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Buyer found for McCord homestead

McCord heirs unhappy with township decision

BY JENNY MATTESON
Clarkston News Editor

The McCord house on Pine Knob Road will soon have a new owner – and while some celebrate the property's new lease on life, others question the decision.

The Independence Township Board of Trustees voted unanimously on Sept. 6 to sell the property to township resident and planning commissioner Sam Moraco for \$5 plus the cost of restoring the structure. The property is approximately 2½ acres located at the corner of Pine Knob and Stickney roads.

"We have a chance to save it and we're going to save it," said Trustee Dan Travis during the meeting. "I think we need to put it in some hands that are local, that can restore it, that can get the support of the building department – someone who can do it."

Five requests for proposal were collected from the township – Sam Moraco, Ron Brock, Construction News Service, the planning room manager from Wyoming, Mich.-based company and Chris McCord. Moraco was the only individual to submit a bid.

"The whole idea of this was just to save the house," said Moraco, who added that getting the home restored is his priority, not creating an investment. "It's an investment in the house, not in money. You're not going to make any money on this."

In fact, Moraco states in his bid that the project can not be done profitably:

"The extent of restoration I propose will most certainly exhaust any equity the home will have for some time to come. Therefore, any money I would offer above a nominal fee would be deprived from the project itself."

Moraco confirmed in an interview that the idea of allowing the home for residential use after restoration did begin with him several years ago; however, he emphasized that living in the home after the improvements is the only way to make the project feasible.

Moraco said he originally came across the house about six to seven years ago while looking for suitable land for construction in the township. He did not encounter the home again until December 2003 when he learned of the property's condition.

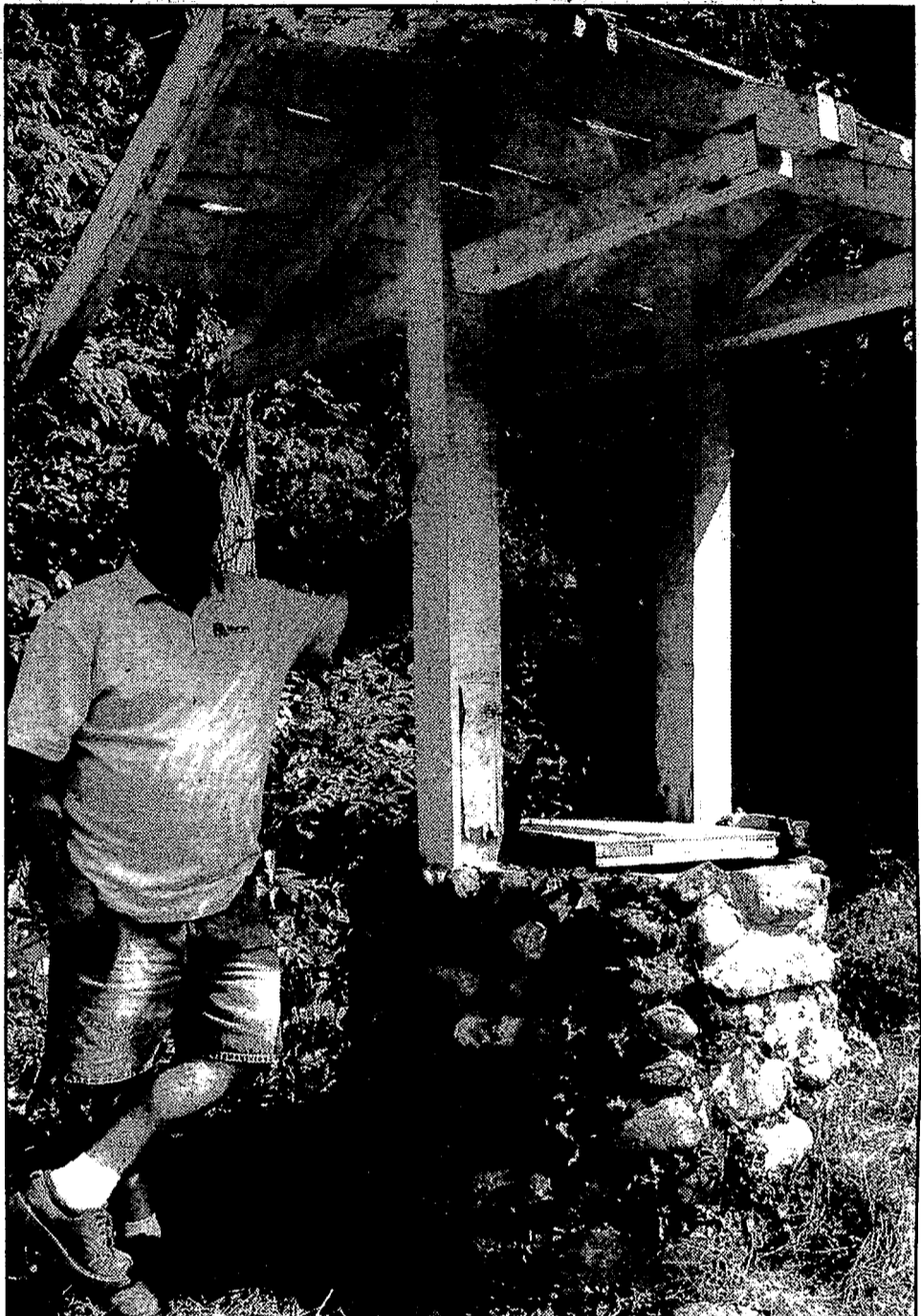
"I was shocked to see the state of the house. I made up a proposal, it was about 20 pages, and took it to Dale Stuart (former Independence Township supervisor) in March 2004," said Moraco. "He took the plan to the board, but it just died again."

"I couldn't stand to see that home fall down. There was no plan for that home, so I created one."

After the township decided this past July to allow the homestead for residential use, specific guidelines were established for bid requests. The township advertised for and accepted sealed bids through Aug. 10.

"I believe when the other people re-

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Sam Moraco stands beside the bucket well he plans to restore to working order. Moraco is working with the township on a development agreement for the purchase and restoration of the old McCord homestead on Pine Knob Road. Photo by Jenny Matteson

Clarkston area relief effort for Katrina victims

The Clarkston Relief Committee, in conjunction with the Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce, has united in an effort to create a single, generous donation from the community of Clarkston to the American Red Cross.

"I'm not worried about saying 'Clarkston sent \$300,000.' Just the fact that we are doing this as a community is what makes it so special," said Nancy Carlisle, who is heading up the CRC.

The Clarkston Relief Committee is coordinating the collection of donations for Hurricane Katrina victims from all participating Clarkston Community Schools, non-profit organizations and other community groups. These donations will be forwarded to the American Red Cross to provide much needed aid to the affected region.

"(The individual groups) will raise funds on their own. The donation checks will be sent together. That way we are sending money as a community," said Carlisle.

Any interested group is welcome to participate and conduct their own donation drive in the manner suiting them best. Cash donations can be converted into a single check from your group or organization made out to the American Red Cross. Individual donation checks can be made out directly to the American Red Cross.

Clarkston State Bank is the donation collection site for this relief effort. All donation checks should be delivered to their location at 15 S. Main Street.

"People bringing in their donations should go right to the tellers," said Angela Tenbusch, branch manager for Clarkston State Bank.

Organizations wishing to raise money along with the Clarkston Relief Committee should contact Nancy Carlisle at 248-625-3740 or via email at njcarlisle@comcast.net. Organizations should determine a contact person for their groups efforts and supply their name and phone number. Groups who are donating to other support organizations, like UMCOR or Catholic Services, please forward information on your collection totals to Nancy Carlisle, so they can be added to the total aid collected from the Clarkston community.

"They are going to need money for a long, long time. (People) are very excited about this because they wanted to do something, but they did not know what or how to do it," said Carlisle.

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Sports

Big win for pigskins against Hawks

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Tasting was the best part



What fun 15 members of the Springfield Branch of the Women's National Farm and Garden Association had in learning how to make truffles in a class given by Rebecca Van Camp. Everyone went home with the recipe and five different delicious boxed truffles they made. Anyone looking for more information on the class or the club, please call Mary at 248-620-9281. Pictured working on their truffles are (left-right) Crutcher, Rebecca Van Camp, Pat Selent, Geri Horka, Julia Haywood and Julie Witt. Photo provided

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Briefly

Women's Club to meet

Please join the Clarkston Community Women's Club for their meeting on Sept. 15 at 7:30 p.m. at the Independence Twp. Library.

Our speaker will be Nancy Bahlman, astrologist, presenting a talk on sun signs and their compatibility in relationships.

For more information please call Carolyn Morrison at 248-625-2924. See you at the meeting!

Farmers' Market to host Harvest Festival

On Sept 24, the Clarkston Farmers' Market hosts a Harvest Festival. Activities include a seed exchange by co-manager Lynne Millies and a story time by Kelly Minnick.

Market-goers are invited to make their own packets of seeds to bring and trade. Millies will provide advice and information for those unsure of how to extract and save seeds. Those unsure of how to extract seeds from a favorite garden plant or flower are also encouraged to bring the plant to the market.

The seed exchange runs from 9 to 11 a.m. Story time runs from 9 to 10 a.m.

The market is open from 7 a.m. to noon across from Depot Park every Saturday until Oct. 29. The market is closed Sept. 17 for Art in the Village.

RCOC report shows \$2 billion in needs

The Road Commission for Oakland County released its biennial Strategic Planning Report last week showing needed improvements on RCOC roads to be \$2.1 billion over the next 10 years. The figure is up from \$1.84 billion two years ago and does not include needs on city and village streets or state highways.

The RCOC strategic planning process involves Managing Director Brent Bair and Deputy Managing Director/County Highway Engineer Gerald Holmberg meeting with officials of virtually every community in the county to review road issues.

A press release from RCOC says that approximately \$1.7 billion worth of needs will likely go unmet based on the amount of funding RCOC anticipates receiving during that period.

"Sadly, the list of needs we compiled during the 2005 round of strategic planning meetings is very similar to the list from 2003," RCOC Managing Director Brent Bair explained. "We simply have not had the funding to address many of these needs over the last two years. However, during that time, the cost to build the projects has increased due to inflation."

According to the report, road widening projects represent the largest portion of the total \$2.1 billion. The largest road widening project is the improvement of Farmington Road, including paving and drainage improvements, which costs \$200 million.

RCOC is working closely with the county with copies of the 2005 Strategic Planning Report which is available at www.rcoc.net.

Correction

In the Sept. 7 edition of The Clarkston News, the article "Clarkston Community Historical Society's 31st annual Art in the Village festival" was incorrectly reported as being held at Depot Park. The festival is being held at the Clarkston Village offices on Sept. 15 from 1-6 p.m.

Memories of 'Whitey'

Friends and family remember a dedicated public servant

BY JAMES MARTINEZ
Clarkston News Staff Writer

In the partisan world of politics, civility and goodwill can be hard to find. Independence Township lost a citizen and public servant who exemplified both qualities when Floyd "Whitey" Tower passed away at age 73 on Aug. 27, 2005.

Tower had a distinguished presence in the community and was heavily involved in township affairs. A few of his contributions include spending time on the Clarkston Village Council and Planning Commission, as well as serving as Supervisor of Independence Township. He remained an active member of the American Legion and a founding member of the Clarkston United Methodist Church.

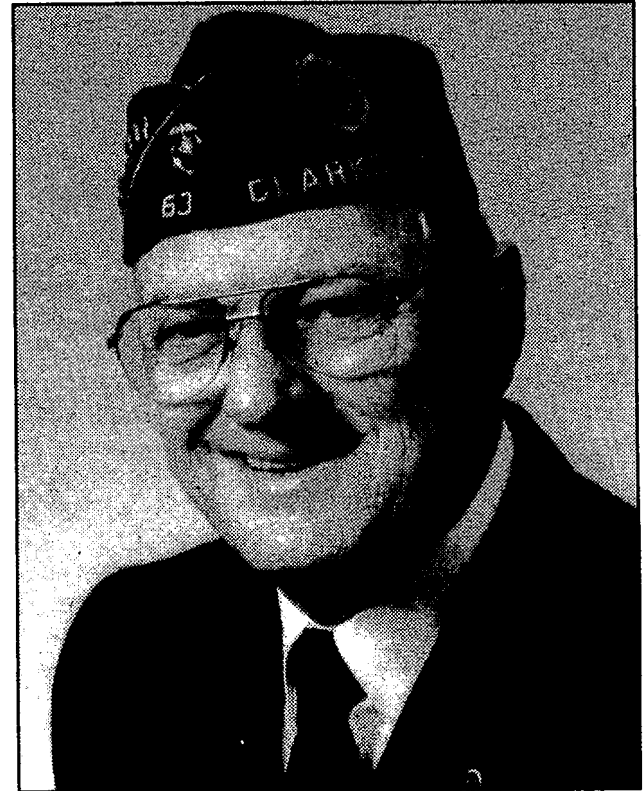
Throughout his service, Tower developed a reputation of doing what was in the best interest of the community.

Fred Ritter served with Tower on the Independence Township Board from 1976-80 and feels Tower displayed a camaraderie no longer prevalent in politics.

"He may have disagreed with you, but he still would look you in the eye and be a friend to you. He'd do anything in the world for you," said Ritter.

Upon seeing a program or ordinance he voted against do good for the township, Tower admitted the action was having a positive effect rather than stewing over the decision that did not go his way, said Ritter.

Tower's presence was felt in the American Legion, particularly Post #63. After serving with Tower in the organization since 1959, John Lynch said Tower often used his electrician skills to help the legion. He also credited Tower as being instrumental in helping the or-



Floyd "Whitey" Tower

ganization expand.

"He was a dedicated veteran who was always willing to help any veteran that came to the post in need," said Lynch.

Lynch also recalled how Tower became very ac-

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'Art in the Village' comes to Depot Park this weekend

BY JENNY MATTESON
Clarkston News Editor

Time stands still in anticipation of the Clarkston Community Historical Society's 31st annual Art in the Village festival.

This Saturday and Sunday (Sept. 17 and 18), stop down at Depot Park for entertainment, shopping and some delicious fall treats.

"The best part is bringing the community together and seeing people you know," said Jennifer Arkwright, a member of the historical society. "Not only as guests and patrons, but also as volunteers."

"The connections made across all the generations present are priceless."

Once again highlighting this year's event is an art show featuring almost 100 artists from across the country including potters, painters, woods, jewelry, glass, fabric and much more. CCHS is also sponsoring a silent auction with pieces ranging in value from \$10 to \$400 from over 50 artists.

To complete the artistic atmosphere, several local performers will fill the air with music. Dulcimer bands, string instrument groups and easy listening vocal guitar bands will entertain throughout the weekend. This year's lineup includes Wakes & Weddings, The Sweet Briar String Band and the Clarkston Country Band on Saturday; String Fever and Hand H Studios on Sunday.

Enjoying all the various arts, shows and friendly encounters will probably make participants hungry. To fill the gap, several local community service organizations are providing a wide array of tempting foods for purchase. Also, CCHS is once again providing a cider

and donut tent staffed with local community members.

"Individuals, groups and businesses who have nothing to do with the historical society volunteer their time and energy for this event," said Arkwright.

A featured guest for the weekend is writer Barbara Johns signing her children's book "The Cat in the Candle Factory." She will be available on Saturday and Sunday from noon to 2 p.m. near the playground area.

Capping off the event is CCHS's second annual Antique Tent Sale featuring items from the 1950s or earlier. Verbal appraisals of items will also be available at a small fee on Saturday afternoon.

"This is the second year we've really focused on recruiting quality artists," said Arkwright. "We want the patrons to be happy with what's out there to buy."

"This is our major fund-raiser. Proceeds help run the Clarkston Heritage Museum."

Donations are still being accepted for the sale. CCHS is a 501C3 charity and all donations are tax deductible. Donators will receive a receipt for contributing.

Please drop off donations at the Clarkston Heritage Museum located in the Independence Township Library today from 1-7 p.m. or bring them by the Clarkston Village offices on Sept. 15 from 1-6 p.m.

Art in the Village runs from 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. on Saturday and 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. on Sunday. Admission is free. A free shuttle is provided to and from the parking lot of Clarkston Elementary on Waldon Road.

For more information on Art in the Village, or to find if an antique is acceptable for donation, please contact the CCHS office at 248-922-0270.



Whack the Mole headlines Taste of Clarkston on Sept. 25. (Left to right:) Tom Zakarian, Allan Nahajewski, Brian Wood and Tim Kelch. Photo provided

Main stage entertainment at the Taste of Clarkston

BY JAMES MARTINEZ
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Good food and great music are coming to the streets of Clarkston once again.

The following acts will appear on the main stage at Taste of Clarkston on Sept. 25, according to the Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce's Web site. The main stage is located at the corner of Waldon and Main Street. (All times p.m.)

- 12:10—Kristen Mercado
- 12:45—The Chiffon Sisters
- 1:25—Vanilla Curve
- 2:20—11 Letters Long
- 3:10—Silverland
- 4:06—Whack the Mole

Clarkston High School senior **Kristen Mercado** plays the keyboard and sings both original material and covers by artists like Elton John and Bonnie Raitt. Mercado is a member of the Madrigals Choir at CHS. She recently performed at the Fourth of July Parade and is working on a CD that should be out by the end of September.

The Chiffon Sisters are making their performing debut. Marla Haller of Birmingham, Cindy Iaquinto of Brighton and Kim Arcobello of Clarkston are members of the Farmington Community Chorus and perform 50s-style songs. Examples include "Lullaby of Broadway" and "Sentimental Journey."

The Vanilla Curve consists of Scott Medlen, guitar and back-up vocals; Josh Finck, lead vocals; Billy Freed, bass; Rich Bell, drums; and Alex Gilford, percussion, according to their page on myspace.com. The band took top honors in last year's Battle of the Bands at Clarkston High. They perform music ranging from hard rock to slow and melodic.

11 Letters Long is well known to the area having played in this year's Concerts in the Park Series. The band consists of Jon Brown, drums; Brandon

Boozer, rhythm guitar and vocals; Greg Davis, keyboards; Alex John, vocals; Brennan Haase, bass; and Brian Shepanek, lead guitar. The group is in the finishing stages of an album which should be out by the end of the month. 11 Letters Long has a classic rock sound and often covers artists like the Beatles, BTO and Billy Joel.

The name **Silverland** may not be familiar to area residents, but the band members should be. Silverland consists of four musicians who have all spent time in other local bands. Matt Chesley of Clarkston, vocals and guitar; Trevor Bozeman of Clarkston, drums; Mark Strubler of Rochester, bass; and James Nichols of Waterford, guitar, make up Silverland. Chesley said the band has an alternative rock sound and will play originals mixed with a few covers by bands like Rage Against the Machine. They are currently working on material for an album.

Whack the Mole headlines the main stage. The band consists of members Tom Zakarian, guitar and vocals; Allan Nahajewski, keyboards; Brian Wood, guitar and vocals; and Tim Kelch, drums. According to Zakarian, the band plays an eclectic mix of songs from the 60's to present day. Band covers include such artists as the Eagles, John Melloncamp and Paul Simon.

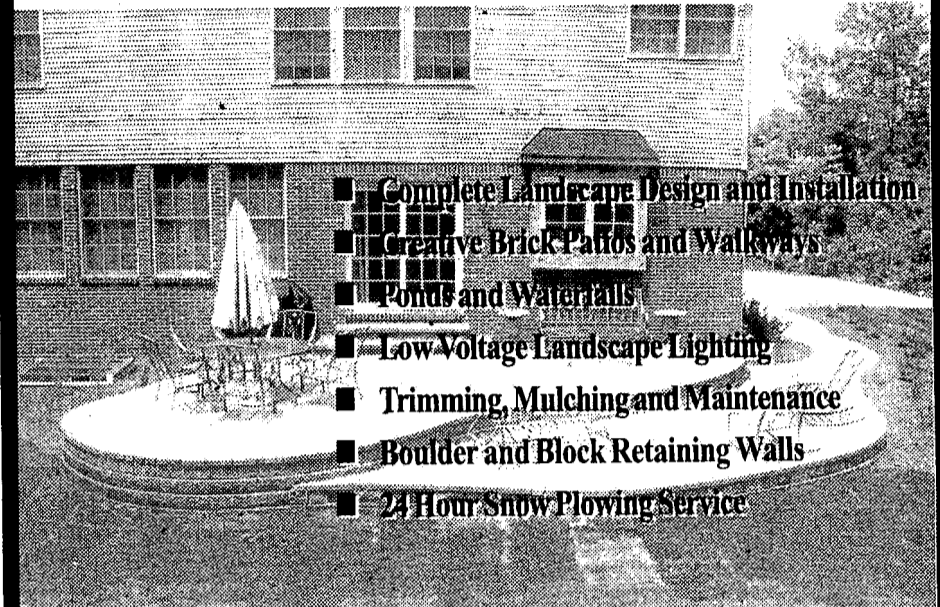
"We put our own twist on the songs. Some songs are getting tired and we give them a fresher feel," said Zakarian.

The band often experiments by adding different beats and music styles to classic songs, like when they put "My Girl" to a reggae beat said Zakarian.

Whack the Mole has played at events like Music in the Park in Oxford and the Milford Festival. Zakarian said the band is perfect for family audiences and are great to sing along to.

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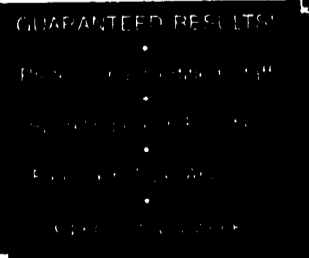
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On Hold: Board to 'establish dialogue' on ballot language

BY JENNY MATTESON
Clarkston News Editor

Despite the momentum generated by many dedicated residents, Independence Township will not see language on the November ballot for a legal defense fund millage.

However, the idea is not gone forever, either.

At the Sept. 6 board meeting, Independence Township trustees voted unanimously to immediately establish a dialogue between township attorneys and members of Citizens for Orderly Growth with the purpose of creating ballot language "appropriate to creating a legal defense fund."

The motion was made by Trustee Dan Travis and supported by Trustee Dan Kelly.

"Maybe the announcement from ORCO (of no Wal-Mart on the property) will blunt many of these points," said Travis early in the meeting, "however, it is no less an opportunity, as I have maintained, to support our Master Plan."

"I think the first step is to get the lawyers to agree on what is and is not legal in this matter," said Kelly in a later interview. "I think there is language which can be legal."

"I am not in favor of a tax increase to pay lawyers. At this point, that is what we have and I can not support that."

Before casting their votes, the township board reviewed information from several sources - including separate opinions from Independence Township attorney Stuart Cooney and attorney Gregory Need representing COG.

Cooney's opinion agreed with and supported the opinion received earlier this month from Michigan Township Association attorney Kenneth Sparks. According to the two opinions, the township can establish a legal defense fund, but the proposed ballot language contained several problems that would "not pass legal challenge."

Ultimately, Cooney concluded the ballot language presented did not simply ask for a millage, but contained language which is misleading, creates ambiguity and creates an "unreasonable limitation of inherent authority of the township board." Like the MTA attorney, his largest concerns rest with language pertaining to a "referendum" requirement.

In his legal opinion, Gregory Need responds directly to those issues raised by Sparks in his opinion from the MTA. He contends in his conclusion that Mr. Spark's opinion is "based upon what appears to be a misunderstanding of the ballot language and without any statutory authority of case law specific to the questions posed."

In a public comment period allowed during the agenda item, Mr. Need stated that there really is no law history to compare with this ballot language be-

cause of the uniqueness of the proposal. Also, he informed the board the "referendum" language can be easily removed, an offer made previously by COG members.

"I not only helped to write this proposal, I am affected by this proposal, my money and property are affected by this proposal," said Need during the meeting. "That makes me unique in that I would actually be financially affected by it."

"Even if we dodged the bullet this time, there's another in the next chamber waiting for us."

- Neil Wallace
COG representative

"I find this disingenuous that the board supports the idea, but declines to take action," said COG representative Neil Wallace during the comment period.

Wallace also maintained that board members can remove all wording in regards to the "referendum" and the ballot language still makes sense. "It stands on its own," he

stated.

Wallace emphasized the need for this proposal.

"Even if we dodged the bullet this time, there's an-

Board reconsiders demolition, not dogs

BY JAMES MARTINEZ
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Two buildings in Springfield Township will have at least a few more weeks before any wrecking ball comes crashing down.

The township board decided to table discussion on two separate demolition bids granting each owner more time after both asked for reconsideration.

Demolition bids were pursued on the two structures located at 10101 and 10270 Andersonville Road, at the Aug. 11 board meeting after neither owners attended the Show Cause Hearings the same day to explain why demolition was unnecessary.

At the Sept. 8 meeting, the board gave owner Joe Kopietz, of Franklin Center Real Estate Associates, 60 days to get bids and start restoring the barn located at 10101 Andersonville Road said Clerk Nancy Strole. Kopietz, however must have the barn secured in 7 days. The board tabled their motion for demolition until the November board meeting.

