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What if McLaren comes? Medical mall appears to be 'more positive'

BY JAMES MARTINEZ
Clarkston News Staff Writer

With much banter throughout the past year about big box stores in Independence Township, the New Year appears to be ushering in another development debate.

The latest twist involves a presentation for a large medical facility including a hospital made by representatives of McLaren Health Care Corporation to the Independence Township officials on Dec. 22 as reported in the Dec. 28 edition of *The Clarkston News*.

The \$500-600 million multi-phase plan, located on Bow Pointe east of Sashabaw Road and south of I-75, would create a virtual medical mall able to provide an array of medical services and include the four to five story hospital.

In addition to the hospital, as reported previously in *The Clarkston News*, currently Orco Investments has put forward two distinct plans regarding a 70 plus acre piece of land located at the southwest corner of I-75 and Sashabaw Road. One includes a "big box" store, a hotel, an assisted living facility and other commercial buildings.

With these large items out there, township officials and residents have much to mull over in the upcoming months.

"I don't think (the McLaren proposal) will affect what Orco'll do. Hopefully something residential will happen on Orco's land. With residential if anything the hospital would benefit Orco if you look at the type and amount of people it will bring in," said Supervisor Dave Wagner.

"What we'll run into is a problem with traffic. That's one of the things I'll be working on in the next few months to address traffic created by any development along Sashabaw."

While the potential "big box" development has received much negative feedback, the initial response to the McLaren proposal appears to be more positive.

"I've had 30 e-mails today and they've all been positive (in regards to the hospital)," said Wagner. "I like it. It will be good for the township. It's more than a shot in the arm. It will bring jobs, restaurants and other things the people (brought in) will use. They'll all be professional people."

Despite the early good feedback by some segments of the community, the idea of McLaren's hospital may not be welcomed by all.

Citizens for Orderly Growth (COG), a group who reacted negatively to Orco's proposals has yet to meet since the

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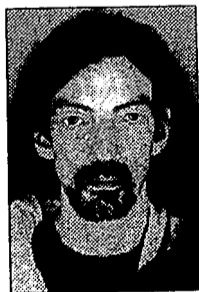
Independence man arraigned in sexual assault of 9-year-old

BY JAMES MARTINEZ
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An Independence Township man was arrested and arraigned recently on five counts of first degree criminal sexual conduct involving a 9-year-old Independence Township girl.

Mark Owen Erickson, 44, was arraigned on Dec. 23 in 52-2 District Court after Oakland County Sheriff's deputies arrested him on Dec. 22. His bond is set at \$500,000 per count, or \$2.5 million.

The charges stem from an investigation started Dec. 15 when the victim disclosed to her friend that Erickson



Mark Erickson

had allegedly sexually assaulted her the night before while her mother was away at bingo. Erickson, the mother's fiance, was living on Parview at the time of the arrest.

According to Sergeant Matt Baldes, the five counts come from incidents dating back to Jan. 1, 2005, with the most recent allegedly occurring on Dec. 14. Each of the five counts carries from one day to life in prison said Baldes.

Baldes said Erickson had no previous criminal history, but two computer towers and pornographic material were seized which could lead to further charges.

The preliminary exam is set for Jan. 3 at 1:30 p.m. in 52-2 District Court.

So much to look back on ...



Back when Clarkston residents enjoyed snow during the winter time, instead of thunder storms, (left to right) Nathan Heleman, Trevar Torres, Hannah Hamlin, Emilie Hamlin, Nadia Torres and Kara Gappin brought their sleds to Clarkston High School for some downhill fun. Photo by Andrew Dupont

The conclusion of the 2005 Year In Review

Growth, growth and more growth was the name of the game for 2005 in the Clarkston area. The headlines of the year centered primarily around development — and the many changes that came along for the ride in the City of Clarkston, Independence and Springfield townships.

In last week's issue of *The Clarkston News* we touched upon several areas of growth and began our Year in Review with the opening headlines of 2005.

In this issue, we continue those top headlines — taking our readers through the end of a year filled to brimming with news.

May

May 4

Fiery crash kills 3 on I-75: Three people died and one was seriously injured following a fiery crash on northbound I-75 just south of Sashabaw Road. The accident occurred around

3:30 p.m. on April 30 when a southbound 2002 Chevy S-10 pickup truck crossed the median striking a northbound 2004 Jeep Cherokee. The crash spread gasoline causing three vehicles to catch fire.

Spraypark committee say thanks: Kid Rock and Tom Wilson, President of The Palace of Auburn Hills accepted plaques recognizing their contributions to the Renee Przybylski Memorial Spraypark during halftime of the April 25 Pistons-76ers game. Kid Rock and Palace Sports and Entertainment both donated \$30,000 to the spraypark located in Clintonwood Park in Independence Township.

Kickers weather scoring drought: Clarkston's soccer team's offense had a cold snap to rival the weather last week — the Wolves were defeated 1-0 by Seaholm on April 26 and tied Dondero 1-1 on April 28. Senior Jenna Przybycien scored Clarkston's lone goal against Dondero.

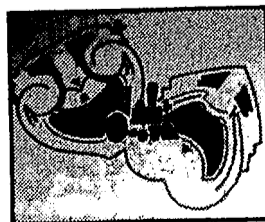
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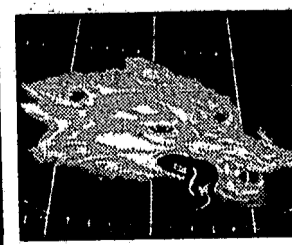
Forty five years of drama with the Clarkston Village Players

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Three groups sponsor blood drive



Ellen Leonard, a registered nurse with the American Red Cross, helps Jody Smith of Clarkston donate at the Red Cross Blood Drive on Dec. 28 at the Independence Fire Station on Citation Drive. The blood drive was sponsored by the Clarkston Lions Club, Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce and the Independence Township Fire Department. Photo by James Martinez

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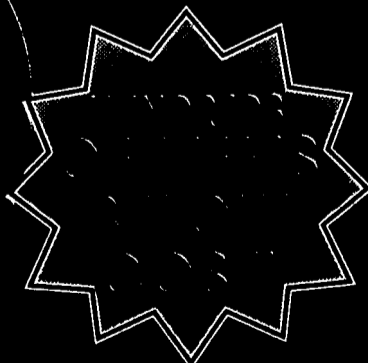
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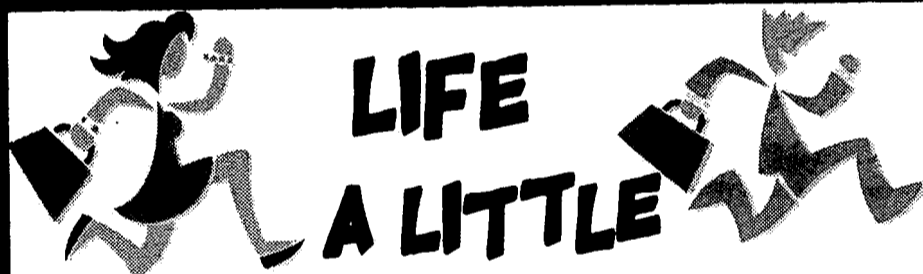
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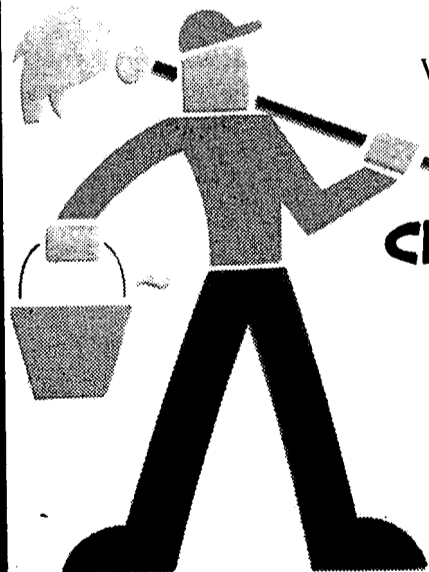
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Briefly

"Night at the Races" coming in January

Christmas In Action (CIA) of Clarkston will be hosting "Night at the Races" on Jan. 21 at Colombiere on Big Lake Road. The following groups or businesses have sponsored and will decorate a reindeer for the races: 3C Inc., Big Boy, Clarkston Auto Wash, Clarkston Optimist Club, Clarkston State Bank, Comerica, Garwood Associates, L'il People's Place, Mercado Dental, Summit Properties, The State Bank and Troublemakers Tennis Team.

Tickets to cheer on your favorite reindeer cost \$15. Tickets must be purchased in advance and will not be available at the door. A light dinner is included with the price of the ticket. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. with the first race starting at 8 p.m. To purchase a ticket call 248-618-7433.

Agenda full at Senior Center

The Independence Township Senior Center has several upcoming events:

- State Representative John Stakoe will answer questions and listen to concerns at Meet your Legislator. Stop in, grab a cup of coffee and see him for an informal chat Jan. 13 starting at 11 a.m.

- Volunteer bakers and salespersons are needed for the bake sale scheduled for Jan. 17 starting at 1 p.m. Bring your wrapped goodies to the senior center by the end of the day on Jan. 16 for sale at lunch time at Sashabaw Middle School. The school is now "peanut free" so nothing with peanuts, peanut butter, or peanut oil can be allowed. Profits from the sale go into the senior escrow (savings) account.

ITP&R opens up soccer sign up

Registration for indoor and outdoor soccer leagues through Independence Parks and Recreation begins Jan. 5 at 6 p.m. for Independence Township residents or Clarkston School District homeowners. Sign-up continues until the programs are full. Open registration for non-residents begins Jan. 23 for outdoor leagues and Jan. 17 for indoor leagues. Late registration for outdoor leagues starts Feb. 24 - contingent upon availability. Call for indoor registration deadlines.

Detailed registration information regarding leagues was distributed through local schools and is available online at www.twp.independence.mi.us. Parents are reminded to bring their child's birth certificate to registration.

ITP&R is also in the process of setting up adult leagues.

For more information, call (248) 625-8223.

Clarification

The article "Building a habit of humanity" in the Dec. 21 edition stated that Barb Deradoorian started the North Oakland chapter of Habitat for Humanity. Deradoorian was part of a group including Carol Eberhardt who helped spearhead the chapter.



Snowboarding, as showed off here by Carter Linton, is a good way to stay active during the winter months and fits into the ethos of Families Always Moving. Photo by Andrew DuPont

Healthy help on the way

Independence Township Parks and Recreation's New Year's resolution this year is to help the community lose weight and enjoy the perks of being fit.

"We want to get families focused on their activity levels," ITP&R Recreation Supervisor Kelly Hyer said.

The focus will come in the form of the new health and fitness program Club Active and the Families Always Moving event series which kicks off on Jan. 13 with ITP&R's Cabin Fever Cure from 6-9 p.m. at Clarkston High School. A \$5 fee is charged per family of four for the Cabin Fever Cure, with each additional member costing \$1.

FAM is designed to assist families in making healthier nutritional choices and increasing their activity and exercise levels. Club Active works within the framework of FAM, tracking residents progress and dispensing awards for increased activity levels.

"We really want to be a leader in getting people active," Hyer said.

As the kickoff for both FAM and Club Active, the Cabin Fever Cure is intended to be a fun exercise experience for the whole family. Some of the activities available will be: parachute games, tumbling, a Xbox dance off, jazzercise, swimming, jump rope, basketball, volleyball and start smart stations for young children.

