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ORCO plan 'excessive'

Would be the highest density development ever allowed

BY JENNY MATTESON
Clarkston News Editor

With speculation concerning a possible "big box" development sent to the back burner, the Independence Township Planning Commission did not provide favorable remarks to Orco Investments after an Oct. 6 public hearing on their newest proposal.

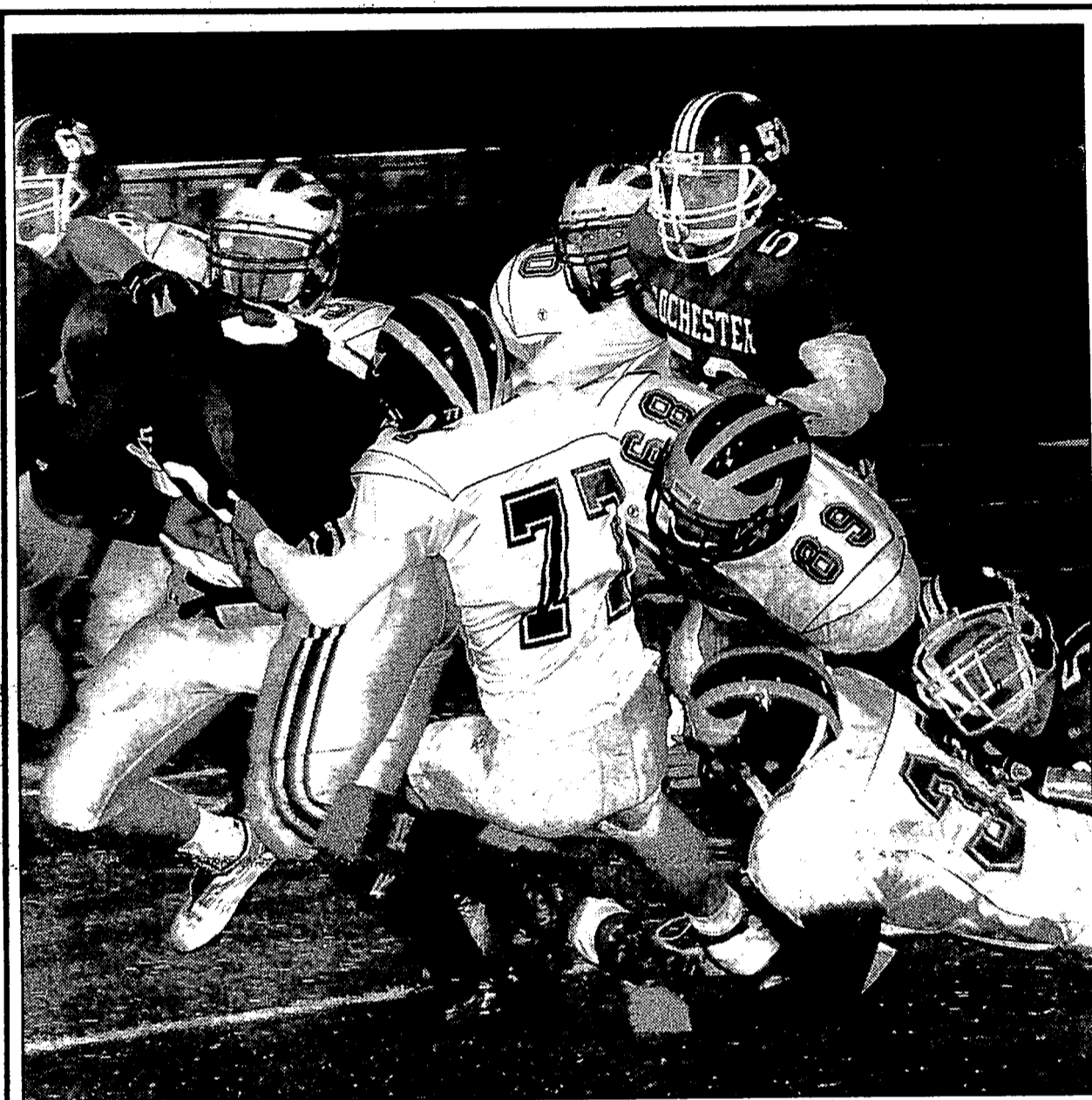
In fact, commissioners shared a common opinion that Orco did not pass the four criteria required to submit a development plan under Site Specific Relief Authorization, part of Section 5.30 of the Independence Township Zoning Ordinance.

In their first public presentation, Orco showed plans to develop approximately 70 acres located in the southwest corner of the I-75 and Sashabaw Road intersection, north of Waldon Road.

The plan includes two options, both including a small portion of commercial development and varying degrees of residential. Plan B calls for 476 dwellings (134 single family, 186 townhomes and 156 condominiums) and Plan C lists 532 dwellings (120 single family, 214 townhomes and 198 condominiums).

Plan A, a rezoning request filed in February, called for two regional chain stores (with Wal-Mart and Lowe's being named at one point), restaurants, hotel.

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Breaking in

With a win 43-7 over Rochester on Oct. 7, Clarkston is eligible for the 2005 MHSAA football playoffs. Read about the game and what's next for the Wolves on page 20A. Clarkston's defense has not allowed more than one touchdown to be scored against them in each of their last three games.
Photo by Noah Purcell

Senior Center land sale final

The final agreement between the Clarkston Community School District and Independence Township concerning land for a new Independence Township Senior Center was signed on Oct. 10.

Superintendent Al Roberts and Independence Township Supervisor Dave Wagner were both present at the Clarkston School Board meeting this past Monday to confirm the sale of land.

"The township has been growing by leaps and bounds, and this senior center is something we really need," said Wagner.

Roberts commented on his anticipation to see the results from months of work to make the land acquisition a possibility.

"Whenever the township and schools work together to help the community, it's a good thing," added Roberts.

Look in next week's edition of *The Clarkston News* for full details on the sale.

RCOC official arrested for drunk driving

BY JAMES MARTINEZ
Clarkston News Staff Writer

An official with the Road Commission for Oakland County was arrested on suspicion of operating his county-owned vehicle while intoxicated, said Oakland County Undersheriff Michael McCabe.

RCOC Board Chairman Rudy Lozano, 62, was pulled over Oct. 7 by police near his home on Dixie Highway close to Northcrest Drive shortly after midnight.

Police received a complaint from the Clarkston Ambulatory Care Center reporting a subject suspected of being intoxicated leaving the area. Someone matching the description was seen getting into a vehicle.

After pulling over the vehicle, the officer suspected

Lozano of driving while intoxicated after he failed field sobriety tests, said Oakland County Undersheriff Michael McCabe who confirmed Lozano's P.B.T. results were above the legal limit to be operating a motor vehicle.

Lozano was lodged in Oakland County Jail for approximately twelve hours and then released after posting bond, according to McCabe. The undersheriff estimated arraignment may not occur for 15 days.

According to RCOC's Web site, Rudy Lozano was elected the RCOC board chairman at the Jan. 14, 2005 meeting. He previously served as chairman from 1992-1996 and in 1999 and 2000.

Lozano is a Clarkston-area realty agent, said the Web-site.

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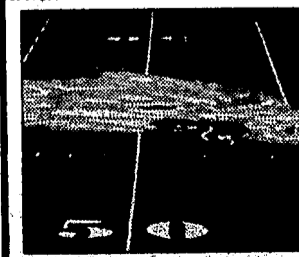
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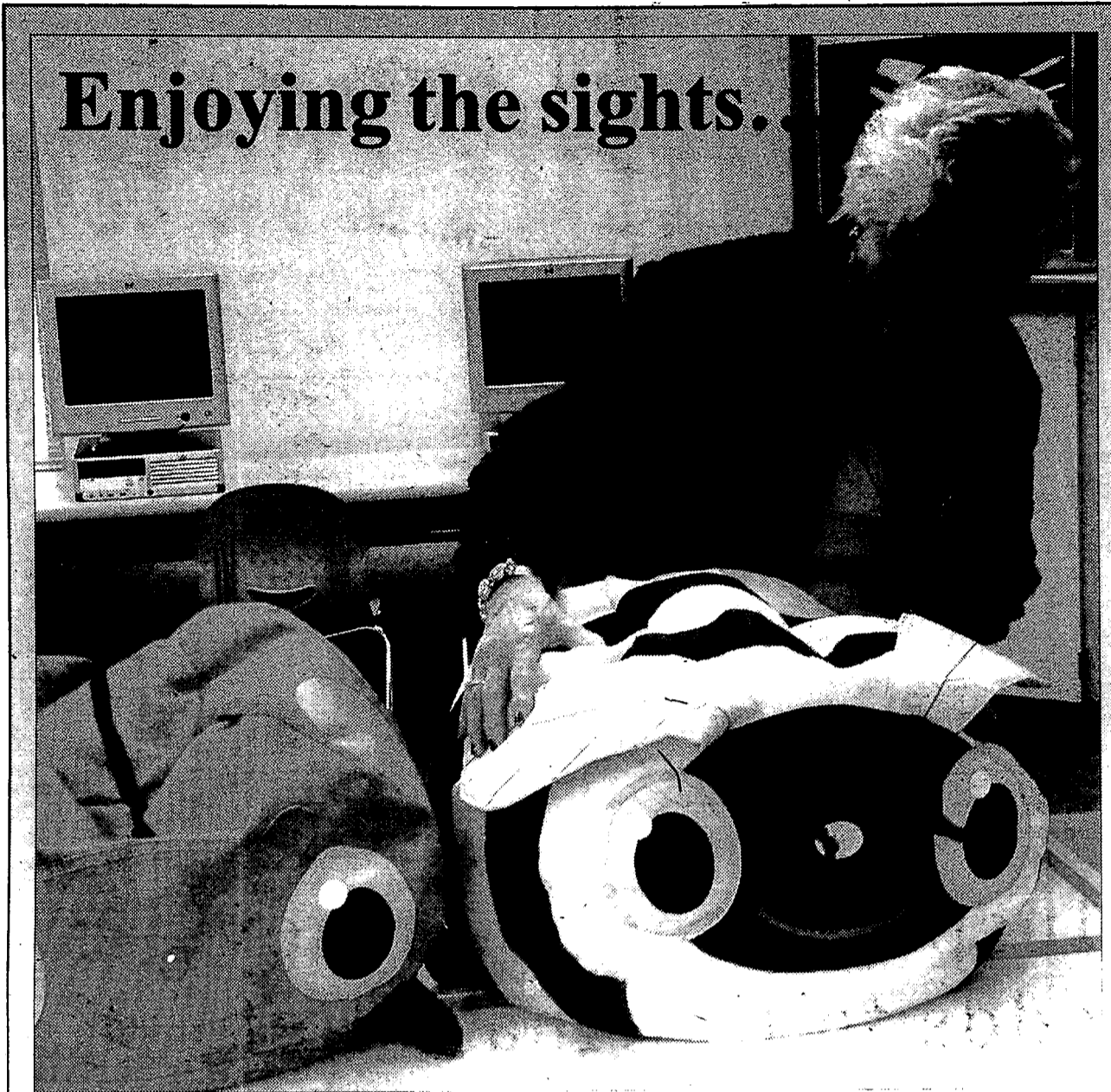


Sports

Golf and tennis move on to states.

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Enjoying the sights.

Jo Vaara checks out a stuffed toy in the Early Childhood Education Center for Clarkston Community Schools. The district held an open house this past Sunday from 1-4 p.m. Residents were able to tour the new buildings and additions district-wide. Photo by Jenny Matteson

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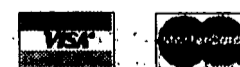
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The Second Front

Briefly

CVP holds auditions

The Clarkston Village Players are holding auditions for their upcoming January production "Sylvia," by A.R. Gurney, on Oct. 16 at 4 p.m. and Oct. 17 at 7 p.m. Auditions are held on the Depot Theater on White Lake Road.

In this unique comedy, Greg finds the answer to his mid-life crisis in Sylvia, a dog he found in the park. Greg's wife Kate views Sylvia as a rival for affection, and Sylvia thinks Kate just doesn't understand the relationship between man and dog.

Roles are available for six characters: Greg, Sylvia, Kate, Tom, Phyllis and Leslie. A caution for those interested in auditioning: this production features adult language and swearing will be part of the audition. Also, the role of Sylvia is highly physical. Please come to auditions prepared to move.

For more information please contact Dean Vanderkolk at 248-207-2914.

Halloween times

Children can rejoice for candy soon as the following times are set for area trick-or-treaters:

- The City of the Village of Clarkston trick or treating is Oct. 31 from 6 - 7 p.m.

- Springfield Township Halloween trick or treating is Oct. 31, but no official time will be set.

- Independence Township will set trick or treat times at the Oct. 18 board meeting.

No frightful sights, just fun at Friendly Forest

The Friendly Forest once again brings fun for two to nine-year-old children at Clintonwood Park on Oct. 22. Tickets are on sale now for the annual event at the Independence Township Parks and Recreation office.

Children and their parents will wind through an enchanted trail featuring their favorite cartoon and fairy tale characters collecting goodies as they go. Those who walk the beaten path of the Friendly Forest should remember to wear their Halloween costumes.

Tours through the Friendly Forest leave every 15 minutes from 4:30-7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$6 for residents and \$8 for non-residents and must be purchased in advance for a specific time. Adults can escort children for free. For more information call 625-8223.

Trick or Treat Trail set for Oct. 29 and 31

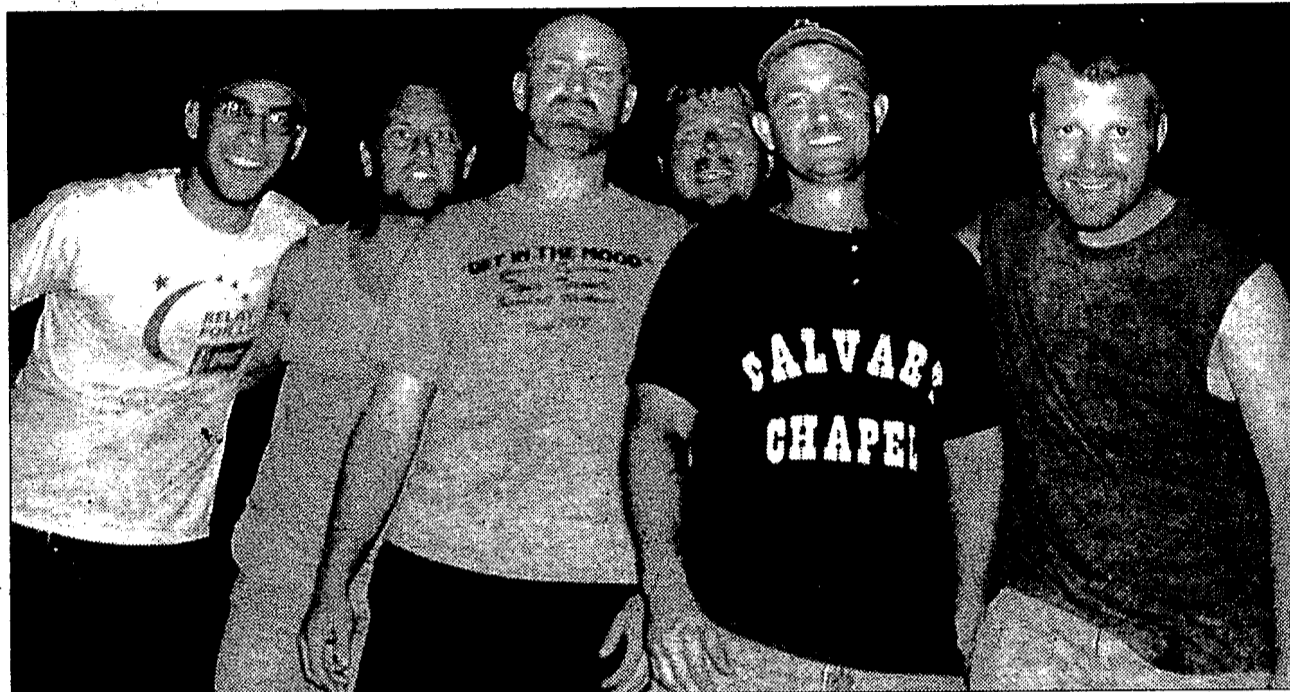
For young children who are not quite ready for Halloween's scary side, want to fill their pillowcases with even more goodies or don't want to get caught in the rain, Springfield Township's Trick or Treat Trail returns to the county facilities of the Mart Community Center in Davidsburg on Oct. 29 and 31 from 5-8 p.m.

The trail features fun and frightful trick or treat stations and a delightful Halloween buffet featuring pizza and snacks at the end of the journey.

Costumes are encouraged and children must be accompanied by an adult.

Cost is \$4 for residents of Springfield Township and \$6 for non-residents per night.

Pre-registration is strongly encouraged, but can be accomplished at the door. Call Springfield Township Parks and Rec at 248-234-2417 for more info.



Independence Township resident Doug Borchardt (second from right) and five others from the Calvary Church of Oakland County traveled to Mississippi to help the Hurricane Katrina relief effort. Photo provided.

Inspirational journey adds to Katrina relief effort

BY NOAH PURCELL
Clarkston News Staff Writer

With much needed supplies in tow behind a brand new sport utility vehicle, Independence Township resident Doug Borchardt and five of his fellow church members from Calvary Church of Oakland County departed on Sept. 14 to bring much needed relief to victims of Hurricane Katrina in Biloxi, Miss.

The "band of brothers," as they took to calling each other, returned a week later, physically and emotionally drained, wracked with emotion from what they had seen and with a story burning to be told.

"I don't know what they showed on the TV as far as Mississippi, everything was so focused on New Orleans. But the major devastation was in Mississippi," said Borchardt. "The quadrant of the storm that we were in was the northeast quadrant, which was the worst. They had over 400 tornados in a matter of four or five hours."

"The devastation was unbelievable. We were about a mile and half from the coast, the closer you got to the coast there were no houses left, it was literally a slab and the front steps, that was all you saw, and these were 6,7 and 8000-square-foot mansions."

The group of six packed their donated Ford Excursion and a trailer chock full of donated items, such as: 55-gallon drums of water, 25 one-gallon containers of gasoline, antiseptic and antifungal cremes, and tarps capable of providing makeshift roofs.

In Borchardt, the band had an experienced carpenter and stone mason who worked on projects as large as Comerica Park and Ford Field as well as redoing his own roof and walk. While the rest of the party did not share Borchardt's expertise, they were all able bodied and ready to clear fallen trees with chain saws and do whatever else they could.

"We were a mixed bag. We were all God-fearing men and we all had a calling to go down and serve," said Borchardt.

While they had more than enough will, and in their SUV a comfortable way down to Mississippi, the party

lacked a place to stay as they departed on a 24-hour drive, lengthened by collapsed bridges and overpasses near the coast.

"We weren't sure where we were staying at. We were supposed to stay at a Baptist church, but by the time we were literally packing up at my church that was for some reason unavailable. So now we're camping ... Then we found out we were going to be able to stay above a garage that was unfinished but it had a floor and electricity. Twenty minutes later someone called back and said that was unavailable," Borchardt said.

While Borchardt and the others had not packed any camping gear to speak of, the question mark hanging over their lodging situation did not distract them from their mission. Good things happen to good people, and much like when a mechanic repaired a flat tire on their

SUV for free on their trip south, Borchardt and his company's selflessness was rewarded when they needed a place to lay their heads.

"We still didn't know where we were staying. As soon as we got there we were directed to this house (whose owner) had just been sent to the hospital. She found out we were coming to work at her house and

clean her house and fix her roof and she said to stay at her house. It was a full three-bedroom house and everything. Here we are camping and now we're Kool and the Gang," Borchardt said.

The Calvary Chapel of Oakland County's sister church, Gulf Coast Calvary Church, drew Borchardt and his band to Ocean Springs, 11 miles east of Biloxi.

When Borchardt reflects on what he and the others witnessed in the hurricane ravaged region his emotions nearly spill out.

Borchardt's constant smile disappears, his voice wavers slightly when he talks about what he saw in Mississippi.

A man picking through the wreckage of his house desperately searching for a picture of his mother, who had died the year before, is just one of the images of hardship and suffering Borchardt brought back with him.

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"We had to finally leave, we were emotionally withdrawn, just drained completely, drained and spent."

— Doug Borchardt
Independence Township resident

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Making the right moves: *think it through*

It is hard, nowadays to keep positive and make any right moves with all the bad news in the media and press. Most investors, especially those approaching retirement, are concerned about protecting their hard-earned dollars. I thought with the new season ahead of us I would throw in, some questions we may want to ask our self about our retirement.

•Are we going to outlive our money? Alternatively, is our money going to outlive us?

•How can we financially help our children and our grandchildren?

•How are we going to handle our retirement years?

•How are we going to cover extra health expenses on and above Medicare?

Those questions and more go through our minds in our everyday lives. To make the right move as an investor it is important for us to understand the risks we face and try to keep them in check. That means making some carefully considered moves – like working with a trusted financial adviser to help us select an investment manager(s) that shares our understanding of risk.

As much as we try to plan, our needs change. We may move on to a new job, encounter an unexpected emergency or maybe face an unexpected major expense. As we get closer to retirement, our needs will change more rapidly.

The biggest risk most investors face is not reaching their goals, by not reviewing their financial situation. Many uncontrollable factors can erode our investments, such as changes in inflation and interest rates. Although we cannot avoid these sources of risk entirely, we can reduce their impact by setting realistic goals and time horizons with our financial adviser by monitoring our growth, and tolerance for risk. By having, a long-term focus we can build and maintain an investment plan that will help us reach our goals.

Regular reviews with your financial adviser are key to keeping on track with your retirement goals. Here is a checklist of topics that you might want to talk about at your next meeting. You may not think it is necessary to bring up every item each time, but you would be surprised what clients forget to mention because they do not realize the possible impact on their long-term investment plans.

Family matters:

- Marriage/remarriage, divorce, separation, birth, adoption, child leaving home
- New job, layoff, promotion/demotion, retirement imminent/deferred
- Inheritance, bonus, windfall, home equity loan/line of credit, significant pur-



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- Education:
- College, private school,
- Business:
- Starting a business, buying/selling stake in a business
- Retirement/educational accounts:
- 401(k), 401(a) (profit sharing, money purchase and defined benefit plans) 403(b), IRAs, 529, UGMA/UTMA, Coverdell

Miscellaneous:

- Risk tolerance/goal change, charitable giving, tax concerns, life insurance, budgeting issues/changes in monthly expenses, other significant assets

Approaching retirement: Retirement may last almost as long as your working career. As your retirement nears, you will face important decisions about how to make your money last.

Working in retirement: Working after you retire has its benefits and consequences. Have your adviser help you find out what they are for you.

Taking distributions: Learn how to stretch your tax-deferred dollars you have put away in your retirement plan now that you are about to take distributions.

Time horizon: The number of years you have before you start to withdraw your money should influence how you decide to invest. Generally, the more time you have to invest, the more risk you can afford to take. An investment mix – or asset allocation – that is appropriate for someone who doesn't need to tap into retirement savings for many years may be too risky for another person who needs the money sooner.

Reducing risk: Knowing how much risk you can handle should play a major role when you are choosing investments for your retirement funds. Understanding risk and being honest about how much risk you feel comfortable with are important first steps.

Those are, some of the critical decisions people need to make for their retirement, it is always best to make those decisions with the help of a professional. Always keeping in the back of your minds, the worst decision to make about your hard-earned money is not to put it to work for you and have inflation, interest rate, and other risks erode whatever money you have saved for your retirement years. After all retirement years, are for giving & enjoyment not for taking and distressing.

Always Remember, Success is, Failure turned inside out.

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NOHLC elects leaders at annual meeting

BY JENNY MATTESON
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Learning new ways to influence land conservancy was the theme of the morning at the North Oakland Headwater Land Conservancy's annual meeting on Oct. 8.

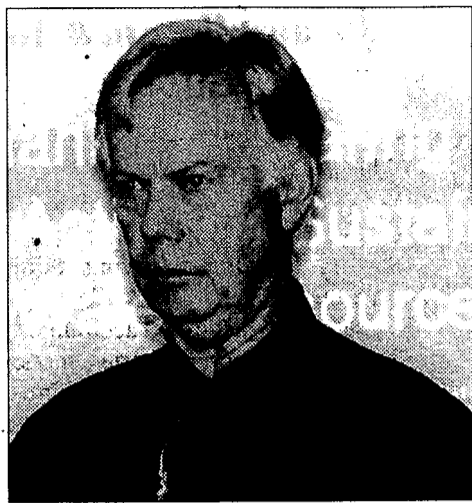
Current President Jim Reed summarized the group's goals in his opening remarks: more impact on local government, more communication with surrounding communities and more preservation.

"The next several years will be crucial in our efforts to preserve and protect," said Reed. "The time is now, let's get moving."

And move the meeting did.



Dr. John Warbach



Dr. Jon Bartholic

Those in attendance approved the audit report, a new slate of directors, the 2005-06 auditors and a much improved budget.

Elected to the board of directors were Mary Blanchard, J. Timothy Patterson, Dr. Thomas P. Pytel, David A. Robison, Nancy Strole and Carolyn Wood.