In addressing the board, Kopietz said he was unaware of the potential demolition because the notice was passed to Mr. Tillman, an old associate of the real estate company who deeded the land to them in 1997. Kopietz also stated the barn had historical significance and he hoped to have it restored rather than demolished.

William Critcher III, owner of a house at 10270 Andersonville Road, also convinced the board to reconsider continuing with demolition process of the structure. The demolition bid discussion is tabled until the October meeting and Critcher has until Oct. 4 to submit plans, apply for the proper permits and get re-

other one in the next chamber waiting for us," he stated. "It is vital, vital that we follow through."

No time frame was included in the motion from Trustee Travis. He moved later in the meeting, again with Kelly's support, for talks to begin as soon as possible and the issue placed on the next election, but was voted down five to two.

Kelly, who voted for the motion, said he is supportive of working quickly and does not want to see the issue become buried in other township topics.

He added he has also come to the conclusion the matter should go on a ballot, but one with a high voter turnout and additional issues. With media attention recently turned on "stealth" elections, Kelly said he wants to make sure the issue is well addressed.

"I recognize this is a unique idea, but we have only been looking at this for about two months now," he stated. "I don't think there has been a delay for the sole purpose of delay. I also don't understand what the rush is for this election."

"There's really no reason why this has to be on the forefront; however, I really want this... I think that we're going to get something done in the next two to three months on this."

construction approved by the building director said Strole.

Critcher apologized to the board for missing the Show Cause hearing on Aug. 11 and said he was unaware of it until after the fact. He said there is party interested in buying the house and making the repairs.

In other news, the board decided not to ask the planning commission to make any type of amendment to zoning ordinances in relation to the number of dogs allowed on a property. Strole said currently the ordinance does not restrict the number of dogs on a property.

Robert and Pamela Langdon sent a letter to the Township requesting the pet ownership ordinance be changed to limit the number of dogs allowed on the property. They feel the presence of five husky dogs at an adjacent residence has made selling their house difficult.

In a letter to the board, Township Supervisor Collin Walls wrote that more often than not, complaints about dogs revolve around barking. He wrote that a current ordinance called the Omnibus Crime Ordinance prohibits barking dogs. The letter also states that if someone has a problem with a barking dog, they have to contact the police department or the ordinance officer.

According to a letter from Strole, Section 16.22 of the zoning ordinance contains provisions that regulate the number of a variety of animals ranging from horses to quail. There is no established limit on "domesticated household pets weighing less than 150 pounds."

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Opinion

A new reporter comes to town

I've been told that first impressions are both the longest lasting and most misleading. I happen to agree, but I'll do my best to paint an accurate picture of who I am.

My childhood years were spent in Eastpointe, but back then it was called East Detroit. I went to Catholic school for my K-12 education before moving to Rochester for my college years.

I am the second of four children. I have an older brother, Justin; a younger brother, Ryan; and a younger sister, Melanie. My family is very close and supportive of each other. I'm thankful to have such strong ties, especially because I know not everyone is so lucky.

I guess you could say I knew I wanted to write in some fashion since I was in the fifth grade. In college, I double-majored in English and journalism, which was probably not the best idea if my concern was being wealthy later in life. Fortunately, it isn't and I'm just happy to be writing for a living.

Sure, being a journalist isn't the most glamorous job in the world, it's one of the rare jobs that can be different every single day. The world is full of interesting stories and I love hearing and telling them.

When I'm not writing, I'm usually reading or going to the movies. I've been a big movie fan for a long time, and have even worked as a movie critic in the past. When the academy awards are held every year, I'm usually the only person I know who has seen most of the nominated films.

With no shame, I can say I'm not what you call a sports buff. I still try to catch a game on television when I can, but being a spectator on occasion is about as far as it goes. Growing up, I tried out for the usual sports, but my most prominent memories from back then include being scolded by my little league coach for daydreaming in right field, and getting so tangled up in a soccer goal net that the game had to be stopped while people freed me. Needless to say, I never found my niche in the more conventional sports.

In college, however, I joined and eventually became captain of the fencing team. So I guess that goes to show that not being good at football or basketball doesn't mean you can't be good at any sports.

It's safe to say I'm very opinionated, and when I feel strongly about something, I'm fairly quick to let people know it. People use to stand on soapboxes and shout about whatever they felt was important to them, or something they felt other people should know. So it seems fitting to name my column "Soapbox" since I'll be using it in the same way, though I'm hoping to keep the aimless ranting to a minimum.

I'm not one of those people who will sound off about something when I don't know much about it. At age 24, I'll be the first to admit there's a lot I don't know, but that should never discount my opinion on topics on which I'm knowledgeable. It's actually a pet peeve of mine to see someone get worked up and arguing passionately about something when it's clear they don't know much about the topic, so you won't see me doing that any time soon.

I can't say for sure what you should expect to read about in the future, but I'm sure not everyone will agree with me. I welcome debate though, and look forward to hearing from anyone.

All opinions aside, I'm looking forward to working in Clarkston and learning about the community.

Soapbox



Andrew DuPont

Some projects need cultivation

In the garden of life, some projects spring to life while others need to be cultivated. No one said the Plant-A-Row garden at the McCord Stickney Park was going to simply sprout on its own. However, no one expected a yield of only 1,000 pounds either.

In comparison to the community service garden, which operated at the McCord-Stickney property two years ago and raised 12,000 pounds of food for the Oakland County Food Bank, the Plant-A-Row garden was a failure. The former garden was ousted by resident complaints.

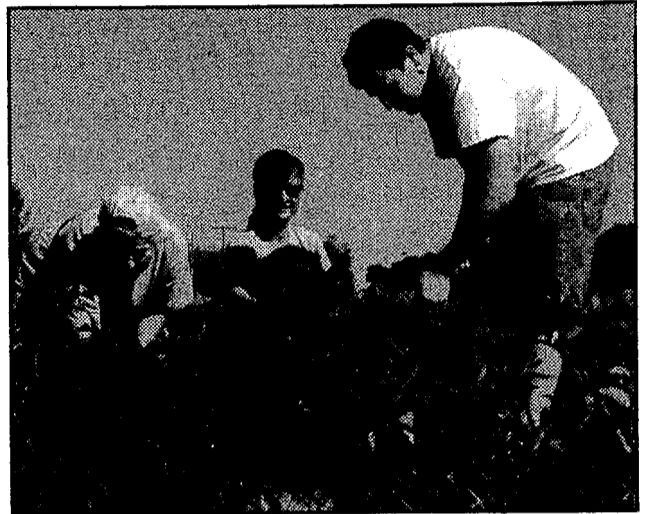
Coming into the growing season, Master Gardener Elizabeth Egan, who is in charge of the Plant-A-Row, felt the garden had the potential to produce 12,000-20,000 pounds of food. Two months into the season she worried about crops rotting as volunteers were few and far between.

The biggest problem was the glaring lack of support from the community, especially early on. Three or four volunteers were enough to get seeds into the ground, but not having enough hands to weed and harvest cost the garden. Food which could have fed the hungry county wide via the OCFB, rotted or was eaten by animals.

The Plant-A-Row also suffered from a lack of visibility. Despite articles in *The Clarkston News*, the garden was never easy to find. A lack of proper signs only compounded the garden's "mysterious" location.

But some people eventually did come, enough to prevent a total loss. Many people, *The Clarkston News'* editorial staff included, made trips to the garden on Wednesday or Saturday mornings to lend a hand. The garden's loyal core of volunteers helped Egan fix problems and build for the future.

Joy Kunkler-Morrison dedicated a portion of her website, www.joy-therealestatelady.com, to the garden. New signs denoting the garden's entrance helped pick up participation and donations in late June. The Clarkston Farm and Garden Club donated a space to Egan; the money raised should be enough to purchase a deer



Volunteers (right to left) Sally Mason, Gina Daniels and Ben Purcell pick peppers at the Plant-A-Row garden. Photo by Noah Purcell

fence for next year.

Slowly but surely, more and more people volunteered and that may have saved the garden in the long run - but the project is still far from reaching its potential.

Next year, Clarkston area residents have a chance to roll up their sleeves and work side by side to ensure others do not go hungry. If the garden is successful, it could be another jewel of the community; like the Clarkston SCAMP program, Lighthouse of Clarkston or the community service garden in Springfield Township.

The Plant-A-Row garden operates on Wednesdays and Saturdays from approximately 9 a.m.-noon; however, other times can be arranged. People interested in volunteering should call Elizabeth Egan at 248-620-4621. Egan feels the garden could produce until the end of the month.

To get to McCord Stickney Park, take Sashabaw Road north, approximately two miles past I-75, take a right onto Stickney Road, follow that to Pine Knob Road and turn left, the garden is the first drive on the right.

-NSP

Clarkston News Editorial

Lessons to learn from New Orleans

The horrific devastation of New Orleans by Katrina happened so quickly, destroying homes, businesses, lives, and perhaps, a way of life. The effect will last for years to come. However, the disaster was "years in the making."

In New Orleans, we have been fighting a long and complicated battle with nature, and nature, powered by the mighty Mississippi River, has fought back. We built a city below sea level; we diverted the River; we filled in the wetlands; we tried to tame the environment, only to have it dominate us - at a terrific cost.

There are so many lessons to be learned from this experience - too many to mention here. But we need to learn at least one lesson locally: the sooner we learn to

live with our environment, rather than fighting it or denying it, the better our lives will be. Wetlands and flood plains serve vital purposes: they allow waterways to thrive. (Think of all those people wading in so much water, but with no water to drink.)

Floodplains allow periodically swollen waterways to spread out and seep away, rather than invading our lives. Wetlands filter waterways so that we have water to drink, and water in which to play without fear of infection. The environment is here to serve us, but only if we learn to take care of it. It is one of the important lessons to learn from the New Orleans disaster - one that we can put to use in our own back yard.

Tom Stone

Thank-you to Clarkston residents

Thank you does not seem enough to express our gratefulness for all the food, flowers, kind thoughts and prayers from so many after Floyd died.

Please know we appreciate and thank each and every one of you.

The family of Floyd "Whitey" Tower

We want to thank everyone who came to the Village Picnic on September 4. It was a great afternoon, beautiful weather, great participants, wonderful volunteers and financial support from the village.

Thank you's are bountiful: Kristy Ottman from the village council for her great ice cream scoop arm; Cory Johnston and his wife Robyn for funding the Penny Scramble and transporting the ice cream and cooler; and Terry and Steve Coventry provided the sand shark scoops and chalk prizes for the Penny Scramble.

Other thanks go to Jim Thompson, Mandy Ford, Tim from the Oakland County Sheriff's Department, Ron Bray, Mike Fahner, Bill Rausch, Tom MacDonald, Peggy and Luke and crew.

Please see Letters, page 23A

A Look Back

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

15 YEARS AGO (1990)

- Parents, school schedule upset after malfunction: a sudden loss of water pressure in three Clarkston Schools shortened the school day for several students Friday, Sept. 7.

- School schedules weren't the only things upset by the malfunction - some parents complained they were not notified that their children would be sent home.

- Lightning blamed for house fire: The fierce storm that rocked most of southeastern Michigan on Thursday, Sept. 6, is being blamed for a house fire in Independence Township.

- Crafts and cider festival this weekend: Clarkston's Depot Park will be filled with fall delights Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 15 and 16, for this year's Clarkston Community Historical Society Crafts and Cider Festival.

25 YEARS AGO (1980)

- Schools face state aid cut: Preliminary enrollment tallies for Clarkston schools indicate an even greater loss of revenue than anticipated.

- The head count, taken Sept. 5, indicated a drop of 142 more pupils than expected by school officials.

- Proponents of 3 tax proposals to debate: Voters can take advantage of a Tax Proposal Debate to be presented Thursday, Sept. 18, by the Independence Township Republican Club.

- Ex-CHS football player files lawsuit: A 1979 Clarkston High School graduate has filed a \$1 million law suit as a result of a knee injury he sustained as a football player two years ago.

50 YEARS AGO (1955)

- Rapid Increase in School Enrollment: The total enrollment the first day of the 1955-56 school year in the Clarkston Community School was 2168 pupils.

- Rev. George Halk Leaves Clarkston: The Reverend George Halk who has been the pastor at the Clarkston Baptist Church for the past five years preached his farewell sermon last Sunday. He explained to his parishioners that he felt he had served as best he could and that his service in this care was completed. He stated that he had need for further education and it was his intention to study at the Detroit Bible Institute.

- Fashion Show; Tea in Clarkston: The Clarkston Community Women's Club will present a Fashion Show and Tea on Wednesday, September 21, at 1:00 P.M. in the township Community Center.

America owes no apology

I know this may come as a shock to some of you out there, but as hard as it may seem, I am pretty Caucasian. If I weren't so old, I'd call myself "lily white." Let me put it to you another way: Me, pale-face.

Now that my little secret is out in the open and there is no confusion as to the amount of melon pigmentation in my skin, I need to say this:

I am more than a tad bit miffed at all the folks who've interjected race into the NATURAL disaster commonly known as Hurricane Katrina. I am also annoyed at those spineless jellyfish who whine in front of television cameras, "America should be ashamed," or "America owes the good folk of New Orleans an apology."



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America owes no such apology. America can be proud of its spirit and generosity. America is not its government. America is her people.

Americans have stepped up to the proverbial plate, despite paying unjustified high taxes, the rising cost of living and trying to survive on less. They (we) have ponied up to help families of soldiers fighting abroad. Americans have pitched in to help survivors of last year's Tsunami, which took place on the other side of the globe. And in a few short weeks, Americans have opened their hearts and wallets to the folks of the Big Easy and surrounding communities. Americans have donated not only millions of dollars, but countless amounts of water, merchandise and volunteer "manpower" time. (Not to mention the \$52 billion in taxpayer money the federalies have promised to spend.)

According to *Financial Times'* on-line edition of Sept. 7, 2005, in one week Americans donated \$500 million for hurricane relief. In the first 10 days following Sept. 11, 2001, Americans donated \$239 million; and in the nine days following last December's tsunami, Americans donated \$163 million. FT.Com reported in the same article that totals to date for 9-11 and tsunami relief equals \$2.2 billion and \$1.3 billion respectively.

Americans should be ashamed? Ashamed of what? I'll tell you what we should be ashamed of -- that we put up with and give credence to apologists, whose only motive is self-flagellation.

I find it pretty darn frustrating when folks proclaim every problem in America is rooted in race. Last I saw on television, there were lots of people of all tints helping lots of other people of all tints. I don't believe Katrina was radio-controlled by President George Bush to miss more white Florida in order to hit the poor folks, excuse me, black folks of New Orleans.

To say the President is to blame for this disaster is purely political posturing. Further more, it is easy and does nothing to lighten burdens or ease tempers. Americans need to understand there's enough blame to go around -- from the black mayor of New Orleans to the white woman Democrat governor of Louisiana to the White House and the not-so hallowed halls of Congress. Democrats and Republicans alike in Congress really need to look at themselves in the mirror. They are the ones who, every year, vote on billions in pork spending, versus spending on projects that would truly help Americans.

Media whores who have interjected themselves into the fray down south are also not helping. What kind of resources are being wasted to help filthy-rich folks like Oprah, that could well be used to help people?

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And, while I am at it -- even though I have been called a baboon, I have a message for them at PETA -- the People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals.

Dear PETA PEOPLE,

Please forgive the po'folk down south, who, in order to survive and not perish, have eaten their pet dogs, cats and guinea pigs. Desperate times call for desperate measures. PETA PEOPLE, please do not damn these poor (because of George Bush) folk to vegan hell.

Sincerely, Don Rush

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And, just so the rest of you know what PETA is doing to help in Katrina's wake -- they are taking their message to Washington, DC.

On their website, they are "urging" President Bush to ensure that *Animals* are included in future disaster response plans.

And they wonder why most folks think PETA PEOPLE are whacky.

Comments for the very whtite, animal eating Rush can be e-mailed to: donrushmedon@charter.net

I croaked the croakers

After the ice was gone this year and the weather warmed to the point where we expected to hear frogs croaking, we didn't.

The evening serenade of amphibians in our swamps was not heard. Even the noise produced by the green, tree-climbing frogs was missing.

As I walked the edge of the swamp nothing jumped ahead of my steps. No heads protruded from the water.

Why, I wondered in an earlier Jottings.

Later in the year, I commented on the newest version of Roundup weed and grass killer. Made by Monsanto, this product "Fast Act," promised "results in 24 hours."

Jim's Jottings



Jim Sherman

I compared the fast action of 2005 with the 2004 Roundup and found that while the original recipe would kill grass and weeds in two weeks, the new version would do the promised job in 14 days.

Now the tie-in.

The Fraziers of Ortonville remembered both columns when they read, then sent, an article from *Compendium* magazine with the headline, *Amphibians 'croak' over herbicide.*

University of Pittsburg researcher Rick Relyea found Roundup caused a 70-percent decline in amphibian bio-diversity and an 86-percent decline in the total mass of tadpoles.

In his experimental pond, Relyea found Roundup increased the amount of algae because it killed most of the frogs. His comparison: "It's like killing all the cows in a field and seeing the field has more grass in it -- not because you made the grass grow better, but because you killed everything that eats grass."

Damn!

By getting rid of the growth around the pump by the lake I croaked the croakers.

This warning is not among the others on the bottle, though it does say it shouldn't be applied directly to the water. It also says buyers assume all responsibility, etc. Of course, but so did the buyers of asbestos.

I'll continue using Roundup because it does kill what I want killed, but like our warnings to small children, it won't go near my water.

Relyea also said Roundup is a surfactant, a chemical called Polyethoxylated tallowamine. Please remember that. He also said 2, 4-D weed killer had no effect on tadpoles, and "It's fair to say nobody would have guessed Roundup was going to be so lethal to amphibians."

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Sometimes I think I keep notes too long. A couple months ago son Jim had back surgery at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Pontiac.

He had a back operation before, but this time he obeyed the doctors and has much relief. While in the waiting room with Linda, looking for magazines, I read this sign on two magazine racks, "Please return magazines to this rack."

Both were empty.

Jim was told to bring no money when he reported for surgery. Yet, St. Joe's insists on prepaying parking. I can't put my finger on it, but I think there's something conflicting here.

As doctors came in to talk to waiters, I thought of a softer way of telling survivors that their loved one was gone. How about, "Do you have a favorite funeral home?" That's soft.

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Quickies:

First you teach a child to talk, then you have to teach it to be quiet.

Women like silent men. They think they're listening.

The four seasons are salt, pepper, mustard and vinegar.

Life is like a shower -- you wish more and you're in hot water.

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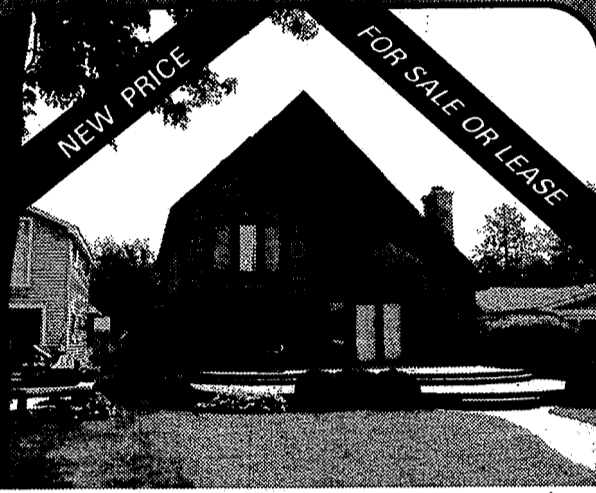
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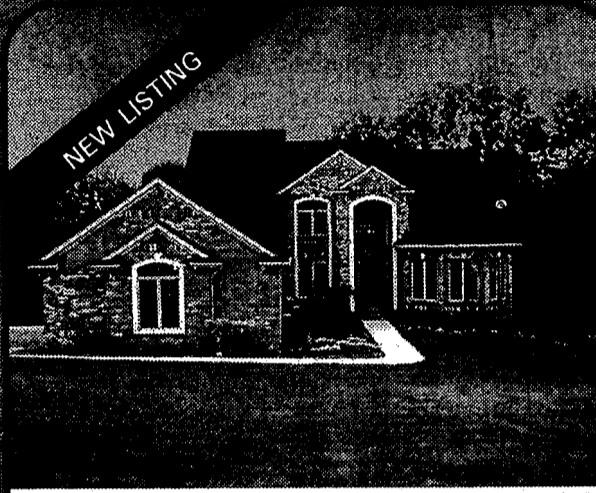
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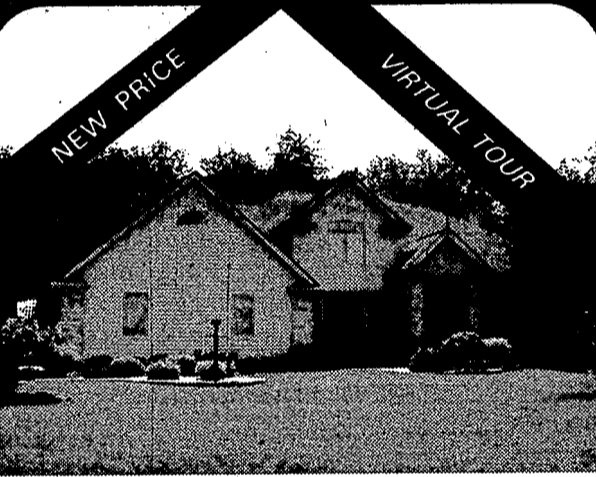
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Police and Fire

Independence Township

September 1: Domestic violence on N. Village Drive.

September 4: An Oakmont Road resident saw a metallic blue or purple late model Ford or Chevy pickup truck pull into the backyard off N. Eston Road and dump traffic signs. A heavy set white female described as in her 20's with brown hair wearing a grocery store smock, exited the vehicle and dumped the signs. A white male described as having a medium build and in his 30's drove her off afterwards.

September 5: The door of a vehicle at Willow Park Apartments was kicked in causing a large dent. The center covers were also stolen from the tires.

September 6: Golf clubs and the truck bed canopy stolen from back of truck parked at Eagles Club on Maybee Road.

A golf cart stolen from Pine Knob Golf Course sometime overnight on Aug. 27.

20-year-old Orion man arrested for operating his vehicle while intoxicated and being a minor in possession of alcohol on Main Street. P.B.T. results were .185.

September 7: An unknown individual plugged the sink and tub drains and turned on the water faucets causing severe water damage at a condo under construction at Abbey Homes on Chesire Park.

A black Chevy pickup left Clark Oil without paying for \$86.46 worth of gas. The suspect is described as a 35-year-old white male with a medium build. The man wore sunglasses and was talking on a cellphone.

43-year-old Waterford woman cited for having an open intoxicant in her mo-

tor vehicle on Sashabaw Road.

25-year-old Waterford man arrested for driving with a suspended license, second offense on Andersonville Road.

Police arrested a 24-year-old male driver for operating his vehicle while intoxicated, second offense on Maybee Road. After placing the driver in the patrol car, the passenger apparently restarted the car. Several attempts were made to get the passenger out of the car, but the door was locked. As backup arrived, the man was removed from the car and helped to the patrol car due to his level of intoxication. After completing paper work, the officers discovered the passenger with his zipper down and urine all over the seat and floor. The 23-year-old passenger was arrested for resisting and obstructing, disorderly conduct and providing false identification to police.

September 8: A woman called police after seeing an unknown male discard something in a dumpster at Lancaster Lake Court Apartments around 4 p.m. After the man left, a gun was discovered wrapped in the blanket. Officers on the scene found no rounds in the 20-gauge shotgun. The suspect is described as a 6-foot-tall Hispanic male in his early 20's with short dark hair and a clean shaven look.

A purse was stolen from unlocked vehicle on Deerwood Road.

September 9: A driver noticed smoke coming from her vehicle on Sashabaw Road and pulled into the CVS parking lot before calling the fire dept.

A resident called police after a young man she did not know attempted to enter her residence and then climbed in her car. Police ordered the 21-year-old Rochester man from the car at gunpoint and cited him for disorderly conduct. P.B.T. results were .224. The man claimed to be visit-

ing his friend's house for a bonfire.

September 10: A 16-year-old Clarkston youth alleges he was assaulted by a group of youths with a wooden stake and baseball bats. The incident took place in a field next to Sashabaw Middle School on Pine Knob Road. The victim was transported to POH for treatment.

29-year-old Sterling Heights woman arrested for operating her vehicle under the influence of alcohol on Dixie Highway near M-15. P.B.T. results were .20. esday parking lot. The vehicle had no battery and the front plastic grill was broken with pieces lying on the ground. The car appeared to be abandoned.

Driver's side window broken and several items including an amplifier, power capacitor and about 15 CD's stolen from car on Old Cove Road.