The Cabin Fever Cure is also the first time people can register for Club Active. As upstanding members of Club Active, families are challenged to increase their

activity levels while charting their results on Club Active point cards. For every half hour of activity, participants receive one point. A weekly raffle will dole out prizes to families who turn in their cards each Friday. On July 4, the family which accrues the most points will earn a grand prize.

Those who register will receive a goodie bag filled with information on living healthier and a pair of Club Active toe toggles. The organizers of FAM and Club Active hope people will sport the toe toggles on their shoe laces to show dedication to the programs and a healthy lifestyle.

But, to tell people to be more active might help them for a week, FAM's role is to show people how to increase their activity and sustain a healthy lifestyle.

"You don't have to belong to a gym or have equipment to get in shape," Hyer said.

Aside from events like the cabin fever cure, FAM literature is packed with helpful ideas and activities revolving around healthy living.

Hyer suggested snowshoeing and cross country skiing during the winter months and mentioned that ITP&R's walking program would be included in FAM in the spring.

"We want to remind families it's important to be active, no matter what they are doing," Hyer said.

For more information on Club Active, the Cabin Fever Cure or FAM, call ITP&R at 248-625-8223.



Jayne Bannister was named "Teacher of the Year" in May 2005 by the Clarkston Foundation. Photo by Christina Ulaj

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back in Clarkston. About 100 people, including 33 charter members from Clarkston and Lions from other communities, gathered at Liberty Golf and Banquet to celebrate the official recognition of the local Lions chapter. The Lions had a group in Clarkston as late as the 1970's but it disbanded.

May 11

Congrats to 'Teacher of the Year' Jayne Bannister: Special Education Elementary Learning Resource teacher Jayne Bannister was named 'Teacher of the Year.' Bannister was able to pick her dream car to drive for a year and selected a 2005 red Ford Mustang.

Couple helps patients, families live full life despite Parkinson's: Harry and Nancy Knitter appeared on a new video "In Their Own Words," a documentary focusing on people in Michigan affected by Parkinson's disease. The 25-minute video debuted on May 4 at a support group meeting in Rochester facilitated by Nancy and will be used by doctors and support groups throughout Michigan to help those facing the news of the chronic, progressive neurological condition.

Clarkston baseball stakes claim to its legacy: The Clarkston baseball team played the role of bad host by beating Waterford Mott, Warren Mott and Pontiac Notre Dame in succession to win the Roy "Pops" Warner Classic in Clarkston on May 7.

Millstream: On May 4, the local Ducks Unlimited chapter held its largest fund-raiser of the year, an annual banquet featuring a live auction, silent auction and plenty of raffles at Deer Lake Athletic Club. Over 380 people attended the event and the local DU chapter will ship over \$85,000 to the National Ducks Unlimited.

May 18

Judge Fortinberry faces state charges: An attorney representing 52-2 District Judge Dana Fortinberry said he will file a response to a May 10 complaint brought by the Michigan Judicial Tenure Commission. The formal complaint said Fortinberry's conduct, "if true," constituted 14 distinct violations of the Code of Judicial Conduct and Michigan Court Rules. Discipline in the matter

could include Fortinberry's removal as judge.

New assistant fire chief working to make important changes: New assistant fire chief Robert Elizondo is determined and excited about his job. Since joining the township fire department in January, Elizondo has been making his mark. Elizondo set out to make training firefighters his mission by introducing new technology with computer simulated fires to improve public safety.

CHS softball hits the unhittable Granger: While the Wolves softball team did not register much in the win column this past week, they did accomplish something no other team in Michigan has done all year - they scored a run on Troy's indomitable senior pitcher Jessie Granger. The run came in the second of two losses to Troy and Granger courtesy of a double by junior Katy Kleinedler which brought home Kara Wandrie.

Millstream: Carl Matisse of Summit Properties in Clarkston was featured as a man building to the top. Summit Properties is known in Clarkston for building custom homes of excellence and variety. Since 1994, Summit has built over 100 homes throughout North Oakland County.

May 25

Clarkston SCAMP announces its 23rd home tour: Six Clarkston homes will be featured and offer a little something for everyone on this year's SCAMP home tour. This year's houses, including the Detkowski Home, Campanaro Home, the Vernier Home, the Joyce Little House, the Swayne House and the Wilson House, all are located within 100 yards of Clarkston's Mill Pond.

Alpha Club finishes year: The Pine Knob Elementary Alpha Club completed another successful year. Students involved in the group were active in team work, completing homework assignments and helping each other whenever necessary. A memorable project included making table center pieces for the adult Alpha Club Annual Fund-raiser.

Girls track regains regional crown from Grand Blanc: The girls track team took back the regional title from Grand Blanc on May 20. Clarkston won the meet with 126 points, Grand Blanc was second with 100 points, followed by Lake Orion with 78. Jenny Morgan's 10:33.70 finish in the 3200, nearly 8 seconds and three-fourths ahead

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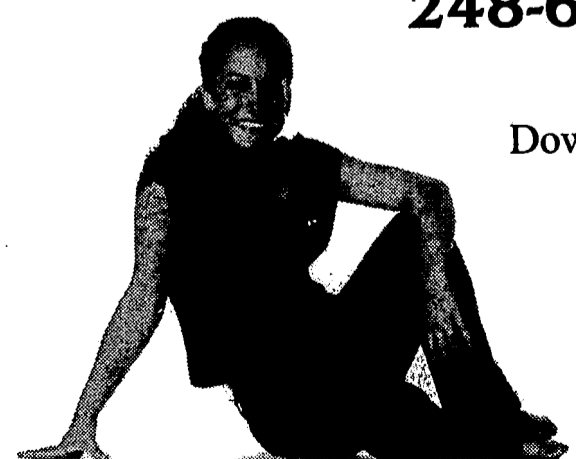
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of any competitor, was key to Clarkston claiming its second regional title in three years.

Millstream: Representatives from throughout the Clarkston area gathered on May 18 to honor those who "make Clarkston, Clarkston" at the 20th Annual Community Awards. The event, hosted by the Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce, was part of the 2005 Michigan Week celebrations.

June

June 1

Fortinberry answers complaint: Judge Dana Fortinberry answered the formal complaint made by the Michigan Judicial Tenure Commission and denied allegations of violating the Code of Judicial Conduct. Her response was the latest step in an a process that could result in her removal from office.

Coming together to help SMS student: Sashabaw Middle School teacher Kim Prentice noticed her student Cody Passmore, 14, did not look like himself in class one day. After learning Passmore's bike had been stolen off his porch on

May 22, Prentice had a conversation with Rick Detkowski of Clarkston Paving. The conversation lead to purchasing a new bike for Passmore. Detkowski and Louise Kasl of Kinetic Systems paid for the bike.

Wolves slugging their way to districts: The Clarkston Wolves baseball team waited until the absolute last minute of the season to register a 5-4 victory over the OAA Division I leading and No. 8 ranked Farmington team on May 25 setting up district play. With the game tied in the bottom of the seventh Frank Davis drew a two-out walk and was doubled home by Steve Melsaac, whose game winning RBI also netted him the win on the hill.

Millstream: On May 25 the 2005 Clarkston High School Lacrosse team completed a successful regular season (8-5) with a 14-3 drubbing of Royal Oak Kimball. The Clarkston team was lead by a group of 12 seniors including five that played four years: Dan Walsh, Brad Welbourn, Drew Spencer, Aaron Ehrmann and Tom Garavaglia.

June 8

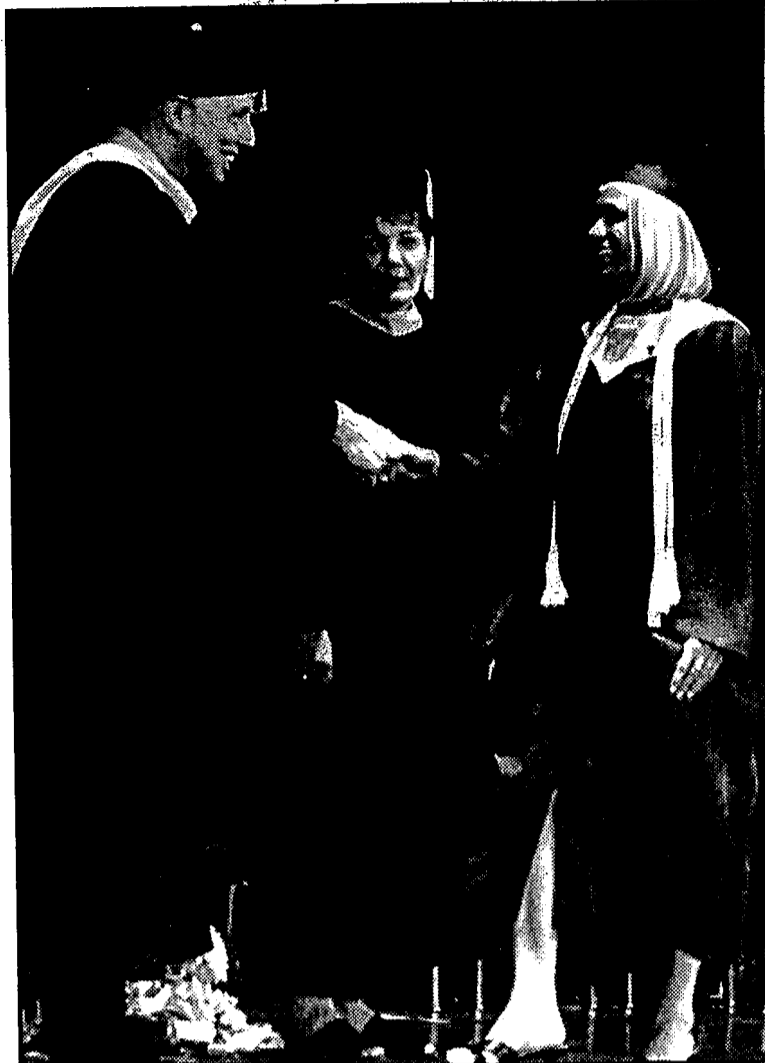
2005 Clarkston Graduation: The massive crowd at DTE Energy Music Theater became still as the Clarkston High School choir opened com-

mencement ceremonies. The guest speaker for the event was Clarkston High School's physics teacher Ned Burdick. Commencement concluded with the Madrigal Singers performing "A Parting Blessing."

When 'over' doesn't mean over: Katy and Keith Overby scheduled a seminar on non-aggression featured speaker Lt. Col. Dave Grossman at the Colombiere Center. The Overby's became motivated after Keith, a deputy with the Oakland County Sheriff Department, struggled with an incident involving a gun-totting 10-year-old and wanted to address issues of violence and training.

Morgan, Mengyan headline strong showing at state finals: Jenny Morgan and Liz Mengyan finished in first and third place respectively in the 1600 at the state finals in Rockford on June 4. Clarkston finished with 36 points as a team, good for fourth in the state behind Detroit Mumford (74), Ann Arbor Pioneer (56) and Southfield Lathrup (37). Clarkston's 3200 relay team of junior Lyndsay Smith, senior Liz Mengyan, junior Lisa Sickman and senior Jenny Morgan shattered the old all-division and lower peninsula division I record of 9:13.83 by eight seconds with a time of 9:05.49.