Elected to the five-person audit board were Joan Harbaugh, Robert Inskeep, Dorothy LaLone, Dale Stuart and Susan Topping.

Treasurer Ed Anderson was pleased to report that the organization currently stands \$8,218 to the good, an improvement over the anticipated \$255. Last year,

Please see NOHLC, page 26A

Kelly Hyer promoted to Recreation Supervisor

BY NOAH PURCELL
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Caring about the community she works in has always helped Kelly Hyer at Independence Parks and Recreation.

The township showed how much they cared for Hyer's work when the board voted unanimously to promote Hyer to Recreation Supervisor for Parks and Recreation at their Oct. 4 meeting.

"Kelly is a very qualified person who has gone above and beyond all expectations. You don't have to worry about the things she's responsible for," said Mike Turk, Parks and Recreation Director.



Kelly Hyer

The position of Recreation Supervisor is newly created. According to Parks and Recreation Director Mike Turk's letter to the Independence Township Board the position that the person named Recreation Supervisor, that being Hyer, will eventually "become Assistant Director." No timetable for Hyer's next promotion has been set.

"I see her being assistant director in the next year or so," said Turk, who added he felt Hyer could one day fill his role as director.

Hyer has worked for Parks and recreation since Sept. 2001. As a fresh graduate of Michigan State University, she and her then boyfriend, now husband and Clarkston School board Vice President Steve Hyer moved back to the Clarkston area. A full time position with Parks and Recreation was fortunately open at the time.

"I applied and it has worked out for me and the

township," said Hyer.

Under her previous title of recreation programmer, Hyer was responsible for most special events, aquatics and the summer day camp program. When Parks and Recreation's former assistant director, Beth Walker-P'Simer, took a year-long maternity leave, Hyer stepped into many of her duties. Though she took on the lion's share of responsibilities, Hyer is quick to credit her co-workers.

"Everyone picked up the slack," said Hyer.

When Walker-P'Simer resigned at the end of her maternity leave, there was room for Hyer to move up.

In her new role, Hyer will oversee office operations, continue to work on some special events, supervise the recreation programmers and promote a solid marketing program.

"Being able to talk to people and meet with different groups, you get an idea of what people want in their community," said Hyer. "I will be taking a step away from programming and focus more on strategic plan-

ning. (Being recreation supervisor) will be neat though, because I will still be able to do some programs."

In her role as recreation programmer Hyer was instrumental in making the Renee Przybylski Memorial Spray Park in Clintonwood Park a reality.

Aside from her direct work with Independence Township, Hyer is on several committees for the state Parks and Recreation organization, including the youth symposium, conference and statewide programming committees. She is also the student chair on the MRPA board.

In her new role, Hyer would like to expand Parks and Recreation's pool of volunteers.

"We're here to enhance the community, to ensure that everyone is getting a good experience," said Hyer.

Down the road, Hyer has big hopes for Parks and Recreation.

"The dream of building a community center might come true. We just have to keep pounding the pavement," said Hyer.

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Opinion

First impressions

Last time I wrote my column, I introduced myself to you as a community. For the last month or so I have introduced myself to you as individuals.

In return, I was introduced to Clarkston as individuals, and in some mosaic fashion, was introduced to Clarkston as a community.

Even though it's still early, I thought I'd share some of my first impressions thus far.

As with most new jobs, the usual barrage of questions seems to follow a familiar pattern. It starts with people asking about me, and ends with them asking about themselves.

For the first few weeks I got used to answering questions like where I grew up and how I like the job so far. Now a month later, the questions are less about me as a writer, and more about my opinion as a newcomer to the area. I guess once people have formed their opinions about someone, the next thing they want to know is what that person thinks of them.

Admittedly, I am still very new to the area, and about a quarter of my day is still spent learning new things about the community. During most interviews, I still have at least one instance where someone will mention something in passing about the community and I will not know what they are discussing. Despite my best efforts, I think that will continue for a while—due to how much there is to know, and the fact that our “condensed” version of the history of Clarkston consists of thousands of pages in our archives.

But enough about me, here's my thoughts on you. One thing I noticed is that most people are very blunt. That is really not a bad thing, but I have to admit I was surprised to see it so frequently. It is fairly common for people to become nervous when talking to a reporter because they know everything they say might become part of the public record.

So it's also common to deal with people who are more concerned with saying something that sounds good than saying something that sounds sincere. Sometimes that can go too far and the statement becomes so vague that it's hard to remember what it's even about. So far, I have not had any experiences like that.

I appreciate that people are concerned about sounding bad, but more so I appreciate those who recognize that we're in the business of gathering and reporting information. So when people are blunt, it makes my job easier.

I found it impossible to ignore Clarkston's sense of community, regardless of whom I talk to. Clarkston residents clearly care about their community and everyone in it. Since I started conducting “People Polls,” I have noticed that finding someone who doesn't feel strongly about things that affect the community is a challenge. Whether building a Wal-Mart down the street or deciding what they're favorite community event is, people really seem to care about this area.

Sure, you may like to toot your own horn a bit, but what's wrong with defying the old adage that no news is good news? Personally, I found one of the benefits in working for a community paper is having the opportunity to report as much good news as you do bad, and sometimes more. Clarkston is definitely a community that likes to celebrate successes, and I'm happy to help you do that.

Just remember, I have to work just as much when the news is bad.

Soapbox



Andrew DuPont

Debate over COG continues...

Dear Editor,

I would like to thank letter writer Randy Golab for his most recent admissions in his letter of Oct. 5 that COG and the proposed “legal defense fund” is all that I said it to be in my opinion of Sept. 21.

Accusing me of not reading the proposal or knowing what it entails is clearly an attempt to silence those that disagree with him and his group. Going back to read my letter may be hard for him and some of COG to comprehend, but now thanks to the admissions of Mr. Golab's letter it should be painfully clear to the taxpayers of Independence Township that the “legal defense fund” proposal is indeed a slush fund for attorneys and the other “necessary experts,” whoever they may be. The terminology of this proposal is extremely flawed to say the least.

If Mr. Golab had actually read what I had said in my letter, he should have clearly recognized by my comments that I have read and clearly understand the “legal defense fund” proposal and Orco's current land use proposal. But because I strongly disagree with COG's position on the legal defense fund proposal, it's become

clear to me that anyone opposing COG's proposal will be accused of ignorance of the facts. Sorry, wrong.

I, and know I do not stand alone, don't like my pockets being picked every time some group decides they know what's best for me and my community. I don't like this proposal period!

Mr. Golab misses an important point. Pending legal threats exist in every facet of life. I still believe that “maybe collecting taxes on what might happen in the future” is not good public policy and will never be in the best interests of taxpayers, period. It then becomes a slush fund that feeds upon itself, with the immediate danger to the township's master plan being used to substantiate the taxes collection and use.

And to COG and it's group of “concerned folks looking out for the best interests of the community,” I say thanks but no thanks. I did not elect you to represent me or my best interests in the community, as that is what I pay and elect my public representatives for.

Sincerely,
Michael L. Powell
Independence Township

Thanks for a 'Taste of Clarkston'

Letter to the Editor,

Despite the weather the “Taste of Clarkston” event on Sept. 25, sponsored by the Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce, Independence Parks and Recreation and the City of the Village of Clarkston, was a huge success. There are so many people who took part in this event I would like to thank.

First of all, the staff at the Chamber Office did an awesome job. Many tireless hours were spent to make sure that everything went off without a hitch.

Secondly, thank you so much to our corporate sponsors, entertainment sponsors, kid zone sponsors, media sponsors, chamber champion sponsors and chamber booster sponsors. Also, thank you to the individuals and businesses who donated silent auction items. We could not have planned such a wonderful event without your support up front.

Thank you to the restaurants and businesses who participated in the event. The food and entertainment were outstanding. Last, but certainly not least, the employees of the Clarkston DPW, Police Department and the Village employees who assisted us the entire day

and quickly resolved any issue that arose.

An event of this magnitude takes a lot of planning and up front preparation. The committee that I worked with on this event went above and beyond to make sure that everything was “perfect.” In addition, they each had tasks to do the day of the event, and everyone of them did an outstanding job. Congratulations to the committee for a job well done.

Volunteers, volunteers, volunteers... we had over 100 people who worked that day. The volunteers came from all walks of life: business, retirees, family, friends and students from Clarkston Junior High School and High School. Thank you for volunteering your time, we certainly appreciate it.

My final thank you is to everyone in the community who came down and enjoyed the day with us. We appreciate your support and positive comments. It was so great to see the crowds and everyone enjoying themselves.

Dawn M. Horner
Taste of Clarkston
Committee Chairperson



Leading the way...

Field commanders Nate Luibrand, Justin Benson and Nick Luibrand lead the 136-piece CHS Marching Band in front of a full crowd at the Clarkston Marching Band Invitational. Clarkston hosted this 28th annual event this past Saturday Oct 8th. Seventeen bands from around south-east Michigan participated. Photo provided

A Look Back

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

15 YEARS AGO (1990)

• Burro cruelty case in circuit court: A Springfield Township man faces multiple-charges in the 1989 death of an American burro nicknamed "Milton Burro."

Ronald Keen, 48, is facing one felony count of malicious destruction of property over \$100 and a misdemeanor count of animal cruelty.

The Andersonville Road resident could receive four years in prison if convicted of the felony. The misdemeanor carries a 90-day penalty.

• Charter commission election on Tuesday: Voters in Clarkston have a chance to shape their town's destiny in the charter commission election Tuesday, Oct. 6.

• New 'Notice' head: Public notices have a new look in your newspaper this week.

In fact, they have a new name. For years these legal notices have had "Official Notice" to draw attention to them. Now they are "Public Notices."

25 YEARS AGO (1980)

• Lawsuit in limbo, Foster care application with-

drawn; second one to determine future: A lawsuit filed by Lake Oakland Woods subdivision residents to block an adult foster care home is hanging in limbo following the withdrawal of an application for the home's state licensing.

The likelihood that a second application may be submitted by another non-profit organization will determine future legal tactics, said the resident's attorney, Donald E. Schuster.

50 YEARS AGO (1955)

• United Fund Drive Starts Next Week: The United Fund Drive will get underway next week. A.L. Rose, Jr., is general chairman of the drive in Independence Township. In charge of the work is the Rotary Ann Club with Mrs. Charles Rockwell as chairman.

• U.N. Celebrates Tenth Anniversary: The United Nations which celebrates its tenth anniversary this year, can be proud of its many accomplishments. Its agencies have been a tremendous influence for world betterment. The United Nations Children's Fund is one of these organizations. The lives saved and the countries helped by UNICEF (the initials by which it is known) are a testimony to its success.

• Military Service For Sgt. Ridgeway: A military service will be held on Sunday afternoon at two o'clock at the Sharpe Funeral Home in Clarkston For Sgt. Junior Vern Ridgeway, killed in action in Korea, December 3, 1950. The body will arrive at the Funeral Home on Saturday evening.

• School Fair, Sat., October 29: Let's put a red ring around the date, October 29, to remember the Fair at the Clarkston Elementary School. Fun for everyone.

Historic Fort Wayne's losing battle

This past weekend we packed up a backpack with turkey sandwiches and oatmeal cream snacks, loaded up the lads Shamus and Sean and took a trip to Detroit.

Our destination: right where Livernois Avenue almost dumps into the Detroit River -- as the crow flies, about a mile from the sunny shores of Canada. It's a place that has acres and acres of history -- what 5-year-old Sean lovingly calls, Historic Fort John Wayne.

What a cool place.

What a depressing place. What a cool history and a sad history.

There's even a moat. There are underground bunkers, tunnels and places to fire cannons and rifles. We spent about four hours there exploring. We walked down stairways leading into underground rooms built over 150 years ago. No lights, no electricity -- we used the flash from our camera to see what was in front of us. Way cool!

The archways of brick are wonderful . . . yet . . .

The place is falling apart. Bricks are literally crumbling and falling down. Outside, trees grow unmanaged -- dead limbs hanging precariously over sidewalks. Inside some of the 42 buildings, trees grow out of second floor windows. Roofs are collapsing. Some grand architecture wasting away. Weeds have overtaken this little city within The City.

What, you haven't heard of Fort Wayne? That's not surprising as not many folks go there anymore.

The place isn't open for public tours since it was closed in 1992. We were able to wander around (unchaperoned) because there was a flea market taking place.

We walked from building to building, rubbing clean patches on dirty windows to look inside. On more than one occasion, I could have gained entry. Okay, one time I did further the excitement by going into one of the buildings, leaving Dear Wife Jen to explain to the younguns that they could not go in, even though their stealthy (?) and sure-of-foot father could. Going into one of the non-commission officer's dwellings is probably a federal offense or something, so



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don't rush
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don't squeal on me.

There's an interesting web site folks can visit for more information on the history of Fort Wayne (www.savefortwayne.org). Here's a little bit I gleaned.

The fort was built over a period of four years (1844-1847) on a military campsite that dated back to 1796. It was built because "tensions were high along the border with Canada. There was talk of war with England over a border dispute concerning the Oregon territory and the entire U.S.-Canadian border was being fortified."

So much for our "friends" across the Detroit River. I guess time really does heal all wounds -- we all like each other now.

Son Sean will be sad to learn that the fort was in fact named after Revolutionary War General "Mad" Anthony Wayne and not the Duke -- but because Sean is still young and since I don't feel the need to crush him, I'll let him live the lie for a few more years.

The fort was never engaged in a skirmish, yet from 1939-1944 (WW 2 years), became the largest motor vehicle and parts depot in the world.

The saddest part of the fort's history? In 1996 (and renewed in 2001) Wayne County voters approved a tax to help save the fort. Folks were promised that at least \$4.75 million would go to fix-up the grounds. Only about \$2 million went there.

From the web site: City officials estimate repairs to cost about \$20 million. "The real problem here is that a piece of American History is being neglected and we as citizens don't even enjoy the right to view our historical site. The only events that occur are soccer games on the parade grounds and an occasional flea market put on by the museum. The Fort is still owned by the City of Detroit and run by the Detroit Historical Museum. On site are the original Fort, the added buildings built in the 1930's, Indian Burial Mound, Great Lakes Indian Museum and the Tuskegee Airmen Museum. There are also warehouses on site stuffed with historical artifacts, ranging from old cars to authentic costumes. The complex includes a 12-acre parade ground."

That's how I spent my weekend, and you?

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

Just Jotting...

A soreness in my left knee prompted an X-ray by a knee doctor. (What else?) He pointed out something -- a spur or bone chip or a fault in the film. I couldn't tell.

Then he turned and started talking about my meniscus. I thought it really invasive of him to mention my meniscus in our first visit.

Never did Hazel and I ever mention meniscus when we were alone, and certainly not in front of our children.

I even give a double take when the sportscasters talk about some athlete having a torn meniscus, but I excuse it because the players are all multi-millionaires.

What happens between me and my meniscus is meant for only for God.

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Public bathroom spiers (you know the type) report 10 percent of women don't wash their hands after using restrooms. Non-cleaning spreads flu, diarrhea and other infectious diseases.

A Harris survey found 91 percent insisted they wash in public restrooms. Must have been a women-only survey. 99 percent of men know they neither carry nor can transmit an infectious disease.

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Dockers have long been considered the working man's denims of choice. They're for the conservative, materialistic, steady man. That's why I always chose Wrangler or Lee.

My decision to avoid the brand name has been reinforced by Dockers' recent advertising. They've got molekass blazers for men for \$150 and pin-striped trousers for \$70.

This chatter's columnist also praised a Dockers ad that showed a tattoo on a male model. She said, "There's something alluringly dangerous about a man with a single, well-placed tattoo."

I'm sure some think there's something alluringly dangerous about a man with an open fly. Trouble is that openness is too closely related to us senior men.

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'Twas a brilliant cloudless day when I decided to take my 1969 VW convertible for a drive. No sooner had I turned out of my drive when a large, V-formation of geese flew directly overhead.

That's exciting for convertible drivers.

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Read an article recently about big business' move away from public relations people to the Internet.

Seems PR's have failed to convince the buying public that their clients' products are best.

I attribute this decline to news releases from agencies that go way out of their vocabulary way to try to put a good name on actions they think the public finds repulsive.

The PR people refuse to print or speak the word "fired." They encourage "involuntarily separated."

A business is not suffering from a downturn in the economy, it's "unfavorably impacted."

These word artists can't even use a common sense word for hiring. For an increase in output they allow, "adding production associates."

It's no wonder corporations are switching to blog, Google and porn sites for buyer attention.

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A few closers:

■ If your ship doesn't come in, swim out and get it.

■ A grenade thrown into a kitchen in France would result in Linoleum Blowupart.

■ Coca Cola used to contain cocaine when it was introduced. It was also green.

■ There are more nutrients in the cornflakes package itself than there are in the actual cornflakes.

■ Have your wild oats been turned into shredded wheat?

■ Whoever invented table manners wasn't very hungry. And a favorite: Bye!

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The air slide was a crowd favorite. Maggie Spelder, 5, quickly runs to get back in line. Spelder and her brother Jack, 3½, slid down together.



A great Spirit Day at SPE

Kids and parents from several area schools enjoyed Spirit Day on Oct. 7 at Springfield Plains Elementary School. Participants were treated to hay rides, karaoke, a magic show, air slide, concessions and many other activities.

Photos by James Martinez

Karesha Weatherby, 7, a second-grader from Davisburg Elementary is all smiles coming out of the "Kiddiepillar" at Spirit Day in Springfield Plains Elementary.



Do we have a bingo? Katie Matisse, 11, of Sashabaw Middle School, calls out bingo numbers.



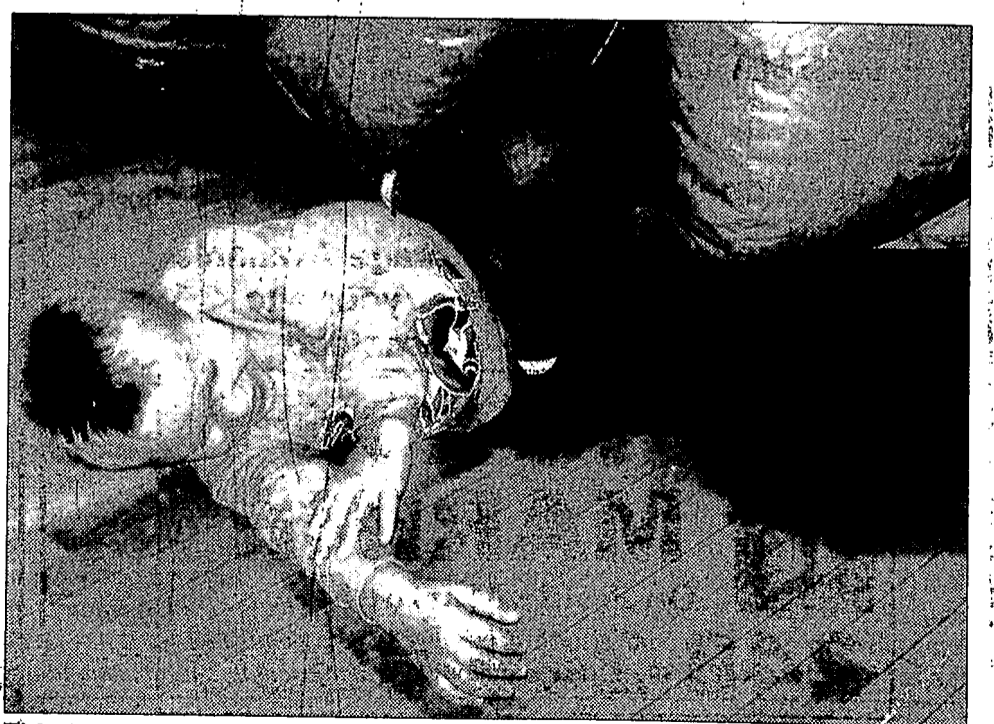
Rich Ashley of Ashley and Company Magic Productions performs the head-twister on his wife Amy.



Waiting for a bingo, Annette Brantley, 7, of SPE intently waits for the next number.



"Oh! China Grove." David Rushlow, 9, a fourth-grader at SPE, bravely sang a karaoke rendition of "China Grove" by the Doobie Brothers.



This youngster came flying out the "Kiddiepillar," which was popular.

Police and Fire

Independence Township

October 1: 44-year-old Waterford man arrested for operating his vehicle while intoxicated after being involved in a two car accident on Flemings Lake Road. P.B.T. results were .15.

October 3: Weapon discharge to destroy injured deer on Oakhill Road at 1:28 a.m.

Domestic assault on Deepwood Court.

Malicious destruction of property to vehicle on Oldclove Road.

20-year-old Clarkston man arrested for being a disorderly person, driving with a suspended license and possession of alcohol in a transport vehicle on Wembly Court. Two other passengers cited for possessing alcohol.

Police received a 911 call from a male at a business on Sashabaw Road who said he was going to die. As police arrived, the man was dressed only in shorts and was sweating profusely and shaking. The man admitted to taking mushrooms and ecstasy and was transported to P.O.H. in Pontiac for additional treatment. He was arrested after being medically cleared for violating terms of bond.

October 4: 31-year-old Grand Blanc man arrested for domestic assault after throwing car keys at his grandmother which struck her in the face at a restaurant on Dixie Highway. The in-

cident occurred after the 76-year-old Fenton woman allegedly gave her grandson \$20 to purchase her a meal.

While putting out a stove fire on Lancaster Hill Drive, the Independence Township Fire Dept. alerted police to the possible presence of narcotics in the apartment, resulting in the arrest of 19-year-old Independence Township man for marijuana possession.

36-year-old Clarkston woman arrested for felonious assault and domestic violence. The woman allegedly arrived at home intoxicated banging a rock on her door window at residence on Reese Road after discovering she was locked out. Her boyfriend said she looked intoxicated and locked her out, only letting her in when it appeared she was going to break the window. The boyfriend went to her car afterwards to call police when she allegedly threw a rock and beer bottle at him. P.B.T. results for the woman were .12. The woman was transported to Oakland County Jail. An extensive background check revealed the woman had gone by another name and had an extensive criminal history.

Larceny from a vehicle on Avington Parkway.

October 5: Attempted larceny from church on Rattalee Lake Road. A suspect was confronted by a church administrator as he attempted to remove property from the building. The suspect is described as a black male around 25 years old, 6 foot 1 inch and 175 pounds; he fled the scene after turning over the

property.

Rock thrown against a window causing damage at Sashabaw Middle School.

21-year-old male of Independence Township reported missing since Aug. 23. The man reported attempted suicide earlier this year.

A suspect attempted to cash an Oakland County inmate account check, but could not provide identification. The man, described as a 5 foot 9 white male around 250 pounds and 40 to 50 years old, left the bank as the teller attempted to obtain a signature. Investigation revealed the man the check was made out to is still incarcerated.

Driver left station on Sashabaw Road without paying for the \$37.07 in gas.

31-year-old Pontiac man arrested for carrying a concealed weapon without a permit and driving with a suspended license. Police pulled the man over on Sashabaw Road for a non-operating brake light. Officers found the 357 revolver loaded in the car and removed six rounds. The man was cooperative and informed police immediately of the loaded gun. The gun was reported stolen from a Rochester Hills residence. The man had two previous warrants out for him.

October 6: Police firearm discharged four times to destroy injured deer on White Lake Road around 1:13 p.m.

Please see Police, page 11A

Deer slain on private property

Police were dispatched to property on Clarkston Road for a trespassing complaint on Oct. 1 around 1:30 p.m.

Property owners observed a white male in camouflage walking quickly from the driveway into a heavily covered area. The man reportedly carried something resembling a gun in his hand.

A badly decomposing 9-point buck was discovered next to the fence inside the property on Oct. 6 by the owners who alerted police.

Deputy Osborne of the Oakland County Sheriff's Department was on the scene and said the deer was killed on private fenced-in acreage. He said the deer was known to the people in the area for years and well liked by kids. He called the event "disgusting."

The owners of the property did not want to comment on the deer itself, but said there were many people who were upset about the event.