September 11: 40-year-old Waterford man alleges a 48-year-old Clarkston man came at him with a knife on Mary Sue Road. The victim suffered small scratches on his neck and right hand as he tried to fend off the assailant

who held the knife to his throat. Two witnesses at the residence were able to pull the attacker away. Police made attempts to contact the Clarkston man, who apparently knew the victim, and left before they arrived.

45-year-old Clarkston man arrested for operating his motor vehicle under the influence of prescription drugs on Maybee Road.

A golf cart, valued at \$6,600, stolen from Pine Knob Golf Course.

Two vehicles vandalized at E. Foxcreek Apartments near

Two guitars stolen from vehicle parked outside of Pine Needle Drive residence. One of the guitars was a Fender Stratocaster autographed by Carl Perkins and last appraised at \$8,000-\$10,000.

Please see Police on 23A

Man arrested for assault with knife

Police arrested a 36-year-old Clarkston man in Fox Creek Apartments for felonious assault, domestic assault and phone tampering.

His 35-year-old girlfriend, the alleged victim stated he choked her after taking her cellphone. She said she tried to use pepper spray on him but he kicked it out of her hand. He then tried to cut her hair with a butcher knife and kicked her as she was on the floor. The man allegedly made stabbing motions and threatened to kill her.

The cell phone was broken. Police observed red marks and scratches on her neck and arms.

Large cat spotted

On Sept. 7, a Clarkston woman reported seeing a bobcat-like creature in the back yard of her Oak Park Road residence.

The woman said she saw the cat sitting atop her fence before eventually jumping down and stalking across the yard in a low cat-like walk. She described the animal as being 2 or 2½ feet tall, with a beige or tan coloring and wide face.


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Friends celebrate reunion

BY JAMES MARTINEZ,
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Standing on the gym floor where they met as Clarkston High students, a group of friends celebrated their 50th anniversary since meeting each other in 1955.

Carolann (Hutchinson) Reed, Nancy (Mossier) Gonzalez and Barbara (Stierstorfer) Cosner were joined by fellow classmate and best friend Victor Ison as they shared memories and noted how the area has changed since they graduated in 1959.

The women met on the first day of ninth grade in the gym while getting their schedules.

"I didn't know anyone besides my brothers and cousins," said Gonzalez.

After meeting each other in the gym, the trio gained a reputation as being close friends and soon were known by many as "the three musketeers" because they were always together. The women credit math teacher Floyd Vincent with providing the nickname.

"We were a small community, so we became close knit. We'd have sleepovers and birthday parties and other things," said Reed.

The girls eventually became friends with Ison who knew Reed before high school from the school bus and the alphabetical seating charts teachers used while they were students.

Standing in the building, which has undergone renovation and became the community education center, the friends pointed out the difference in the school experience in Clarkston today.

"It was better in 1959 because it was

smaller and you had more personal relations... In the bigger schools today you can't get to know your entire class. It's more impersonal now because of the size," said Reed.

"We went through everything together in school, it was like family. I look at my children and they don't have the same type of contact we had," Reed said.

Ison said the graduating class of 1959 was approximately 103, resulting in a smaller teaching staff causing students to have the same teacher two or three times a day.

"Instructors were very important and an integral part of your life. We had a close relationship with them," he said.

The friends, who stayed in close contact, were all in each other's weddings and have supported one another during funerals and other events.

Wearing sailor hats to the reunion in recognition of their senior trip to Washington D.C., they highlight the trip as one of their most memorable moments at Clarkston High School. The girls laughed as they recalled meeting sailors on the trip as teenagers.

While reminiscing, Ison said cars were very important in their youth, especially for the drive-in movie theaters. He and Reed also said Ted's Restaurant on Woodward and the Big Boy on Dixie Highway and Silver Lake were key hang outs after school.

Gonzalez recalled going to "Jailhouse Rock," one of the first Elvis movies in Clarkston, at a drive-in. She and Cosner said Gonzalez's father went three times trying to get tickets. Reed said she did



The friends chatted about the old days in the gym that housed many of their high school memories. They have stayed involved in each other's lives throughout the last 50 years. Left to right: Carolann Reed, Vic Ison and Barb Cosner. Nancy Gonzalez is seated in front. Photo by James Martinez

not go because she thought he was too wild, an opinion Cosner said many parents shared at the time.

While each of the friends have produced families of their own, the 50-year connection makes up an irreplaceable

part of their lives.

"I can't imagine life without them," said Reed.

"It's awesome we're together after 50 years. It shows there is a lot of hope in the world," said Ison.

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Bee Sting Allergy

Article written by: Carl Palfy, M.D.

This summer, a number of us will experience the stings of insects. For most of us, this will involve mosquito bites or bee stings and it will be a nuisance, but not a significant medical problem. For about 13 million people in the U.S., a sting from certain insects could be life threatening. The insects that are commonly associated with a venomous sting that can trigger severe allergic reactions include the bee, hornet, yellow jacket and wasp. Ants, especially fire ants, are becoming a more common cause of allergic stings. While most of us will only encounter stinging ants while traveling down south, these creatures are migrating north!

Most people who come to see a doctor about insect stings are concerned about an allergic reaction, but are not really having one. It is normal to have pain, swelling, itching and redness surrounding an insect sting. Depending on the amount of venom, and the number of stings, it can get fairly severe. When a person has a bee sting allergy, he/she is prone to have an anaphylactic reaction, which includes these features:

- Rash and itching all over, not just at the location of the sting
- Abdominal cramping and diarrhea
- Shortness of breath
- Tongue and/or throat swelling
- Dizziness and/or fainting
- Nausea/Headache
- Low Blood Pressure

For people with allergy to bee stings, even those with previously mild allergic reactions, a sting may result in anaphylaxis and death within a few minutes.

Preventing the sting in the first place is the key. Keep picnic food and garbage covered so the smell will not attract bees and other flying insects. If you intend to be outdoors, avoid wearing fruit flavored cosmetics, strong perfumes and using floral scented shampoos and conditioners. Wear shoes to guard against stepping on ants. Keep arms and legs covered during lawn work, gardening and hiking. Try to stay

away from areas where insects have nested, and do not swat or crush insects. The dead bee or ant may provoke swarming behavior in other nearby creatures. While it is important to use insect repellent to reduce mosquito bites, it usually will not prevent bee or ant stings.

If you are stung by a bee or ant, the area should be cleaned with mild soap and water. You may apply a topical antibiotic, such as bacitracin, or first aid cream. If the wound is itching, an antihistamine such as diphenhydramine, may help. Please do not operate a vehicle or take alcohol while you are taking over-the-counter antihistamines. If the redness or swelling is severe, or if you experience symptoms of anaphylaxis (the "bullets" above), then you should seek immediate medical attention. In case of extensive rash, shortness of breath, tongue/throat swelling, or fainting, emergency medical services ought to be summoned. Bear in mind that some patients will have delayed hypersensitivity reactions, or may develop a skin infection in the area of the sting, so symptoms that start a day or more after an exposure, should be brought to a doctor's attention.

There are allergy shots that can effectively prevent insect venom associated allergic reactions. If the sting has already occurred, adrenaline (epinephrine) shots are made for consumer use, and should be used by the allergic patient as soon as the sting has occurred. If you are chaperoning children on a camping or hiking trip, make sure you know of any allergies, and, if they have been prescribed medication, familiarize yourself with the use of that medication, including how to give injections, before leaving on the trip. If a person falls unconscious because of a bee sting, bystanders must inject that person's adrenaline. Even if a person improves after receiving adrenaline, he/she should seek immediate medical attention.

Try to avoid those stinging insects this summer, but if a sting does occur, or if you are concerned that you may be allergic, see your doctor for advice and treatment.

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Puzio becomes new district testing supervisor

BY ANDREW DUPONT
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Staci Puzio recently became the new supervisor of testing, research and evaluation for the Clarkston School district August 8.

According to Deputy Supervisor David Reschke, the supervisor's responsibilities were shared by several people in recent years. Reschke said the decision to appoint someone to the supervisor position came in response to an adjustment in state regulation for testing, which now requires all grades 3-11 to undergo MEAP testing.

"There's a lot of changes in our business and we really want somebody to help us focus on that," said Reschke.

Puzio began working in the district in October 1995 as a math support person at Pine Knob Elementary. In 1998, she became the instructional math coordinator at Sashabaw Middle School and the district's K-12 math coordinator.

In addition to her new responsibilities, Puzio asked to remain as math coordinator for grades K-5 for the remainder of the 2005-06 school year. Puzio said the district is piloting new math programs and adjusting the curriculum during the school year and she wanted to stay on to help oversee the changes.

Gerri Divine, the district's secondary math coordi-

nator, took over Puzio's other math coordinator responsibilities, while Missy Butki took over as math specialist at Sashabaw Middle School.

Puzio worked previously as an administrator for district-wide tests such as the MEAP and AYP. As supervisor, Puzio will be able to facilitate the administration process as well as examine test results and which could better highlight what areas, if any, need improvement. Tests results may also help indicate if any students may need additional help.

"It's a lot to learn, but that's a good thing," said Puzio, who sees the new job as a welcome challenge.

The first big challenge of the new school year will be the first window for MEAP testing on Oct 3-21 for grades 3-9. Puzio said she expects the process to go well. After the MEAP results are in, Puzio said she will examine the data to see if any adjustments are needed in the curriculum of certain subjects. She will then pass the needed information along to the individual schools to help implement any changes.

Puzio grew up in St. Claire Shores and lived in Eastpointe before moving to Clarkston in 1999 with her husband Jason. The couple have a two-year-old son named Gabriel.

When not working, Puzio said she enjoys doing various activities through her church, Calvary Evangelical Lutheran, and cooking alongside Jason, who works as a chef for Grand Blanc schools.



Staci Puzio, Clarkston Community Schools' new supervisor of testing, research and evaluation. Photo by Andrew DuPont

Clarkston teachers learn new ideas for reading instruction

BY ANDREW DUPONT
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Local teachers were the ones getting the lessons this summer as several attended a voluntary week-long Orton-Gillingham training course presented by the Institute for Multisensory Education in Birmingham on Aug. 15-19.

Created by Dr. Samuel T. Orton and educator Anna Gillingham, Orton-Gillingham is a systematic method of literacy instruction that focuses on phonetics.

The grant-funded training course for K-3 instructors gave participants a chance to learn new exercises in phonemic awareness, the relationship between letters and sounds in speech and written languages.

"That's really the basis of reading," said Kathleen Noble, first grade teacher at Bailey Lake, one of 28 local teachers and reading instructors who attended the course.

Participants learned new methods of reading instruction using visual aids and tracing letters in sand or on textured surfaces while speaking the letters.

Those who participated are now required to teach these methods for 30 minutes a day, with the successfulness being tracked by midyear and end-of-year assessments.

"I'm excited about it because I really believe it's going to be able to reach a different type of learner in the classroom," said Noble.

Though the new lessons hold potential benefits for all students, tactile learners will gain from having lessons designed specifically for them.

As opposed to simply memorizing the sound of a

specific word, the new lessons begin by focusing on individual letters. This is done so students understand the letter's use in language and that knowledge can be related to later lessons.

Additionally, the lessons do not move in alphabetic order. Instead they begin with letters that appear in words more frequently, vowels in particular, and explore the broad range of sounds associated with those letters.

"It's really rewarding to see a child make that connection," said Noble.

Participants in the course included Noble; second grade teacher Alexis Iveson, reading aide Bev Lekse and literacy ISS Renee Foster, all from Bailey Lake; first grade teacher Mary DiVito, second grade teacher Eric Yeloushan, reading aide Sue Hinderliter and literacy ISS Karen Kumon, all from Andersonville; first grade teacher Danna Fox, second grade teacher Jamie Maras, reading aide Wendy Burleigh and literacy ISS Carey Crocker, all from Clarkston Elementary; second grade teacher Kristen Anderson and literacy ISS Pat Holihan, both from Independence; first grade teacher Megan Palnaude, second grade teacher Durelle Pitser, reading aide Teresa Compagnoni and literacy ISS Karen Gonzales, all from North Sashabaw; first grade teachers Kristin Smith, Michelle Aisthorpe and Megan Birkett, second grade teacher Kim Voog-Sabbag and literacy ISS Lesley Banycky, all from Pine Knob; and first grade teachers Laura McDonald and Sianne Kovalchuk, second grade teacher Pat Andrus, reading aide Judy Zielinski and literacy ISS Anne Oriel, all from Springfield Plains. Subject Area Coordinator Lisa Crawford also attended two days of the training course.

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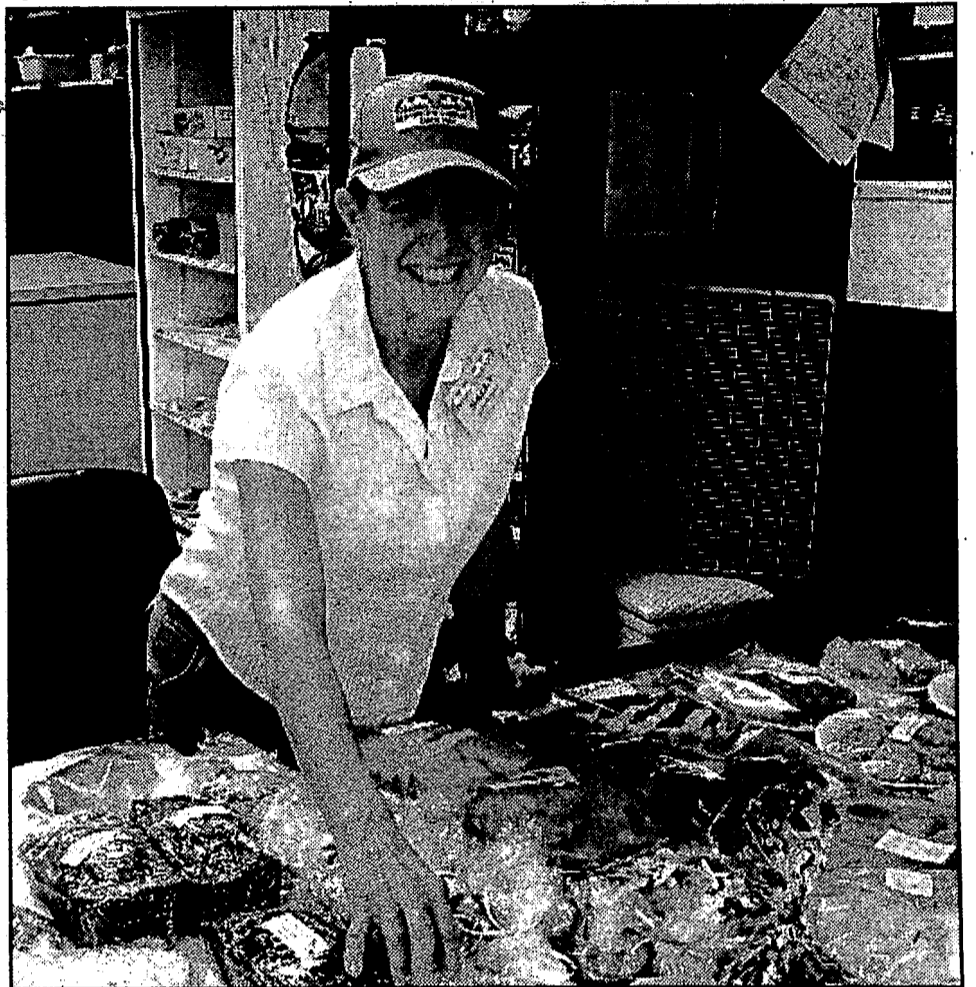
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Riley Bassett, 4½, relaxes with "Lizardy" while his mother Amy sold quilts outside the Hart Community Center.



Shopping, smiles



Neighbor for Neighbor volunteer Sally Henning arranges baked goods at the Hart Community Center in Davisburg during the organizations semiannual fall fund-raiser, Treasures & Treats, which occurred during the Garage and Sidewalk Sale and Craft Show on Sept. 9 and 10. Volunteer Peg Hill reported the group raised \$1,782 which will help buy supplies for the food pantry and provide some financial assistance for low-income people who struggle to pay for utilities and/or face eviction. (Left) Dee Morgan of Fenton sells items she crocheted.

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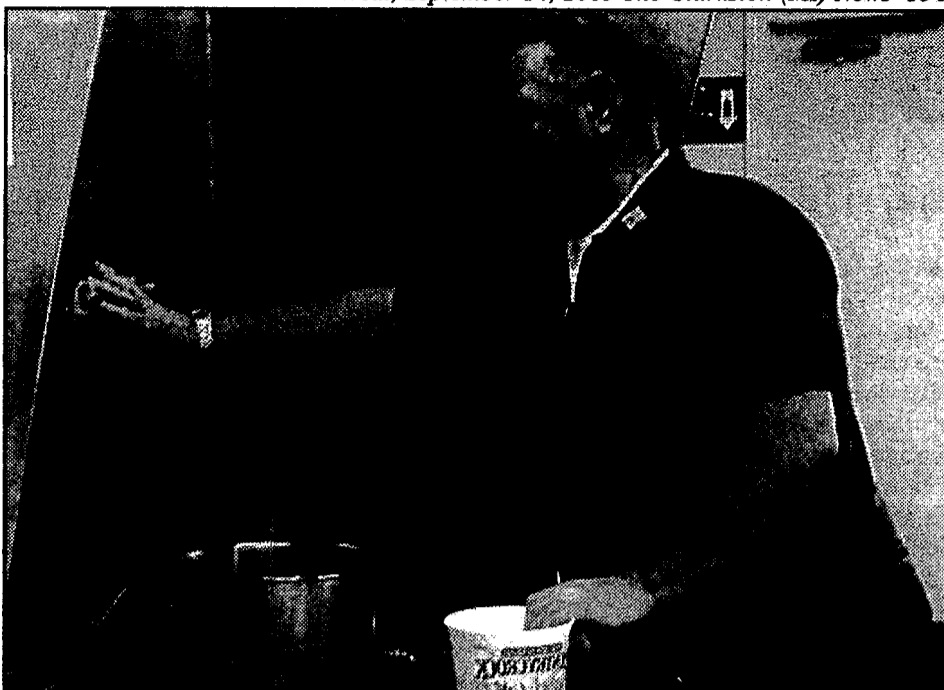
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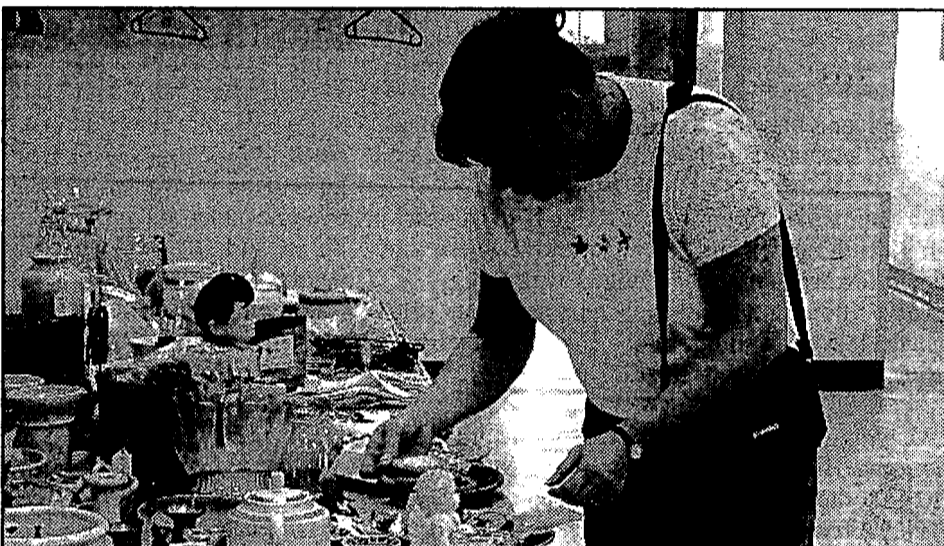
at the craft show



Evelyn Carpenter and Neighbor for Neighbor Executive Director Ruth Karash decorate Christmas trees for sale.

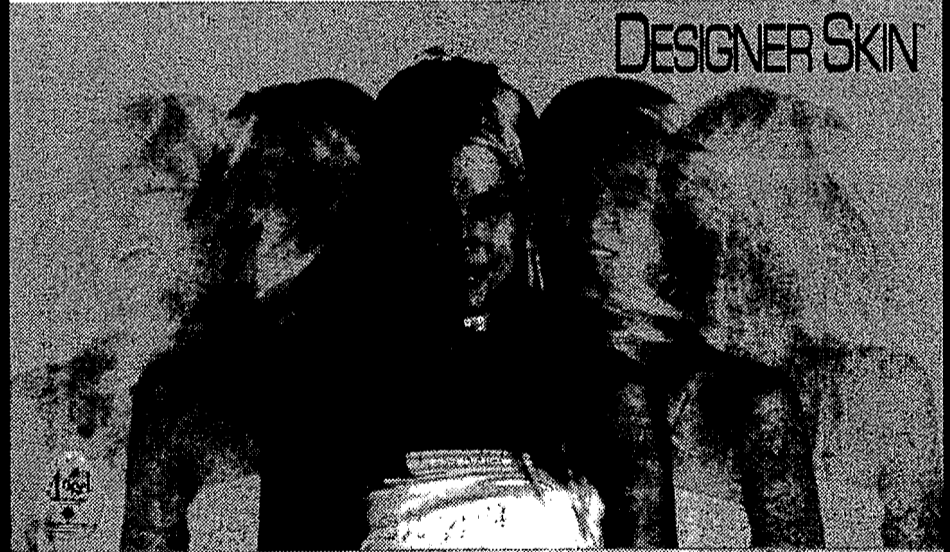


President of the Davisburg Rotary Al Schofer wipes down the griddle he used to prepare breakfast and lunch. Schofer said proceeds go to community service through the Davisburg Rotary.



Chris Hagemester of Davisburg looks over items.

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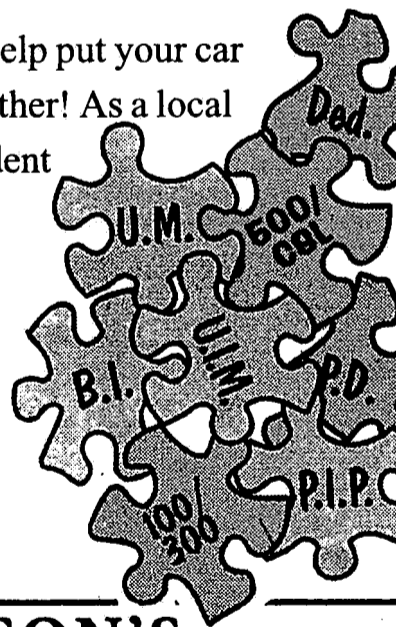
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Dealing with grief

Couple turns to grievance group when the unimaginable happened

BY JAMES MARTINEZ
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Children are supposed to outlive their parents. It's expected and often viewed as inevitable.

That is part of what makes losing a child explainable by only those who have suffered through the experience.

Joe and Mary Tombrella of Independence Township know how losing a child feels. Their only son Joseph passed away in July of last year at the age of 45 after developing a staph infection. After just over a month of pain, the Tombrella's lost their son, a wife lost a husband and a daughter lost her father.

"We've been through a lot, but this has been the hardest most painful thing. Within five weeks our son was gone and he had been such a strong strapping young man," said Mary.

"It's been a year from hell. He was very, very close to us. Living close and being close, as a family we've always been close. It's been really hard on Joe, they hunted together and were buddies... It was devastating when this happened," she continued.

Joseph and his wife Kimberly Sordean were married in 1991 and had daughter Emelia Rose in 2001, said Mary.

The Tombrellas never imagined the pain caused by Joseph's death, and want others to know where they found comfort when tragedy changed everything.

"I don't think anything can prepare parents to go through the loss of a child. It's not a normal thing to have to outlive a child. We were floating and felt lost," Mary said.

"We struggled for six months and our health started deteriorating. But we thought, we have this little girl, we have to do something," she continued.

With the Tombrellas struggling each in their own way, a lady from NovaCare Mary met while going to therapy for surgery suggested the Tombrellas seek out Mike and Beth Jordan.

The Jordans run the Ortonville Baptist Church Grief Care Group they started in 2004. They decided to become involved after losing their eight-year-old daughter Emily in an accident over Labor Day weekend in 2002.

"We started the group to provide a safe place for people to go to share feelings with friends. The best thing you can do is become a companion through their grief. It's not a recovery group because you don't recover from a death. It's more a journey than anything that can be fixed," said Mike Jordan.

"I couldn't get out of bed when Emily died... I questioned my faith thinking I had lost it. I felt hopeless, but

realized it was okay to go on without her. I needed to start a new journey that led to heaven where there's no tears or mourning," he said.

The Tombrellas, knowing no where else to turn, started talking with the Jordans four months after Joseph's death.

"We met other people who were in the same place. You share and you cry. We poured our hearts out," said Mary. "I never thought things like that would help... I'm sure our son would not want us to give up. We're here for a purpose."

