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## 2005 Clarkston Graduation

BY CHRISTINA ULAJ

Clarkston News Staff Writer

*You may say I'm a dreamer,*

*But I'm not the only one,*

*I hope some day you'll come and join us,*

*And the world will live as one. —John Lennon*

The massive crowd at DTE Energy Music Theater became still as the Clarkston High School choir opened commencement ceremonies on June 1 with "Imagine."

That Wednesday became a very important day for many people. For the graduates, the day symbolizes the beginning of adulthood. For friends and family, the day was about success.

CHS Principal Jan Meagher welcomed everyone and thanked them for their attendance. Next, student speaker Amanda Leach introduced the Clarkston Community Schools Board of Education and Superintendent Dr. Al Roberts.

Once the administrators were introduced, members of the Student Class Executive Board reminisced over four years of high school experiences. Memories included athletic successes, receiving driver's licenses, the fear as a freshman and the power as a senior.

"Sophomore year was about change," said student board member Kevin Douglas. "It was the year of freedom and driving cars."

"Junior year we were under pressure," said student board member Jung Kwak. "I also remember tardies and Saturday school."

"I would like to thank everyone for the amazing year," said student board member Joe Devault.

The guest speaker for the event was Ned Burdick.



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Kelli Babb and Kristi Rathbun smile as friends walk on stage during the presentation of the class of 2005.

### New land for Senior Center?

BY JENNY MATTESON &

CHRISTINA ULAJ

Clarkston News Writers

The wait, rumors and negotiations may soon come to a close.

According to Independence Township Supervisor Dave Wagner, township officials and Clarkston Community Schools are almost ready to shed some light on a land trade that would allow the construction of a new area senior center.

"Nothing has happened yet, but we're hoping sooner than later," said Wagner. "An agreement has not been reached."

"The school board was suppose to discuss it at the Monday night board meeting."

However, school officials did not discuss any real estate issues at that time.

"We want everything close to each other," confirmed Clarkston Schools Director of Marketing and Communications Anita Banach. "That way we can interact with the students, administrators, library and seniors."

A meeting was scheduled for school officials this past Tuesday at 8:30 a.m. to discuss the matter. As of press time, Independence Township had a closed session real estate transaction on Tuesday night's meeting agenda.

Wagner stated he intended to bring the matter before the township board at that time, but at deadline, was uncertain whether or not he would be able to do so.

For updates, check out next week's edition of *The Clarkston News* or our website [www.clarkstonnews.com](http://www.clarkstonnews.com)

### Jury deliberates in murder trial

BY JAMES MARTINEZ

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Prosecution and defense lawyers rested arguments Friday and jury deliberation began in the trial of Lance Allen Schmidt, 21, and Joseph Wells Stapleton, 20.

The defendants, charged with the second-degree murder of Peter Richard, await their fate as separate juries deliberate. The case stems from the 2002 assault of Richard in a McDonald's parking lot.

On Tuesday, May 31, prosecution opened its arguments by calling friends and family to attest to Richard's character and physical condition.

Near the end of the week, prosecution called medical witnesses including Chief Deputy medical examiner Dr. Kanu Virani, who determines causes of suspicious deaths in Oakland County.

Assistant Prosecutor Greg

Townsend asked Virani to show the jury the location of injuries sustained by Richard on a plastic model skeleton. Townsend also had Virani explain why he classified Richard's death as a homicide.

The murder charges were filed against the defendants when Richard died of a pulmonary embolism. Virani testified, that in his professional opinion the embolism resulted from the surgery made necessary by the assault.

Cross-examination of Virani was lengthy as defense lawyer Michael McCarthy questioned Virani's connection of the assault to the pulmonary embolism. McCarthy also focused on the autopsy protocol and questioned Virani's testimony.

After the prosecution rested, defense called Richard Moyer, an orthopedic physician who treated Richard from Novem-

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### Millstream

Smith family continues parents 24-year tradition.

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### Seniors rock the night away!

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### Sports

Jenny Morgan leads Wolves to State Finals success.

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## Getting a jump on the competition



Emily White, 3, sells her yummy treats at the parking lot sale hosted by the Friends of the Independence Township Library. Photo by James Martinez

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## Briefly

### Student of the Month

The Clarkston Area Optimist Club presented the Student of the Month Award for May 2005 to Kathryn Buckbee, a fourth grader at Clarkston Elementary School.

The Student of the Month is presented to youths throughout the school year who are recommended by teachers and principals for their outstanding involvement in the schools.

### Concerts in the Park

The Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce is ready to kick up the fun a notch in Clarkston with the 26th season of the Concerts in the Park series.

These free concerts take place during June and July from 7-9 p.m. right in downtown Clarkston at Depot Park.

This summer's schedule includes:

- June 17 – Rich Eddy's Rockin' Oldies Band
- June 24 – Blackthorn (Irish music and comedy)
- July 1 – Fragment (Bluegrass, Folk, Country Music and More)
- July 8 – elmoTHUMM (a cappella)
- July 15 – The Stardust Swing Band (Music of the 30's and 40's)
- July 22 – Kevin Tee and the Firebirds (Music of the 50's, 60's and 70's)

Also, back by popular demand, is the Local Talent Spotlight from 6:30 - 6:55 p.m. A great lineup of Clarkston talent awaits concert goers this season.

On June 24, the series will host "Clarkston Idol" with concert goers being given the opportunity to perform Karaoke-style to their favorite songs.

New this year are two theme nights:

July 15 is Senior Appreciation Night with added surprises and giveaways for all senior citizens 65 years and older attending the concert.

July 22 is 50's Night in the Park. Concert goers are encouraged to drive their classic cars to the event, dress for the costume contest and enter the dance-off.

Of course all concert goers can look forward to balloon giveaways, face painting, mouth-watering concession items and a Cook's Dairy ice cream stand.

So don't miss a beat, mark your calendars and watch *The Clarkston News* for profiles on the upcoming performances.

### Join the teddy picnic

Picnics are a perfect way to spend quality time with family and friends – so come join the Independence Township Parks and Recreation for the first annual Teddy Bear Picnic on June 17 from 10:30 a.m. - noon.

Children ages 2-6, their families and beloved Teddy Bears can enjoy a story, hot dog lunch, a Teddy Bear craft project and a Teddy Bear parade. Make sure to dress up your bear and bring them for a morning of fun!

Pre-registration is needed. The cost is \$5 per person for residents and \$8 per person for nonresidents. All Teddy Bears are free.

For more information, please call parks and rec at 248-625-8223 or go online to [www.twp.independence.mi.us](http://www.twp.independence.mi.us).

### Correction

The letter to the editor from Scott Lyons in the June 1 edition should have read "hardwork," not handwork.

## When 'over' doesn't mean over

### Officer takes proactive path with planned book and seminar

BY JAMES MARTINEZ

Clarkston News Staff Writer

The call came into Deputy Keith Overby of the Oakland County Sheriff's Department: an 11-year-old reportedly pointing a shotgun at neighbors.

Arriving on the scene, Overby encountered the mother who alerted him her son was 10, not 11.

Overby stood across from the gun-totting child in a standoff few could fathom. The child ran and hid, still holding the weapon.

"When he turned and ran, I wondered if I'd made a mistake. I'd never forgive myself if he shot someone else," Overby said.

The child finally dropped the gun after the arrival of the K-9 unit, and according to the report, everyone involved left the scene unharmed.

The incident affected Overby deeply, causing reflection on several high-stakes incidents over his 29-year career. His training produced the intended positive results, but the words "case closed" do not mean "over" for everyone.

Katy, Overby's wife, noticed a difference immediately.

"The incident seemed to shake him. He reassessed where he was at and what he was doing. We thought about how to improve the system," Katy Overby said.

Overby's first step involved understanding and coping. He struggled with the mind set necessitated by the situation. Based on his training he made the decision to shoot the armed ten-year-old if the safety of others was jeopardized.

Overby stressed the effectiveness of his training, but could not ignore the ripple effect felt by those involved.

"The point has been made that technically there was a positive outcome, but there was an emotional price for excellent training; there's a void," Katy Overby said.

Realizing the emotional impact, Overby pondered the many unaddressed problems in society.

"Management did the best they could with what they had. When our community changes, our training needs to change. We have a more violent society," Overby said.

Afterwards, the "just move on" attitude, common in many areas of law enforcement, irritated Overby.

"There's an old school 'get over it' mentality of 'put-up and shut-up.' That's wrong. That's not being proactive or progressive in your training," Overby said.

In his attempts to cope, Overby read *On Combat* by Lt. Col. Dave Grossman, Ret. U.S. Army, which helped Overby handle the internal turmoil of dealing with a 10-year-old who intended to use deadly force.

While writing a letter for his union newsletter regarding the incident, Overby decided to write a book addressing the problems he thinks caused the incident. The book, still in draft form, attempts to reach people in similar situations and further dialogue about trauma experienced by police officers.

"Writing was a self-healing process. I was on an immense emotional roller-coaster after the incident. In law enforce-

ment we're trained to shoot, kill and save lives, but not cope. We're not trained for this with children," Overby said.

Overby could not cite any one reason for the increasing cases of youth violence he sees.

"One thing that grabbed my attention was a lack of parental involvement in what kids are doing. Kids then resort to computer games, television, chat rooms and other influences. They are becoming completely desensitized to violence and in many cases have no value for human life," Overby said.

Overby mentioned the possibility of a societal trend producing children with violent streaks.

"You have to let children be children. Youth experience has expanded to so many adult topics and information. I never had to do that as a kid," Overby said.

After having served in the Marine Corps from 1971-1974 and as a police officer in Oakland County since 1976, Overby wanted to make a difference.

Katy saw the effect and urged her husband to pursue his ideas.

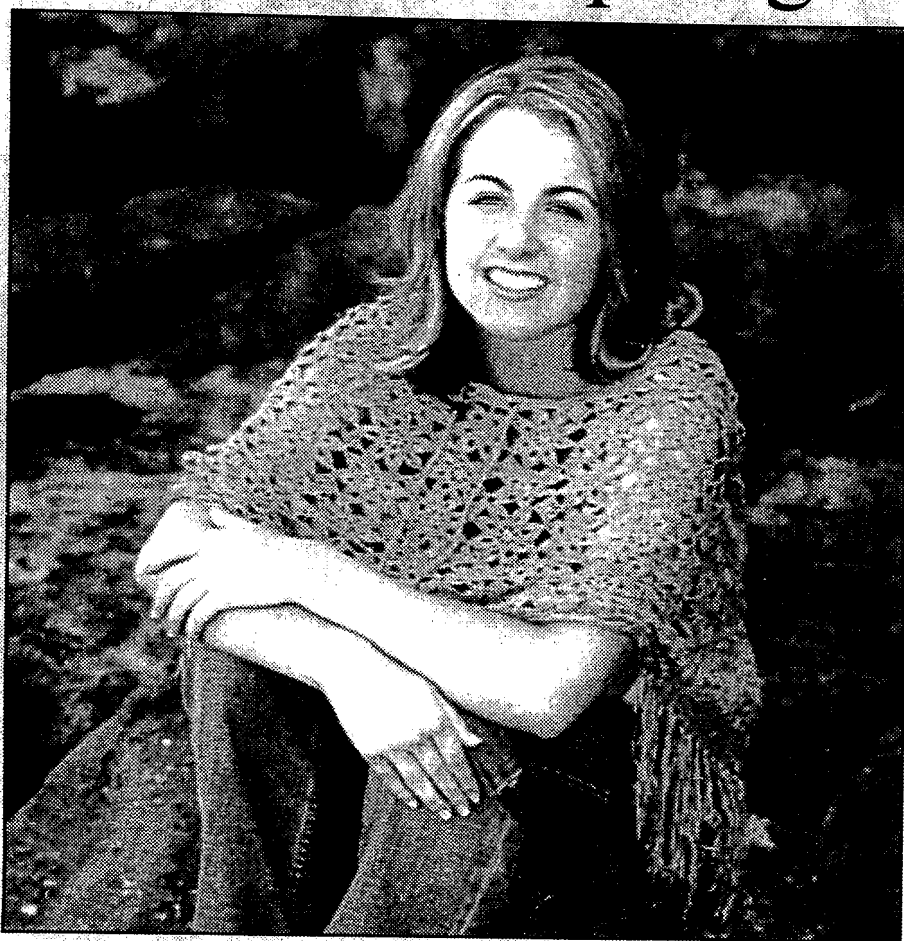
"You're always heartbroken to see someone you love suffer. I could see Keith suffering. Looking at the big picture, as a parent you realize the enormity of the problem. The only solution

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Katy and Keith Overby hope their efforts will help raise awareness to child violence and dealing with professional trauma. Photo by James Martinez

## CHS Senior Spotlight



**Name:** Kari Swartzmiller  
**Parents' names:** Steve and Donna Swartzmiller  
**Favorite Subject:** Math  
**School Activities:** National Honors Society  
**Outside Interests:** Waterskiing and wakeboarding in the summer, spending time with friends.  
**What are your plans after graduation?** To study mechanical engineering at Kettering University.  
**Where do you see yourself in 25 years?** With a family, living abroad.  
**Best friends are people who:** are trustworthy, easy to talk to and fun.  
**What worries me most about the world is:** people being too naive to think for themselves and believing everything they hear.  
**I will make a contribution to my community by:** continuing to give back through community service, volunteer work and tutoring.

## Clarkston students solve problems at State Bowl

On April 30, Clarkston was represented by seven elementary teams at the Future Problem Solving State Bowl at Eastern Michigan University. The competition is based on rigorous futuristic thinking and creative problem solving.

The State Bowl is the culmination of a yearlong study, where students learned how to creatively solve problems related to the future focusing on three practice problems. This year, over 1,000 Michigan students worked on problems titled: "Entertainment, Computer Security and Agriculture of the 21st Century."

Clarkston teams did so well on the practice problems, they qualified to compete at the State Bowl. The 2005 State Bowl problem is titled "Depletion of Oceanic Species;" however, students only learn the exact nature of the problem when the Bowl begins.

Each team works independently in a private classroom on the Eastern Michigan University campus for two hours. They complete a 12 - page booklet in which they identify and write 16 problems, one main underlying problem, 16 solutions, and create and apply criteria.

In addition, the students also write an action plan and perform a skit outlining the details of their solution to the judges.

Students who participated and their team performance include:

**Independence Elementary - Coach April Wuest.** Team 1 (5th grade) Chelsea Chase, Spencer Pawlik and Nathan Rodgers received 3rd place medals for presentation of Best Solution. Team 2 (5th grade) Nick Dahl, Ethan Frick, C.J. Gozdzor and Andrew Salada received 4th place trophies for Finalists for Team Booklet Writing. Team 3 (4th grade) James Heckendorn, Elizabeth Ridge, Kyle Savoie and Valerie Weaver received Semi-Finalists medals for Team Booklet Writing.

**North Sashabaw Elementary - Coach April Wuest.** Team 1 (5th grade) Nathan Lake, Emily Seiltz, Danielle Dunn and Miranda Sloan demonstrated great teamwork.

**Clarkston Elementary - Coach Sue Banworth.** Team 1 (5th grade) Lisa Lyons, Amber Gustafson, Jackie Vanderheyden and Nadia Torres received 2nd place medals for Presentation for Best Solution. In addition, coaches Sue Banworth and April Wuest each received an award for Outstanding "Rookie" Coach of the Year.

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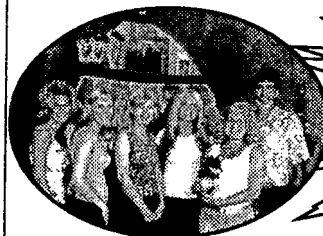
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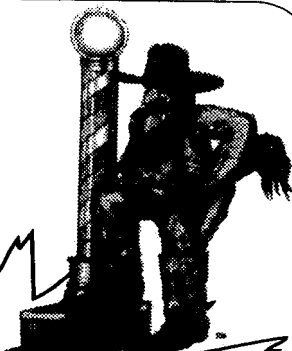
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# No ambulances to POH Medical Center

BY JAMES MARTINEZ  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

The POH Emergency Center, 5625 Water Tower Place in Clarkston, is no longer able to accept ambulances until officially licensed.

Ambulances had been allowed to take emergency victims there because a surgical center was being built.

According to Tressa Gardner, Director of Emergency Services at POH Medical Center, the state mandates that ambulances can transport patients to hospitals and freestanding surgical centers.

"We're working towards completing the surgical center, but the time frame was too long for the comfort needs of the county," Gardner said.

Gardner stressed center's continued ability to provide its usual emergency medical services except for receiving

ambulances.

"We have all the necessary staffing and emergency equipment, just not the correct paperwork. If you drive up with a broken arm, we can fix it," Gardner said.

Currently patients that would have normally been brought by ambulance to the POH Emergency Center on Water Tower Place will be transported to licensed facilities in neighboring counties potentially adding to transport time.

"Instead of being driven to treatment two minutes down the road, they'll have to go somewhere further away, adding strain to the situation," Gardner said.

Gardner could not speculate on a precise time table of completion for the stand-alone surgical center and subsequent licensing process, but noted ongoing interaction with the builders.

## Construction delays

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

- Maybee Road is closed from Clintonville Road to Rohr Road for developer Zerbos Equities to pave the gravel road. The detour route is Clintonville to Clarkston and Baldwin through August 29.

- Andersonville Rd. between White Lake Rd. and Curtis Lane is scheduled to be closed through July 30 so Independence Twp. can install a water main and sanitary sewer.

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.

- Canadian National Railroad has completed its repairs to the crossing on Eaton Road in Springfield Twp. and the road is open to through traffic.

- Repairs to the Sashabaw Rd. bridge over I-75 in Independence Twp. are completed by MDOT.

- Right of way restoration along Sashabaw Road, I-75 to Maybee Road,

in Independence Twp. is completed.

The Michigan Department of Transportation has listed the following repairs affecting Independence and Springfield Twp. on their website:

- Lane closures between exits 98-91 on southbound I-75 from Holly Road to Ortonville Road. The left two lanes will be closed as construction crews make repairs. Traffic will be shifted to the outside shoulder and outside lane. Two lanes will be maintained at all times.