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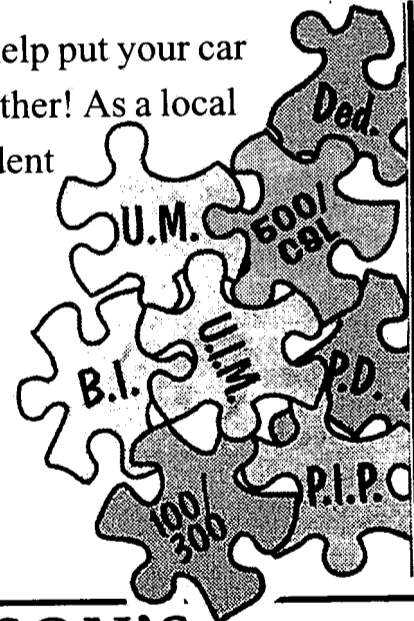
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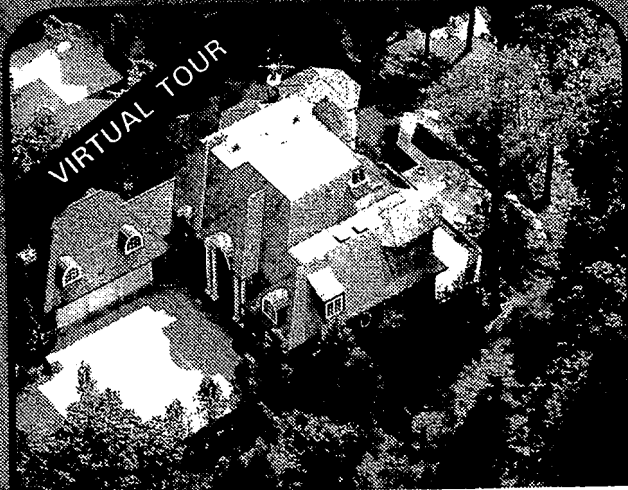
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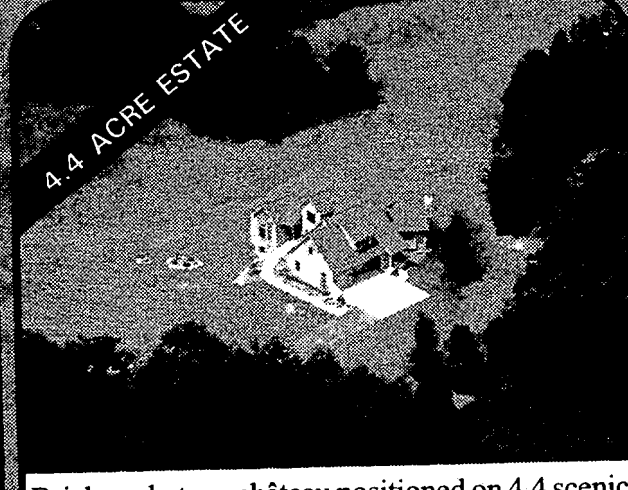


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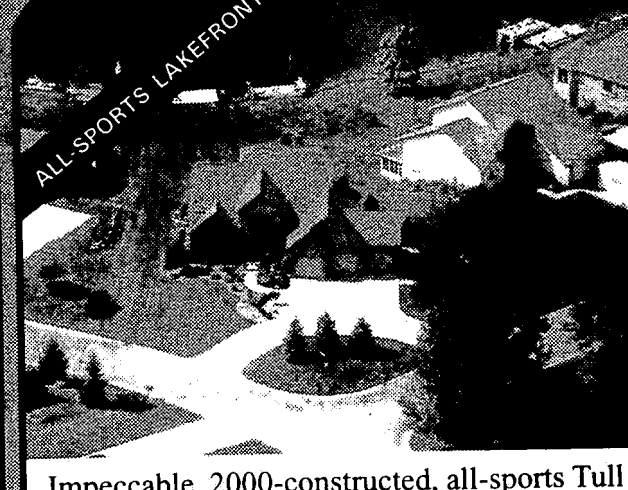


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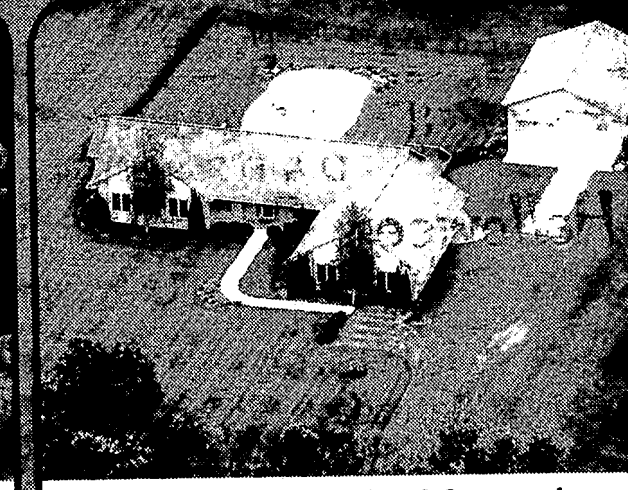


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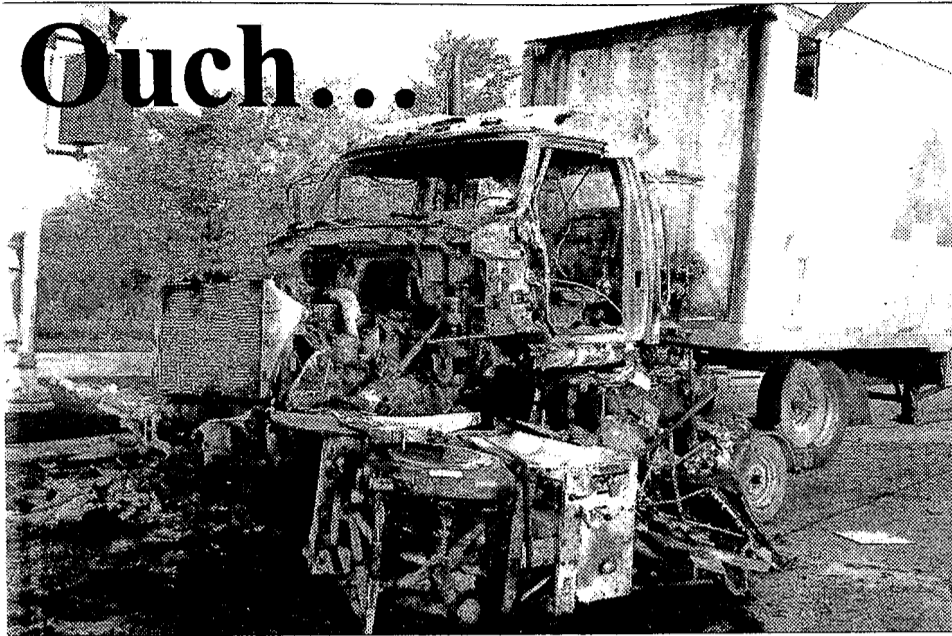


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Around 7 a.m. on Oct. 6, this semi truck rear-ended a van which was towing a trailer holding a concrete saw. When the semi came to a stop, the cab caught fire and burned. The impact caused the trailer to separate from the van. Both vehicles were driving south on Sashabaw Road before Cheshire Park Drive. The driver of the semi was ticketed for failure to stop in a safe and assured distance, according to Deputy Osborne of the Oakland County Sheriff's Department. No major injuries were reported. Photos by James Martinez



Police

Continued from page 9A

October 7: 21-year-old Holly man and 22-year-old W. Bloomfield man arrested for possession of marijuana on Dixie Highway north of I-75.

Radio and skateboard stolen from vehicle on Dixie Highway.

October 8: 25-year-old Burton woman arrested for operating her vehicle under the influence on Ellis Road. P.B.T. results were .257.

October 9: The driver's side window of a vehicle smashed in an apparent attempt to steal the stereo. Nothing was missing from the vehicle on Woodcreek Trail.

Several checks reportedly stolen from vehicle on Frankwill Avenue written fraudulently.

Driver's side window of vehicle smashed with rock, and amplifier and speakers stolen on Woodcreek Trail.

Two 18-year-old Clarkston males ticketed for disorderly persons after throwing eggs at motor vehicles on Clarkston Road.

Driver of car in ditch on Sashabaw Road found walking as police investigated accident. The 40-year-old Clarkston woman claimed she was run off the road by another vehicle and could not drive out of the ditch, so she began walking. She was arrested for operating her vehicle under the influence. P.B.T. results were .171.

Home invasion on Lancaster Drive. Speaker box and amplifier stolen from vehicle in garage. The garage door was apparently left open.

Springfield Township

September 30: 56-year-old Flint man cited for assault and battery on Big Lake Rd.

October 3: 57-year-old Clarkston man issued disturbing the peace ticket on Debby Jo Drive.

October 5: 42-year-old Davisburg man arrested for operating his vehicle while intoxicated on Norman Road.

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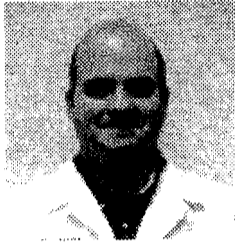
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Clarkston teen finalist in national competition

BY ANDREW DUPONT
Clarkston News Staff Writer

A Clarkston girl could be only one step away from being named "America's Top Young Scientist of the Year." Sarah Pierz was named as the one of the 40 finalists in the Discovery Channel's Young Scientists Challenge.

Pierz, 14, entered Everest Academy's science fair in January as an eighth grader. Sarah won first place and moved on to statewide competition in Flint in April, where she placed third.

"It's especially fun to watch her because she's so excited and so into it."

**- Kathleen Pierz
Proud parent**

Throughout the summer, Pierz began participating in Discovery Channel's challenge by preparing a series of application essays and reports on her own experiment and submitting them to judges for consideration.

"(The judges) got like 7,500 applications, then they narrowed it down to 400, and then to 40," Sarah said.

After the elimination process was complete, Sarah said she got a call on Sept. 14 from multiple judges congratulating her on her placement.

However, Sarah almost lost her chance to apply in May when her computer crashed, erasing all of her application essays.

"There were a lot of tears shed over that," said Kathleen Pierz, Sarah's mother. "But she recovered from it, apparently effectively."

Sarah and her family will travel to Washington D.C. on Oct. 15-20 for the final round of competition. This year, students will work in teams on various challenges with the theme "Forces of Nature."

"When I first get there, I'm going to

give a presentation of my project. It's going to be lots of different challenges and we're going to be split up into teams and they're going to judge us on how well our teams do and then individually how we do," said Sarah.

Sarah's project this year was designed to test the moisture retention level in a dozen commercial products, including several name brand lotions and hand creams.

"I took twelve different products. I tested them over a week. I put them in petri dishes and had a thin level of gelatin to represent skin. Then I just put a thin layer of moisturizer on top of the gelatin," Sarah said.

Throughout the week, Sarah checked each sample and weighed them to determine how much moisture had been lost by each sample.

Through her experiment, Sarah was able to determine how effective each product was at moisturizing skin. She discovered one of the worst products was relatively expensive and sold exclusively through in-home marketing. One of the best products ended up being one used for treating diaper rash, which was given to Sarah by a neighbor.

"She has really dry hands so she'll try anything," said Sarah.

Sarah, who just started her freshman year at Marion High School, said she is interested in science and wants to be a pediatrician one day. This series of competitions is a first for Sarah, and even though the process is time consuming, she said she can handle the extra workload.

"It takes up homework time, but I can manage," Sarah said.

"I hate to say I'm stunned and amazed," said Kathleen Pierz. "I love my daughter and I think she's really smart, but I have to confess that, even as her mom, I guess I just never thought she'd get this far."

Regardless of how Sarah does during the final competition, Kathleen said she thinks this accomplishment is an honor.

"It's especially fun to watch her because she's so excited and so into it,"



Sarah Pierz of Clarkston poses with the many products she tested in a science project that won local competitions and placed her in the finals of Discovery Channel's national competition. Photo provided

Kathleen said, recalling how Sarah called all her friends to tell them the day the judges called her.

Kathleen said she thinks going to Everest Academy made a huge difference in Sarah's education.

"They have small class sizes and super-focused faculty and staff," she said.

Sarah is the daughter of Michael and

Kathleen Pierz and has an older brother, Eddie.

The nationwide competition for middle school students spans several months, and for Sarah began with local competitions. The event ends in Washington D.C. at the University of Maryland. The winner gets a \$15,000 scholarship, but there are over \$100,000 worth of prizes to be given away.

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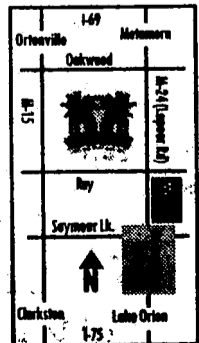
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One check at a time

BY JAMES MARTINEZ
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Construction of the Michigan Fallen Heroes Memorial in Pontiac continues one phase at a time.

Organizers of the Third Annual Oakhurst Fund-raiser for the memorial presented Oakland County Sheriff Michael Bouchard with a check for \$5,170 at a dinner on Oct. 6 at Oakhurst Country Club in Clarkston.

"It's marvelous. As an officer, it's terrific to know there are people who support us and care about the welfare of the officers in the community," said Sgt. Paul Bidinger, who participated in the event.

The donation was a product of the Oakhurst residents and friends fund-raiser to thank area law enforcement officers and emergency responders on the links Sept. 12.

Teams consisted of two residents and two guests from area law enforcement and emergency departments in a scramble, according to co-chair Paul Cloutier. Dinner, an award ceremony and a silent auction followed the golf outing.

"The club really helps to make this affordable," said Cloutier.

"It is a wonderful chance to say thanks to police and firefighters for the protection and hard work," he added.

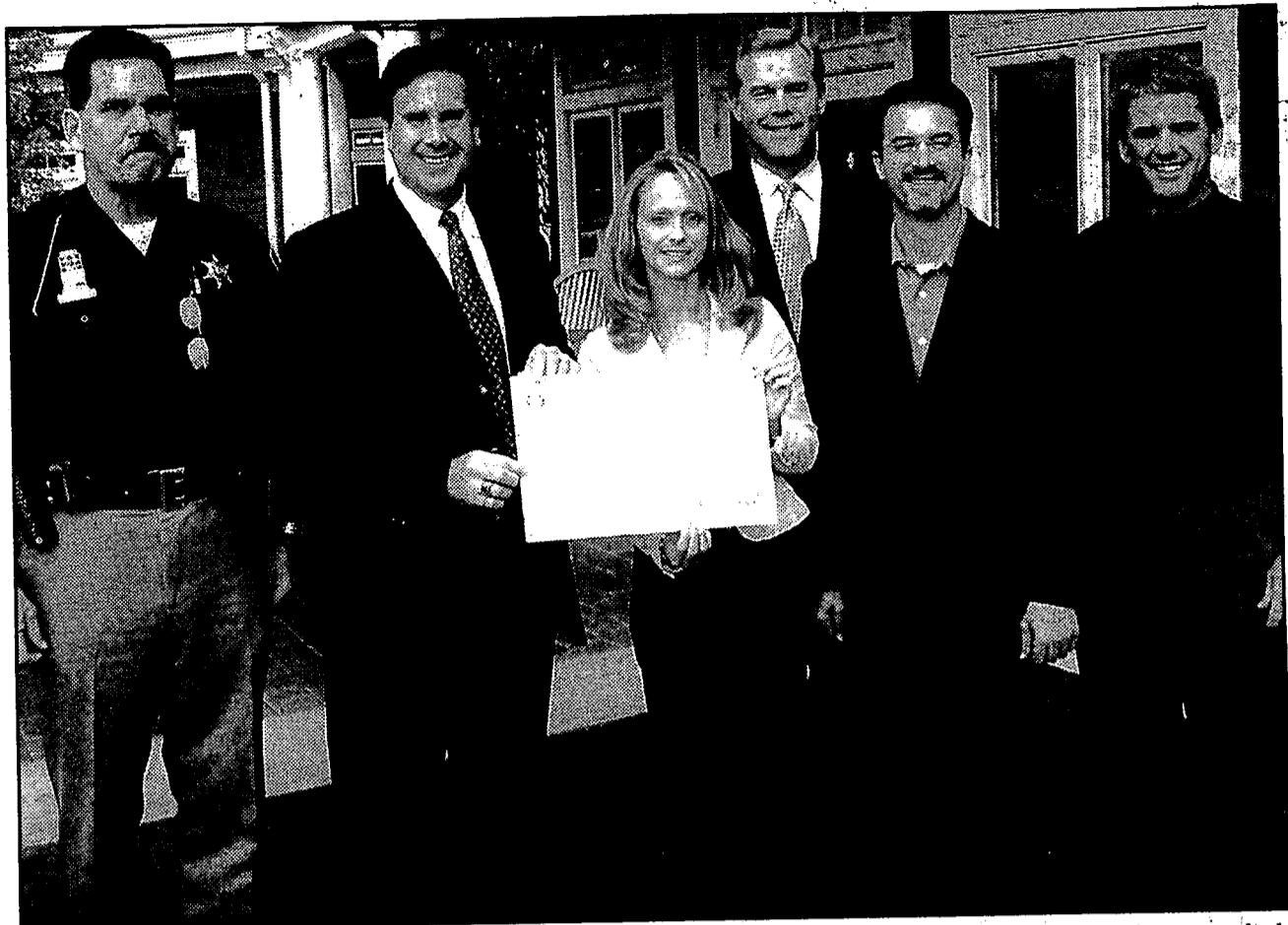
Community Liaison for Sheriff Bouchard Mandy Ford said the donated money will go to the general fund for the memorial, which is in the second of a four or five phase construction process.

The second phase involves erecting a wall. The statue of a police officer and fire-fighter kneeling side-by-side will look towards the wall bearing the engraved names of those lost in the line of duty in Michigan.

"This is a unique place people will like to go whether they have a police officer or firefighter in the family," said Bouchard.

"As much as Sept. 11 affected our country, this honors those who died in our state and is in much more direct connection to our area... it's a reminder of what police and firefighters do every day in our state," he continued.

According to Bouchard, there are over 800 names ready to be engraved; dating back as far as the late 1800's. They are listed in chronological order. He said space will be left to honor someone chronologically who may be discovered after the engraving begins.



From left to right: Sgt. Paul Bidinger, Oakland County Sheriff Michael Bouchard, fund-raiser co-chair Cheryl Callahan, Oakhurst President Dave LewAllen, fund-raiser co-chair Paul Cloutier and Club Pro George Bowman. Photo by James Martinez

"Every fund-raiser and donation helps get us further along with the project," said Bouchard, who pointed out the \$200,000 already invested in the memorial are 100 percent from contributions.

Bouchard could not speculate on a finishing date because work depends on the donations of money, labor and supplies.

"If there's an electric company out there that wants

to help, that's what we need next," said Bouchard.

The Michigan Fallen Heroes Memorial is located in Pontiac near the Oakland County Courthouse. All corporate and personal checks should be made payable to the "Michigan Fallen Heroes Memorial Fund" and mailed to: Michigan Fallen Heroes Memorial, 1201 North Telegraph Rd., Pontiac, MI 48341. For more information, call 248-858-1947.

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School Board members discuss goals for the school year

BY ANDREW DUPONT
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Several Clarkston school board members spoke with *The Clarkston News* about the current school year, the changes put into place, and the upcoming challenges they would like to meet both as a board and as individuals.

Before the beginning of the school year, the board agreed on four primary goals focusing on curriculum, technology, communication, and financing (see sidebar).

The school board as a whole set a goal to "assist the administration in implementing an aggressive budget calendar and timelines," as well as addressing non-homestead taxation and providing "clear parameters for the administration in developing a responsible budget."

"Frankly, not enough people pay attention, and clearly there are lots of misconceptions about what Proposal A does and what it does not do," said Superintendent Dr. Al Roberts. He added overall he thinks Proposal A has done a good job, but often confuses citizens.

Board Vice President Stephen Hyer said the budget is going to be a big deal over the next year. Even though no programs will be cut this year, Hyer said he expects some major ones will be needed for next year.

"We've always tried to keep the cuts as far away from kids as possible. We're going to be looking at busing and some things that least impact kids in terms of academic rigor," said Hyer.

Hyer said what is frustrating about working on the budget is changes at the state level.

"The state is going to continue to change the budget, probably through December. So we approve a budget with a set of assumptions that we just don't know if they're going to be true until the state is done," Hyer said.

The good news is that we've not had as many cuts as our neighbors. The bad news is we've held that off for quite a while, and there is no low hanging fruit. We've been a pretty prudent school district to begin with as is evidence by the audits that we've received. So I think we've done an excellent job of managing

the resources that we have," said Roberts. "We're the third lowest funded districts in this county. Frankly, I'll match up our programs and our kids, not just athletically but academically, with the heavyweights."

"I don't pat myself on the back on that," Roberts added. He said he gives credit to the people he works with in the administration and the school board.

Trustee John Koval said he has the opportunity to meet with board members from other districts on a monthly basis,

hopes to see happen as a result of the district's reconfiguration over the summer. The overall effect of the reconfiguration is something Roberts and other board members plan to watch.

"We'll have to take a look at it and see down the road. If it doesn't work, we'll have to change something," said Koval.

Trustee Joan Patterson said she is pleased with the results of the reconfiguration and expansion of Sashabaw Middle School as the district's

Koval said there is a challenge around every corner, and right now he sees the biggest goal as finishing the extensive construction.

"So far it's gone fairly well, just a few minor glitches. Looking at the magnitude of what we did, frankly, I'm very happy with the way all of the construction has gone," he said.

"We've got a situation now where we're really fortunate to have some great buildings that tie into some great configuration and curricular structure," said Hyer.

Even with the additional space provided for students, Koval said the board is always concerned with possible future enrollment figures.

"In the next couple years, our facilities will probably be just fine, although most of the buildings are at capacity right now. We expect at least another year or two of steady enrollment, after that with some things that are on the books right now as far as subdivision development... we're going to have to relook at things shortly," said Koval.

Roberts said the other major change, the conversion of Clarkston Middle School to Clarkston Junior High School, is something he sees as an enhancement to student growth.

"As we look at the eight and ninth grade building (Clarkston Junior High School) in particular, we made every emphasis on raising the expectation, but providing mechanisms so that kids can achieve that. Shawn Ryan's selection as principal was largely due to his vision of

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"We've got a situation now where we're really fortunate to have some great buildings that tie into some great configuration and curricular structure."

— Steve Hyer
Clarkston School Board

and when the issue of budget cuts arises, he said he is very proud of the district's position.

Koval applauded the administration for budget work, but also said he is concerned with what lies several years ahead.

"It's impossible to say what's going to happen. If the state doesn't come up with some more money for us per student, something like that, we're going to be in trouble," he stated.

In addition to the board goals, Roberts said he will put personal focus on several areas.

"I want to advance the growth of our students intellectually, socially, emotionally — and how I want to do that is to continue to provide an exceptional array of academic, co-curricular and extra-curricular activities, but also to maintain a developmentally appropriate and orderly environment in virtually all of our schools," said Roberts. "I think you do that by raising expectations on one end of the balance beam, and on the social end perhaps lowering some of the expectations so that we can keep some of our youngsters young."

These are things Roberts said he

only middle school, even though the process was time-consuming at frustrating.

"We have to be there to oversee, to ask questions. That's not a fun job, but that is part of our job," Patterson said.

She also said with construction projects nearing completion, more time can be spent looking at other issues.

School board Treasurer Ronald Sullivan said as a group, the board committed to making sure the last few parts of the construction projects are completed properly.

"We need to stay focused on these and get these done," Sullivan said.

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Clarkston News Sports

Horn's hot play, Ronk's rock solid effort have Clarkston heading back to States

BY NOAH PURCELL
Clarkston News Sports Writer

Depth and consistency have put Clarkston, ranked No. 6 in the state in the latest coaches association poll, into the state finals for the second year in a row. But a



Senior Mike Horn, seen here sizing up a putt, led the Wolves at regionals with a 73. Photo by Purcell (In last week's edition of The Clarkston News a photo of Rob Ronk was misidentified as being Horn)

well timed hot streak could catapult the Wolves atop the leader board at the conclusion of the state tournament played Oct. 14-15

A practice round at the Forest Akers East Golf Course on the campus of Michigan State University, where the Division I tournament is set to commence, has Clarkston's players excited about their chances.

"(The course) is very scorable. All of our guys played well. All of us can shoot under 74," said senior Rob Ronk.

Ronk, along with fellow seniors Mike Horn and Zach McDonald, helped Clarkston finish 11th in the state tournament last year.

The experience gained in last year's tournament helped them throughout the year as Clarkston won the OAA Division I title, went undefeated in dual match play and won the Eccentric tournament.

A luxury for Clarkston going into the state tournament is Horn's play of late. He shot a 72 to lead Clarkston at regionals, giving him the second best score on the day. Ronk's 75 helped the Wolves cause as well. At the end of the day at regionals Clarkston finished with 308 points to champion Grand Blanc's 299.

"Horn really carried the torch for us. Rob did a real solid job and the other kids did enough for us to win," said Clarkston Coach Tim Kaul.

Horn's hot shooting at regionals was a continuation of his play at the district tournament on Sept. 30, where his 73 led the field.

"I have been paying a lot of attention to my mental game. Trying to stay focused over a four-hour round," said Horn of his recent run on the sunny side.

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Familiar ground for CHS tennis

BY NOAH PURCELL
Clarkston News Sports Writer

Clarkston tennis is heading back to the State Finals one year after qualifying for the first time in the program's history. The Division I girls tennis finals are held Oct. 14-15 at the Midland Community Tennis Center.

To qualify for states, the Wolves finished second at Regionals with 21 points on Oct. 7 in Novi, one point behind Farmington Hills Mercy but ahead of Novi, who also qualified for states with 18 points.

"Our biggest goal was to get to states and we got that. I'm just really proud of the girls. They knew what they had to do and they went out and did it," Clarkston Coach Kyleen Cunningham said.

At regionals, sophomore Alyssa Lucas won the No. 2 singles flight, junior Darylann Trout won the No. 3 singles flight and freshman Nicole Janek won the No. 4 singles flight.

