other and must always have the last word?

I hope your criticism and condescension do not intimidate future letter writers from expressing an opinion in print. Hopefully, it will do the opposite: encourage more to examine and challenge both sides of an argument before forming an opinion or passing judgement.

Anne-Marie Williamson

## A special note of thanks...

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the Clarkston community, my employer and our many family and friends for all of their unwavering support over these last months.

We would especially like to acknowledge our heartfelt thanks to the staff of Clarkston High School and all of the students and volunteers who came together for our benefit with the staff versus students volleyball game

on April 13.

It is through all of your actions and efforts that we realize we are part of a wonderfully caring and truly special community. You are all angels in our eyes.

Please continue to keep us in your thoughts and prayers, and God bless all of you.

Sincerely,  
Mike and Kathy Herron

## A Look Back

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

### 15 YEARS AGO (1990)

• 3 suspects in CHS fire: By the end of the day Wednesday, May 2, Clarkston School officials and the Oakland County arson squad should be ready to divulge the identity of the person responsible for the April 23 fire at the high school.

As of Monday, April 30, CHS Principal Robert Burek reported that the list of suspects had been narrowed down to three. Interviewing sessions with suspects have been conducted since Friday, April 27.

• Three CHS seniors injured in spring break crash: On Sunday, April 22, three Clarkston High School seniors were hospitalized after their car crashed on their way home from a spring break excursion.

Todd Bennett, Guy Kennedy and Mark Powers, all 18, were returning home from a vacation at Myrtle Beach, S.C. when the accident occurred. According to Sue Benett, Todd's mother, the three teens were traveling northbound on U.S. 23 in Ohio when an elderly couple pulled out onto the highway in front of them.

### 25 YEARS AGO (1980)

• 'Wonderful World of Pine Knob' rides high with commission's okay: "The Wonderful World of Pine Knob" received the go-ahead from the Independence Township Planning Commission last week.

Co-owners of Pine Knob Investment, Gary Francell and Joseph Locricchio, received final site plan approval for the 12-ride amusement park on 2.5 acres in a 4-2 vote April 24.

### 50 YEARS AGO (1955)

• Township Responds to Cancer Fund: Independence Township opened its heart and its purse last week and gave the gratifying sum of \$1,536.77 to help in the fight against cancer. April was the month chosen by the American Cancer Society for its drive to raise funds and to teach sound facts about this disease through free literature, films, speakers, radio and TV, posters and programs.

• Vaccine Clinics Running Smoothly: Polio vaccine clinics around the state are running smoothly, according to the Michigan Department of Health.

State Health Commissioner, Dr. Albert E. Heustis gives praise to private physicians and local health departments "for an outstanding job."

• Local Club Has Window Display: In observance of National Home Demonstration Week the Clarkston group has arranged a window display in Kelley's Hardware. The display shows just one item from one of the organization's interesting lessons, "Sewing New Fabrics."

## Mummy scares our dad away

I guess there is some good news and some bad news coming from the home front.

The good news: Sean, five-years-old since St. Patrick's Day, has "written" his first book.

The bad news: Sean, five-years-old since St. Patrick's Day, has "written" his first book.

Hey, that sounds familiar.

Let me say up front, I'm very proud little of Sean, or "Bit" as he is called at home. He was able to get his idea for a book on paper. (I have tried for 20 years, without any success or completion.) His book is fun, sweet -- everything a five year old's book should be. I have shown and read his book to many (victims) here at the office. I admit, I probably glow too much when it comes to Sean and his older brother Shamus -- but the way I look at it, tough rocks, they're my boys and it's my right to boast. But, enough of what I think, back to the story.



don rush  
don't rush me

When I entered our domicile on April 25, in the year of our Lord 2005, the first thing a very excited Sean said was, "Dad, I wrote a book! Want to see it?" (As if I had an option as to what would transpire in the next 20 seconds.) He grabbed my hand and led me to three pieces of white, 8 1/2-inch by 11-inch, 20-pound paper, folded nearly in half and stapled twice.

On the top of what most folks would consider the "back cover" was Sean's "front cover." I looked at the title, *The Mummy*, closely followed by, *Author Shamus* and then *Illustrator Sean*.

"Hey Sean, did you write this book or did Shamus?" I asked.

"Shamus wrote the words I said, then I drew the pictures," Mark Twain, Jr. answered smugly. "It's called *Me and the Mummy*."

Really, I thought, taking a second glance at the title in front of me. Am I looking at the same book you wrote?

"Want to read it?" Sean asked again as if I had a choice. Of course I would, my son had written a book! So I started reading aloud, from the back (or Sean's

beginning) to the front.

*Me and the Mummy* started out good:

*Every time you see the Mummy he changes. This is the Mummy looking at me. Sean had drawn a "mummy" with big, scribbly eyes. The Mummy is shooting missiles out of his legs.*

The kid's got an imagination, I thought. Then I turned the page and that's when things took a downward turn.

*The Mummy is sleeping with our dad. Then, the Mummy scares our dad away.*

I have a problem with this passage.

First, I only sleep with one mummy, the boys' mommy; and secondly, Sean wrote that I was "scared" and ran away ... so much for the propaganda I have tried to brainwash the boys with. For years I have carefully orchestrated the persona I want the boys to have of me: rough, tough, brave (but kind and gentle, too). Not that of a bearded coward, who high-tails it out of the room at the first sign of trouble or the first mummy he sees. I want to be the hero, dang-blab-it! For goodnessakes, I'm Don Rush, not Don Knotts!

Ego bruised, I turned the page and continued my son's piece of cheap, dime-store literature. *Sean comes to save Daddy!* Oh really. . .

*Sean is punching the Mummy!* Yeah, right. Like a pint-sized midget is gonna take on and whip the Mummy. Mmmm, I don't think so. That's what dads are for. I turned the page.

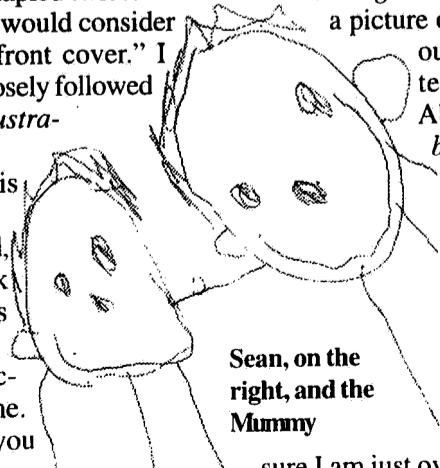
*Now Sean and the Mummy are friends. They are holding hands.* How nice. The "book" ends with

a picture of a smiling head, with arms sticking out just below the ears, and two legs extending down from under the chin. Above the drawing: *Dad is walking by me and the Mummy.*

But, what does it all mean? Does Sean have issues with his old man? Does he doubt me? Does he think I'd abandon him? Was "writing" his book the only way he could release his anxiety? Is this normal? Is he normal? What have I done wrong?

Upon further consideration, I'm sure I am just overreacting. This is how Stephen King got started, isn't it?

*Comments for the coward of the day, Rush, can be e-mailed to: dontrushemdon@charter.net*



Sean, on the right, and the Mummy

## Doubling up: 2 favorite topics in one column

Bacon 'n Shayna!

If you're not interested in either of these subjects perhaps you will tune in next week when I try to explain the origin of the universe, how automobile companies know how to build cars that get 1,000 miles per fill up (but won't manufacture them because they own all the oil companies in the world) and why politicians, lawyers and journalists never vary from facts.

Bacon! Christmas 2003 daughter Susan signed me up for the Bacon of the Month Club. Christmas 2004 daughter Luan promised me a pound of bacon a month.



Jim Sherman

Seems Luan's memory lapses and she catches up by giving me three at a time. Recent gifts included single pounds of Smithfield and Thorn Apple Valley.

Both are labeled naturally hickory smoked. Smithfield's label also reads thick sliced. There were 14 slices in my gift package.

Thorn Apple Valley's offering promised no particular thickness, but looked like regular slicing. There were 13 pieces.

It struck me as odd that there were more thick slices in the package promoting thickness, than there were in the non-bragging labeling.

By the way, Hormel has 14 slices to the pound.

All bacon 'n tomato sandwich eaters know winter is not the time to experience great pleasure in their consumption.

This time of year the tomatoes just ain't got it. Though the pushers make their displays look colorfully inviting, and they entice you with "vine ripened," "hothouse grown" and "Beefsteak" come-ons, they are far from as flavorful as Michigan grown tomatoes.

You know, the kind that you can pick and eat in the garden or on your way to the house.

It'll be more than three months until we can again taste that experience, but in the meantime we must have bacon 'n tomato sandwiches, so, I recommend using Roma tomatoes now. Their taste comes closest to our home grown goodies.

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Before I get into Shayna's (all dogs') pet peeves, here's a truism from a Great Dane: "Don't accept your dog's admiration as conclusive evidence that you are wonderful."

**Dog's Pet Peeves**

Yelling at me for barking ... I'M A DOG!

Yelling at me for rubbing my bum on your carpet. Why'd you buy carpet?

Blaming your pharts (sic) on me -- not funny -- not funny at all.

How you naively believe that the stupid cat isn't all over everything while you're gone. Have you noticed that your toothbrush tastes a little like cat spit?

Taking me for a walk, then not letting me check stuff out. Exactly whose walk is this anyway?

Any trick that involves balancing food on my nose -- stop it!

Getting upset when I sniff the crotches of your guests. Sorry, but I haven't quite mastered the firm handshake thing yet.

How you act when I lick myself. Look, we both know the truth, you're jealous.

Dog sweaters. Hello, have you noticed the fur?

Any haircut that involves bows or ribbons. Now you know why we chew your stuff up when you're not home.

Now this Winston Churchill quote: "The nose of a dog has been slanted backward so he can breath without letting go."



# Good kids...

Clarkston Area Youth Assistance honored more than 120 young people on April 26 for their volunteer service in and around the Clarkston community.

The agency solicited nominations from local schools and organizations, and found numerous examples of kids who offered help "without ever wondering, 'what's in it for me.'"

Students were honored for helping in churches and school classrooms, raising money for Asian tsunami relief and volunteering for organizations such as SCAMP and Lighthouse.

The sanctuary at Clarkston United Methodist Church was packed with parents and other well-wishers, as a "receiving line" of local school and government officials presented honorees with certificates.

Three were chosen "Youth of the Year" based on essays they wrote about their volunteer experiences. This year's special honorees were Morgan Ritthaler, fifth grader at Andersonville Elementary; Erica Cale, seventh grader at Clarkston Middle School; and Brittany Rodgers, ninth grader at Clarkston High School.

**Photos by Don Schelske**



CAYA's "Youths of the Year," (from left) Brittany Rodgers, Erica Cale and Morgan Ritthaler, accept applause from the audience.



Amy Cannons was honored for her work in raising a puppy for Paws With a Cause. "Nanook" was a popular addition to the festivities.



Students enjoy looking at their certificates of appreciation given by Clarkston Area Youth Assistance.



Dr. Al Roberts, superintendent of Clarkston Community Schools, offers personal praise to volunteer honorees, by shaking each and every hand.



Lots of proud parents' aim cameras to record the youth recognition ceremony for posterity.

# Police and Fire

## Independence Township

**April 24:** Assault and battery report on S. Marshbank. The resident said an "acquaintance," a 29-year-old Birmingham man, came to the apartment after the resident accused him of stealing money. The suspect allegedly punched the victim in the face and neck several times. The suspect later told deputies that the resident started the fight after he (the suspect) dropped off a friend and attempted to reason with the resident concerning the dispute. The case was turned over to the county prosecutor's office.

**April 25:** Larceny report at Walgreen's on Dixie Highway. A 53-year-old White Lake woman was arrested after a manager saw her put over-the-counter medication in her purse, then back on the shelf. The suspect apologized for her actions. Deputies cited her for retail fraud and warned her not to return to the store.

**April 26:** Family trouble on Parview Drive. A 16-year-old boy engaged in an argument with his mother, then left the home.

Arrest for possession of marijuana on Dixie Highway near Maybee Road. A 21-year-old Clarkston man was arrested after a traffic stop.

Stolen vehicle report on Parview Drive. A 28-year-old Clarkston man allegedly stole his girlfriend's car. The car was later returned, but the woman wished to press charges.

**April 27:** Larceny report on Deerwood. Someone took two leaf blowers and one grass trimmer from a front yard. The resident said he was away from the scene for only about 12 minutes.

Intimidation report on S. Main Street. Someone left threatening messages on the residents cell phone.

**April 28:** Larceny report at The Dental Spa on Dixie Highway. Someone stole a temporary building sign in front of the building.

**April 29:** Larceny of cell phone at Mr. B's Roadhouse on Dixie Highway.

Larceny from vehicle at the Farmer Jack store on

Sashabaw Road. Someone took prescription medication and \$29 cash from a gym bag in the car. The driver had locked the car but left a passenger window down about three to four inches.

Malicious destruction of property on N. Marshbank. Someone broke a vehicle window.

Fraud report on Horseshoe Drive. A resident reported an unauthorized purchase worth \$546 on a credit card.

Arrest for operating under the influence of drugs (third offense) and driving while intoxicated (second offense) on Sashabaw Road near Maybee Road. A 23-year-old Clarkston woman was arrested after her vehicle crashed. The woman consented to a drug test and was taken to North Oakland Medical Center-Clarkston for medical clearance before incarceration.

**April 30:** Assist fire department at car fire on Plum Drive.

Larceny report on Allen Road. Someone took about \$600 in jewelry, a guitar and \$20 cash from a resident's

Please see Police on page 29A

### Doctor reports attempts to forge prescriptions

A local medical office contacted Oakland County Sheriff deputies on April 25 to report efforts to fill fraudulent prescriptions at three pharmacies.

The doctor said pharmacists contacted his office after a subject attempted to obtain the medication Vicodin. Reports said the written prescriptions had the doctor's name and address, but pharmacists noticed the Drug Enforcement Administration number was incorrect.

One pharmacist described the suspect as a white female, 5 feet-8 inches tall, 180 pounds with blonde hair.

### Deputies investigate report of assault at business

A local business was the scene of an alleged assault last week, but the suspect denies that the assault took place.

Deputies responded to Discount Tile and Marble at Andersonville and White Lake roads on April 29. The business owner said a 56-year-old Clarkston man (a builder against whom the business owner is in litigation) came into the store and an argument ensued.

The suspect allegedly went toward the victim, grabbed him by the neck and pushed him over a free-standing display. The victim reportedly forced the sus-

pect outside, where the fight continued for a short time until the suspect left with a woman who was waiting in a vehicle.

Deputies documented the victim's injuries, and noted property damage estimated by the victim to be at about \$300.

The suspect later agreed to come into the substation with his wife. In his statement, the suspect admitted being at the business, but did not mention the fight.

The case has been turned over to the county prosecutor's office for review.

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# Clarkston News Sports

## Kickers weather scoring drought

BY NOAH PURCELL  
Clarkston News Sports Writer

Clarkston's soccer team's offense had a cold snap to rival the weather last week – the Wolves were defeated 1-0 by Seaholm on April 26 and tied Dondero 1-1 on April 28.

"We have to get our forwards to take people on," said Clarkston Coach Annette Richardson. "I'm trying to encourage them to be more selfish."

While Richardson felt her team could have emerged from the week with at least one victory, she was heartened by their overall level of competition.

"The girls played as a team they did everything that I asked of them. Their play (against Dondero) was phenomenal," said Richardson.

Senior Jenna Przybycien scored the Wolves lone

goal against Dondero.

Clarkston's matchup with Dondero also marked a solid debut performance by sophomore Jordan Sinclair, who was moved up from JV to play sweeper on varsity.

"(Sinclair) reads the game better than anyone I've seen ... she's a natural sweeper. I felt she adjusted well to the speed of the game," said Richardson.

Due to their practice time being affected by the cold weather, Richardson did not start Sinclair against Seaholm earlier in the week, wanting to make sure that the new addition to the team had some level of comfort with the teammates.

This week in practice, the team will focus on one-on-one matchups and crosses in an effort to start putting the ball in the net with more regularity.

Having already faced every team in the OAA division I Clarkston will be seeking revenge against a number of teams the second time around. The Wolves now stand at 3-5-2 (1-5-2) on the season.

"We hope to win the rest of our games. If they play that way the rest of the season, we can do that," said Richardson.

The Wolves travel to Farmington High School on May 5 for their next action. On April 12, Clarkston lost a close game to Farmington 3-2.

Clarkston stays on the road against Kimball on May 10 and West Bloomfield on May 12 before returning to the comfy confines of the CHS soccer stadium on May 16 to face Avondale.



Jenna Przybycien scored Clarkston's lone goal of the week against Dondero on April 28. Photo by Noah Purcell

## Supreme Court says sports seasons stay put

In a move which means six sports in Michigan will not likely be switching seasons next year, The U.S. Supreme Court vacated the previous judgement of the Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals on May 2.

The case comes from a lawsuit originally brought by two Grand Rapids residents, who claim that the alignment of the sports seasons in Michigan discriminates against girls sports.

The case has been remanded back to the Sixth Circuit for further proceedings. In a statement released on May 2, the MHSAA believes that the stay, allowing the sports seasons to remain the same while the case is being appealed, issued by the Sixth Circuit on May 9, 2002 will continue to be in effect.

"Thousands of student-athletes, parents, coaches, administrators, officials, board of education members, sports media and fans of high school sports are breathing a sigh of relief that they will have another day in court," said Jack Roberts, executive director of the MHSAA, via a press release from the MHSAA.

While the 2005-06 sports season will likely be unchanged, the case is ongoing and the MHSAA could still be ordered to comply with the original judgement of the Sixth Circuit which called for a shift in the sports seasons.

"(The U.S. Supreme Court's decision) makes the flow a little easier next year," said Clarkston Athletic Director Dan Fife. "It really was going to be a mess with scheduling next year."

Fife did feel that if the U.S. Supreme Court had upheld the lower court's ruling Clarkston would have been able to comply without any major difficulties.

A date has not been set at this time as to when the Sixth Circuit will revisit this issue.

- Noah Purcell

## Athletes of the Week – Clarkston Scrappers

The future of basketball in Clarkston looks bright as the 2004-05 edition of the Clarkston Scrappers Basketball Club won their second consecutive Pontiac League Championship this year.

The Scrappers, an AAU team comprised of fifth grade boys from Independence, Bailey Lake, Andersonville and Sashabaw Elementary schools, were formed two years ago and have a record of 46-4 over that time span.

Aside from their victory in the Pontiac League, the Scrappers have been piling up the hardware this year. They finished in first place at the Hardwood Heat Full Court Frenzy; took second at the Pontiac Tourney; nabbed another first place trophy at the Adrian Tournament; finished second in the state AAU tournament and were the champions of the Joe Dumars fifth/sixth grade league with a 12-0 record.

The Scrappers are coached by Mark Taylor and Mark Giroux.

The Clarkston Scrappers: (back row) Coach Mark Taylor, Mitchell Baenziger, Andrew McGlothlin, Conner Giroux, Joey Goss, Malaika Raphael (front row) Jake Forsten, Mason Porritt, Evan Mahone, Trent Taylor and Bret Gustafson



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# Wolves rally in seventh against Rochester

BY NOAH PURCELL  
Clarkston News Sports Writer

For just a brief moment on May 2, the sun seemed to shine through the clouds and onto the Clarkston sideline as the Wolves took on the Rochester High Falcons.