Millstream: Covering the



2005 Clarkston High School graduate Amy Emery is congratulated by Superintendent Al Roberts and school board president Sharon Foyteck during graduation ceremonies on June 1 at the Palace of Auburn Hills.

streets of Clarkston to assure sanitation and beauty is not always easy. Smith's Disposal Company has been doing just that for 23 years. Smith's Disposal is the only independently-owned disposal company in Northern Oakland County.

Long of Clarkston is slated to open the Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce's Concerts in the Park. The band, composed of all Clarkston High School students performs in the Local Talent Spotlight before the headliners take the stage.

June 15

Guilty verdicts in murder trial: On June 9 separate juries found Joseph Stapleton Wells and Lance Allen Schmitt, both 21, guilty of second degree murder of Lapeer resident Peter Richard. The Clarkston men were charged after Richard, 44, died from a pulmonary embolism prosecutors linked to a 2002 beating by the defendant's outside the Sashabaw Road McDonald's.

CHS hockey stars to become Wolves of a different color: Unlike the rest of their friends in the Clarkston High School class of '05, Mike Fogg and Trevor Johns' education will continue on the ice rather than the classroom. The duo signed with the Junior-A Boston Harbor Wolves, who scouted the Clarkston hockey stand-outs during the 2004-2005 season.

Local band opens Concerts in the Park: 11 Letters

Millstream: In the fall, Lorimer Building Company was recognized by the Building Industry Association, receiving a blue ribbon for homes priced

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Many legislators came to recognize *The Clarkston News* at our 75th anniversary party on May 20. (Left to right) Springfield Township Clerk Nancy Strole, State Senator Mike Bishop, Clarkston Mayor Sharron Catalo, *The Clarkston News*' publisher Jim Sherman, State Representative John Stakoe, Clarkston City Manager Art Pappas, Independence Township Treasurer Jim Wenger, County Commissioner Tom Middleton and U.S. Senator Mike Rogers' press secretary Sylvia Warner. Photo by Noah Purcell

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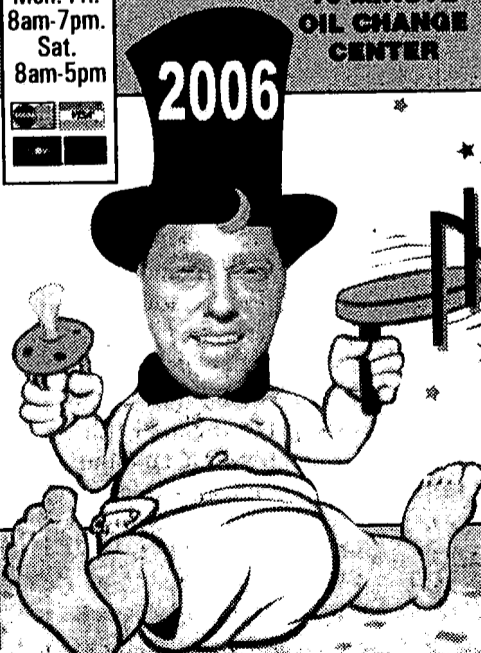
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Opinion

Spirit of giving is not seasonal

Happy New Year to everyone. Here we are in 2006 with a whole new year of potential ahead of us.

So many people like to start the new year by forgetting about the previous one the moment it is over. We build the holiday spirit up for months in this country, yet come Jan. 2, we seem to leave it all at the curb like so much used wrapping paper and boxes. The holidays are over so let's move on, right? Shut off the outdoor lights, take down the decorations and please stop playing Christmas music 24 hours a day on the radio.

While I won't fight to keep "Jingle Bell Rock" on the air any longer, I think some of the holiday spirit is worth keeping around all year.

The spirit of giving gets a boost from the season, but also seems to fade into memory with the rest of the holidays. Though many are compelled by the holiday spirit to donate time, money, food, toys, etc. to charitable organizations, donations suffer from severe drop-off as the new year begins.

Taking a moment to remember those less fortunate than ourselves is not too much to ask of anyone and hopefully that moment does not pass by without meaning.

Clarkston is a community with a lot to give, but two weeks ago when I visited Lighthouse North and Clarkston School bus drivers had two buses full of donations to drop off, I was told donations were significantly lower than last year. Even with the bus drivers (who deserve a round of applause) nearly doubling what they gave the previous year, donations were still coming up much shorter.

What happened? The obvious guess is natural disasters. The devastating tsunami, hurricanes and earthquakes of this past year have opened people's hearts and wallets to help. As many of you have read in our paper, nearly every group imaginable tried to help victims of Hurricane Katrina in some fashion this year. Every bit of that help is appreciated, I am sure. Every penny really does count and as uplifting as seeing the community reach out is, the efforts cannot stop there.

We have a large number of people in need right here in Michigan. You do not have to go far to see the effects of poverty and unemployment. With no major disaster to blame, the poor and homeless in our own neighborhoods get overlooked because their plight doesn't make headlines. When people are freezing and starving, it shouldn't take a Robin Hood to come to their rescue.

Is it just me or does it seem like every time a major disaster strikes, those taking in donations are surprised by the amount of support a community shows? I can not help but think they are always surprised because the rest of the time there is a general apathy towards donating money.

Giving to groups like Lighthouse and the American Red Cross should not be good deeds people check off at holidays or in response to major disasters. These are things we should all be doing whenever we can.

Churches, schools and other non-profit organization should not be the only ones holding food drives and fund-raisers. No matter how much or how little you can spare, you'll never have a hard time finding someone who needs it.

Lighthouse North can be reached at 248-620-6116. The American Red Cross can be reached at 1-800-HELP-NOW.

Soapbox



Andrew DuPont

Thanks for helping make 'Elf' a reality

Dear Editor,

The Clarkston community is really magnificent. This is something we have gotten to know instinctively while living in the area. People eagerly participate, get involved and help out with nary a sigh. We know it, but it is not said enough, so I will say it again, The Clarkston community is really magnificent!

The Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce recently completed another successful Heart of Clarkston Holiday Parade. There were many fantastic entries by local organizations, businesses, individuals and school groups. The chamber also does a nice job of spreading out the awards to the many deserving entries.

This year the Clarkston Area Optimist Club in conjunction with both Junior Optimist Clubs from Sashabaw Middle School and Clarkston Junior High and several of our Alpha Clubs from the elementary schools presented "Elf." Even with the work from many of the kids and adults from the Optimist organization, we still needed help to make this award winning entry a reality.

Therefore I would like to thank the following:

Tom Lowrie of Lowrie's Landscape for his generosity in providing the truck and trailer for our entry. He also provides conditioned interior space to assist in building the float. This is not the first time he has helped us out and I understand he helped other groups as well.

Dawn and Bill Horner of Clarkston State Band assisted at the last minute with a generator after the one we had failed to start.

Jean Dasuqi of Lil Peoples Place who provided facilities for us to design, build and store sections of our float until parade day came. In addition a van was provided to pick up all the supplies needed. A thank you also goes to Ahdi "Mario" Dasuqi, our driver.

Mike Page of Jostens Publishing for taking the time off to pick up the lumber, paint and supplies needed for the float and his coordination of the Optimist youth groups.

I appreciate all those who helped out and for the community coming out in mass.

Curt Carson, Clarkston

Congrats to chamber and parade participants

Dear Chamber of Commerce and parade participants,

What a fantastic Christmas Parade! You all "out did" yourselves. Congratulations to all of the participants (so many young people - bravo) and all of the Chamber of Commerce members for their planning ahead of time, and at the parade. Clarkston's finest

(the Police Department) were a great help.

You help to make Clarkston what it is, a fantastic place to live and raise a family.

Thanks tons,

The James Schultz Family
Clarkston

A special 'thank you' to Village shoppers

Dear business patrons of the Clarkston Village stores,

We would sincerely like to thank you for making us a part of your holiday and throughout the year shopping excursions.

It is our pleasure to provide friendly and personal service.

A very happy healthy 2006 to each of you and your families.

Merrily,

The Schultz Family
Clarkston County Store

Gift of hope cherished by Youth Assistance

The Clarkston Area Youth Assistance would like give the staff and members of the Clarkston Brandon Community Credit Union a huge thank you as they continue their tradition of giving HOPE to the CAYA children.

Their giving tree is much more than getting material gifts for the children, it is about giving hope and showing them that someone cares about them and their situation.

Hope was given to a small boy who received a Batman Gotham City he hoped for, while he hopes for his father's safe return from Iraq.

Hope was given to two teenagers who know that there are people around who will help them get through their mom's absence. She leaves in January to serve a 6 month prison term for fraud.

Another teenager received hope as her and her father face their first Christmas alone following the death of her mom. Thanks to the generosity of one member she will be able to continue her mom's dream of pursuing an art career.

Every child has her/his own dream and the success of this wonderful program is remarkable as these dreams are filled. Thank you to all who participated in buying gifts for the Giving Tree.

Joyce Bleim
Clarkston

RHS pair honored by Optimists



Billie Pambid, Renaissance High School coordinator, introduced students Jessica Hart, who received the Clarkston Area Optimist Club Student of the Month Award for November, and Richard Bershas, who received the award for December. The students received the honors at the Clarkston Area Optimist Meeting on Dec. 14. Students are chosen by the Optimist Club for their involvement in the school community and their commitment to personal improvement. Photo provided

Best Image Possible

A Look Back

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

15 YEARS AGO (1991)

• Lawsuit against school goes to court, School district architect turns down settlement in \$2 million lawsuit: An architect fired by the Clarkston Board of Education in 1988 has turned down an out-of-court settlement offered by the district and has opted, instead, to take the matter to trial.

The lawsuit, filed by Charles W. Sherman and Associates, Inc., is to be heard by Oakland Circuit Court Judge David F. Breck on March 25.

• Michigamme residence besieged by hooligans: An Independence Township family has suffered through the nightmare of seeing their Michigamme "dream home" become a hot spot for thieves and vandals.

Since October 1990, the Bussell family has had to call the Oakland County Sheriff's Department (OCSD) five times because of incidents occurring at or around their home. These cases have involved gunplay and auto theft.

25 YEARS AGO (1981)

• Law changes auto insurance rates, Good news for young men; bad news for others: Depending on where you live, your age, marital status and sex, Michigan's Essential Insurance Act will be good news or bad news for your 1981 car insurance rates.

The new law, which went into effect Jan. 1, outlaws the use of sex or marital status in determining rate structures. It also places limits on the practice of charging more or less based on where an individual lives.

• Possible county dump site in Independence re-surfaces: The possibility that the Oakland County solid waste plan presently under study could include a site in Independence Township concerns the township board.

With that thought in mind, the board unanimously approved the establishment of a five-member solid waste task force recommended by Supervisor James Smith at Monday night's meeting.

50 YEARS AGO (1956)

• Deer Crashes Car On White Lake Road: On Sunday evening, just after dusk when Robert C. Jones and a girl friend, Marietta Neubacher, were driving along White Lake Road towards the Dixie on their way to the Robert L. Jones home in Clarkston for supper they were surprised when a deer bounded across the road and over a knoll west of Boothby's Old Farm Shop. "Bob" brought the car to a stop so they could get a better look at the deer, when suddenly—crash—a second deer, a buck, in fast pursuit of the first one, bounded into the side of the standing car. This was sudden death for the buck and startling for the two young people.

Some things really test this dad

Well, the holidays are over. Life is getting back to normal, but before it does let me harken back a couple of days. Yes, I remember the moment well.

"Dad, want to do a puzzle with me?" five year old Sean politely asked.