Clarkston's No. 3 doubles team of sophomores Kayla Sweeney and Kelli McKay netted the Wolves some much needed points with a second place finish at regionals.

For a final sharpening before heading to states, Clarkston visited Lahser for a scrimmage on Oct. 10. With the state finals rapidly approaching, Cunningham feels the most important preparation is mental.

"There is not a lot of stuff they can learn right now," said Cunningham.

Clarkston should be buoyed at states by No. 1 single Stephanie Parkison, Lucas and Trout's expe-

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Athlete of the Week – Chelsea Kouri

Chelsea Kouri is this week's Athlete of the Week after helping Clarkston's girls basketball team to wins over Davison on Oct. 4 and Pontiac Northern on Oct. 6. Kouri averaged 17.5 points per game in the Wolves recent victories. As a junior, Kouri has taken over as



Clarkston's primary option on the offensive end, a role she has stepped into gracefully.

"She's such a good shooter and we want to make sure she's in a position to shoot the ball and score. We've stressed from day one she needs to shoot the ball with confidence. If she misses, she has to keep shooting the ball. She's been doing a great job of shooting the ball confidently," Coach Tim Wasilk said.

Her prominent role in the offense has led to extra defensive attention as well, but Kouri knows what is coming when she steps on the floor.

"I come into games thinking I am going to get more attention," said Kouri, who added she might start putting the ball on the floor if opponents started to key too much on her jump shot.

Kouri owes some thanks for her offensive chops to her older sister Jill. The two siblings played together on the varsity team last year when Jill was a senior, but started out playing in the family's drive-

way when Chelsea was in third grade.

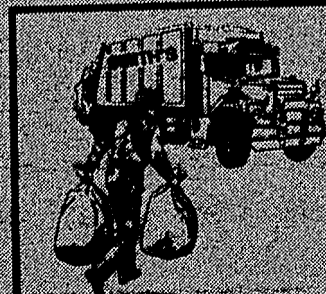
"Playing against her was really important. She's more of a defensive player, so playing against her really helped my offense," said Kouri, who talks to her sister after games from time to time.

Chelsea began playing organized basketball in the fifth grade. The sport is Kouri's alpha and omega, but she also plays AAU basketball in Clarkston's off-season.

In Kouri's life off the hardwood, she enjoys attending Clarkston football games on Friday nights and going to the movies with her friends. Her favorite subject in school is math.

While she knows she would like to pursue a degree in physical therapy, she has not begun to seriously look into what college she would like to attend.

Kouri has lived in Clarkston since she was in kindergarten. She lives with her father, John; mother Jill; and brother, Shane. Aside from her older sister Jill, Chelsea also has an older brother, Chad.



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Northern bounced in fourth quarter by Wolves' D

BY NOAH PURCELL
Clarkston News Sports Writer

In a close basketball game, the team that makes plays in crucial moments wins.

After watching powerhouses No. 3 Southfield Lathrup and No. 6 West Bloomfield make plays over the past two weeks, Clarkston discovered how the other half lives as they staved off a hungry Pontiac Northern team on Oct. 6 for a 49-43 victory.

"We had to come together. That wasn't our best game and emotions were flying high and people were yelling, but we just had to put our heads together and

slow down and play our game," said senior guard Tamra Green. "The heart was there, we just had to have confidence in one another."

In the fourth quarter, Clarkston nursed a tenuous five point lead with under four minutes left in the game. A change in the Wolves precipitated two steals by sophomore Julie Johnston and one by junior Chelsea Kouri, which led to easy buckets on the offensive end and preserved the victory.

"We switched to a 1-2-2 half court trap and made some steals off that, which was good for us. We just keep preaching getting stops on the defensive end and

hopefully our points will come, whether we have to grind them out or not," said Clarkston Coach Tim Wasilk.

Pontiac Northern 1-8 (1-4) is a young team evidenced by a lack of any seniors on their roster. The Huskies inexperience in pressure situations hurt them when the Wolves turned up the defensive pressure.

"We got a little frantic and sometimes we lost our thought process. At this level of competition, if you don't understand exactly what you need to do you get lost," said Pontiac Northern Coach Leola Green.

Though Clarkston got out of the gym with a win, in the process bringing their record to 6-5 (3-2), Wasilk felt his team came out flat. That notion was backed up by Clarkston's inability to build on a 21-15 first-quarter lead, instead allowing Northern to take the lead at one point in the second quarter, before a buzzer beater by Kouri made the halftime score 25-24.

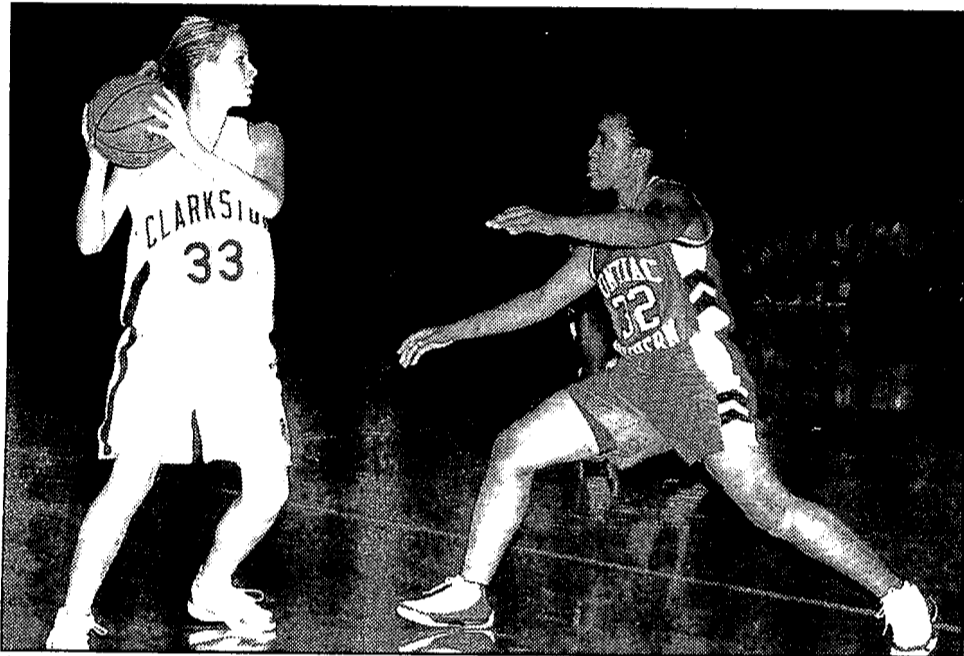
"Our mental approach has to be there every game," said Wasilk. "A positive is, we got it done in the fourth quarter. We've been preaching and talking about learning how to win, getting it done when you need to," said Wasilk.

Kouri led the Wolves in scoring with 16 points, shooting 6/9 from the field. Green turned in a nice all around game recording six points to go with four assists and six rebounds. Senior Amanda Kaltz added 10 points in the win.

In earlier action, Clarkston trounced Davison 72-35 on Oct. 4 behind 19 points from Kouri and 13 points from junior Sam Carter.



Norah Kelly looks to score against Northern. Photo by Noah Purcell



Sam Carter and the rest of the Wolves kept their cool against the Huskies and emerged victorious. Photo by Noah Purcell

Clarkston is now 4-2 in their last six games; the only losses coming against the aforementioned state ranked juggernauts which along with No. 1 Avondale hog the top of the standings of the OAA Division I.

The Wolves game at Troy Athens finished too late for this edition of *The Clarkston News*.

Next up on the schedule is a home game against Lake Orion on Oct. 13, followed by a tall test at Avondale on Oct. 18.

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By Ernie Harwell

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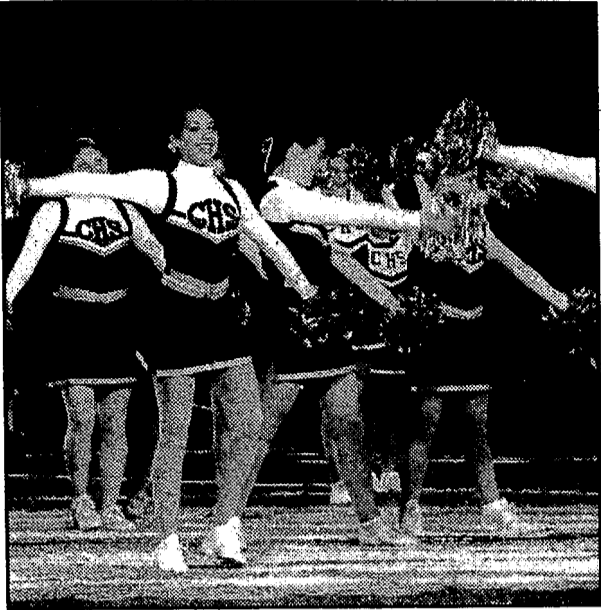


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Brennan bright spot at County

BY NOAH PURCELL
Clarkston News Sports Writer

Riding a wave of positive vibrations from wins in several weekend invites and a 3-2 record in dual meets, Clarkston's 11th place finish at the Oakland County meet on Oct. 8 left a bad taste in the mouth of Coach Mike Taylor.

"The county meet was a big disappointment," said Taylor. "The kids weren't happy with it either. So we either do something about it or experience it again."

The silver lining of Clarkston's weekend came from Hazen Brennan whose time of 17:05 was 15th overall.

But Brennan's performance could not overshadow that the Wolves, who finished with 330 points, finished behind teams like Troy Athens (seventh, 222 points), which Clarkston beat in the process of winning the Hanson invitational on Oct. 1; and Seaholm, who Clarkston beat in a dual meet on Sept. 20.

Lahser won the county meet with 91 points.

"People aren't machines and runners get tired this time of year. But we have to get our act together quick. We have three more opportunities to run this

season and that's it," said Taylor.

Clarkston's two losses in dual matches this season have come at the hands of Lahser and Lake Orion.

Clarkston's tri-meet against Athens and Rochester Adams on Oct. 11 finished too late for this edition of *The Clarkston News*.

On Oct. 20, Clarkston runs in the OAA Division I league meet at Bloomer Park.

"We have to knock off the number one and two teams in the county (Lahser and Lake Orion) to win the league. When we run well, we aren't a distant underdog, but we are still an underdog," said Taylor.

Clarkston's two losses in dual matches this season have come at the hands of Lahser (Oct. 3) and Lake Orion (Sept. 23).

On Oct. 3 Clarkston ran well enough to soundly beat Troy in the same tri-meet they lost to Lahser. Hazen Brennan (17:13, third place), Nick LaMora (17:16, fourth), Ed Brennan (17:44, sixth), Chris Anderson (17:52, eighth) and Matt Inch (18:33, 12th) provided the scoring for the Wolves. Clarkston defeated Troy 17-42, but lost to Lahser 25-31.

Girls demise greatly overstated, winners at County meet

BY NOAH PURCELL
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When a giant misses a step, everyone notices.

Troy took advantage of the Clarkston girls cross country team on Oct. 3, beating a depleted Wolves team 23-35 in a tri-meet. Clarkston was victorious over Lahser 15-50 in their other match-up in the tri-meet.

"I didn't think it was worth it to run a girl who might risk further injury," said Clarkston Coach Jamie Labrosse. "Sometimes losing's not a bad thing."

Clarkston's response to the loss was immediate as the Wolves swept through the Oakland County meet on Oct. 8, winning with a combined score of 54 points,

48 points ahead of runner-up Rochester High. The Wolves have now won the county meet five years running, an meet record.

To send his team a message, Labrosse only ran his five top runners in the County meet, leaving two varsity slots open and relegating the rest of the squad to JV.

Scoring for Clarkston at the County meet was Jenny Morgan (18:52, second place), Stephanie Morgan (19:00, third), Lyndsay Smith (19:44, ninth), Lisa Sickman (19:47, 10th) and Jenna Leach (20:28, 30th).

Labrosse did say that his JV ran as well as, if not better than, the varsity over the weekend.

Labrosse, who guided the Wolves to two straight

state championships, feels teams around the state should not read too much into Clarkston's fate against Troy.

"We still haven't run our best times yet. If (other teams) are banking on us running a bad race so that they can win states, they are focusing on the wrong things," said Labrosse.

With Clarkston's loss to Troy, their record stands at 5-1. By winning the OAA Division I league meet on Oct. 20 at Bloomer Park, Clarkston will win the league title.

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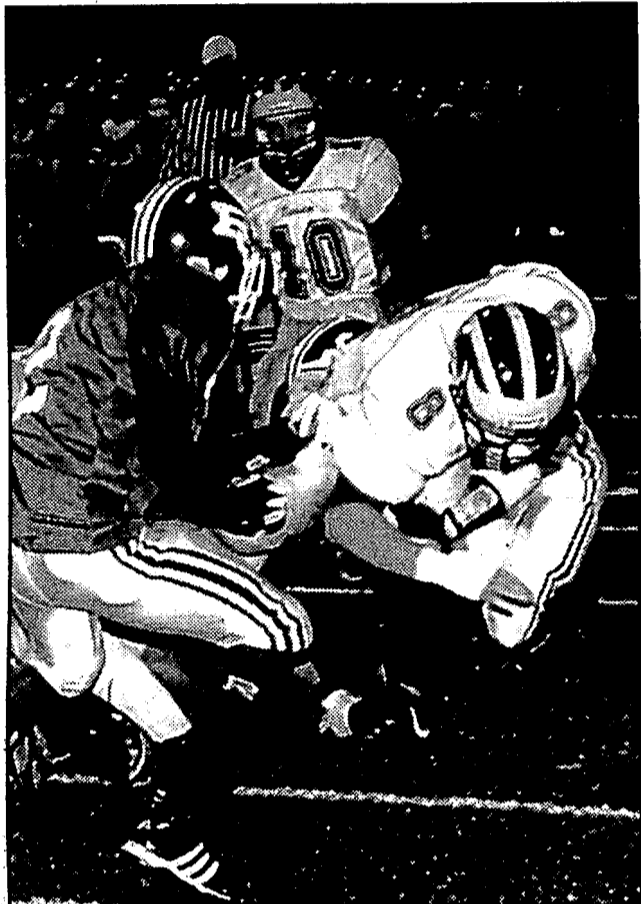
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They're in, so what's next?

BY NOAH PURCELL
Clarkston News Sports Writer

After assuring themselves a playoff berth by running roughshod over Rochester High, 43-7, on Oct. 7; Clarkston 6-1 (5-1) has a greater purpose over the final two games of the season.

"We are looking for homefield advantage so we want to win these next two. These are two real big games, especially week nine against Lake Orion, we're really looking forward to that one," said senior Mike Kittle, who



Senior Mike Kittle (8) on a handoff from junior Eric Ogg (10) scores one of the Wolves' six touchdowns against the Falcons. Photo by Noah Purcell

piled up 147 yards as a runner and receiver against the Falcons to go with two rushing touchdowns.

Neither Kittle nor anyone else on Clarkston's roster is looking past an Oct. 14 match-up with Groves at home.

"We definitely want to get (Groves) back from last year," said Kittle. "There's a lot of big games ahead of us. It's going to be fun."

Last year, a humbling 27-9 defeat to Groves, backed the Wolves into a corner in the last week of the season. Clarkston needed a victory over Lake Orion to make the 2004 MHSAA playoffs. The Wolves responded though, beating the Dragons 30-12 in the final week of the season to earn their sixth win and a playoff berth.

"We're in the dance now. The next two weeks are going to be tough. They are going to be playoff intensity games," said Clarkston Coach Kurt Richardson.

"(Homefield advantage) is our goal and that has been our goal and I would think we are going to have to win both games for that to happen. So we've got our work cut out for us."

Against Rochester the Wolves showed some wrinkles which bode well in their immediate future.

First and foremost, Clarkston had a healthy backfield for the first time in four games as seniors Steve McIsaac, Nick DeVault and Kittle all carried the ball effectively against Rochester.

"All three of them are excellent ball carriers. We just have to keep them healthy," said Richardson.

The trio covers a wide spectrum of running styles, and all three shone brightly against the Falcons. Aside from an 11-yard run to the 1-yard line by junior quarterback Eric Ogg, Clarkston's three-headed rushing monster combined for 66 yards on 11 carries on the Wolves opening drive, chewing up just over four minutes of game time.

McIsaac, a bruising fullback and state record holder in three power lifting events, chews up yards between the hash marks. Against the Falcons, he scored Clarkston's first touchdown of the game and rushed for 46 yards on eight carries.

DeVault's speed and elusiveness are terrifically effective when Clarkston runs the option, he ran for 50 yards on seven carries.

Kittle bridges the gap between his partners in the backfield. Not only does he run with jolting power and undeniable speed, but also possesses a certain je ne sais quois, allowing him to elude tacklers for improbable gains.

Another positive from the Wolves victory over Rochester is for the third straight week they held an opponent to seven or fewer points. The Falcons came into the game against Clarkston having gained over 400 yards passing the week before in a 30-28 win over Troy Athens.

"I was very happy with our secondary. A kid like (senior) Nick Vanchina, who wasn't a starter at the start of the year, has come on. He's played well enough that we can take Mike Kittle off defense and give him rest," said Richardson, who also gave high marks to senior Kyle Cummings, senior Mitch Miller and junior Kevin Badgley's play in the defensive backfield.

Clarkston tried to give Rochester an assortment of different looks on defense to offset the Falcons frequent audibles at the line of scrimmage.

Finishing off the Wolves scoring was Chad Blackstone on a 3-yard run; junior Bren Berquist on a 16-yard reception from Ogg; junior Ryan Breen on a 23-yard field goal; and Colton Tweed on a 28-yard run. Breen converted four extra point kicks in addition to his field goal.

Rochester's lone score of the ball game came with 8:14 left and Clarkston up 37-0 on a 39 yard pass from Anthony Merlo to Stephan Henning.

"They have good skill players and they don't make mistakes and that was the difference. The prediction at the beginning of the year was that they were going to win the league. They are good enough to win the league, but they lost to Adams. But they are a very good team and they'll do very well," said Rochester Coach Mark Merlo.

Clarkston's 17-0 loss to Adams on Aug. 26 may come back to haunt them at the end of the season. Adams leads the OAA Division I with an unblemished 7-0 (6-0) record. Adams final schedule includes Farmington Hills Harrison on Oct. 14 and Rochester on Oct. 21.

Harrison has already done the Wolves one favor. On Oct. 7, the Hawks handed Lake Orion their second league loss of the season, 14-10. Should the Hawks beat Adams on Oct. 14, Clarkston could conceivably tie for the league title if they were to win out.

"(The game against Lake Orion) could be for the league championship, that's what we are hoping for. We have to take care of our end of it first," said Richardson.

Chock wants more state swimmers

BY NOAH PURCELL
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Clarkston coach Kenwyn Chock is not a greedy person.

She relishes Clarkston's 6-0 record this season. Qualifying for states in the 200 medley relay in the first meet of the season was sweet. Freshmen Alyssa Vela (50, 100 freestyle) and Molli Simpson (100 breaststroke) making the state meet later in the team's Aug. 29 dual meet was icing on top.

"We're looking to go to states and put up points," said Chock.

Chock doesn't ask for much, she just wants to get her 400 and 200 freestyle relays into the states. Throw in another individual qualifier or two, and she might start to really smile.

"October 24 starts the taper for the end of the year. I've been working them really hard. Once the taper starts, we'll see major drops in their times," said Chock.

Clarkston has three more meets to qualify for states before starting the resting taper prior to the OAA Division III league meet, Nov. 2-4, in the CHS pool. In the immediate future though,

Clarkston hosts Royal Oak on Oct. 13 and West Bloomfield on Oct. 18, then travels to Stony Creek on Oct. 20.

Chock also signed her team up for the MISCA meet at Eastern Michigan on Oct. 22. That meet is reserved for swimmers who have a top-50 time in their county. Aside from wanting to make sure her swimmers get to see the best, Chock also wants her state qualified swimmers to get a feel for the Eastern Michigan pool - it is also the site of the state finals.

Most recently, Clarkston out swam host Avondale, 122-63 on Oct. 6.

Clarkston got individual first place efforts from Vela (50 freestyle), sophomore Danielle Benway (diving), freshman Christine Seiple (100 freestyle and 100 backstroke), junior Kandice Keen (500 freestyle) and Simpson (100 breaststroke).

The Wolves 400 freestyle relay team of junior Amanda Hassett, sophomore Kaitlyn Hassett, Seiple and Keen finished first against Avondale, as did their 200 freestyle relay team consisting of junior Michelle VanderVoord, Hassett, Vela and Simpson.

Bad week on the pitch for Wolves

Clarkston's soccer team had a tough week losing to Traverse City West 4-0 on Oct. 7 at home and to host Troy High 3-2 on Oct. 5.

Junior Oliver Kupe and senior Joel Parrish were the goal scorers for

Clarkston against Troy.

Clarkston hosts Kimball on Oct. 13 followed by back-to-back home games against Lake Orion on Oct. 18 and Rochester on Oct. 19 to close the regular season.

Tennis

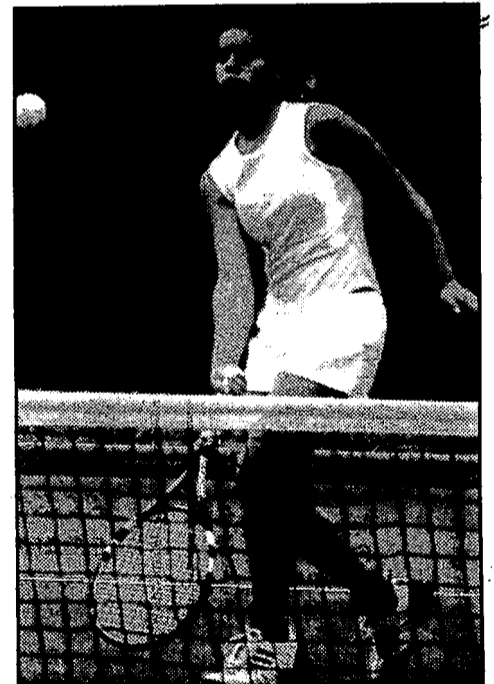
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rience and past success. Parkison won the No. 2 singles title last year and Lucas won the No. 3 singles title. Trout reached the quarterfinals in the No. 4 singles flight.

Parkison, in particular, will face stiff competition this year. Cunningham feels the No. 1 singles flight has more talented players than last year, when Clarkston's Lauren Little won the individual No. 1 singles title.

"(Parkison) is capable of stepping up," said Cunningham.

Clarkston has found a constant rival in Mercy dating back to last year's regional tournament, where the Wolves qualified for states with 19 points, but still finished behind Mercy. Clarkston managed a fourth place finish last year in the finals while Mercy finished fifth. Aside from the regional tournament this year, Clarkston and Mercy each bettered the other in tournaments twice.



No. 2 Alyssa Lucas, above, and No. 1 single Stephanie Parkison are both seeking their second individual state titles this year. Photo by Noah Purcell

Golf

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At the state tourney, all eyes will be on No. 1 Muskegon Mona Shores.

"(Mona Shores) has been number one in the state all year long and they deserve it," said Kaul.

Before focusing exclusively on the state tourney, Clarkston had the Oakland County Tournament to think about on Oct. 11, which finished too late for this edition of *The Clarkston News*.

With the County tourney behind them, Kaul wanted his team to have an abbreviated session on Oct. 12 followed by an extensive range session on Oct. 13.

"Thursday we'll have a real good range session and touch all the bases," said Kaul.

The state tournament begins play on Oct. 14. With the addition of the district tournaments this year, the field in the state tourney was cut down from 21 teams last year to 15 this year. Unlike last year, there will be no cut and all teams will compete on both days for the state title.



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Katrina

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The instant emotional connection he had with the people he met is still strong. He lived through some people's worst nightmares – and yet among the debris and woe, Borchardt still found stories of perseverance and hope.



Doug Borchardt

He heard about a man and his infant who were swept from their living room by the surge of water which charged through Biloxi's streets when Hurricane Katrina hit in full force. The man placed his baby in a bucket which happened to be floating by, grabbed onto the roof of a building and pulled himself and the infant to safety as the 25-foot waters rapidly receded.

"Here we are six guys ready to tackle the world and we were not getting direction on what to do. We had chain saws, we were cutting up 80 or 90-foot pine trees that just leveled people's houses. Just giving water away, giving food away," said Borchardt. "We thought we were going to bring all of this man power. It's funny because we were getting frustrated, we were allowing our own selfishness to overcome us. We had to get over ourselves. God just had a plan for us, for us to go down there and I really think to bring this story back, to tell people about this.

"You know you might be able to help one family and if that picks them up and helps them pick up that next person – that's what we did. That's what we had to come to grips with. The little things just matter so much."

Being able to witness the kindness of others also struck a deep chord in Borchardt. In one instance, he learned of a church parish in an especially impoverished section of Biloxi which prior to the hurricane fed the homeless, drug addicted and simply unfortunate alike on weekends. The church, with it's members scattered and kitchens bare, was in no shape to offer any sort of meal. In a touching display, the people who had been fed on countless occasions by the church, brought collected food to share with the clergy and any other hungry people.

"Here there are these people at their lowest point, regardless of what their addictions are, and they are coming to help where they can," said Borchardt.