The ray of light came courtesy of outfielder Eric Bryan, who with two outs and two runners on in the top of the seventh inning, belted a three-run homerun over the right center fence, giving the Wolves a 5-3 lead.

"I went into the batter's box just trying to be more aggressive. I didn't think it was going to get over the fence. I

thought it was going to be a double or a triple," said Bryan.

The Wolves held off Rochester in the bottom of the seventh as pitcher J.J. Lange threw a complete game with eight strikeouts for a 5-4 victory. Lange's effort was made that much more impressive by overcast skies, piercing winds and random spurts of precipitation, including rain and sleet. At one point in the game, Clarkston Coach Phil Price considered asking the umpires to postpone play to a later date due to the wintry conditions.

"Both pitchers were outstanding. It is not easy to pitch out there in weather like this," said Price. "I was really proud

of (Lange). His last outing he was more throwing than pitching. Today he went back to pitching, threw his changeup and he got his curve working."

"(Pitching) was pretty challenging in the first inning, but I was able to get a better feel for the ball as the game went on," said Lange. "When (Bryan) got that hit I knew the game was over."

Clarkston routed Rochester 16-0 on April 13, but this time around faced the Falcons ace in Brandon Luczak. Price was happy his team did not get caught up in what they accomplished earlier in the season.

"This was a big win for us... I think our kids respect everybody, but at the same time, do not fear anybody on the field," said Price.

Clarkston has recently survived a 10-day break in the season due to fluctuating temperatures and fickle storm clouds.

Price is happy with the way his team handled themselves in indoor practices as the Wolves saw a three-game winning streak cooled by three straight cancelled games.

In their return to action, Clarkston led 7-5 over Rochester Adams in the fifth inning on April 29. The Highlanders suddenly burst into flames though putting 12 runs on the board, winning the contest 12-7.

"Adams just hit the ball. Our pitchers had not thrown in a week and a half," said Price.

On April 30, the Wolves shook off the rust as they beat Brandon 13-6 in the opening round of the Brandon tournament. Mike Kittle picked up the win for Clarkston against Brandon and Eric Brelinski went 3-3 at the plate. Clarkston then gave the No. 1 team in the state, Ann Arbor Pioneer, all they could handle, but eventually succumbed 6-3. Price felt pitcher Mike Navarre pitched a great game against Pioneer, Brandon Phillips highlighted the offensive side of the ball with a two run homer.

The Wolves made up their game against Lake Orion, which was originally scheduled for April 22, on May 3. The game finished too late for this edition of *The Clarkston News*. Up for grabs was the OAA division I lead, as Clarkston came into the game in first place.

Next up for the Wolves is the Roy 'Pop' Warner Classic. Seven teams from across the metro area will take part this year on May 7, including Oxford Waterford Mott, Waterford Kettering, Warren Mott, Lapeer West, Pontiac Notre Dame Prep and Northville.

"(Roy Warner) is a legend in Clarkston and with our program," said Price of the longtime Clarkston baseball Coach.

The Roy Warner Classic will start at 10 a.m. and will be played at Clarkston High School and Clintonwood Park.



Brandon Phillips was one of the runs driven in by Eric Bryan's three run homer against Rochester and hit a two run homer of his own against Ann Arbor Pioneer. Photos by Noah Purcell



Eric Bryan is congratulated by his teammates after hitting a game winning, three-run homer.

## Peters, softball team have busy weekend

Clarkston goes 3-2 in Michigan Stars Classic, featuring some of the best in teams in the state

BY NOAH PURCELL  
Clarkston News Sports Writer

For 13 years Don Peters has run the Northstar Classic softball tournament. This year the name was changed, to the Michigan Stars Classic, but the expansive 48 team field featuring most of the big names in high school softball programs remained the same with games being played April 30 and May 1 at Bicentennial Park in Grand Blanc.

"The tournament went really well, even though we tried to outsmart ourselves by delaying some games because of the weather when we didn't need to," said Peters. "But all of the teams who wanted to get their games in."

The name change was not the only difference this year for Peters. After coaching at Ortonville-Brandon since 1987 he is in his first year of molding a young and inexperienced Clarkston program. His team this year did not disappoint him as they went 3-2 on the day.

"We did a nice job of running the bases. I like to be aggressive on the basepaths and they are getting a better feel for game situations," said Peters.

The Wolves went 2-1 on the first day of play to finish second in their pool. Clarkston defeated Cass Tech 10-2, with Megan Sperry getting the win on the hill as well as recording two hits in the game.

The Wolves lost to Bishop Foley 6-5, in an international tie-breaker setup, but rallied back to beat Oxford 4-3, in another international tie breaker. Against Oxford, Sperry picked up another pitching victory and Katelyn Williams won the game with a double which

drove in two runs.

On the next day of action, Clarkston lost to North Farmington, 3-1, but beat Troy Athens 6-3. Sarah Burger allowed six hits and struck out five for the victory over Athens and Katy Kleinedler (two hits, two runs, two RBI), Katie Smith (two hits, two runs) and Sperry (two hits) all stood out offensively.

Regina won the overall title at the Michigan Stars Classic. The crown was awarded based on runs given up as the champions gave up only two runs. Three teams from the OAA, Troy, Lake Orion and Kettering, won their pools.

The Michigan Stars tournament helped raise money for softball and to fight breast cancer.

Like their brethren on the diamond, Clarkston's softball team had their last three competition dates cancelled due to weather, including the Richmond Tournament on April 23.

Peters has valued the practice time with his young team as he tries to build for success down the road, and because the players are left with more time on their hands during the week.

"I prefer to play on weekends, it helps us be solid academically because the girls don't have to do their homework at 10 o'clock at night," said Peters.

The importance that Peters puts on academics is evident as the Clarkston girls softball team will be named the Academic All-State Team by the MHSAA this year.

The Wolves doubleheader at Groves finished too late for this edition of *The Clarkston News*. Clarkston will compete in the Pieper tournament on May 7 and 8.

## Wolves gnash up Huskies

Clarkston track vanquishes Pontiac Northern in only action of the week

Clarkston's girls and boys track teams both notched wins against Pontiac Northern on a cold and windy afternoon on April 25.

The girls team dispatched the Huskies 75-54 while the boys team triumphed 70-58.

For the girls, the 3200 relay team of Nicole Kraus, Lisa Sickman, Gillian Nordquist and Elle Kuhta were victorious with a time of 13:26. Also placing first for Clarkston were Jenny Morgan in the 1600, Beth Hoekstra in the 800, Kuhta in the 3200 run, and Lauren Frank in the discus and shot put.

The boys were led by Jake Meissnest, who won the discus and shot put events. Also finishing in first for the boys were the 800 relay team of Nick DeVault, Brad Gale, Pedro Matos and Greg Knappe; Matt Inch won the 3200; Chris Anderson won the 800; Hazen Brennan won the 1600; and Gale won the 110 hurdles.

The Wolves meet on May 3 at the Clarkston Middle School track against West Bloomfield finished too late for this edition of *The Clarkston News*.

The boys and girls track teams will split from one another to attend weekend tournaments. On May 7, the girls will travel to Ohio for the Mitchell Roosevelt Invitational and the boys will take part in the Ashley relays at Waterford Mott. Both teams will return to the CMS track on May 10 to face Rochester High.

— Noah Purcell

# Clarkston thrown to the Wolves in Grand Blanc

BY NOAH PURCELL

Clarkston News Sports Writer

So far the season has been full of learning experiences for the tennis coach and the players as Clarkston has gamely fought their way to a 2-3-1 (1-2-1) record.

Clarkston Coach Chaz Claus learned that his doubles pairings are the core of the program on April 28. As the Wolves' pairings swept their Berkley counterparts to salvage a tie for Clarkston after the Bears took all the singles matches.

The Clarkston players learned how a good program operates as they finished last in a field of eight teams from across the state at the Grand Blanc Invitational on April 30.

"There were no patsies in the (Grand Blanc Invitational)," said Claus. "These are the kinds of programs we want to be like."

At the onset of the season, Claus knew his team was inexperienced, and hoped the sophomores and juniors playing significant roles would learn throughout the season about how a quality program operates.

The field at the invitational included two top ten teams from division I in West Bloomfield and Troy; the No. 1 team in division II; Birmingham Groves; and the No. 1 team in division III in Detroit Country Day.

Five Wolves did manage to secure victories in the opening round of the invitational. Junior Eric Maesch and sophomore Brett McMillen, the Wolves number three and four singles players, both won their first match. The doubles teams of sophomore Chris Graczyk and junior Pat McIlrath; junior Zach McDonald and senior Dan Osterhage; and freshman Erik Ejups and junior Sean Kurowski, all nabbed a victory as well.

The number two doubles tandem of seniors Paul Chun and Paul Gunckle seemed to heading for a victory as well before a collapsed lung sent Gunckle to the hospital. Gunckle is expected to make a full recovery.

"Once Gunckle went down, we only had one senior in the lineup," said Claus.

The Wolves were already shorthanded this past week as senior Amit Surapaneni, Clarkston's number

one singles player was traveling with his family. Claus expects Surapaneni to be back for Clarkston's next match, which was against Troy Athens on May 3 and finished too late for this edition of *The Clarkston News*.

Next up for the Wolves is Farmington Hills Harrison on May 5 at home, followed by a rematch with Rochester High at home on May 9. Clarkston beat the Falcons 5-3 on April 19.



Sophomore Zach Kerr is one of the members of the tennis team forced to play above their talent level, as the team's lineup has been in flux. Photo by Noah Purcell

# Golfers suffer worst loss of season

BY NOAH PURCELL

Clarkston News Sports Writer

Even though the fates seemed to conspire against the Clarkston golf team on May 2 as the Wolves faced bitter cold winds and a hilly, slick greened course, Clarkston Coach Larry Sherrill does not think his team should have lost 192-222 at Seaholm.

"The weather was bad and the golf course was difficult. That was a bad combination for Clarkston, but both teams had to play in the same conditions," said Sherrill.

Clarkston's Jackie Schram did take medalist honors with a score of 42 and Sherrill was pleased to see Lu Kuhta post a 56.

"(Kuhta) is still learning the game. She is starting to come around as a golfer," said Sherrill.

Earlier in the week, the team as a whole got to take a break from serious competition as Clarkston participated in the Kensington Scramble on April 29.

"This time of the season we have been going hard for some time now. We went out and had some fun," said Sherrill.

In the end Clarkston finished third in the scramble. Farmington was the overall winner at Kensington.

Last week was not supposed to be so lackadaisical, however the first of two OAA league tournaments was cancelled on April 26. Rather than make the second league tournament count double, the coaches of the OAA decided to play their tournament within the Eccentric Tournament on May 5, as all the teams in the OAA will be there.

"(May 5) will be a big day for us. (The first League tournament) usually tells us where we stand for the rest of the way," said Sherrill.

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Accidents happen, but we can be prepared

By Ernie Harwell

We hear a lot about how we should eat better and exercise to stay healthy. And there's no doubt about it, we need to do those things.



But there are the very practical things we should do to maintain our health and take responsibility for our own safety. For example, it's terribly important to buckle your seat belt every time you ride in a car. There are still far too many people getting hurt or dying in car accidents because they don't buckle up. If people you care about still don't wear seatbelts, help them develop the habit.

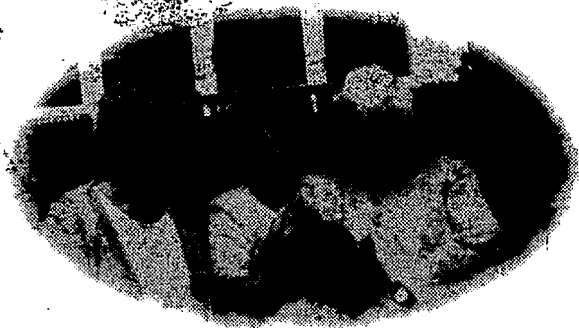
We also need to teach our kids how they can protect their health and safety. One way to do this is to make sure they're properly protected when they're riding their bikes or in-line skating. They need to wear helmet and not take unnecessary risks that can lead to broken bones or worse.

By taking these simple precautions, we can dramatically reduce our chances of being injured when accidents happen.

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

*Ernie Harwell, "the voice of the Detroit Tigers" for more than four decades, retired after 55 years behind a major league microphone. Today, at age 86, Ernie's days are filled with serving as a health and fitness advocate for Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan and Blue Care Network, public appearances, writing, traveling and taking long walks with "Miss Lulu," his wife of more than 60 years. His latest book, a collection of his baseball columns titled "Life After Baseball," is available at local bookstores or by calling 1-800-235-2352.*

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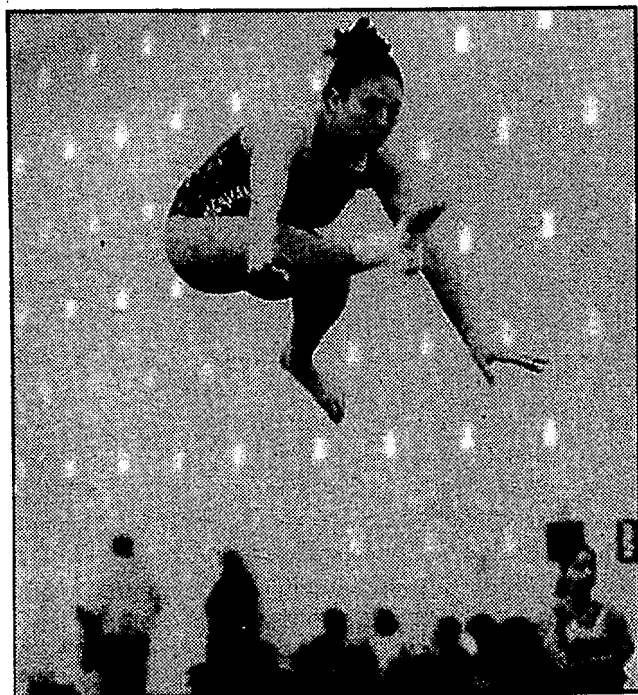
# Clarkston gymnast vaulting to new challenges

BY NOAH PURCELL  
Clarkston News Sports Writer

For the past seven years Alyssa Delke has lived a double life.

By day she is an honor student at Clarkston High School, maintaining a 3.978 GPA and securing a berth in the University of Michigan's engineering program for the fall.

After school however, Alyssa spent four days a week for five hours a night pushing herself at the Gymnastics Training Center in Rochester, honing her skills for countless weekend competitions. Those skills helped her win six state titles on the uneven bars and helped her teams win state championships.



Alyssa Delke during the Level Eight Regional Championship meet. She helped the Michigan team win the regional championship. Photo submitted

"Gymnastics taught me a good work ethic, leadership skills and time management," said Delke. "I think I did better in school because of gymnastics."

According to Delke, knowing she had to get her work done at school because of the premium placed on her free time by her training, assured that she was never falling behind in her studies.

This year at the 2005 Level 8 Championships, Delke was hampered by a season-long ankle injury, but still managed to take third in the uneven bars (9.35) and fourth (9.425) in her floor routine. Her efforts helped bolster the Michigan team to first place at the Level 8 Regional Championship in Midland on April 22-24, amongst teams from Ohio, Kentucky, Indiana and Illinois.

"I don't think I had my best meet because I did not have all of my skills back," said Delke.

In September of 2004, Delke fractured her ankle. The injury only allowed her to participate in one other competition this year and her coaches had to petition the United States of America Gymnastics Association so that she could participate in the Regional championship. If not for her injury she would have competed at level nine, and might be vying for a national title right now.

"If you don't compete, you lose your skills," said Delke.

Delke started forming her skills back when she was three years old at dance classes. Those lessons led her to gymnastics; and in the fifth grade, she made what she remembers as a "hard decision" to become a gymnast exclusively.

Early on Delke was not the best gymnast on the mat, but she credits her early struggles for her late success.

"I was horrible at level five, but a lot of the really good girls got pushed too hard and burned out," said Delke.

Over the years, Delke has seen countless team-



Alyssa Delke amongst her numerous awards from gymnastics. Photo submitted

mates come and go, but the team aspect of her gym and the competitive nature of her sport has forged quick and tight bonds among her fellow gymnasts.

"You get attached to people really quickly," said Delke.

Now as she turns to the next phase of her life, Delke is focusing on the future.

"I know I have to get a job this summer. My resume is not where other kids who have been working since ninth grade is," said Delke.

She also thinks about how hard the U of M engineering program is said to be, but is confident she will be able to manage the work load.

Gymnastics is a period of her life that is closed now and Delke reflects on her time spent in the sport fondly. She wishes the time she spent healing had not taken so much of this past season, but is grateful for the success her training brought her and the lessons learned from competing on such a high level.

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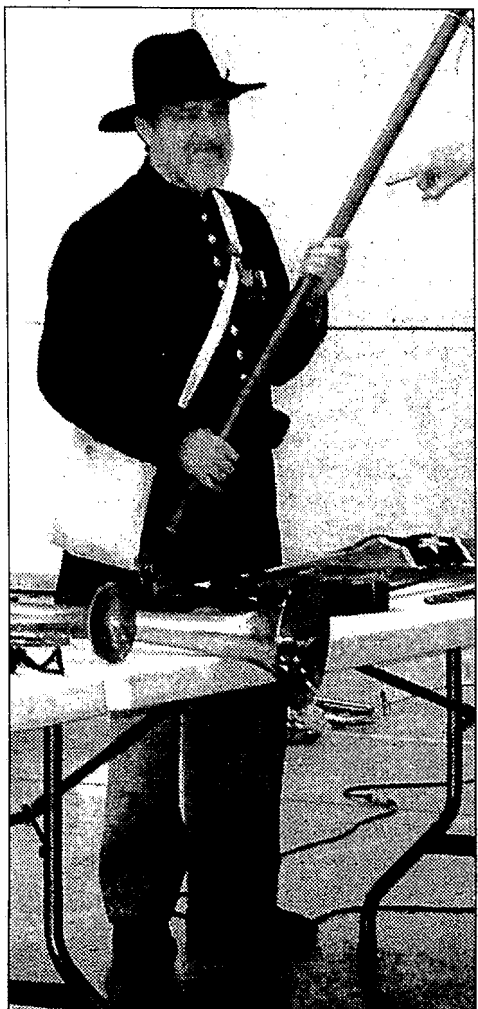
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# Fifth Regimental Band members reenact the Civil War



Gene Kramer demonstrates Civil War instruments during a presentation at CMS.



The Fifth Michigan Regimental Band has members from all over the state and participate in civil war reenactments in Gettysburg, VA. The members who performed and spoke to the students at CMS were (left to right) Guy Smith, Jean Wank, Gene Kramer, Mary Davidson, Judy MacQueen and Carol Smith.



Before "Old Glory" became the official flag of the United States, the names of battles in which a flag was flown at were stitched onto the bars. Members of the Fifth Regimental Band gave two presentations at Clarkston Middle School. The members explained important points throughout the Civil War.



The Clarkston Middle School gymnasium was packed during both mid-day assemblies given by the Fifth Michigan Regimental Band on April 27.

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# Is an internet presence right for you?

By William H. Langdon, Jr., RFC CFS BCM RFP

When I meet an entrepreneur who does not have a web site, I ask "Why not?" The typical response runs along the lines they do not really use the internet much in the course of their business, so why bother? That is when I explain the reality is they do not need to use the internet to benefit from an internet presence, just as they do not need to read the chamber of commerce business directory in order to benefit from being listed in it. Most purchasing clients use the internet as their main source of information and if your business is not online, you are overlooked.