Through the group, Joe and Mary found friends to help them deal with their grief while rediscovering the joy in Kimberly and Emelia Rose.

"All of us are reluctant to reach out. If anyone experiences this, it's the most devastating experience of our lives. You fill pain in your heart of lost loved ones with wonderful memories," Mary said.

"Force yourself if you have to. It doesn't get better on its own, you have to reach out."

The Tombrellas said that besides the meetings, Mike often talks to those suffering from grief over the phone and provides many books and CD's that have been helpful.

Seeing the benefits of the group, the Jordans embarked on becoming certified in Death and Grief Studies by Colorado State University's Center for Loss and Life Transition in Fort Collins, Colorado. While Beth works at another job, Mike hopes to make the group a full-time venture.

"We plan on doing this as long as God will

allow us and that will be until we meet Emily in Heaven," said Jordan.

"We look forward to going to the meeting. It gives us energy and a start for tomorrow. Everyday is the same thing, our son is on our mind constantly and you wonder why, you question God, but eventually some of the strength comes back," Mary said.

"When I see parents and kids, I say 'enjoy them.' You never know when their time is up. After the death, you start thinking the other way. Thank God we did those things with our family," Mary said.

"I'm grateful we had this son of ours for 45 years with all the wonderful things he achieved. He became a father and he was a wonderful father to his little girl, he was thrilled to have this little child."

Healing with the group has allowed the Tombrellas to enjoy their family and friends despite the grief they say will never go away. Now, as they see glimpses of their son in some of Emelia's mannerisms and expressions, they can have a life again, laughing at the innocence and purity that can only be seen in a child.

"We have so much in our lives. This little child was sent to us and I see it as a blessing. She's healing us," said Mary.

While Mary said life never goes back to how it was, they laugh at things Emelia does as she starts school. Recently, she took three privileges away from her grandfather for working too hard. She took away "popsicles, television and work."

For more information on the Ortonville Baptist Church Grief Care Group, call 248-627-2513.



Joe and Mary Tombrella hold pictures of their beloved son Joseph as a child and granddaughter Emelia, who Mary described as their "little guardian angel." Photo by James Martinez

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Volunteers aid animals in Katrina's aftermath

BY ANDREW DUPONT
Clarkston News Staff Writer

The total loss and damage from Hurricane Katrina will not be known for quite some time. With the chaotic events that followed, many people still remain separated from their loved ones, including their pets. To many people, their dog or cat is just as much a part of the family.

To help those four-legged friends affected by the disaster, Clarkston resident Elizabeth Sherman joined a group of local volunteers and journeyed south to help out wherever she could.

Sherman has been a licensed veterinary technician for 10 years, and for the last seven volunteered for animal outreach programs through the Michigan Animal Rescue League (MARL) in Pontiac.

Sherman, along with eight other volunteers, left September 9 for New Orleans. The day before, Sherman and others packed their vehicles with crates, leashes, medical and bathing supplies and an estimated 2,500 pounds of pet food. All supplies were obtained through donations and were gathered at the MARL headquarters. The trip was a joint effort between groups like MARL as part of the Animal Care Network (ACN), a division of the Ferndale-based Michigan Animal Adoption Network (MAAN)

Before leaving, Sherman said she was not sure how long the trip would last, but that she and the other volunteers were planning to sleep in their cars or in tents they brought along for the haul.

"A lot of the people down there, obviously they don't have anything them-

selves, so we're not expecting anything but what we're taking," Sherman said.

In addition to providing some much-needed supplies, the group prepared to bring back animals in need of rescue.

"We're able to bring back some pretty large dogs and we've got four large vehicles going," Sherman said. Sherman added that local groups such as the Oakland County Animal Control agreed to take in animals to give the owners a chance to claim them.

MAAN was founded in 1994 and consists of three divisions: the ACN, which travels around the metro-Detroit area to rescue or provide help for animals in need; the Adopt-a-Pet Network, which works with local shelters, foster homes and other rescue groups to find permanent homes for animals; and the Lost and Found Network, a computer registry that allows owners to locate their lost pets through a numbered tagging system.

The trip south was hastily planned in response to the crisis following Hurricane Katrina, but Sherman has done similar work here in Michigan. Sherman works as veterinary technician at a 24-hour emergency clinic in Milford, but along with other volunteers she takes time outside of work to travel around the area with ACN to help starting or neglected animals.

"Regardless of the weather, we're out two to three times a week. We're out Christmas day, Thanksgiving day, we're out sometimes till 10 o'clock at night delivering doghouses and straw."

In addition to free shelters for ani-

Clarkston resident Elizabeth Sherman holds one of several rescued kittens taken in by the Michigan Animal Rescue League. In the background, a large collection of donated food sits ready for transport to areas damaged by Hurricane Katrina. Photo by Andrew DuPont



mals that are kept outdoors, the network offers free shot clinics and low cost medical care and supplies.

Though the network's focus will continue to be on the Pontiac area in the future, responding to the post-hurricane crisis has become a top priority.

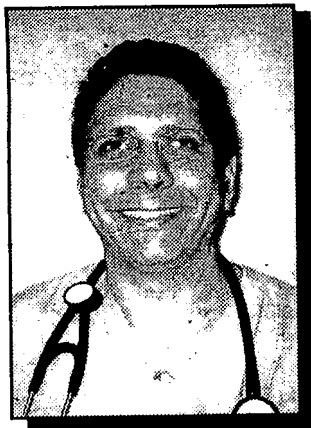
Before leaving, the group was not sure exactly where they would end up, but the initial destination was New Orleans.

"It's just dependant on where Best Friends and Humane Society of the United States directs us because we're

actually working with them. Whatever their needs are is where we'll be," said Kayla Allen, Shelter Director for MARL. Best Friends Animal Society is a Utah-based animal rescue organization.

Sherman said the trip is expected to be the first of several, depending on how much help is needed and where the volunteers can be of assistance.

Anyone who would like to donate supplies for future trips can contact MARL at (248)335-9290. For more information on MAAN, call (248)545-5055 or visit their Website www.mi-aan.org.



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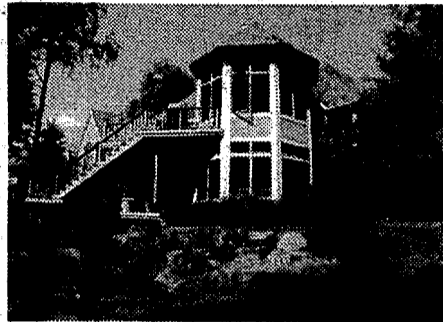


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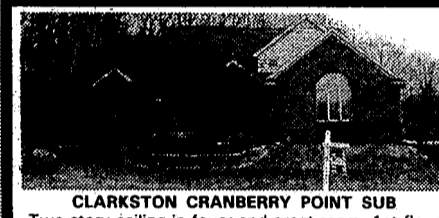


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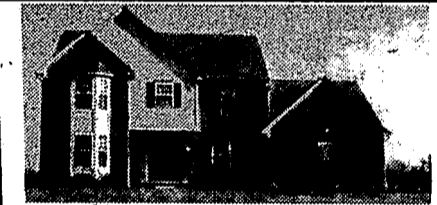


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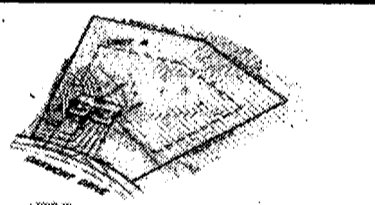


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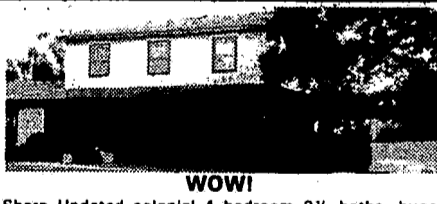
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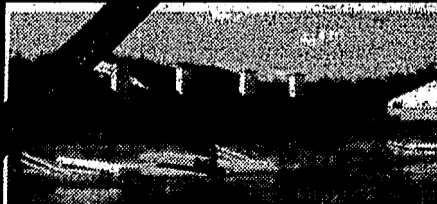
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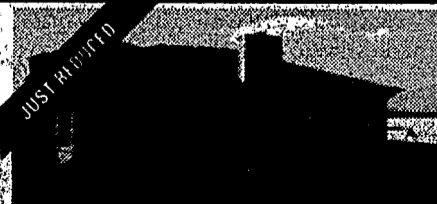


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Clarkston News Sports

Wolves' fourth quarter surge too much for hawks

BY NOAH PURCELL
Clarkston News Sports Writer

While by no means bleak, the conditions were not exactly perfect for Clarkston on Sept. 9 during their home opener as they trailed Farmington Hills Harrison 16-7 at the start of the fourth quarter.

The Hawks had the ball at midfield, but one fluke fumble later, the clouds began to part. On Clarkston's subsequent first play from scrimmage following the turnover, senior running back Nick DeVault was a ray of light, darting into the endzone from 27 yards out.

"DeVault did a great job, and 'the hogs' took over in the second half too," said Clarkston Coach Kurt Richardson. "That was a great high school football game. I know there was some hitting out there tonight."

DeVault, whose touchdown just 10 seconds into the final quarter cut the deficit to 16-14 after junior Mike Breen's kick, was just getting started as the spry runner gained 104 of his 116 yards and scored Clarkston's final touchdown of the game.

"In the first half my head was kind of in a different

place. But, in the second half, I got a good pep talk from the coaches and turned my game around," said DeVault.

DeVault's second touchdown, after another Breen conversion, made the score 27-16, which was the final tally four minutes later.

"Part of (the fourth quarter success) was our 70 (players) versus their 39 (players). I think (Harrison) got worn down a little bit ... but I'll tell you what, we played excellent football tonight," said Richardson.

Harrison suffered significant injuries during the game. Hawks' running back Norman Shuford, who accounted for 63 yards and a touchdown on his team's 80 yard drive to open the game, tore his MCL and ACL on Harrison's second drive while blocking for quarterback Barron Cline. Cline, due to a hand injury also could not finish the game.

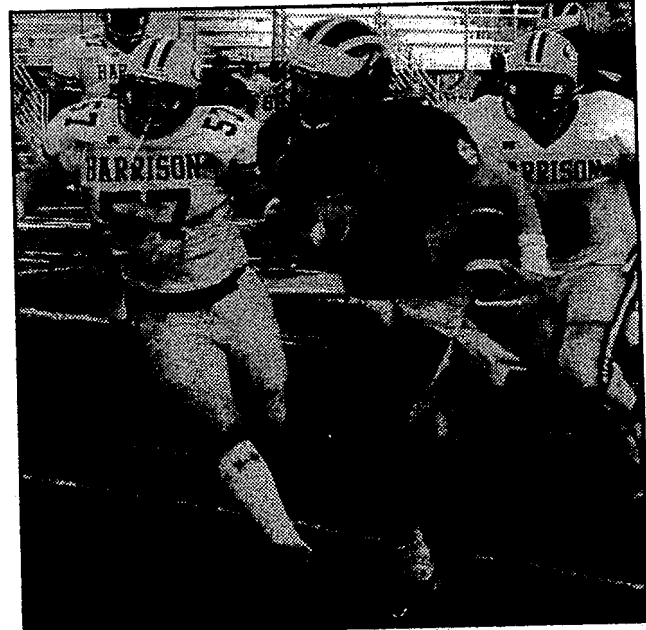
"That's football," said Harrison Coach John Herrington, referring to his team's injuries. "Clarkston stepped up when they had to and they did what they had to do. We still had the lead, 16-14; Clarkston came back strong."

After DeVault's first score gave Clarkston much needed momentum, the defense forced the Hawks into a three and out offensive series. On their next possession, Clarkston's offense covered 60 yards on a six play drive culminating with senior quarterback Mike Kittle's second rushing touchdown of the game, a plunge from less than a yard out on third down with 8:45 left in the game.

"There was so much hype going into this game. We knew this game was going to be a season swinger. We hoped that we could come out with a win and just get on a roll," said DeVault.

Kittle was injured and taken off the field on a stretcher at the end of Clarkston's win against West Bloomfield on Sept. 19. He sat out of practice early in the week, and played with no visible signs of injury, accumulating 66 yards rushing and 65 yards passing to go with a pair of touchdowns.

Breen converted three extra points but his most critical contribution came after having a punt blocked. Punting from the Wolves endzone with 9:09 remaining in the third quarter and Clarkston trailing 10-7, Breen's kick wobbled high in the air, but moved only laterally and hit at the six-yard-line. Breen however converted crisis into opportunity, scooped the ball up as it bounced



Clarkston quarterback Mike Kittle scored on this 38-yard run in the first quarter against Harrison. Kittle shook off an injury suffered the week before to score two touchdowns in Clarkston's 27-16 win on Sept. 9. Photo by Noah Purcell

towards the goal line and ran past the marker for a Clarkston first down.

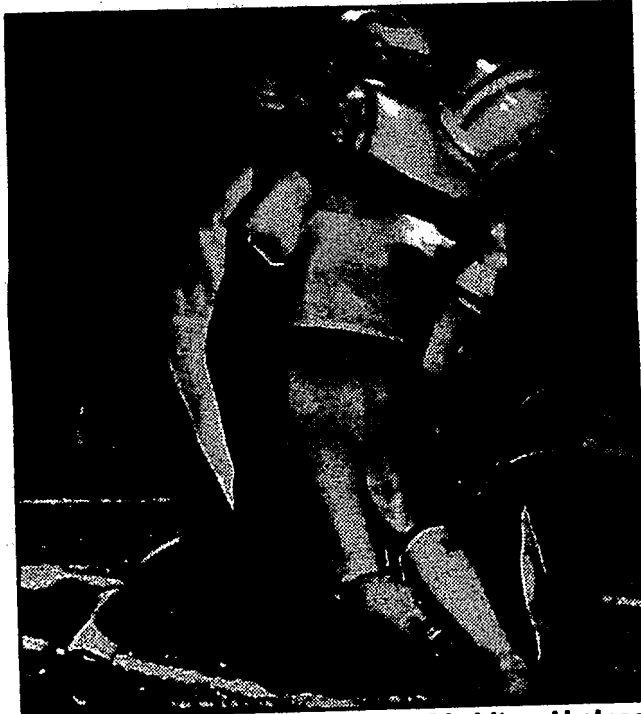
"The play on the blocked punt was crucial because otherwise they would have had the ball on the six. He's a pretty heady kid," said Richardson of Breen.

While the Wolves did not score on the ensuing drive, they did chew up six minutes off the clock. Harrison did score once they wrested the ball back, on a 63-yard scamper by Deante Thomkins making the score 16-7 and setting up the fourth quarter drama.

"This win proves we are a legitimate contender. There were some questions after the Adams game, but I think we proved ourselves tonight. We made some strides last week and I think we made even more strides this week," said Richardson.

Clarkston lost their first game of the season on Aug. 26 to current OAA Division I leader Rochester Adams, who moved to 3-0 on the season after beating Lake Orion on Sept. 9.

Next week, Clarkston plays on the road against Troy High on Sept. 16 in another OAA showdown.



Jimmy Tanner connected on this big hit and helped the Wolves defense kept a depleted Harrison team in check in the fourth quarter. Photo by Noah Purcell

Poms hosting golf outing

The 10th annual Clarkston High School Pom Pon golf outing is right around the corner. The event is scheduled for Sept. 18 at Devil's Ridge Golf Course in Oxford with a shotgun start at 1 p.m.

The outing will have a scramble format and feature 18 holes of golf with a cart followed by a sit down dinner.

A variety of games and prizes will add spice to the course including a vegas hole, skins, closest to the pin, longest drive, hockey stick driving, 50/50 raffle and door prizes.

The cost of the outing is \$100 and proceeds benefit the Clarkston pom pon team.

For more information, contact Laurie Johnson at 248-535-8119.

Athlete of the Week – Nick DeVault



This week's Athlete of the Week is senior running back Nick DeVault. He rushed for 116 yards and two touchdowns in Clarkston's win against Harrison on Sept. 9 to follow up a three touchdown, 134-yard performance in the Wolves victory over West Bloomfield on Sept. 1.

"It's crazy, I knew I was going to have a good season, but I did not expect what's going on right now," said DeVault, who made sure to mention the stellar job the Wolves offensive line has done this

season in front of him.

DeVault has lived in Clarkston all 17 years of his life and started playing football in seventh grade at Shaw Middle School.

After graduating from CHS, DeVault plans on attending college but is not sure where he will go. He does know that he would like to be a superintendent like his father, Mike, who holds that position in Macomb County.

DeVault's mother is Debbie and he has two siblings, Joe and Katie.

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Tamiya Ryu Iaijutsu is a 400-year-old Japanese Sword art. The style has only been in America for nine years and the only other branch is based in Lansing.

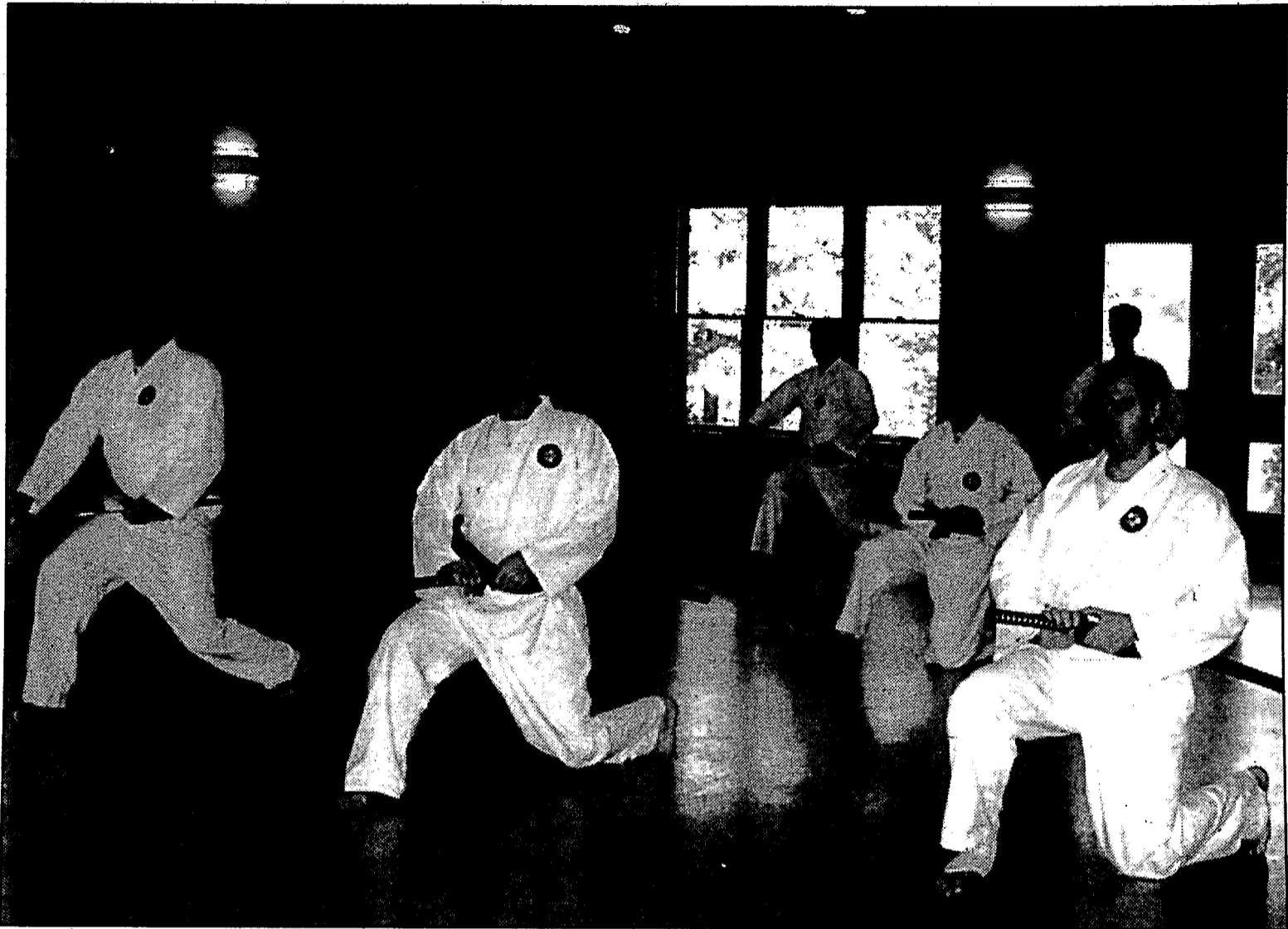
The demo will consist of three sections: the first will prominently feature 10 Clarkston students and the two others featuring martial artists from the Lansing branch.

"The reason we have a demonstration is we like to have the community involvement," said Eastman.

Members of the Clarkston branch travel around the United States, Canada and Japan to give demonstrations of Tamiya Ryu Iaijutsu.

Bay Court Park is located on Andersonville Road.

- NOAH PURCELL



Students at the Tamiya Ryu Iaijutsu Clarkston Branch practice their sword play. They are giving a free demo on Sept. 18 at Bay Court Park. Photo provided

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Health and fitness are a matter of choice

By Ernie Harwell

When it comes to health, there are many factors involved. Some we can't control. Genetics certainly play a part. I've been blessed with good genes and good health. But it's important to remember just how much of our lives we can control to stay health and fit, and then just decide to do what's best for ourselves.

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We can choose to stay up late or we can choose to get the right amount of sleep. Soon those choices become routine and one healthy choice will lead to another.

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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 tennis enjoys early returns

BY NOAH PURCELL
Clarkston News Sports Writer

The recipe for Clarkston tennis' early success this season is simple – four cups of dominant play from the singles mixed with a dash of gutsy performance from the doubles.

"I think we compare well to the rest of the teams in the state," said sophomore Alyssa Lucas, the Wolves number two singles player.

Lucas' words are backed by Clarkston's 4-0-2 (4-0-1) record so far this year and three second place finishes at tournaments around the state.

On Sept. 12 on their home courts against Stoney Creek, Clarkston's singles held up their end of the bargain, as senior Stephanie Parkison, Lucas, junior Darylann Trout and freshman Nicole Janek all won in two sets.

"(Clarkston's) singles are just too tough. They have a lot of experience in tough situations. I thought we'd have a chance in doubles," said Stoney Creek Coach Laura Meroz.

With the singles players looking on, Clarkston's doubles were up the task. The Wolves' number two doubles tandem, junior Alissa Crawford and sophomore Elizabeth Osterhage, triumphed 6-

3, 7-5 and the number four doubles team of sophomore Jasmin Olinger and senior Katelyn Brown won a tough 7-5, 7-5 match to give Clarkston a 6-2 win on the day.

"We are a team. It can't just be the singles all the time," said Stephanie Parkison, Clarkston's number one singles player.

The Wolves came into the dual meet against Stoney Creek riding positive vibrations from their second place showing in the Grosse Pointe South tournament on Sept. 10. While they finished behind host Grosse Pointe South, the Wolves placed ahead of constant rival Farmington Hills Mercy, who finished fifth.

"For us, (finishing ahead of Mercy) was a huge team accomplishment – a moral victory," said Clarkston Coach Kyleen Cunningham.

Clarkston finished second place to Mercy in both the Troy Tournament on Aug. 24 and the Holly Invitational on Aug. 27.

Parkison, Lucas, Trout and Janek all won their respective singles flights at Grosse Pointe South. Crawford and Osterhage also helped the Wolves overall, winning the number two doubles flight consolation bracket.

"Overall, you want to make your doubles as strong as possible," said Cunningham.

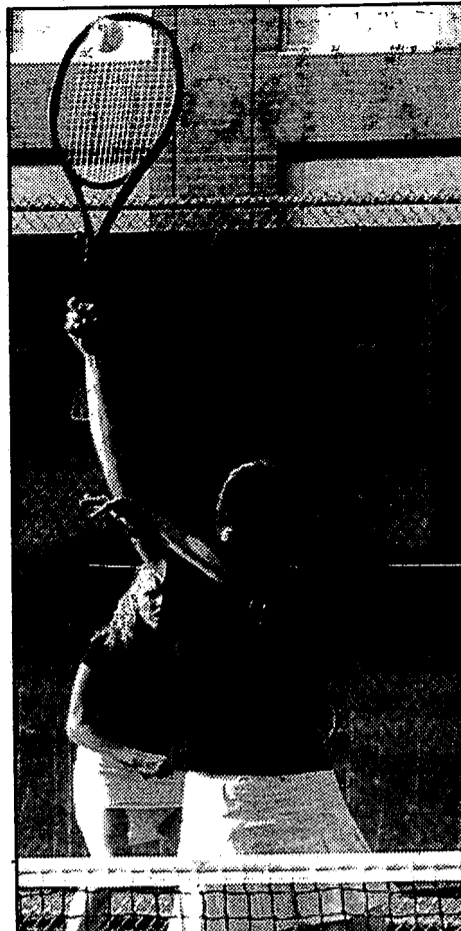
Clarkston needed their doubles to eke out a tie against West Bloomfield on Sept. 8.