While seeing people band together as a community touched Borchardt, the absence of the federal government in the relief effort 10 days after Hurricane Katrina hit Biloxi still bothers him.

"We wanted to see what was going on in downtown Biloxi because we had heard FEMA still wasn't around in some areas, no one had seen them in some areas. The Red Cross was there and they were treating people. They had their big trucks and big tents and stuff was happening," said Borchardt, who aside from carpentry dabbles in sales and finance.

"The trip changed my life. One thing everybody teaches you in sales is the 'Fear of Loss.' You understand the fear of loss when you see what we saw. We had to finally leave, we were emotionally withdrawn, just drained completely, drained and spent."

Borchardt and those who went with him's efforts in Ocean Springs and Biloxi rebuilt lives, both figuratively and literally, as they banged with their hammers, cut with chain saws and gave solace to many who needed a shoulder to cry on. He hopes the group's story inspires others to help with the relief efforts in any way they can.

While the time Borchardt spent in Mississippi was hard on his wife Dina and his children: six-year-old Aria and two-year-old Zach, he was able to keep in contact via cell phone and at times was surprised with how talkative his youngest was.

The trip took an emotional toll on Borchardt, but that and the catch up work he found waiting for him when he returned have not dissuaded him from thinking about taking another trip down to Mississippi.

"We just had to be there for whoever needed us at that time. We wanted to stay, we didn't want to go because we were starting to do what we were supposed to do down there," said Borchardt. "It was bittersweet coming back because of the feeling that I needed to help people."

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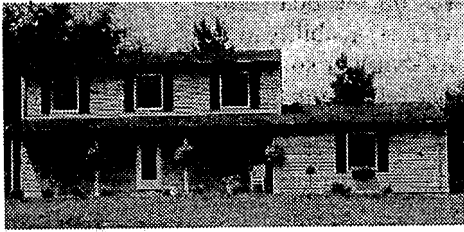
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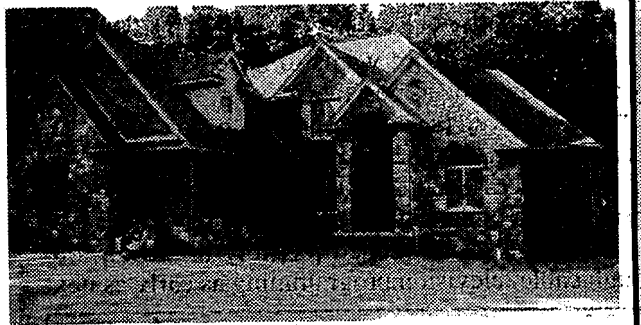


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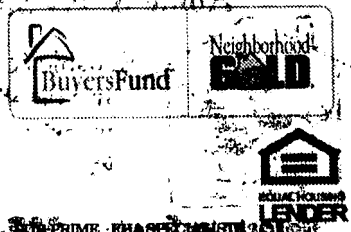
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School Board

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how we can get that done," said Roberts.

Hyer said the new junior high school is setup to help the eighth grade be more like high school instead of ninth grade being more like eighth grade.

"We want to keep kids younger longer, but still challenge them. Because of that opportunity, we've got this place (SMS), so now we really need to learn more about it, learn how it's working, make sure it's working the way we wanted it to work and follow through," said Hyer.

The effects of the reconfiguration will take time to evaluate, and Patterson said it was important to establish benchmarks and pay constant attention to them.

"We need to be careful about putting something new out there and saying 'Okay, we've done our job,'" said Patterson.

In addition to the construction, Roberts stressed the need to enhance communication between the schools and the surrounding communities. With growth of technology, the schools have the opportunity to broaden communications, and one area Roberts said could be improved is the district's Web sites.

Roberts said the Web sites could be more interactive and there are plans to have grades available there in the next few weeks.

Hyer said the board wants to have as much two-way communication as possible.

"Everybody in the community needs to know what we're all about, whether they have kids in school or not," said Hyer. "So it's really important that we keep improving (communication) as much as possible."

Roberts also mentioned possibly branching out through cable television programming as early as next

month, as well as increasing communication through the media and public events such as the Open House held on Oct 8.

Patterson said she sees community input as a opportunity; not only to get more opinions, but also to explain the thought process behind board decisions that may raise questions.

Patterson said she is glad to hear questions, ideas or criticisms; and that she would prefer to hear them all before a major decision is made in order to properly weigh the pros and cons.

In Koval's opinion, communication is a two-way street and that parents taking an active role would help improve the district.

"Frankly, even before I was on the board, just a parent out there, I considered it my responsibility to know what was going on; so I have to shoulder some of that on the parents themselves. They have to make an effort too. We make this information available, but you have to make an effort to read it," said Koval.

Looking into the future, Roberts and Koval mentioned the eventual goal to establish an international

academy program, though Koval remarked the concept is still in extremely early planning stages.

In the here and now, Roberts and Koval also spoke of the integrated math and science program in the district. Koval said the program is run through CHS and allows students to take math and science and apply them to real-life situations.

"That used to be done through the intermediate school district. They decided they could no longer do it, so they canceled the whole program," said Koval. "Well, it was such a good program for the kids that participated that we in Clarkston said we'll start one and make it every bit as good as what was offered before."

Koval said the board will likely be evaluating the program throughout the year.

Trustee Barry Bomier said he stood firmly behind the goals agreed upon by the board as a whole.

School board President Karen Foyteck said her goal for the year was to put all of her effort into achieving the goals agreed upon by the board.

Board Secretary Shelia Hughes could not be reached for comment.

Clarkston School Board Goals for 2005-2006

The Clarkston School Board has agreed on the following four goals for their primary objectives for the current school year:

- Closely examine core subject area curriculum and instructional practices to improve student performance
- Evaluate and adjust the technological infrastructure in the school district to meet current and future needs.
- Create a communication plan and messages with the administration that will focus on Leadership Clarkston, public school advocacy, Web site management, new facilities and taxation and non-homestead renewal.
- Helping the community understand school funding and working with the administration to create fiscally sound budgets for the future.

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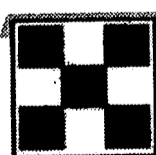
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As part of the presentation, Rod Arroyo, vice president of Birchler Arroyo Associates, Inc., detailed Orco's view on the four criteria required in Site Specific Relief Authorization:

• Applicant's site can not be used as currently zoned - Orco believes the site can not be used as zoned because a reasonable rate of return can not be made on the property. Orco Investments submitted a report from an appraiser on this matter.

• Applicant's difficulty is due to unique circumstances peculiar to the property and not due to general neighborhood conditions - According to Arroyo, the site includes arsenic contamination (from previous used as orchards) that will require remediation and the location of I-75 along one side, also problematic in Orco's perspective. In addition, Arroyo pointed to the parcels unusual shape and size.

• The planned development would not alter the character of the area - Arroyo stated that the varying degrees of residential housing provides a transitional use for the Sashabaw Corridor. He argued that surrounding land uses coincide with Orco's proposed development.

• The problems with the site are not self-created by the applicant - Arroyo explained that Orco has no connection with farming or the previous orchards, no connection with the construction of I-75 and no control over the property's topography or land shape.

None of these points met with positive feedback from planning commissioners.

"I would hate to see us even consider something as dense as this," said commissioner Joan McCrary. "I just can't see that they are meeting any of the four criteria."

"The kind of density you are asking for changes the whole character of the township," said commissioner Richard Egan. "To turn around and allow this - I really think that is breaking faith with the people who live here."

NOHLC

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the treasurer's report listed the organization "in the hole" by almost \$6,000.

"The efforts of our fund-raising were significantly over budget," said Anderson. "That's a great thanks to everybody."

"I think this is very positive. There were a lot of people involved that made this work," he concluded.

After the completion of business, meeting participants enjoyed presentations from Dr. John Warbach, Planning and Zoning Center, Inc., and Dr. Jon Bartholic, MSU Institute of Water Research.

Dr. Warbach discussed the need for using planning and zoning ordinances as a means to protect headwaters. He explained what makes these resources effective and what is needed to achieve those effects.

"How would you describe your effectiveness in protecting the headwaters here?" asked Warbach.

The audience threw out terms such as "spotty, slow, not forever."

Ultimately, Warbach recommended keeping zoning ordinances up to date and in tune with the municipality's master plan, especially in reference to land conservancy. He also suggested making "people to people" interactions on the topic.

Dr. John Bartholic presented a new tool to the NOHLC - the Web site www.iwr.msu.edu, a geographic information system geared towards watershed and headwater information.

The Web site allows viewers to not only see watershed maps, but also zoom in for closer looks at topography, headwaters and actually area pictures.

"This is a nationwide web application tool to be used for watershed management for all areas," said Bartholic. "This can be used by anyone anywhere."

"Something we would like to see is this being used more in the schools. The earlier we begin, the more effective."

The NOHLC is already kicking off a brand new year with the annual "Wild Night Out" auction and fundraiser. For more information on the event, please see this week's issue, page 11B.

"The density certainly is excessive to say the least," agreed commissioner Sam Moraco. "The lack of open space is obvious. I can't believe one gazebo to every 400 homes is the standard."

Public comment during the hearing was also unfavorable of the proposal.

Resident Judy Cole questioned the need for residential development, "We should ask ourselves is this really the time? Is there really a need for housing right now when homes are not selling? Is there a need for more development when you have a whole corridor on Dixie Highway already with empty stores?"

Resident and COG member David Lohmeier believes several of the owner's problems with the property are self-created: "I doubt I-75 sprung up overnight after they purchased the property."

Several residents voiced concerns about overcrowding in an already growing school district. Planning commission chairperson Cheryl Karrick added her voice to the issue.

"I want to see a traffic study, the cost for the remediation and an independent analysis of the appraisal," she said. "I am strongly concerned about over

crowding the schools. Where will we put the kids?"

"The plan itself, I think is excessive. It would be the highest development ever allowed in the township."

Also present at the public hearing were township attorney Gerry Fisher and planner Dick Carlisle.

Mr. Fisher explained that the hearing was for informational purposes only. He described talks with Orco Investments concerning the creation of Plans B and C as "productive, meaning the property owner made significant moves away from a commercial development."

Mr. Carlisle provided a brief history on the Sashabaw Corridor and presented a portion of a report he completed on the area.

In the Sashabaw Corridor report, he recommends the township consider providing for either a multiple-family and mixed-use development on the parcel incorporating the concept of "transitional land use," or light commercial along Sashabaw Road with residential "decreasing in intensity" towards Walters Road.

Fisher said township officials anticipate Orco Investments will take the comments from the hearing, comprise a more detailed plan and return with a proposal to the township board. No timeline is set.

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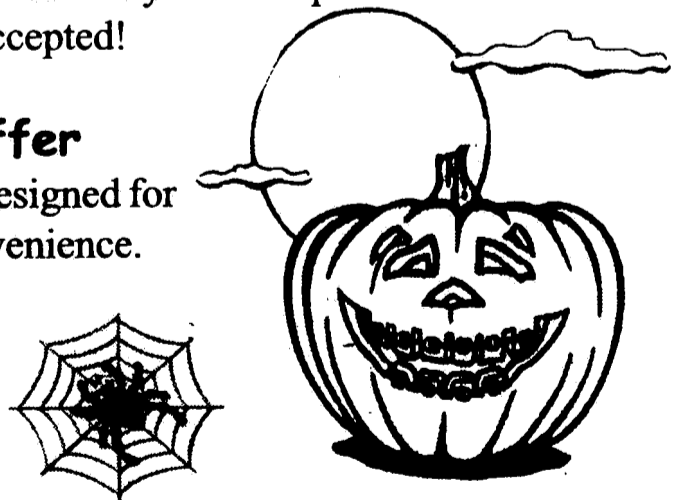


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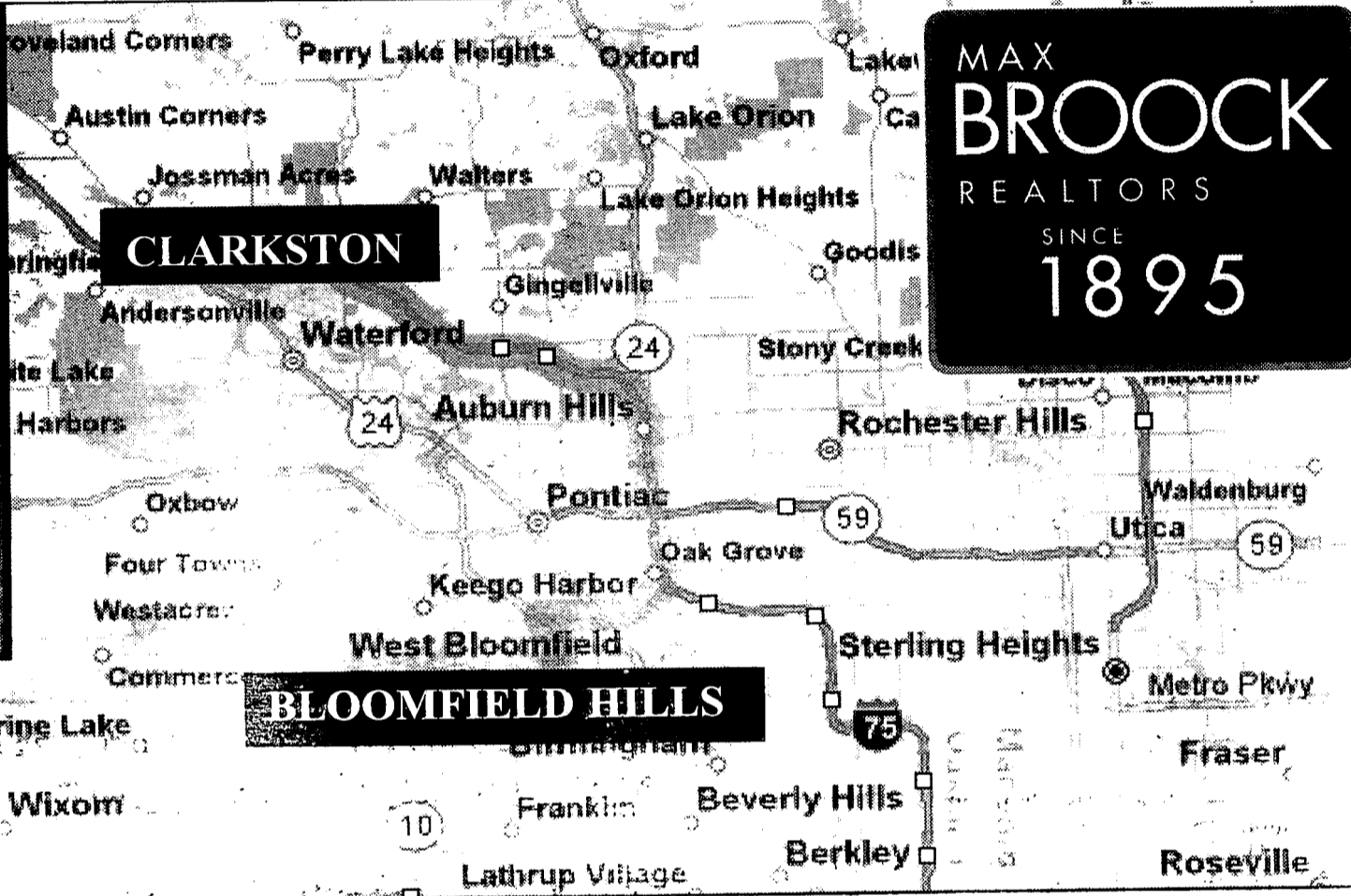
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Fun in the sun at BLE

Photos by Jenny Matteson



Molly McCaghy, 4½, has her face painted by brightly dressed volunteer Susie Miller, an aunt of a BLE student.



Selecting a paint bottle for his master piece is Sean Lucas, 7.



Many hardwood hopefuls lined up to hone their skills for the upcoming basketball season.



Bailey Lake Elementary students enjoyed a day in the sun at the school's annual Fall Festival. Taking her turn on the inflatable slide is seven-year-old Jordyn Morey.



Jacob Wright gives his all at the hammer hit. The nine-year-old BLE student made the bell ring around six times in 10 hits.



What a treat! Iranzi Loetzner, 9, gets a ride from Babs. The pair are led around BLE's field by owner Renee Sanger.

People Poll

Do you talk and drive?



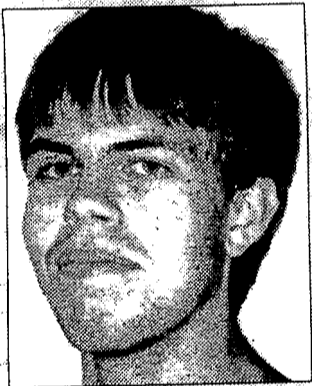
"Yes I do, but I use an ear-piece. I don't ever have to touch my phone."

- Kathleen Shultz



"No, I don't. I don't want to take my eyes off the road. I will pull over if I have to make a phone call."

- Grace Savage



"No. You don't have to talk while you're driving. If it's more dangerous, why do you need to do it?"

- Chris Thompson



"Yes. The only problem I see from it is government busy-bodies using it as an issue to dictate what people should or should not be doing in their cars. It's not an issue of public safety."

- Bill Feeheley

By Andrew DuPont

The Clarkston News' Millstream

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

Life – it's all about networking

BY JAMES MARTINEZ
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Going through boot camp changes a person's view on life.

For Chuck Gifford, his boot camp experience in 1969 taught him to appreciate the freedoms and pleasures of everyday life.

Drafted into the U.S. Marine Corps in Dec. of 1968 during the Vietnam War, Gifford said boot camp was tough, causing him to lose 20 pounds in two months. Looking back he said the experience was positive.

"In boot camp, suddenly I was aware of what freedom was. You realize and appreciate what you've taken for granted," said Gifford.

"I was number four in line. They were counting off one, two, three, four and every fourth person became a marine," he said.

Gifford spent two years at Camp Pendleton in California working mostly payroll services before getting out of the military in 1970.

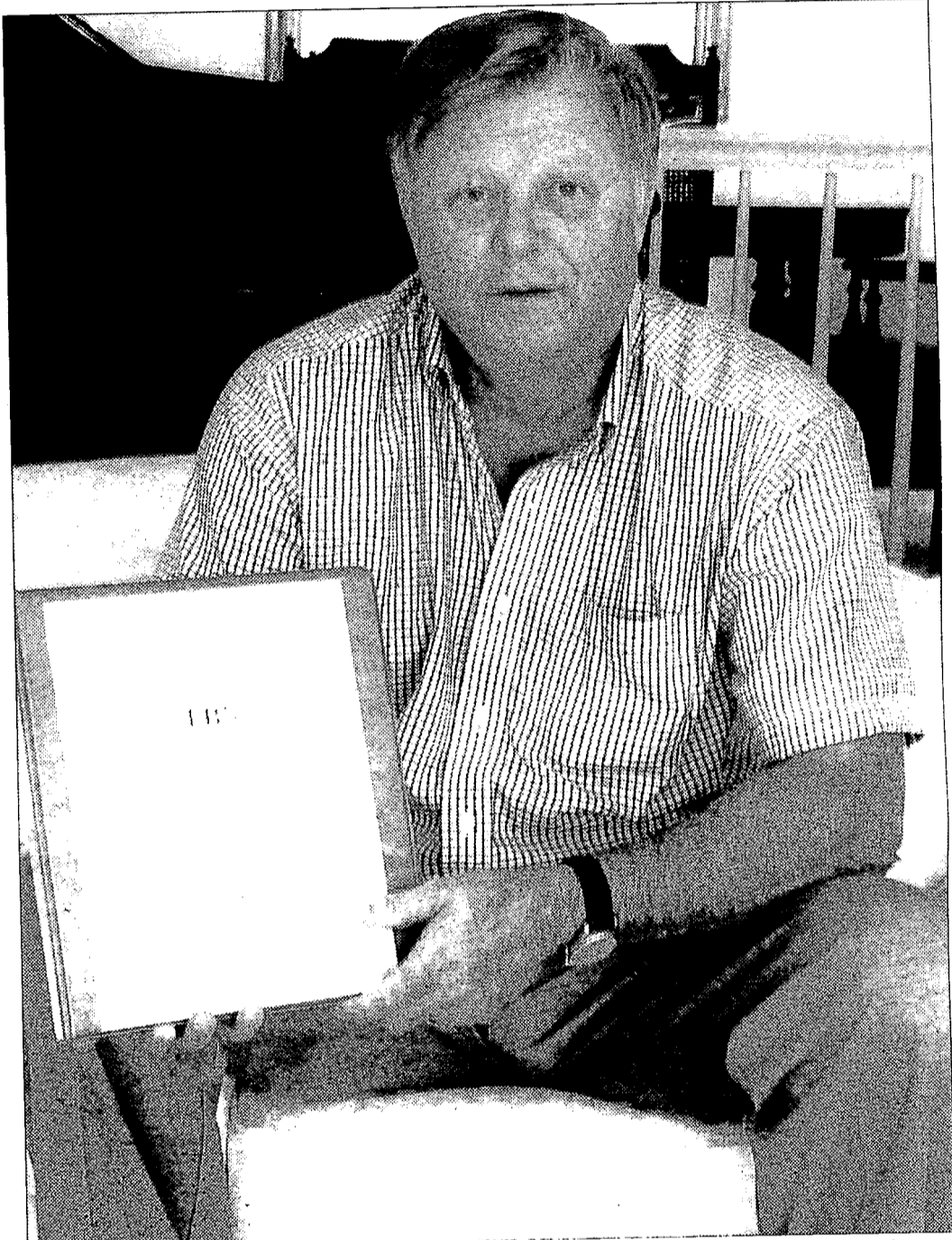
Since then, Gifford, of Independence Township, has shown people how to prosper in the business world by networking and building an infrastructure of revenue producing relationships while working from the comfort of his home.

Currently, Gifford is the President of Local Business Network, a business referral agency with over 50 chapters in southeastern Michigan including Lansing and Flint.

Local Business Network's first chapter was opened in a matter of a few weeks by Gifford in Clarkston in Feb. 1999. The chapter started with seven or eight members, but has grown to about 28.

"We started in Clarkston because I live here, so it was an easy place to start. I knew some business people here. When I started it, I went downtown and talked to some of the businesses there. I went into Clarkston State Bank which was just starting up and the president gave me five names and said we could meet there," said Gifford.

The group prospered throughout the area, causing another chapter for Inde-



Gifford enjoys working out of his home, with the average day starting at 4 a.m. Working from home allows him to enjoy his granddaughter Trinity. Photo by James Martinez

pendence Township to open.

The chapters meet twice a month at early morning meetings. Each business representative gives a 60 second presentation about his business, followed by a 10 minute presentation by one featured member.

Members of the network pay \$30 dues for membership per month. LBN has a chapter developer who visits the first four meetings of a new chapter and trains four officers to run the chapter, said Gifford. A regional director helps support the group through recruitment and training. Members receive a member portfolio and a free 2½-hour network training on effective networking.

Some of the unique aspects of LBN are the use of intranet and tracking of referrals to be sure members are successful bringing in contacts. LBN makes membership for certain fields exclusive; meaning if

"In boot camp, suddenly I was aware of what freedom was. You realize and appreciate what you've taken for granted."

— Chuck Gifford
Local Business Network

Please see Gifford, page 16B



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Around Town

Springfield Township Friends of the Library are hosting a **Used Book & Bake Sale** on Oct. 13 - 15. The sale is in the library's lobby entrance.

Times are 10 a.m. - 8 p.m. on Thursday, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. on Friday and 10 a.m. to noon on Saturday. Oct. 15 only is the "bag of books" sale.

Make sure to stop in, and come hungry!

Keep Michigan Beautiful, Inc. is holding its **Annual Meeting** on Oct. 14 at Oakhurst Golf and Country Club beginning at 9:30 a.m. A full day's agenda is scheduled through 3:30 p.m. including several seminars, a silent auction and lunch speaker.

The KMB Board of Directors Meeting and Annual Meeting are open to all KMB members, potential members, prospective members, organizations and

guests. Please call Shirley Richardson at 248-623-7327 with any questions.

U.S. Rep. Mike Rogers' 8th District office staff will meet with Oakland County residents on Oct. 17 from 9 a.m. - 11 a.m. at the Independence Township Hall. The remainder of the afternoon, staff will visit with business owners and managers in the community.

No appointment is necessary. To contact the 8th District Office, please call 1-877-333-MIKE.

Indian Springs Metropark always has lots of great activities happening:

- Looking for a unique skill to learn? The stop by on Oct. 15 at 1 p.m. for **"Build a Scarecrow."**

Get into the spirit of autumn by building an old-fashioned scarecrow. Straw, framing, screws, burlap, markers and paint provided. The cost is \$7 per adult kit and \$5 per child kit. Pre-registration and payment required by Oct. 13.

- Are you **"Batty About Bats?"** Find out on Oct. 15 at 7 p.m. at the Nature Center. Learn the myths and lore of bats, along with their habits and habitats. Travel the nature trails searching for these amazing nocturnal creatures.

Cost is \$2 per child. Pre-registration required.