So, why not invest in your business future? I asked Luc Robert "Slick" Poirier, co-founder and chief operating officer of Slick and Bubba's Elite & Expeditious Websites, how much a business should expect to spend on an internet project? I learned, bottom line, websites are more cost effective than people think.

"Compare the price for a full page, 4-color ad in the phone book to an impactful internet presence and you'll see why there are fewer advertisers in the 2005 Yellow Pages than there were in the 2004 edition," Poirier said.

He suggests checking *Click Z Stats*, the leading web marketer's guide to online facts, internet research, and trends and at [www.clickz.com](http://www.clickz.com) for other useful, real time information. Perhaps a better question to ponder on is how fast do you want your business to grow?

Your site does not have to be a major investment. Most computers today come with free web building software. "If you can type and move a mouse, you can build a basic web site," said Poirier. If you have any questions go online and find the answers ... they are out there. If you do not want to learn software, but still want to do it yourself, go to sites like [www.geocities.com](http://www.geocities.com) and get everything, you need for less than \$5/month: domain registration, hosting, web building tools - the works.

Powerhouse retailers like *Sam's Club* are now offering-

in on the do-it-yourself web page (go to [www.samsclub.com](http://www.samsclub.com), look on the left margin under Business Needs and click on "Business Web Service," and sign up). *Costco* offers similar packages on their website ([www.costco.com](http://www.costco.com)). Before you rush off and utilize these more than reasonable online services, consider this universal truth: You get what you pay for.

"You create your site using what's being made available to you from a database open to anyone purchasing the same package," Poirier said.

Individuality is not a wide-open option here and you run the risk of looking very similar to another online presence and, worse, blending in. Moreover, although easy, unless you already have a familiarity doing this sort of thing or are comfortable using your computer, what you save in money may cost you in time capital, and for business owners this is a commodity already in short supply.

If you would rather spend your time building your business, Poirier suggests hiring a freelancer who can put together a web site for a fraction of what it costs to hire a company. Better yet, consider doing in-kind trade (you trade a fixed dollar amount in goods and/or services for the same amount in goods and/or services) with someone well versed in the web assembly arena. The drawback is if another project comes along that pays better and suddenly takes priority over yours. When time is money, how much did you really save if your project is on hold until a more convenient time?

For the highest return on investment, Poirier advises speaking with a rep from a web design company. "What I mentioned earlier about typing and moving a mouse is true about building a site - and anyone can do this - but there's more to it than that. What's done behind-the-scenes for a web site directly impacts how hard it works for you, how well it drives qualified purchasing traffic your way, and many, many other aspects too numerous to list but nonetheless vital," he said.

Depending on the degree of work you want your web site to do for you, will directly affect what you should expect to pay for a professionally done site, but don't be quick to bawl at quotes. True, you can get a site for next to nothing, but do not set your expectations too high regarding

what it will do for you. If unsure about a quote, get a second or third.

"They are usually free. You can also take advantage of varied payment options. Many companies can set up monthly installments to your credit card, offer 'web leasing' programs, and have plans that stretch up to 60 months."

The advantage here is you can budget for your project without tying up precious spending capital (Poirier mentioned this is one of the more popular programs at Slick and Bubba's). Another popular Slick and Bubba's option involves e-commerce (selling your goods and/or services online) projects. Instead of budgeting for the site, the client pays a percentage of online sales.

"The advantage here is we don't make money unless our client does, so we have a vested interest in driving purchasing customers to the site," he said.

To quote an entrepreneur new to the e-commerce community: "For minimal investment, I've given my local business a global reach. That's money well spent."

Our business community is rich with web building talent; no doubt there is a company with a program that will feel right for you. If you are wondering where to start your search, ask business colleagues to refer someone. If you have a favorite web site you like visiting, it is fairly easy to find out who designed it. When interviewing companies, ask yourself if you'll want to do business with them for years to come. After all, they are elevating your enterprise to a new level, so expect to have them around for a while. Trust your gut ... if it does not feel right, don't do it.

Purchasing a web site is a lot like purchasing a car: Both are vehicles that will get you to where you want to go. One gets you *to* work; the other gets you *the* work. The only question you really need to answer is how much can you afford *not* to spend? Looking toward the future internet is here to stay, so, using today's technologies will increase your long-term success with your business. **Always Remember, Success is, Failure turned inside out.**

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## MEAP under investigation

The middle school level MEAP results were in and then removed around April 29.

According to Anita Banach, Director of Marketing and Communications for Clarkston Community schools, the scores were pulled after officials discovered some tests stolen. The Michigan Depart-

ment of Education is investigating the situation.

Administrators are looking into this and are unsure about the release of the results.

Look in next week's issue of *The Clarkston News* for a complete story.

## Students organize fund-raising walk

Clarkston High School students Dani Angeli and Mary Swantek are organizing a local "Miracle Mile" walkathon to benefit St. Jude's Research Hospital.

The walk is scheduled from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. on Saturday, May 21, beginning and ending in Depot Park.

The students are recruiting both participants and donors for the event, citing the many discoveries made at St. Jude's to benefit children with can-


cer and other catastrophic diseases. Doctors around the world send their toughest cases and most vulnerable patients to St. Jude's, and all patients accepted are treated without regard to the family's ability to pay.

For more information on the event, call the Clarkston High School Student Council at 248-623-3040 between 1:40 p.m. - 2:40 p.m. weekdays, Dani Angeli at 248-701-5499 or Mary Swantek at 248-620-1402.

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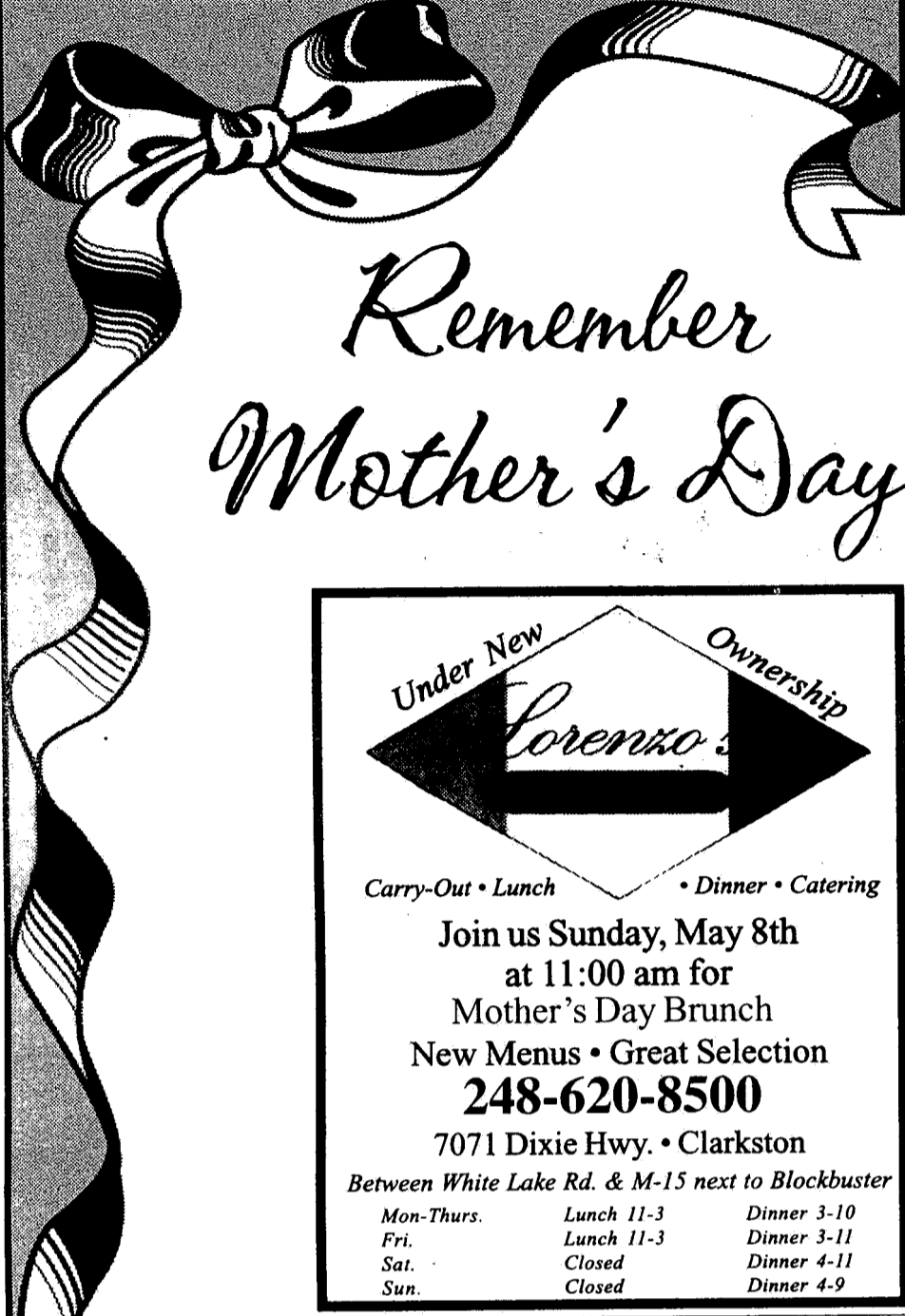
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## New changes require work on outside, inside of schools

As anyone can see, our district is growing and we are in the midst of implementing several significant change efforts. The most obvious transformations are the physical ones that are taking place because our citizens saw the wisdom of passing a bond proposal.

The goals of this proposal include:

- Eliminating overcrowding at the high school level.
- Creating an early childhood center at the Clarkston Road site.
- Consolidating administrative services into a single building site.
- Constructing a two-story addition to Sashabaw Middle School.
- Adding onto Clarkston Junior High School (auxiliary gym, new theater, and other improvements).
- Improving and enhancing our Community Education Center on Church Street.

I am thrilled by the efforts of the school team to bring in the projects "on time and within the budget."

However, it is equally gratifying to know that our citizens, even those with no direct contact with the schools, continue to support our school system in so many ways. This involvement can be seen in the bond passage, attendance at school events, participation in school events and open communication.

### Clarkston Schools



Dr. Al Roberts

Readers will not be surprised to hear that the construction projects are turning some heads!

Recently, I had conversations with a number of community members. Most are amazed by the magnitude of the work that has been completed thus far. Many people say they look forward to visiting when the district is able to set up public tours.

I can assure you that we will schedule this activity as soon as possible. After all, we want the entire community to see and take pride in the work that has been done to keep the promises made during the bond campaign. When the dust settles and the tours begin, I am certain that our community will marvel at what we have been able to accomplish together - thank you!

That being said, let's not lose sight of the fact that we can also take pride in the work that is being done behind the scenes. This work includes:

- Changing grade configurations and making academic improvements.
- Centralizing administrative services so that all district support functions are consolidated and controlled from one site.
- Creating an early childhood center to bolster the readiness level of our pupils.
- Renovating a historic building to house an alternative high school program, a post high school special education program and our community education programs.

Yes, we are juggling many activities at one time in

order to reach our overriding goal - to make our schools even more effective.

With this in mind, I chose to attend the Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development Conference (ASCD) in early April. I was able to refocus and learn through the assistance of some of our nation's best educators. Within an abbreviated timeline, I was able to utilize the counsel of numerous experts.

Some of the advice I received served to reassure me that we are heading in the right direction. Other comments caused me to reflect upon what a great community we have here in Clarkston. For example, one of the lectures suggested that, "pushing the community" is often necessary to bring about needed change. I am happy to say that this is a community that understands that the school system cannot afford to stand still. Our community supports the work we do here to "raise the bar" and make certain that our children are provided with the best education possible.

I did learn more about how traditions, communications, present structure and group think can work against innovation. I believe this knowledge will be useful in helping me "nurture" our changes along.

Finally, permit me to emphasize the importance of continually working to build a trusting environment. Since trust is the glue that holds us together during times of stress and change, it is critical to reach out to all segments of the community. I trust these columns are seen as one way of doing just that.

## Clarkston kicker to compete on next level at Adrian



Another Clarkston athlete, senior Amanda Henderson, will ply her athletic talent on the collegiate level at Adrian College.

"Since I was a little kid I have dreamed of playing soccer in college," said Henderson.

Henderson will have a quick turnaround from the CHS spring soccer this season to the Adrian team in the fall.

"I contacted the (Adrian) coach as a sophomore and told him I was interested," said Henderson.

After her initial contact, members of the Adrian staff came to see her play last year during Henderson's junior season. Soon after her junior campaign, Adrian let her know they would like her to consider playing for them.

Henderson has secured a Presidential Academic scholarship to attend Adrian.

She is a three-year varsity player and plays defense for the Wolves this season.

At Adrian, Henderson plans on studying childhood education.

*No more turf decisions...*

As Mother Nature's tears came down in the form of rain the CHS field began its transformation to synthetic turf on May 2. Construction will be completed by the middle of summer. For the time being Clarkston athletics will use the track at Clarkston Middle School.

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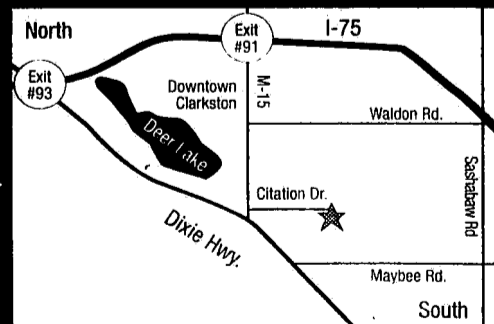


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# 'Christmas' spirit helps needy seniors

BY DON SCHELSKE  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

About 95 volunteers spent their April 30 bringing a little "Christmas" to three low-income senior citizen families in Independence Township.

The first Clarkston-area "Christmas in Action" project brought repairs and beautification to homes on Dixie Highway, Summerhill Drive and Drayton Road.

"We thought we would only have one home to do, and we ended up with three," said organizer Diane Midgely. "It went better than expected."

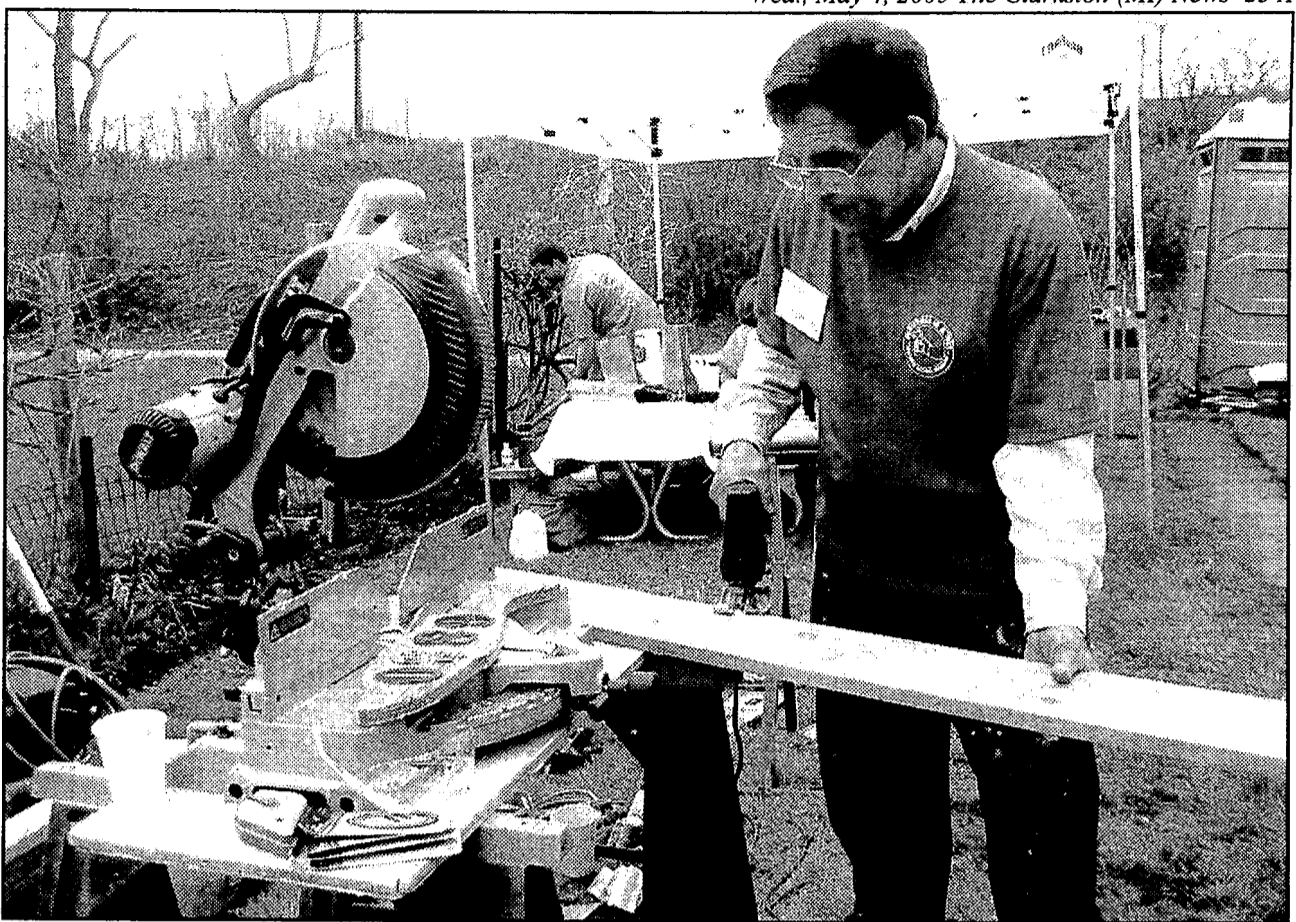
Thanks to business sponsors, materials were donated to help accomplish needed repairs. Volunteers brought both skilled and unskilled labor, and each site saw evidence of new paint, carpentry, plumbing and landscaping.

Firefighters from the Independence Township Fire Department volunteered their time to install donated smoke detectors and fire extinguishers.

The physical improvements were accompanied by new friendships and a spirit of teamwork.

"The positive energy that was generated among the volunteers was powerful," Midgely said.

"There are seniors who need assistance," she said, promising another Christmas in Action campaign in April 2006.



Roger Diederich uses carpentry skills to help the Christmas in Action project at a Dixie Highway home.



Michelle Steen (above) carefully plants a new bush outside the Christmas in Action Dixie Highway home, while Julie Thomas and Katie Chase (below) paint window trim.



The bustle of Christmas in Action activity includes lots of painting, planting, lifting, hauling, repairing and overall grooming.

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## Jaycees announce theme for parade, name chairman

The Clarkston Jaycees have announced the Independence Township Fourth of July Parade theme — "Independence Through the Decades" — and invite people in the community to create celebrations of independence based on their favorite decade.

The parade will be at 10 a.m. on Monday, July 4 in downtown Clarkston. Prizes will be awarded for first, second and third place; best use of theme; and judge's choice.

Potential parade entrants are asked to make a donation (minimum \$10), which will help offset the costs of the parade.

Immediately following the parade, join Independence Township Parks and Recreation's annual "Festival of Fun" at Clintonwood Park.

The Jaycees are looking for volunteers to help on parade day.

Those interested in being a part of tradition or would like a parade entry application are asked to contact Parade Chairman Tim Sievers at 248-975-6313 or [tasiervers@hotmail.com](mailto:tasiervers@hotmail.com).