"Sure," I said to the pint-sized me. Sean likes puzzles and for Christmas received at least one, an 80-piece. I turned around to actually look at him and there in his hands was what has become the bane of my existence, the thorn in my side, pain in my neck -- yes, the proverbial monkey in my wrench.

All 42-inches of Sean stood before me with a Milton Bradley 3-D Puzzle -- a puzzle of such proportions that, when emptied onto the big, wooden dining room table there is no room for a luke warm cup of hot chocolate. Mentally, I said, "Gulp."

To the smiling Sean I said, "Wow. That's a big'un."

To those dads out there who like doing things with their sons and daughters let me say: A 3-D Millennium Falcon (the space ship Han Solo piloted in the first *Star Wars* movies) is not a father-child bond-building endeavor. I'll add this: I had more fun five years ago when I had to fish around in Number One Shamus' number two to make sure he passed a swallowed penny.

The 3-D Millennium Falcon puzzle is an 857-piece adventure into the bowels of Hell. All pieces are about an eighth of an inch thick and made of gray foam. The color of the Millennium Falcon is gray -- so most of the 857 smackin frackin pieces are gray. They all look the same, except some pieces have a measurement of one half inch long by one quarter inch wide.

In the prophetic words of Charlie Brown, "ARRG!" We spread out all the pieces.

"Okay son, we can do this. Turn all the pieces up so we can see the pictures on them."

About an hour later, all were right side up. We stared at them. We looked at them some more. We looked at each other and then back at the mass of little foam pieces before us. After a while Sean came up with the idea of getting his plastic, miniature replica Millennium Falcon. This thing is sweet -- it's about two feet wide and allows you to place *Star Wars* action figures in the cockpit. "This is poppy-outing (Sean slang for three



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dimensional), this should help."

So, we put that on the floor next to us for reference (there was no room on the full-sized dining room table). And, then we looked at the puzzle pieces. Unlike a regular flat puzzle, this brain scramble has no edge pieces to start out with. Unlike most sane puzzles, this beaut is not full of brilliantly different colors with definable lines. Oh, no. Oh no not this one.

I went to the closet and got out some higher watt light bulbs for the fixture above the table. It made sense to me, that brighter light would help us easier spot differing patterns, textures and shades of gray among the 857 pieces.

We stared at the pieces laying before us bathed in brilliant light on the table. Soon Sean's very own mother, Jennie, was at the table trying to help. Eight-year-old Shamus isn't smart for nothing. He walked by, in a split second assessed the situation as hopeless and kept on walking.

In 72 hours we pieced together about 50 pieces. Great, 50 down, 807 (not that I am counting) to go. I will give this bit of praise: Both Sean and Jen are very patient. But as my frustration mounted I kept on asking myself, where did this widow-maker come from?

And then, after about the one-millionth head scratch it came to me.

Oh, yeah. We made a purchase two summers ago at a garage sale off of East Hegel Road in Hadley. It was in great shape, it looked hardly used. Now I know why -- the original owner's dad had finally had enough. I am sure he probably said something in the heat of battle like, "Either this piece of blankity blank goes or I do!"

Upon hearing the outburst the original owner's mom decided the family garage sale would be the ensuing weekend. And, that's where the Rush clan entered the Twilight Zone. We bought it, got it home and opened it up. I quickly put the pieces back in the box and hid it in the boys' closet. It was quickly forgotten. Until this past weekend.

I just had a wicked thought. Wouldn't it be a kick in the pants if the original owner had a mean streak in him or her and threw away one or two pieces.

Personal Note of Advice To Area Dads: This spring, do not purchase a 3-D Millennium Falcon puzzle at any garage sale, even if the price is marked as 25 cents (unless of course, you want to do me a favor).

E-mail: donrushmedon@charter.net

Late gift ideas to be ignored

It's been over three weeks since Jottings has been live, and in a way that's good. Had we been live recently, chances are we would have offered two gift ideas that would lighten your change drawer, while being totally unnecessary.

Some days before Christmas, *Hallmark's Holiday Gifts* folder came in my mail.

Not having been in a Hallmark store in a year, I looked to see what's new in cards.

Well, cards were not even shown. Instead there were some clever things like a battery operated grill brush, wet/dry nose hair cutter and a hook/slice talking swing meter for golf clubs, among other valuable things.

What I found most intriguing was a battery operated marshmallow toaster.

Every marshmallow toasterer in the world knows that finding a properly shaped twig, one with a pronged end that's not too big or too small is a required ritual for toasting this confection.

Fie be unto anyone who would bring a three-pronged, battery operated toaster to a marshmallow roast, even when "perfectly toasted marshmallows are only a push-button away with this automatic, hand-held rotisserie," as the ad promises.

This \$20 item (4 AA batteries not included) is made of stainless steel with a sure-grip ergonomic handle. I think it was the 'ergonomic' handle part of the description that got me into Werner's Lake Orion store.

I was there at least three weeks before the holiday. I wandered the store for a while looking for this three-pronger, but finding none, I asked their whereabouts.

"Oh," said the nice lady, "we sold out of them right away, but maybe I could get one from another store."

"No, no," I said. "I didn't want to buy one, I just wanted to see if this was a joke or misprint."

Thinking about it later I realized merchandising was another field I wasn't qualified for.

The other not recommended gift item is in *The Grateful Palate's Gift Handbook 2006*.

This is the outfit that hooked daughter Susan into getting me into the Bacon of the Month Club.

The owner of this company signs his greeting, "Peace, Happiness and Pork Butt -- Dan Phillips."

He's into making the Pig Party a political force. If elected he would have pigs worshiped like sacred cows in India and sausage would replace bullets.

He says, "I'd turn the White House into a restaurant and the Washington Monument into an awesome smoke house."

Besides pork, Mr. Phillips is also into stirrers and muddlers. Webster defines muddler as something confusing. Mr. Phillips describes it as a stir-stick for cocktails. His are made from ash and jarrah and cost \$24.95.

Since I stir with my index finger, \$24.95 sounds a little heavy.

Phillips' Muddler is a steal compared to The Stirrer. This kitchen tool is also made of jarrah, a wood with "a gorgeous grain." A guy in Port Douglas, Australia, on the edge of the Daintree Rain Forest and the Great Barrier Reef, creates them.

The Grateful Palate owner says, "It doesn't matter if you're scrambling eggs, making risotto or watching television, you'll want to hold it in your hands. It is sensual and practical."

Which shouldn't be confused with the price of \$39.95.

Bill Cosby says, "As parents, my wife and I have one thing in common. We're both terrible fathers." Sean Neubacher says, "When my dad bought this weird metal thing, I thought it was a joke. When they're around I just want to eat it."

Faded Ink

Ambassadors' fund-raiser planned for Jan. 12

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Max and Erma's of Auburn Hills will help two student ambassadors fund-raise for their upcoming trip to New Zealand and Australia.

On Jan. 12, Max and Erma's will donate 20% of their sales from customers who present a special coupon (reproduced at left) to the Journey Community Church to help fund the trips of two members, Drew Davidson and Samantha Bosquez. The students are preparing for their journey this summer through the People to People Student Ambassadors program and are raising funds to cover the costs of the trip, approximately \$5800. The coupon is valid at any time during the day but must be presented to be applicable. Max and Erma's is located at 4255 Baldwin Road in Auburn Hills.

McLaren

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McLaren proposal, according to member Neil Wallace.

While Wallace could not speak about the wishes of COG as a whole, he did express his own apprehensions about the potential of McLaren coming to Independence Township.

"I don't see the hospital any different than the big box anchored commercial center. It's regional in scope and not meant to serve just Clarkston, but the whole North Oakland county area. So it would raise the traffic issues and other problems that would come with a big box development," said Wallace.

"The goal of our master plan and zoning laws is to develop as a quality residential community and that means keeping things on scale to support that goal," said Wallace.

"We've been striving to develop on a livable scale. That means no commercial development or high rises," added Wallace who worries that the proposal includes two five story towers. "I think a lot of people would see (the proposal) as apple pie, a great thing, but it's a business and we should receive it as a business and its impact on our community," said Wallace.

Some members in the Clarkston area medical community think the McLaren proposal has potential to benefit the area though.

"What's critical is getting patients to the hospital in the shortest amount of time. That helps determine if they live or die," said Bob Cesario, EMS

Coordinator for Independence Township Fire Department. "The hospital could cut our units turn around time in half."

"Right now only Beaumont Royal Oak and Genesys in Grand Blanc can handle level one traumas. If a hospital in our community could treat level one trauma's we would be available to our residents more," said Cesario.

If McLaren's plan is implemented, the Clarkston Medical Group (CMG) would move into a medical office building built in the first phase of the project.

"For CMG, personally it'll enable us to be more efficient. We have specialists who don't have offices here and they want to come into the building. It'll really allow faster access to specialists," said Dr. Tim O'Neill, president of the CMG.

"Our plan is to completely move. We plan to make a more clear separation of urgent care from primary care then we have now," said O'Neill

"We'd continue to see other doctors' patients for urgent care and on a walk-in basis like now. And we'd send them back to their doctors," said O'Neill.

Other local officials acknowledge the impact of such a medical complex.

"Without having the details and the proximity of the hospital to Springfield, it would provide a clear benefit to the residents and community to have a medical facility that like in somewhere close to the township," said Springfield Township Clerk Nancy Strole.

Watch for updates in *The Clarkston News*.

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Know your limits when it comes to snow shoveling

By Ernie Harwell

It's said that there are only two certainties in life: death and taxes. Well, I'd argue that here in Michigan, we have a third: snow.

Now, there's no doubt snow can be beautiful. However, it can also pose some risk to our health.

If you have a personal or family history of heart disease or high blood pressure, if you smoke, or if you're generally an inactive person, you can be in a danger zone if you run out there to shovel the walk.

Even generally healthy people need to be careful. Here are some tips:

- Freshly fallen snow is easier to shovel, so try to remove snow right after a storm.
- Dress warmly and in layers.
- Drink water to avoid dehydration.
- Bend from the knees and tighten your stomach muscles as you lift the snow.
- If the snow is too heavy to lift, push it like a snowplow.
- Most importantly, take it slow and stop if you feel pain or discomfort.
- The bottom line is that it's important to do what's right for your health. Your best options might be paying a youngster in the neighborhood to shovel your walk or asking someone for a helping hand.
- Take care of your health before it's lonngggg gone!

Ernie Harwell, "the voice of the Detroit Tigers" for more than four decades, retired after 55 years behind a major league microphone. Today, at age 86, Ernie's days are filled with serving as a health and fitness advocate for Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan and Blue Care Network, public appearances, writing, traveling and taking long walks with "Miss Lulu," his wife of more than 60 years. His latest book, a collection of his baseball columns entitled "Life After Baseball," is available at local bookstores or by calling 1-800-245-5082.

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Police and Fire

Independence Township

December 22: Windows and kitchen cabinets damaged at an unoccupied residence on Mann Road. The company owning the house reported the incident, caused over \$2,000 in damage, which occurred between Oct. 20 and Dec. 1.

December 23: Employee at a business on Dixie Highway discovered someone had removed the switch from the steering wheel column of his vehicle. Nothing else was missing from the car, but the ignition was broken and hanging by two wires.

December 24: 22-year-old Pontiac man arrested for domestic assault on Fay Street.

December 25: 46-year-old Waterford woman arrested for operating her vehicle while intoxicated and having an open intoxicant in a motor vehicle on Cottonwood Court. Police were called to the scene by a witness after the woman allegedly drove her vehicle over an embankment smashing into another car parked under a carport. The woman was combative towards the Independence Township Fire Department so she was transported by police to POH for further medical treatment for unspecified injuries.