- A temporary traffic signal is in effect for vehicles using Davisburg Road as work is being done on the Davisburg overpass until August 20.

- Two lanes of northbound traffic on M-15 are closed to reconstruct the bridge over I-75, leaving one lane of traffic open in each direction. Ramps to southbound and northbound I-75 will be closed.

The detour for northbound M-15 to I-75 will be from southbound M-15 to Dixie Highway to I-75. The detour for southbound M-15 to I-75 south will be I-75 north to Dixie Highway (exit 93) to I-75 south on ramp.

## Opening Day...



Parks and Recreation mascot, Parker the Eagle, hang out with the Smith's Disposal T-Ball team. Photo provided



Pro Pizza team from Boys 8-9 League makes their way out onto the field after being introduced. Photo provided

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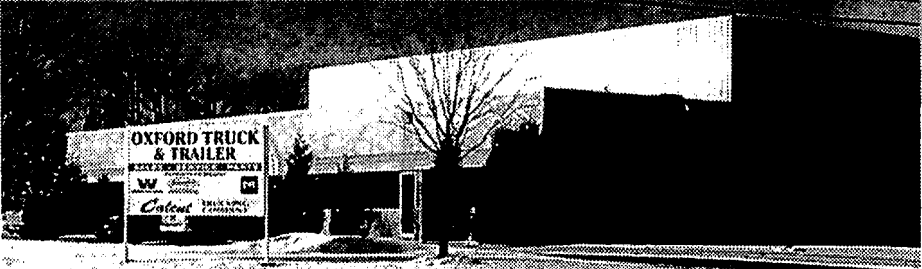
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# Opinion

## A special one to put in the scrapbook...

Let me begin by letting everyone know something about myself – I am impatient. That's right, I have no shred of the trait in my being. Just ask my husband and son.

With that in mind, I have actually managed to wait about three weeks (through good-byes, introductions, a 75th celebration and the triumphant Sasha conclusion) to share some exciting news: I spoke with representatives from the White House!

And not just once, not just twice, but three times. Yes, three times I received calls from the White House; and the third time was certainly the charm.

To explain, *The Clarkston News* sent letters to several dignitaries (local, state and federal government officials) announcing our 75th anniversary. In the letters, we requested for the officials to help us honor the event with letters, proclamations, resolutions, etc. My name was attached to these letters – hence, the phone calls.

I want to say thank you especially to Susan, a coordinator with White House public relations, for bringing my life a little excitement the day before our 75th open house. Susan, I'm afraid I can't remember of her last name, contacted me about a congratulatory letter to *The Clarkston News* from President George W. Bush for our 75th anniversary. At the same time, she spoke to me about the possibility of the President – yes, the man himself – coming to our celebration. Woah, slow down the world!

Unfortunately, the big man was unable to attend. Our office manager, Rosemary, received a voicemail from another White House representative sending the President's regrets.

However, briefly before our formal 75th celebration, our beautiful fax machine spit out a glorious copy of a signed and sealed congratulatory letter from the top. The original arrived by mail the following week. Wow, an actual letter with President Bush's "John Hancock." I'm still amazed.

Since then I've had a chance to reflect on the experience. Allow me to regress in age a moment to share my thoughts – man was that cool!

Allow me to say also I'm thrilled that someone else received the call declining the President's attendance. Imagine, for quite some time I was the only one receiving calls from the White House. Just think about how that made me look, hmmm.

Feels pretty good not to be crazy.

To conclude, please enjoy the letter we received from President George W. Bush. I was so excited, I thought everyone should be able to share this keepsake.

The News  
to Me



Jenny  
Matteson



THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

May 18, 2005

Congratulations on the 75th anniversary of *The Clarkston News*.

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This milestone provides an opportunity to reflect on the dedication of your staff and your years of service to your readers. Your efforts help encourage responsible citizenship and advance the ideals that make America strong.

Laura and I send our best wishes for continued success.

## Fortinberry and Kostin doing fine job:

*Let the past be in the past*

To the Clarkston Community,

This letter is in response to the May issue of *The Clarkston News* article, relating to Kelley Kostin and Dana Fortinberry both presiding judges in district court.

Let the past be in the past. We all have a past, a present and, with a little hope, a future. He did, she did and I did are all reactions of child's play. As adults, can

each of us have a choice to behave responsibly, think compassionately or expedite wisely, regardless of profession, career, occupation or chosen field.

It's high time we all come on board the human race. You know the place where no one is perfect, no one is pure and no one is above the law of man. We share this soil known as Earth, this is our relatedness. We all feel, we all have emotions, we all have the capacity to make mistakes and the capacity to for-

give.

Both Dana Fortinberry and Kelley Kostin are credible human beings, co-existing in our local court as presiding judges and doing a fine job of it.

How about considering the realization that election campaigns bring out the good, the bad and the ugly in most humans. I urge the media, beginning with *The Clarkston News*, the Sheriff's Department and the

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## A Look Back

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

### 15 YEARS AGO (1990)

• Don't forget to vote Monday: The annual election of the school district is set for Monday, June 11.

Results will determine two candidates for the Clarkston Board of Education. One seat, vacated with the resignation of Trustee Elaine Shultz, is a one-year term. The other, which will fill a position vacated by Jane Chaustowich, is a four year position.

• Water Tower: A new water tower is in the final stages of design for the intersection of Dixie Highway and White Lake Road, Independence Township.

Its installment will be one of the main components to a township municipal water system.

According to George Anderson, director of the township department of public works (DPW), the tower's construction should begin in about one month. It is to have a "spheroid" shape much like that of a golfball.

### 25 YEARS AGO (1980)

• Auto-baron Henry Ford once said something to the effect that history is bunk.

Out of his disdain for interpreted history, Ford created Greenfield Village.

Ford would admire the perseverance and determination of another history-hound in search of the truth, 31-year-old George McCall.

For the past 10 years, McCall, a former Clarkston resident, has researched and written, interviewed and taped, collected and swapped Ford history and memorabilia.

### 50 YEARS AGO (1955)

• Graduates To Hear Dr. Guy H. Hill: Guy H. Hill is a Southerner by birth, but a mid-Westerner by adoption. His boyhood and youth were spent in North and South Carolina where he earned his bachelor's and master's degrees. His profession, namely teaching and school administration, was also begun in the Carolinas where he taught and administered school fourteen years after graduating from college.

On a general Education Board fellowship to the University of Michigan he completed his residence work for the doctorate in 1931.

• Mary Jane Beattie Receives Degree: Commencement exercises were held on the Kalamazoo College campus on Monday morning, June 6.

Mary Jane Beattie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. Beattie of 3557 Walton Blvd., received her degree of Bachelor of Arts Magna Cum Laude.

• Let's Keep Clarkston Clean: Yes, with your help Clarkston can be one of the cleanest little villages in Michigan. Of course, everyone must cooperate. The village fathers are encouraging this "Keep Clean" slogan by placing trash cans in the downtown section. You are asked to use them. See that the streets are not littered with bits of paper, gum wrappers, empty ice cream cones, old newspapers, etc. Use the trash cans. There are several in the business section of the village.

## 'Peeking in the Past' raises concern

"I beg your pardon, I never promised you a rose garden. Along with the sunshine, there's gotta' be a little rain, sometime..."

-- a song some country and western chick sang in the early 1970s

I don't know why that song popped into my head when I sat down at the trusty keyboard to type this gem of a column. But it did, so there it is. It kinda (in a very twisted yet simple way) fits with the general direction I wanted to go this week.

That being the news is the news and there's no way around that premise. Sometimes it's nice, other times it really sucks.

When the news sucks it sucks for all -- those immediately affected, those who report and those who read. Were it a horserace, it'd be a trifecta of suckiness. And the suckiness doesn't go away with the printing of subsequent editions. If it sucks today, it'll keep sucking tomorrow and all tomorrows to come.

As a community newspaper, we often look to the past. We look to see what annual events take place. What anniversaries we need to cover. And, we also run community news from the pages of yesteryear. Sometimes we call it "Peeking in the Past," sometimes, "Looking Back," sometimes, "A Look Back."

Whatever it's called, it's a look back to the past. It's a repeat of front page news. Most of the time it's about funny things or local achievements. It's a way to get names back into the newspaper. Sometimes the news and names repeated aren't very funny.

Every so often, when we repeat news a-la-suck in the "peeking" type column, we are contacted. Last week a lovely local lady (I'll leave her name anonymous) e-mailed me and it went something like this:

"Hi Don!

"I just wanted to e-mail you about a concern that I had with the May 18th issue, specifically the "A Look Back" section..." She explained the sucky news item, then continued:



don  
rush  
don't rush  
me

"I don't understand why the decision is made to put such a horrific, family tragedy in. This was a devastating event for a woman that still lives in (the area) and I can't imagine what good will come of it running."

I believe I e-mailed her something very pithy yet poignant. (I'm sure it came off smarmy, self-serving and smart-alecky. I know, I know: I suck.) Since my short term memory ain't what it used to be and since I didn't copy my full-of-wisdom-note back to her, I'll put it to all this way.

The peeking into the past type columns are glimpses into the news gone by. It's a way we all can remember. A way we can remember the good, the bad and the ugly about our communities. When bad and or ugly things happen, unless they happen to you, they are forgotten over time. If the bad/ugly happens to you, you never forget. You come to deal with it, or you bury it, but you never forget it.

When my Aunt Delores Rush died a few months ago, the priest said something I thought true and sort of relevant here. When somebody we love dies, for the next year, folks who love us often don't bring up the dead in conversation. For a year, folks will avoid the subject of the dear and departed, for fear of hurting the bereaved.

What this does, the priest said, is cheat the bereaved of a chance to talk, cry and feel with others they care about, about the one they lost.

The point is, running (or rerunning) suckiedoolittle news doesn't change the facts. In fact, however, it may help keep a person's memory alive. It may touch another to call a past-bereaved for no other reason than to say, "I remember, too. If you want, let's go get a cup of coffee and remember the good times."

Maybe that's just the Don Rush way of looking at sucky things -- silver-linings and all. So, there it is, folks. Another gem of a column. Yep, and darn educational too, because now you know how we choose items for the looking back-type features.

(Actually, in this column, I just wanted to see how many times I could type suck and all forms of suck. I counted 14 sucks -- make that 15.)

Your thoughts and comments go to Don this way: dontrushmedon@aol.com

## Maybe a confession will diffuse my fears

Played golf recently with a couple named Paul and Karin March. In this league we don't talk golf while playing golf. The conversation got to life and television. Karin said, "I'll know when Paul dies, because if the clicker doesn't change the channel in 10 seconds he'll be dead."

Later that thought took me to near-death experiences I've endured and other scary things. When I was about 13 we lived at 909 Corunna Avenue, Owosso. (Why do I remember that address and can't remember our children's birthdays?)

Owosso had two theaters, Strand and Capitol. This Saturday afternoon a cops and robbers movie was showing, wherein the bad guys had severely beaten a good guy. His face was bloody, swollen and frightening... no, sickening.

I thought I was going to faint and went outside to sit on some steps to recover, while hoping no friends saw me suffering from lack of courage.

I was skinny then, and maybe five feet tall. Today I'm a few inches over six feet tall and several pounds over 225. I'm just as weak now as I was then about seeing people on the screen with busted faces, spitting blood and hurting, though I know it's acting.

After seeing an initial preview of a Rocky movie, 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5, I couldn't be dragged to a screening

with promise of money, prizes or great afterlife. I know I'd faint.

Which brings me to another problem I have with fear. Being larger than average, I think there is an image to maintain. I should be strong. I should be fearless. I should be a leader of the weak and defender of lesser strengthened people. But, I ain't.

I'm scared of so many things it scares me. Claustrophobia is just one of them. I've had attacks in dental chairs, MRI tunnels, mountain passes, stuck elevators, small rooms, back seats of 2-door cars and closets. I'm amazed that I don't have the attacks in airplanes. They're pretty confining.

I don't look forward to going out in the dark to get my morning paper in the winter time. I wouldn't think of going in the woods hunting without a compass, matches and map for fear of getting lost.

I'm scared of failure. I'm scared of success. I'm scared of all animals except Shayna. She has negative fears, like not getting table scraps, not getting a treat whenever she come in any door, not getting to lick my plate and not getting enough wrestling time, ear rubs, petting and compliments.

Come to think of it, I, too, am afraid of not getting enough petting and compliments. If Bill Huntton is reading, don't give me your petting.

Longtime readers will recall that I like imaginative signs on service trucks. Chic Drumheller remembered and sent some:

Sign on a septic tank truck: "Yesterday's meals on wheels."

Towing company: "We don't charge an arm and a leg, we want your tows."

At a propane filling station: "Thank heaven for little grills."

On a fence: "Salesmen welcome! Dog food is expensive."

Were you listening to Paul Harvey on radio when he told about the daytime nurses complaining to their bosses at a hospital out west about how much cleaning of patients they were having to do in recent weeks?

Seems like the bedridden were having more than the usual number of 'accidents.'

Their superiors took the complaints seriously and investigated. They discovered the nighttime nurses were envious of the day-timers and they were playful.

The night-nurses were giving laxatives a little more freely than prescribed.



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Jottings

# Tractor club remembers agricultural past

BY JAMES MARTINEZ  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

The Yesteryear's Farm Tractor Club of Springfield Township represents a group of men keeping ties to the area's agricultural past.

Last January, men from Springfield Township, Clarkston, Lapeer County and other surrounding areas came together to form the club.

"We wanted a club that we could promote the interest of tractors for members and the public in a relaxed atmosphere," club member Gary Wagner said.

Currently the group's 23 members can bring together a collection of 50 to 60 tractors, all dating back before 1973. The club represents a trend of growing interest statewide in tractors.

"Interest in tractors has grown a lot over the last few years. The prices are really growing too," said Wagner.

Members have a wide age range and different reasons for interest in tractors, but all share an appreciation and passion for the machines.

"My dad bought a tractor brand new in 1945. My family farmed for generations and I was raised on a farm. Some members haven't been, but like tractors for other reasons," Wagner said.

Wagner explained the amount of time put into a tractor varies from member to member and tractor to tractor. One particular John Deere B involved over \$10,000 in restoration, while others simply needed small repairs or a coat of paint. Some members work on restoration, while others look to purchase tractors needing less initial maintenance.

In time, club members hope to add several types of events to the current monthly meeting schedule. The club expects to be in parades this summer, including Clarkston's annual Fourth of July parade, and looks for any opportunity to participate in tractor shows.

According to Wagner, members are excited about repeating a Plow-a-Days event similar to the one completed in conjunction with the Oakland County Food

Bank.

During a Plow-a-Days, members of the club offer their tractor services in charitable situations where the brute force of the machines may help an event. With the foodbank, members used the tractors to prepare land for crops later harvested for those in need.

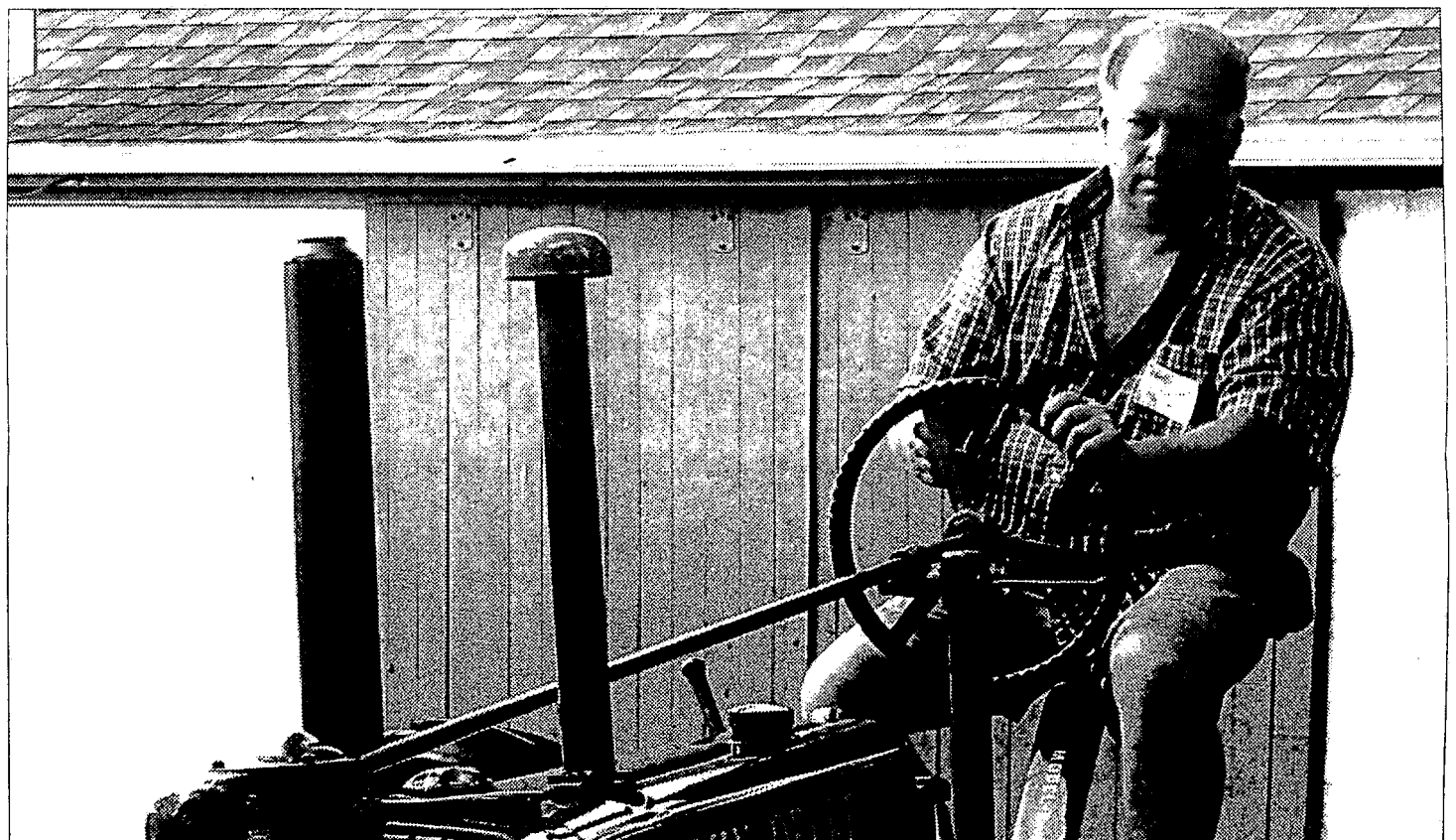
"We do anything we can use our tractors on to make work more efficient. We plowed the land, worked it up and they planted the food for the needy," President Ron Pethick said.