The Junior Chamber of Commerce (Jaycees) is a nationwide movement of young people, between the ages of 21-40, who volunteer their time, talents and energies to providing community service while developing professionally and personally.

The United States Junior Chamber of Commerce has members in all 50 states, including Michigan, which consists of more than 80 local chapters and 3,400 members.

For membership information, contact the Jaycees at (248) 975-6313 or [clarkstonjc@yahoo.com](mailto:clarkstonjc@yahoo.com).

## Historical society plans great performances in annual cemetery walk

The Clarkston Community Historical Society is making plans for their third annual Cemetery Walk, from 7 p.m. - 8 p.m. on Saturday, May 21.

The event is designed as a unique way for participants to experience "living history" as they are guided through Lakeview Cemetery and come face to face with some of Clarkston's earliest settlers.

This year, seven actors will be posted at various gravesites, playing a different character from Clarkston's history. Historical characters include Eurastus Stiff, Peter Addis, Adeline Petty, Horatio Foster, Eleanor King Dunston and Lena Hammond Jossman, with a special surprise guest.

Each character will offer a short speech about the life and times of each historical individual, as well as interesting facts about Clarkston and the cemetery itself.

After the tour, participants may stop by the CCHS tent for light refreshments and a chance to listen to "Wakes and Weddings" as they sing American patriotic and folk songs.

Shuttle service will be provided to and from Depot Park. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for students (children age four and under are free of charge). For ticket information, call the CCHS office at 248-922-0270.

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## Eagle hopeful helps county park...



Eagle Scout candidate William Harsch (left) supervises volunteers in building one of two new fishing docks at Independence Oaks County Park on April 30. A member of Venturing Crew 2310, Harsch organized the project, which included about 14 volunteers helping out with donated materials. A major community service project is one of the requirements to attain Scouting's highest rank. Photo by Don Schelske



## Getting ready for the big party...

Following in the footsteps of their upstairs counterparts, the business staff works hard on painting the downstairs offices of *The Clarkston News* on in downtown Clarkston. The cleanup, paintup, fixup project is getting closer to completion, and we're gearing up for our big 75th anniversary celebration. Watch for details, and get ready to come see our new look. Photo by Don Schelske

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# Walkin' and Rollin' in Clarkston...

The annual SCAMP Walk & Roll fund-raiser in Depot Park shook up Clarkston this past Sunday.

Volunteers, walkers and SCAMPers turned in pledge sheets for a chance to travel along 1-mile, 2-mile and 8-mile routes with all proceeds benefiting SCAMP.

"It was a wonderful day," said SCAMP Director Donna Clancy. "There were so many people, we ran out of t-shirts, and kids had to raise \$50 and adults \$100 to get one."

Clancy estimated over 800 people

walked and rolled for the event.

At the time of publication, SCAMP organizers had not counted all donations.

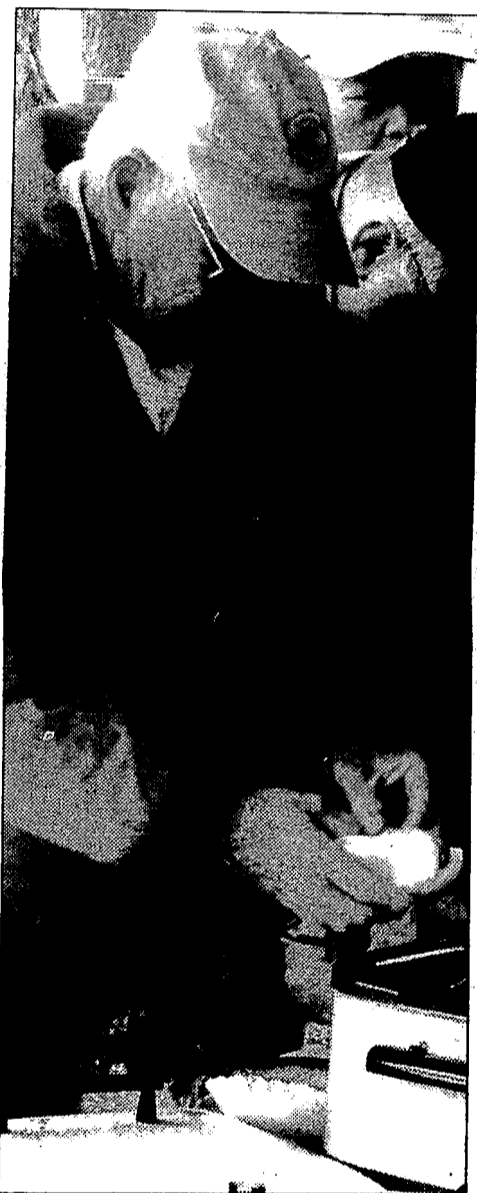
Congratulations to the winners of the SCAMP contests: youngest walker for the day was 1-year-old Sidney Scheib; oldest walker was Theresa Chivers, 92; best bike went to Amy Divito; largest group of walkers was Miss Leddy's class from Springfield Plains Elementary; and largest employee group was Dr. Rumph.

Thanks to everyone who participated in the exciting day!

Photos by Jenny Matteson



Michelle McMichael checks out shirts for herself and her favorite teammates Kaitlynn, 5, and Kyle, 8. The family participated with the Andersonville Elementary team.



Yum, yum... Merle Smith, of the Pontiac Civitan Club, prepares hotdogs for participants.



Wheeling through the trail is 10-year-old Christian Hall.



What a big day! Two-year-old Stephen Catania conks out on dad Michael's shoulder before walking even begins. Hope dad has strong arms for the hike!



Signing up to ride are 10-year-old Erika Hanne and 9-year-old Jesse Pierson.



Taylor Strohschein, 11, gives Chase cuddles and attention before her walk.

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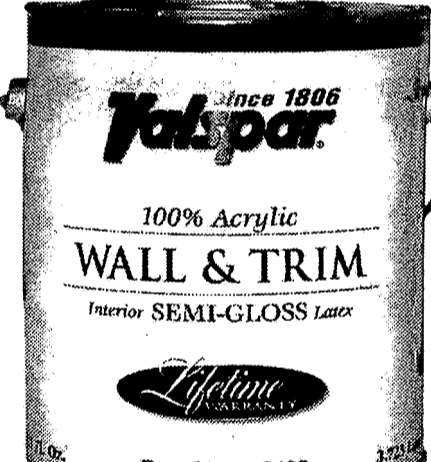
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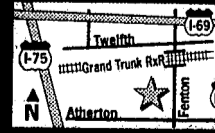
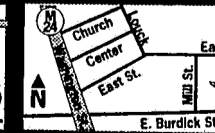
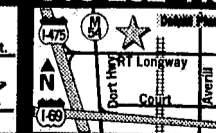


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# Crash

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"There was an immediate explosion," said Independence Township Fire Chief Steve Ronk, noting a rare occurrence of gasoline explosions in traffic crashes. "That tells us one of the fuel cells ruptured and ignited. A lot of cars got splashed with gasoline, and they ignited."

The driver of the S-10, 25-year-old Matthew Singleton of Grand Blanc, and the driver of the Cherokee, 26-year-old David Dejonckheere of Clinton Township, were pronounced dead at the scene, state police said.

A 15-year-old boy, who was a passenger in the Cherokee, died on May 1 at Genesys Regional Medical Center in Grand Blanc.

Another Cherokee passenger, a 23-year-old woman from Fraser, was still considered "critical" on Monday.

Drivers of three other northbound vehicles attempted to avoid the first crash, but were unable to do so and saw their vehicles catch fire as well. State police said minor injuries were sustained by:

- a 37-year-old Clarkston man and his 11-year-old son, in a northbound 2002 Chevrolet van.

- a 38-year-old Flint woman, driving a northbound 1999 Mercury Mystique.

- a 1994 Plymouth Sundance driven by a 20-year-old Huntington Woods man.

State police are still investigating the incident, and as of Monday did not know if alcohol was a factor. Results of autopsies were not expected to be available for at least several days.

Ronk said firefighters were on the scene for about five hours as investigators continued their work.

Northbound I-75 was closed, and traffic on the southbound side was narrowed to one lane. Some onscene deputies expressed frustration at the "gaper gap" caused by motorists.

Other motorists were credited with pulling some of the occupants out of their burning vehicles.

"When you have a gasoline fire, if [rescue] is not immedi-

ate, you get burned," Ronk said. "They absolutely saved people's lives."

Some bystanders became a minor irritant, however, as people attempted to "help" firefighters. Ronk said his crews had to be short with some well-meaning good Samaritans.

"I can't have people picking up our hose lines trying to put out car fires in shorts and t-shirts," he said.

Public safety agencies were dispatched to a "tanker explosion," Ronk said. The number and intensity of the fires required tanker trucks to accompany engines, and the chief gave credit to firefighters who responded from their volunteer work at Christmas in Action homes.

Despite the tragedy, Ronk also said the fire department's advanced life support operation made a real difference.

"If this was three years ago, we would be waiting 20 minutes for a private ambulance to get there in the gridlock," he said.

Two ALS ambulances were on scene within four minutes, and critically-injured patients were off scene and on the way to hospitals within 16 minutes, Ronk said.

# Officials want more guardrails

BY DON SCHELSKE

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Independence Township Fire Chief Steve Ronk is tired of the carnage.

The April 30 multiple-vehicle crash on I-75 south of Sashabaw Road is one more piece of evidence that the expressway needs more safety engineering, and Ronk wants other public safety and township officials to join with him to demand it from the Michigan Department of Transportation.

"We are going to push hard for guard rails," Ronk said on Monday. "This crossover thing has got to stop."

The weekend crash, which involved five burning vehicles, three deaths and one critical injury, was caused by a southbound vehicle crossing the median into the northbound lanes.

Ronk hopes to recruit Lt. Dale LaBair, commander of the Independence Township substation of the Oakland

County Sheriff's Office, and Supervisor Dave Wagner to join in a letter to MDOT.

LaBair said he needs no convincing.

"I thought there was something already on their wish list," LaBair said. "Maybe we can accelerate it some."

LaBair, who was among sheriff units assisting with the emergency, said the crash site has a narrow median with virtually nothing to deter a crossover.

"This thing had all the bad makings to begin with," he said. "It's a narrower spot of median, it's flat, it was dry. There was nothing to absorb energy."

"That is a bad stretch of road," the lieutenant said. "We get clipped there on a regular basis."

As part of ongoing repairs to I-75, MDOT has installed guard rails north of the M-15 interchange. Ronk said that prevented a major tragedy when a southbound semi-truck overturned in January.

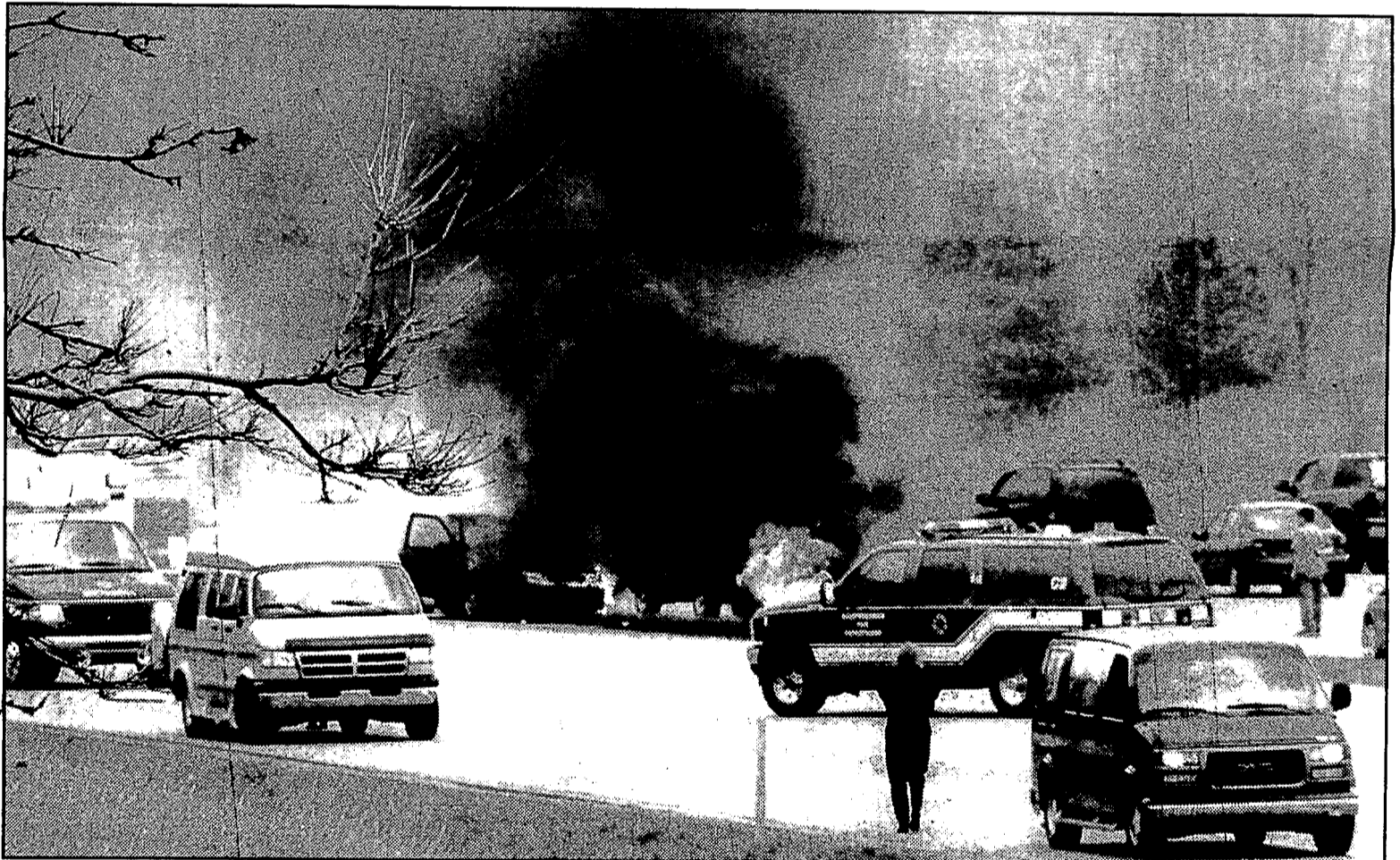
"They need to continue it at least through our township," Ronk said. "I don't know why it hasn't been addressed."

MDOT spokesman Rob Morosi was unable to immediately report whether additional guardrails are planned.

Morosi noted the narrowness of the median in that area as a possible construction concern, but LaBair said Michigan lacks the landscaping options used by other states to help slow vehicles which may enter the median.

"I'm one of the guys who cheer when there's mud in the median," LaBair said. "The guard rail's about the only option."

Part of the problem with the engineering of the freeway dates back to the 1960s when the freeway was built. Politics and right-of-way issues were such that I-75 in southeast Michigan has the most curves and turns than any expressway in the nation, LaBair said.



Fire and smoke add to the congestion of I-75 just south of Sashabaw Road. The five-vehicle crash closed the northbound lanes, while the southbound side was narrowed to one lane because of the presence of emergency vehicles. Some onscene deputies expressed frustration with the "gaper gap" caused by southbound motorists. Photo by Jenny Matteson

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## Police

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wallet. The suspect is the resident's son. Assist to Michigan State Police with multi-vehicle crash on I-75 south of Sashabaw Road. Malicious destruction to vehicle on Riverview Drive. Someone cut a convertible roof top, then sprayed the interior of the vehicle with a fire extinguisher. **May 1:** Home invasion report on Maybee Road near Webber. Someone took two circular saws, four tires and four chrome wheels after breaking into a garage. Domestic assault report on Briarwood Court. Malicious destruction of property on Andersonville Road near Clement. Someone drove through construction barricades and damaged a resident's lawn. Assist to Michigan State Police for motorcycle injury crash on I-75 south of Sashabaw Road. **May 2:** Arrest for operating under the influence of liquor on M-15 near Oakhill Road. A 30-year-old Lapeer man was found with a blood alcohol level of 0.18 percent.

## Tribute

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paper within the Sherman Publication group. James and Hazel's dedication to an era gone by where community newspapers have in large part become a remnant of the past instilled into their three children the hard work and dedication necessary to keep the concept thriving. Today their three children own and share in the operation of the business. The fine tradition continues today. Ten years ago the family founded another weekly paper, *The Citizen*, which serves the Ortonville-Goodrich area, alongside with another shopper, *Metamora Crossroads*, serving the southern part of Lapeer County. The Sherman family in their own way has managed to preserve a historic way of life at a time when the community newspaper was the only source of information available. In recent years we have seen a growing trend in corporate newspaper takeovers. It is refreshing to see that the concept of a hometown newspaper has not been unsurpassed by the changing times. The charm and personnel touch that the community paper creates a good rapport with the residents so much so that they come to depend on it for the best coverage of local government, schools, sports, community activities, and people. **In Special Tribute**, therefore, this document is signed and dedicated to congratulate the Sherman family as they celebrate an historic milestone of 50 years of producing quality community journalism. May they know of our best wishes for continued success.

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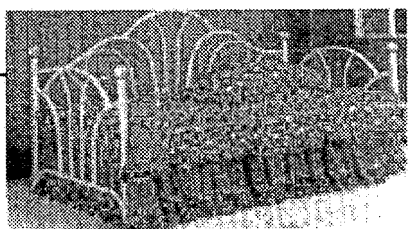
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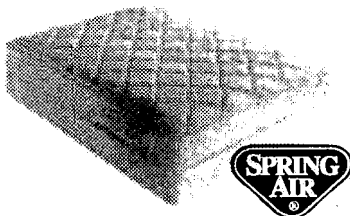
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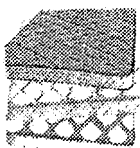
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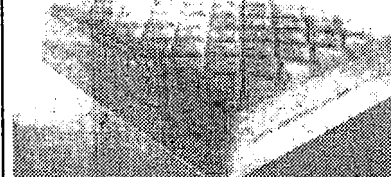
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# Cranbrook educates kids on plants

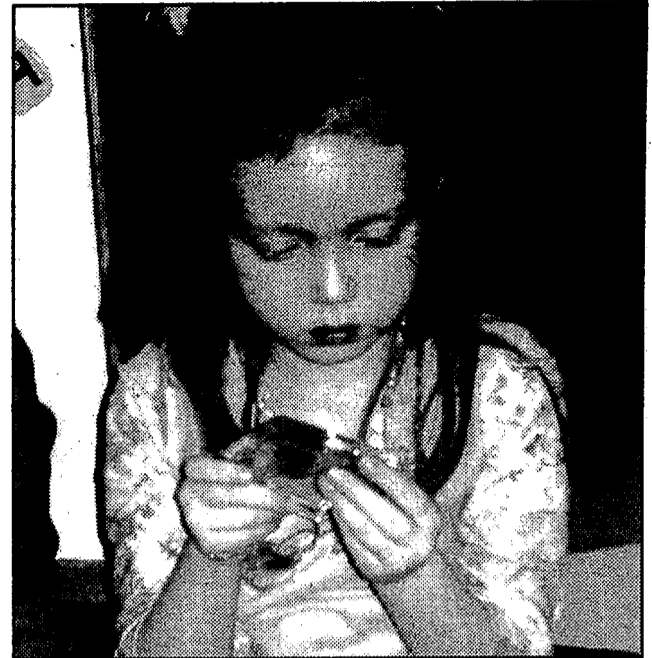
On April 26, Independence Elementary kindergartner's got a very special treat - a visit from the Cranbrook Institute of Science.