Olinger and Brown battled back after losing their first set to win 2-6, 7-5, 6-4 in the number four doubles slot against the Lakers. Clarkston's number three doubles duo of sophomores Kayla Sweeney and Kelli McKay also logged a come from behind victory as well, winning 1-6, 6-3, 6-4.

Olinger and Brown also picked up an important win earlier in the week against Lake Orion on Sept. 6; a match Clarkston won 5-3. Number one doubles pairing, sophomore Blair McCarty and junior Andrea Scarlett, dispatched their Dragon counterparts to further compliment wins by Lucas, Trout and Janek.

Clarkston's number three single, Trout, and number four, Janek, are both 15-0 on the season.

Clarkston's next dual match is Sept. 14 at home against Rochester. The team will head to the Ann Arbor Pioneer Invite on Sept. 17, to compete in a field with Pioneer and Ann Arbor Huron, both perennial state powers.



Jasmin Olinger strikes a ball at the net as her partner on Clarkston's number four doubles team, Katelyn Brown, looks on. The duo recorded three wins in as many dual meets over the past week. Photo by Noah Purcell

Boys running well

BY NOAH PURCELL
Clarkston News Sports Writer

With the dual meet season just around the next bend, Clarkston boys cross country Coach Mike Taylor is already optimistic about the team's prospects.

"We showed up and ran some of our best and go back to back," said Taylor.

In their second dual meet, in the lower division, the Wolves defeated Grosse Pointe South 1, Clarkston finished fifth place in West Bloomfield on Sept. 10.

Clarkston's number one runner, Bloomfield was defeated by Taylor, who ran a 14:40. Brennan and Taylor were the top two runners of the day.

"I think we were all of our best. We have run well. It's something we are going to have to work on," said Taylor. "We are a better team than we were last year, but that means there is more pressure on ourselves."

Clarkston has one more "make-up" opportunity in the Grosse Pointe Invitational on Sept. 15. The Wolves will meet on Sept. 15, featuring a tough Stoney Creek team and Rochester High School.

Duffers putt to test

BY NOAH PURCELL
Clarkston News Sports Writer

The number one and the Clarkston golf team have seen each other a lot lately.

The Wolves finished first in the Eccentric Tournament on Sept. 6, marking the first time Clarkston has won the 21-year-old event.

"The Eccentric Tournament is probably the second most important in the county, aside from the county tournament. You always want to win your league, but there's a certain amount of prestige that comes with winning the Eccentric," said Clarkston Coach Tim Kaul.

Senior Rob Ronk shot a 74 and finished fifth overall.

"The key to (winning the Eccentric) was that we putted absolutely super. We had a great putting day. It's unusual to see them all putt well at the same time," said Kaul. "(Ronk) said he never missed a putt all day long."

Senior Zach McDonald also had a strong showing at the Eccentric, shooting a 79.

Clarkston also picked up their first dual meet win of the season this past week, in their first opportunity of the year to boot, against Waterford Mont on Sept. 8.

Clarkston vanquished Mont 141-179, behind junior Blake Schmidt's 34. Also scoring for the Wolves were Pat McIlroth's 35, Ronk's 36 and senior Mike Horn's 36.

"When you don't have a player who's going to shoot 69 or 70, you have to have balance," said Kaul.

Clarkston's match with Troy High on Sept. 13 finished too late for this edition of *The Clarkston News*. The Wolves will compete in the second OAA league tournament on Sept. 15.

Clarkston finished second to Adams in the first OAA tournament on Aug. 26.

"If we could beat (Adams) that would really tighten up the league race," said Kaul.

The Highlanders did not lack for motivation either, as another win in the second OAA tournament would go a long way toward a second straight league title.

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Wolves find way to win

BY NOAH PURCELL
Clarkston News Sports Writer

Sporting an 0-2 record coming into their first league action of the year, Clarkston needed a win against Rochester on Sept. 8. In the end, the Wolves got a 47-38 victory, but not without some warts along the way.

"It's good for us to get the win. After last week, we tried to stay positive. We knew we were doing the right thing and we just had to execute and knock down some shots," said Wasilk.

Wasilk's road map to victory proved hard to follow in the first half as Rochester's full court press and trap led to 12 turnovers, six in each of the opening quarters. Clarkston also did not shoot the ball well, shooting 26 percent as a team in the first half.

But, due to the Wolves' stingy defense and Rochester's own sloppy ball handling, Clarkston entered the locker room with a 17-15 lead.

"(Wasilk) has them prepared and they took advantage of us being young and not being there yet," said Rochester Coach Jeff Haney

Coming out of the half, the Wolves found their shooting touch, shooting 45 percent as team in the third quarter and jumped to a 31-22 lead. Clarkston's hot shooting to start the half featured three three-pointers, two courtesy of sophomore Chelsea Kouri, who had a game high 17 points, finishing 6/13 from the field with five three-pointers.

"My first couple games I hadn't been shooting well. (Wasilk) said to believe in myself and if I was open, to shoot it," said Kouri.

With both the Wolves and Falcons turning the ball over, Clarkston supplemented their lost possessions with strong offensive rebounding.

"We were really hitting the boards on both ends. Any time you can get an offensive rebound and get another possession, you are in pretty good shape," said Wasilk.

Clarkston out rebounded Rochester 38-25 in the contest, with 17 boards on the offensive end.

Wasilk was happy with the way his team adjusted to the tenacious defense in the second half.

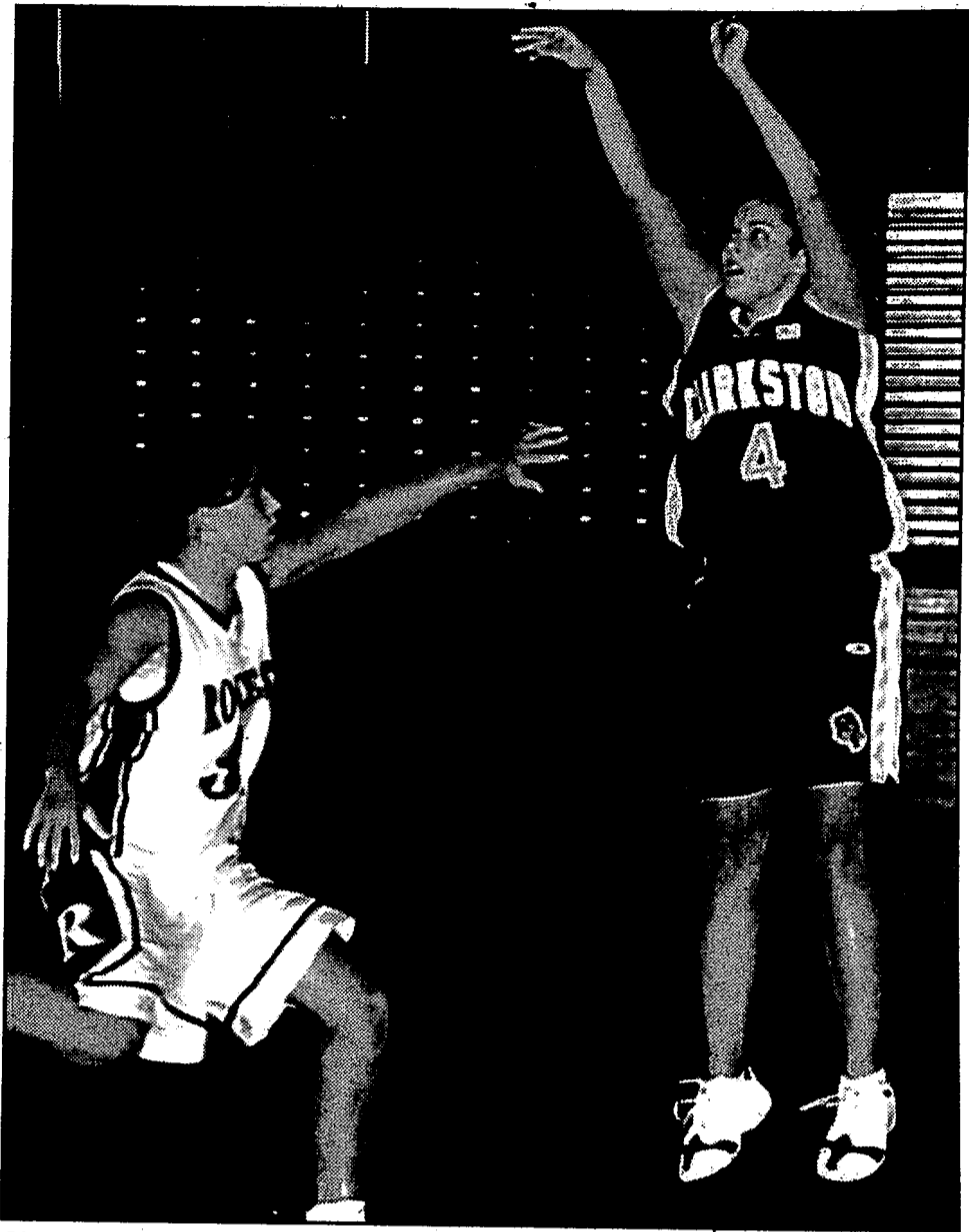
"Rochester did a nice job defensively. They created a lot of those turnovers in the first half. We handled the pressure better in the second half. We adjusted to it, got the ball in the middle of the floor, We spread ourselves out, we relaxed and knocked down some jumpers," Wasilk said.

While at one point in the fourth quarter Rochester cut the Clarkston lead to six, Clarkston persevered down the stretch to seal the victory.

Clarkston's game against Stevenson on Sept. 13 finished too late for this edition of *The Clarkston News*.

The Wolves next action is at Waterford Kettering on Sept. 15 followed by a home tilt with Southfield High School on Sept. 20.

Clarkston's record is now 1-2 (1-0).



Chelsea Kouri had a game high 17 points in Clarkston's victory over Rochester High on Sept. 8. Photo by Noah Purcell



Senior forward Amanda Kaltz and Clarkston claimed a 38-25 rebound advantage over Rochester. Photo by Noah Purcell

Soccer slumping

After being forced to swallow a bitter pill in a 5-0 loss to Troy Athens on Sept. 6, the Clarkston soccer team managed to rebound slightly with a 1-1 tie against Troy High on Sept. 8.

"(The tie) stopped the bleeding, but it's another game we probably should have won," said Clarkston Coach Mark Whitcomb.

Frank Davis scored the lone Clarkston goal against Troy.

The loss to Athens still stings though. The contest was tied 0-0 with 28 minutes remaining in the game.

"(Athens) scores one goal and we just put our heads down. It was a total and absolute collapse," said Whitcomb.

While morale is down on the team

a little bit, Whitcomb hopes a couple of lighthearted practices will restore the players' spirits.

Whitcomb is pleased with the play of freshmen Kevin Pinkos and Colin Rumschlag. In a lineup that has yet to gel, Rumschlag played three positions in the Troy game.

Senior forward Joel Parrish's play also drew raves from his coach.

"He has not been getting points, but he has been creating chances," said Whitcomb of Parrish.

In action this week, the Wolves travel to Kimball on Sept. 15 before returning home on Sept. 16 to face a tough Eisenhower squad.

- NOAH PURCELL

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Local groups offer opportunities to help

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Oakland Woods Baptist Church is located at 5628 Maybee Road. For more information call 248-625-7557.

In response to the devastation from hurricane Katrina, the Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce will hold two fund-raising collection activities at upcoming events.

At the Taste of Clarkston, Sept. 25, from noon-6 p.m. on Main Street the chamber is coordinating donations at the ticket booth/information tent.

Also, at the Business EXPO on Nov. 3, the chamber is charging a \$5 admission fee to raise money for the relief efforts.

Money raised at these events will be sent to the Red Cross.

The Church of the Resurrection on Clarkston Road is taking donations of specific items to help the relief effort in Louisiana.

They are collecting only the following items: non-

perishable canned food; full cases of bottled water; disposable diapers, wipes and formula; toilet paper (packaged only); feminine hygiene products; large heavy duty black trash bags; towels; toothpaste and toothbrushes; bar soap; kleenex and band-aids.

Please only donate new items; nothing outdated. Please bring boxes to pack supplies in if possible.

No clothing will be collected. Only leave donations during collection times:

Sept. 16 from 3-8 p.m.; Sept. 17 from 9 a.m.-4 p.m.; and Sept. 18 from two p.m.-6 p.m.

All donated items will be delivered to the Salvation Army for redistribution in Louisiana and Mississippi. The Clarkston Rotary and St. Daniel's Catholic Church are providing volunteer assistance and Bordine's Nursery has donated the use of a truck and trailer.

Church of the Resurrection is located at 6490 Clarkston Road Clarkston. For more information call 248-625-2325.

The Graphic Wizard, located at 4728 Clarkston Road, is selling t-shirts to benefit the New Orleans hurricane victims.

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Sheriff warns of scams

The message below is a press release from the Oakland County Sheriff's office.

As the victims of Hurricane Katrina in Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama cope with the aftermath of last week's devastation, millions of Americans are opening their hearts and wallets.

Sheriff Bouchard warns local citizens to be cautious with their charity.

"Millions of Americans have shown us what is best about our nation in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina - volunteering their time and resources to aid the victims," said Sheriff Bouchard. "Sadly, a large number of phony charities are attempting to profit at the expense of these victims."

Sheriff Bouchard offers the following tips for those who wish to help the victims of Hurricane Katrina:

• Do not open e-mail requests for donations from unfamiliar sources. Many are from identity thieves and the messages may contain viruses that will attack your computer or take you to a "spoofed" web site that will steal your personal financial information. The best rule of thumb is for you to contact the charity directly, preferably by telephone.

• If you are uncertain whether a charity is legitimate, contact the Attorney General's Office at 517-373-1152 or the local office of the Better Business Bureau.

• Donate to charities that have a proven track record such as the American Red Cross, United Way of America and the Salvation Army. All three offer either immediate relief or help in rebuilding communities.

• "The FBI has already noted a large number of cyber swindles in relation to the tragedy of Hurricane Katrina. The variety of methods used by these crooks to steal your information has also grown more sophisticated," Sheriff Bouchard warns. "However, as we have seen in the past, those who are not on the Internet are also at risk. Phone solicitors frequently are not a part of the organization they claim to represent. These telemarketers may not have the authorization to call on behalf of recognized charities and, in fact, may only be trying to obtain your personal financial information. Don't give it to them!"

• If you have received a fraudulent e-mail, you should file a complaint with the FBI's Internet Fraud Complaint Center (www.IC3.gov) or your local police. The Sheriff's Computer Crimes Unit stands ready to move on these cases, as well.

Let The Clarkston News know of events, fund-raisers and collection drives to cull support for the victims of Hurricane Katrina so we can spread the word

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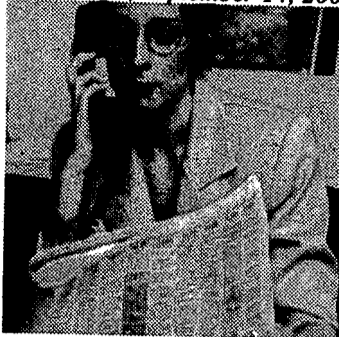
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Springfield Township

August 30: Two Davisburg youths cited for drug related offenses. A 14-year-old was ticketed for marijuana possession and a 12-year-old for possessing drug paraphernalia.

September 1: 19-year-old Holly Township man was struck in the head with a rock thrown by a 17-year-old Davisburg youth after the two were in a physical fight at a residence on Conventry Lane. The Holly man was transported to Genesys where he needed three staples to close the wound. Alcohol was believed to be involved in the incident.

September 2: An unknown suspect ransacked a house on Detroit while the owner was away sometime between 9:30 p.m. and 12:30 a.m. Nothing was reported missing.

A boat motor stolen at North Bay near Big Lake Road.

September 3: The back window on a vehicle broken out on Clarridge Street.

September 4: 19-year-old Clarkston man arrested for domestic assault of 18-year-old girlfriend at Bluewater Apartments.

The rear tires stolen from four Dodge Ram trucks at Al Deeb Dodge on Dixie Highway. Each axle rested on a single bottle jack.

A computer monitor and bucket of hand tools stolen from construction site on Rattalee Lake Road.

An unidentified white male kicked in the door of a residence on South Bluewater Drive, but left the scene after discovering the owner inside the home. The man apparently apologized and then left the house in a burgundy vehicle. The man who appeared to be near 40 is described as 5 foot 6 inches tall, 150 to 160 pounds, with a shaved head.

September 6: A trailer and two riding lawn mowers stolen from lot on Dixie Highway near Norman Road.

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Letters

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Marcy and Art in the village offices were always there to help. Wilson Welding provided the balloon helium.

Still more area residents helping included Kathy, Corey and Dick Greenfield; Dom and Louise Mauti; Joyce Little; Mitchell Wayne; Anne and John Moye; Scott Bendle; The Lamms; Jan Glass and Carolyn Birtsas. Thank you Jenny Matteson and James Martinez for the photo coverage in *The Clarkston News*.

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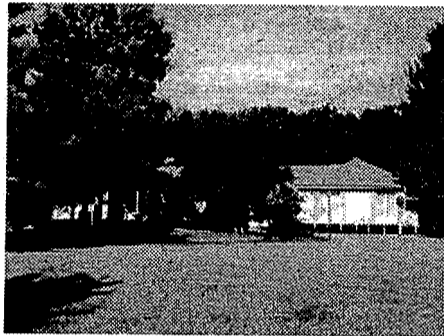
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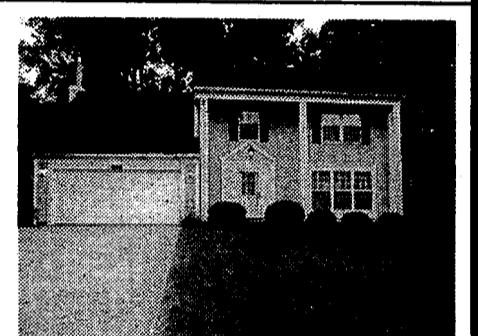
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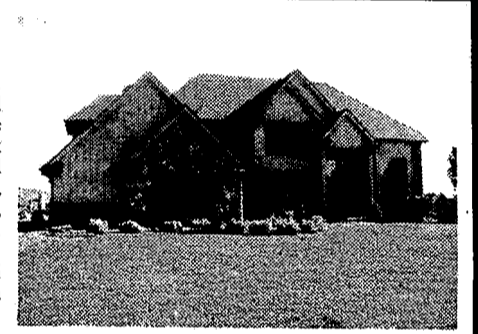
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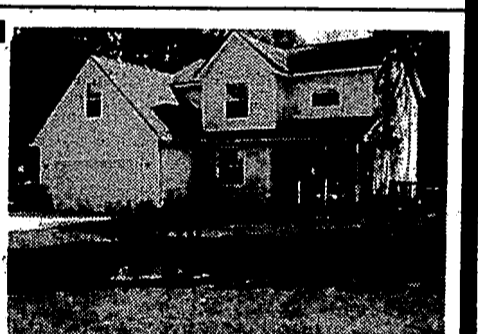
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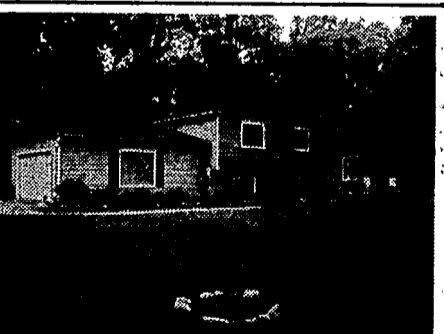
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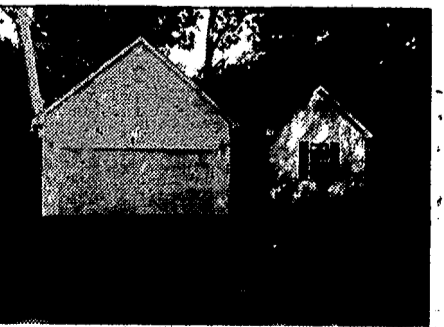
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Clarkston to pay back Consumer's

BY JIM MARTINEZ
Clarkston News Staff Writer

With township and city budgets struggling around the state, the Clarkston City Council received bad news at the Aug. 22 meeting.

The City has to pay \$8,911.56 to Consumer's Energy for property taxes the State Tax Commission recently ruled were not accurate said City Manager Art Pappas.

According to Pappas, the State Tax Commission ruled the taxes were calculated inappropriately and Consumer's Energy overpaid Clarkston, leaving the city no option but to pay back the money.

The council expressed concern over paying the money back and council member Steve Wylie asked city attorney Tom Ryan about options besides paying.

Ryan reminded the council Consumer's Energy chose to forgive other overpayment which occurred from 1997 to 1999 and waived the interest and penalties on the money owed for the last five years, making the current payment much lower than what could be charged.

Pappas did not have specific figures of what Clarkston would have owed, but agreed the total was higher.

With a Dec. 1 due date lingering, Pappas said the payment will come from Clarkston's reserve funds which totaled over \$60,000 at the beginning of 2005. He was unsure if the village would pay Consumer's Energy directly or if Oakland County would pay with direct reimbursement from Clarkston.

In other news, the council invited Dick Carlisle of Carlisle/Wortman Associates, Inc. to the meeting as they consider allowing his company to take over Clarkston's planning services. Pappas said McKenna and Associates currently handles planning duties, but the council is considering hiring another firm.

Pappas said if selected, Carlisle/Wortman would review the master plan in conjunction with the planning commission and make any necessary changes to update the plan, as well as offer services on other planning issues.

During previous meetings council members expressed concerns about Carlisle/Wortman's ability to transition from dealing with a large entity like Independence Township to addressing the unique needs of the village and its historic district.

Carlisle said his firm represents a diverse range of communities many of which have historic districts and similar desires to preserve them. He also said having an office in Independence Township is an asset to working with Clarkston.



Peeking in the Past...

Four friends recently met for a 50 year reunion at the old Clarkston High School. Those friends are pictured here at the Casino Royal restaurant in Washington D.C. during their 1959 senior trip. Vic is the last person sitting at the table on the left side. The three girls are seated in front on the right side are Barb Cosner, Nancy Gonzalez and Carolann Reed. Photo provided

Tower

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tive in the legion working diligently as a finance officer for nearly 30 years after serving as post commander, which was rare for members to do at the time.

"He was always looking ahead for the legion and buying the things as finance officer he knew we'd need," said Lynch

Besides providing his services to the community, Tower was also a beloved family man and friend.

"He was always a very hard worker; very committed to the township as a supervisor and a very committed family man," said daughter Beth Lawrence.

R.C. Jones, Tower's nephew, recalled spending many days hunting and smelt dipping across Northern Michigan. He also said Tower took pride in buying Clintonwood Park during his time as township supervisor.

"Whitey was a guy if someone needed help, he'd stop and help them out whether it was carrying out garbage or fixing a car, he never turned anyone down," said Jones.

"He was always on the upbeat side. I can't recall him ever being down. Whitey was always on the upside of the project; almost always smiling and always ready to help," said Lynch.

Tower was the loving husband for 54 years of Dawn;

beloved father of Lynn (George) Bennett of Mequon, Wisconsin, Beth (Ben) Lawrence of Clarkston, Judy (Judd) Tower-Dotson of West Bloomfield, Gail (Randy) Erb of Murfreesboro, Tennessee, Mike (Sue) Tower of Goodrich and Amy (Eric Laboissonniere) Tower of Ortonville; dear grandfather of Jill (Andy) Wessel, Kristen (David) Lundeen, Benjamin and Allison Lawrence, Zac and Jesse Dotson, Eli Erb, Lucas Tower, and Joseph and Amanada Laboissonniere; and great-grandfather of Milo and Max Wessel.

Tower was preceded in death by his parents Kathryn and Frank Tower; his sisters Ellen Tanquay, Dortha Vliet and Betty Storum; and his brothers Ralph and Frank Tower.

A 1949 graduate of Clarkston High School, Tower served in the United States Marine Corp. He was Past Commander and current Treasurer of the American Legion Campbell Richmond Post #63 and a Past District Commander of the American Legion. He was a member of the Clarkston Masonic Lodge, member of the IBEW Local #58 and retired from the City of Novi Building Department in 1999.

A funeral service was held on August 31 from the Sherman Wilk Funeral Home in Ortonville. Burial ceremonies took place in Lakeview Cemetery.

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McCord

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alized what the (request for proposal) entailed, they realized it wasn't a money making deal," said Moraco.

Supervisor Dave Wagner said he was pleased Moraco is restoring the home.

"It was a relief to see five people pick up the request for proposal," said Wagner in an interview. "If it's Sam, so be it. We had an open bid, he made the only bid and the best bid.

"I'm happy it's going to move forward."