December 26: An Independence Township man reported his truck stolen from his residence on Mary Sue Road. The man claims he rents a room to a 43-year-old Rochester Hills woman who stole his car on Dec. 25 after taking the keys.

Police assisted the fire department with a possible heart attack victim on Gulick.

59-year-old Clarkston woman arrested for domestic assault on Lakewood Drive after allegedly pushing her 40-year-old daughter and scratching her in the face after a dispute about the daughter moving out.

December 27: Larceny from a vehicle, no force, parked in a driveway on Springmeadow Court. No property was reported stolen from the vehicle.

December 29: 20-year-old Springfield Township man arrested for assault and battery and being a minor in possession of alcohol after allegedly fighting with his brother while driving on I-75 and lunging at his mother after returning home. The man was arrested at the family's residence on Dixie Highway and transported to Genesys for slight injuries and his level of intoxication. P.B.T. results were .228.

The manager of a business on Sashabaw near Maybee Road reported \$6,500 in electronic equipment missing. The equipment was packaged for delivery pickup and set outside the store, but the business recently received a bill for the equipment leading them to believe it had been stolen.

December 30: A vehicle owner reported an amplifier, speakers and speakerbox stolen from his vehicle on Oct. 20 while it was parked at his place of employment on Dixie Highway. He had not reported the items stolen but heard that items stolen from that location were recently recovered.

25-year-old Clarkston man arrested

for domestic assault after a dispute with his girlfriend at a business on S. Main Street and Waldon Road.

Springfield Township

December 27: Mailbox pulled from ground and smashed on Norman Road.

December 28: A father and son from Holly were ticketed for obstructing police after they admittedly provided false identification for the son to avoid his arrest on a valid warrant. The 22-year-old son was pulled over for excessive speeding on Andersonville Road on Dec. 24, but claimed to be a friend of the car owner rather than the owner himself. The father came out to the scene and identified his son as the friend to avoid the arrest. Following the incident the father and son contacted police on Dec. 28 admitting what they had done.

Resident on Neilson Road discovered his muzzle loader rifle and bow missing from his vehicle on Dec. 27. He had left the weapons in his car since Dec. 22 and was unsure when they were stolen.

December 29: 22-year-old Highland Township man arrested for domestic assault on Foster Road after an argument with his girlfriend. The man, suspected of being intoxicated, was bleeding from his hands and head after apparently punching a garage door and throwing things while in and out of the house.

Compact disc player stolen from car on Pinehurst Court. Passenger window smashed out on vehicle.

46-year-old Springfield Township male arrested for operating his vehicle while intoxicated on Big Lake Road. P.B.T. results were .138.

Checks stolen from outgoing mail

Outgoing mail from the mailboxes of several residents around Springfield Township was tampered with on Dec. 27. In at least four incidents police have found opened mail on roads with checks missing that residents intended to pay bills.

According to Deputy Mike Carolin of the Oakland County Sheriff's Office Springfield Township substation, the checks were stolen to get account numbers and information to make fraudulent purchases. He said the victims of the mail theft often do not realize the checks are stolen until they are contacted by businesses for not paying their bills.

Carolin strongly suggests residents send out mail from secured postal boxes or the post office.

The affected mail was tampered with or found on Spring Crest Court, Villa Crest, Tindall Road and Windcliff.

Internet predator arrested

A 28-year-old Hazel Park man was arrested on Dec. 28 for allegedly meeting what he thought was a 13-year-old girl for sex in Independence Township.

According to a press release from the Oakland County Sheriff's Office (OCSO), Jack Bernard Hinton III was arraigned on Dec. 29 in 52-2 District Court after being arrested for child sexually abusive activity, using a computer to commit a crime, malicious destruction of police property and driving on a restricted license. Bond was set at \$100,000 before Judge Dana Fortinberry.

The release states Hinton was arrested after arriving into Independence

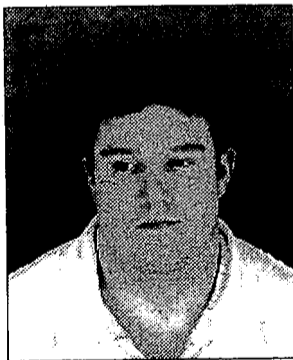
Township near Sashabaw Road and I-75 after chatting online for about an hour using a computer at his parent's house in Hazel Park.

During the arrest, Hinton's vehicle was boxed in and he came to a complete stop. Then he drove his vehicle into an unmarked detective's car. No injuries were reported in the release.

One computer tower was seized with a warrant from his parent's house with an exam to follow by the OCSO Computer Crimes Unit.

The release states the total time between the first chat online and completion of the search warrant was five hours.

The preliminary exam is set for Jan 9 in 52-2 District Court.



Jack Hinton

Reporting for duty in Clarkston



Chief Ernie Combs swears in Tina Bulp for a reserve position with the Clarkston Police Department at City Hall on Dec. 21. Looking on is Administrative Assistant to the City Manager Marcy Rotondo. Bulp spent about a year with the Howell Police Department and seven years as a corrections officer prior to joining the CPD. Photo by James Martinez

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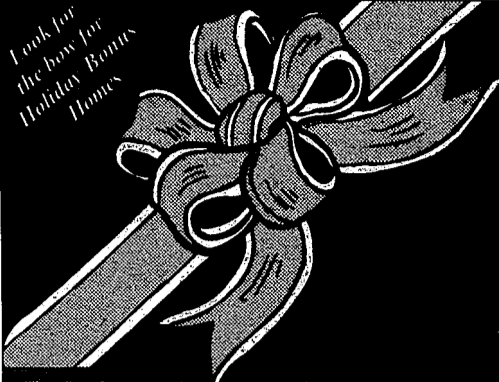
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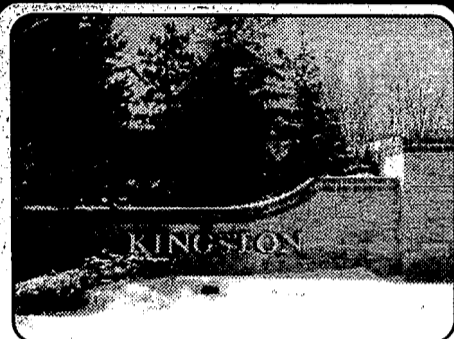
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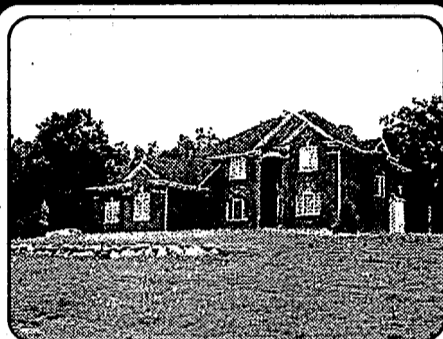
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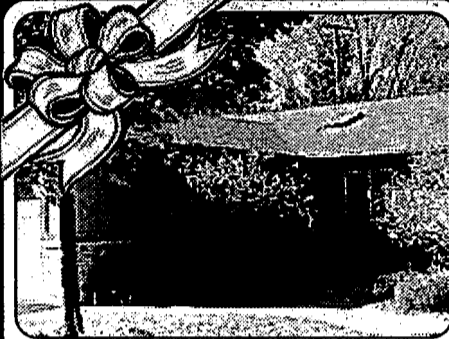
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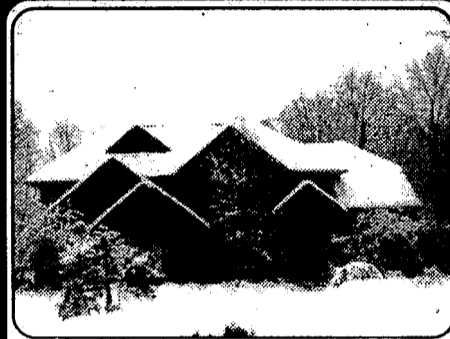
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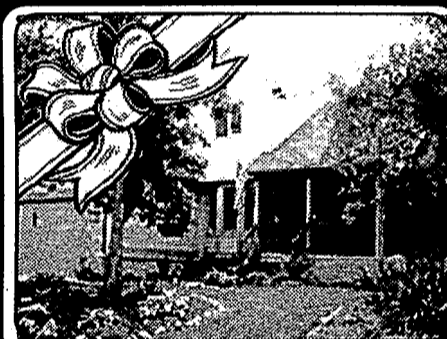
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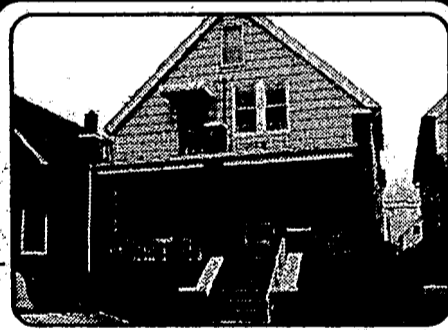
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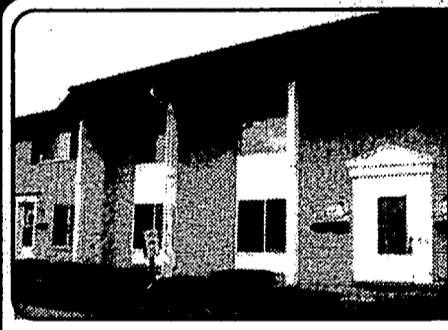
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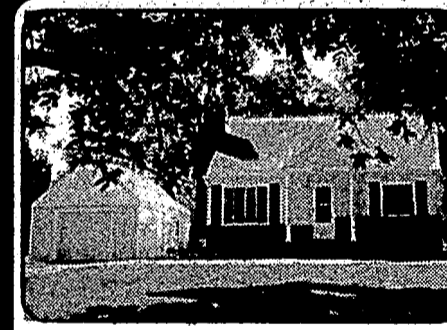
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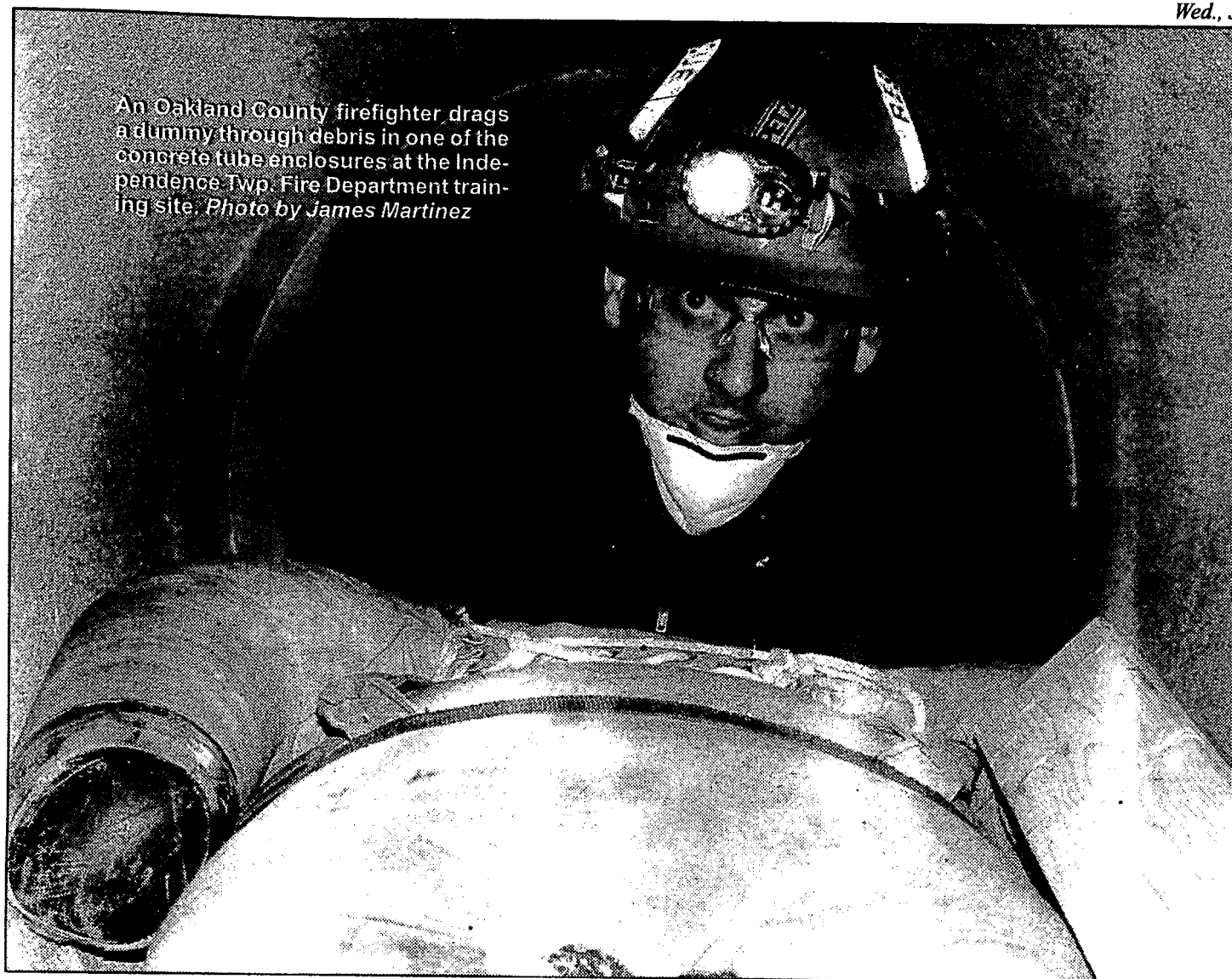
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7 victory over the always tough Rochester Rockies behind the strong pitching of Alex Topham (5-0-4).