The Yesteryear's Farm Tractor Club meets on the first Saturday of each month, often at Vice President Mark Austin's home on Kier Road. Meetings open with a grilled meal and then turn to discussion of club events and tractors. Ownership of a tractor is not mandatory.

For more information, call President Ron Pethick at 810-348-4160 or email Gary Wagner at [rengawla@aol.com](mailto:rengawla@aol.com).



Yesteryear's Farm Tractor Club officials: (left to right) Vice President Mark Austin, President Ron Pethick and Secretary Brad Jackson. Photo by Martinez.



Vice President of The Yesteryear's Farm Tractor Club, Mark Austin, showcases his love and ability to control a tractor.

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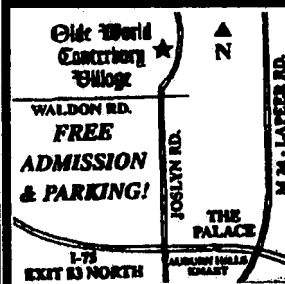
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# Police and Fire

## Independence Township

**May 26:** Malicious destruction of property reported on White Lake Road.

**May 27:** Burglary at Caribou Coffee on Sashabaw, damage reported.

47-year-old Waterford man arrested for operating while intoxicated, second offense with .20 blood alcohol level.

Minor in possession of alcohol tickets issued to an 18-year-old Davisburg man and 17-year-old Clarkston youth.

**May 28:** 18-year-old Waterford man arrested for operating while intoxicated with PBT tests of .09, .11 and .10.

39-year-old Independence Township women reported being assaulted by her boyfriend.

Police tasered a 22-year-old Shelby Township man after he reportedly resisting arrest. He reportedly hitting a crowd control worker at DTE Energy Music Theater.

17-year-old Waterford youth arrested for operating while intoxicated and minor in possession of alcohol and tobacco.

**May 29:** Home invasion, second degree reported on Northview Drive.

Larceny of flowers reported on Sunvalley Road.

A 29-year-old female employee at Clarkston Medical Group reported her purse stolen from her car.

Damage to vehicle reported at D.T.E. Music Theater.

**May 30:** Officer arrested 21-year old Holly man for operating while intoxicated causing an accident.

Larceny of auto reported on Dixie.

**May 31:** Burglary (no force) at Belle Visage on Sashabaw Road with several items missing.

Discharge of firearm twice to destroy wounded deer on White Lake Road.

21-year-old Holly man reportedly made threatening calls to girlfriend on his cellphone.

**June 1:** Larceny of 12 cases of commercial grade vinyl tile stolen from job at Renaissance High School used by Skansa Company.

Malicious destruction to vehicle on Maple Drive.

**June 2:** 44-year-old Clarkston woman reported threatening calls to her daughter from the daughter's boyfriend's father.

Check fraud of two checks (\$400, \$1,400) reported at T&C Federal Credit Union on Deer Lake Road.

Home invasion, second-degree on Surrey Road.

19-year-old Independence Township man apparently backed vehicle into younger sister on Bama Court.

Larceny of gas from Speedway on Dixie Highway near Maybee.

24-year-old Rochester man reported assault and battery while attempting to break up fight at DTE Music Theater.

**June 3:** Personal protection order violated by a 34-year-old Lake Orion man who reportedly tailgated the woman he was to stay away from. The man apparently

drove away when he saw her on her cell phone.

Police arrested a 16-year-old Clarkston male for operating while intoxicated, causing injury. The driver struck a tree. A minor in possession ticket for alcohol and tobacco were also issued to a 17 year-old passenger.

79-year-old reported fraudulent charges on his credit card after being contacted by the credit card company. Man claimed to have used the card at a local restaurant but was never returned.

49-year-old Flint man arrested for driving in an unregistered vehicle on a roadway and driving without a license.

**June 4:** 16-year-old Waterford teen fled police when asked to step from his vehicle after the officer approached his red Chevy truck and discovered alcohol. The teen sped onto Sashabow Road. He was apprehended after being stranded in traffic on Sashabaw at the I-75 overpass bridge. The teen claimed to be scared because police previously busted his friends with alcohol.

An unknown person broke two outdoor lights and damaged a home under construction on Woodview Road.

A garage on Independence Road was broken into and several items stolen.

Motorcycle reported stolen from DTE Music Theater.

Two suspects were ticketed for disorderly conduct at DTE Music Theater.

**June 5:** 26-year-old Waterford man arrested for operating while intoxicated, second offense with a blood alcohol level

reported at .131.

Larceny from auto on Sashabaw Road.

Kroger employees turned over intoxicated man who reportedly attempted to steal five beers.

Discharge of firearm to destroy wounded deer on North Telegraph.

Two 14-year-old girls reported being overcharged by an ice cream man and then being asked if they wanted to ride in the vehicle on Waterford Hill Terrace.

Police called to domestic dispute between two brothers at an Independence Township residence.

Damage to a vehicle reported on Balmoral Terrace.

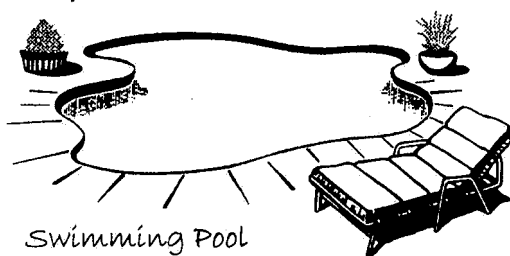
## Springfield Township

**June 2:** Several vehicles in an apartment parking lot on Blue Water Street near Dixie were painted with black paint.

Spray painting was reported on garage. Man reporting incident claimed his neighbor has been having difficulties with youth in the area and they may have mistaken his garage for hers in Blue Water apartments

**June 3:** A vehicle sent for cleaning last week from Szott Ford in Holly to Szcott Chrysler on Whitelake Road is now reported missing.

**June 4:** Turfing of lawn reported on Zeerco Boulevard.



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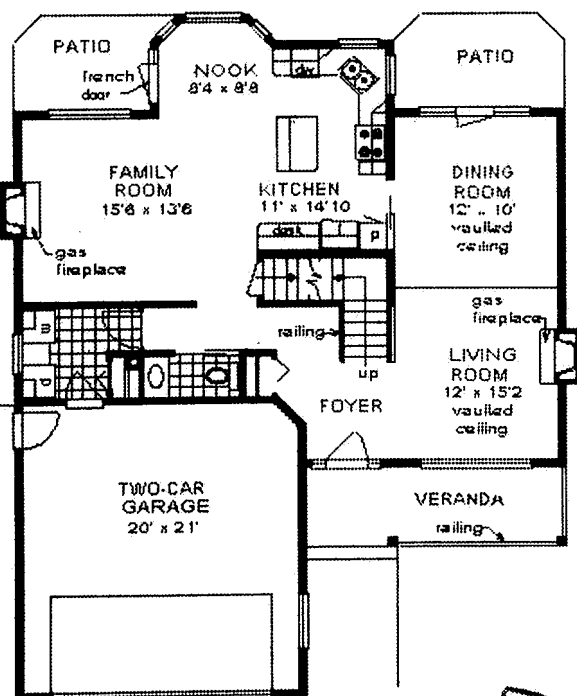
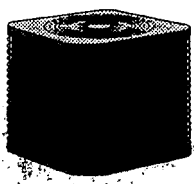


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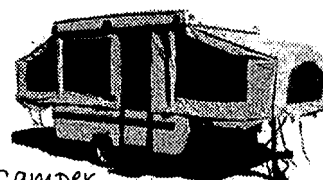
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# Graduation

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Burdick, a CHS physics teacher, was chosen to speak by the graduating class.

"Today is the last night you sit as students of Clarkston High School," said Burdick. "I do not know a secret that will keep you happy, but I do know we are just older versions of you. You are on your way to becoming us."

The crowd laughed as Burdick found the relationship between adulthood and adolescence, then listened solemnly as he spoke about the reality after graduation.

"You will be our teachers, our doctors, lawyers and carpet salesman," said Burdick. "Starting tomorrow, life is more serious."

"Difficult times will pale in comparison to the adventures that lie ahead," he added.

Before walking away from the podium, Burdick gave the graduates priceless advice: learn to cook, read, schedule leisure time, volunteer, exercise and vote in every election. He then quoted Snoopy, "Start each day with a smile on your face and in your heart."

Student speakers Christopher Kato and Kristine Kilbourne made the crowd laugh and think about the reality of post graduation. Kato and Kilbourne won an essay contest allowing them to speak during commencements.

"We entered as Cougars and Wolverines four years ago," said Kato. "Now we leave as a group of Wolves."

The crowd cheered as Kato spoke

about their differences as freshman, and their deep connections as seniors. However, Kato does not believe graduation is the end.

"Everyone always says that this will be the last time we see each other, and I don't believe that," Kato said. "The true success of a man is not the amount of money he makes, but that he gets up in the morning, goes to bed at night and does what he wants in between."

"Time is what we live our lives by. I remember the cold bleachers at games and the rain on homecoming," said Kilbourne. "Laughter is what got me through four years, not a ticking clock."

Before the graduates formed their lines to walk across the stage, Dr. Roberts spoke a few words.

"I'm very proud of each and every one of you," stated Roberts. "Whether your roses have thorns or your thorns have roses is up to you. Take your passion along with you."

"Accept that we will make mistakes, praise is better motivation than criticism and remember to devote your life to something you enjoy," he concluded.

As the graduates made their way across the stage, many were overcome with emotion.

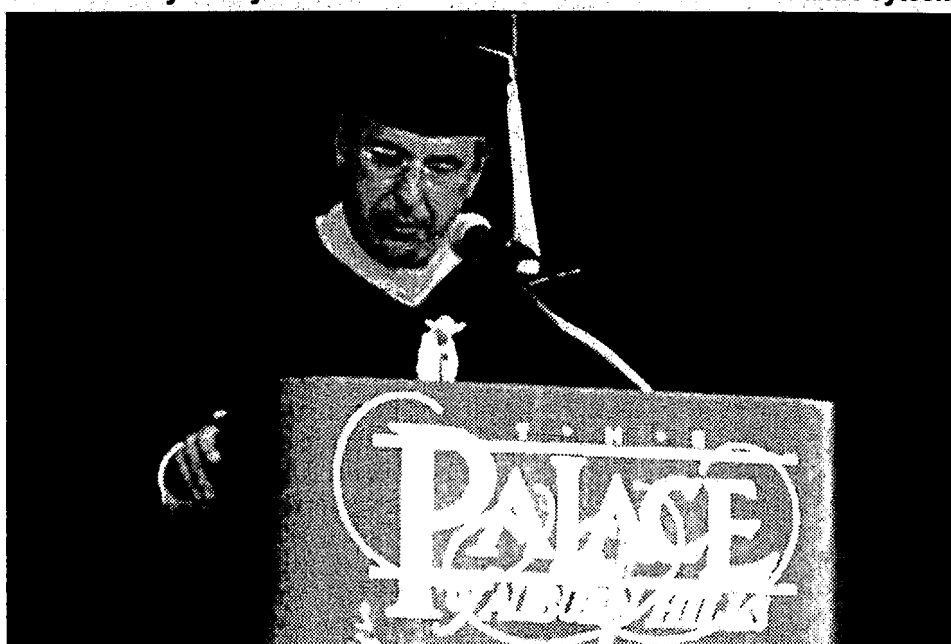
"The staff at Clarkston High School never denied any one help," remembers Trevor Turner.

Commencement concluded with the Madrigal Singers performing "A Parting Blessing."

To the class of 2005, congratulations and good luck!



Graduate Amy Emery shakes the hands of administrators Roberts and Foyteck.



Guest speaker, Mr. Ned Burdick, CHS faculty member, compares the times.



Graduate Louis Dresselhouse, accepts diploma then hugs principal Meagher.

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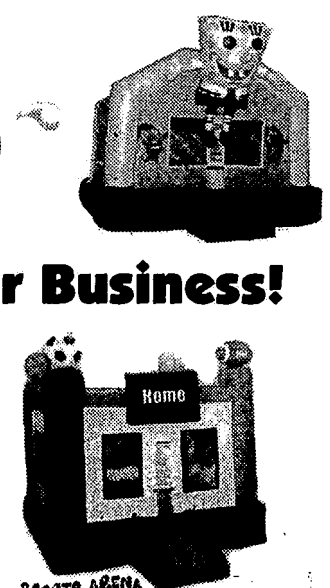
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## Independence man can't get enough of history

BY JAMES MARTINEZ  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Like many of us, Dale Bond of Independence Township was curious about his family history. So he turned looked to genealogy for some answers. That intrigue has bloomed into a nearly full-time adventure as Bond continues to trace his family, as well as people and events important to Clarkston's early history.

"I got into my own family history. I'm fascinated by it. I did research on my house and land. A log cabin used to be here. Then I got into what happened in this area and what it looked like prior to the Civil War," Bond said.

Bond claims he traced his family back to Maryland in the 1660's gearing up for the Revolutionary War. On a search following his ancestors' paths to many states from Maryland to California, Bond is no longer surprised at what he finds.

"Once you get on to something, you just have to find out about it. While you're researching, you get a history lesson. I love history and telling it to people. History gives people something that has meaning," said Bond.

Bond started searching in the Independence Township Library, the Oakland County Pioneer and Historical Society, the Moses Wisner House, and the Pontiac Courthouse by looking

through tax, court and census records. On his walk through Clarkston's past, Bond came across an prime example of how his research and enthusiasm snowballed since starting in 2000.

A murder case involving early Clarkston resident Patrick Tully, in December of 1857, caught Bond's attention. Tully, a prominent and well respected figure in the area, was found dead and three of his sons were charged with his murder.

"The names are what's interesting because you're bringing in all your old settlers of the area, the first settlers who walked here," Bond said.

Bond found himself fascinated by events before and after the founding of Clarkston. A retired draftsman, Bond used his knowledge of map layout to illustrate his own researched version of 1860 Clarkston.

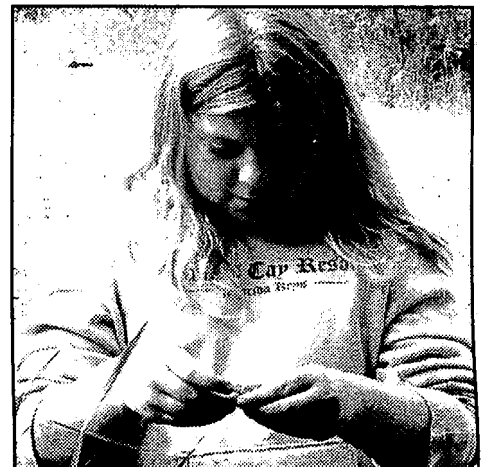
Using an 1872 map as a model, Bond blew up the outline for basic roads and blocks. Then, going block to block, Bond filled in nearly every lot with his research. Relying on census and tax records and land deeds, Bond gradually recreated town blocks on 8 by 11.5 sheets of paper, until he created a full map.

Compiled in several binders, Bond's work represents stories he hopes will live on for future generations.



## Riverday Walkers

Naturalist Linda Hoogterp (above) guides a group on the Shiawassee River Day Walk presented by the North Oakland Headwaters Conservancy. Seven-year-old Lauren Harnack examines nature during Riverday Walk. Photos by James Martinez



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# Northwood student continues racing tradition

BY LAURA WEINER  
CLARKSTON NEWS INTERN

Morgan Keil comes from a fast family. Now graduated from Northwood University, Keil plans to continue the tradition.

Keil is a racecar driver, with a background of excellence in the racing field. His family has taken part in racing for over 25 years. His father, Frank, had a very successful racing career. His credits include a Pro Stock Championship in 1984, Late Model Rookie of the Year, and New Track Record Holder at Spartan Speedway in Holt in 1985.

Keil spent a lot of his childhood at the racetrack. When he was nine years old he started his career in quarter midgets. He was soon following in his father's footsteps. He was a Junior Sprint Cars 1998 National Champion, three-time Quarter Midgets of America Champion, and held many records during his career.

Keil has been racing for 14 years. His most rewarding moment came in the course of his quarter midget career.