Through a grant from the Clarkston Foundation, the students were able to explore the basic structure of a plant through activities, discuss vegetation and plant survival through adaptation, and learn why plants are important in our lives.

*Photos by Christina Ulaj*



Straton Harris examines a rare flower.



Grace Moultrup examines a poison ivy leaf.



Evan Morrison got to smell a cocoa bean.



Mrs. Dobson's kindergarten class listens carefully during the presentation.



Natalie Harshman looks at an ear of corn.



Jessica Currell, Cranbrook Institute of Science, used different plants as visual aides during her lectures



Jack Murphy experiences being a potted plant.

**People Poll**

*How are you preparing for college?*



"I'm trying to get all of the scholarships possible and I'm trying to pass my AP exams so I can earn college credit."

- Jill Kouri



"I'm enrolled at Oakland University. I plan on taking some summer calculus courses to get my overall math IQ up."

- Tony Calaman



"I'm getting ready to buy stuff for my dorm room - a sweet futon."

- Meghan Hall



"I'm going to Lake Superior State University to be a firefighter, so I'm getting in shape and trying to save money."

- Rob Sabo

By Noah Purcell

# The Clarkston News' Millstream

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

## Lions Club roars anew in Clarkston

BY DON SCHELSEKE  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

The Lions are back in Clarkston. About 100 people, including 33 charter members from Clarkston and Lions from other communities, gathered at Liberty Golf and Banquet to celebrate the official recognition of the local chapter.

Recruiting began in September 2004, when members of the Ortonville Lions sought out Clarkston residents interested in participating in the international organization whose motto is, "We Serve."

With the help of "guiding Lions," the Clarkston group launched their service even before their charter was granted. In December 2004, the Clarkston Lions organized a "basket of care" for a needy local family. Because the club was so new, there was no time for fundraising so the Lions donated all the funds themselves to purchase food and presents.

In the days immediately following the charter presentation, the new Lions took to the streets for the annual White Cane Week fund-raising drive.

Charter Night, however, was reserved for celebration. The evening included speeches, presentations and the happy yet serious ceremony in which the new Lions signed the official charter.

Brace Case, charter president of the new club, said the Clarkston area has both the talent and the spirit to be an active service organization.

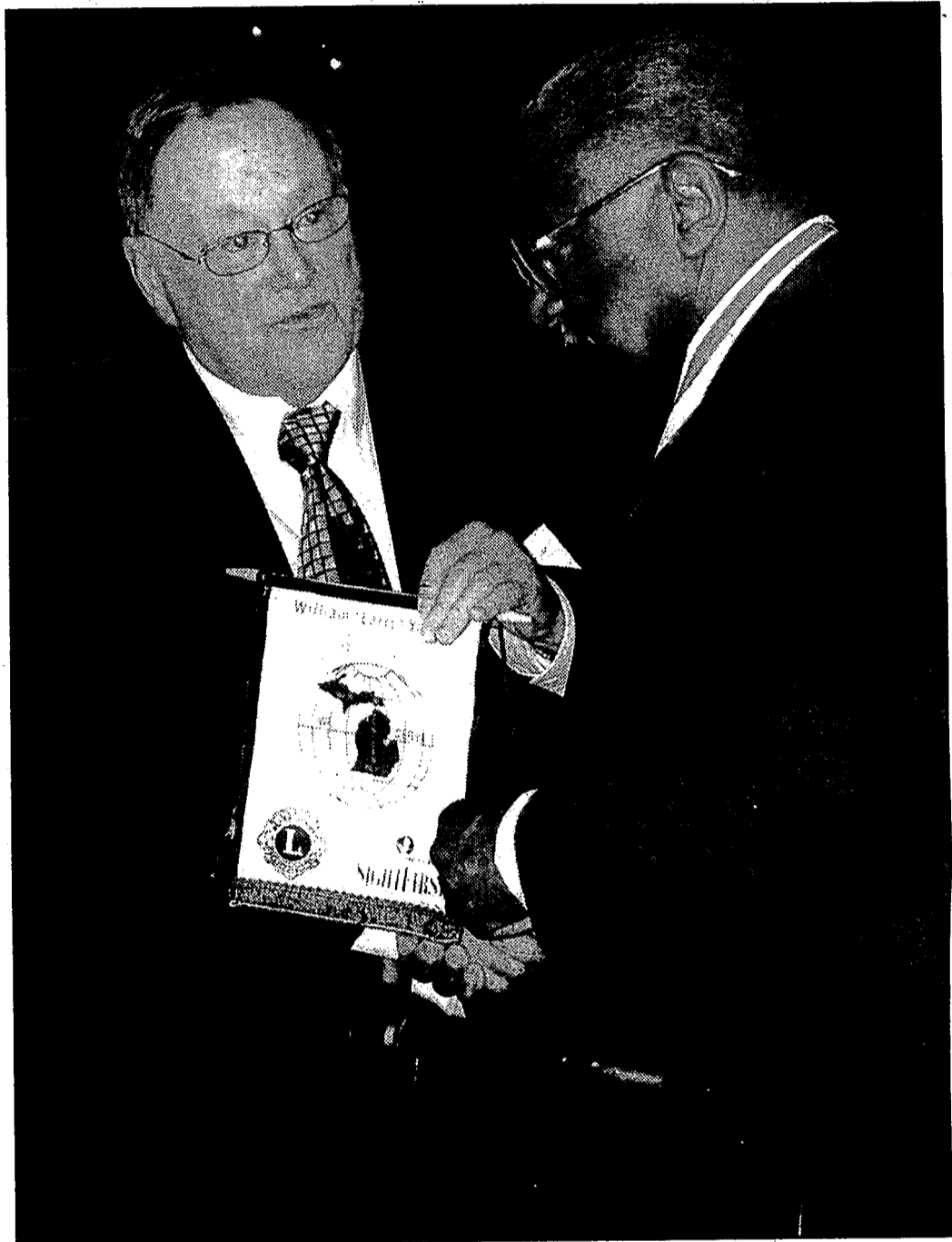
"We really have a vibrant group," Case said. "We've got a lot of professional people. They're used to grabbing something and running with it."

Mike Mercier, first vice president, is a former Lion who moved to Clarkston last August.

"I was excited when I saw that the Lions Club was organizing," Mercier said. "I knew what good works they do, and I was shocked that Clarkston, as dynamic an area as it is, did not have a club."

The Clarkston area did have a Lions Club as late as the 1970s, but it disbanded. More than one lauded the resurrection of the local group.

Independence Township Supervisor Dave Wagner said the community is fortunate to have several great service groups, but he said the Lions will fill a gap.



Brace Case (left), charter president of the Clarkston Lions Club, accepts an International Friendship Banner from Larry Young, past international director and keynote speaker at Charter Night. Photo by Don Schelske

"I feel right now finally our community is whole again, because you guys are back," Wagner said.

The keynote address came from Larry Young, a past international director who credited Clarkston residents for the "courage and insight" to form a new Lions Club.

Young referred to several points in the

history of the organization and the "bridges" it has built. He noted the move to make women equal members of the organization (the first major service club to do so), the move of Lions from Detroit in organizing the first Canadian Lions Club and the movement of the organization into 193 countries.

"Every day, Lions across the world are building bridges for others to cross over into a better life," Young said.

Young presented Case with a Lions "International Friendship Banner" as a token of the worldwide tie among local Lions Clubs.

Mercier proudly reported that Lions

**"We're eager to begin our humanitarian service to our local and world community."**

— Brace Case, charter president  
Clarkston Area Lions Club

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# Around Town

There's always plenty happening at the Independence Township Senior Center:

• **Mother's Day Tea** – enjoy a "proper tea time" in the center's Victorian Parlor (dining room) with a variety of flavored teas, sandwiches and pastry delicacies to honor mother's on May 5 from 2-4 p.m. The authentic event is planned by the senior center's own "English Lady" Catherine Reeve. The cost is \$5 per person.

• Ahhhh, beautiful flowers in the Spring time. There's nothing better.

Come and enjoy the sight of the **Holland Tulip Festival** on May 11 from 9 a.m. to approximately 7:30 p.m. See parades, street scrubbing, Veldheer's Tulip Farm and Windmill Island. The cost is \$82 for residents and \$85 for non-residents, and includes a family-style lunch at the Alpen Rose and motorcoach ticket.

• Feeling a little lucky? Looking for a great bargain? Then join the senior center for **Windsor Racetrack Slots** on May 18 from 8 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

This slot machine heaven has just

been renovated and beautifully remodeled in a Roaring 20's theme. The cost is \$9 for residents and non-residents, and includes motorcoach and a voucher for lunch.

A picture ID plus a birth certificate or passport are required. If you are lucky enough to win a jackpot prize, you must present two pieces of ID, so be prepared.

For more information on these and many other exciting activities, please contact the senior center at 248-625-8231.

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The Widowed Support Group will

meet on May 5 at 7 p.m. in the Independence Township Senior Center.

The topic of discussion will be "Coping with Loneliness" facilitated by Alicia Brown. The objective is to support one another through the common bond of loss.

The free meeting is for men and women of all ages in the Clarkston area recently widowed. Walk-ins are welcome, no registration needed. Refreshments will be served.

For more information, please call 248-625-5231.

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Indian Springs Metropark, one of the Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority Metroparks, is holding "Night of the Lion" on May 6 at 8 p.m. at the Nature Center.

Join an interpreter for an evening of Starry fun: print the constellations on t-shirts; toast marshmallows around the fire; and welcome Hercules, the strong man, and Bootes, the herdsman along with the first constellations of the summer triangle. The cost is \$2 per person. Pre-registration is required.

Also, the Nature Center is looking for volunteers to assist in the "Early Bird Park Survey" on May 14 at 7 a.m. Volunteers are needed to take a leisurely bird walk and document the various species observed. An interpreter will be present to help beginners learn various bird songs and to aid in identification. Please bring binoculars and dress for the weather.

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The North Oakland Headwaters Land Conservancy invites the public to spot birds and watch their spring activities at Davis Lake Overlook and Eaton Meadow Preserve in Davisburg on May 7 at 8 a.m.

Fred Townsend, birder extraordinaire, will share the fun of "birding" on this early morning walk. Learn techniques of recognizing these different feathered friends while discovering some of their interesting behavior. Find out why healthy habits are so important.

Everyone will gather for this fun excursion in the parking lot behind the Old Township Hall on the corner of Davisburg and Eaton roads.

For more information or to regis

See Around Town, page 18B



*Brownies celebrate with tree planting...*

The 15 first-grade girls in Brownie Troop 1931 at Clarkston Elementary celebrated Arbor Day and Earth Day recently by planting a Burgundy Cherry Tree near the front of the school. The troop used some of the money they made selling cookies to purchase the tree and also to join the Arbor Day Foundation. The girls named the tree "Cherry."

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# New Italian restaurant brings Italy closer to home

BY CHRISTINA ULAJ

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Many Clarkston area residents may remember Giacomo's. Now, a new restaurant stands in its place – Lorenzo's Italian Cuisine.

Lorenzo's opened their doors on April 20, and owner Lorenzo Myftiu is thrilled about the vast amount of support.

"I love Clarkston," said Myftiu. "Everyone in the area is so nice and supportive."

"Fred Ritter was the first business owner to come up, shake hands and say welcome to the community," said Myftiu.

Growing up in Albania, Myftiu became familiar with the restaurant industry. He ran, and still remains part owner, an Italian restaurant there – Eden Italian Restaurant. Also, Myftiu finished school at the Scuola Alberghiera, a culinary/hospitality center.

Now, Myftiu brings his culinary history to the Clarkston area and introduces Lorenzo's. Admitting that opening a business is quite a task, Myftiu expresses that he could not run the business on his own.

"I give chef Mike Miller a lot of credit," said Myftiu. "He has years of experience and knows his way around the kitchen."

Miller assisted with the changes for the new establishment, including the menu.

"I worked with Lorenzo before and he is a great guy," said Miller. "He let me have control of the menu and I made the changes."

Lorenzo's did a complete menu make-over. A few of the gourmet recipes include: calamari, Italian sausage and peppers, antipasto salad, homemade soups, lasagna, fettuccini alfredo, gnocchi palomino and much more.

Part of the Clarkston area for only a short time, Myftiu is a member of the Clarkston Area Chamber of



Lorenzo's offers a wide variety of newly created, gourmet recipes to bring a little of Italy right here to Clarkston. Photo provided

Commerce. Also, he donated to several local events including Lighthouse, Rotary and Taste of Clarkston.

"I have made so many friends in the area," said Myftiu. "The people here are wonderful."

Lorenzo's is hopeful that an outdoor seating area will soon be available for customers, and also plans on

final renovations to be complete in the near future.

Lorenzo's Italian Cuisine is located at 7071 Dixie Highway. Business hours are Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, 11 a.m. - 10 p.m.; Friday 11 a.m. - 11 p.m.; Saturday 4 p.m. - 10 p.m.; and Sunday 4 p.m. - 9 p.m.

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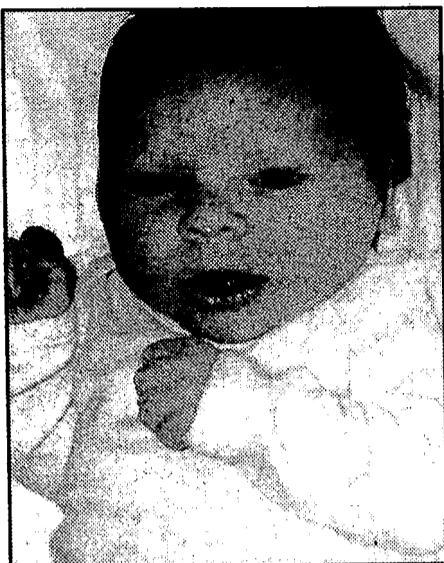
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# Milestones

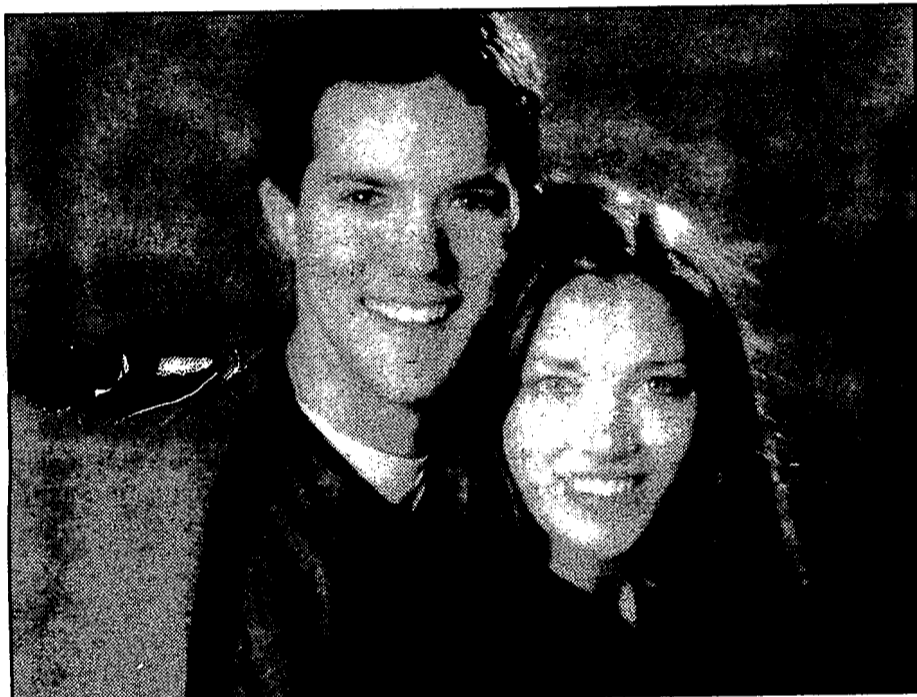
## Welcome Ela Mackenzie Stanton!

Dr. Randall W. and Patricia R. Baetz along with Lloyd and Elizabeth Perkins are proud to announce the birth of their first granddaughter, Ela Mackenzie Stanton.

Ela was born March 3, 2005 to proud parents Melissa (Baetz) and Brent Stanton. She weighed in at seven pounds, 10 ounces and was 21½ inches long.



## Rotters-Krant to wed



Bob and Michelle Rotters, of Clarkston, Davison, announce the engagement of their daughter Aubree to Sam Krant, son of Dave and Mary Krant, of Clarkston. The couple met at Grand Valley State University. A June wedding is planned.

## Wilke-Moffitt to wed



Gregory and Vicki Wilke of Clarkston and James and Candy Moffitt of Burnsville, Minnesota, are delighted to announce the engagement of their children, Erin Nicole Wilke and Michael David Moffitt.

The couple met while playing trombone as members of the University of Michigan Marching Band.

The bride-to-be will graduate in April 2005 from the University of Michi-

gan with a bachelor of science in biomedical engineering and will continue with a master program.

The prospective groom will receive his master's degree in computer science from the University of Michigan in April 2005 and is pursuing his doctorate.

A joyful wedding celebration is planned for July 2005. The couple will reside in Ann Arbor.

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# Religion

## God's extreme makeover

I'm sure you've seen these "makeover shows" where they take people who have buck teeth and big noses and bulges in all the wrong places. They fix their teeth and their nose. They give them tummy tucks and breast enlargements and whatever it takes to make them look beautiful.

That's what God wants to do to us spiritually. When we come to Christ he can give us an "Extreme Makeover." We may have all kinds of ugliness about us. Maybe our attitude stinks. Maybe we're not very good at relationships. Maybe we worry a lot. God can help us with those things. He can give us a makeover.

As a part of my "God's Extreme Makeover" series, I recently shared with my congregation how to solve problems. Part of God's "extreme makeover" in our lives has to do with teaching us how to solve our problems in life in better ways.

The Old Testament character Nehemiah gives us seven steps in problem-solving. Let me share two of those steps with you in this column.

First, identify the problem. (Nehemiah 1:1-3) Sometimes what we think is the problem, really isn't the problem. There was a young soldier who was learning to parachute. His was given the instructions:

1. Jump when you're told.
2. Count to 10 and pull the ripcord.
3. In the unlikely event it doesn't open, pull the second chute open.
4. When you get down, a truck will take you back to base.

The plane got to its proper altitude and the men started jumping and this soldier jumped out when it was his turn. He counted to 10 and pulled the ripcord. Nothing happened. He pulled the cord on the second chute. It didn't open either. The soldier started to complain, "Oh brother, now I suppose the truck won't be

there when I get down."

Sometimes what you think is the problem really isn't the problem. Identify the problem. Is this a financial problem, a marital problem, a personal problem? Bombard your problem with questions. Why is this happening? How long has this been happening? When does this tend to happen? Who's involved in this situation? How big is this problem? Try to identify the problem as clearly as possible.

Second, never give up. (Nehemiah 4:6; 6:15) Nehemiah and his people worked hard. They faced criticism and discouragement. But by God's grace they solved the problem.

There's an old parable about a farmer whose mule fell into a well. After many unsuccessful attempts to haul the mule out of the hole, the farmer decided it was hopeless. So he called his neighbors together and told them what had happened. They agreed to help haul dirt to bury the old mule in the well and put him out of his misery.

So they backed the first truckload of dirt and started to shovel it into the well. The dirt hit the mule on the head and on the back and the old mule went hysterical! He snorted and kicked and jumped around. But the farmer and his neighbors kept on shoveling dirt.