In a public comment period allowed during the agenda item, Michael McCord, an Independence Township resident and McCord family representative, read a letter into the record signed by himself and Mary Kathryn Afable. A small portion of the letter's intro states:

"We are the grandchildren of Mallory and Mary Kathryn Stickney who owned the Stickney/McCord homestead on Pine Knob Road... This letter is to inform you that we believe that Independence Township has violated the original agreement under which Honor Pollok and Janet McCord sold this land."

According to McCord, the family did not realize the purpose for the property was changed from public to private use. In addition, the family did not know the land was available for purchase through a restoration bid process.

"I didn't even realize we had the request for proposal out," said McCord during the meeting. "The bottom line is, I don't expect you to do anything other than what you planned to do, but we need to try."

Trustee Travis was the first to show surprise at Mr. McCord's statements.

"This has been a long project, a long and difficult project," said Travis, who emphasized that public notices were advertised on the project and public meetings were held on the issue. "I'm at a great loss to get this information at this late date."

"I do feel bad about the family," said Moraco after the board approved the sale. "My family and I are very sincere in restoring this home."

When contacted later about the board's decision, family representatives voiced varying opinions.

"I guess I really didn't expect the board to do much more," said Mary Kathryn Afable. "I'm not surprised because I think it was a foregone conclusion even before the request for proposal went out."

"Personally, I feel a little uncomfortable with it," said McCord. "No one in the family knew this was happening. If anyone communicated with my mother (Janet McCord), I wouldn't know. She can't remember one thing to the next now."

"I just think the board may have lived up to the letter of the law, but I'm looking at the intent... It was a little bit of a surprise to hear the township was going ahead with the sale."

Neither Afable nor McCord knew what the family's next step would be; however, both said options are being considered.

During an interview, township attorney Kay Carouso said a development agreement is being created for the project, but as of deadline, Moraco had not received any paperwork.



The McCord home located on Pine Knob Road. Although deceptive in appearance, the home dates back to the 19th century and includes two additions. Photo by Jenny Matteson

Big plans for McCord farmhouse

BY JENNY MATTESON
Clarkston News Editor

The old McCord homestead located on Pine Knob Road is feeling the sun on its shutters for the first time in close to a decade.

Soon-to-be owner Sam Moraco has already begun the most basic restoration steps - he cleared away the 6-7 feet of high brush, weeds and ivy.

"Before, you couldn't even walk up to the house everything was so bad," Moraco said during a tour of the property.

Moraco said estimates have placed the homestead at around 170 years old. The house itself has three sections: the original farmhouse with three bedrooms, an addition directly behind the front portion and a third "stone" room in the far back.

Some of the highlights in the structure include a stone fireplace, original latch door hardware, wood flooring throughout, wood molding throughout, wood cabinets, a full basement, screened in porch and second basement that has an outdoor "garage-style" entrance.

However, even these amenities are sullied by the years of neglect and decay to the property.

According to Moraco, his immediate concern is stabilizing the home, barn and horse trough for survival during the upcoming winter. Even before that though, he must return power to the home so the property can be secured against potential trespassers and vandals.

"I think just to show some kind of work on a home this delicate is huge," said Moraco. "People around will help with keeping the place clear once they know someone is bringing the place back."

Moraco said he plans on restoring the home to a "country" look on the inside, and insists on restoring the exterior to its original state, including repairing the green shutters with rooster cutouts.

Although many modern updates will be made, such as forced air heating and cooling, many of the home's wood cabinets and fixtures will be restored and replaced. Moraco said he does plan on putting in a modern kitchen and baths as well, but historic fixtures, like the stone fireplace, are being returned to their original state.

"It's a labor of love really. I've always wanted an

old farm house," said Moraco. "It's just something I've always wanted to do."

Other immediate projects on the home include removing debris, replacing the roofing, repairing damaged siding and windows, caulking the exterior, and creating "positive drainage outside the home."

Moraco said he will need to clear vegetation from around the property to do this, including one or two trees. However, he explained the need is structural, not aesthetic. Roots from one tree in particular and the rise of the land itself from years of neglect are damaging the home's wood framing and stone foundation.

A pet project of the Moraco's is the restoration of a still functioning winding-bucket well.

"I'm planning on restoring the roof on it, but I want to replace the winding-bucket that was removed decades ago," said Moraco. "Since the well still works, I plan on putting metal grating inside for safety. But I want to be able to look down once again and see the water."

Moraco, a builder, will be using his company as a resource to complete the work. He expects the project to take at least two years and estimates spending around \$250,000 in materials and contracted work alone. His listed project cost does not include labor costs, company resource costs or work his family completes.

"I'm doing this because I can, and it needs to be done," said Moraco. "Somebody's got to do it. The bottom line is the house is getting restored."

After completing the home, well and horse trough, Moraco plans on restoring the interior of the barn, which has already begun shifting from the foundation.

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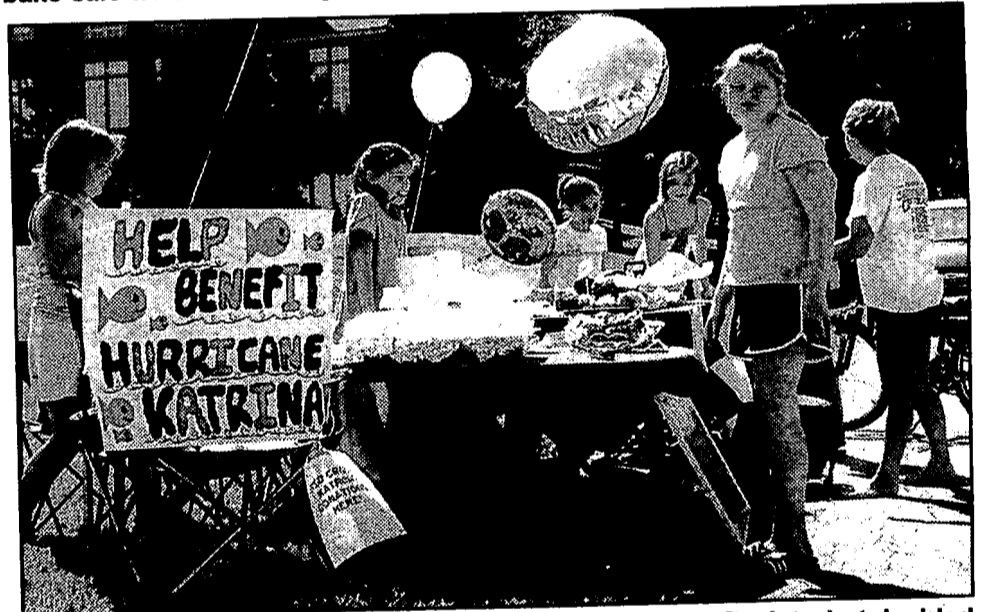


These children raised \$250 with a lemonade and bake sale on Pebble Creek Drive on Sept. 10. Left to right: Julie Cole, Kelsey Runft, Lindsay Runft, Logan Bedenis, Riley Dixon, Sarah Shea and Kaity Bragan. The money raised at the bake sale was matched by Textron, making for a grand total of \$500.

Photos by Noah Purcell



On Sept. 9, the Max Brook Clarkston office held a bake sale on Main Street to raise money for the victims of Hurricane Katrina. They raised \$490.87 and the Real Estate One Foundation is providing a 50 percent match. The money will help the relief efforts through the Realtor's Relief Foundation. Some of the employees who participated were: (left to right, back row) Kenise Schooley, Tim Goodwin, Kim Nutkins and Deslree Heck. (front row) Carl Ralph, Kim Schroeder, Kathy Schultz and Tommy Matthews.



The children held two bake sales to benefit the Humane Society, but decided as a group to give the money to the Red Cross this time.



Cindy Hallman got to pick from some delectable baked goods and helped the relief efforts in Louisiana by contributing to the Pebble Creek bake sale.

Relief

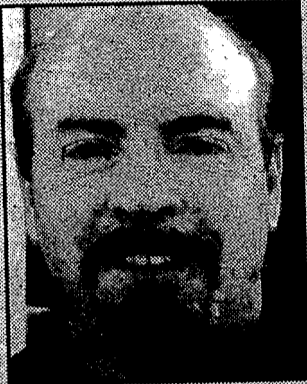
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All donations are tax deductible and should be forwarded to the Clarkston Relief Committee at www.clarkstonbank.com by Oct. 31.

The Relief Committee will tally all donations and forward the funds to the American Red Cross in the name of the community of Clarkston, Michigan.

People Poll

How will the Lions do this season?



"9-7. They have a lot of talent and Joey will get his act together."

-Mark Crawford



"They'll lose in the first round of the playoffs."

-Kavon Khani



"Better than last year because people are expecting more from them."

-Rose Balhorn



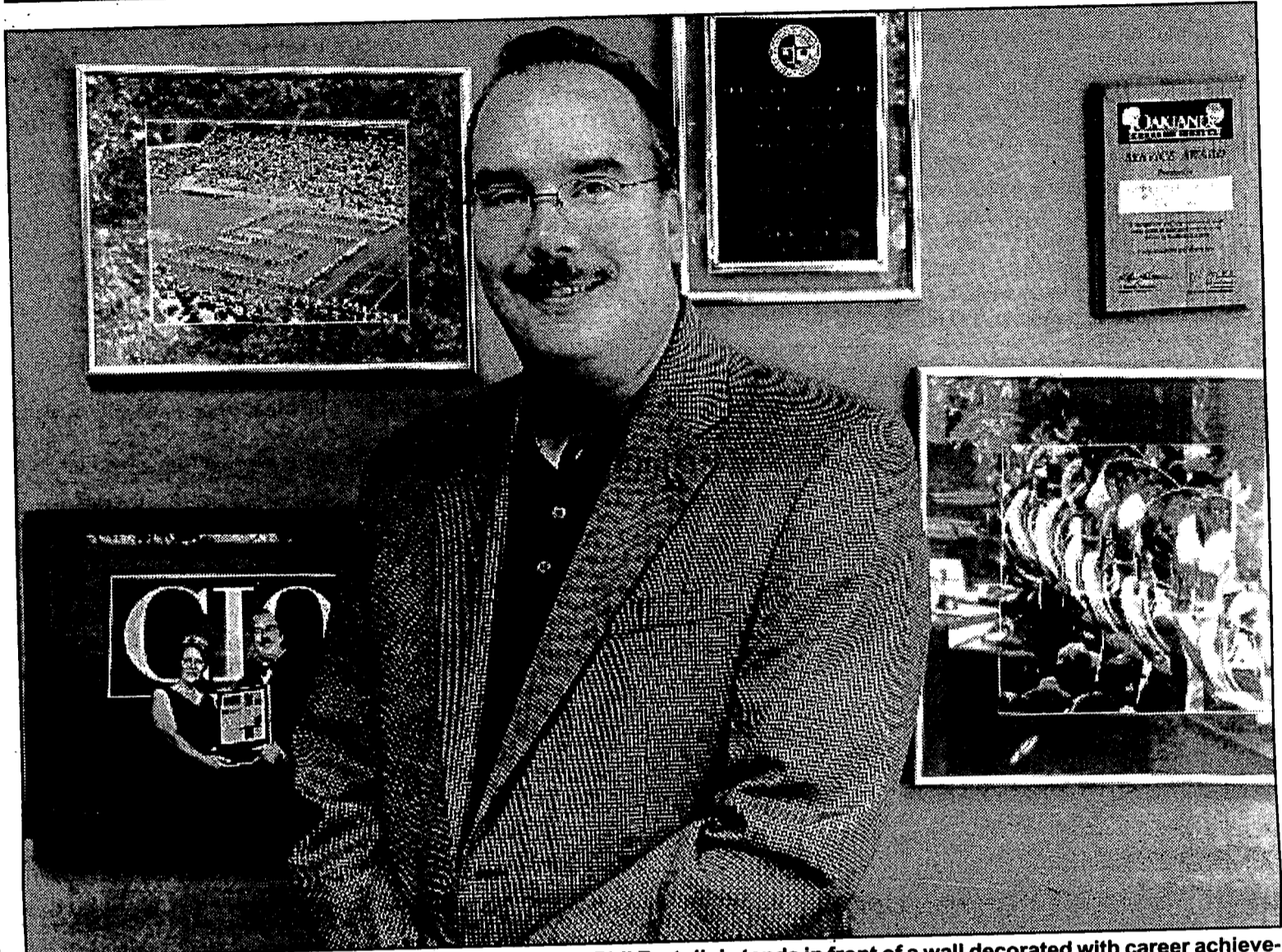
"I think the Lions will go 9-7."

-Michael McGord

By Jim Martinez

The Clarkston News' Millstream

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Deputy County Executive and Chief Information Officer Phil Bertolini stands in front of a wall decorated with career achievements. Photo by James Martinez

Leading the technology march

Bertolini relishes expanding technology to county under Patterson

BY JAMES MARTINEZ
Clarkston News Staff Writer

As with anything, inequality in technology can put some people at a disadvantage in their everyday lives and careers. Conquering that digital divide is one of the goals of Independence Township's Phil Bertolini.

Bertolini serves as Deputy County Executive and Chief Information Officer for Oakland County. His job entails guiding the strategic direction of the county's technology efforts among other things.

"My responsibilities include the overall direction of how we use technology to change the way we do business. How we use technology to better serve the citizens and customers of Oakland County," said Bertolini.

"For one, I'm responsible for the Wireless Oakland effort, which is our effort to take the entire 910-square miles of the county and bring it wireless internet ca-

pability, a portion of which is free of charge to all the citizens, businesses and visitors," said Bertolini

"Another part of that project is to provide no cost and low cost PC's in training to those that are lower income and those that lack a high school education. We've found that's where our digital divide is here in Oakland County."

Bertolini says Oakland County's pursuit of technology has increased the efficiency of how the county does business, creating a reengineered business process that's gaining a worldwide reputation.

"I like to say 'We can do more with the resources we have'— and the way we're able to do that is through technology. A couple years ago, Oakland County reduced its work force by over 200 positions and reduced its budget by \$33 million. One way we're still delivering some of those services is from the enhanced technology we've put in place," said Bertolini.

The county's reputation even reached Harvard University, where Bertolini and L. Brooks Patterson lectured on Oakland County and project management, as well as executive support for technology initiatives in March of 2005. The workshop was attended by CIO's around the world. Later that month, Harvard took Bertolini to Dubai in the United Arab Emirates to speak to representatives from around the Middle East about eGovernment at the Dubai School of Government.

"We're working on a technology agreement between Dubai and Oakland County. Dubai is very advanced technologically and we were there to lecture and met with Dubai municipality and government officials to work on an arrangement and agreement... It's an information and expertise exchange," said Bertolini.

Bertolini started as a participant in an on-line course on eGovernment with

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Around Town

U.S. Rep. Mike Rogers 8th District office staff will meet with Oakland County residents on Sept. 19 from 9 a.m.-11 a.m. at the Independence Township Hall. The remainder of the afternoon, staff will be visiting with business owners and managers in the community.

No appointment is necessary. To contact the 8th district office, please call 517-702-8000 or 1-877-333-MIKE.

Indian Springs Metropark always has lots of great activities happening:

• Enjoy reading? Then stop in for "Nature's Coffee House Reading Group" on Sept. 15 at 6:30 p.m. in the Educational Discovery Center.

Join an interpreter and other adults for good con-



Lisa Barrett of Orion Township is the winning photographer for INFO 2005 cover contest. She won \$50 for a picture of her son Zach, 1 1/2. The cover picture (inset) was taken this past June in a pretty field off of E. Silverbell Road. Thanks for the help Lisa! Info 2005 will appear in the Sept. 14 edition of The Oxford Leader, Lake Orion Review, Clarkston News and the Sept. 19 edition of The Citizen.

versation and refreshments while reading through "The Huron River, Voices from the Watershed" - a collection of essays, short stories and poems that reflect on the marvelous river.

This program is free, except for the cost of the book at participant's expense. Pre-registration required. Please reserve your copy of the book.

• Travel "Far and Away" with "The Marvels of Migration" at the Educational Discovery Center on Sept. 24 at 10 a.m.

Scientists have developed a number of methods to test and track migrating animals. Use the internet to tap into some of these resources and travel virtually with these bold animals.

The cost is \$2 per person. Pre-registration required.

• Come out to enjoy the sweetest of nature on Oct. 8 for "Cider Saturday."

Use the Nature Center's press to make your own apple cider. Bring up to one bushel of washed apples, three clean one-gallon containers and cups.

Pre-registration is required, please make sure to call for an appointment. The cost is \$3 per family or group.

To learn about this and many more fun activities, please call 248-625-7280 or 248-625-6640.

Needle Crafters of all levels are invited to attend the **Needle Craft Project Evenings** at the Springfield Township Library from 6:30-8 p.m. on Sept. 20, Oct. 18 and Nov. 15.

No advance registration is required. Bring your current project and join us for an informal evening of sharing.

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

• Dr. Thomas Biggs will present "Our Eyes As We Age" on Sept. 14 at 11 a.m. in the Carriage House.

He will discuss conditions which can effect our eyes as we age, including dry eyes, allergies and the new cataract lens. Find out the latest technology for care of the eyes.

Call the center to reserve a space. Those who sign up ahead for the program will receive a free lunch at noon.

• **The Sixth Annual Corn Roast** is Sept. 23 with plenty of fun, food and friends.

Come early (4:30 p.m.) for lawn games or just to sit on the deck and enjoy the beautiful scenery. Dinner begins promptly at 6 p.m. in the Carriage House. Stop in and feast on grilled steak or chicken, fresh corn, tossed salad and Texas sheet cake or pineapple upside-down cake.

Enjoy country bluegrass with Michigan Split Rail and line dance with Rosemary Hall.

Don't wait a minute to sign up for this popular event. Deadline in Sept. 19 and the cost is \$8 per person. Please state your preference for steak (well, medium or rare) or chicken when registering.

• Dr. Nedra Downing, D.O., will discuss **alternative medicine** options on Sept. 26 at 7 p.m. in the Carriage House.

Dr. Downing combines traditional and alternative medicine. Her practice specializes in environmental and nutritional medicine and focuses on hormone balancing, osteoporosis diagnostics and treatment, and treatment for chronic high cholesterol and other common ailments.

All ages are welcome to attend this informative session.

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The cost per person is \$94 for a triple, \$99 for a double and \$129 for a single. \$50 deposit due at time of registration with the balance due Oct. 28.

Don't delay, this trip will go fast! Pick up a flyer at the senior center today.

• Make sure to stop by the center and check out all the great **fall fitness activities** on hand. Just a few of the activities available include: fall softball for men age 55 and over, horseshoes, bowling, Tai Chi, Strength and Stretch, aerobics and body recall classes.

To find out about these and many more great opportunities at the center, please call 248-625-8231.

The fall brochure is not yet available for classes through **Clarkston Community Education**. To make sure you don't miss a beat, check out these great courses:

• There are several **fitness classes** beginning this week (Sept 12) and next week including Take a Hike!, Desperate Housewives Work Out (as seen of Oprah), Hatha Yoga, soccer clinics for women, kickboxing, and Pilates.

• Computer ABC's will teach beginners computer terminology and an introduction to Microsoft Windows. Begins Sept. 14.

• One-Stroke Raccoon is for those who took One Stroke Beginning. Before long, participants will have cute little raccoons peeking from their picture. Please bring all your supplies. Begins Sept. 15.

• Exploratory Watercolors can be as individual and creative as participants wish. Make sure to bring an object the first night and learn to paint what inspires you. Begins Sept. 19.

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Whimsical Occasions

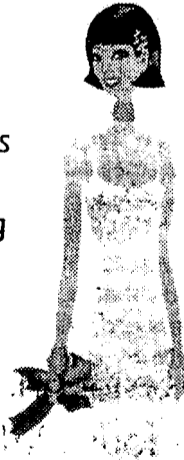
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The influence of "Who's on First" is seen everywhere from failed sitcom pilots to the most successful stand-up comedians' acts. For better or for worse, the routine is the center of all things comedy.

"Don't Dress for Dinner," the Clarkston Village Player's first production of the season, pays homage to Abbott and Costello's classic routine. The play is directed by Steve M. Cunningham and produced by Amy Seaman.

At the open, an English gentleman named Bernard (Jerry Payton) invites his mistress Suzanne (Lydia White) to his house for the weekend as his wife Jacqueline (played by Payton's real life wife Linda) is off to her mother's. To cover up his clandestine activities, Bernard has invited one of his oldest friends, Robert (Dale Dobson) to stay the weekend as well.

The thing is, Robert and Jacqueline are quite the item behind Bernard's back. When Jacqueline discovers Robert is heading into town, the trip to her mother's is history.

Now, with Jacqueline sticking around, Bernard has to convince Robert



"Like a game of reverse dominoes, 'Don't Dress for Dinner's' cast frantically sets up the pieces, then knocks them down in slow motion."

— Noah Purcell
on CVPs production of
"Don't Dress for Dinner"

to pretend that he and his mistress (Bernard's) are entangled romantically, which of course Robert is not inclined to do because Jacqueline will see him as being unfaithful to her. Bernard does manage to force the mistress ruse down Robert's throat, but Robert meets the cook, Suzette (Dawn Slaski) first and convinces her to pretend to be his mistress. Suzanne, Bernard's actual mistress and an upscale Londoner, swaddled in the finest clothes, is left to make dinner.

All this is laid out in the opening minutes of the play; the overall pacing of the show makes it ever more delightful.

Later on George, a brute of a man played by Mel Case, stops by to check on his Suzette, the cook, who happens to be his wife.

Many times, like in the opening, the audience is inundated with information as the characters hurriedly concoct new scenarios to keep themselves out of the soup.

Like a game of reverse dominoes, "Don't Dress for Dinner's" cast frantically sets up the pieces, then knocks them down in slow motion. The audience knows the characters' hastily drawn up

plans are doomed, but to watch them slowly catch fire before blowing up in their faces is just so satisfying.

The play's English setting made the characters' antics slightly foreign and in a way funnier. Fortunately, the most important detail of the British ambience — the accents — was paid due attention. The actors' English accents might not fool a bloke from east Liverpool, but all of the cast does well enough to avoid distraction. Basically, no one starts out with a high brow London inflection at the start of the production and ends with a working class cockney in the end.

And while on the subject of voice inflection, it was nice the entire cast did not seem to have been schooled by a Mary Poppins neophyte. Suzette the cook sounds like a well-worn working class cook; Suzanne the mistress keeps her nose towards the clouds and her accent proves it.

While all the characters have their moment to shine, Dobson's portrayal stands out from the rest and elevates the play on the whole.

For starters, Dobson's nonverbal act-

ing is a delight. I have three theories about Dobson's alternately crimson and pal face: one, he has microscopic robots who covertly coat his face in red paint as the situation dictates; two, the lighting staff at the Depot Theatre has perfected subtle lighting effects to ridiculous levels; or three, Dobson is steeped in his craft.

I don't have any support for my first two hypothesis, but the third is evidence by the depth of character Dobson breathes into the toddling and increasingly more and more inebriated Robert.

Like Dobson and his natural fit with his role, the Depot Theatre's unavoidable intimacy is well suited for this play.

Holly Stephens' set design is well conceived, as the living room of Bernard and Jacqueline's converted barn/country home only adds to the production.

"Don't Dress for Dinner's" run at the Depot Theatre includes Sept. 15-17 and 22-24.

Show times are 8 p.m. on Friday and Saturday, 7:30 p.m. on Thursday. Ticket are \$12 for Friday and Saturday performances and \$10 for Thursday.

Tickets are available for purchase through www.clarkstonvillageplayers.org or by calling 248-625-2511. They are also available by leaving a message via the Clarkston Village Players ticket line at 248-625-8811. Tickets may be purchased at the door the night of the performance however, availability can not be assured.

For more information, please visit the Web site or call 248-625-8811. The Clarkston Village Players and Depot Theatre are located at 4861 White Lake Road.