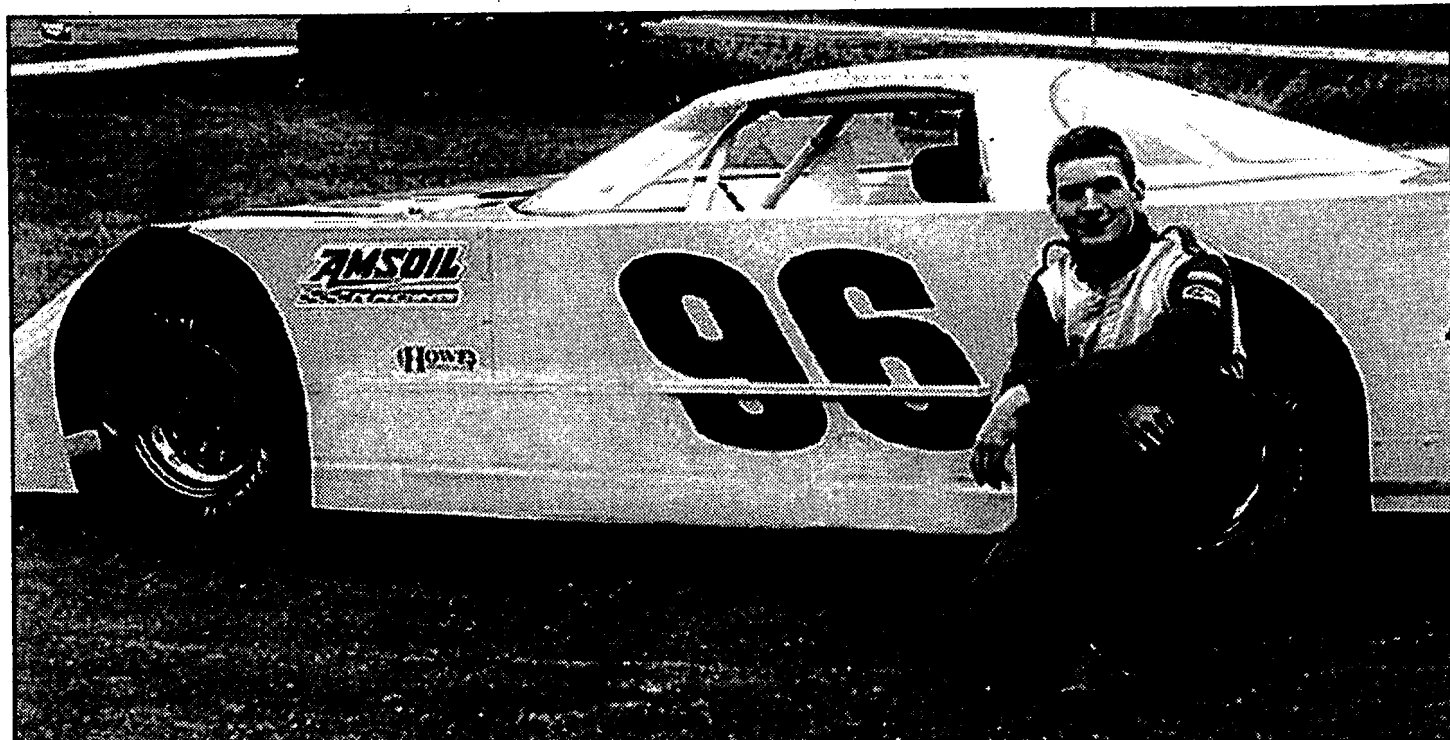
"I was 16, it was my last year in quarter midgets and I was an active mentor to my younger sister in her up and coming racing career.

"The race was in Toledo and I went down with a family friend for Saturday's race. I set the fast qualifying time and won Saturday's race. My 11-year-old sister showed up the following morning with my dad ready to display her driving skills that were not easily matched for a driver her age.

"We both won our respective heat races to qualify for the feature. We started in the last two starting positions in the main event. I ended up winning the race with my younger sister less than a car length behind me. When the race was over my sister and I were over a lap ahead of every other car on the track that day.

"We had officially won every race there was to win on that weekend. That has been my fondest memory of racing, so far," he explained.

Keil hopes to continue his racing success. He looks to financial sponsorships to do so.



Morgan Keil, a Northwood University graduate, lives for the perfect car. Photo submitted.

"Each year I find that it is about cultivating new relationships for the following year and then working to maintain those relationships in a mutually beneficial way. The contracts that I make this season may not even be particularly interested in racing, but it is always a chance to grow and expand my network of contacts and get a chance to repay the people that have supported me so avidly," Keil said.

Keil enjoys everything about racing, and doesn't focus on the danger.

"I wouldn't say that the danger is the appeal, that doesn't cross my mind when I am on the track," he said.

Keil spends a lot of time racing, when he is not doing that, he is working about 24 hours a week at Howe Racing Enterprise in Beaverton.

"I met Morgan as a customer and got to know him through his involvement in the Northwood car show. I was impressed with his upbeat attitude and outgoing nature," Chase Howe, owner of Howe Racing Enterprise.

And what does Keil find most important when it comes to winning a race? He explains,

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# Clarkston News Sports

## Morgan, Mengyan headline strong showing at state finals

BY NOAH PURCELL

Clarkston News Sports Writer

Anyone who did not know Clarkston some of the best female distance runners in the state, found out at the State finals on June 4 in Rockford.

Clarkston's 3200 relay team of junior Lyndsay Smith, senior Liz Mengyan, junior Lisa Sickman and junior Jenny Morgan shattered the old all-division and lower peninsula division I record of 9:13.83 by eight seconds with a time of 9:05.49.

"(Before the meet), they were excited to run. They knew they could do something special," said Clarkston Coach John Yorke.

Yorke felt Mengyan's effort, as she completed her leg in 2:12, was key to the overall result.

Clarkston's next big showcase came in the 1600 as Morgan set a new lower peninsula division I record with a time of 4:48.07. The old record stood at 4:50.95.

Not only did Morgan run her way into the history books, she also exacted some revenge on Grand Blanc's Geena Gall, who had beaten her in the 1600 at regionals on May 20.

"I definitely wanted another shot. I absolutely did not go into the (rematch) thinking I could not win," said Morgan. "I know every race is different and anything can happen."

Mengyan gave her teammate some company at the top. She ran a 4:52.94 to finish third in the 1600, just over a second behind second-place Gall.

"The excitement from how they ran the (1600) carried over to the other events," said Yorke.

Somehow towards the end, Morgan mustered enough stamina to win the 3200 with a time of 10:45.56, nine seconds ahead of second place finisher, Heather Sirko from Livonia Stevenson.

Clarkston finished with 36 points as a team, good for fourth in the state behind Detroit Mumford (74), Ann Arbor Pioneer (56) and Southfield Lathrup (37).

Clarkston tied Rockford, Southfield Lathrup and Ann Arbor Pioneer for the most qualifiers with 14 apiece.

The Wolves were represented by Morgan (1600, 3200), Mengyan (1600), Sickman (1600), Smith (800),



Jenny Morgan (left) and Liz Mengyan (right) finished in first and third place respectively in the 1600 at the state finals. Grand Blanc's Geena Gall (center) was able to beat Morgan in the 1600 at regionals on May 20, but this time around, Morgan staved her off for the state championship. Photo by Noah Purcell

senior Gillian Nordquist (3200), senior Anne Oltman (3200), senior Stephanie Parkin (100 hurdles, long jump) freshman Stephanie Thorstad (long jump), freshman Taylor Rademacher (high jump) and freshman Autumn Touchstone (100 hurdles).

While the Wolves are losing four very talented runners in Mengyan, Oltman, Nordquist and Parkin, as well as eight other seniors, Yorke feels the team can build on this year's success.

"Right now our season next year will be determined by our off season workouts," said Yorke

Yorke feels the emergence of young talent like Rademacher, Touchstone and Thorstad in the field events, coupled with the return of Morgan and other quality distance runners like Beth Hoekstra, Elle Kuhta, Smith and Sickman, will help the program a great deal.

Morgan's younger sister, Stephanie, currently an eighth grader, should be able to make a difference for the Wolves as well next year. According to Yorke, she can already run step for step with the upper echelon of high school distance runners.



## Athlete of the Week – Jenny Morgan

Jenny Morgan is Athlete of the Week for her superlative performance at the girls state finals on June 4.

Morgan set a lower peninsula division I record in the 1600, set an all-division record in the 3200 relay along with Liz Mengyan, Lisa Sickman and Lyndsay Smith and also finished first in the 3200.

"It was such an amazing weekend because everyone ran so well. I could not ask for a better team. These girls challenge me to be better," said Morgan.

This is not the first time Morgan has helped propel Clarkston to the top of the running mountain in Michigan. Her strong strides, along with the dedication and talent of others such as Anne Oltman, Gillian Nordquist, Jenna Leach, Beth Hoekstra, Elle Kuhta, Mengyan, Sickman and Smith, netted Clarkston's second straight cross country championship in 2004.

"Girls like Liz, Anne and Gillian established the program here at Clarkston. Hopefully, spending a year with

them will help me be a better leader next year," said Morgan, who moved to Clarkston in August of 2004.

Morgan, having just completed her junior year, is already on many major collegiate track programs radar.

"(Colleges) have been able to contact me since March. I've had quite a few calls, a lot of mail and (Coach Jamie Labrosse) has had some calls too," said Morgan.

On Morgan's short list currently are Stanford, Arkansas, Notre Dame, Illinois and Michigan.

"I'm blessed that many of the schools with the best running programs are also great academically," said Morgan, who plans on becoming a doctor.

Currently, Morgan has a 3.99 GPA.

Morgan, her parents Bill and Susan, and sisters Ruthie, Molly and Stephanie, lived in Clarkston until she was five when they moved to Ohio. The family relocated back to Clarkston the summer of 2004.

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# Baseball captures district crown for fourth year in a row

BY NOAH PURCELL  
Clarkston News Sports Writer

Things were going well for Clarkston as they took an 8-3 lead into the bottom of the seventh inning of the district championship game against Waterford Mott. But after two walks and a three-run homer by the Corsair's David Decard, the Wolves' fourth straight district title was in serious doubt.

In response to the threat, Clarkston's coaching staff resurrected Steve McIsaac, who was pulled after pitching six strong innings while fighting off a cold, to close out the victory.

"Usually when I'm sick in sports, it will help me focus a little better. (The sickness) cut out the distractions and I could just relax and play baseball," said McIsaac. "It was tough because there were none out (when I reentered) I just had to throw strikes. It was a pressure situation."

Adding to the late inning drama was Mott's Kerry Schultz, the first batter McIsaac faced upon reentering the game. Schultz rapped a double through the infield and advanced to third on a wild pitch.

With the tying run at the plate the pendulum swung back in the Wolves favor. Philip McCleery struck McIsaac's next offering hard but his aim was not true as the ball skyrocketed up into foul territory to the right of the plate where Brandon Phillips cradled it into his catcher's mitt. An alert Phillips then turned his attention to third,

where Schultz had strayed within four steps of home, and threw the baserunner out before he could return to the bag.

When the dust settled, the Corsairs ended the sequence with two men out and none on base. McIsaac then induced a grounder which second baseman Frank Davis gobbled up and lofted to first for the final out.

"(McIsaac) showed a lot of bull dog as a pitcher, he battled. It was a warm day and he was sweating a lot and he just had the mindset to come in and get the job done," said Clarkston Coach Phil Price. "Mott's a good team, they have some excellent ball players. We had a couple mental lapses, but so did they."

McIsaac finished with five strikeouts and one earned run while scattering nine hits.

The Wolves found success in the batters box by staying patient and forcing Mott's pitchers to throw strikes.

"We were just trying to play basic error free baseball which won't happen 100 percent of the time, but I think we gave them too many runs. I think we walked eight kids, most of the time if you walk that many batters you are not going to win," said Mott Coach Neal Mozdierz.

Clarkston's four-run third inning was keyed by two straight walks drawn by Dave Brelinski and Eric Bryan, who both ended up scoring on an error (Brelinski) and a double by Phillips (Bryan).

"What helped us was we made their first pitcher throw a lot of pitches," said Price.

Mott's Justin Johnson lasted three innings and was credited with the loss. Devon Brinks struck out five and walked three in four innings of relief for the Corsairs.

The change in pitchers did not disrupt Bryan as he singled home Eric Ogg, who reached on another free pass in the fourth to bring the score to 5-0.

Bryan's bat kept booming in the sixth, after Mott scored three in the bottom of the fifth. He knocked in Steve Vanderheyden with a single and scored along with Josh Hall on another double by Phillips to bring the score to 8-3.

Bryan also played a big role in getting the Wolves into the district championship when he smashed a two-

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Clarkston defeated Pontiac Central, Waterford Kettering and Waterford Mott to win their fourth straight district title. Photo by Noah Purcell

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## Snacking, napping your way to better health

By Ernie Harwell

You know, it seems most people are convinced that improving your health has to be all hard work and sacrifice. But the more we learn, the clearer it becomes that getting, and staying, fit involves some of life's more pleasurable activities.

Take eating for instance. Some medical experts are increasingly advising patients to eat five or six small meals a day, rather than the traditional "three squares." Recent studies have shown that eating several small meals daily may lower blood cholesterol, and reduced insulin disease - even when total calories aren't reduced.

Some call it "grazing." Some call it snacking. Whatever you call it, Eating five or six meals instead of three doesn't sound like "a sacrifice" to me. The same can be said for naps. While admittedly not possible for everyone, the latest research indicates that even a 20-minute nap promotes greater alertness and a more positive attitude - especially for people who jeep late hours or have trouble sleeping at night.

During my broadcaster days, I was faithfully up by 7 a.m., but I always tried to fit in a brief nap before night games, especially those two-night doubleheaders.

Thomas Edison, Winston Churchill and Albert Einstein all faithful nappers - were alert and positive enough to suit me.

So if you're serious about reaching greater fitness and want to do more than regular exercise, consider snacking and napping along the way. And please remember to take care of your health before it's lonngggg gone!

Ernie Harwell, "the voice of the Detroit Tigers" for more than four decades, retired after 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, 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 entitled "Life After Baseball," is available at local bookstores or by calling 1-800-245-5082.



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# Wolves curtailed by Corsairs

BY LAURA WEINER  
Clarkston News Intern

The Clarkston High School softball team came out with their game faces and played hard until the end of their district semifinal matchup with Waterford Mott on June 4 at the CHS softball field. But in the end, the Wolves could not sustain enough offense to pull an upset.

The Wolves were defeated by the Corsairs by 3-0. The Corsair's Tori Rexford drove home the eventual winning run in the first inning and sealed the game in the top of the fifth with a homerun.

Megan Sperry displayed good poise and stamina on the pitchers mound for all seven innings. Sperry's counterpart, Sasha Wardach, also pitched a complete game for the victory.

"They had real good defense. Clarkston doesn't just give you anything. Nothing is handed to you when you play them. They do not make a mistake out in the field," (Clarkston Coach) Don Peters is doing a great job," said Waterford Mott Coach Mark Grattan.

The Wolves managed to get on base in each inning,

but could never completely solve Wardach's pitching repertoire.

"She is the best pitcher we have. She (pitched today with) a broken foot," said Grattan.

The loss ends a 10-21 season in which the Wolves had no senior players and at times up to five freshman. To make matters worse, Clarkston lost three of their regular players less than three weeks ago to various maladies, including mono and shoulder injury.

"No one expected much (this year). Next year will be better, we are not getting any worse," said junior Katy Kleinedler.

The Wolves also integrated nine new girls into the program this year.

"Next year we may get the whole roster back. That has happened two other times while I was coaching," said Peters, who has coached softball for over 20 years and was inducted into the Michigan High School Softball Hall of Fame.

During the summer, Peters will still have the girls concentrating on game preparation. He plans to work with them on their individual skills.

"I want to get them hitting, work on their outfield skills, throwing skills, pitching," said Peters. "At the beginning of this year, we had girls who didn't know what a squeeze was."

One thing that needs no work is the Wolves attitudes.

"We are all very close. We talk about everything. Even with losing so many girls and so many new ones coming in, we are still so close, it is just really positive," Kleinedler said.



Katy Kleinedler was the emotional and statistical leader for the Wolves this year. Photo by Purcell



While the official scoreboard won't reflect it, Steve McIsaac pitched got the win and a save in Clarkston's district clinching win against Waterford Mott on June 4. Photo by Purcell

## Baseball

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run homer to left center field, giving Clarkston a 2-1 lead over Waterford Kettering en route to a 7-4 win in the district semifinal. Mike Navarre got the win on the hill against Kettering.

"I just wanted to stay aggressive. I hadn't been hitting very well lately. I really had nothing to lose," said Bryan.

Over the course of two games, Bryan went 4/7 with four RBI's, four runs scored and one home run.

Clarkston merited Pontiac Central 16-6 on May 31 in the opening round of districts.

The next rung of the state tournament

will be regionals on June 11, where the Wolves drew host team, Birmingham Groves.

How many Clarkston players participating is up in the air though, as the tournament's start time of 10 a.m. coincides with ACT testing times from 8 a.m.-12 p.m. Six Clarkston players are signed up for the testing.

"How do you tell a kid that the ACT or where they go to college is not important?" said Price. "I understand that you can't work around everything, but there is no reason that we can't play the games at 1 p.m., 3 p.m. and 5 p.m."

According to Price, the decision whether or not to move the regional tournament's start times is completely up to the Groves' athletic department.

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## Trial

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ber 2002 to March 2003. Questions centered around Moyer's decision not to order an MRI for Richard despite seeing him on several occasions for back pain. Moyer testified to never treating Richard for a herniated disc.

During Townsend's cross-examination, Moyer conceded that the radius of pain, caused by a fracture diagnosed after the assault, could have masked pain from a herniated disc. Prosecution allege the disc was also hurt in the assault.

In redirect questioning by the defense, Moyer could not attest to when the herniated disc occurred. At press time, the jury was still deliberating.

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## Overby

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we could come up with was to be proactive," Katy Overby said.

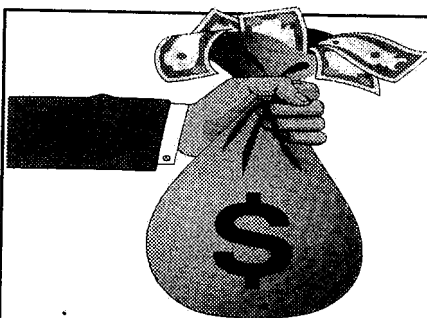
With Katy's support, Overby scheduled a two-day deadly aggression seminar this November 2 and 3 in the Colombiere Conference Center, located at 9075 Big Lake Road in Springfield Township.

The first day will be for law enforcement officers, clergy, probation officers and other various related professionals. Teachers, medical professionals and the gen-

eral public are welcomed the second day.

The keynote speaker will be Lt. Col. Grossman, U.S. Army (Ret.), Director of the Killology Research Group, and the author whose book impacted Overby. Grossman is an internationally recognized expert on deadly aggression, the physiology of threat and the systematic effects impacting reaction and outcome.