July 13

Saving History: McCord farmhouse available for purchase: Independence Township officials were hoping a private developer would step forward to save the old McCord farmstead located on 2.23 acres on Pine Knob Road.

Easements at Pine Knob confirmed: Research by Independence Township Planner Richard Carlisle answered several questions about the much debated Pine Knob scenic easements – while at the same time spurred various opinions from interested parties.

Into uncharted waters...: Staying cool in the Clarkston area is easier than ever thanks to two new pools at Deer Lake Athletic Club.

Trip to Japan memorable for all: Ten Japanese language students honed their skills in a trip that covered three locations in two weeks on the island of Japan. The Clarkston students and Sensei Barbara Rice, Japanese teacher at Clarkston High School, began the adventure on June 27.

Clarkston Riverdaws prepare for Cooperstown: Tournament Clarkston's 12-year-old travel baseball team chalked up a few wins during the end of June in preparation for a one-week trip to Cooperstown New York, home of the National Baseball Hall of Fame.

First female 12 letter winner gets moment to catch breath: CHS graduate Stephanie Parkin's sports accomplishments are highlighted as Parkin becomes the first female athlete to earn 12 varsity letters in CHS history.

Millstream: Doctors and friends Charles F. Munk and Timothy O'Neill were featured for their work in Clarkston, their hometown community.

July 20

Lights, camera, action!, Sight and sounds of Hollywood film set comes to Clarkston: Film company M.V.P. Collaborative of Madison Heights shot a documercial for OnStar in Clarkston.

4-H fair ready to roll: Details for the 4-H fair at the Oakland County Fairgrounds were announced.

Funeral home plan approved: On July 14 the Springfield Township Board

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over \$725,000 to \$1 million category. The winning home is located in High Meadows in Independence Township is priced at \$999,000.

June 22

City predicts \$8,875 surplus: On June 13, the Clarkston City Council discussed a proposed budget of \$771,025 in expenditures, up \$43,945 from 2005. In revenue the 2006 proposal allots for \$779,900 also up about \$21,228. The council currently plans for a \$8,875 surplus which will be placed in reserves for unexpected costs.

Haiti mission just the beginning: Members of the Church of the Resurrection in Clarkston returned on May 16 from a mission trip through the Detroit Area Haiti Outreach program. The goal of the trip was to improve the quality of life for Haitians by providing a lasting infrastructure.

Clarkston stars shine at Summer Games: Three Clarkston athletes: John Devitt, James Diegel and Brian Wilson won multiple medals at the Special Olympics 2005 State Summer Games held at Central Michigan University June 2-4.

Granholt appoints Lohmeier to tribunal: On May 26 Governor Jennifer Granholm appointed Clarkston resident Michael Lohmeier to the Michigan Tax

Tribunal, making him the youngest member on the seven member tribunal. According Lohmeier the MTT is a quasi-judicial body which hears appeals on anything related to Michigan taxes.

June 29

FEMA trains local emergency personnel: Last week, firefighters and medical professionals from around Oakland County picked up key skills at a training session hosted by the Independence Township Fire Department. Twenty-four emergency responders learned how to treat victims injured while trapped in confined places.

COG meeting kicks off July 4 petition drive: At a June 22 meeting at Clarkston High School Citizens for Orderly-Growth officially kicked off a petition drive to force a special Independence Township Board election in November. The subject of the election would be a one time tax to raise a legal defense fund to deal with developer's challenging the township's master plan.

Clarkston foursome shatters national running record: Competing for Runnin' Gear Track Club in the Nike Outdoor Nationals in Greensboro, North Carolina, Clarkston High juniors Jenny Morgan and Lyndsay Smith, senior Liz Mengyan and Clarkston Middle School eighth grader Stephanie Morgan proved their prowess to the nation on June 18. The ladies set a new outdoor national record in the four mile relay with a time of 20:01.7, besting their old mark by just under 10 minutes.

Millstream: Retired Jesuit Brother Bruno Karpinski continues to work creating wooden crafts in his workshop at the Colombiere Center in Springfield Township. Karpinski spent over 40 years working as a missionary. During his time spent in India he saw Gandhi and met Mother Teresa.

July 6

Budget in, deficit covered: After passing the budget for the 2005-06 school year, Clarkston School Board members discussed the effect current budget cuts would have on future budgets.

Sentence handed down in murder trial: On June 30, Joseph Wells Stapleton and Lance Allen Schmitt, both 21, of Clarkston were sentenced to 20-40 years in prison for the second degree murder of Peter Richard. Circuit Judge Langford-Morris credited both men with 729 days served.

Millstream: Dave Moroz was featured for his work with in the entertainment industry booking comedians in the college circuit around the country.

13 year old Riverdaws break through against Rochester: At the beginning of the season there were a few goals established by the 13-year-old Clarkston Riverdaws baseball team. One of these goals was accomplished in style as the much improved squad posted a 9-



Michael Lohmeier

July



(Left to right) Jenny Morgan, Stephanie Morgan, Liz Mengyan and Lyndsay Smith set a new outdoor national record in the four mile relay at the Nike Outdoor Nationals on June 17-18. Photo by John Dye of dyestat.com

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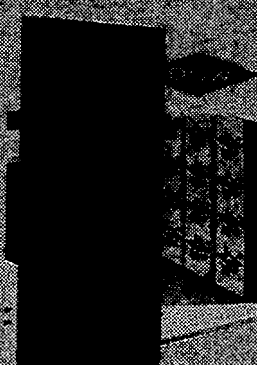
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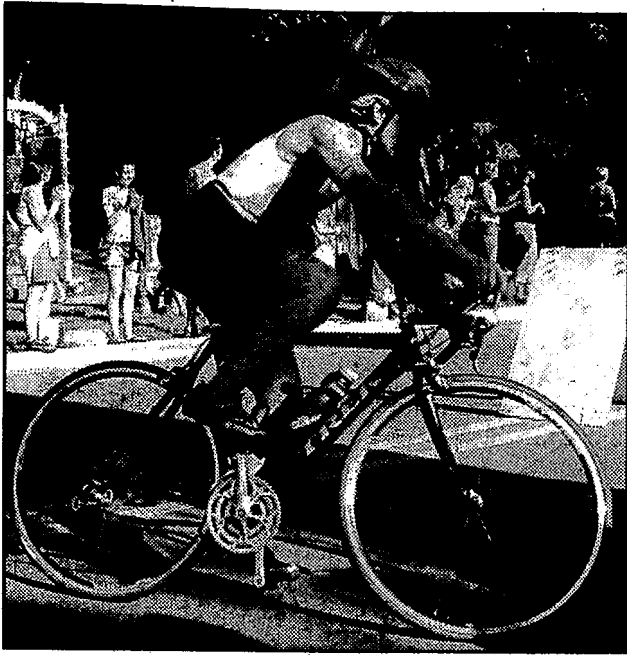
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The second annual memorial triathlon and duathlon for Craig Greenfield raised \$76,000 for the Michigan Leukemia and Lymphoma Society on Aug. 7. Photo by Noah Purcell

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approved the final site and land-scaping plan for Harrington Funeral Home, with the understanding that there were concerns over the establishment of lighting, landscaping borders and the use of fertilizers along the border of the lakeshore.

Dick Devos visits Clarkston Cafe: On July 12, businessman and potential gubernatorial candidate Dick DeVos fielded questions at Clarkston Cafe from area residents concern about the Michigan's current state of affairs.

League lets seniors stay in the game: Feature story on the North Oakland Senior Softball League, a group of 17 teams comprised of senior citizens.

Millstream: Larry Malace was featured for his successes business practices, work with the Clarkston Chief's and founding of the Northern Youth Football League.

July 27

Taking Control, Teacher undergoes stem cell treatment: Clarkston resident and Post High Autistic Program teacher Barbara Greenstone described stem cell treatment she began in April 2005 for stage III ovarian cancer.

Township takes step to regulate 'keyholing': On July 19, After receiving consistent complains for years, the Independence Board of Trustees reviewed an amendment concerning keyholing – the use of one dock by more that one property owner on a parcel of land.

Clarkston loses beloved mentor: Feature on the community involvement of Gus Birtsas, who passed away on July 20. Birtsas was involved with the Clarkston School District for more than 30 years.

American Legion breathes new life into old field: Members of the Chief Pontiac American Legion Post 377 worked to refurbish their baseball field.

Millstream: Annette Thomas was featured for her travels in the Middle East with the Michigan Peace team, where she witnessed the struggles of Palestinian refugees.

August

August 3

4-H Fair leaves fond memories: The 4-H fair set single day and week long attendance records pulling in more than 90,000 visitors over a five-day period.

Ellis Barn dedicated: The Ellis barn, an important piece of the area's history, was dedicated during a July 25 ceremony at the Oakland County fairgrounds in Davisburg, ensuring the story behind the barn continues.

Clarkston local gives perspective: Clarkston resident Angie Regiani and her mother Sherry describe their experiences in London shortly during the second terrorist subway bombing.

Softball league stresses fun and community: The Independence Township Parks and Recreation therapeutic softball team offers sports for special-needs players.