- Children ages four and older can let their artistic nature loose during **"Pumpkin Palooza"** on Oct. 16 at 1 p.m. in the Nature Center. There will be all sorts of fun decorations and suggestions to try.

The cost is \$5 per child and includes one pumpkin. Pre-registration and payment required by Oct. 13.

- **"Autumn Adventure"** on Oct. 22 at 1 p.m. in the Nature Center will take participants on a hike to learn about fall colors and tree identification. Enjoy making a leaf collection and a leaf print t-shirt.

The cost is \$2 per child. Pre-registration required. Participants should bring a white or light-colored t-shirt.

- Just how scary are wolf spiders, bats and rats? Find out on Oct. 23 at 1 p.m. in the Nature Center during **"Halloween's Creepy Crawlies -**

Fact or Fiction."

Meet some of these creatures live and up close. The cost is \$2 per child. Pre-registration required.

- Children age third grade and younger can join their parents for a **"Creepy Characters"** afternoon on Oct. 29 during **"Little Kids' Halloween."**

Beginning at 1 p.m., kids can fish for a goodies bag in the spooky graveyard, have their faces painted at Witchie's salon, decorate a t-shirt with Halloween spirits and many other fun activities.

The cost is \$5 per child. Pre-registration required. Please bring a t-shirt to decorate.

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

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

- Enjoy great food, friends and family on Oct. 21 at the **spaghetti dinner** from 5-7 p.m. in Clintonwood Park. For just \$4 enjoy all-you-can eat spaghetti and meat sauce, salad and Italian garlic bread. Yummy deserts are available for \$1 extra. For carry-out orders, please one day ahead.

- The American Association of Retired Persons is offering their **Defensive Driving Tips** class geared for drivers aged 50 and up. Each participant will receive a workbook written for Michigan drivers.

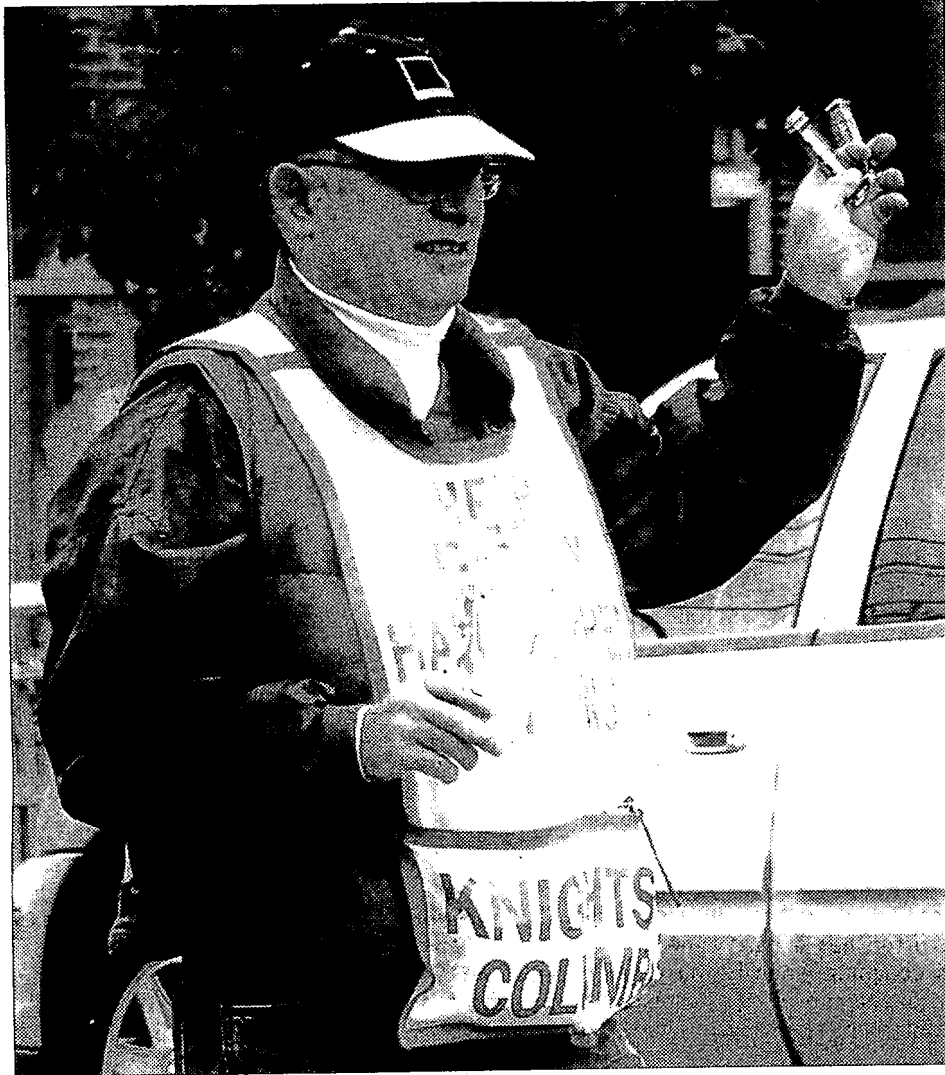
The course is two days long with a ½ hour break and refreshments for each daily session. Sign up at the center, classes are limited to the first 20 individuals.

The cost is \$10 per participant. No cash please. Please make checks payable to AARP and send them to the senior center at 6000 Clarkston Road, Clarkston, MI 48348. Check with your insurance company, some offer discount rates for those who take this course.

- Games, prizes and lots of fun will highlight **"Howling Halloween"** on Oct. 26 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Come to the Carriage House dressed in your wackiest, wicked and most wonderful costume. The entertainment is **"The Happy Magic Show"** with Jack O'Dea.

Lunch is chicken parmesan, wild rice, Caesar salad, California blend veg

See Around Town, page 10B




Braving the elements...

Members of the Knights of Columbus braved the weekend's sudden chill to raise money for their annual **"Help Mentally Handicapped Citizens"** drive. Member Pat Toohey, who is spending his 13th year pounding the pavement, eagerly displays the Tootsie Rolls contributors got for their donations. "I love it," said Toohey. "I get to see friends, neighbors and customers. This is great." Photo by Jenny Matteson

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Babe the Parrot gets grounded

BY JAMES MARTINEZ
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Seeing a large blue and gold parrot lounging in a tree in Clarkston would cause anyone to rub their eyes.

Abbey Podbielski and her family did just that feeling when they discovered a Blue and Gold Macaw high up in a 50-foot oak tree on their Independence Township lot Oct. 1.

"Never in our wildest dreams had we thought we'd see a tropical bird; we usually just see plenty of hawks and owls," said Abbey's mother, Valerie, who thought their 10-acre wooded lot may have enticed the bird to land.

The cawing sound of the parrot woke Abbey's father, Jim, who initially saw the bird in the tree before it flew off. Interested by the sighting, Abbey, 12, and a pet-owner herself, scoured the property unsuccessfully until finally finding the Macaw again in a tree while shooting baskets.

Using a soft voice similar to how she might talk with her pet horse, Abbey was able to talk the Macaw down branch by branch until it settled next to her.

After gaining parrot's trust by feeding her bananas and nuts, Abbey guided it into a cage. With no idea about the ownership of the bird they would later know as Babe, the Podbielski's had to leave and go take pictures of their son Aaron, who was gathering with friends prior to CHS's homecoming.

While telling the story to Aaron, one of his friends overheard and recalled seeing a "missing" poster for a similar bird while getting a haircut at a nearby salon. The Podbielski's drove to the business, grabbed the poster and alerted the frantic owner.

The owner, Michael Bridgers of Clarkston, came

over immediately upon hearing about Babe's discovery, not even taking the time to put on shoes.

"It was total elation when Sandi Mink (Bridgers' friend) got the call. I came with messed-up hair and without shoes in the grubby clothes I had on," said Bridgers.

Bridgers had owned Babe for 2½ years after receiving her from Sandi as a Christmas gift in 2002.

"I thought I'd never see her again with all the hawks and bad weather," said Bridgers, who felt devastated when Babe disappeared.

Despite Bridgers feelings of hopelessness, Mink and her daughter Melissa created posters and posted them all over Independence Township.

"I was praying it would work out like this. I knew if someone saw her in their backyard, they'd know she was someone's pet," said Mink.

About six days earlier, Bridgers was walking with Babe on his shoulder outside, as was habit, and she flew off, landing on a

nearby condo. Shortly afterwards, she flew from there vanishing for nearly a week.

Bridgers said Babe must have been in bad shape to cooperate and interact with someone else, because Macaws, who live for 70 or 80 years, mate for life and establish a relationship with one human; often wanting nothing to do with anyone else.

This is not the first time Babe was rescued however. Bridgers saved the 3½-year-old Macaw from a breeder in Missouri. Bridgers was researching birds for his gift from Sandi when he chose Babe when he found her in horrible conditions.

"I drove 12 hours to get her. She was the runt of the bunch and not being treated well by the owners, so

"Never in our wildest dreams had we thought we'd see a tropical bird."

**- Valerie Podbielski
Abbey's mother**



Abbey Podbielski with Babe, who she talked out of the tree at her house. Photo provided

I had to get her out of there," said Bridgers.

Feeling eternally grateful Bridgers said Sandi, her daughter, who put up the fliers, and Abbey were true heroes. He plans to give Abbey a reward for finding his feathered friend.

Unfortunately, according to Bridgers, Babe was not herself after the trip. The usually talkative, riotous bird who constantly wanted attention did not speak much after the event.

As of Oct. 10, Babe was beginning to feel better and gradually started to talk more according to Mink.

Clarkston's Original



Dr. Nancy Crossley is affiliated with William Beaumont Hospital.

Care Center

Asthma

Article written by: Dr. Nancy Crossley

Tyler wants to try out for his high school football team. He's a good player, but he often has a hard time at practices because he keeps coughing when he has to run. He's worried he got out of shape over the summer since he's been having a little trouble keeping up with the other guys.

Caitlyn's mom is getting ready for bed when she hears Caitlyn coughing again. It seems like Caitlyn's cough never really seems to go away during the winter. It's mostly a problem at night.

Mike feels like colds "always go to his lungs". He has a lot of trouble getting a good breath whenever colds or allergies flare up, and he misses a lot of work because of illness.

What do all of these patients have in common? They may all be suffering from a treatable lung disease known as asthma.

WHAT IS ASTHMA?

Asthma is a chronic lung disease - it can last for years or a lifetime. It's caused by swelling and spasm of the small airways in your lungs, which makes it hard to breathe. It can be fatal, so it's important to see your doctor if you think you might have any of the following symptoms:

Wheezing (a whistling sound when you breathe), coughing, chest tightness and shortness of breath Cough and chest tightness with a cold that seem to last longer than other people's

Nighttime cough or cough brought on by exercise People with eczema, allergies or family members with asthma, eczema or allergies are at higher risk for having asthma.

HOW IS ASTHMA DIAGNOSED?

Asthma can be diagnosed by history, physical examination, and a simple breathing test done in your doctor's office while you are having symptoms. You will

do the test twice - once before and once after you are given an inhaled asthma medication.

TREATMENT

Treatment includes avoiding things that trigger your symptoms, as well as a quick-acting inhaled medicine (bronchodilator) for relief of symptoms. For persistent symptoms, a preventive medication is also prescribed.

Treatment of allergies may also be needed. Finally, people with asthma should make sure to get a flu shot every year.

It's important that asthmatics carry their quick-acting medication with them for use in an asthma attack. If your breathing does not improve after using these medicines, you should go to an emergency room or call 911 immediately.

PREVENTIVE MEASURES

Asthma can have many triggers. Some of the more common triggers are cigarette smoke (including second-hand smoke), colds and respiratory infections; allergies; chemical irritants (perfumes, smoke) and cold air. House dust can play a role, so changing furnace filters, avoiding carpeting and drapes in your home, and frequent washing of bedding and pillows may be helpful.

WHAT SHOULD I DO IF I THINK I MIGHT HAVE ASTHMA?

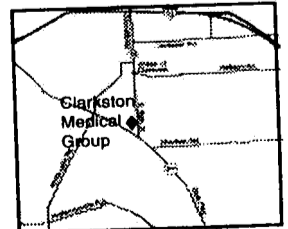
See a doctor. The doctors at Clarkston Medical Group are ready to meet with you to discuss your symptoms and can perform in-office lung testing to discover whether asthma treatment could make you feel better and live longer.

Dr. Nancy Crossley specializes in both Internal Medicine and Pediatrics. She's a Michigan native who is a graduate of Wayne State University School of Medicine; she completed her residency at William Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak, Michigan. She looks forward to meeting and caring for all members of your family.



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Milestones

Welcome Riley Abney



Nate and Marla (Mosher) Abney, of Clarkston, are the proud parents of Riley Ann Abney.

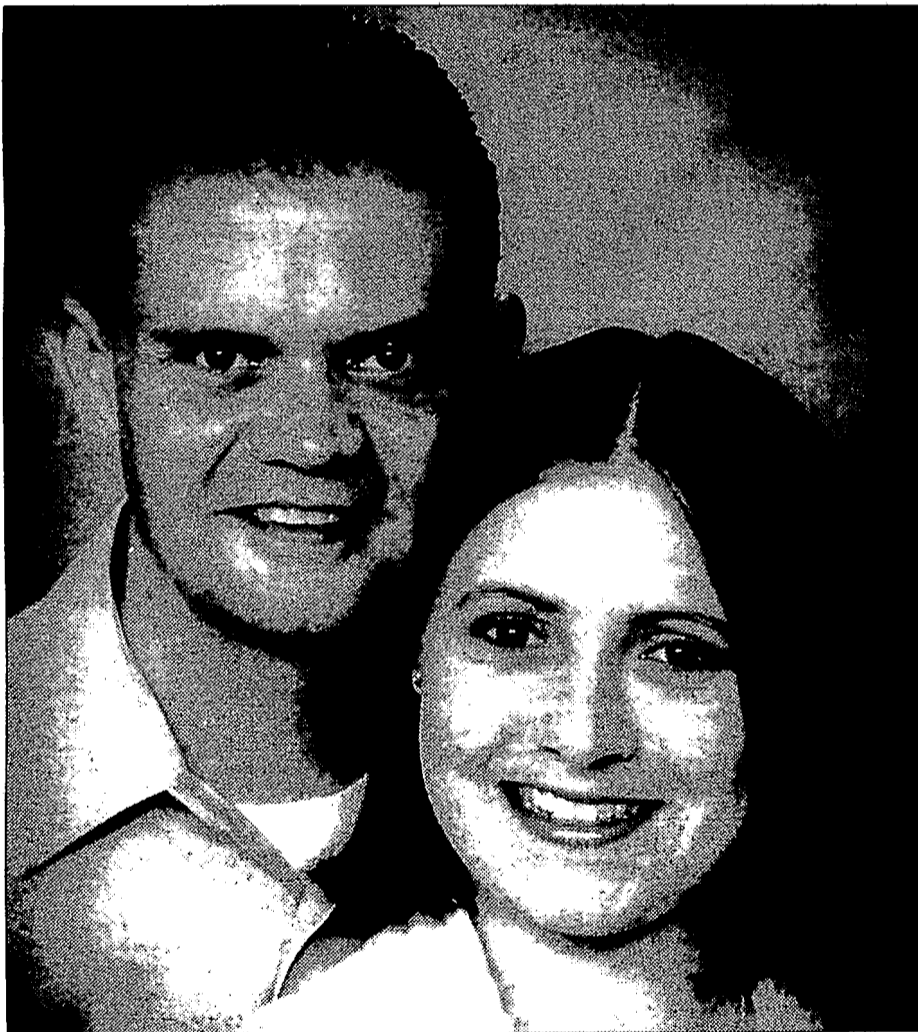
Riley arrived on time on August 14, 2005 at 12:45 p.m. She was eight pounds, 10 ounces and measured 21

inches long.

Also very excited are new grandparents Mike and Jane Mosher of Waterford and Frank and Diane Abney of Clarkston.

Family and friends send their love.

Schniers-Haines to wed



Together with their parents, Heather Schniers and Corey Haines are pleased to announce their engagement. The

couple will be married in Clarkston on September 23, 2006. Congratulations!

Students achieve success

Kristine Horstman, of Clarkston, was named to the Spring 2005 Dean's List at Xavier University. Horstman is studying for a bachelor of arts in political science.

Ryan Whisner, son of Mac and Marilyn Whisner of Clarkston, received his bachelor of science degree from Northwestern University School of Education and Social Policy. Whisner is a graduate of Clarkston High School and was a learning and organizational change

major. ***

The following students graduated from Central Michigan University this past spring:

Clarkston - Sara E. Bolton, Michelle Lynn Christian, Matthew L. Clark, Mark A. Craft, Bessie C. Holland, Rudy A. Hunt, Kerri L. Kobus, Andrew D. Ley, Melissa A. Ogg, Stephanie Wilson.

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Religion

People and life matter

Three Sundays ago I was standing in the pulpit for the pastor of the First Baptist Church of Frankington, Louisiana. I was leading a team who spent a week there helping the people try and put their lives back together after Hurricane Katrina. By the time you read this, the fourth team from Oakland Woods Baptist Church of Clarkston will be ministering near Lake Charles, Louisiana.

Why travel for two days, engage in back breaking labor, sleep on the floor, shower if and when you can, and do it for people you don't know and will likely never meet again?

Because people matter, life is important. Jesus taught us we should love the Lord our God with all our heart, soul, strength and mind. And the second greatest commandment is to love your neighbor as yourself. We couldn't just watch the T.V. every night and do nothing, so we joined thousands of other volunteers from across this nation because people matter and life is important.

Last Sunday, I was standing on the corner of M-24 and Indianwood holding a sign in silent protest against abortion. My sign read, "Adoption is a loving option." I pick that sign every year because I'm adopted.

The reason I protest every year is because people matter and life is important. Of course, there were

not many out there with me. Many people drove by. Some honked their horns and gave us thumbs up. Others honked their horns and waived at us with another finger. Nobody waived at us like that when we were handing out food and supplies.

We went to Louisiana because people needed help. They needed an advocate because they had no shelter, food or clothing and were completely vulnerable. We spent millions searching every house for survivors.

People sat trapped in attics with no voice or communication with the outside world, just waiting for their chance to live again.

The unborn of our nation are the most vulnerable of our society. No one needs an advocate more. They sit trapped in a womb with no voice or communication with the outside world, just waiting for their chance to live.

It's time the world heard consistency from the church. The bible is very clear. God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whosoever believes in Him should **not perish, but have ever lasting life.**

Why did God do that? Because people matter and life is important. No matter where they're trapped. Remember Church, love is a verb.

(Bob Gale is Pastor at Oakland Woods Baptist Church)



Spiritual Matters

Pastor Bob Gale

Interested in writing for our Religion page? Contact Jim Martinez at 248-625-3370

In our churches...

The Clarkston United Methodist Church is hosting "Second Monday, Grief & Loss Group" the second Monday of every month at 7 p.m. for those who need support to come as long as they need. The Clarkston United Methodist Church is located at 6600 Waldon Road. For more information contact Sherrie VanderVeen at 248-625-1611 ext. 232.

The Davisburg United Methodist Church hosts its 2005 "Harvest Celebration" on Oct. 21 from 6 - 9 p.m. The celebration includes pony rides, hay rides, pumpkin decorating, games, moonwalk and optional costumes. Entrance cost is \$4 for children, but free for adults. The Davisburg United Methodist Church is located at 803 Broadway in Davisburg. For more information call 248-634-3373.

A motor coach trip is scheduled to Stratford, Ontario for the musical "Star Bright," a Christmas show by the Episcopal Church of the Resurrection. Motor coach, dinner at the Elm Hurst Inn and show for \$80. All programs are open to the community. The Episcopal Church of the Resurrection is located at 6490 Clarkston Road. For more info call 248-625-2325.

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.

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207 E. Maple Street Holly, MI. 48442
248-634-9494
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5pm Evening Worship Service
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Wed. 6:45pm Fit For Life - Adult Life Ministry
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Clarkston, MI 48347
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Sunday Morning Phone: (248) 425-4279
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5:00 pm Choir Practice
6:00 pm Evening Service
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Wed: 10:00 am Morning Prayer Partners
7:00 pm Prayer Meeting & Bible Study

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6:00 pm Evening Worship Service
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Kevin Kuehne, Michael Anderson, Dan Whiting
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School of Discipleship 11:00 am
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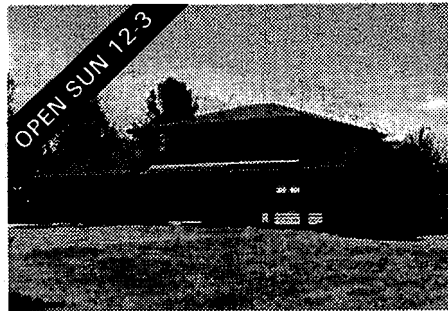
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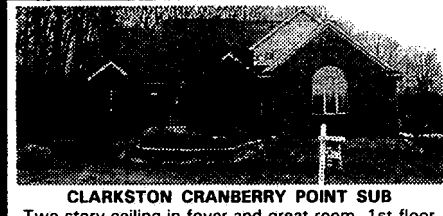
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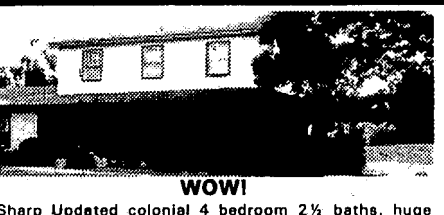
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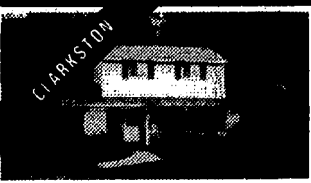
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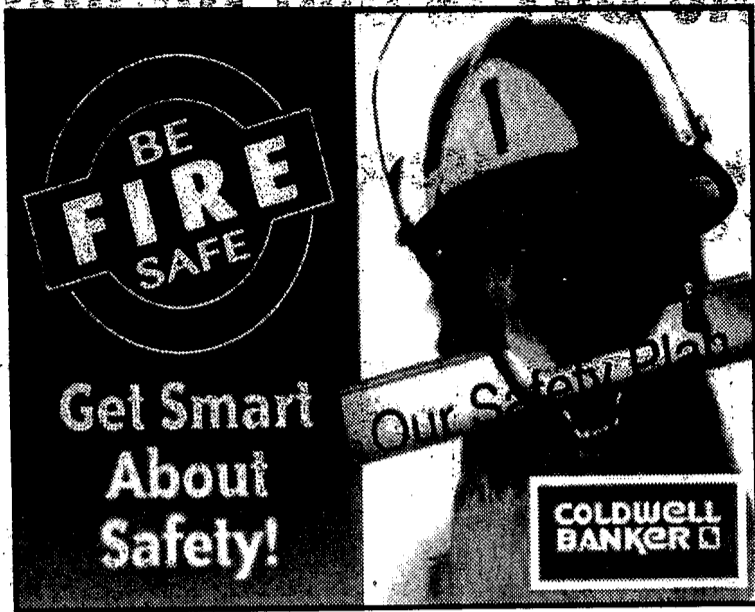


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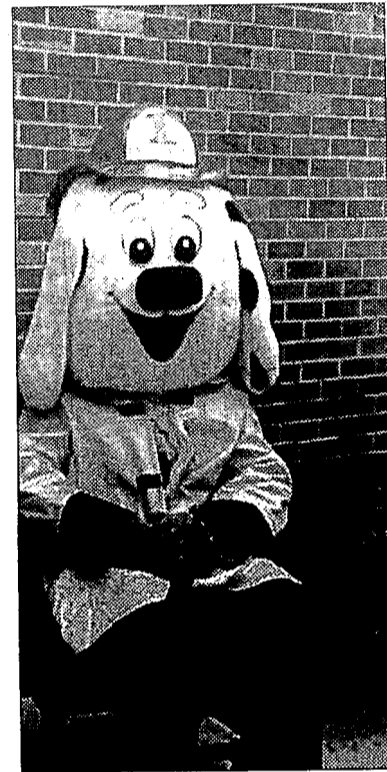
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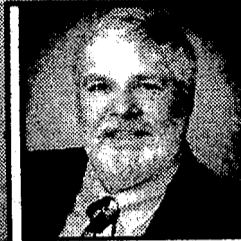
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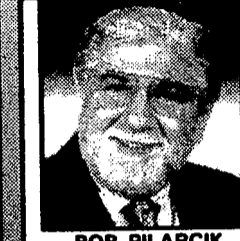
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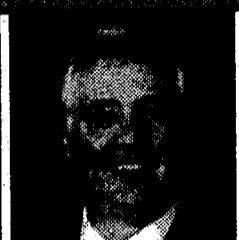
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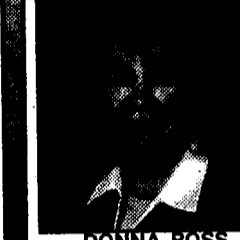
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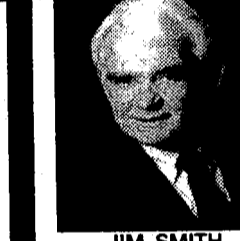
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Around Town

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etables, rolls and chocolate pudding. Cost is \$5. Please register by Oct. 24.