— Noah Purcell

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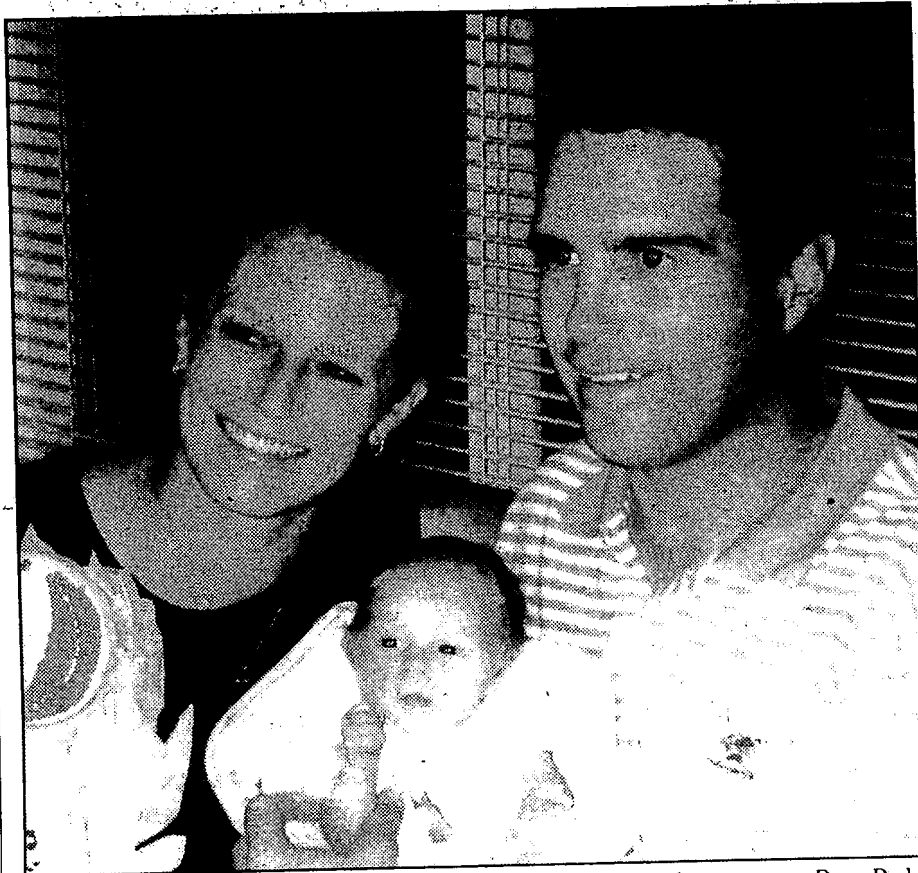
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Milestones

Welcome Olivia Walters



Mike and Jodi Walters of Tucson, Arizona are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter, Olivia Jordyn Walters, on July 1, 2005.

Olivia weighed 7 pounds, 4 ounces and was 19 1/4 inches long.

Proud grandparents are Rev. Robert and Beverly Walters of Clarkston and Jerry and Judy Trzcinski of Traverse City. Great-grandmother is Marvel Eastman of Farmington Hills.

Whitehead-Gordon to wed



Dave and Ellen Whitehead of Davisburg and Mary and Mark Austin of Clarkston are pleased to announce the engagement of their daughter Lindsay Whitehead of Davisburg to Scott Gordon of Clarkston, son of Jeff and Lynn Gordon of Clarkston.

The bride-to-be is a 2002 graduate of Clarkston High School. The prospective groom is a 2001 graduate of Clarkston High School, currently serving in the United States Navy.

A September 2005 wedding is planned.

Students achieve success

The following students recently graduated from Northwood University:

Jennifer J. Davis, parents are John and Edith Davis; **Jade M. Jackson**, parents are Lanny Jackson and Tina Easley; and **Morgan F. Keil**, parents are Francis and Cynthia Keil.

Spring 2005 Dean's List at Spring Arbor University: **Brian Bigger**, majoring in worship arts, the son of John and Diana Bigger; and **Megan Medina**, majoring in special education, the daughter of Kathryn Brady.

Jasmyn Touchstone was named to the President's List MSU for the spring

Two students were named to the



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Religion

Do I have your attention? Good.

I recall a student from many years ago. He was quite a day dreamer. Normally, it took great effort to keep his attention during a class lecture.

As frustrating as that could be for the teacher, it was worse for him. Oftentimes during the lecture, the teacher would have to call him back to reality in front of the whole class. The giggles and taunts of other students were not enough, however, to get him to listen.

Poor grades always marked his report card. Instructors often wrote phrases like "could do a lot more," and "has great potential if he would use it." Dedicated teachers tried to help by instructing him after school, but their help was to no avail. Finally, through a series of life-changing events, he finally climbed out of his cerebral stupor and excelled in school.

Sometimes God has to get our attention. We are, by nature, self-willed and wandering. The prophet Isaiah summed it up by saying, "All we like sheep have gone astray. We have turned, every one, to his own way..."

It's not flattering to be compared with sheep. Sheep are vulnerable to the point of self-destruction. Not too long ago, over 400 sheep stampeded off the edge of a cliff to escape the jaws of a few wolves. It would not have been cruel for their shepherds to stop them at the edge wielding big rods.

Spiritual Matters



Pastor Russ Reemtsma

Like sheep, we can ignorantly wander into danger zones. Proverbs 16:25 states, "There is a way that seems right to a man, but its end is the way of death." God often uses various life-altering events to get our attention and to pull us from the danger.

Like a good shepherd, the Lord uses a rod and staff. The rod that beats off the wolf also chastens the sheep. The Psalmist says, "Thy rod and thy staff, they comfort me" (Psalm 23:4). Strange as it seems, God's chastening can be a source of security to those who are in His fold.

Sometimes God uses pain to show us how we are far from Him. The harsh lesson of pain can lead us to realize that we are lost in sin and we need Him. God, in His wisdom, chose to put Himself through great pain in order that we might be forgiven. As a judge, He has to punish sin. As a Savior, He took the necessary punishment on the Cross for us that we might be free from the control and the consequences of sin.

John 3:16 says, "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life." God gave over His Son to die that we might live eternally. He took the painful punishment for us so that if we simply trust Him alone to forgive all of our sin, he will do so completely.

Are you listening?

(Russ Reemtsma is pastor at First Baptist Church of Clarkston.)

In our churches...

The Davisburg United Methodist Church is hosting its "Fall Revival" Sept. 18-20. On Sept. 18, the Men's Breakfast, with Rev. Alger Lewis speaking, is at 8 a.m. followed by a worship service at 10:45 a.m. with opening music by Randy and Marli Brown. There also is an evening service at 7 p.m. Rev. Lewis preaches at both. On Sept. 19 and 20, Rev. Lewis preaches at 7 p.m. services. Davisburg Methodist Church is located at 803 Broadway in Davisburg. For more information, call 248-634-3373.

The Clarkston United Methodist Church's 55 and Over Group invites the public to attend their program in the sanctuary on Sept. 16 at 1 p.m. Former Independence Township Clerk Joan McCreary will speak on how township government works and the absentee ballot. Clarkston United Methodist Church is located at 6600 Waldon Road. For more information, call 248-626-1611.

The Clarkston United Methodist Church hosts its Fall Youth Rally on Sept. 17 in the church parking lot and fellowship hall. All youth are welcome. The rally includes five giant inflatable games, popcorn, snowcones, cotton candy, food and fellowship. Middle school age kids (grades 6, 7, 8) attend from 5-7 p.m. and high school age kids (grades 9, 10, 11 and 12) attend from 8-11 p.m. The Clarkston United Methodist Church is located at 6600 Waldon Road. For more information call 248-625-1611.

"Exploring the Catholic Faith" is a series at St. Please see In Our Churches on page 7B



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Your Guide To Local Houses of Worship

ST. DANIEL CATHOLIC CHURCH
7010 Valley Park Dr., Clarkston
(W. of M-15, S. of I-75) 625-4580
Rev. Christopher Maus
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Sunday Masses: 7:30, 9:00 & 11:00 am
Nursery Available: 9:00 & 11:00 am
Religious Education: 625-1750
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6805 Bluegrass Drive, Clarkston
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Sunday Worship: 8:15 am
(traditional worship), 9:45 (blended worship)
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HOLLY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
207 E. Maple Street Holly, MI. 48442
248-634-9494
website: <http://www.hollypc.org>
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CLARKSTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
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Clarkston (248) 625-1323
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Kevin Kuehne, Michael Anderson, Dan Whiting
Sunday: Worship 9:30 & 11:00 am
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Sunday: Youth Ministries 5:00-7:00 pm
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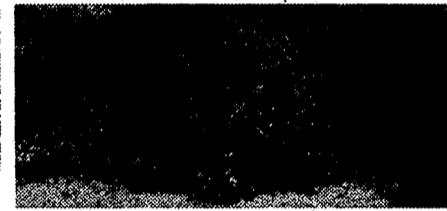


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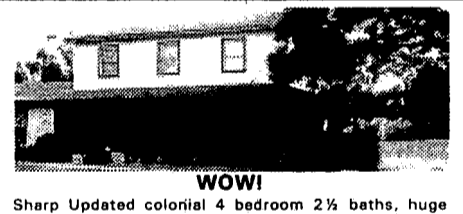
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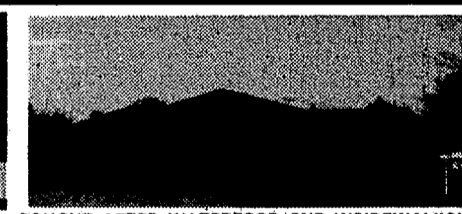


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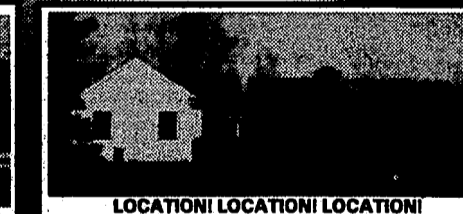


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• Bridge Beginning was the most requested new class for this term. Learn fundamentals and procedures from Life Master and Detroit News columnist Mary Smith. Starts Sept. 20.

• Novice Basic Obedience for Dogs begins Sept. 21. Work with experienced instructor Pat Hinson to cover all obedience exercises every dog family needs.

For information on these and the many other courses available, please call 248-623-4321.

The Clarkston Area Optimist Club presents Jeremy Kittel, Celtic and Jazz Fiddler, with Guitarist Bob Gerics on Oct. 7 at 7:30 p.m. in the Clarkston High School Performing Arts Center.

Tickets are \$4 for students and seniors and \$6 for adults. They are available at all elementary school main offices and at the Clarkston Schools Administrative office. Tickets will also be available at the door.

For more information on an enjoyable evening of entertainment, please call Ann Dutton at 248-625-6549.

Clarkston Community Education Center is hosting a 16-hour comprehensive seminar on the Michigan State builder's license examination.

The seminar is scheduled for Sept. 24 and Oct. 1, 8 and 15 from 8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

The course is for those who want to subcontract of their own homes, real estate investors and developers and building trades people who want to work legally in Michigan. The cost of the seminar is \$199 plus \$20 for the course textbook and sample questions.

Pre-registration with payment is required no later than Sept. 22. Please call 248-618-9260 to register.

Celebrate National Public Lands Day and the U.S. Forest Service Centennial on Sept. 24 at 6 p.m. for a free showing of "The Greatest Good."

The breathtaking and nostalgic footage in this two hour film covers the progression of policies, practices and controversy in the conservation and management of a previous resource.

our nation's public lands.

The event is sponsored by the U.S. Forest Service, Springfield Township Historical Society, North Oakland Headwaters Land Conservancy and the Springfield Township Fire Department.

The movie is showing from 7-9:30 p.m. at the Springfield Township Civic Center, upper level. Check in begins at 6 p.m.

Seating is limited and pre-registration is required through Springfield Township Parks and Recreation. Please go to www.springfield-twp.us/documents/registrationform.pdf or call 248-634-0412 to register.

The League of Woman Voters is hosting a City of the Village of Clarkston Council Candidate Night on Oct. 24 at 7 p.m. in the Independence Township Library.

Four candidates have filed for three open 2-year terms. All citizens of the district are invited to attend the forum as an opportunity to meet and address questions to the candidates.

During the forum, each candidate will be given two minutes to present an opening address to the audience. A question and answer period will follow where each candidate is given one minute to answer each question. All questions are submitted in writing by members of the audience and presented to the candidates by an LWVOA moderator.

In anticipation of the Springfield Township's fall celebration of the U.S. Forest Service 100th anniversary, the Springfield Township Historical Society is seeking any information about nearby residents that may have served in the Civilian Conservation Corps.

In 1933, President Roosevelt and the 73rd Congress put into place the Emergency Conservation Work Act (ECW) and formed the CCC to employ young men to plant trees in our decimated forests. The CCC operated until 1942 when funding was abolished by Congress and the nation dedicated to war.

If you or someone you know was part of the CCC, please contact Carol Richards at 248-634-3208.

Obituaries

Rita Joan Armand

Rita Joan Armand, of Clarkston, passed away on September 10, 2005 after a long battle with cancer. She was 68 years old.

Mrs. Armand was the loving wife of Dick for 49 years; beloved mother of Debbie (Rob) Davis of Clarkston, Rick (Karen) of White Lake, Ed (Barb) of Cadillac and John (Terri) of Maryland; known as "Ma" to Tim (Stacia) Minton of Georgia and Joe (Pam) Messing of Holly; loving grandmother of Tara (Ron), Lauren, Zach, Amanda, Rickey, Jessica, Ashley, James, Matthew, Kristin, Chris, Alexis, Amber and Michael; and loving great-grandmother of Zach.

She was also the sister of Jack Walsh, Joe Walsh and Carol Crane, all of Paducah, Kentucky. Mrs. Armand was preceded in death by her parents Clifford and Carrie Walsh, brother Jim and sisters Marion and Susie.

Mrs. Armand was a member of Our Lady of the Lakes Catholic Church, where she was captain of the Eucharistic Ministers. She was a 1987 graduate of Clarkston High School and was lifelong office manager of Armand Dewatering.



A Funeral Mass was held on September 14, 2005 at Our Lady of the Lakes Catholic Church in Waterford. A Rosary Service was held on September 13, 2005 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home. Rite of Committal in All Saints Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society. www.wintfuneralhome.com

In Our Churches

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Daniel Catholic Church exploring Catholic belief and tradition. The series starts Sept. 25 and takes place in the Cushing Center Lounge from 10-11 a.m., Sunday mornings. Orientations about the classes, becoming Catholic and actively practicing faith are scheduled for Sept. 11 and 18 from 10-11 a.m. For more information, call Frieda Arpoika at 248-625-1750. St. Daniel is located at 7010 Valley Park.

Men and women of all ages and faiths are welcome to participate in a divorce recovery program workshop dealing with the painful issues of divorce, while promoting recovery and healing. The group meets Tuesdays, starting Sept. 6 from 7-9 p.m. for four weeks in the Cushing Center of St. Daniel Catholic Church at 7010 Valley Park. There is no cost to attend. For more information contact Marge at 248-627-8662 or Bethany at

www.bethanyofsoutheastmichigan.org

The FEAST resumes Sept. 14 and continues on Wednesdays through November 16 at Calvary Lutheran Church. The event includes a catered dinner at 6 p.m., Praise and Worship at 6:45 p.m. and classes for all ages from 7:15-8:30 p.m. The nursery is staffed from 6:30-8:30 p.m. All are welcome. Calvary Lutheran is located at 6805 Bluegrass Drive. For more info call 248-625-3288.

The Episcopal Church of the Resurrection hosts "Luke's Gospel" Bible study Wednesdays from Sept. 7 to Dec. 14. The morning study is from 9:30-11:00 a.m. and evening study is from 7-8:30 p.m. All fall programs are open to the community. The Episcopal Church of the Resurrection is located at 6490 Clarkston Road. For more information call 248-625-2325.

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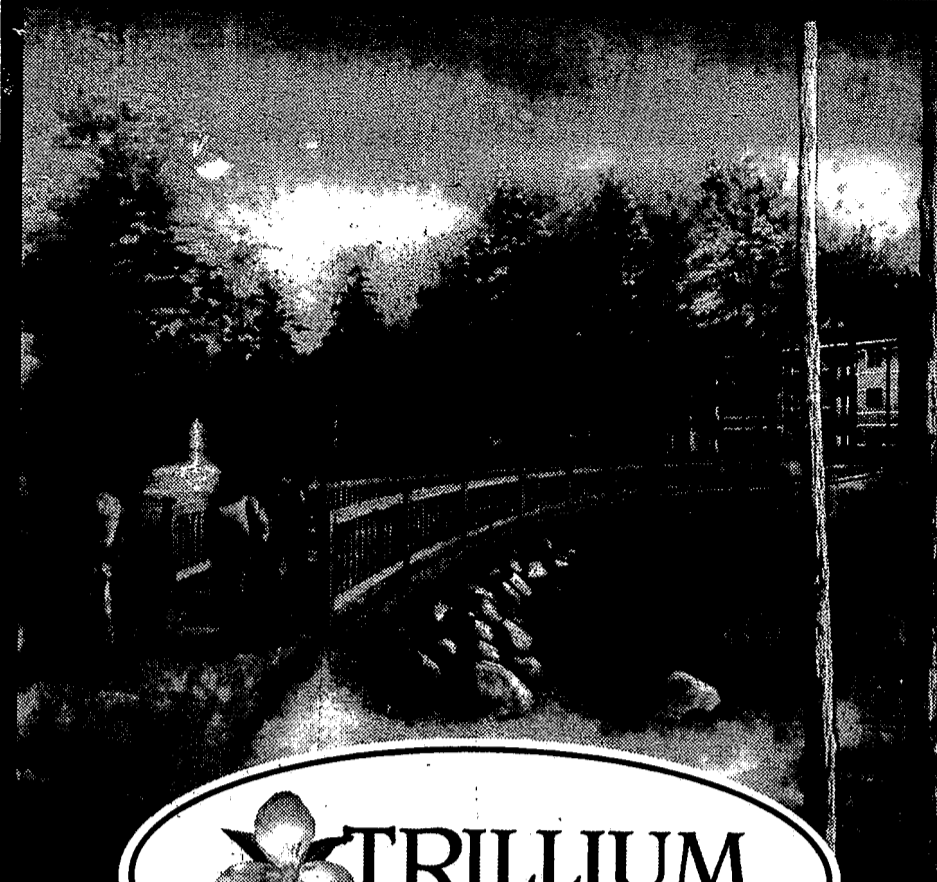
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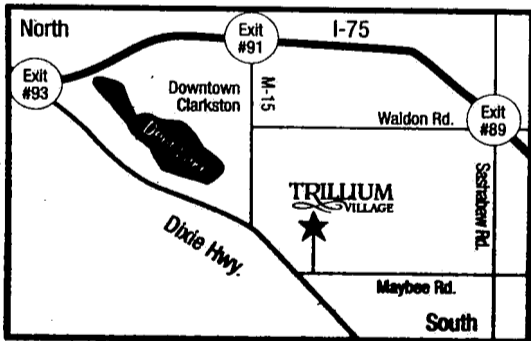
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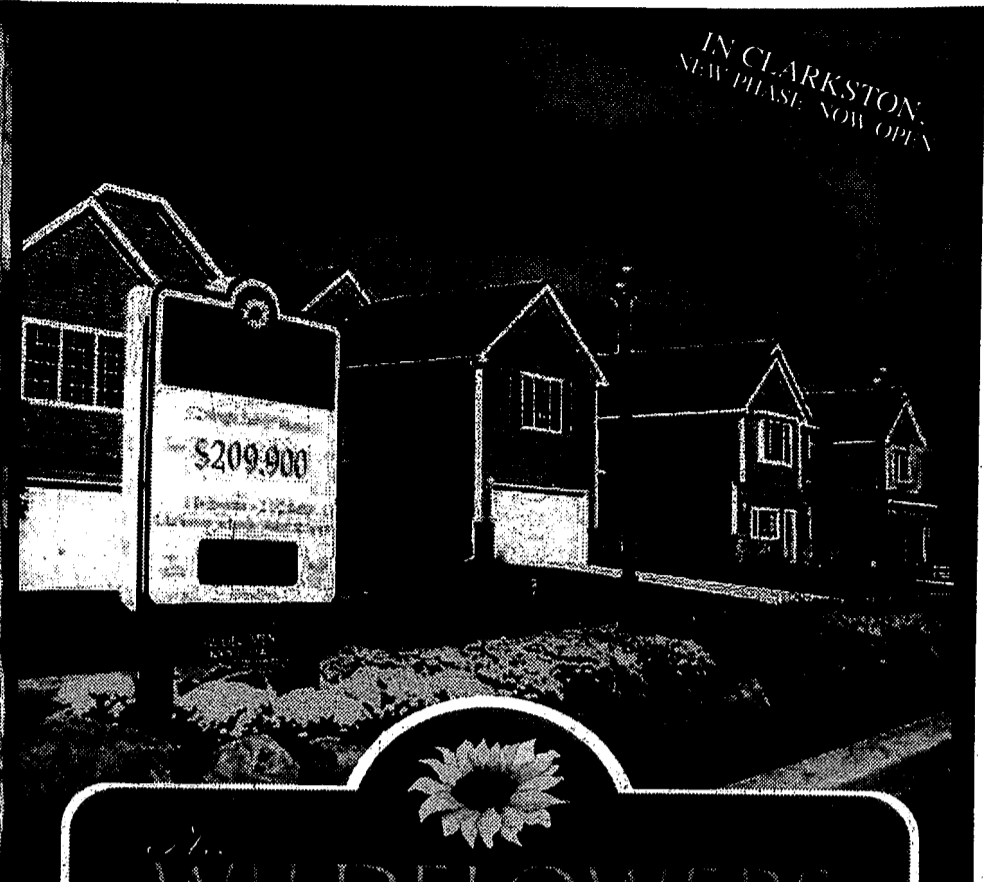
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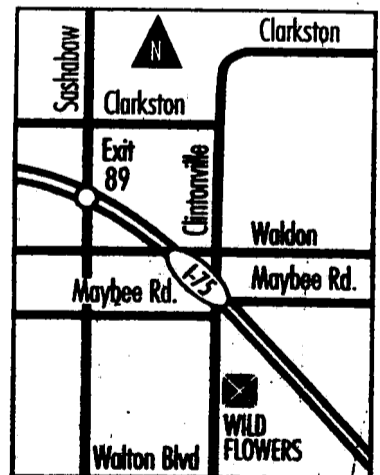
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The Bertolini family in front of Spartan Stadium on Sept. 10. Photo provided

Bertolini

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Harvard. The professor asked him to be on the Steering Committee of the eGovernment Compass Project of the John F. Kennedy School of Government and the relationship flourished.

While fervently working to expand Oakland County's technology, Bertolini believes getting the technology is the easier part.

"I believe technology is the easy part because there are technologies now that will do anything you want them to. The hard part is what are you going to do with it once you get it. I'm a firm believer that the technology doesn't prove any benefit until its incorporated into the business process and people accept or absorb the technology," he said.

Bertolini believes the credit for Oakland County's technology initiatives goes to L. Brooks Patterson who brought him aboard and has been a mentor.

"He's a visionary. We've been able to change government. I measure success on the services we provide because we're not a profit making organization," said Bertolini.

"I believe we're on the cutting edge, always looking for the next best thing to provide our citizens," he continued.

Bertolini started working with Oakland County in 1988 as an appraiser. In 2001, Patterson appointed him the Director of Information Technology. Prior to that, he served as the Administrator of Equalization. Patterson appointed him Deputy County Executive in January 2005.

Bertolini graduated from Michigan State University in 1985 with a degree in telecommunications, an experience he says is invaluable, although he did not always use the telecommunications aspect of his degree until his 2001 appointment.

"Students have to watch out for themselves. You have to come out with a degree. That degree will open doors. How much you use it will depend on what you put in it. Your experiences carry with you," he said.

"I used the communications aspect of my degree more than anything. Young people today could learn that. You have to be able to communicate in this world to move forward. That was a valuable tool for me coming from MSU," said Bertolini.

The university continues to play a major role in his life and family. As a member in the Spartan Marching Band, Bertolini played the sousaphone at venues across the country including the third game of the 1984 World Series at Tiger Stadium.

Bertolini started playing the trumpet the fifth

grade until fate stepped in.

"After an accident the trumpet broke and we couldn't replace it so my dad told me to grab anything that was available to play, so I ended up with the sousaphone," said Bertolini.

The Big Ten college football experience caught on with Bertolini's wife Kathleen and their two sons, Bradley 9, and Steven, 7. Bradley takes drum lessons and wants to be a drummer for the MSU Marching Band. The Bertolinis traveled to East Lansing this weekend where Bertolini played in the Alumni Band throughout the game day against Hawaii. Bertolini has played in the band every year since he graduated.

The Bertolini boys also have tremendous interest in computers, not surprisingly, as they are developing aptitudes at an early age.

"With some things it's important to be exposed to it early on. Exposure to technology will do nothing but benefit them... Computer skills are a main requirement to succeed into today's work environment," said Bertolini.

Bertolini attributes much of his success to Kathleen, who is a reading specialist in West Bloomfield.

"She has been there to push me along and been there for me when I need her."

He said her parents, who escaped from Budapest, Hungary during the 1956 revolution, worked hard their whole lives and taught her a great work ethic.

"She definitely got the work ethic from her parents. She worked 40 hours a week to get through college... She never backs down from work. She still gets excited the first day of school. She loves what she does," said Bertolini.

"You have both of us in pretty demanding situations, but she still makes time to be with the family as we both try to do," said Bertolini.

Besides cheering the MSU band and football team, the Bertolinis enjoy skiing together. Bertolini also enjoys golf.