It suddenly dawned on the old mule that every time a shovel load of dirt landed on his back...he should shake it off and step up. So he did. A shovel of dirt would hit his back, and instead of going hysterical, he would shake it off and step up!

Blow after blow... "Shake it off and step up... shake it off and step up..." until finally, the old mule stepped triumphantly out of that well and on to solid ground.

The next time life throws some dirt at you, shake it off and step up. That dirt might be a blessing in disguise. Satan intends to bury you with problems; God can turn those problems into blessings.

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

### Spiritual Matters



Pastor Greg Henneman

## In our churches...

The National Day of Prayer, Thursday, May 5, will be launched in Clarkston with a breakfast at St. Daniel Catholic Church. Doors will open at 7 a.m., with a flag salute at 7:25 a.m. and breakfast at 7:30 a.m.

A free continental breakfast will be provided, with donations accepted. St. Daniel Church is located at Valley Park and Holcomb roads. For more information, call Karen Geno at 248-625-1482, ext. 862.

The Episcopal Church of the Resurrection, 6490 Clarkston Road, will open their doors from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. for prayer by anyone in the community.

From 6:30-9 p.m., Calvary Evangelical Lutheran Church, 6805 Bluegrass Drive, will host a live simulcast featuring Dr. Jerry Sitter, Lee Strobel and Mark Mittelburg.

For more information, call 248-625-3288.

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On Sunday, May 15 from 6 - 8 p.m., the Davisburg Mass Station will enjoy a contemporary praise and worship service in celebration of Pentecost. Location for this service will be at Springfield Oaks Activity Center on Andersonville Road.

Regular Masses are celebrated at 5 p.m. on Saturday and 10 a.m. on Sunday at Davisburg Elementary School, 12003 Davisburg Road.

All inquiries can be made via e-mail to davisburgmass@aol.com.

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Davisburg United Methodist Church will present "Sanctuary: At Home in the House of the Lord," a cantata featuring the church chancel choir, at 10:15 a.m. on Sunday, May 22.

The church meets at 803 Broadway in Davisburg. For more information, call 248-634-3373.

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A thematic study of the Old Testament and New Testament, "Knowing God," will meet 9:30 a.m. Wednesday mornings with Eucharist at 11 a.m., and from 7 - 8:30 p.m. on Wednesday evenings at the Episcopal Church of the Resurrection.

The studies will run through June 1 (no sessions on

Please see In Our Churches on page 16 B

## Church Directory

### ST. DANIEL CATHOLIC CHURCH

7010 Valley Park Dr., Clarkston  
(W. of M-15, S. of I-75) 625-4580  
Rev. Christopher Maus  
Saturday Mass: 5:00 pm  
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### CLARKSTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Clarkston 248-625-1611  
Website: clarkstonumc.com  
Sunday Worship: 9am, 11am, 6pm  
Sunday School: 9am, 10am, 11am, 6pm  
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10:30 am Worship Service  
5:00 pm Choir Practice  
6:00 pm Evening Service  
Mon: 6:30 pm Awana  
Wed: 10:00 am Morning Prayer Partners  
7:00 pm Prayer Meeting & Bible Study

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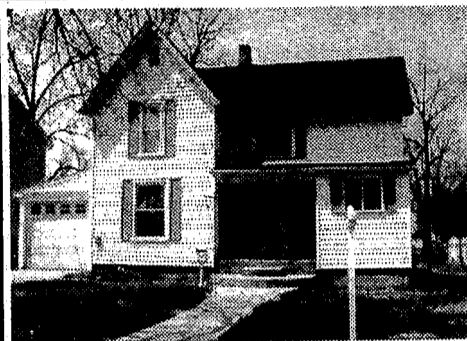
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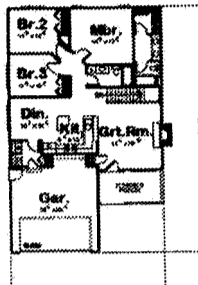
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# Obituaries

## Rosemary Meggitt



Rosemary Meggitt, of Clarkston and Pontiac, passed away on April 27, 2005 at the age of 81.

Mrs. Meggitt was preceded in death by her husband Raymond E. She was the loving mother of Suzette (the late Richard) Vogt of White Lake and Margie (the late Rick) Bradford of Reed City; grandmother of Ron (Lisa) Shindorf, Jay (Erika) Shindorf, Michael Vogt, Katie Bradford, Jessica Bradford, Eric Bradford and Michael Bradford; and great-grandmother of Logan, Ethan and

Brett Shindorf.

Mrs. Meggitt was active and held leadership positions with Sigma Beta National Sorority for over 40 years. She was president of the Pontiac Volunteer Bureau, active in the United Way and the Pontiac Police Wives Association, and was involved in the Pontiac Schools PTA. She worked at GM Truck & Bus and retired from Pontiac Schools Administration.

A funeral service was held on April 30 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home. Private burial ceremonies took place at White Chapel Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to Sigma Beta Sorority - PSI Chapter. www.legacy.com

## Jannie Buhr

Jannie Buhr, of Florida, formerly of Clarkston, passed away on April 21, 2005. She was 89 years old.

Mrs. Buhr was preceded in death by her husband Aloys and her son Robert Buhr. She was the mother of Jeannette (the late William Vandermark) of Florida, Charles (Kathy) Males of Canton, Patrick Buhr of Colorado and Dennis (Susan) Buhr of Mackinaw City. She is also survived by 16 grandchildren and many great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will take place at a later date. Arrangements provided by Lewis E. Wint & Son TRUST 100

Funeral Home. Memorial donations may be made to the Michigan Parkinson Foundation.

## Dr. Harold Kendrick



Harold F. Kendrick, M.D., of Waterford, passed away on April 24, 2005 at the age of 82.

Dr. Kendrick was the loving husband of Colleen; father of Carreen (Jon) Gilbert, Kay (John) DePauw, Mary (Paul) Levi, Gary (Paulette) Kendrick and Vickie (Eric) Eis; grandfather of 13; and great-grandfather of 13.

Dr. Kendrick was born August 28, 1922 in Little Rock, Arkansas. He graduated from Little Rock High School in 1940, and received a bachelor's of science from the University of Arkansas. He received his medical degree from the University of Arkansas School of Medicine.

Dr. Kendrick was on staff at North Oakland Medical Center, St. Joseph Hospital in Flint. He was a former psychiatrist at Bloomfield Hills Counseling Center. He was chief of staff for a little over a year from 1986-1987 and medical director for occupational health from 1988 until recently. He was also the family practice department chief from 1987 until the present.

Dr. Kendrick served on numerous medical staff committees and represented the medical staff interests as an active member of the Board of Trustees Joint Conference Committee for many years. He worked diligently and was instrumental in establishing the Family Practice Residency Program Affiliation at Huron Valley Hospital.

In addition, Dr. Kendrick served in the military and was a member of the Elks Club, the Masonic Lodge and the Masonic Consistory, Detroit Valley, 32 Degree Shriners.

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# Lions

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Clubs were already active in areas affected by the Asian tsunami earlier this year and that the Lions ranked above even the American Red Cross in the amount of donated money going directly to relief efforts.

"The wonderful thing about the Lions is that every cent we take in goes back to the community," Mercier said. The Clarkston Area Lions Club is already working with local schools with charity requests for eyeglasses, part of the Lions Club priority service activity.

Among the beneficiaries of Lions' service is Leader Dogs for the Blind in Rochester, the Michigan Eye Bank, Welcome Homes for the Blind, Lions Bear Lake Camp (for visually impaired youth) and the Penrickton Center for Blind Children in Taylor. The Lions also donated to several programs for the hearing impaired.

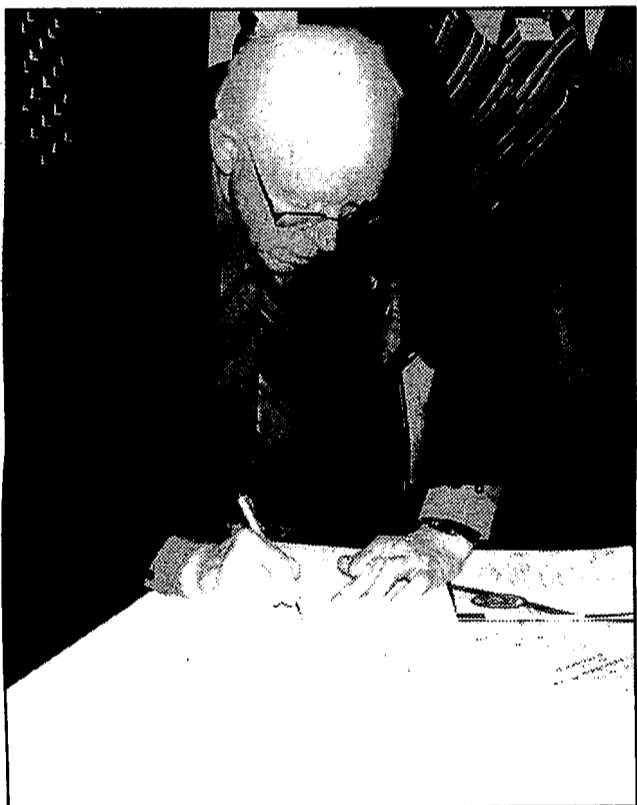
After receiving a ceremonial bell and two ceremonial gavels from other Lions groups, Case unveiled the new Clarkston Area Lions Club banner and announced the club's readiness to add to the international group's legacy.

"We're eager to begin our humanitarian service to our local and world community," Case said.

The group meets every other Thursday night at Mesquite Creek (corner of I-75 and M-15) from 7:30-8:30 p.m. (social hour begins at 6:30 p.m.). For more information, contact Member Chairman Bob Jamison at 248-625-5493.



Jim Henkel of the Ortonville Lions Club introduces dignitaries at the Clarkston Lions Charter Night program.



Lion Robert Jamison signs the Clarkston Lions Club charter. Jamison was a member of a Lions Club in Livonia before moving to Clarkston several years ago, and was glad to be part of the international organization again.



The 33 charter members of the Clarkston Lions Club accept congratulations after their induction into the international service organization.

## Photos by Don Schelske



Approximately 100 people, including members of other Lions Clubs, enjoy the surroundings at Liberty Golf and Banquet to honor the new Clarkston Lions Club.



Past International Director Larry Young administers the oath of office to Clarkston Lions Secretary Angela Tenbusch, President Brace Case and Treasurer Debby Chisholm.

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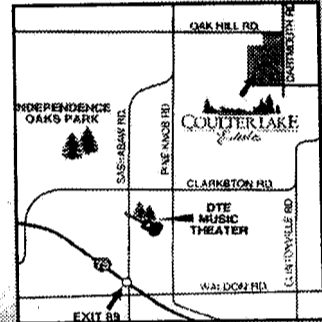
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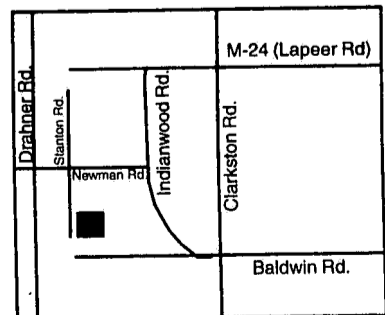
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# Learn something new at 4-H Discovery Day

BY NOAH PURCELL  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

The 4-H Discovery Day 2005, on May 7 at the Springfield Oaks Activity Center, is a perfect fit for all sorts of people – whether they are an old hand at 4-H events or completely new to the unique brand of community-based fun.

“This is an opportunity for people to see a lot of the 4-H program. There is a lot to do that people never thought of being at 4-H,” said Sue Stapleton, 4-H program director.

The day’s festivities will run from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. and feature a veritable cornucopia of activities.

Visitors can learn how to make donuts, ice cream, candles, buttons and even slime; take a drama workshop; polish their green thumbs with master gardeners; participate in activities themed around: robotics, poultry, dogs and rabbits; and enjoy several other club demonstrations, clinics and hands-on learning.

In total, there will be 24 activities, some of which require a short orientation prior to participation and some of which have a small fee to cover the cost of supplies.

“A lot of people think 4-H is just animals. There is a lot of science and technology available through 4-H. There is a lot to do that people never thought of be-

fore,” said Stapleton.

New this year to the lineup of Discovery Day will be geo caching, and back after a small hiatus will be ceramics, where kids can paint and glaze their own creations.

“(Discovery Day) serves as the kickoff to the 4-H fair season,” said Stapleton

The 2005 fairbooks will be available for anyone interested in participating in this year’s 4-H fair. Also, many of the projects for children, like ceramics, can be entered into the 2005 fair.

For people who need a break from hands-on and want something entertaining to watch, Discovery Day will feature a lawnmower rodeo and a mini-horse show.

Aside from the multitude of activities, there will also be 4-H veterinarian services on site, which will include horse coggins testing, dog and cat vaccines, distemper treatments, rabies shots and goat TB treatments. The veterinary services are available at a small cost and are intended for 4-H fair animals only.

This year, the 4-H discovery day is being made possible by the Oakland County 4-H Fair Association in partnership with the MSU Extension program, 4-H Youth development and Oakland County. Discovery Day has been in existence for over 10 years.

## Clarkston Connects launches website

In an effort to address the ongoing need for volunteers, and understanding the many in our community who want to help, the Clarkston Community Initiative has introduced a volunteer website, [www.clarkstonconnects.org](http://www.clarkstonconnects.org).

Clarkston area non-profit organizations are encouraged to register their volunteer opportunities online so every community member interested in giving of their time may visit one location to determine the best match for their talents, interests and skills.

Clarkston Area Youth Assistance, for example, has a waiting list of at least six youth interested in being matched up with an adult mentor. The community initiative’s new website will help Youth Assistance’s efforts by making volunteer opportunities such as mentoring easily accessible to everyone.

The website is designed to help organizations recruit volunteers and also enables anyone interested in sharing their time and talent with others determine what opportunities are available to best match their abilities.

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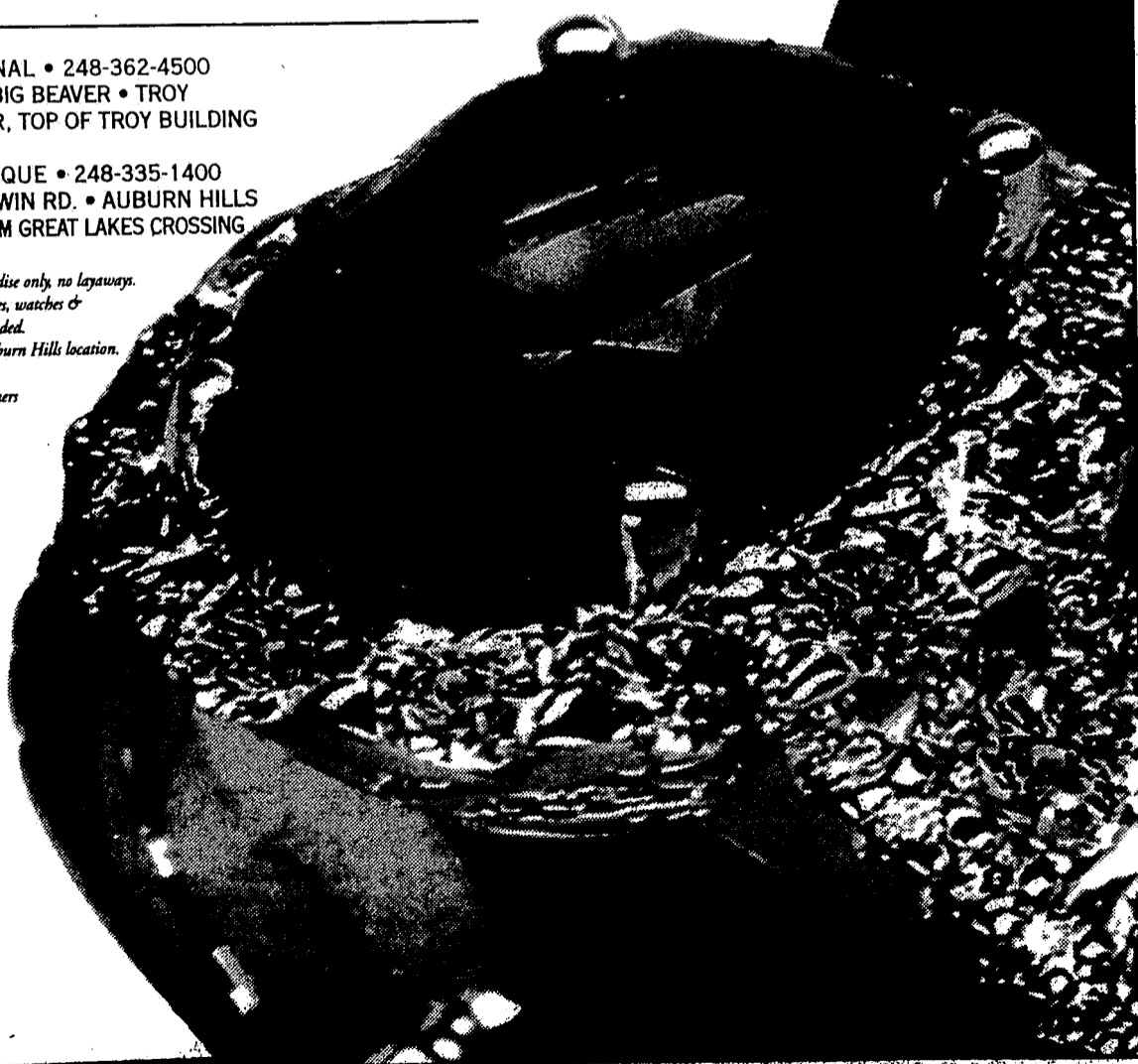
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# SMS students learn about Great Depression first-hand

BY JENNY MATTESON  
Clarkston News Editor

When learning history, there is nothing better than learning about the events from a first-person point of view.

That is exactly what Sashabaw Middle School eighth grade language arts teacher Sue Wilson decided to do when her students began reading a novel on the Great Depression.

"This is a part of the district's 'Learn and Serve' project," said Wilson. "The goal is to bring together the community and the schools. We were reading Irene Hunt's 'No Promises in the Wind' and I was looking for a way for the students to really grasp the history.

"Then I thought, 'What better way for the kids to learn about the Great Depression than to talk with someone who actually lived through it.'"

With this in mind, Wilson contacted Independence Township Senior Center Director Margaret Bartos. The result is an original project.

On April 27, 17 middle school students were picked up by the senior center buses and brought to the center to interview 10 "Great Depression" volunteers.

Those who could not attend the April 27 session participated on April 30 with two additional volunteers.

The students spent the afternoon interviewing the seniors, learning about the Great Depression and their lives at the time.

"It was somewhat difficult to find individuals who remember the Great Depression," said Bartos. "There are not too many left.

"This may be the first and last time for this wonderful program," she added.

Those who actually lived through and can remember the Great Depression are today older than 80 years old. Senior center participants included Paula Acton, 69 (brought family artifacts); Ruby Cooper, 81; Elmer Loehne, 83; Charna Manojlovich, 85; John Nicholson, 75; Bob Porter, 86; Treva Porter, 92; Thelma Stitt, 82; John Thomas, 81; George Thompson, 87 and Jean Perzyk.

The students took the information from their interviews and created a "Legacy Booklet." The booklet contains pictures from their interviews and biographies on each of the seniors who participated.

To cap the project, the legacy booklets will be on display at SMS on the afternoon of May 18. The senior citizens who participated will be brought over to view the books and enjoy an ice cream social.