• Join the fun on the "Festival of Lights and Casino Extravaganza" Nov. 28 and 29.

Enjoy accommodations at the newly remodeled Sheraton on the Falls with a spectacular view of the falls and all the perks of a world-class hotel.

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Discover the Galleria Shops and Dining with 47 retail boutiques and restaurants. Also visit Seneca Casino in New York.

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.

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

Fun, fun and more fun with **Independence Township Parks and Recreation:**

• Looking for the "once-in-a-lifetime" experience? Then come for a **Hot Air Balloon Ride** on Oct. 15 at 4:15 p.m. at Kalloway's in Oxford.

Rides are provided by Sky Adventures. Participants will meet in Oxford and drive together to the launch site. Each group will take a 1/2 hour balloon ride. Participants should be physically fit and willing to let staff know of any physical limitations.

Dress appropriately and wear tennis or com-

fortable walking shoes. A hat or cap is also advisable. You are welcome to bring cameras and video equipment at your own risk.

The cost is \$105 for residents and \$115 for non-residents.

• **CPR and First Aid Classes** are offered at noon on Oct. 15 in the training room at Fire Station #1. The cost is \$20 for residents and \$25 non-residents.

The four hour course includes instruction on CPR and simple management of the injured or ill patient while awaiting emergency aid. The general principles of first aid will be addressed.

• **The Babysitting Education Series** is a must for teens who babysit, want to learn basic safety for watching youngersters, or are staying home alone.

The four class course begins on Oct. 14 with Babysitting Safety from 7-9 p.m. in the Clintonwood Park Carriage House. The second class, Basic First Aid, is on Oct. 21 from 7-9 p.m. also in the Carriage House.

The cost is either \$35 per class or \$100 for all four. Price includes the instruction book. Those who complete all four classes receive a Certificate of Completion. Please bring your own pencil to class.

Join in and read for the fun of it! **Teen Read Week** at the Springfield Township Library is Oct. 16-22.

Come to the library and check out books - for every book checked out, participants receive a "give away" slip to fill out. Slips will be put into a fish bowl for a drawing at the end of the week!

On Oct. 19 at 7 p.m., the library is hosting a teen craft night. The featured project is making a wooden beaded bracelet.

Please register your name at 248-846-6550 or visit the library's front desk.

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.

Take the guesswork out of decorating your home with **Basics of Good Design and Color** through Clarkston Community Education. The class is scheduled for Tuesdays, Nov. 1-22 from 10 a.m. to noon at the Community Education Center on Church St.

The course covers basic design principles and how to apply them. Hands-on exercises include measuring, sketching a room on graph paper and finding companion wall, furniture and flooring colors. Also covered are the principles of color matching. Many hand-outs and helpful hints.

Please bring a small pair of scissors to class. The cost is \$99 plus \$3 for materials. Class size is limited. Registration deadline is Oct. 28. Please call 248-623-4321 to register or receive more information.

October marks the 21st year of **National Breast Cancer Aware-**

ness Month. Since the program began in 1985, mammography rates have more than doubled for women age 50 and older (from 25 percent in 1987 to 69 percent in 1998), and breast cancer deaths have declined by 1.6 percent between 1989 and 1995.

This is exciting progress; however, there are still women who do not take advantage of early detection at all and others who do not get screening mammograms and clinical breast exams at regular intervals.

Clarkston Health Center observes National Breast Cancer Awareness Month with reduced-fee mammograms offered on a cash-only basis for \$70. All mammography patients in October will receive a free gift bag and be entered into a raffle. To schedule an appointment, call Marybeth at 248-620-4222. Same day or next day appointments are typically available.

Clarkston Health Center is located at 5625 Water Tower Place in Clarkston just off of Dixie Highway and northwest of White Lake Road, in the shadows of the blue water tower.

Four school book fairs scheduled

Local schools will be holding several books fairs during the month.

Sashabaw Middle School's book fair is already underway and will continue during lunch hours Oct. 13 in the sixth grade cafeteria; and on Oct. 18, 19, and 20 in the seventh grade cafeteria.

Additionally, the fair will remain open from 4-7 p.m. on Oct. 20 during parent conferences. The event is sponsored by Sashabaw Middle School's PTA and all proceeds go toward the purchase of media center materials.

Clarkston High School is holding its first annual book fair from Oct. 12-17 in Lab 200. The fair is open on Oct. 12-14 from 7-7:50 a.m. and 11-12:30 p.m. The fair will be open during parent conferences from 5-8 p.m. on Oct. 12 and 17. The fair is cosponsored by Clarkston High School's PTA and media center, with the proceeds going toward the purchase of media center materials.

Bailey Lake Elementary is holding its book fair Oct. 24-27 in the school library. The fair will be open at 9 a.m. every day, and will run until 4 p.m. on Oct. 24 and 26, 7 p.m. on Oct. 25 and 2 p.m. on Oct. 27. On Oct. 25, the fair will include story time evening events. The event is sponsored by the Bailey Lake PTA and proceeds go towards increasing the library's collection.

Everest Academy is holding its book fair Oct. 17-21. Students at Everest are able to make "wish lists" by previewing the available books during the week, and then taking the lists home to their parents. Proceeds from the fair will go towards the purchase of additional books for the school's library.



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Zombies needed at 'Wild Night Out'

BY JAMES MARTINEZ
Clarkston News Staff Writer

A zombie army will recruit a new member this weekend in Springfield Township.

The chance to act in a walk on role as a zombie in a motion picture typifies the exciting and sometimes outlandish items auctioned off at the North Oakland Headwaters Land Conservancy's annual "Wild Night Out."

This year's auction starts at 6:30 p.m. on Oct. 14 at the new Environmental Discovery Center in Indian Springs Metropark.

The evening features live and silent auctions, a buffet dinner, Martini bar, cash bar and the presentation of the prestigious "Blue Heron Award" to Tom and Loraine Hall.

"Our theme is to offer uniquely wild items and opportunities... we try to stick with pursuits that involve the great outdoors," said auction chair Sue Topping.

Proceeds from the event go to operating expenses for the NOHLC.

"It's doing something to help all of us. It's not based on different people's needs, it benefits everyone," said Topping.

This year marks the first time in the event's five year history it has been held in Springfield Township, said Topping.

"We try to move the location to keep it fresh. We chose the location this year because the Discovery Center is new and we haven't had an auction in Springfield Township yet," said Topping.

Keeping with the goals of offering unique objects, the night's auction is filled

with a wide range of artwork, decorative items, recreational opportunities and nature experiences. Topping singled out a dinner party for six in an authentic thatched cottage hosted by costumed servers, four VIP credentials with pit access to Grand Am races in Watkins Glen and the walk on role in a "Zombie Army" in an upcoming horror film with Crossbow 5 Entertainment as special to this year.

Some of the other items include: a week use of a cabin in Vermont, a trip aboard the "Polar Express" from the popular children's book and movie, a Lake St. Clair cruise, a pheasant hunt in Mt. Pleasant, a wintry evening selecting a Christmas tree, a five night stay for two in Belize, one week at a private game reserve in South Africa's Zululand conservation region and framed original watercolor paintings created by Alexander Pope, Jr.

"I think enthusiasm builds every year because we try to gather different things," said Topping.

In addition to the fund-raising, the evening will recognize the Halls commitment to preservation. The Halls have donated over 10 acres of their land to protect it from development. Topping said the Halls exemplify the message NOHLC wants to send and were very deserving of the "Blue Heron Award."

"They just embody the spirit of stewardship, and by that I mean, land doesn't belong to you. You're taking care of it while you're on earth. They want to ensure their land serves its purpose for the planet... they're remarkable in that re-



Sue Topping displays a quilt to be auctioned at NOHLC's 'Wild Night Out.' Photo by James Martinez

spect," said Topping.

A tour of the brand new Discovery Center, featuring the Living Pond, is included and the public is welcome. The

night costs \$85 per person.

For more information about the conservancy, call 248-846-6547. A list of items can be found at www.nohlc.org.

Obituaries

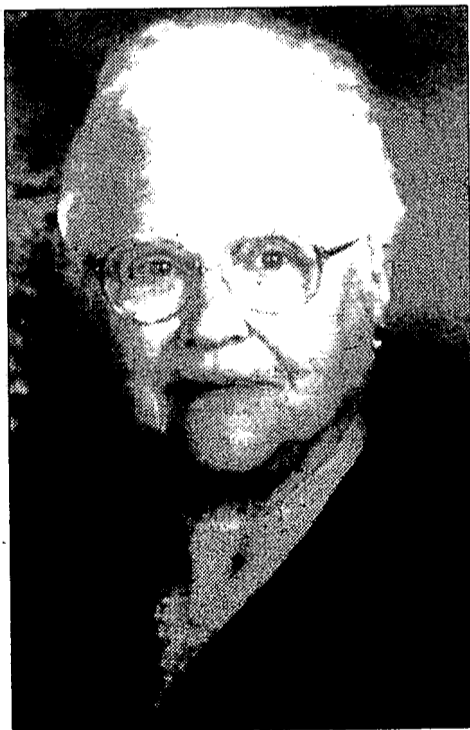
Lois M. Hoopingarner

Lois M. "Hoopie" Hoopingarner, of Ortonville, formerly of Clarkston, passed away on October 2, 2005 at the age of 74.

Mrs. Hoopingarner was preceded in death by her husband Robert and daughter Martha Dougherty. She was the mother of Jackie (Don) Kirkendorfer of Aurora, Colorado, Betty Hoopingarner of Oak Park, Steve (Connie) of Phoenix, Arizona, and David of Lapeer; beloved mother-in-law of John (Debbie) Dougherty of Davison; grandmother of John Brian (Rachel Wagner) Dougherty, Mark Dougherty, Robert Kirkendorfer, Dawn (Steven) Hurley, Jeffrey Hoopingarner and Matthew Hoopingarner; and sister of Milton (Lea) Curtis, Norman (Donna) Curtis and Hazel Brown.

Mrs. Hoopingarner is also survived by several great-grandchildren and many special friends and loved ones. She was also a member of Grace Chapel.

A funeral service was held on October 6, 2005 at Waterford Community Church. Arrangements entrusted to Lewis E. Wint & Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home. Burial ceremonies in Ottawa



Park Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Grace Chapel, Hospice of Michigan or Roger Campbell Ministries. Online guestbook available at www.wintfuneralhome.com.

Ethel C. Nelson

Ethel C. Nelson, of Pontiac, formerly of Clarkston, passed away on October 6, 2005. She was 99 years old.

Mrs. Nelson was preceded in death by her husband Randolph. She was the mother of Randolph Jr. "Randy" (Kathy) of Connecticut, Arlene (Harry) Remnant of California and Rose Mary (the late Richard) Aubuchon of Shelby Township. She is also survived by nine grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandson.

A Funeral Mass was held on October 11, 2005 at St. Daniel Catholic Church. Rite of Committal in White Chapel Cemetery. A scripture and prayer service was held on October 10, 2005 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son



TRUST 100 Funeral Home.

Online guestbook available at www.wintfuneralhome.com.

Helen L. Johnson

Helen L. Johnson, of Clarkston, passed away on October 6, 2005 after a courageous battle with cancer.

She was the mother of James A. "Skip" (Susan) Peloquin; grandmother of Diann (Robert) Anderson; and great-grandmother of R.J. and Samantha.

A memorial service is scheduled for Friday, October 14, 2005 at 12:30

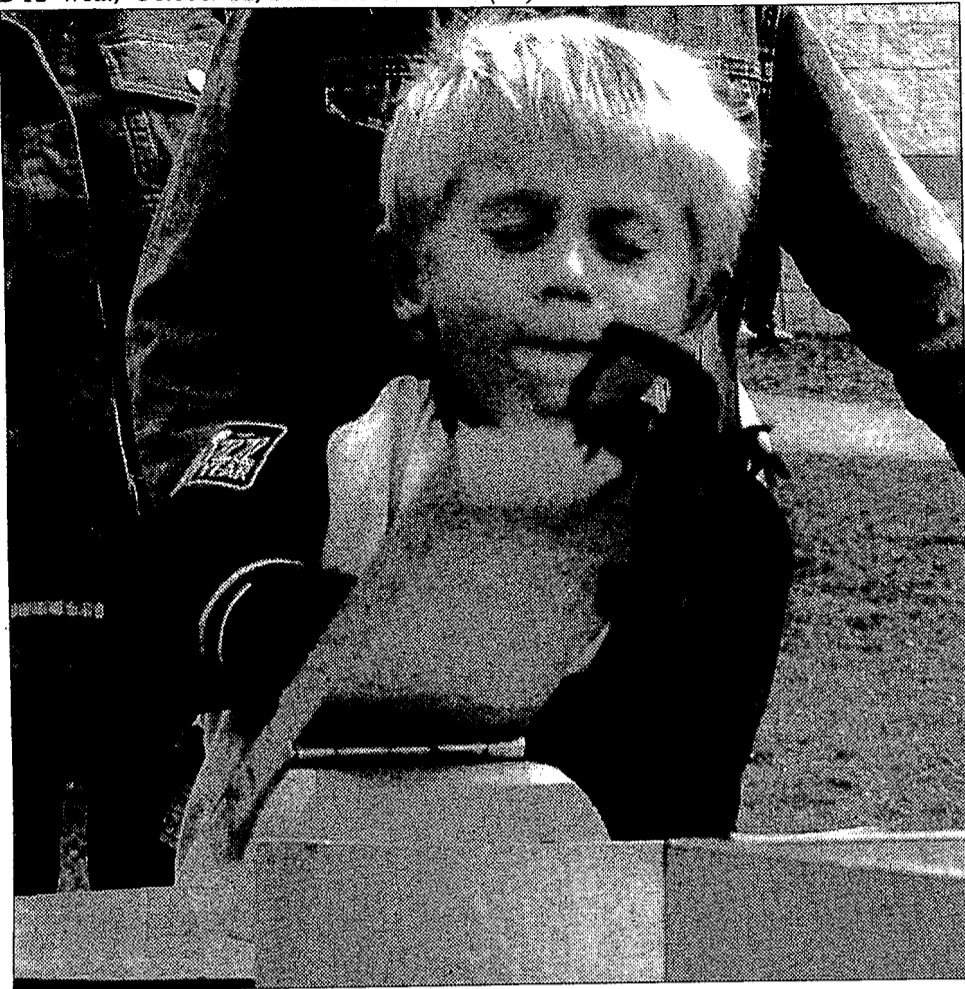
p.m. at the Lewis E. Wint & Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home located on M-15 in Clarkston. Friends may visit beginning at 11:30 a.m. until time of service.

Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society. Online guestbook available at www.wintfuneralhome.com.

Honor their memory

Send obituaries to shermanpub@aol.com,

attn: Clarkston News



Catch that frog!

Five-year-old Wyatt Pierce knows not to let a good thing get away from him. The Bailey Lake Student not only won at the frog hop game during the schools Fall Festival, but he also sold the most raffle tickets for the event. For more great shots of the event, please see page 28A. Photo by Jenny Matteson

College planning seminar at Independence Twp. Library

The Independence Township Library is hosting a free "Planning for College" seminar Oct. 17 at 7:30 p.m. The event is sponsored by the library, and features Sheryl E. Krasnow, a nationally certified counselor and licensed professional counselor from College and Career Counseling Associates.

Krasnow will be on hand to give advise to high school students and their

parents about choosing a college, what high school classes they should take, the college administration process and visiting colleges. Adult students thinking of returning to college are also welcome.

The seminar takes place in the library's meeting room. To sign up or obtain more information, call 248-625-2212.

Fall Fun Daze on Oct. 15

Event features new races and course through Clarkston

BY NOAH PURCELL
Clarkston News Staff Writer

To strengthen a tradition, the organizers of the Fall Fun Daze run through Clarkston felt less would be more as the 18th staging features two races instead of three.

On Oct. 15, racers can choose between a one-mile fun run, beginning at 4:30 p.m., or a four-mile run, beginning at 5:30 p.m. In the past, there were three races: one, five and 10 kilometers.

According to Independence Township Parks and Recreation Supervisor Kelly Hyer, the run will benefit from enhanced competition in the longer race, but will preserve the casual side of the event with the smaller course.

"(Fall Fun Daze) is revamped. We are hoping to get a good turnout and a nice cool sunny running day," said Hyer. "It's nice to see a good crowd cheering people on."

Originally started by the Wolfpack Running Club, Fall Fun Daze's courses were mapped out by running club member Bruce Clifton.

The one-mile course will begin at the corner of Main and Washington Streets, continue down Washington, proceed north on Holcomb Road, turn east on Miller Road and run south along Main Street to the finish line.

The four-mile-course is bit more complex. Runners start at the corner of Main and Washington Streets, run south

along Main and turn east onto Church Street, continue east on Wealthy Street which curves south to Waldon Road. The run continues east on Waldon until heading north on Transparent to Snow Apple where the route veers back to the south. The zigzag continues as runners turn north onto Pear, then south on Plum, which loops back north again, bringing runners to turn to the west onto Peach. From Peach the course continues east on Crabapple, turns north along Clarkston Road until crossing Snow Apple again which takes the runners back south. Another turn to the west awaits some winded joggers at Transparent from which the course continues back along Church to Buffalo, setting up another short jaunt north to a final westwardly leg to the finish line on Washington.

On-site registration and check-in begins at 2 p.m. on Oct. 15. For the one-mile run, residents pay \$5, non-residents are \$7. The fee for the four-mile run is \$20 for residents and \$25 for non-residents. Checks should be made payable to Independence Township.

Walkers are welcome at Fall Fun Daze. Awards are handed out following the races. The four-mile run's overall winner as well as the top man and woman will receive awards. Divisional awards for the first, second and third place in both races and for both genders will also receive an award. All participants in the one-mile fun run receive a ribbon.

Single lane closure on I-75

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

- Maybee Road from Clintonville Road to Rohr Road is closed while developer Zerbos Equities finishes the paving of the formerly gravel road (at no cost to RCOC or residents). Completion date set for Oct. 31.

- RCOC is widening the intersection on Sashabow Road and doing a hill cut on the north leg of the intersection. The start and end dates are dependent upon

coordination with a developer and the acquisition of necessary right of way.

- Clintonville Road at the Maybee Road intersection - RCOC is widening in preparation for the addition of a traffic signal. Start and end dates are tentative.

The Michigan Department of Transportation has listed the following repairs affecting Independence and Springfield Townships on their Web site:

- Single lane closure between mile markers 103 and 93 on Southbound I-75 from the N. Oakland County Line to East Holly Road from Sept. 16 to Nov. 5.

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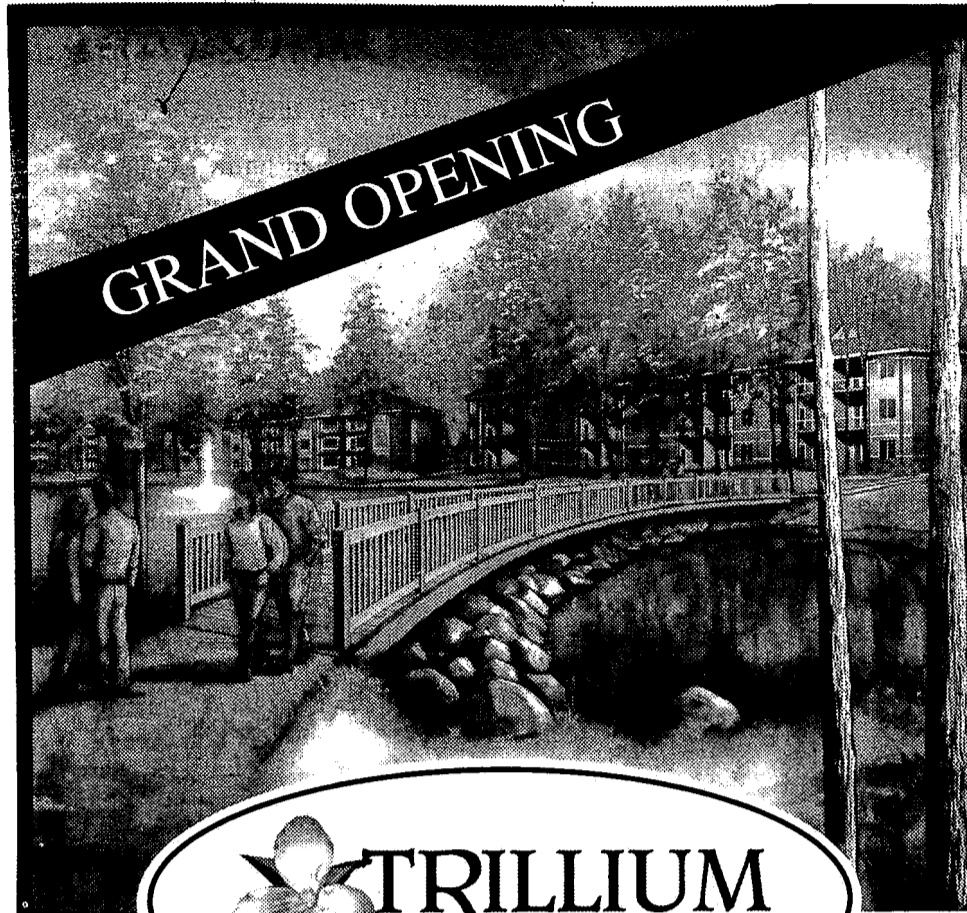
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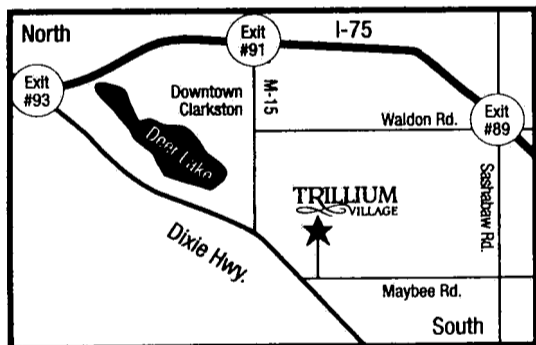
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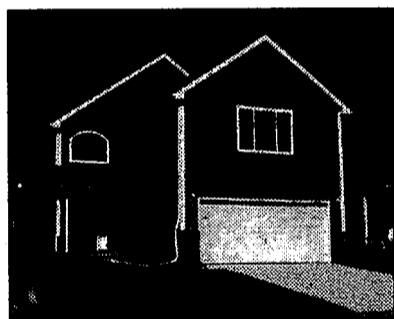
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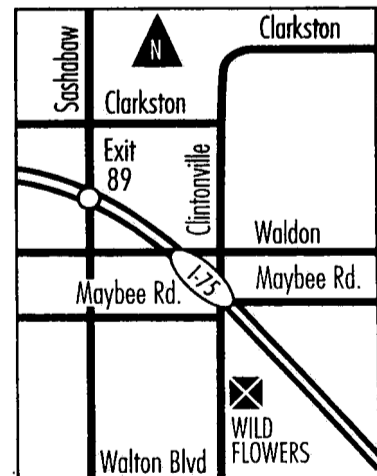
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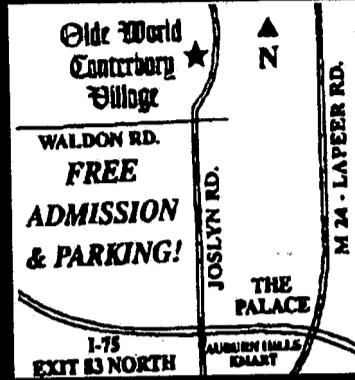
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Estate of Robert J. Sifco, Deceased. Date of Birth: March 4, 1940

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Robert J. Sifco, who lived at 22250 Providence Drive #700, Southfield, Michigan died October 1, 2005.

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

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The City of Clarkston's Department of public works is accepting applications for, 1-Full time position and 1-Part time position. Applicants must have or be able to obtain a CDL-B drivers license endorsement.

Full time position pay starting at \$11.50 an hour plus Medical benefits. Full time position must be able to work normal business hours Monday thru Friday and be available for overtime when needed. Some experience preferred but not required. CDL-B endorsement must be obtained with in 60 days of hire.

Part Time position pay starting at \$10.00 an hour. Part time employee must obtain a CDL-B endorsement with in 90 days of hire. Hours are flexible and number of hours per week may vary, with overtime available when needed.

Applications will be accepted until 5:00 pm October 21, 2005. Applications may be obtained at City Hall, located at 375 Depot Rd. M-F 8:00 am until 5:00 pm. Any questions feel free to call Bob Pursley, DPW Supervisor at 248-625-1265.