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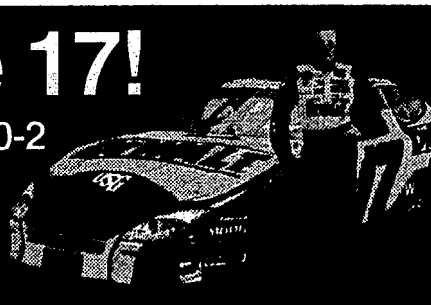
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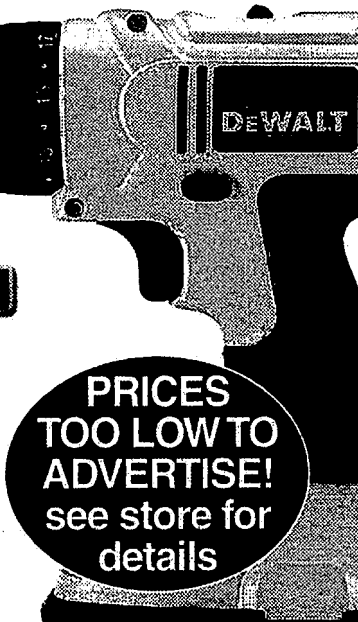
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## Letters to the Editor

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Clarkston community to let this past lie in the land of unresolved, as we proceed handling business at hand. Let's continue to respect and appreciate one another as human beings capable of good and sometimes stray from center, this is when we need one another's support, encouragement or empathy.

If only we could extract the lessons of the past, we just might realize a better present, thus creating a brighter hope seed in the future. This is known as history - his story, my story, what's your story?

Maria Rotondo Mark

## Concern over growth in housing density

Dear Ms. Matteson:

Although I am very much concerned about the threatened big-box developments in Independence Township, it seems like the growing density of new home and condominium construction is just as big of a threat. If it goes unchecked, soon every square foot of our community will have a condominium or house.

Many of the more recent developments are condominiums where folks are packed in tight, but then spread out to crowd our streets, crowd our shops and crowd our schools. The folks in charge of planning for Independence Township need to re-examine the effect of all of this new housing.

I am not suggesting that we stop all home building or all condominiums. But we risk losing the very character of this community that draws people here. Perhaps rather than recreating the density of Troy, we could mimic the quality of Oakland Township. Otherwise, too much of a good thing really won't be good.

Sincerely,  
Judy Cole, Clarkston

## Bailey Lake students say 'Thank You'

**Editor's Note:** The following are letters and cards received from student at Bailey Lake who came by for tours of The Clarkston News office.

The news staff enjoyed reading their sentiments so much, we wanted to share them with everyone else.

The writers here would also like to send a "Thank You" back to the Bailey Lake students for being great, active listeners during the tours. You guys are awesome!

The new staff of The Clarkston News

Dear Clarkston News,

It was fun seeing the old news from back in the old days.

Love,

Kori, Graham, Megan, Emma, Luca, Danny, Nick, Alexis, Taylor, Rachel and Josh

Dear Clarkston News,

Thank you four showing us the room where the news goes.

Brendon

Thank you to Clarkston News for letting us go into your ofis to see the old newspaper.

From,  
Chandler Ford

Dear Clarkston News,

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Sinserly,  
Tanner Lee

Dear Clarkston News,

Thank you for telling my group about The Clarkston News. Thank you for letting us in. You guys have a very hard working job. That was really

cool how you were in a marching band in 1720. Your building is very very old. You have a cool computer screen saver. You guys are very busy workers. You guys are very nice. You know those books that tell you about the news? Could I have one?

From Kas

Dear Clarkston News,

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Sincerely,  
Shane

Dear Clarkston News,

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Sincerely,  
Jacob Dasuqi


Thank you Mr. Noah for helping us learn about Clarkston history.

Andrew, Brandon, Mackenzy, Rachael, Melanie, Sandra, Dagny, Siuka, Hunter, Jonah, Riley, Lauren, Dalton, Jack, Austin, Thomas, Christian, McKenzie, and Kailey.

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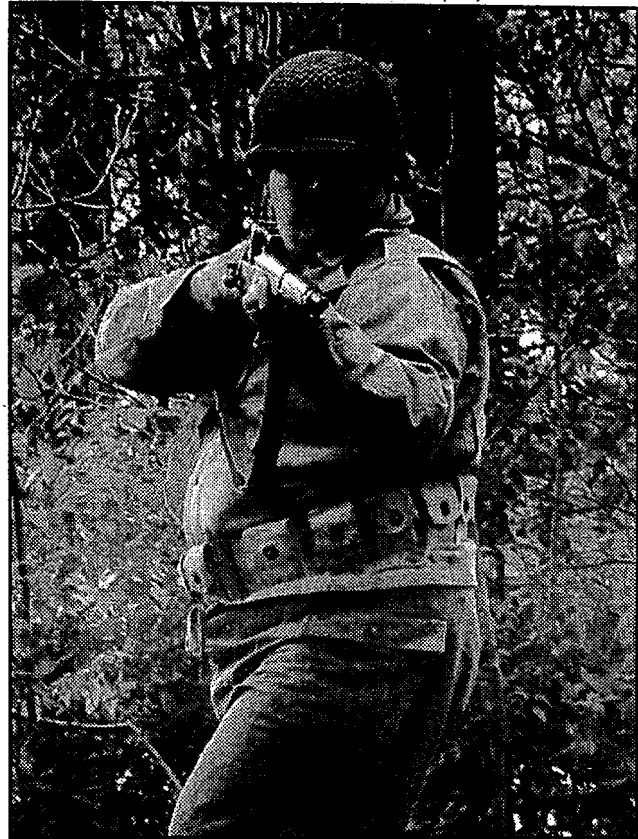
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Paul Ignagni of Gross Pointe prepares to fire on reenactors representing the German army.



A German reenactor lies in the field at the end of the battle against the Americans reenactors.

## Normandy reenactors at AML event go to war

BY JAMES MARTINEZ  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

The American Legion Post 377 of Clarkston held a fund-raiser this past Saturday which included tents of authentic World War II memorabilia, a flame thrower demonstration and two Normandy battle reenactments.

Proceeds will go to help veterans and their families as well as other community needs the American Legion deals with.

Reenactors of the 101st Airborne A company from around the Midwest staged a reenactment involving their regiment in Clarkston for the first time. Many of the reenactors used authentic equipment and gear.

Onlookers witnessed a staged skirmish between reenactors representing a United States military attack on a German line, complete with blank rounds and several pyrotechnic explosions.

"We choreography the scenes and see who shows up. There's a lot of history buffs. Other guys are here because they had relatives in the certain unit and are interested in the war," reenactor Mike Pihajlic said.

Reefe Renforth, an acquaintance of the American Legion post in Clarkston and associate with the Detroit Chapter of the 82nd Airborne Association worked to coordinate the event with Carl Kithier a former school teacher.

"The turnout was pretty good, we're really spread out between the battlefield and tents but there's a lot of people here. We hope to get bigger with more reenactors and vehicles. This is a great venue," Kithier said.

Reenactors expressed a multitude of reasons for interest in reenacting. Participants ranged from Gulf War veterans to history enthusiasts.

"I like the educational part, the history. It's important for the younger generations to see what their grandfathers went through," Robert Salcedo of Flatrock said.

"My father was into historic things and served in the Korean War, that sparked my interest in the military and reenactment," Paul Ignagni of Grosse

Pointe said.

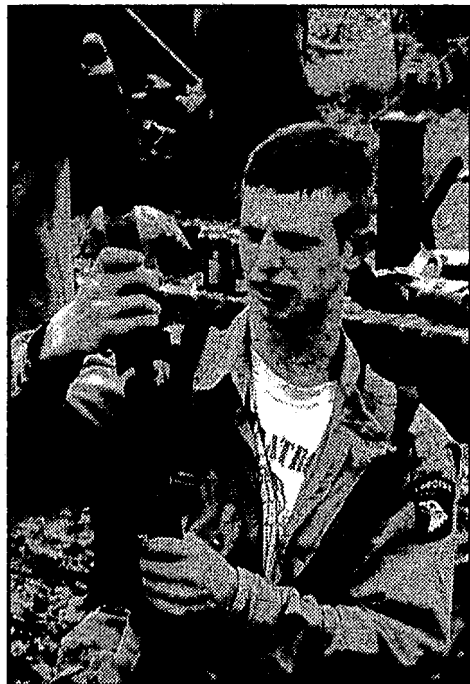
The event also included the presence of several well-known Michigan veterans. Visitors interacted with veterans like Don Brigett and George Koskimaki, both members of the 101st Airborne Division at Normandy and published authors about World War II.

Brigett dressed in replicas of his combat gear, shared stories with visitors curious to his experience in the war.

"We had to crawl on our hands and knees, we could hear them (the Germans) talking. The order to fix bayonets came and we were about to go over the top. That's a command no one wants to hear," Brigett said.

Brigett also commented on the portrayal of the Normandy experience in the recent HBO hit *Band of Brothers*.

"We appreciate the portrayals as long as they are factual. It helps keep history alive. *Band of Brothers* is not all factual, it's a good cross-section of what happened. There's a lot of little things wrong we can notice that one company could not have possibly done, but it portrays the paratrooper's experience pretty well as a whole," Brigett said.



Jim Bertoni demonstrates how to work a M1-Garang with rifle grenade.



Medics attend to "wounds" during the reenactment of a skirmish between U.S. and German forces.



A reenactor of the 101st Airborne Division prepares his weapon before the simulated battle on June 4.



American reenactors fire machine gun blanks at the German line.

Photos  
by James  
Martinez



## People Poll

*What are you and your kids doing this summer?*



"We belong to a mothers group, it was a program that was started by a bunch of us who volunteered at Beaumont. We will be going to the zoo, camping and to see family out of town."

—Kathy Kerrigan Clarkston



"Going up north, to Great Wolf Lodge."

—Andrea Angel Clarkston



"I have a place up north I am going to. I'm going to bring my bike and head up there."

—Diane Kehan Clarkston



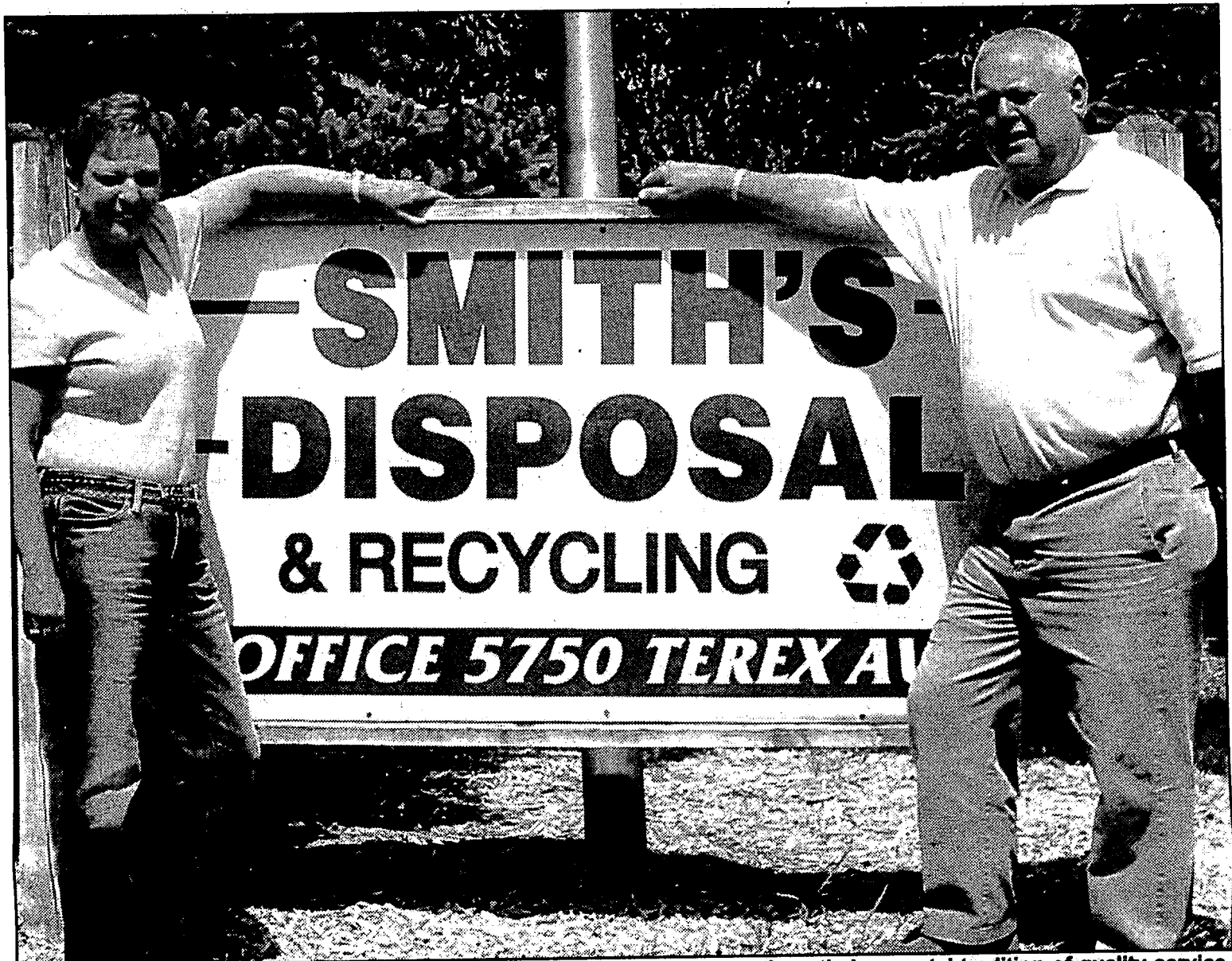
"We are going to spend a lot of time on the beach, a lot of time outside."

—Kelly & Bradon Daulton Clarkston

By Laura Weiner

# The Clarkston News' Millstream

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



Carol and Ken Smith, owners of Smith's Disposal Co., are pleased to continue their parents' tradition of quality service. Smith's Disposal is still the only independently-owned disposal company in Northern Oakland County. Photo by UlaJ

## Smith family cleaning up Clarkston

BY CHRISTINA ULAJ  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Covering the streets of Clarkston to assure sanitation and beauty is not always easy. Smith's Disposal Company has been doing just that for over 23 years.

Starting in 1981, Leonard and Doris Smith purchased the disposal company from the Powell family. When the chance came knocking, Leonard and Doris quickly answered the call.

Working as the only independently-owned disposal company in Northern Oakland County, Leonard and Doris brought their children Ken and Carol into the business.

Today, with the passing of their parents, Ken and Carol share ownership of the company. Leonard passed away in 1998, and Doris just recently on May 26. The two were a crucial part of the business, and their training and skills live on through their children.

"My parents ran this place perfectly," said

"My parents ran this place perfectly. My mom (Doris) used to handle a lot and she also served as the president, which she reminded us of all the time."

— Ken Smith  
owner, Smith's Disposal Co.

Ken. "My mom (Doris) used to handle a lot and she also served as the president which she reminded us of all the time."

Doris was responsible for phones, billing and managing the office.

"She was quick and very busy in her younger days," remembers Ken.

Continuing to achieve success in the footsteps of their parents is something both Ken and Carol strive to accomplish.

"After my dad (Leonard) passed, it was very hard on my mom," said Ken. "Now that my mom is gone, a lot has changed."

Doris was bedridden for three years, unable to tend for herself.

"It was hard, but we did what we could to make her feel comfortable," said Ken.

Ken and Carol both find difficulty in the passing of their mother.

"We had a routine," said Ken. "We would take turns visiting my mom, and when

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# Around Town

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

• Come and experience the bounty of culture September 7-8 at the **Stratford Festival**.

The trip includes two matinee shows - Shakespeare's comedy "As You Like It" and the classic Broadway hit "Hello Dolly" - as well as accommodations at the Festival Inn and elegant dining at The Church Restaurant.

Time for shopping and exploring is scheduled. Optional tours, such as "Chat with Actors," will be announced.

The cost is \$259 for a double room and \$321 for a single. Non-residents please add \$10 to the prices. A \$50 deposit is due at registration, with the balance due on July 1.

• Learn how to prevent identity theft and what steps to take if you are

a victim of this crime at the **Protect Against Identity Theft** workshop on June 20 at 1 p.m.

Presenter Angela Branch of the State of Michigan Attorney General's office will give advice and answer questions.

• Come out and enjoy Clintonwood Park while staying active and fit with the **Walk Michigan program**. Walking on the park trails is easy on the joints and very relaxing. Prizes will be given away after each walk. A \$50 Gold Certificate will be awarded to one family (or couple or person) who walks each and every time.

The first date is June 1 at 10 a.m. and the second June 9 at 6:30 p.m. Both dates are at Clintonwood Park. Please meet outside the senior center and make sure to sign in at each walk.

• Enjoy free stuff? Then make sure to get out and purchase raffle tickets for

your chance to win a **free trip to Hawaii** valued at \$2,279. Tickets are \$10 each or three for \$25.

First prize includes accommodations for one person: air transportation between Detroit and Honolulu, a two-night stay in Waikiki on Oahu, a one week cruise aboard the new Pride of America and visits to Maui, Kauai and Hawaii.

Second prize is \$300 and third prize is \$150.

Tickets are available at the senior center, the Clarkston Chamber of Commerce and at the Festival of Fun in Clintonwood Park on July 4. Also, all Senior Advisory Committee members will be selling them.

The drawing for winners will be at 7 p.m. on July 4 after the spaghetti dinner at the senior center.

For more information on these and other activities, please contact the senior

center at 248-625-8231.

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The Clarkston Community Band, under the direction of Vince Chrisman and the Warren Astronomical Society, presents **"Stars Over Clarkston"** on June 11 at Clintonwood Park.

Come out and listen to great music, gaze at the heavens using the society's telescopes and spend time with friends and family.

The event begins with solar viewing at 6 p.m. and continues with the concert at 7 p.m. The concert will feature music of the stars.

After the concert, astronomy talks will be held until the evening viewing begins. The event takes place all night. All interested astronomers are encouraged to participate and bring their telescope.