"This is where the students give back and say thank you to the seniors for participating," said Wilson.

**Photos by Jenny Matteson**



Paula Acton, 69, talks to SMS eighth grader Jake Rush about her family history.



SMS student Amanda Campbell looks at a document from The Great Depression with senior citizen Charna Manojlovich, 85.

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# CHS drama club to float "The Yellow Boat"

On May 6 and 7, the Clarkston High School Drama Club will present "The Yellow Boat," a play by David Saar inspired by the memory of his son Benjamin Saar.

We are happy that we can honor Benjamin Saar's memory," said Joelle Workman, assistant director for the production. "(This play) is more of a celebration of Benjamin Saar's life."

Saar was born with congenital hemophilia and died of AIDS related complications in 1987. He contracted the deadly immune deficiency disorder through one of the many blood transfusions he underwent during his life.

"This production is a lot more mod-

ern than anything we've done at Clarkston before," said Workman.

Kristen Ingerham, the director the production, stated that the company was both "excited" and "hesitant" about undertaking the responsibility of telling Benjamin's story. Over the past few weeks, both Ingerham and Workman have seen the cast make the play their own.

"(The students) have grown so much as actors and as people. From the very first day they have really come together as a cast," said Workman.

Those who attend "The Yellow Boat" should expect to see a highly visual and stimulating experience. The story is not

conveyed through spoken word alone, rather the production makes extensive use of the visual side of the performing arts in both set design, costumes and blocking. The production strives to convey the creativity indicative of Benjamin Saar's real life visual artistry, which was highly expressive even as he was so young.

Below are the people making "The Yellow Boat" possible.

Cast: Benjamin, Jeff Chaney; Mother, Ashley Dasuqi; Father, Matt Bleau; Joy, Amanda Krajenke; Eddy, Joe Chaney; Rainbow Chorus, Kayleigh Carney, Kevin Harris, Alyssa Trawick and Stephen Trawick; Black and White Cho-

rus, Megan Gapczynski, Katie Jullian, Charlie O'Donnell and Paige Sullivan.

Technical and Design staff: Properties, Cheryl Fick; Lights, Terri Rozwadowski; Sound, James Batchik; Programs, Amanda Krajenke; Logo Design, Ashley Dusaqi; Stage Managers, Joelle Workman and Braley Bullard; Crew: Ryan Smith, Lisa Wheeler, Matt John VanderKolk, Bryan Sharkey, Chad Wandrie and Amada Grix

Direction: Director, Kristen Ingerham; Technical Director, Amy Seaman; Assistant Director/Dramaturg, Joelle Workman; Acting Coach/Professional Consultant, Katy Jacobs; Assistant Acting Coach, Jordan Hefty



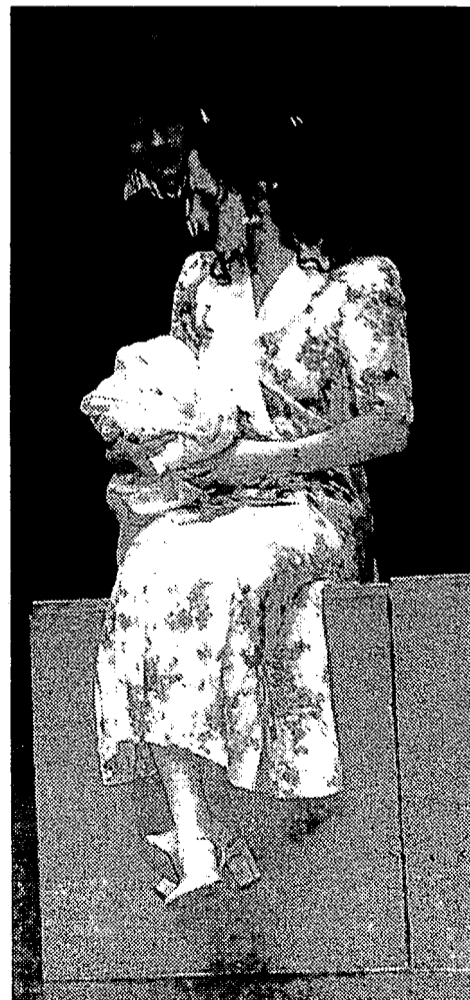
The sets of the CHS production "The Yellow Boat" will reflect Benjamin Saar's fanciful drawings and paintings.




The cast of "The Yellow Boat:" (Bottom, left-right) bottom row Megan Gapczynski, Kayleigh Carney, Paige Sullivan, (Middle) Joe Chaney, Stephen Trawick, Amanda Krajenke, Katie Jullian, Jeff Chaney, Matt Bleau, Ashley Dusaqi, Charlie O'Donnell, (Top) Alyssa Trawick and Kevin Harris.



Jeff Chaney plays the lead role of Benjamin Saar.



The play follows Saar's life starting with his birth. Photos by Noah Purcell




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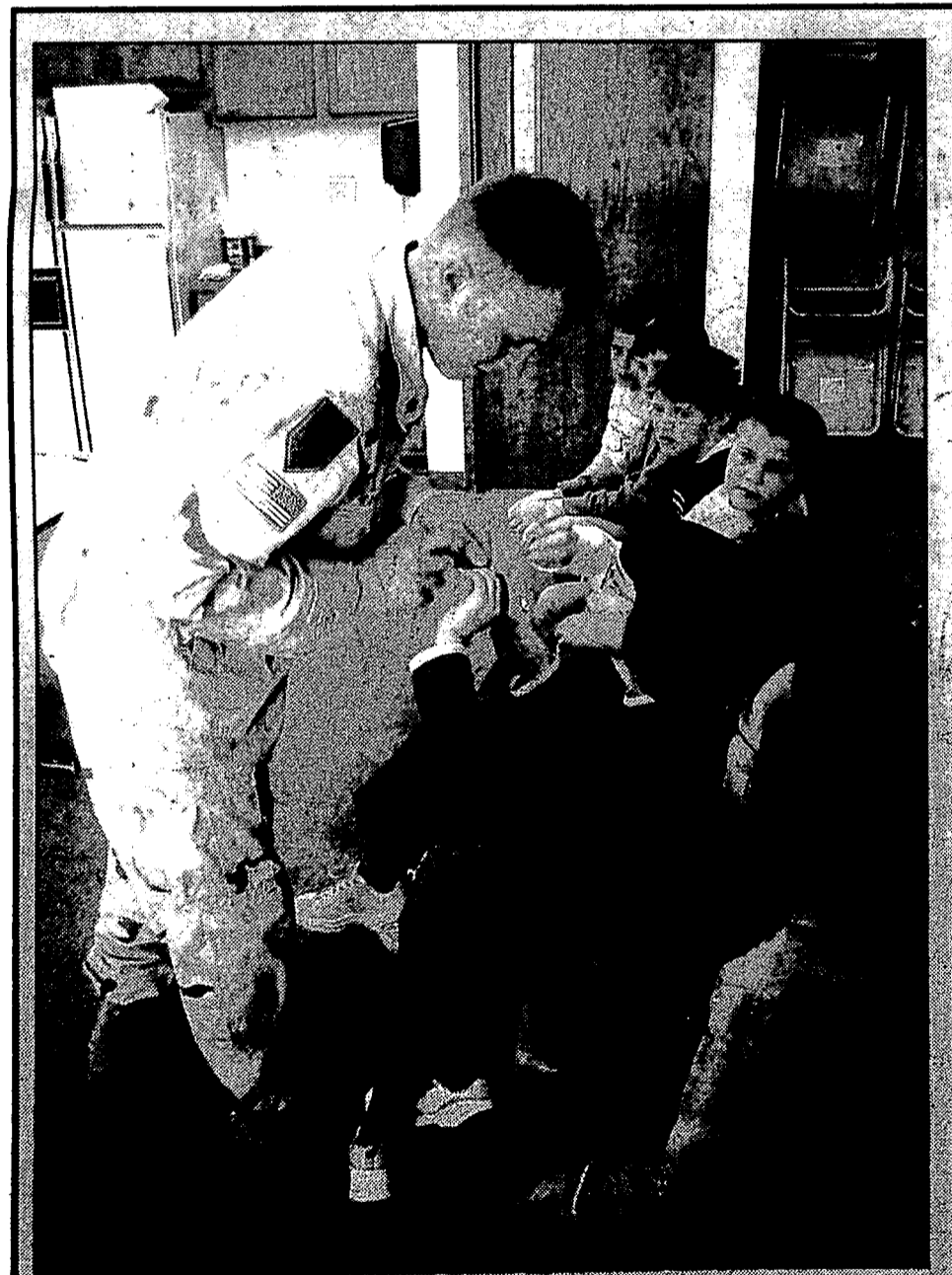
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# Eeeeew, are they slimey?



Residents in Springfield Township enjoyed an afternoon of educational fun at the Hart Community Center with Team Reptile. The goal of Team Reptile is to provide people with information and education regarding reptiles, amphibians and other wildlife that inhabit Michigan. Checking out one of the live displays are mom Moira, 8-year-old Mary and 5-year-old Gregory Konopka, of Rose Township. *Photo by Jenny Matteson*



## Report from the front...

U.S. Army Sgt. Troy Frankfort shows an Iraqi coin to students at Clarkston Charter School, following his return from a year-long tour of duty near Tikrit, Iraq. Frankfort's nephew, Luke Burgess, is a student at the school. The children said letters and offered prayers on his behalf while he was overseas. Frankfort showed the students several souvenirs, including mementos from Iraq, and even a portion of a bomb which exploded near his position in Iraq. *Photo by Don Scholte*



## No rest for the weary...

After an evening of celebrations, Dan Izydorek helped collect money on Main Street for the Lion's Club on April 27. *Photo by Noah Purcell*

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4. All entries must be postmarked before or dropped off by Friday, May 6th
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Calvary Lutheran Church will look to the biblical book of the Acts of the Apostles to learn how the first century — and 21st century — church is shaped and lives out its mission.

The Sunday studies continue through June 5. Children's programming will be from 9:32-10:45 a.m., with nursery provided all morning. Worship services will be at 8:15 a.m. (traditional), 9:45 a.m. (blended) and 11:15 a.m. (contemporary).

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

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Calvary Lutheran Church offers the **Wednesday evening FEAST**, food for body and soul, continuing through May 25.

A catered dinner will begin at 6 p.m., followed by praise and worship, then small groups and classes for all ages, ending at 8:30 p.m.

For more information, call the church

at 248-625-3288. Calvary meets at 6805 Bluegrass Drive at the southwest corner of I-75 and M-15.

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Calvary Lutheran Church in Clarkston is offering a monthly simulcast series entitled, **"Ultimate Leadership."** In partnership with Dr. John Townsend and Dr. Henry Cloud, these CCN simulcasts offer leaders in every arena a unique approach to leadership development.

Each presentation will be from noon to 1 p.m. Bring your lunch, and come learn.

The schedule includes:

May 17, "How to Build Trust as a Leader."

June 21, "How to Define Yourself as a Leader."

July 19, "Boundaries in Leadership."

Aug. 9, "Identifying Traveling Companions for Leaders."

Sept. 13, "Enemies and Idiots: How to Deal with Toxic People."

Oct. 18, "Leadership is for Grownups."

Nov. 29, "Transcendent Character in Leadership."

For more information, contact Gayle Buschur, director of outreach and evangelism, at 248-625-3288, ext. 219.

## Young adult conference set

Young adults from southeastern Michigan will gather for three days to raise their voice in unison and reach for higher standard.

"Anthem" is the theme of the three-day conference May 13-15. Young adulthood is a time in life when decisions are made that will often affect an individual for their entire adult life, but sometimes it is easy to lower the standard. Young people ages 18 - 30 are invited to attend evening sessions at the Clarkston Christian Association, 5529 Sashabaw Road in Clarkston.

The conference will open on Friday, May 13 at 7:30 p.m. with guest speaker Pastor Lee Cummings from Resurrection Life Church in Kalamazoo. Pastor Cummings is noted for his ability to take biblical truth and make it humorous and relevant.

The conference will continue on Saturday, May 14 at 6 p.m. In addition to Pastor Cummings, Randy McEntire will be the featured musician. McEntire is an accomplished singer, songwriter, keyboardist and speaker. He has ministered with his music at some of the nation's largest churches. He recently joined the staff of Mt. Zion Church in Clarkston.

The conference will conclude on Sunday, May 15 at 6 p.m. with featured speaker Pastor Rich Nowik of Mt. Zion. He and his wife Tammy have been instrumental in the growth and development of the young adult ministry at Mt. Zion.

Young adults desiring to obtain the best that life has for them are encouraged to attend these sessions. For more information, contact Nowik at 248-618-2240.

## Commission updates road repair list

The Road Commission for Oakland County has announced road work which may cause delays for motorists in the Clarkston area:

• The bridge on Sashabaw Road over I-75 now has one lane open in either direction as the Michigan Department of Transportation continues to make bridge repairs. Work is scheduled to be completed by May 19.

Previously, MDOT had officially closed Sashabaw Road between Clarkston and Waldon roads.

• Sashabaw Rd. between I-75 and Maybee Road will have intermittent lane closures through June 10 to allow contractors to restore the right of way following last year's widening of the road.

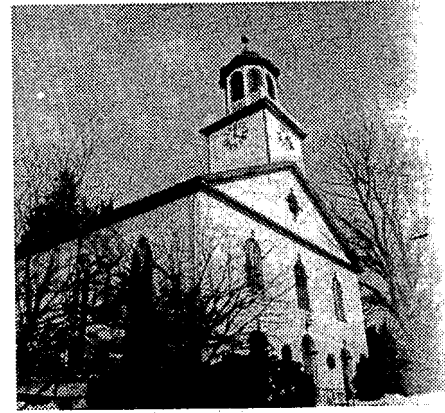
• Andersonville Road between White Lake Road and Curtis Lane is scheduled to be closed through July 30 so Independence Township can install a water main and sanitary sewer line.

During the closure, the detour route will be White Lake Road to Maceday Lake Road to Williams Lake Road to Airport road to Dixie Highway and vice versa.

• Rattalee Lake Road is scheduled to be closed between April 21 and May 10 so MDOT can make bridge repairs on the Rattalee Lake Road bridge over I-75.

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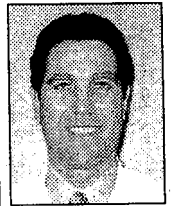
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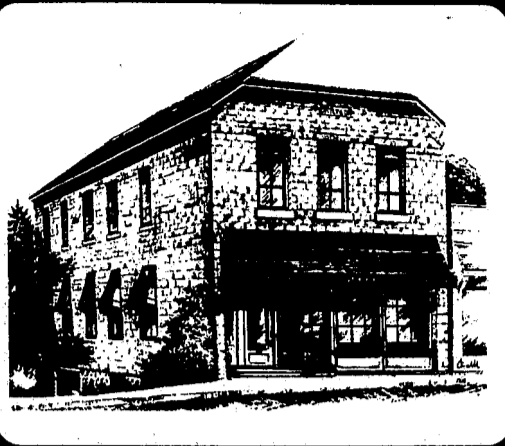
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ter, please call NOHLC office at 248-846-6547.

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The snow is ending and golf season is almost here!

Once again the Clarkston Area Optimist Club is sponsoring a **Junior Golf Championship Qualifier** for boys and girls ages 10-18 on May 8 at Liberty Golf Course on Maybee Road. The entry fee is \$40. Registration deadline is April 25.

Winners and qualifiers in each category will advance to the district tournament on June 27 at Highland Golf Course in Grand Rapids, where they can qualify for the Optimist International Junior Golf Championships at the PGA National Resort and Spa in Palm Beach Gardens, Florida.

This is an "entry-level-qualifier," and may be the first competitive match for many of the younger golfers who must have a working knowledge of the game, including course management. No on-site lessons will be given.

Registration forms are available at Liberty Golf Course, at all Clarkston Schools or by call Chair Sherry Regiani at 248-625-5222.

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Edward Jones investment representative James Wilhelm is hosting a free one-hour satellite broadcast titled "Smart Borrowing Strategies" at 6:45 p.m. on May 10 at 7183 N. Main Street, Suite C.

The broadcast features Thomas Garman, a consumer financial education expert, who will help participants understand how to judge their financial well-being. Topics include: understanding the difference between good and bad credit, protecting and improving one's credit reputation and understanding the seven tips for smart uses of credit and borrowing.

To reserve a seat or for more information, please call Mr. Wilhelm at 248-625-1232. For those unable to attend, additional viewing opportunities are available.

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Independence Township Parks and Recreation and the Oakland County MSU Extension Master Gardeners welcome area residents to the McCord-Stickney Park "Plant-A-Row for the Hungry" Garden.

Help maintain some of Clarkston's finest green space and grow crops for the Oakland County Food Bank. Please bring your garden tools and a snack on May 14 at 9 a.m.

For more information, please contact Elizabeth Egan at 248-620-4621 or

The National Association of Letter Carriers, Clarkston Post Office, annual **Food Drive** is on May 14.

Although the drive is a national effort, the food that is collected stays in the local communities. In Clarkston, the food collected at the Clarkston Office will go to Lighthouse North.

Donations should be nonperishable, canned or dried goods. Lighthouse cannot pass out outdated, opened or food in damaged containers. On May 14, simply place your donations in your mail box for your letter carrier to pick-up.

Anyone wishing to volunteer for this drive should contact either Connie Stapleton at Lighthouse North at 248-620-6116, or Paul Sharkey and Jerri Duncan at the Clarkston Post Office at 248-625-0033.

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Come and enjoy a **Birthday Dinner** at the **Clarkston Masonic Temple** on May 16 at 6 p.m.

We'll be honoring the Past Matrons and Patrons of Joseph C. Bird Chapter #294 of the Order of the Eastern Star of Michigan.

Non-members are welcome as well as we serve a spaghetti dinner with proceeds to benefit the Haven Crisis Shelter. Meet the outstanding Clarkston students chosen to receive Edna Norris Scholarships and their families as we distribute their awards checks.

Let's show these outstanding members of our community, both young and old alike, how important they are to us all. And, help make a difference in the lives of the people supported by Haven Shelter.

Dinner tickets are \$7. Please call 248-625-1632 for more information and to RSVP for a head count.

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Business, management, marketing and technology students at Oakland Schools Technical Campus Northwest, in Clarkston, are hosting their third annual **MDA Golf Outing** on May 17 beginning at 7:30 a.m.. The event will be held at Shepherd's Hollow Golf Club in Clarkston.

BMMT students will be soliciting sponsorships from businesses within the community. All proceeds from the event benefits MDA, a volunteer health agency that assists individuals who have been diagnosed with one of forty neuromuscular disorders.

For more information, please contact Tom Neal, Instructor, Oakland Schools Technical Campus Northwest at 248-922-5833.

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Neighbor to Neighbor, a non-profit organization which provides food, clothing and financial assistance to Spring-

field, Holly, Groveland, Rose and parts of Independence and White Lake townships, is holding the "Treasures and Treats" fund-raising event.

The event is a wonderful opportunity to buy homemade baked goods and one-of-a-kind donated items, so stop on by at the Hart Community Center in Davisburg on May 20 and 21 from 9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

All proceeds from the sale benefits Neighbor to Neighbor.

For more information, please contact Peg Hill at 248-634-0900 or nfninc@netzero.com.

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The MOMS Club of Clarkston is hosting a **Mom2Mom Sale** on May 21 from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. at Clarkston United Methodist Church.