To all Sashabaw Plains Cemetery lot owners:

Sashabaw Cemetery Association is calling a special meeting of all to owners regarding transfer of ownership of Sashabaw Plains Cemetery to be held at Sashabaw Presbyterian Church, 5300 Maybee Road, Clarkston, MI, in September 2005. For exact date and time call 248-391-2504 or 248-673-7370.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON INCREASING PROPERTY TAXES

The Board of the Charter Township of Independence will hold a public hearing on a proposed increase of .0454 mills in the operating tax millage rate to be levied in 2005.

The hearing will be held on Tuesday, September 20, 2005, at 7:30 p.m. at the Independence Township Library, 6495 Clarkston Road, Clarkston, MI, 48346.

The date and location of the meeting to take action on the proposed additional millage will be announced at this public meeting.

If adopted, the proposed additional millage will increase operating revenues from ad valorem property taxes 4.6% over such revenues generated by levies permitted without holding a hearing. If the proposed additional millage rate is not approved, the operating revenue will increase by 4.3% over the preceding year's operating revenue.

The taxing unit publishing this notice and identified below, has complete authority to establish the number of mills to be levied from within its authorized millage rate.

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TOWNSHIP BOARD AGENDA

7:30 P.M.
TOWNSHIP LIBRARY

DATE: September 20, 2005

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call
4. Opening Statements and Correspondence
5. Approval of Agenda
6. Public Forum - *Individuals in the audience have the opportunity to address the Township Board on an issue that is not on the agenda, limiting their comments to not more than three minutes.*
7. Consent Agenda:
 - a. Approval of Minutes of September 6, 2005 meeting
 - b. Approval of Purchase Orders
 - c. Approval of Accounts Payable Check Run
- Unfinished Business
 1. Second Reading and Adoption of a rezoning request from R-1R to PRO-R-1A, 6150 and 6140 Waldon Road, West of Sashabaw, 11.96 acres, 08-21-400-032, 033 and 013
- New Business
 1. Truth in Taxation Hearing
 2. Oakland Woods Baptist Church proposal
 3. Approval of the Clarkston Area Youth Assistance Committee Members for the years 2005-2006
 4. Permission to hire a new employee - Operations Specialist III
 5. Permission to purchase a new pick-up truck
 6. Permission for paving improvements at cemetery
 7. Oakland County Radio Project

Items removed from Consent Agenda for action or discussion will be moved to the last item under Unfinished Business. Only those matters that are listed on the agenda are to be considered for action. A majority vote of the Board members may add or delete an agenda item.

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SYNOPSIS

- TAKEN BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD
THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE
Supervisor Wagner called the September 6, 2005, meeting to order at 7:30 p.m., at the Independence Township Library.
- Pledge of Allegiance
Roll Call: Present: Rosso, VanderVeen, Wagner, Travis, Wenger, Dunn, Kelly
Absent: None
There is a quorum.
1. Approval of the Agenda as amended
 2. Approval of the Consent Agenda
 - Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting of August 19, 2005
 - Approval of Accounts Payable Check Run in the amount of \$428,871.41
 - Approval of Purchase Orders in the amount of \$422,920.41
 3. Approved motion to form a committee to study issue of legal defense fund
 4. Denied motion to amend ballot language for September 8 certification
 5. Approved motion to rescind the July 5, 2005, motion of the Township Board of Trustees adopting the Ordinance Amending Fire Prevention Code and Open Burning Regulations
 6. Approved motion to adopt the Ordinance amending Fire Prevention Code and Open Burning Regulations, without changes and after second reading of said Ordinance
 7. Approved motion to accept bid for restoration of McCord property
 8. Approved motion to accept bid for construction of Pole Building for Facilities/Maintenance and Safety Path
 9. Approved motion to enter into closed session at 9:22 p.m.
 10. Approved motion to reopen the Regular meeting at 9:40 p.m.
 11. Approved motion to adjourn at 9:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Shelagh VanderVeen
Township Clerk

Published: September 14, 2005

PUBLIC NOTICE
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INDEPENDENCE TWP.

STATE OF MICHIGAN
COUNTY OF OAKLAND
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE
**SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT TO
FIRE PREVENTION CODE ORDINANCE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at its meeting on September 6, 2005, at 7:30 p.m., the Charter Township of Independence Board of Trustees held the second reading and approved an Amendment to the Township Fire Prevention Code, which Amendment is summarized below. A true copy of the adopted Ordinance can be inspected or obtained at the office of the Charter Township of Independence Clerk, 90 North Main Street, Clarkston, Michigan, 48346.

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS FOR INCORPORATION INTO THE TOWNSHIP CODE:

Section 1 of Ordinance

Chapter 9, Article II, Section 9-16 has been amended to adopt the 2003 Edition of the International Fire Code (the "IFC"), including Appendices B-D, and provide for certain amendments, deletions, and/or additions as follows:

Amends Sec. 101.1 of the IFC regarding the title of the Charter Township of Independence Fire Prevention Code (the "Code").

Amends Sec. 102.1 of the IFC regarding the applicability of the Code to new and existing conditions.

Amends Sec. 102.2 of the IFC regarding exemptions under the Code.

Amends Sec. 102.6 of the IFC regarding referenced codes, ordinances and standards in the Code.

Amends Sec. 102.10 of the IFC regarding applicability of state law in the event of a conflict with the Code.

Deletes Sec. 103 of the IFC regarding the Department of Fire Prevention from the Code.

Adds Sec. 104.12 of the IFC regarding those parties with enforcement authority under the Code.

Amends Sec. 109.3 of the IFC regarding penalties for violation of the Code.

Adds Sec. 109.4 of the IFC to provide for restitution under the Code.

Adds Sec. 112.1 of the IFC to provide for penalty in the Code for improper summoning of the fire department.

Adds Sec. 112.2 of the IFC to provide for penalty in the Code for improper activation of fire alarm systems in the Township.

Adds Sec. 304.4 of the IFC regarding location of dumpsters under the Code.

Deletes Sec. 307 of the IFC regarding open burning from the Code.

Adds Sec. 311.5 of the IFC regarding securing buildings damaged by fire to the Code.

Adds Sec. 401.6 of the IFC regarding boarding or tampering with fire department vehicles to the Code.

Adds Sec. 401.7 of the IFC prohibiting vehicles from crossing fire hoses to the Code.

Amends Sec. 501.2 of the IFC Definitions to amend the definition of Fire Apparatus Access Road; to add the definition of Primary Fire Apparatus Access Road; to add the definition of Secondary Fire Apparatus Access Road; and, to add the definition of Security Gate to the Code.

Amends Sec. 503.6 of the IFC regarding security gates by amending Sections 503.6.1, 503.6.2, 503.6.3, and 503.6.4 of the IFC in the Code.

Adds Sec. 508.5.7 of the IFC regarding installation and location of fire hydrants to the Code.

Adds Sec. 508.5.8 of the IFC regarding blocking fire hydrants and fire department connections to the Code.

Adds Sec. 508.6 of the IFC regarding prohibited hydrant use to the Code.

Adds Sec. 508.7 of the IFC regarding tampering with fire hydrants to the Code.

Adds Sec. 906.11 of the IFC prohibiting sale of defective fire extinguishers to the Code.

Adds Sec. 912.7 of the IFC providing for fire department connections to the Code.

Establishes Michigan Department of Transportation regulations as being the limits referred to in Sec. 3204.3.1.1. of the IFC

Establishes NFPA 30 Table 2-7 with Michigan Amendments "Flammable & Combustible Liquids Rules" as the limits referred to in Sec. 3404.2.9.5.2 of the IFC.

Establishes NFPA 30 with Michigan Amendments "Flammable & Combustible Liquids Rules" as the limits referred to in Sec. 3406.2.4.4 of the IFC.

Establishes NFPA/ANSI 58-1992 standards as the limits of Sec. 3804.2 of the IFC.

Section 2 of Ordinance

Chapter 9, Article III, Section 9-54 (c) (1) has been amended to permit the township fire official to allow open burning on public and private roads with certain conditions.

Section 3 of Ordinance

Repeals the 2000 Edition of the International Fire Code.

Section 4 of Ordinance

Severs provisions found to be invalid from the remainder of the ordinance.

Section 5 of Ordinance

Saves rights and liabilities acquired under existing ordinance.

Section 6 of Ordinance

Provides for effective date of the ordinance.

CERTIFICATION

It is certified that the foregoing Ordinance was duly adopted by the Township Board of the Charter Township of Independence on the 6th day of September, 2005.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE

By: Shelagh VanderVeen, Clerk

Introduced: 7/5/05
Adopted: 9/6/05
Published: 8/10/05 and 9/14/05
Effective Date: 9/14/05

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE
COUNTY OF OAKLAND, STATE OF MICHIGAN
**SUMMARY OF PROPOSED ZONING
ORDINANCE TEXT AMENDMENTS**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at its regular meeting on August 16, 2005, the Charter Township of Independence Board of Trustees will consider adoption of an ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 83, the Charter Township of Independence Zoning Ordinance, to amend Article V, Section 5.03 for the purpose of changing certain regulations pertaining to the construction of accessory buildings and structures. A full copy of this Ordinance is on file in the Township Clerk's Office for public review and inspection. The following is a summary of the Ordinance:

SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE

The Charter Township of Independence, Oakland County, Michigan, hereby ordains:

Section I

Section 5.03.1.b Section 5.03.1.b is amended to permit a combination of both detached and attached accessory garages, in addition to providing for attached or detached accessory garages.

Section 5.03.1.b (2) Subparagraph (2) is amended to provide that maximum allowable floor space for accessory garages is either 50% of the total floor area of the principal dwelling or the particular square footage provided in this Subparagraph as to each district, whichever is greater.

Section 5.03.1.b (3) Subparagraph (3) is amended to provide that the maximum allowable floor space for a combination of detached and attached garages shall not exceed the amount set forth in Subparagraph (2) of this Subsection.

Section 5.03.1.b (4) Subparagraph (4) is amended to permit that, in addition to garage uses, the use of an attached residential garage for storage, or other uses incidental to the principal dwelling is permitted, if the area requirements are met.

Section 5.03.1.c The term "storage" to the section heading of Section 5.03.1.c.

Section 5.03.1.c (1) Subparagraph (1) is amended to change the standards for permitting detached accessory storage buildings from zoning district based regulations to parcel or lot area based regulations.

Section 5.03.1.c (2) Subparagraph (2) is amended to change the table of floor area regulations pertaining to detached accessory storage buildings to set forth parcel or lot area based regulations in place of the previous zoning district based regulations.

Section 5.03.1.c (3) Subparagraph (3) is added to permit the property owner to add the maximum allowable floor space of a detached storage building to the maximum allowable floor space for a detached accessory garage when both are contained in a single building.

Section 5.03.1.d The table of regulations for setback and height requirements set forth in Section 5.03.1.d is amended to reduce maximum for detached accessory buildings from 16 feet to 14 feet.

Section 5.03.1.e Section 5.03.1.e is amended to increase the number of detached supplemental accessory buildings permitted from the previous one building to two buildings, and increase the total floor area permitted from 150 to 300 square feet.

Section 5.03.1.f Section 5.03.1.f is amended to provide that as opposed to the regulations regarding decks set forth in this Section, the Township will determine deck regulations within a PUD, PRD or cluster lot development on a site plan by site plan basis.

Section II

Contains severance clause.

Section III

Contains savings clause.

Section IV

Contains effective date.

SHELAGH VANDERVEEN,
TOWNSHIP CLERK

Published: 9/14/05

PUBLIC NOTICE
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Planning Commission of Independence Township, Oakland County Michigan, will hold a Public Hearing on:

September 22, 2005 at 7:30 p.m.

at the Independence Township Library, 6495 Clarkston Road, Clarkston, Michigan 48346, to consider the following:

FILE PC#2005-022

Irvin Bond, Petitioner

**REQUEST SPECIAL LAND USE APPROVAL
IN CONJUNCTION WITH CONCEPTUAL SITE PLAN**

R-1R Cluster Lot Development

18.41 Acres, R-1R Zone

08-05-101-055, Pt of 08-05-101-054 and 064

Intended Use: Single Family Residential

Common Description: E Side of Allen Rd. S of Oak Hill

Any further information regarding the above Public Hearing may be obtained at the Township Planning Office during regular office hours 8:00 am to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, or by phone at (248)625-8111.

Shelagh VanderVeen, CLERK

Published: August 24, 2005

PUBLIC NOTICE
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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE
COUNTY OF OAKLAND, STATE OF MICHIGAN
**SUMMARY OF PROPOSED ZONING
ORDINANCE TEXT AMENDMENTS**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at its regular meeting on August 16, 2005, the Charter Township of Independence Board of Trustees will consider adoption of an ordinance to amend Ordinance No. 83, the Charter Township of Independence Zoning Ordinance, to amend Article III, Section 3.01 for the purpose of adding definitions to the Zoning Ordinance, to amend Article V, Section 5.11 for the purpose of changing certain regulations pertaining to wireless communication facilities in the Township, to amend Article V, Section 5.12 for the purpose of changing certain regulations regarding site plan review, and to amend Article V, Section 5.22 for the purpose of changing certain regulations relating to site condominium projects. A full copy of this Ordinance is on file in the Township Clerk's Office for public review and inspection. The following is a summary of the Ordinance:

SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE

The Charter Township of Independence, Oakland County, Michigan, hereby ordains:

Section I

Section 3.01 **Definitions.** The definitions of "condominium", "condominium documents", "condominium unit", "general common elements", "limited common elements", "master deed", "site condominium", "building envelope", "building site", "wireless communications facilities", "attached wireless communications facilities", "wireless communication support structures", and "collocation", have been added to the Zoning Ordinance. All other definitions are unchanged.

Section 5.11.2 **Wireless Communication Facilities.** Subsection (2) is amended to delete all existing definitions from this section and replace them with reference to those definitions contained in Article III, Section 3.01.

Section 5.11.3 **Authorization Subsection.** Subsection (3) is amended to change circumstances under which a new wireless communication facility shall be deemed a permitted use.

Section 5.11.5 **Application Requirements.** Subsection (5) (a) is amended to change certain application requirements pertaining to application for construction of wireless communication facilities to include application requirements for existing structures.

Section 5.12.1 **Site Plan Review in Use Districts Required.** Subsection 1 is amended to add the OS-1, OS-2, and IOP use districts to those districts for which site plans are required. It is also amended to delete subparagraphs a through g replacing them with a through c to clarify circumstances under which a site plan would and would not be required.

Section 5.12.2 **Application Form.** Subsection 2 is amended to add the requirement of including, with site plan application materials, a statement of intent to develop property pursuant to the Condominium Act, if applicable.

Section 5.22.1 **Condominium projects.** Subsection 1 is amended to repeal the definitions pertaining to "site condominium" project and replace them with an *Intent* Subsection to require a "condominium" project to be constructed in accordance with the standards of the Township Zoning Ordinance and other applicable Township regulations and standards.

Section 5.22.2 **Approval requirement.** Subsection 2 is amended to delete the introductory paragraph, leaving only the list of plan approval requirements for a "condominium".

Section 5.22.3 **Conceptual site plan approval.** Subsection 3 is amended to remove the term "site" from the Subsection leaving the same provisions to apply to all "condominiums" and not just "site condominiums".

Section 5.22.4 **Final site plan approval.** Subsection 4 is amended to replace the term "approval" with the term "recommendation" in Subparagraph a of Subsection 4. The remainder of the provisions of Subsection 4 are unchanged.

Section 5.22.5 **Final site plan approval.** Subsection 5 is amended to delete provisions regarding compliance with regulations in the Subdivision Ordinance and to permit, with Planning Commission approval, the issuance of building permits for buildings to be constructed prior to the completion of other site improvements, provided the applicant has submitted a suitable performance guarantee.

Section 5.22.6 **Additional regulations applicable to site condominium projects.** Subsection 6, Subparagraph a is amended to capitalize the term "zoning ordinance". Subparagraph b is amended to include reference to the Development Design Standards Ordinance and Subdivision Control Ordinance to clarify that those Ordinances apply in review of site plans. Additionally, the term "preliminary plans" has been changed to "conceptual site plans". Subparagraph d has been amended to permit a temporary certificate of occupancy to be issued by the Director of Building and Planning upon the developer, providing a suitable financial guarantee pursuant to Section 5.12.7. The remainder of Subsection 6 is unchanged.

Section II

Contains severance clause.

Section III

Contains savings clause.

Section IV

Contains effective date.

SHELAGH VANDERVEEN,
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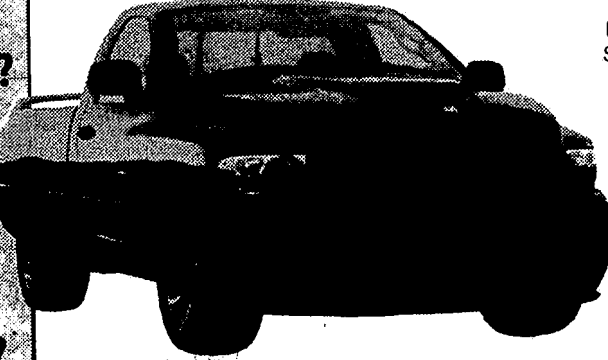
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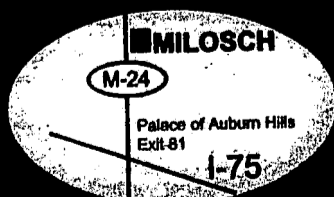

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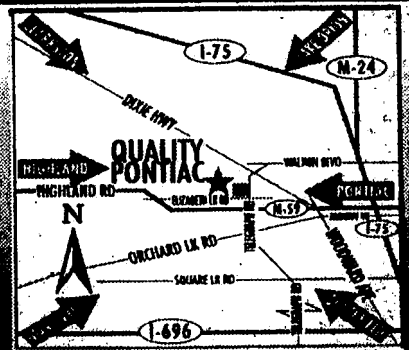
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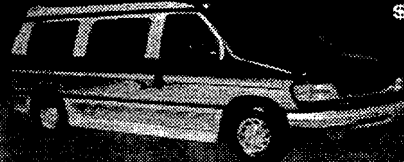
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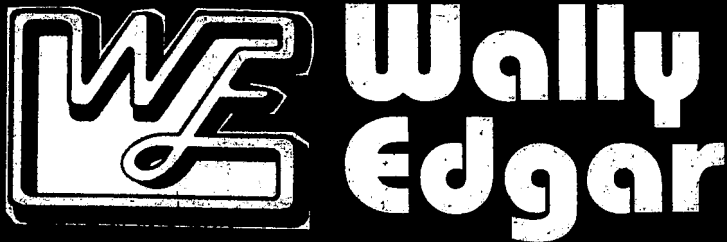
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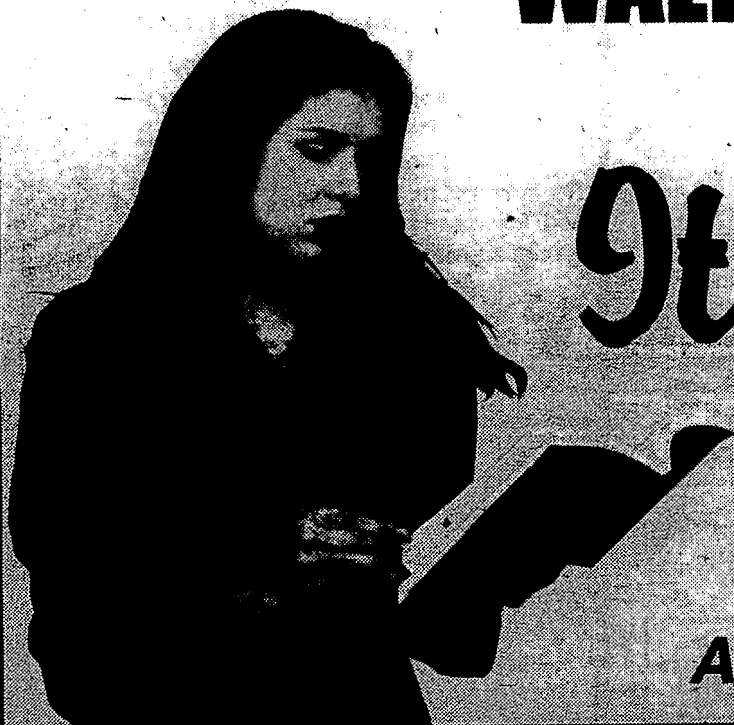
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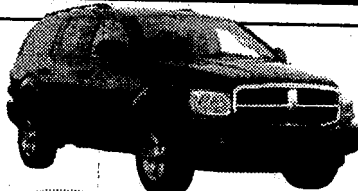


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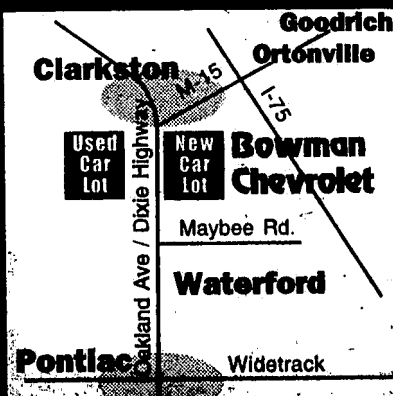
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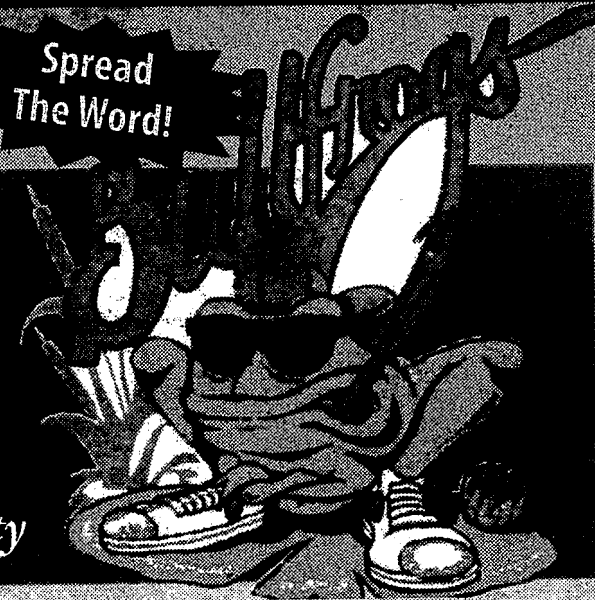
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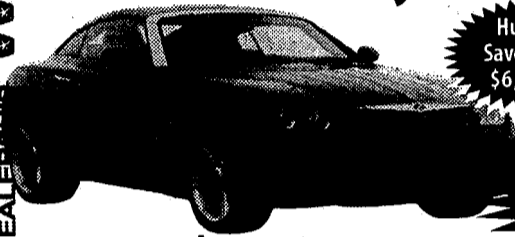


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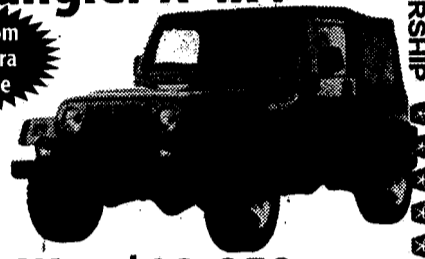
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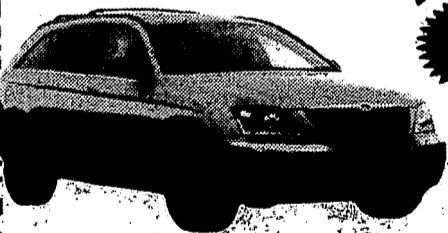
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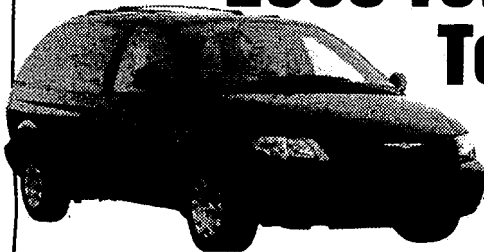
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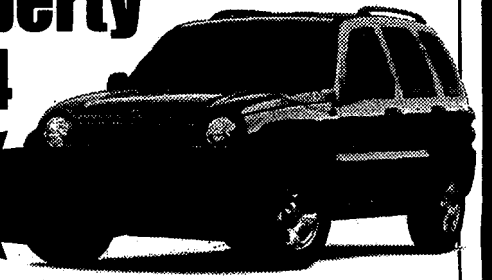
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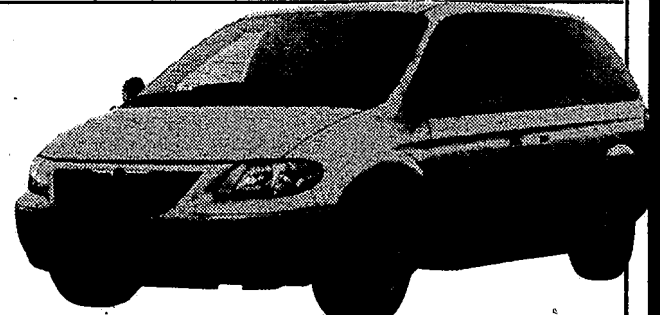
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