This event is free and donations are welcome. Please bring lawn chairs or blankets to listen to the concert.

For further information contact Parks and Recreation at 248-625-8223.

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The Clarkston Christian School is holding a **Festival of Fun** on June 11 from 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. The school is located at 6300 Clarkston Rd. Everyone is welcome to come out and enjoy food, fun, games, entertainment.

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Celebrate American freedom when Indian Springs Metropark observes **"Salute to America Appreciation Day"** on June 11.

The park will provide a free small bucket of balls on the driving range, 250 antenna American flags and friendship bracelets will be distributed, and plenty of activities will be held.

Clarkston Community School District is hosting a **"Job Fair"** for adults who are interested in joining the Clarkston team. Opportunities include attendance clerk, bus drivers, custodians, food service, paraprofessionals, grounds and transportation.

The fair will be held at Clarkston High School on June 11 from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. For more information, please call 248-623-5400.

At 1 p.m., the Nature Center will host **"Wet Wiggles: Pond Life"** for children first grade and older. Pre-registration is required.

**"Discovery Days: Fen Frolic"**

See Around Town, page 13B



## Isn't Thanksgiving in November?

On June 2, Andersonville Elementary received a special visit from some turkey friends. The turkeys have been strolling through the playground for the past week and everyone at Andersonville, though a bit confused, is enjoying the company. Upon taking this photo, the turkeys made it clear they were not fans of the flash, as they chased down *The Clarkston News'* Education Reporter Christina Ulaj. Photo by Christina Ulaj



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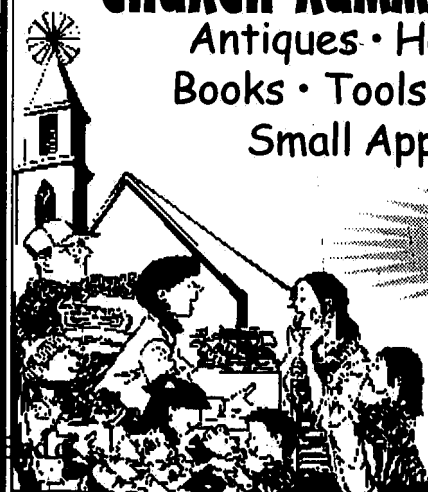
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# Treasures and Treats a success

BY JAMES MARTINEZ  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Neighbor for Neighbor recently completed their Treasures and Treats fund-raiser, collecting \$2,335.20 to help food pantries, provide clothes for the needy and financial assistance for those facing eviction and/or utility shut-off.

Visitors to the event bought homemade baked goods and one-of-a-kind donated items at the Hart Community Center in Davisburg.

"We had a real good turnout both days. We raised more money than we ever had in the past," Vice President Peg Hill said.

"Our volunteers baked and donated hundreds of treats for the sale. The variety and quantity was amazing, we had everything from apple pies to zucchini bread," Sally Henning, Neighbor for Neighbor secretary added.

The all volunteer, nonprofit organization began in 1983 to help the poor, including those laid off from the auto industry, explained Executive Director Ruth Karash.

Karash credited many area residents - Norris and

Collin Walls, Helen Virgin, John Hovis, Don Booth and Harold Fineman - for creating the organization.

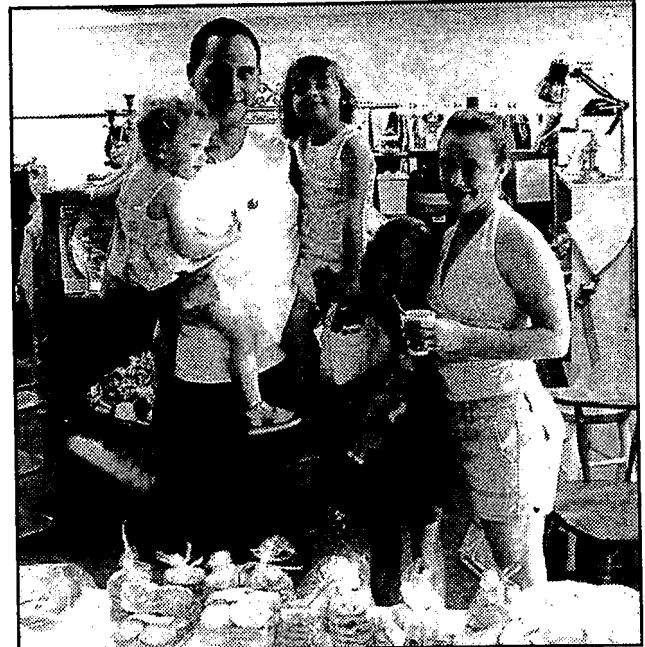
"We tried to serve a wide group of people below the poverty line by providing aid or contact avenues to get them help they needed," Norris Walls said.

The group has grown over the years, but still continues along the same founding values serving low-income families in Springfield, Holly, Groveland, Rose and parts of Independence and White Lake Townships.

"We do a lot more financial aid now than in the past," Karash said. "Funding comes in part from government grants like the Community Development Block Grant Fund from Springfield and Groveland Townships, as well as from private donations."

Neighbor for Neighbor is located in Davisburg and provides services yearlong. Large fund-raisers, like Treasures and Treats, occur twice a year, in the spring and fall.

Those in need of aid or interested in donating clean, seasonal items, small household items or time in the food pantry can call 248-634-0900.



Eric and Danielle Gauthier, with their children Rowan, Olivia and Sydney, decide what baked goods to buy at the Treasures and Treats fund-raiser. Photo provided.



## Richard Borth receives Eagle Scout ranking

BY JAMES MARTINEZ  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Clarkston High School senior Richard Borth was presented with the rank of Eagle Scout from the Boy Scouts of America Troop 189 at Calvary Lutheran Evangelical Church in Clarkston.

Borth made the presentation very

Richard Borth, the son of John and Sabrina Borth, received his Eagle Scout ranking on March 12. Photo provided

unique by incorporating Japanese, which he studied over the last few years at Clarkston High School.

Borth completed the requirements for the Eagle rank including his project, which was to repair 11 picnic tables at the Independence Oaks County Park. During the six-hour project, Borth and 30 volunteers replaced the boards and bolts of the tables, but left the frames unchanged.

"The Eagle Scout experience

teaches you to help others, complete community service, clean up parks and gets you conscious about the environment," Borth said. "Scouting prepared me in the leadership area, where you have to work with other people, particularly younger ones."

Borth is currently a member of the Japanese Club and marching band at CHS. He plans to attend Central Michigan University next year to study international business.

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## Summer Safety Tips

Every summer we treat a number of people at our urgent care for a variety of preventable conditions. As a friendly reminder to keep you and your family from having to visit us, I thought I'd discuss how to avoid some of the more common injuries.

**Eye Injuries:** Actually we treat people year round for eye injuries but it seems when the weather warms people really find ways to traumatize their eyes. Most are minor but some cause permanent disability and most important, all of them are preventable. Sight is our most precious sense so it always a good idea to wear safety glasses.

**Hearing Protection:** Damage to your ears may take years to develop but once it has occurred it is irreversible. This means wearing ear protection every time you're using power tools, operating machinery, or attending a concert.

**Safety Gear:** Not wearing a helmet when biking, rollerblading, skateboarding or riding motorcycles just doesn't make sense. Closed head injuries are devastating both for the individual and their family. Even minor head trauma can cause recurrent headaches and permanent memory problems.

**Insect Bites:** With the emergence of West Nile Virus this has become a hot topic. The basic rules are to cover up near dawn and dusk when mosquitoes are most active and keep screens

on your home in good repair. Also, the American Academy of Pediatrics recommends DEET containing products for anyone over the age of two years.

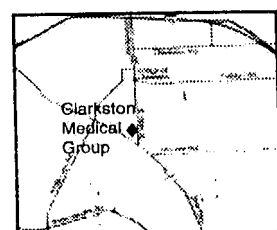
**Lawn Tools:** Removing safety guards and not wearing hand protection are two of the most common causes of injuries we see at CMG. Every time you service a piece of machinery it is important to make sure that no power is supplied to the moving parts and that you wear thick leather gloves to protect your hands.

**Pesticides/Herbicides:** Many of the pesticides and herbicides we use are in fact very toxic chemicals. It is imperative you follow the directions exactly and take great care not to inhale any of these substances or let them contact your skin or eyes. Be smart and use these products in well ventilated areas while wearing a respirator, safety glasses and rubber gloves. It is also a good idea to avoid spraying on windy days as an unexpected wind gust can cause accidental exposure. If you think you may have been exposed notify poison control immediately at 1-800-poison-1

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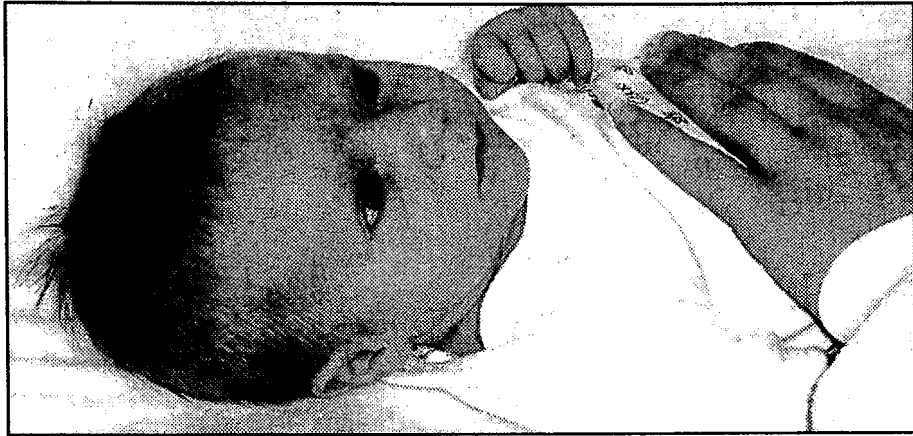
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## Milestones

### Welcome, Gavin Alexander



Jerry and Linda Miller of Clarkston wish to announce the arrival of a new grandchild, Gavin Alexander Farnsworth.

Gavin was born on Feb. 11, 2005 to Geoffrey and Kelley (Miller) Farnsworth of Whitefish Bay, Wisc. at St. Joseph Regional Medical Center in Milwaukee.

At birth, Gavin weighed 6 pounds, 11 ounces and measured 19-½ inches.

Other grandparents are George and Mary Lou Farnsworth of Bloomington, Ill. Great-grandparents are Betty Kelley of Bloomfield Hills and Ann Farnsworth of Bloomington, Ill.

### Bomier-Larsen to wed



Gae and Barry Bomier, of Clarkston, announce the engagement of daughter, Courtney Bomier, to Jason Larsen, son of Judy and Carl Larsen of Escanaba.

The bride-to-be is a 1998 graduate of Clarkston High School and has a degree in special education from Michigan State University.

The prospective groom is a 1996 graduate of Escanaba High School. He attended Northern Michigan University where he played football and earned a degree in English.

Both are currently teaching at Lake Orion High School. A June 2005 wedding is planned.

### Students achieve academic success

Baker College recently announced those students qualifying for the President's List (4.0 grade point average) and the Dean's List (3.5-3.99).


Those local students on the President's List are: Pamela Boewe, Ronda Call, Bryan Chick, Gail De Covich, Tonya Douglas, Kiryn Dudash, Paul McKinney, Stacey Myers, Robert Perna, Adina Peteuil and Mary Reynolds-Tharp.

Those students named to the Dean's List are: Jennifer Alley, Tara

Armstrong, Christina Brelinski, Angelina Cummins, Nevene Dasuqi, Sarah DeLong, Robert Dean, Nicole Fitzpatrick, Lindsey Goyeau, Cinthia Grennell, Cheryl Hill, Bethany Huie, Rebecca Kell, Gwendolyn Kluwe, Dian Lindke-Schroeder, Eric Lloyd, Kathryn Lozier, Joshua McMahon, Monica Morales, Jennifer Paulin, Jamie Ripberger, Justine Schumacher, Michael Tibbals, Amy Jo Westover and Stacey Zerkowski.


Terry Fahey achieved an average weighted grade of 92 out of a possible

100 and was recently named to Kettering University's Dean List.



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# Religion

## Volunteering: Sense of community for youth

Often adults bemoan the differences between growing up in the "good ole days" and growing up today. In the "good ole days" kids were allowed to roam the neighborhood with their friends, as long as they were home for dinner or when the streetlights came on.

Today, parents are in a constant state of worry, instructing kids to call the minute they arrive at a friend's house, if they are even allowed to make the trek on their own. What can the differences really be?

There are certainly many, but a large part of today's problem is a lack of true community. People have become so ingrained in their own lives that many do not even know their neighbors' names. Neighborhoods are being developed without sidewalks to maintain a "rural" feel. Houses are set back from the road to retain privacy.

The youth in the community end up paying the price for this trend. However, they are out in record numbers doing something about it.

According to Robert Bisi, Director of Communications and Outreach for Youth Serve America, "This generation of young people are serving more than any generation before them" (USA Weekend, 24 April 2005). It is in the volunteering where the true sense of community is being restored.

### Spiritual Matters



Monica Hefty

Granted, many of today's youth are required to fulfill service hours for church or school. But, there are countless stories of young people who participate in a service experience for others less fortunate than themselves, who then truly realize a transformation. It is the realization of a positive impact—not only the difference that can be made when working for others, not just for the recipient, but also for the individual who is doing the giving.

The lives of today's youth are the busiest ever. Their schedule is set from the moment they wake up until their heads hit the pillow every night. In all this occupation, the youth of today have lost time for their faith. With the growing trend of service, there is hope.

Youth are realizing this missing element in their life, and they are identifying it. By donating what free time they have, young people are recognizing the importance of faith. They realize that in volunteering they are not only making a difference, but also restoring the balance and stability that is provided by a solid faith foundation.

This was most recently proven April 30, the designated workday for a brand new chapter of *Christmas in Action* based in Clarkston. Three low-income senior citizens received a group of nearly 30 volunteers per home to provide free home repairs. At each home, a contingent of youth from area churches stepped up to assist in work that included dry walling, painting, yard debris removal, and driveway and/or deck building. These youth tackled any job that was put before them without a complaint to be heard.

Please see Volunteering on 13B

## In our churches...

The First Baptist Church of Clarkston announces its **Jumpin' Jungle Jamboree Summer Bible Adventure Program** for children June 13-16 from 6:20-8:45 p.m. Admission is free. For more information, contact Pastor Russ Reemtsma at 248-625-3380 or [www.clarkstonfirst.com](http://www.clarkstonfirst.com).

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**"Six Stools & A Folding Chair" Youth Drama Club**, sponsored by the Sashabaw Presbyterian Church, is currently looking for members. The group is open to youth of all denominations ages 6 to 18 and is currently planning next year's shows. For more information call Sashabaw Presbyterian Church at 248-673-3101 or email at [L2D2Lee@aol.com](mailto:L2D2Lee@aol.com).

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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:

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."

Please see In Our Churches on page 13B

## Church Directory

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Rev. Christopher Maus  
Saturday Mass: 5:00 pm  
Sunday Masses: 7:30, 9:00 & 11:00 am  
Nursery Available: 9:00 & 11:00 am  
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### THE FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

5449 Clarkston Rd., Clarkston  
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Rev. Martin Hall  
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Website: [clarkstonumc.com](http://clarkstonumc.com)  
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Sunday School: 9am, 10am, 11am, 6pm  
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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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248-625-2325

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Clarkston (248) 625-1323  
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Pastors: Greg Henneman, Bonita Laudeman  
Kevin Kuehne, Michael Anderson, Dan Whiting  
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School of Discipleship 11:00 am  
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Enjoying 'Salute to Safety' day with Billy Bob the Clown are (left-right) Staci Sword; Hunter Sword, 2; Stacie Tanzini; Dante Tanzini, 5; and Brenden Tanzini, 7.



Nicholas Eizmendi, 11, of Waterford scales the practice wall.



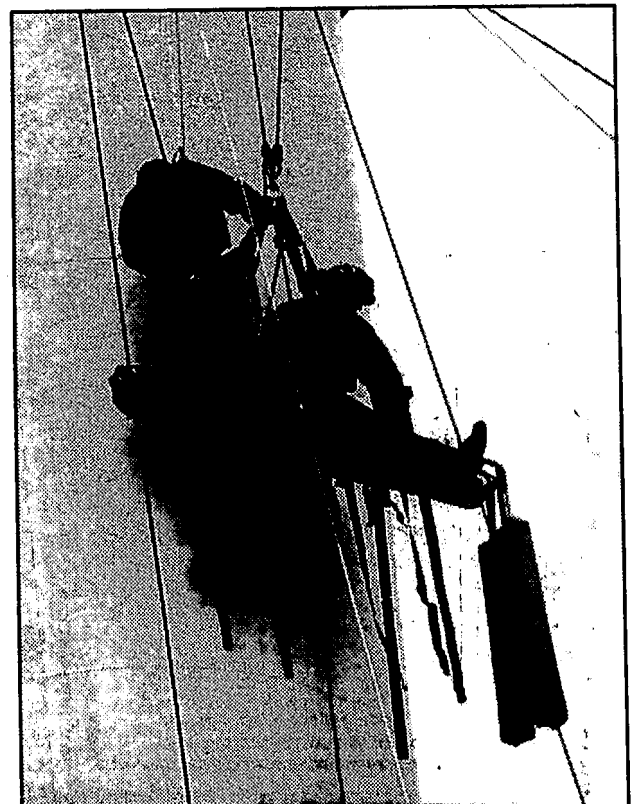
Alyssa Huguley, 3, learns the importance of seatbelts.



Sunrise Assisted Living employee Jeff D'Argy waits nervously above the dunk tank.



Dan Johnson of the Brandon Fire Department helps three-year-old Jayme Hein out of the smokehouse.



Independence Township Fire Department demonstrate a high-angle rescue.