This is a great way to buy and sell gently-used clothing and other child-related items such as strollers, cribs, bouncy seats, high chairs, maternity items, furniture, etc.

Tables are now available to rent for \$15. All the proceeds benefit SCAMP. Sellers rent tables to display gently-used clothing, toys and other items their family has outgrown. Shoppers are able to purchase the items at steeply discounted prices.

For more information, please contact Cara Kail at 248-625-1753.

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The **Internet Travel Guru**, Mr. Bob Cowen, will be coming to the Springfield Township Library May 23 from 7-8 p.m.

Mr. Cowen has over two million flyer-miles of experience in the sky! This presentation will educate beginning travelers to the most experienced travelers on how to shop around for the cheapest deals for airlines, tips for travel, most affordable resorts and hotels, best shopping destinations while vacationing, how to upgrade your seats to business class and first class, and much, much more in his 60-minute presentation.

Come join the fun or visit his website for more facts and points at: <http://home.netcom.com/~rcowen/index.htm>.

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

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The Clarkston Health Center, Sunrise Assisted Living and several community partners invite you to participate in "Salute to Safety" to honor local police, fire and EMS personnel.

"Salute to Safety" is set for June 4 from 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. Activities include car seat inspections, child finger printing, smokehouse encounter, carnival games, face painting, water tower rescue, fly-over at the Salute Ceremony, AED demonstrations and much, much more!

All proceeds from sponsorships and event activities will be contributed to the Clarkston Philanthropic Endeavor for placement of AED (Automatic External Defibrillators) throughout the community. Your donation is tax deductible.

For more information, or to sponsor an event, please call Marie Bristow at 248-620-4290.

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Indian Springs metropark and the Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority Metroparks, in partnership with Carl's Golfland, will host a **junior golf tournament** on July 15.

Winners at the Indian Springs tournament will advance to a regional final tournament held at Kensington Metropark on Aug. 1.

Tournament fees and registration information are available at each golf course. For more information call Indian Springs at 1-800-477-3192 or call 1-800-23-GOLF-4.

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**Clarkston High School Class of 1985 reunion** is set for Aug. 6 at the Deer Lake Racquet Club. Organizers are looking for names and addresses of graduates. Please e-mail CHS1985@aol.com.

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The **Clarkston High School Class of 1975 reunion** is set for Aug. 13 at the Deer Lake Athletic Club. This event is open for all classes 1973-1977. Tickets must be purchased in advance. Please contact Anne Pytel at 248-620-1430 or email her at tpytel111@comcast.net for more information.

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A brand-new **Lions Club** has formed in Clarkston. Charter membership is available to men and women living or working in Clarkston and surrounding areas. Meetings are held every other Thursday night at Mesquite Creek (corner of I-75 and M-15) at 7:30-8:30 p.m. (social hour begins at 6:30 p.m.). For more information, contact Member Chairman Bob Jamison at 248-625-5493.

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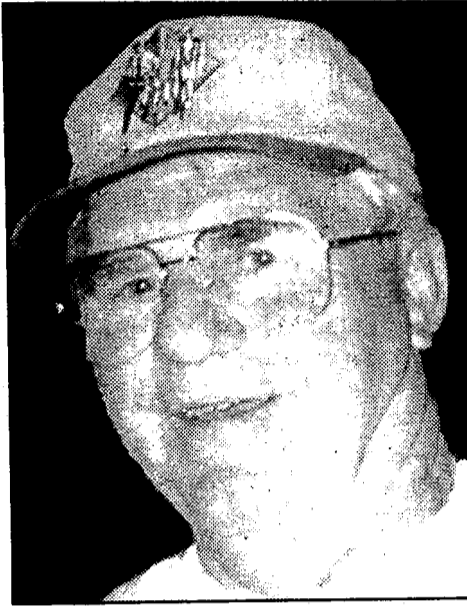
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# Obituaries

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of flowers, memorials may be made to Canterbury on the Lake Pavillion Fund.

## Robert Bentley



Robert E. Bentley, of Clarkston,

passed away on April 26, 2005. He was 67.

Mr. Bentley was the loving husband of Barbara; dear father of Susan (Keith) Batchelor, Robert (Kim) Bentley and Sandra (Matthew) Brady; cherished grandfather to Zachary, Nicholas, Heather, Kelli, Darren, Justin, Brandon, Shaun and Kristen; brother of Ruth, James, Leonard, Enga and Carol; and brother-in-law of Charles (Linda) Rockwell.

Mr. Bentley was employed at Randy Hosler Pontiac as the body shop manager for many years. He was most recently employed at Clarkston Schools in the grounds/maintenance department where he had many friends. He enjoyed fishing and hunting with family at his cabin in Oscoda.

He was loved by all and will be greatly missed.

A funeral service was held on April 30, 2005 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home. Burial ceremonies took place in Lakeview Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to the American Lung Association. [www.legacy.com](http://www.legacy.com)

## James Reilly

James T. Reilly, of Clarkston, passed away suddenly on April 25, 2005 at the age of 67.

Mr. Reilly was the husband, true love and friend of Sherry for 30 years. He was the best friend and beloved father of Jeffrey (Holly) and Daniel; son of

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Eleanor (the late Francis Thomas); and brother of Beverly (Byron) Shaffer and Patricia (Gene) Chambers.

Mr. Reilly retired from Kelly Services as vice-president in administration.

A funeral service was held on April 28, 2005 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home. [www.legacy.com](http://www.legacy.com)



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### ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

The Independence Township Board of Appeals will meet Wednesday, May 18, 2005 at 7:30 pm at the Independence Township Library, 6495 Clarkston Road, Clarkston, MI 48346 to hear the following cases:

- Case #05-0028 Linda Alkammo, Petitioner  
 APPLICANT REQUESTS VARIANCE FOR TENT SALES FROM JULY 1, 2005 THRU JULY 4, 2005 FROM 9:00 A.M. TO 9:00 P.M. TO SELL FIREWORKS  
 Andersonville Rd., C-1  
 Bianca II Market  
 08-31-303-003
- Case #05-0029 Ronald Carpenter, Petitioner  
 APPLICANT REQUESTS FRONT YARD SETBACK VARIANCE OF 4' TO CONSTRUCT 2 STORY ADDITION TO HOME  
 Northview Dr., R-1A  
 08-20-252-011
- Case #05-0030 Timothy Keenan, Petitioner  
 APPLICANT REQUESTS REAR YARD SETBACK VARIANCE OF 12 1/2 FEET TO CONSTRUCT DECK  
 Village Court, Unit 8, PUD  
 Village Park at Stonewood  
 08-30-454-008
- Case #05-0031 Deanna Olsen, Petitioner  
 APPLICANT REQUESTS SIDE YARD SETBACK VARIANCE OF 3' TO CONSTRUCT NEW HOME ON NON CONFORMING LOT OF RECORD  
 Hillside Dr., Lot 8, R-1A  
 Lake View Heights Sub  
 08-20-351-011
- Case #05-0032 Craig Glanert, Petitioner  
 APPLICANT REQUESTS FRONT YARD SETBACK VARIANCE OF 15' FROM FUTURE ROAD RIGHT OF WAY AND PLACEMENT IN FRONT YARD TO CONSTRUCT DETACHED GARAGE  
 Dora Lane, R-1A  
 Supervisor's Plat of Morgan Lake  
 08-25-426-047
- Case #05-0033 Michael Kish, Petitioner  
 APPLICANT REQUESTS SIDE YARD SETBACK VARIANCE OF 2' AND PLACEMENT IN FRONT YARD TO CONSTRUCT DETACHED GARAGE ON NON CONFORMING LOT OF RECORD  
 Major Ave., Lot 34, R-1A  
 Lake Oakland Hills  
 08-34-455-008

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN THAT THE ABOVE REQUESTS MAY BE EXAMINED at the Independence Township Building Department during regular hours each day, Monday through Friday until the date of the Public Hearing. For Further Information call (248) 625-8111.

Respectfully submitted,  
 Shelagh VanderVeen  
 Township Clerk  
 Katherine A. Poole  
 Secretary

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### SYNOPSIS

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

Supervisor Wagner called the April 19, 2005, meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. at the Independence Township Library. Pledge of Allegiance.  
 Roll Call: Present: Kelly, Rosso, VanderVeen, Dunn, Wagner, Wenger  
 Absent: Travis

- There is a quorum.
1. Approval of the Agenda as amended
  2. Approval of the Consent Agenda  
 Approval of minutes of April 5, 2005  
 Approval of Accounts Payable Check Run in the amount of \$1,364,299.53  
 Approval of Purchase Orders in the amount of \$1,270,033.69
  3. Approved Resolution for Heather Lake Goose Round Up
  4. Changed Date of Board Meeting to May 4, 2005
  5. Approved Motion to Approve Lake Lane Water Main Special Assessment District
  6. Approved Motion to Enter into Contract with Hydro Design
  7. Approved Motion to Approve Bond Resolution for Capital Improvement Bonds
  8. Approved Motion to Approve 2005 Road Chloride Program
  9. Approved Motion to Amend Liberty Liquor License to add Oak Management
  10. Approved motion to adjourn at 9:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
 Shelagh VanderVeen  
 Township Clerk

Published: April 27, 2005

**STATE OF MICHIGAN  
 PROBATE COURT  
 COUNTY OF OAKLAND  
 NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
 Decedent's Estate  
 FILE NO. 05-298, 103-DE**  
 Estate of MARGARET M. SIMS, Deceased  
 Date of Birth: October 1, 1920  
**TO ALL CREDITORS:  
 NOTICE TO CREDITORS:**  
 The decedent, MARGARET M. SIMS, who lived at 342 Ferry Pontiac, Michigan died March 22, 2005.  
 Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to THOMAS CRUMP, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 1200 N. Telegraph, Pontiac, Michigan 48343 and the named/proposed personal representative within four (4) months of the date of publication of this notice.  
 THOMAS CRUMP  
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 Southfield, Michigan 48076  
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 Schmidt, Isgrigg, Anderson & Miller  
 ROBERT G. ISGRIGG, JR. P24924  
 2745 Pontiac Lake Road  
 Waterford, Michigan 48328-2653  
 (248) 682-8800

**STATE OF MICHIGAN  
 PROBATE COURT  
 COUNTY OF OAKLAND  
 NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
 Decedent's Estate  
 FILE NO. 05-298, 216-DE**  
 Estate of CARL L. HOSMER, Deceased  
 Date of Birth: July 19, 2005  
**TO ALL CREDITORS:  
 NOTICE TO CREDITORS:**  
 The decedent, CARL L. HOSMER, Deceased, who lived at 5229 Ridgeway Waterford, Michigan died March 27, 2005.  
 Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to CARLENE R. HENRY, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 1200 N. Telegraph, Pontiac, Michigan 48343 and the named/proposed personal representative within four (4) months of the date of publication of this notice.  
 April 26, 2005  
 CARLENE R. HENRY  
 5229 Ridgeway  
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 (248) 674-1650  
 SCHMIDT, ISGRIGG, ANDERSON & MILLER  
 ROBERT G. ISGRIGG, JR. P24924  
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 (248) 682-8800

**STATE OF MICHIGAN  
 PROBATE COURT  
 COUNTY OF OAKLAND  
 NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
 Decedent's Estate  
 FILE NO. 05-298, 206-DE**  
 Estate of LUCILLE THEMLA DEWITTE  
 Date of Birth: 7/21/1911  
**TO ALL CREDITORS:  
 NOTICE TO CREDITORS:**  
 The decedent, LUCILLE THEMLA DEWITTE, who lived at 6133 NORTH SHORE DRIVE WEST BLOOMFIELD, Michigan died 1/17/2005.  
 Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to RAYMOND E. DEWITTE, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 1200 N. TELEGRAPH, PONTIAC, MICHIGAN 48343 and the named/proposed personal representative within four (4) months of the date of publication of this notice.  
 4/28/2005  
 RAYMOND E. DEWITTE  
 C/O 21 S. MAIN STREET  
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 248-625-2916  
 DENNIS M. KACY P15637  
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**SUMMARY**

### CITY COUNCIL MEETING April 25, 2005

Meeting called to order at 7:03 p.m. by Mayor Catallo.  
 Roll. Present: Catallo, Colombo, Gamble, Meyland, Ottman, Wylie.  
 Absent: Savage.  
 Minutes of April 13, 2005, approved as presented.  
 Agenda approved as presented with the addition of Wompole Roadway Easement added to New Business.  
 Meyland reported on the Police Budget.  
 Ottman reported on website status.  
 Wylie inquired as to status of T.I.A. study of Holcomb and Washington.  
 Mayor Catallo complimented the D.P.W. for the work accomplished during the recent snow storm in snow removal and tree maintenance.  
 Pursley reported on D.P.W. activities  
 Chief Combs reported on costs for Police vehicles, new and used.  
 Council approved purchase of used Police vehicle.  
 Council authorized repairs not to exceed \$850 on a City vehicle.  
 Council to consider raising sewer use rates.  
 Council passed resolution authorizing 2005 Parades and road closings for special events.  
 Council members to attend Leadership Conference sponsored by Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce.  
 Council members to attend Michigan Weak Community Awards Breakfast.  
 City to receive quote from City Planner to research road widths.  
 Meeting adjourned at 8:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
 Artemus M. Pappas  
 Clerk









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Open House advertisement for a new built ranch with 3 bedrooms and 2 1/2 baths, featuring a house photo and contact information for Theresa St. Dennis.

Open House advertisement for a historic home in the village of Clarkston, featuring a house photo and contact information for Scott.

Open House Sunday 1-4 advertisement for a property at 30 Crescent Hill, featuring a house photo and contact information for Deanna McGowan.

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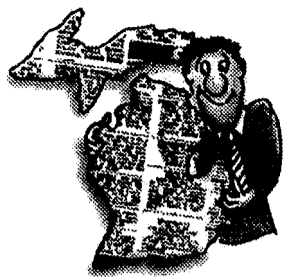
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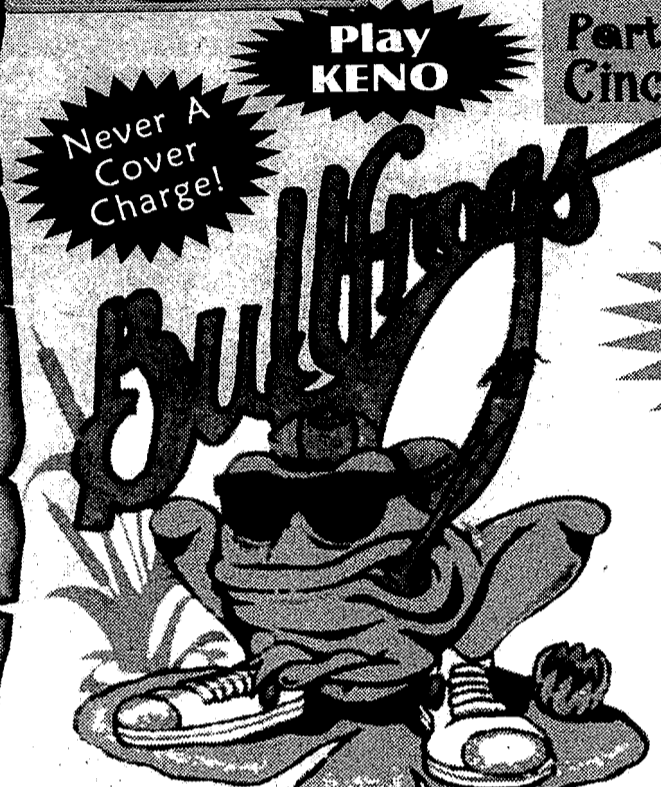
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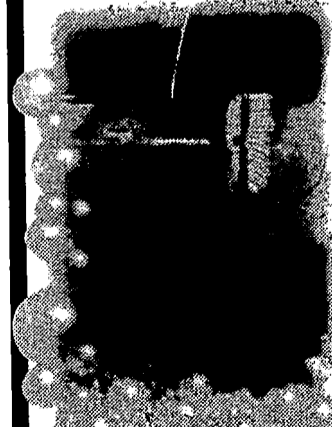
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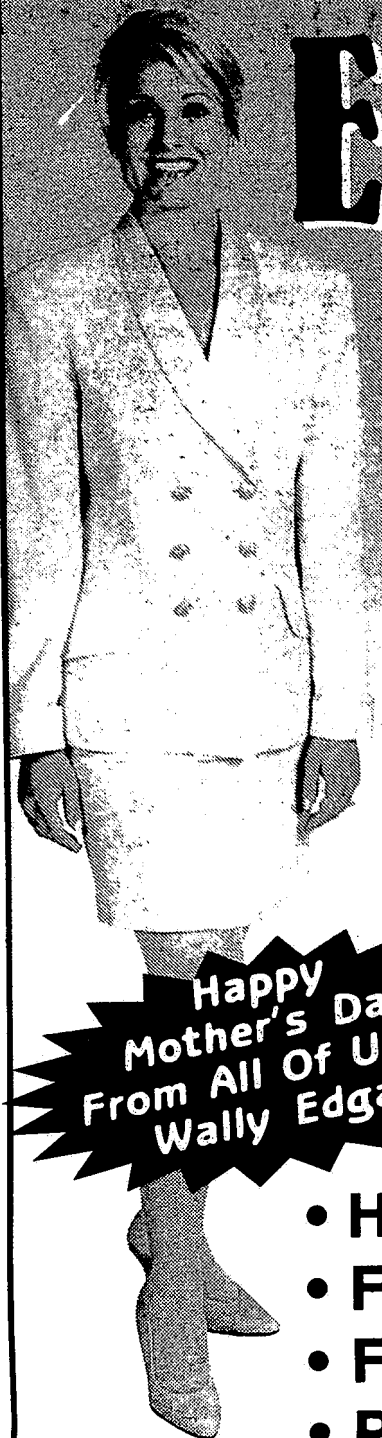
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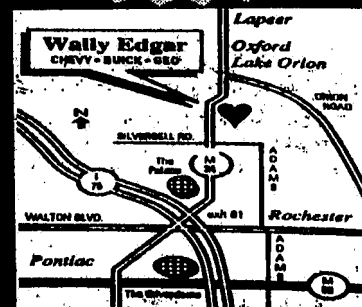
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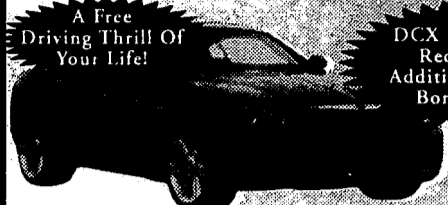
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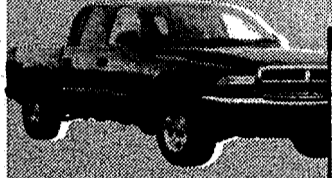
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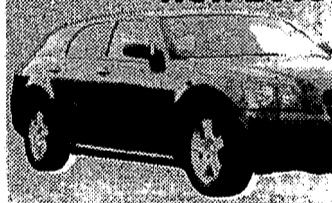


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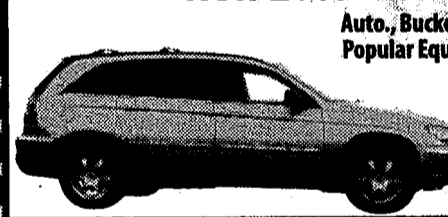
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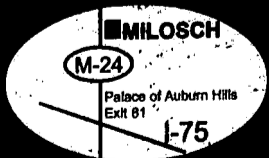
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