Millstream: The family of Callie and Walter Johnson was featured for a series of historical firsts in the Clarkston area. The family was one of the first African American families to move to Independence Township.

August 10

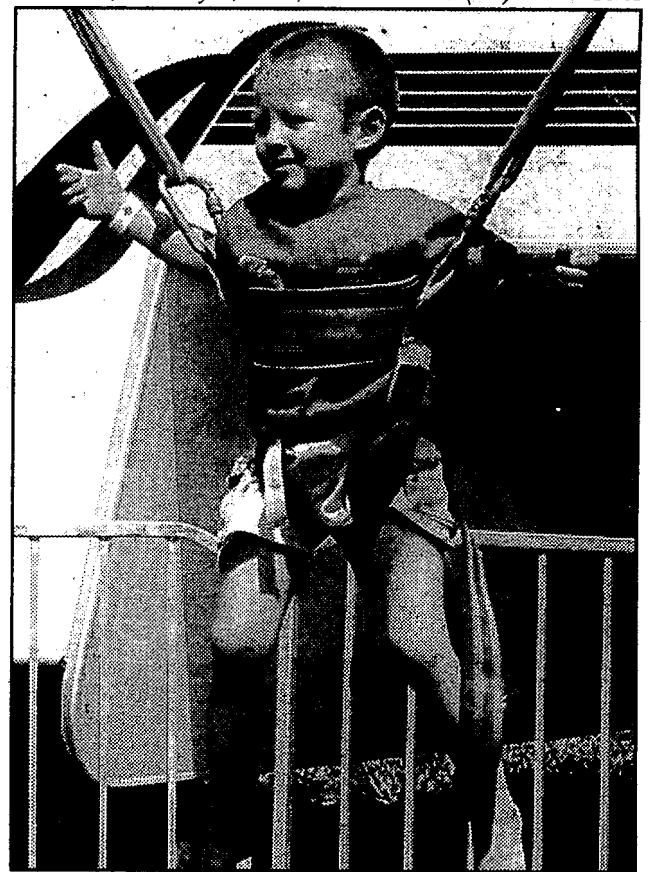
Triathlon cherishes memory: Aug. 7 marked the second annual memorial triathlon for Craig Greenfield. More than 300 people participated in the event, which raised money to find a cure for non-hodgkins lymphoma, which took the Clarkston native's life in December of 2000. The event raised \$76,000 for the Michigan Leukemia and Lymphoma Society.

Market a great success: While some farmers were unsure of just how much to bring, by 10 a.m., just three hours after opening, most of the vegetables at Saturday's Farmer's Market had vanished.

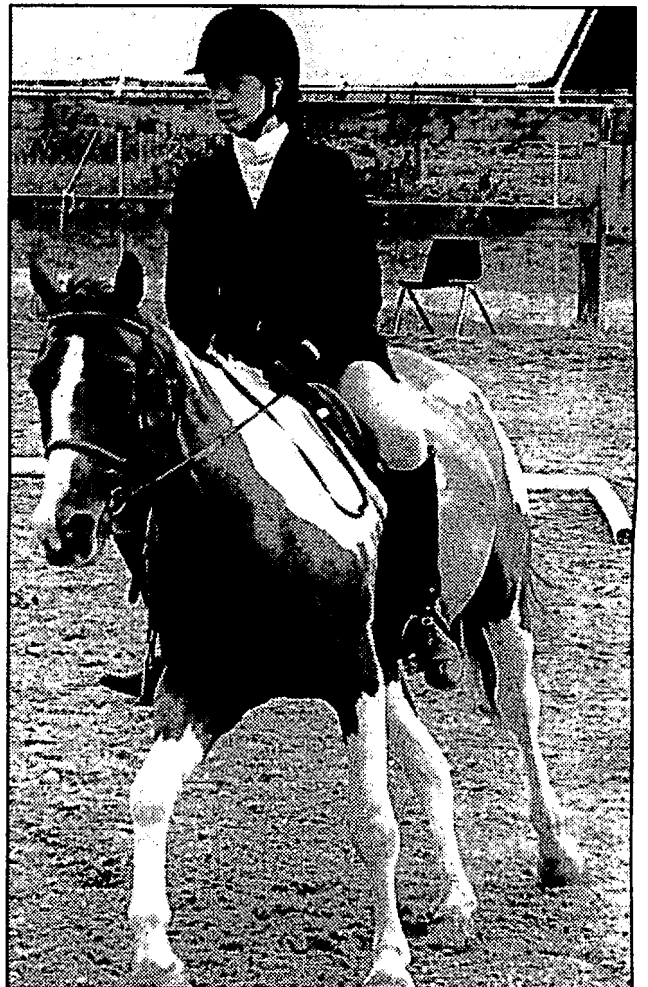
COG members turn in legal fund petitions: On Aug. 2, Citizens for Orderly Growth presented the Independence Township Board with the completed petitions for a land use legal defense fund millage. The petitions ask for the township to put a one-time 1/2-mill tax proposal on the November ballot. The proposal calls for the tax to be levied only once between 2006 and 2010. The township could then use the \$750,000 fund to defend against litigation from property owners in reference to zoning classification disputes.

Long-time business owner turns 90: Richard Morgan of Morgan's Service, celebrated his 90th birthday on July 3. Morgan set up shop in Clarkston in 1932 and has been a major part of the community as it grew around him.

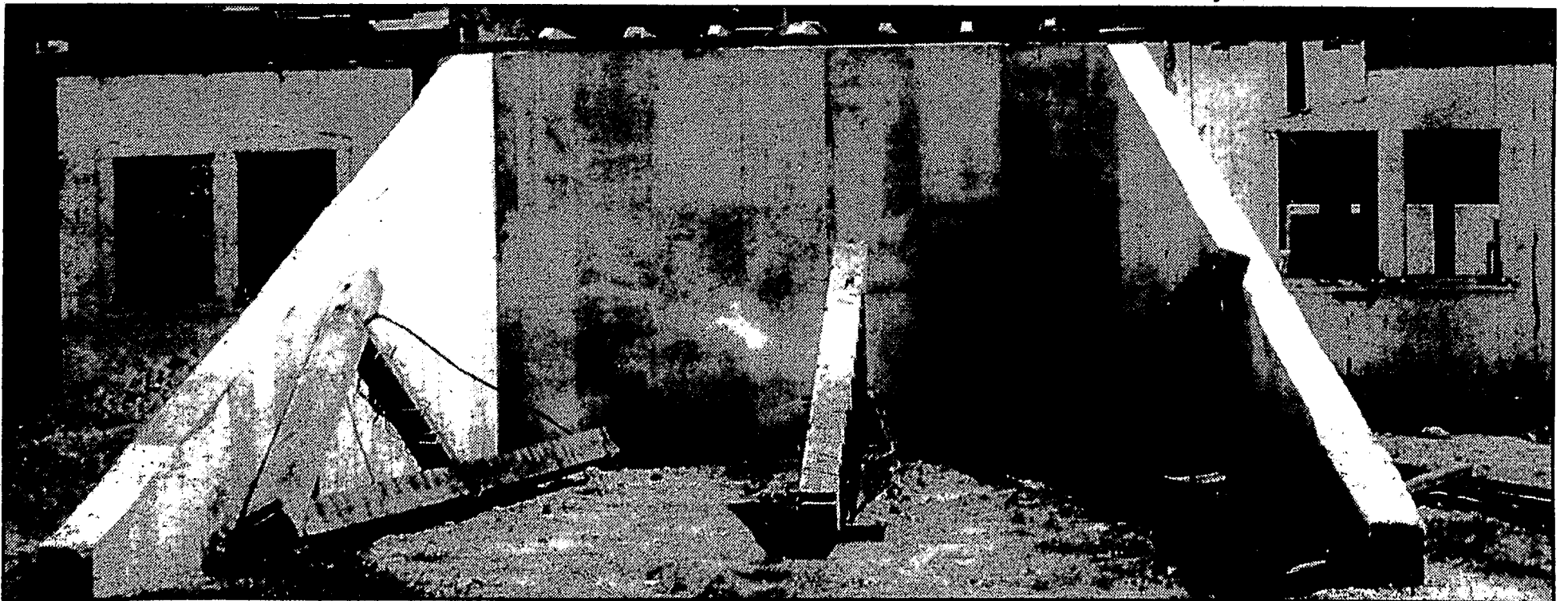
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Clay Roeder, of Clarkston, enjoys one of the many carnival games at the 4-H fair fairgrounds.



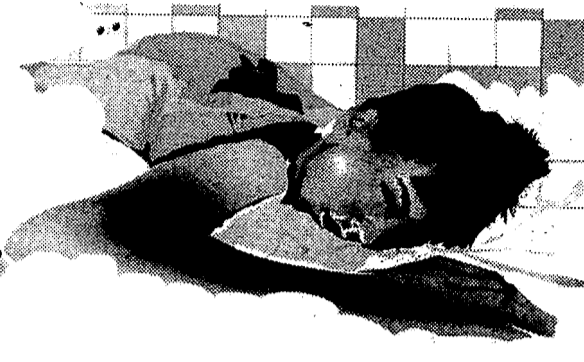
Clarkston's Paige Zielinski competes at this year's 4-H fair. Photo by Noah Purcell



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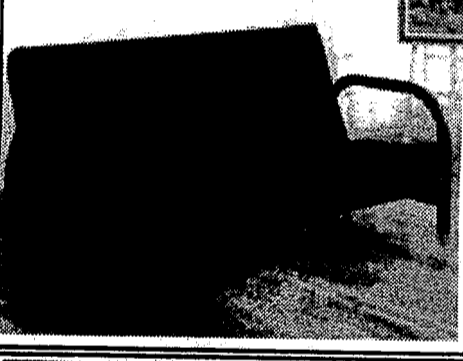


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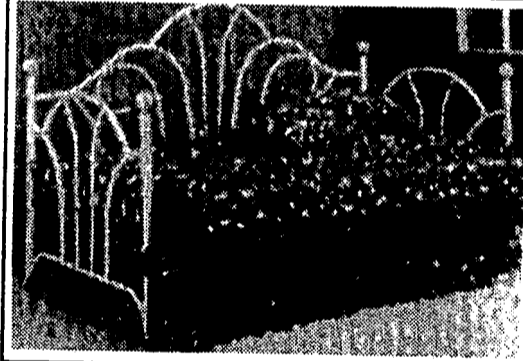
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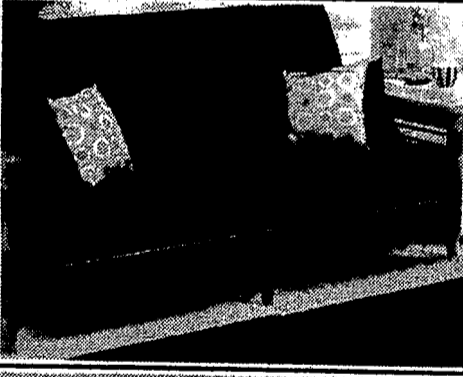
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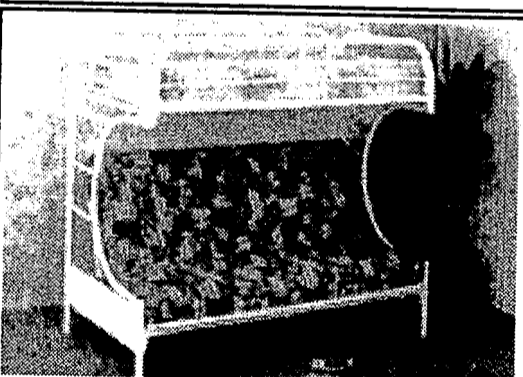
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Basketball: 1/3 at Rochester High inc.; 1/6 at Pontiac Northern; 1/10 at Groves; 1/17 Pontiac Central; 1/20 vs. Southfield Lathrup; 1/24 vs. Flint

Central; 1/27 vs. Troy; 1/31 at Avondale.