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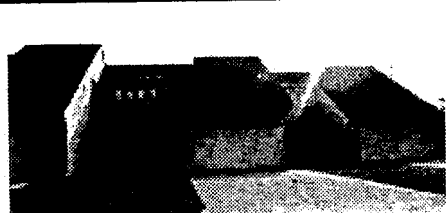
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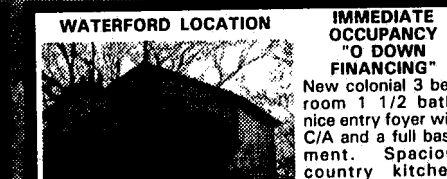
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# Obituaries

## Doris Jean Smith



Doris and Leonard Smith

Doris Jean Smith, of Clarkston, passed away on May 26, 2005. She was 79 years old.

Mrs. Smith was born on June 4, 1925. She was married for 56 years to Leonard H. Smith, who preceded her in death.

Mrs. Smith was the mother of Ken (Pat) Smith of Clarkston and Carol Evans of Clarkston; grandma of Jami (Gordon) Sommerville, David (Nicole) Smith and Wendy (Bradley) Neideck; great-grandma of Damien, Maya, Jenna, Jordon, Zander and Carter; and sister-in-law of Virginia (Leonard) Hawkins and Cecil (Dolly) Smith.

Doris and Leonard owned Smith's Disposal for the last 24 years. The Smith family would like to personally thank her care givers: Cindy, Jennifer, Sharon and Leslie.

A funeral service was held on May 29, 2005 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home. Burial ceremonies took place in Lakeview Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to Mercy Supportive Care at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Oakland. [www.legacy.com](http://www.legacy.com)

## Jean L. Dennis

Jean L. Dennis, of Clarkston, formerly of Clawson, passed away on May 31, 2005 at the age of 88.

Mrs. Dennis was preceded in death by her husband John. She was the mother of Dorothy (Alvin) Miller of Clarkston; grandmother of Dennis (Tonya) and Brian (Kelley); great-grandmother of Bennet, Alex and Larry;

and sister of Morris Rehffuss of Clawson.

She was also preceded in death by her son John and her brother Harold.

Mrs. Dennis worked at S.S. Kresge for 20 years.

A funeral service was held on June 2, 2005 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home. Memorials may be made to Heartland Hospice. [www.legacy.com](http://www.legacy.com)

## Lois M. Pety

Lois M. Pety, of Grand Blanc, formerly of Clarkston, passed away on May 25, 2005. She was 79.

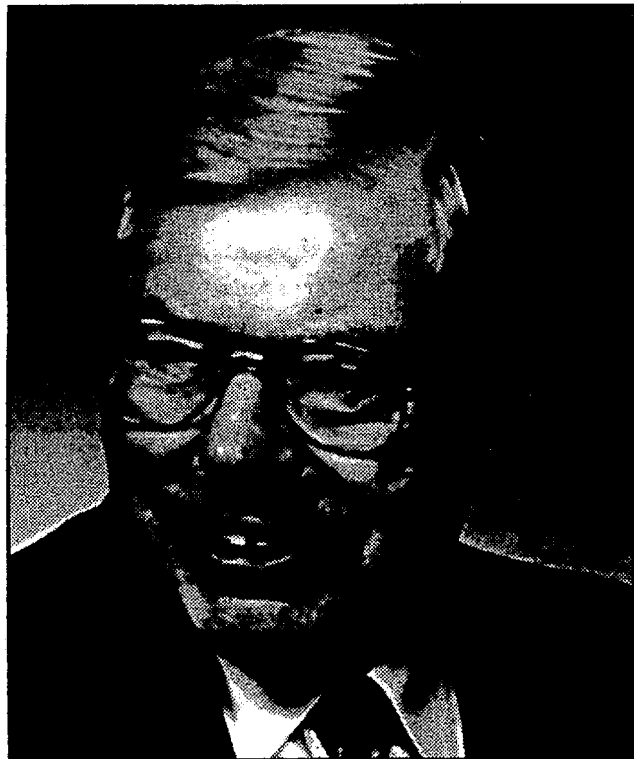
Ms. Pety was the loving mother of Denise Niederluecke; grandmother of Max and Drew; dear friend of Luanne Gabler; aunt of Robert and Terry Roehm; and sister of Jean.

Ms. Pety was a Waterford Township High School art teacher for over 30 years.

A memorial Mass was held on June 4, 2005 at St. Daniel Catholic Church. Memorials may be made to the National Kidney Foundation of Michigan or the Autism Society of America-Oakland County Chapter.

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

## John J. Tynan



John (Jack) J. Tynan

John (Jack) J. Tynan, of Waterford, passed away June 1, 2005 at the age of 82. He was a beloved husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather.

Mr. Tynan was born on April 19, 1923 to John E. and Alice M. Tynan. He was preceded in death by his

parents, his wife of more than 50 years Joyce R. and his brother Edward G.

Mr. Tynan is survived by daughter: Andrea (Prateep) Ghose of Commerce Township; sons: Michael (Diane) of Clarkston, Timothy (Mary), Jeffery (Janet) and Patrick (Linda), all of Waterford; 11 grandchildren: Rani (Sherin) Elwy of Wellesley, Mass., Michelle and Marquis Tynan of Clarkston, Angela (David) Schwartz of Fredricksburg, Virginia, David (Carrie) Ghose of Columbus, Ohio, John Ghose of Philadelphia, Penn., Bradley, Joseph, Kelli Lynn, and Spencer and Grant Tynan of Waterford; two special nieces: Sondra Oskanian of Waterford and Brenda (Tim) McGraw of Pontiac; six great-grandchildren; and many nephews and nieces.

Mr. Tynan graduated from St. Michael High School in Pontiac in 1941 and enlisted in the U.S. Army where he joined Co. B, 554th Engineers Battalion and fought in campaigns in northern France, Ardennes, Rhineland and Central Europe.

A supply sergeant, Mr. Tynan said that the two weeks in Julich, Germany were the most difficult for his unit because of the fighting and the enemy destroying four of the five bridges built there; but not his unit's bridge, a prefabricated temporary pontoon bridge, which the unit later took down and loaded on trucks.

Mr. Tynan's unit got as far as Magdeburg, Germany on the Elbe River before receiving orders to stop and wait for the Russians to meet them.

Mr. Tynan was a 55-year member of the UA and worked at his trade of pipefitting. For many years, he was a supervisor at Sylvan Plumbing and Heating Co. in Pontiac. He was a lifetime member of the Pontiac Waterford Elks, a parishioner at Our Lady of the Lakes Church for more than 40 years and a lifetime fan of the Detroit Tigers Baseball Team. His other interests included bowling, dancing, organ playing, woodworking and pinocle.

The family received friends at the Lewis E. Wint & Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home on June 4 and 5, 2005. A Rosary was prayed on June 5, 2005.

A Funeral Mass was held on June 6, 2005 at Our Lady of the Lakes Church in Waterford. Rite of Committal followed in All Saints Cemetery in Waterford.

The family extends heartfelt thanks to the many compassionate care givers at Canterbury-on-the-Lake Pavilion in Waterford and Lighthouse Hospice.

Memorial donations may be made to Macular Degeneration Research and the Parkinson's Foundation. [www.legacy.com](http://www.legacy.com)

## Caroline Giles Wessenberg

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

A memorial service is being held in her honor on June 24, 2005 at 1 p.m. at the Beach Grill, located at 24420 Jefferson Avenue in St. Clair Shores, Mich.

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# The senior 'After Party.'



Gretchen Lange, CHS graduate, takes her chances in the cash cube and walks away with her hands full.



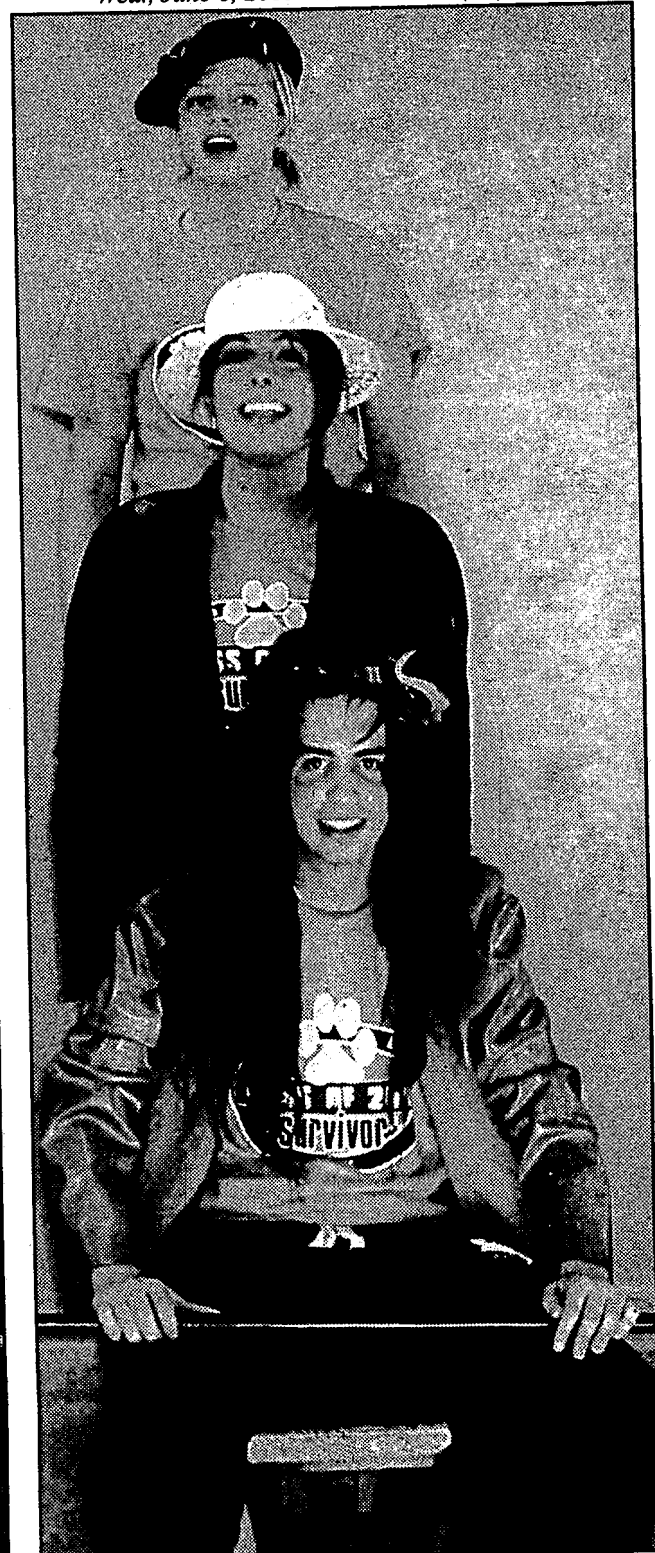
Two Clarkston High School students turn to sumo wrestling to battle. There was no winner that night.



During the "All Night Party", CHS graduates hit the dance floor for some moving and shaking.

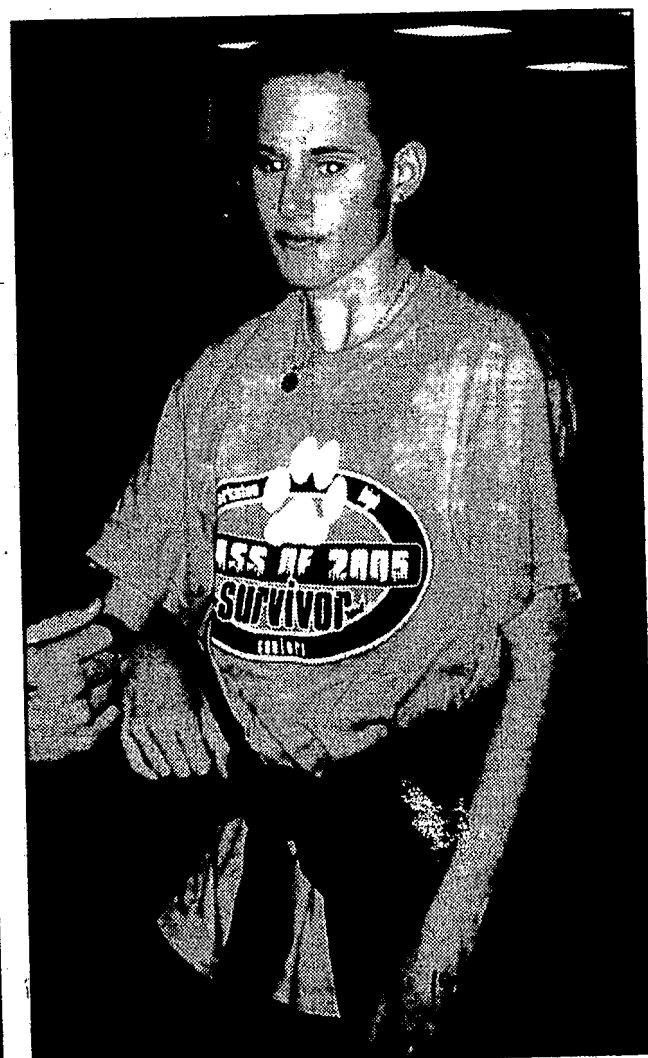


Teacher and parent volunteers take a break and hit the race track during the senior "All Night Party."



Michelle Zeile, Alyson Coin and Matt Waterbury make a dance video.

**Photos by Christina Ulaj**



Christian Walker dances to 'Funky Cold Medina.'

## Smith

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those days come, I'm going to feel lost."

The funeral service was May 29, 2005 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home. Burial ceremonies took place in Lakeview Cemetery.

Memorial donations may be made to Mercy Supportive Care at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Oakland.

"We had a wonderful group of caregivers for our mom," said Ken. "They made things so much easier for my mom and our family."

The Smith family would like to personally thank their mom's care givers: Cindy, Jennifer, Sharon and Leslie.

Although, Ken and Carol face this hardship, the two unanimously agreed that the business and remaining family will be fine.

"We have always worked as a family," said Ken. "For years we have learned and grown because we have each other."

Ken and Carol work as a team to assure quality service to Northern Oakland County.

Smith's Disposal offers a variety of disposal needs including curb-side garbage pick-up, recycling, compost pick-up and commercial dumpsters.

Carol is responsible for the office part of the company. She handles the customers, books, payroll and everything else associated within an office environment.

Ken is mainly responsible for handling the truck routes, stops, drivers and

roads. He makes sure the trash in front of homes is picked up on a regular basis.

"My favorite part of the business is dealing with the people of Clarkston," said Ken. "If people request our services we try to help them the best way possible."

Clarkston is an important place to Ken. He is a 20-year resident, and believes that Clarkston is a place like no other. His children grew up in Clarkston and attended the schools.

"I am happy that my kids grew up in Clarkston," said Ken. "There are so many wonderful people and places."

"I have made so many wonderful friends while in Clarkston and through charities," said Ken.

Not only are Ken and Carol active on the streets of Clarkston, but also in SCAMP, the Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce and local sports.

"We're local people and we do what we can to support the community," added Ken.

When Ken can find time, he enjoys traveling north to his cottage with his children, Jami and David, and grandchildren, Jenna, 6; Jordan, 4; and Carter, 18-months-old. Carol's daughter Wendy has three children, Damian, 15; Maya, 6; and Zander, 4.

Unity is the most important factor in the Smith family; and even though the grandchildren haven't began their journey with the company, Smith's Disposal continues to strive for perfection.

Through highs and lows, the Smith family has managed to maintain their success; and Ken and Carol look forward to many years with the company.



Leonard and Doris Smith, the family's foundation in the business. Photo Provided.

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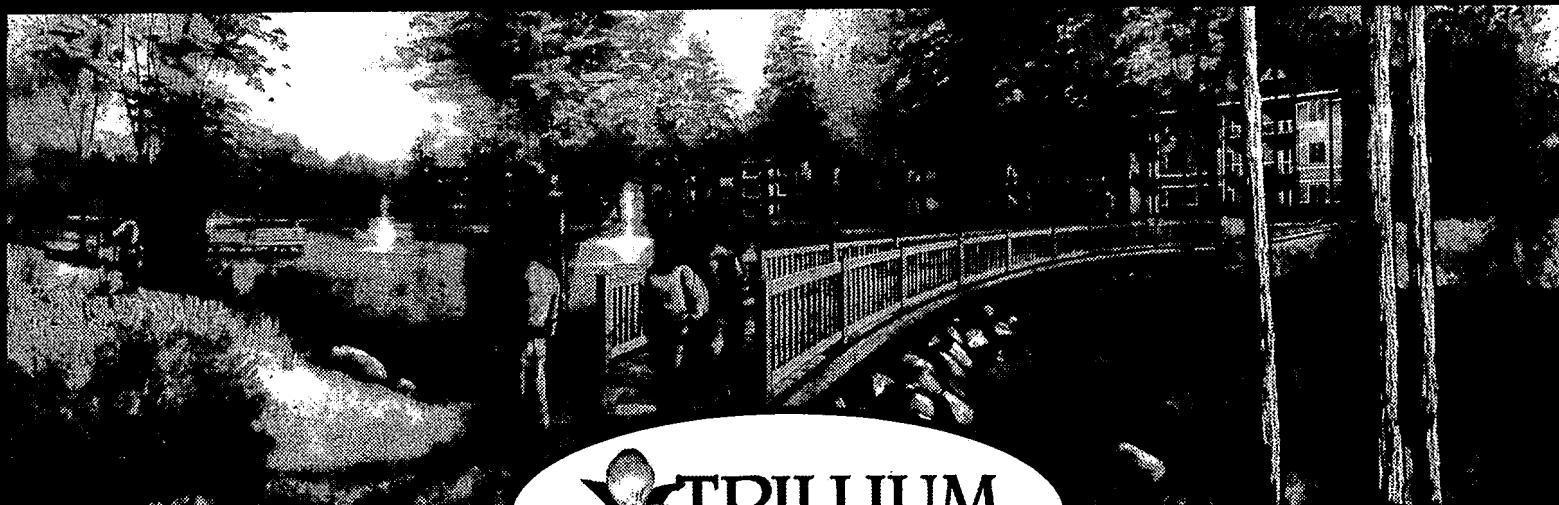


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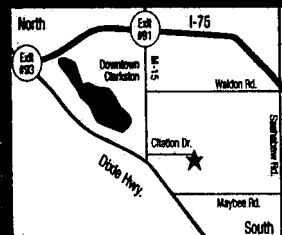
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## SCAMP Tour a success

BY JAMES MARTINEZ  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

With absolutely gorgeous weather this weekend, the SCAMP Home Tour exceeded expectations—raising proceeds far beyond initial goals and receiving positive feedback from participants.