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STATE OF MICHIGAN
COUNTY OF OAKLAND
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE
ORDINANCE NO. 83

ORDINANCE AMENDING CERTAIN ARTICLES OF ORDINANCE NO. 83

The Charter Township of Independence ordains as follows for incorporation into the Independence Township Code:

Section I

Article V, General Provisions, Section 5.03.1.b shall be amended to read as follows:

b. *Attached or detached accessory garages.* Each single-family dwelling shall be permitted one (1) attached or detached accessory garage or a combination of accessory garages, subject to the following requirements:

- (1) Unchanged.
- (2) The allowable floor area of an attached or detached residential garage, shall not exceed fifty (50%) percent of the total floor area (excluding basements) of the principal dwelling or Lot Area

	15,000 s.f. or less	>15,000 s.f. to 1.5 ac.	>1.5 ac. to 3 ac.	>3 ac. to 10 ac.	>10 ac.
<i>Dwellings with Attached Garage</i>					
Allowable floor area (square feet), PLUS Additional area per 100 square feet of lot area (square feet)	200 s.f.	300 s.f.	950 s.f.	1,600 s.f.	3,500 s.f.
Maximum allowable floor area (square feet)	300 s.f.	950 s.f.	1,600 s.f.	3,500 s.f.	6,000 s.f.
<i>Dwellings with Detached Garage</i>					
Allowable floor area (square feet), PLUS Additional area per 100 square feet of lot area (square feet)	200 s.f.	300 s.f.	950 s.f.	1,600 s.f.	3,500 s.f.
Maximum allowable floor area (square feet)	225 s.f.	475 s.f.	800 s.f.	3,500 s.f.	6,000 s.f.

- (3) When combined with a detached accessory garage in a single building, the allowable floor area for a detached accessory storage building may be combined with the allowable floor area for the detached accessory garage.

Article V, General Provisions, Section 5.03.1.d shall be amended to read as follows:

d. *Setback and height requirements for all detached accessory buildings.* A detached accessory residential garage or storage building shall be located behind the front of the principal building and shall be subject to the following minimum setback and height requirements.

	R-1A	R-1B	R-1C	R-1R
<i>Minimum Yard Setbacks (in feet)</i>				
Front	40	40	75	75
Side	10	10	10	50
Rear	10	10	50	75

	R-1A	R-1B	R-1C	R-1R
<i>Minimum Setbacks from Other Buildings (in feet)</i>				
Principal dwelling	10	10	10	10
Other accessory buildings	10	10	10	10
Maximum height (in feet)	16	16	16	16

Article V, General Provisions, Section 5.03.1.e shall be amended to read as follows:

e. *Detached supplemental accessory buildings.* Detached supplemental accessory buildings shall be subject to the following:

- (1) No more than two (2) detached supplemental accessory building shall be permitted.
- (2) The total floor area shall not exceed three hundred (300) square feet.
- (3) Unchanged.

Article V, General Provisions, Section 5.03.1.f shall be amended to read as follows:

f. *Decks.* Decks requiring a building permit shall be subject to the following:

- (1) Unchanged.
- (2) Decks shall be subject to the following minimum setback requirements:
 - (a) A deck shall meet the required front and side yard requirements applicable to the principal building in the district in which it is located.
 - (b) A deck shall be permitted to encroach in the required

principal dwelling or nine hundred (900) square feet in the R-1A district and twelve hundred (1,200) square feet in the R-1B, R-1C, and R-1R districts, whichever is greater.

- (3) In the case of a combination of an attached and detached garage, the total allowable square footage shall not exceed the amount set forth in section 5.03.1.b (2).
- (4) An attached residential garage shall conform to all setback and height requirements applicable to the principal dwelling. An attached residential garage may include storage and/or other uses which are clearly incidental to the principal dwelling, provided the total requirements for floor area are met.
- (5) Unchanged.

Article V, General Provisions, Section 5.03.1.c shall be amended to read as follows:

c. *Additional detached accessory storage buildings.* In addition to an attached or detached residential garage permitted in section 5.03.1.b., the following requirements shall be applicable to additional detached accessory storage buildings:

- (1) One (1) additional detached accessory storage building shall be permitted on parcels or lots or one (1) acre or less. Two (2) additional detached buildings shall be permitted on parcels or lots of greater than one (1) acre.
- (2) The total allowable floor area of detached accessory buildings shall be subject to the following requirements:

	>1.5 ac. to 3 ac.	>3 ac. to 10 ac.	>10 ac.
Allowable floor area (square feet), PLUS Additional area per 100 square feet of lot area (square feet)	950 s.f.	1,600 s.f.	3,500 s.f.
Maximum allowable floor area (square feet)	1,600 s.f.	3,500 s.f.	6,000 s.f.
Allowable floor area (square feet), PLUS Additional area per 100 square feet of lot area (square feet)	950 s.f.	1,600 s.f.	3,500 s.f.
Maximum allowable floor area (square feet)	800 s.f.	3,500 s.f.	6,000 s.f.

rear yard by no more than ten (10) feet, provided the portion of a deck which occupies the required rear yard shall not be above the elevation of the first floor of the residence. Furthermore, the portion of a deck which occupies the required rear yard shall not contain any enclosed or covered structures, such as a gazebo or screened porch.

In the case of PRD, PUD and cluster lot developments which result in the reduction of lot sizes, specific provisions shall be set forth on the site plan for the manner in which decks are to be treated. The Township in their sole discretion, shall make a determination whether the requirements set forth in section 5.03.1.f (2) may be applied.

(c) Unchanged.

Section II

If one or more repealed and/or amended sections, provisions, phrases, or words of this ordinance are declared to be invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such declaration shall not affect the validity of the remaining sections, provisions, phrases, and words of this ordinance, which shall continue in full force and effect, and to this end, this ordinance is declared to be severable.

Section III

All proceedings pending and all rights and the liabilities existing, acquired or incurred at the time this ordinance takes effect are saved and may be consummated according to the law in force when they are commenced.

Section IV

This ordinance shall be effective upon publication in the manner prescribed by law.

Certification

It is certified that the revision to the Ordinance set forth above was duly adopted by the Township Board of the Charter Township of Independence at a meeting duly called and held on the 4th day of October, 2005.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE
By: Shelagh VanderVeen, Clerk

Introduced: 8/16/05
Adopted: 10/4/05
Published: 9/14/05, 9/21/05 and 10/12/05
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SYNOPSIS

TAKEN BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD
THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE
Supervisor Wagner called the October 4, 2005, meeting to order at 7:31 p.m., at the Independence Township Library.

Pledge of Allegiance
Roll Call: Present: Rosso, Wagner, Travis, Wenger, Dunn, VanderVeen, 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 September 20, 2005
Approval of Minutes of Special Meetings on September 27, 2005, and September 28, 2005
Approval of Accounts Payable Check Run in the amount of \$720,341.54
Approval of Purchase Orders in the amount of \$714,413.96
 3. Approved motion for a second reading and adoption of a Text Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance #83, Accessory Buildings and Structures
 4. Approved motion to promote Kelly Hyer to Recreation Supervisor at a rate of \$44,660.00
 5. Approved motion to begin necessary legal discoveries to prepare a document and willingness to participate in the tri-party agreements to extend to the Softwater Lake Development to the sewer capacity
 6. Approved motion to hire Tom Mitcham as a Senior Center Mini-Bus Driver
 7. Approved motion to adjourn at 8:12 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Shelagh VanderVeen
Township Clerk

Published: September 28, 2005

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INDEPENDENCE TWP.

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

Date: October 18, 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 October 4, 2005 meeting
 - b. Approval of Purchase Orders
 - c. Approval of Accounts Payable Check Run
 - Unfinished Business
New Business
 1. On-call Firefighters' benefits
 2. Recommendation of Planning Commission Member
 3. New vehicle for Facilities Maintenance
 4. Resolution approving the Andersonville Individual SAD's
 5. Resolution confirming Special Assessment Roll for Andersonville SAD #1
 6. Sewer Lift Station Improvements
 7. Appointment of Acting Director - Library
 8. Permission to hire IT Circulation - Library
 9. Halloween Hours
- 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.



No more war

Local bishop discusses effects of war in Clarkston

Bishop Thomas Gumbleton addressed a crowd surpassing 40 at the St. Daniel Parish Cushing Center on Oct. 5. During his message of nonviolence, Gumbleton said too many people, including himself, were raised with the view that war is part of one's duty or vocation. He noted since WWII, combat has evolved into total warfare, killing citizens and noncombatants by the millions. Gumbleton highlighted three troublesome features of war: the destruction of life of innocent people, the upheaval of the lives of those who do the killing and the trail of hatred and resentment war leaves behind stunting problem solving. *Photo by James Martinez*

In Our Churches

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The Episcopal Church of the Resurrection hosts "Luke's Gospel" Bible study Wednesdays from Sept. 28 to Dec. 14. The morning study is from 9:30 - 11 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.

"Exploring the Catholic Faith" is a series at St. 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 Catholic Church is located at 7010 Valley Park

"Six Stools & a Folding Chair" Youth Drama Club sponsored by the Sashabaw Presbyterian Church, is open to youth of all denominations ages 6 to 18 and is currently planning next year's shows. For more information, call Sashabaw Presbyterian Church at 248-673-3101 or e-mail at L2D2Lee@aol.com.

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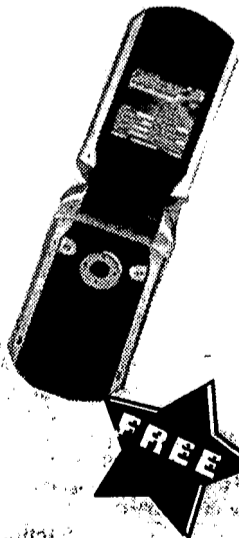


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Gifford

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chapter, no other real estate members are allowed to ensure referrals flow to all members.

"Every business has key referral partners you should be looking for. We help them to understand who they are and how to build those relationships," said Gifford.

Events like an Industry Exchange, where people in the same industry are invited to meet with each other at a separate site to establish contacts, also exemplify the services provided by LBN.

"One of the things that separates us from our competition is the regional element. Once you go on to LBN you can visit any chapter you want as long as there's not a direct competitor," said Gifford.

One of the key principles taught by LBN is "power networking."

"Power networking is the development of a team of proactive referral partners who promote your business for you, in exchange for helping them promote theirs," said Gifford.

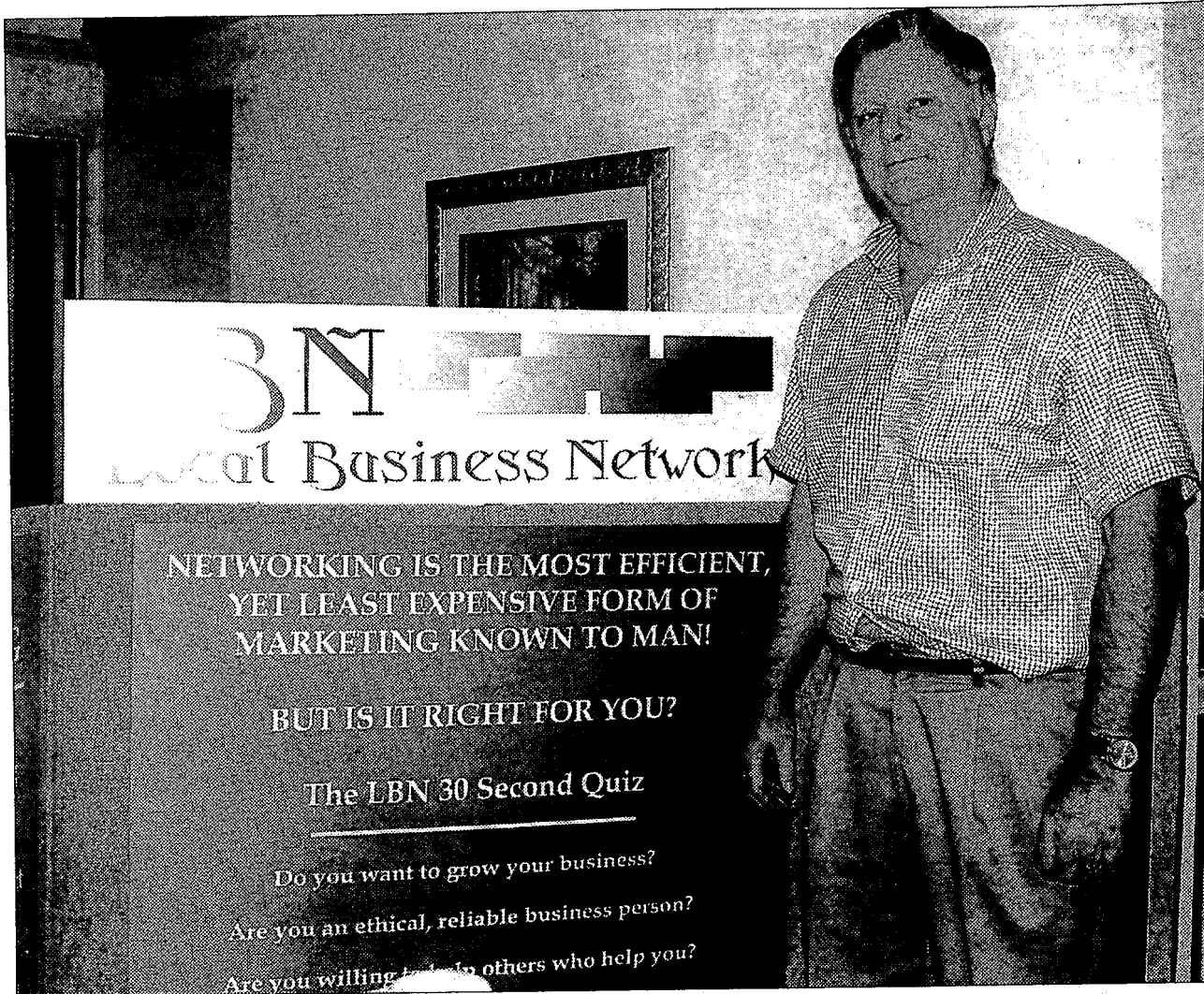
According to Gifford, networking is invaluable to business because of the competition and challenges involved. Obstacles facing small business owners today are the constant struggle to keep updating technology, marketing that generates high sales and that most business owners know their business, but have no idea how to provide it, said Gifford.

Future goals of LBN include expanding throughout other regions of Michigan, particularly Lansing, and eventually spreading out of state.

"We want to put training online as well, to reduce the amount of manpower needed," said Gifford.

After serving in the military and spending a semester in a doctoral program in business and marketing at Michigan State University, Gifford left school to work for a consulting firm for retail stores involving location and research in Birmingham.

Roughly seven years later, Gifford left the firm and started his own business called Retail Marketing Ser-



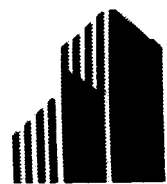
LBN President Chuck Gifford in front of a presentation board he uses to explain the benefits of networking. Photo by James Martinez

vices, Inc. in 1978. He successfully ran RMS with a staff of eight employees until 1998 when the company lost its two largest clients in a matter of two weeks.

"It was a huge catastrophe, we couldn't keep our employees on payroll and had to phase people out... We had some specialists and I had to learn people's jobs overnight just to finish the projects we had," said Gifford.

When not busy working, Gifford said he enjoys time with his family the most.

Gifford and his wife, Karen, have been married for 38 years and have two children; Jeffrey and Jenelyn. Jeffrey and his wife Tamara have four kids, Ethan, 8; Caden, 3; Hallie, 6; and Parker, 2. Jenelyn and her husband Rob Flanagan have a daughter, Trinity, 22 months.



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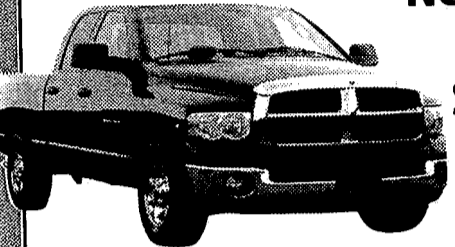
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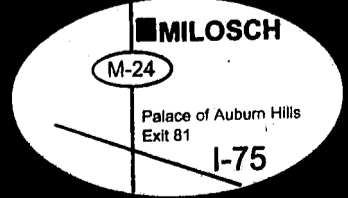
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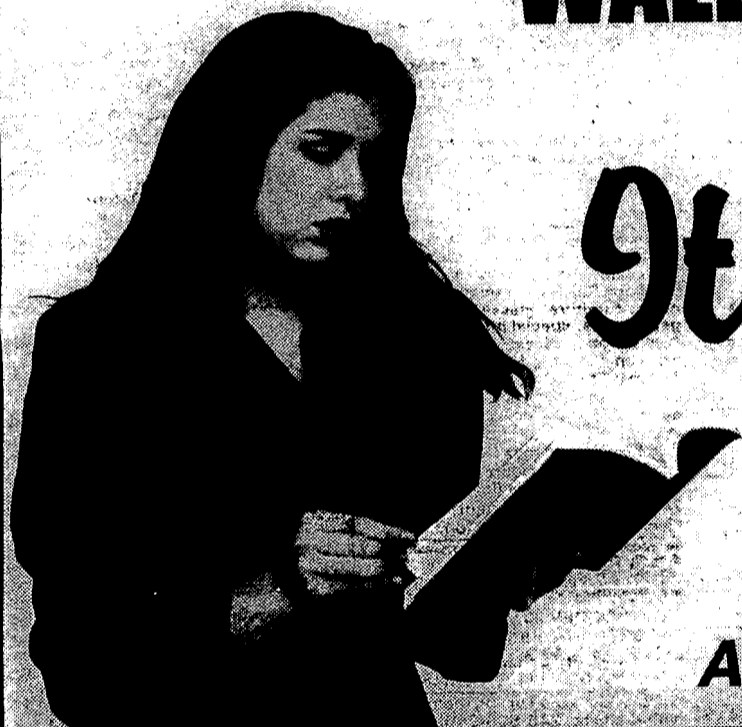


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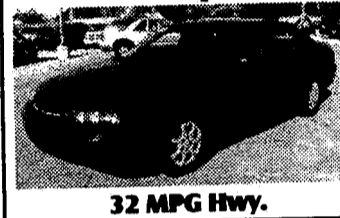

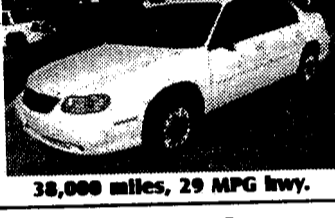

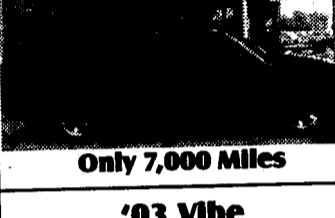
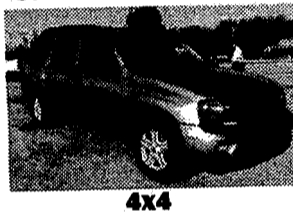
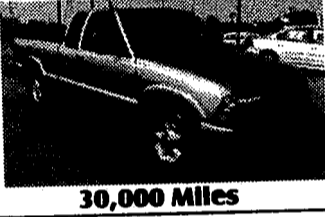
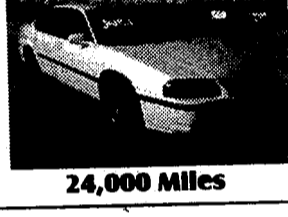




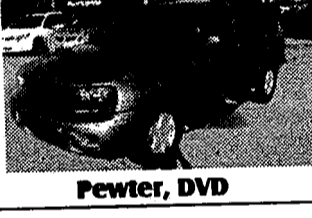



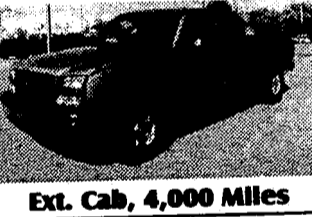
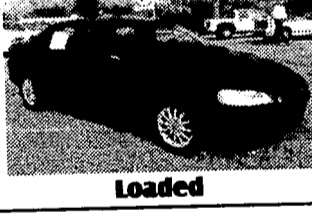

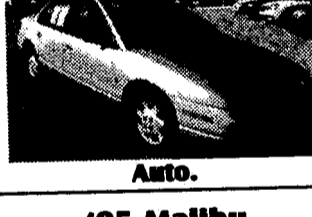

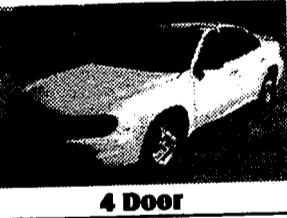


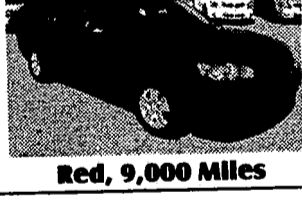
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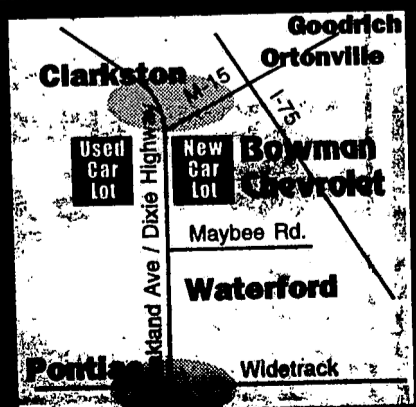
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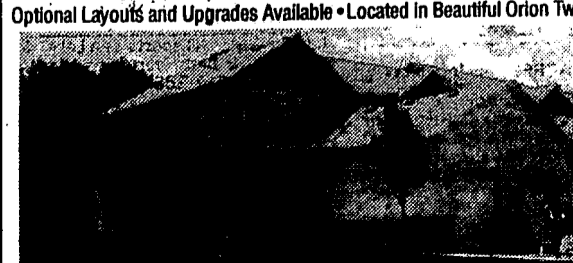
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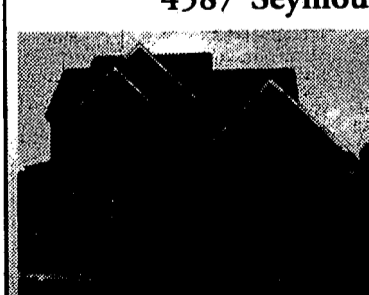
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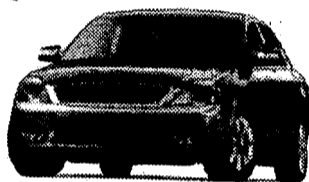


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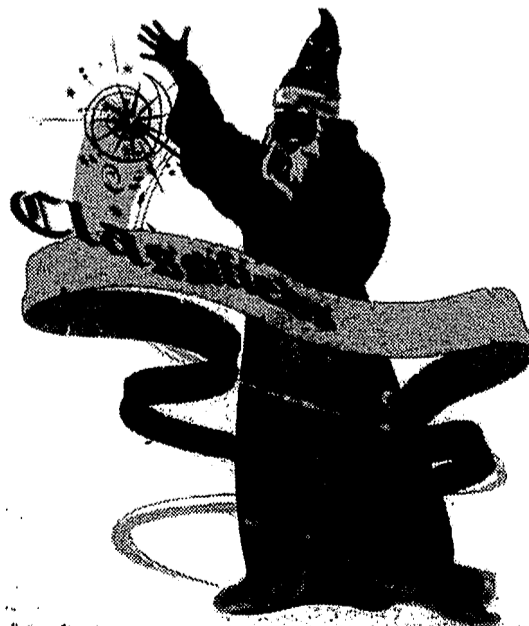
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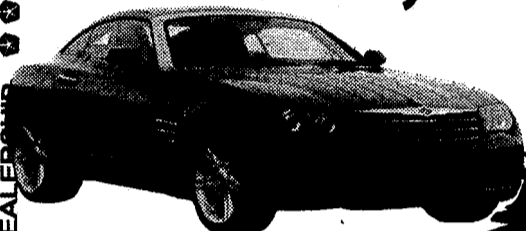
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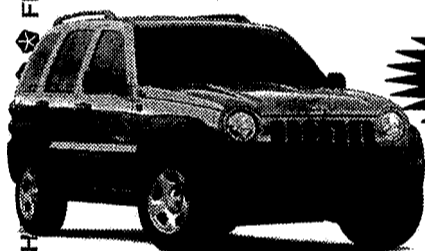


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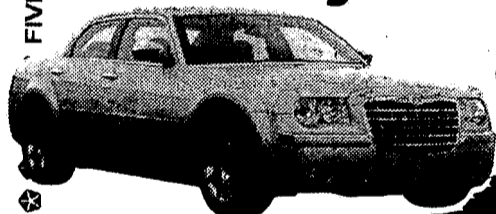


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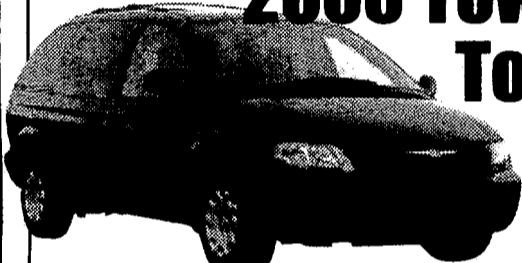


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Fully loaded, leather interior, moonroof, trailer tow tire pressure sensor. Stk. #21769

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\$209	\$249

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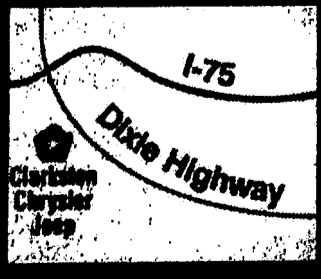


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