"We were hoping to hit \$45,000, but probably came closer to \$60,000, which all goes to the summer camp," SCAMP member Donna Clancy said.

SCAMP hosts a summer camp for disabled students which generally costs around \$400,000, funded in part by the annual tour.

Clancy estimated 600 people total

attended the two day event, nearly triple the previous year's numbers.

"We had an absolutely beautiful day, everything was wonderful. We had twice as many people registered early. The weather is a major boost," Clancy said.

Good weather, increased publicity and a determined planning committee were cited by Clancy as factors for the success.

"We had a lot of comments, many people thought this was the best tour yet. Usually, everyone who comes through has a house they weren't wild about. No one said that this year," Clancy said.

## Specialists recognized

BY CHRISTINA ULAJ  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Recognition is the theme at Clarkston Community Schools.

On May 23, the Clarkston Community Board of Education recognized the literacy math specialists of Clarkston Community Schools.

The specialists were chosen based on their expertise, improvement of educational programs and hard work.

Chosen literary specialists include: Lisa Crawford – SAC; Karen Kumon

– AE; Renee Foster – BLE; Carey Crocker – CE; Pat Holihan – IE; Karen Gonzales – NSE; Lesley Banycky – PKE; and Anne Ortel – SPE.

Chosen math specialists include: Staci Puzio – SAC; Stephanie Jensen – AE; Karen Steele – BLE; Jeanne Plancon – CE; Carol Zorka – IE; Barb Huey – NSE; Beth Hermes – PKE; and Julie Matthies – SPE.

These individuals were introduced at a recent board of education.

## Walk this way in Independence

BY NOAH PURCELL  
Clarkston News Sports Writer

In the spirit of getting people of all ages off the couch and into a more active lifestyle, Independence Township Parks and Recreation and the Independence Township Senior Center are once again taking part in the Walk Michigan! program.

Over the span of nine dates through June and July, participants will be able to enjoy Independence Township's beautiful parks.

"We are trying to get participants ranging from toddlers on up to seniors. We really want to reach out to the community as a whole," said Lisa McCoy, recreation specialist with Independence Township Parks and Recreation. "People can reduce stress and exercise at the same time by walking."

The trail set up for Walk Michigan! is one mile long and volunteer guides ensure that no one loses their way.

"Almost everyone can walk and it is a beautiful path," said Margaret

Bartos, coordinator for the Senior Center.

The first walk of the season was on June 1 at Clintonwood Park. The remaining schedule is: June 9 at Clintonwood at 6:30 p.m.; June 14 at Clintonwood at 10 a.m.; June 16 at Baycourt Park at 6:30 p.m.; June 20 at Clintonwood at 6:30 p.m.; July 5 at Baycourt Park at 2:00 p.m.; July 6 at Sashabaw Plains at 10 a.m.; and July 14 at Independence Oaks at 6:30 p.m.

"There are a lot of things to see. You get a whole view of the park and all that we have to offer as you walk," said McCoy.

At the end of each walk there will be raffles for prizes such as a t-shirt. Those who participate in all nine dates will be entered into a raffle for a \$50 gold gift certificate which can be used on Senior Center or Parks and Recreation merchandise or programs.

The Michigan Parks Recreation Association started the Walk Michigan! pilot program in 1985 and there is no fee to participate.

## Learn hoops fundamentals with new Clarkston coach

Join first year varsity girls basketball Head Coach Tim Wasilk, his coaching staff and current CHS varsity players as they teach the fundamentals of the game in two different camps.

The camps are designed to help everyone improve their game, whether they are an experienced player or brand new.

The Dare to Dream Basketball Camp is for girls in grades four through nine and runs June 20-23 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Cost is \$30 and includes a free t-shirt.

The Little Hoopsters Basketball Camp is open for boys and girls from kindergarten to third grade and runs June 20-23 8-9 a.m. Cost is \$30 and includes a free t-shirt.

Both camps will be at Clarkston High School.

Contact the Clarkston High School athletic office at 248-623-4002 or contact Coach Tim Wasilk at [twasilk@rochester.k12.mi.us](mailto:twasilk@rochester.k12.mi.us) for sign-up information.



SCAMP Tour guide Teresa Solwold discusses the front room of the Detkowski House with Bob and Kerry Holley of Waterford. Photo by James Martinez

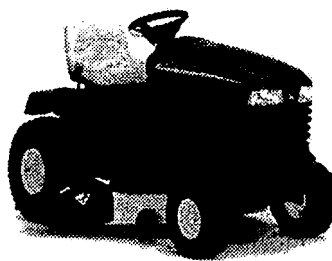
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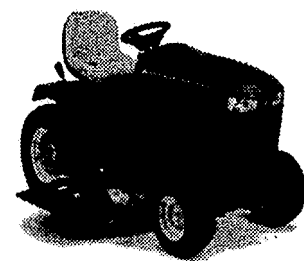


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## Volunteering —

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all day. In fact, the work was done with a lot of fun mixed in. When the day ended, and all were standing around eating pizza, smiles were in abundance. Everyone made sure that they could be notified to participate the next time.

The adults who provide the chauffeur services to these volunteers could learn a lesson from this generation of givers. It is not enough to just get them where they need to go; it is also important to take part in what they are doing. Families who serve together experience that transformation together. It is from there that a difference can be made in the lives of the community as well as our young people. The true feeling of community can be restored and safety can be increased. It may just begin by extending a hand in service, in welcome, or in recognition.

(Monica Hefty is Coordinator of Youth Ministry at St. Daniel Catholic Community, Clarkston.)

## In Our Churches

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Nov. 29, "Transcendent Character in Leadership."

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



## Six Stools & A Folding Chair says, 'Hello Dolly!'

Shane Lichtenberg (Cornelius Hackel) and Abigail Lee (Irene Molloy) sing "We've Got Elegance" at a recent performance by the "Six Stools & A Folding Chair" Youth Drama Club of the Sashabaw Presbyterian Church. Lichtenberg and Lee won the Audience Choice Award. Photo provided.

## Around Town

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begins at 10 a.m. in the Educational Discovery Center. Learn what a fen and what lives there. The event is geared for children age 6 and older. Pre-registration required.

For more information or to register for an activity, please call 248-625-7280.

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Remember your fishing poles and lawn chairs on June 12 for the **Eighth Annual Springfield Township Youth Fishing Derby!**

The day is for youths age 16 years and younger. No fishing license is required, and catch and release is strongly encouraged.

All participants must be accompanied by an adult. Children are encouraged to bring their own poles, bait and tackle; however, a limited supply of fishing poles and bait will be available for use.

Prizes will be awarded to winners, and participants must be present to win. Pre-registration is suggested, but will be accepted at the gate. The cost is \$5 for up to two children, and \$3 for each additional child.

Practice and registration begin at noon with the contest casting off at 1 p.m. Prizes will be awarded beginning around 3 p.m. The Derby is held rain or shine. If the Derby is called due to weather, prizes may be awarded earlier.

The Davisburg Rotary will be on hand to provide lunch for a small fee.

For any questions, please call 248-634-0412.

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"Turtle Talk" is offered on June 12 at 1 p.m. at the Nature Center in Indian Springs Metropark.

Come join an interpreter searching for the little tanks we call turtles living in the park. Participants will hike to the pond to observe the turtles, learn about their adaptations and how they get their food.

The cost is \$2 per child and pre-registration is required.

For more information, please call the Nature Center at 248-625-7280.

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The Springfield Township Library presents their annual **Summer Reading Programs:**

• **Dragons, Dreams and Daring Deeds** for children ages 2 and up from June 20 - July 29. Come and

enjoy activities, parties, prizes and good books! All events require in-person registration, which begins June 13.

• For those bored teenagers in the house, **Young-Adult Summer Reading** begins June 20 and runs through July 28. Come pick up your Bingo card, and start reading so you can enter your name in the weekly prize drawings. There will also be a grand prize drawing. In-person registration required.

• Adults age 18 and up can participate in the **Adult Summer Reading** program June 20 - July 25. There is no registration required. Every 200 pages earns a chance to win in the weekly prize drawings.

For more information, please call 248-846-6550.

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Join the **Clinton River Watershed Council** staff in an interactive workshop to learn "seven simple steps" to help protect the quality of your lake or stream on June 22 at 7 p.m.

Discover how your lake or stream is connected to the Clinton River watershed and Lake St. Clair. Discuss safe ways for reducing geese and other common lakefront problems.

Participants will learn a practical "how to" process for planning and designing native lake and stream buffers and receive plant lists, sample landscape plans and other related resources.

The discussion begins at 7 p.m. in the Independence Township Library.

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Need something to do? Then check out all the great activities at **Springfield Township Parks and Recreation:**

• **Yoga! Yoga! Yoga!** Yoga classes held in combination with Lavender Lotus Yoga Studio are being offered at the Civic Center on Wednesdays from now through June 29. The mixed-level classes are from noon-1 p.m. and cost \$10 per person per walk-in.

Participants should wear comfortable clothing and will need a mat.

• Want to sign up your child for swim lessons, but not sure about which level? Then let the Parks and Rec aquatics supervisor and instructors tell you at **Swim Assessment Day** on June 14 from 4:30 p.m. - 6 p.m. at Mill Pond Beach.

This free event is for all ages. Staff will also be on-hand to accept class registrations and payment for summer swim lessons.

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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 [tassievers@hotmail.com](mailto:tassievers@hotmail.com).

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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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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 Ann Pytel at 248-620-1430 or email her at [tpytell111@comcast.net](mailto:tpytell111@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.

## CHS softball alums recognized at next level

Clarkston alumnists Jamie Gove ('03) and Caitlin McLean ('04) were presented with first year varsity award certificates on May 18 for their play on the Albion College varsity softball team. The awards were presented by their coach Michelle Manning.

Gove and McLean are two peas in a pod when they talk about their team.

"There was not a single person on the team that was a sore thumb," said McLean. "(The transition from high school) was not as difficult as I thought it would be because it was made easier by the girls I played with."

"I've never been on a team that has gelled so well," said Gove.

McLean, a freshman, started 32 games for the Britons, mostly as a left fielder.

Gove, a sophomore, started 35 games in the infield and batted .225 with a double and eight RBI's.

"(Playing for Albion) gave me a chance to get to know (Gove) even better," said McLean about her former CHS teammate.

"(McLean) and I looked to each other for confidence. We know each other so well we know how to pick each other up when we're down," said Gove.

Gove is majoring in Physical Education and English with concentrations in education.

McLean is part of the honors business program in the Gerstacker Institute at Albion College and is an economics and management major with a double major in Spanish.

- Noah Purcell, Sports Writer



Jamie Gove



Caitlin McLean

## HealthFirst doctor pioneers NOMSA, helps uninsured get affordable, quality care

BY LISA VALENTINE  
Lake Orion Review Staff Writer

Dr. Kevin Robertson of HealthFirst in Lake Orion doesn't want people to avoid seeking quality health care just because they don't have insurance.

To help remedy what he says is a growing nationwide problem, Robertson is starting the North Oakland Medical Service Agreement (NOMSA) program, bringing on board a variety of health care services available for a discounted rate.

"Health care is becoming unaffordable for a lot of people," Robertson said. "Many without insurance, especially people with a lot of children, don't go to the doctor."

"Most of them are working people...But they don't have the extra \$1,000 a month to spare for a health plan," he said.

NOMSA has already started, and Robertson said he has spent the past several months putting the program together.

"We'll be offering it to people without health insurance, so they can get the same level of care for a significant price reduction," he said.

Although the program won't include things like surgery or hospital stays, Robertson said NOMSA plans to have things like pharmacy and radiology services included, both at the Bald Mountain Regional Medical Complex in Lake Orion on Lapeer Road, where HealthFirst is also located.

"There's no catch," said Robertson. "But you do have to pay at the time of service, cash, check, debit or credit card."

In return, Robertson said the patient gets quality care without having to cut corners.

"You're getting an insurance discount without paying the premiums," he said. "It's a good deal for the patient and health care provider."

A tentative list of participants in NOMSA includes: Orthopedics, pediatrics, podiatry, ophthalmology, as well as many others.

"We've organized not just one office, but a very big spectrum of out-patient care," Robertson said. "This plan will also be a good thing for small business owners, with maybe 5-6 employees, who may not be able to afford health insurance."

The program is open to anyone from any area.

Robertson said patients as far as Sterling Heights have already signed up.

"I think it will expand very quickly," he said. "There's a humanitarian value in this."

To join NOMSA, a patient need only visit a participating office, sign up and provide information, and receive a card that they will show at the time of service.

"NOMSA will not be a corporate entity, so each office can set their own price reductions," Robertson said. "There's a simple agreement for patients to sign, and then they get their card with account number."

Children in the family can also be signed up, and Robertson said there are already about 200 people who have joined.

"If health care is affordable, people will seek out the preventative issues," he said. "Like getting their cholesterol checked."

For more information about the NOMSA list or to join, contact HealthFirst at 693-9040.

### Golf specials for women offered

This June and July, Indian Springs Metropark will participate in a Huron-Clinton Metroparks program to bring discount rates to women golfers.

Women can enjoy 18 holes of golf for \$15 or nine holes for \$11. A power cart is available for \$9 per person for 18 holes and \$6.50 per person for nine holes. The special rates are only available during the week.

Tee times can be reserved in advance, by telephone or on the internet. For additional information or tee times, call 1-800-GOLF-4 or go to [www.metroparksgolf.com](http://www.metroparksgolf.com).

The price specials do not include a vehicle entry permit. Annual passes cost \$20, seniors are \$12 and a day pass is \$4.

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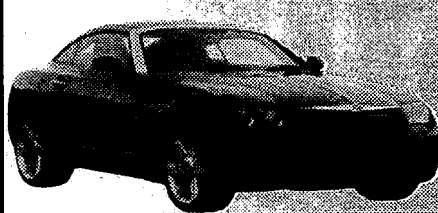


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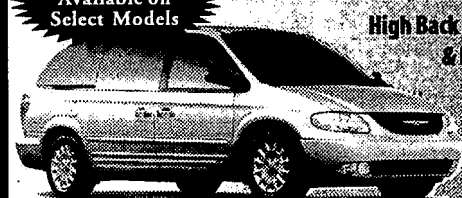


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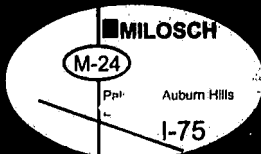
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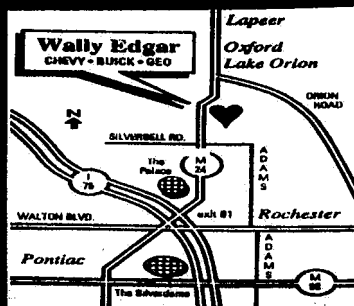
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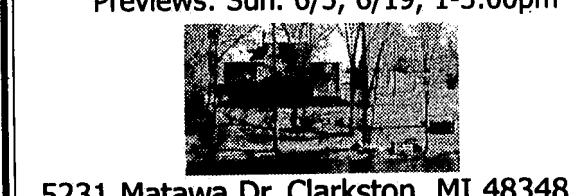


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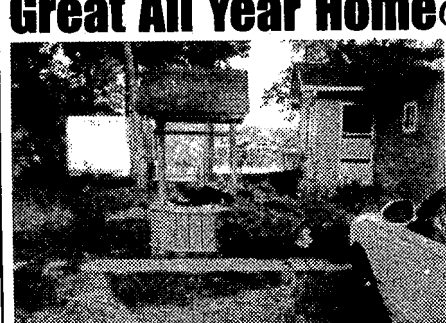
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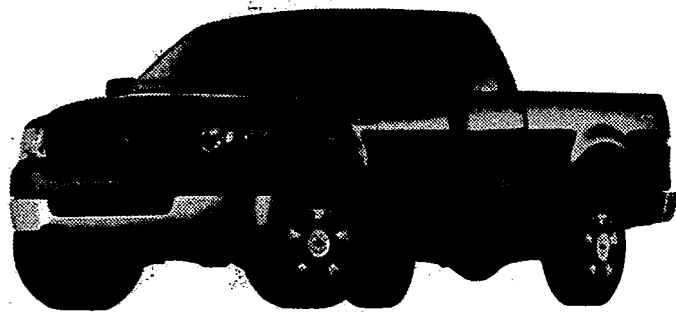
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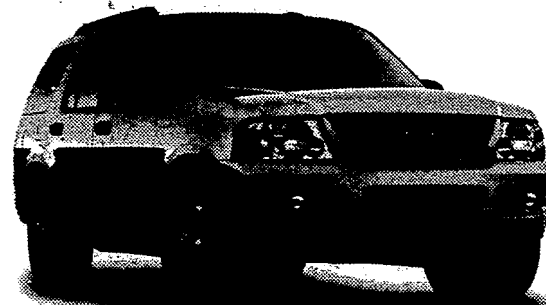


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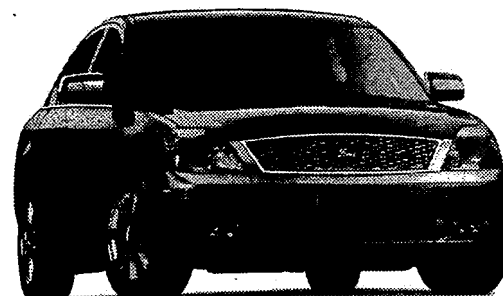


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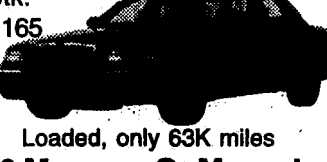
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