Wrestling: 1/4 double dual at Avondale; 1/11 vs. Lapeer West; 1/14 at Bay City Western invite; 1/18 double dual at Rochester High; 1/21 at Western Brown Invitational in Ohio; 1/25 double dual at Troy Athens; 1/28 at Roseville County Duals.

Volleyball: 1/5 at Rochester High; 1/7 Walled Lake Central; 1/9 at Seaholm; 1/12 vs. Troy Athens; 1/14 at Grand Blanc Classic; 1/19 at Groves;

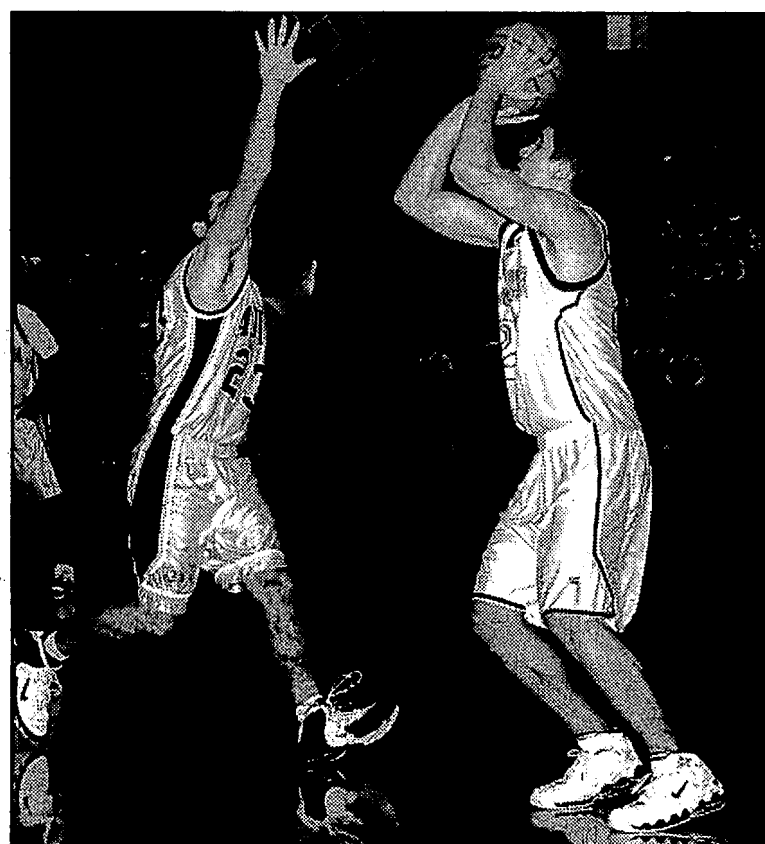
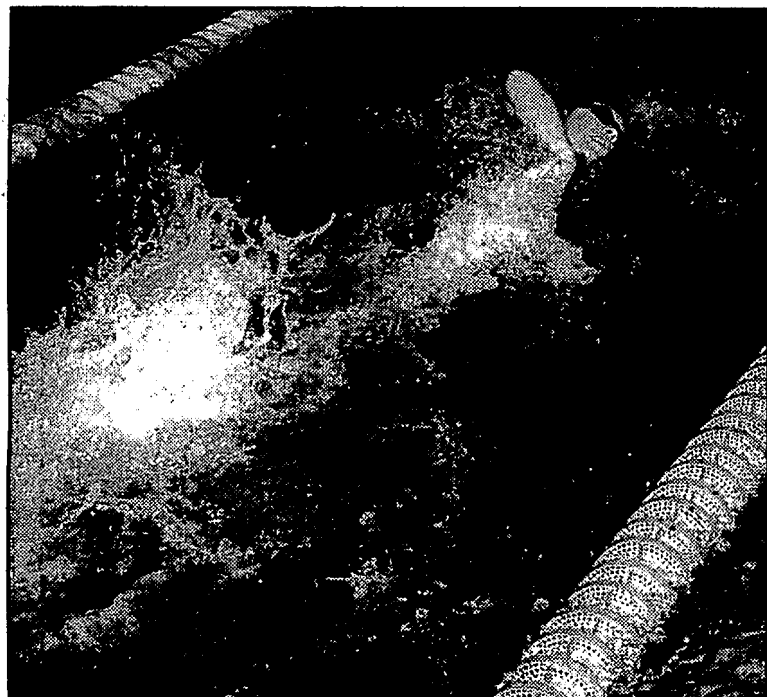
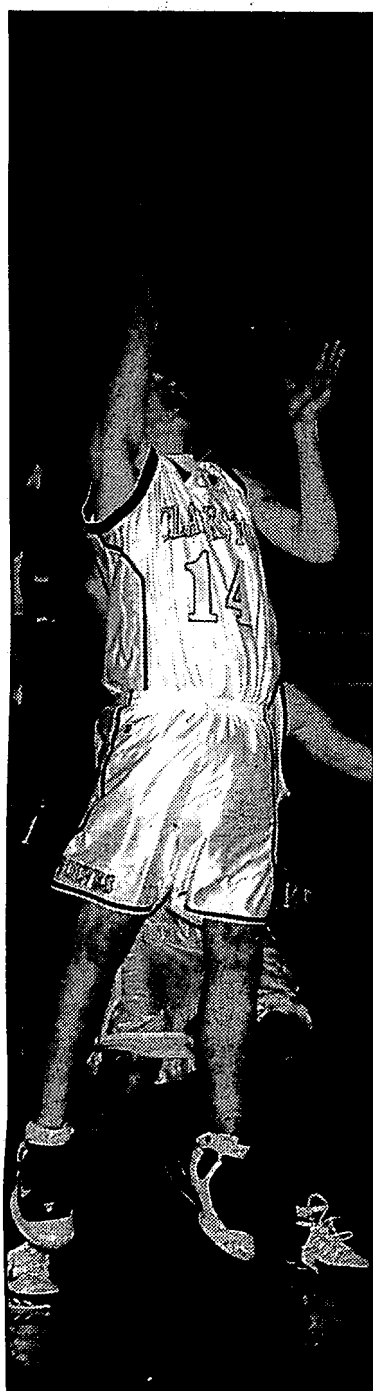
1/23 at Rochester Adams; 1/26 vs. Troy High; 1/30 at Farmington.

Hockey: 1/6 at West Bloomfield; 1/7 at Stoney Creek (Onyx Arena); 1/12 vs. Birmingham; 1/14 vs. Farmington; 1/26 at Royal Oak; 1/28 vs. Troy.

Boys and girls skiing: 1/5 vs. Rochester (GS only); 1/10

& 11 vs. Rochester Adams and Andover; 1/18 & 19 vs. Lahser and Notre Dame; 1/25 & 26 vs. Cranbrook and Detroit Country Day.

Swimming: 1/5 at Troy Athens; 1/17 at Berkley; 1/19 at Rochester Adams; 1/24 vs. Farmington Hills Harrison; 1/31 vs. Hazel Park



Dan Owens (left), Phil Voorheis (center) and Joe Moran (shooting at right) and the rest of Clarkston's winter athletes are back in action after the holiday break. Photos by Noah Purcell



Liz Mengyan (#326) Photo provided



Gillian Nordquist

Athletes of the Week Alumni Runners

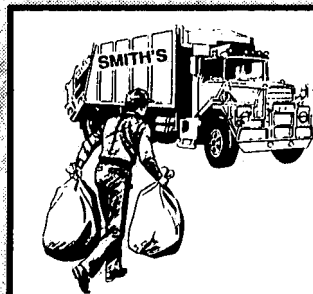
Last year Gillian Nordquist and Liz Mengyan played integral roles in the Clarkston cross country team's second straight state championship.

The duo has enjoyed considerable success as scholarship athletes on the collegiate level as well, Nordquist at Bucknell and Mengyan at Illinois.

Nordquist was named rookie of the year for the Bucknell Bisons cross country team. The Bisons won their conference championship this past season,

with Nordquist figuring prominently in their success.

As a freshman runner on Illinois' cross country team, Mengyan helped her team to 5th in the nation at the NCAA championships. She saved some of her best running for the end of the season as she posted a 6K personal best of 21:40 at the NCAA Championships and was her team's fifth scorer at the NCAA Midwest Regional with a time of 22:01, helping the Illini to a second place finish.



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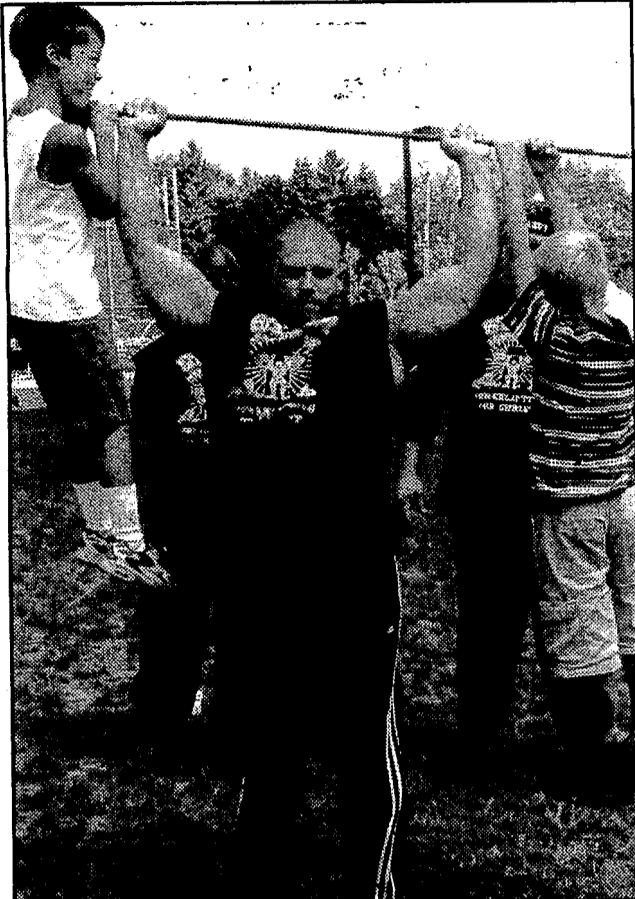
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Getting a lift from The Bull (a.k.a. Clarkston resident Johnny Lewis) of the Stand Ministries Powerlifting for Christ team are (left) Jonathan Tonks, 8, and Connor Kornas, 7. Photo by Matteson

Year

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Millstream: Artist Bob Hubbach of Springfield Township was featured for being a major designing force behind the Dodge Viper.

August 17

Man guilty of murdering former Clarkston woman:

After eluding charges for over 15 years, Mark David Bailey was convicted on July 29 of murdering a former Clarkston woman. Bailey was already serving time in Carson City Prison for criminal sexual conduct.

Clarkston Jaycees fall short on membership - dissolve: After approximately two years and two Fourth of July parades, the Clarkston Jaycees, a service organization known for creating future leaders and professional development did not keep enough members to remain a functioning chapter.

ARCA race car driver eyes NASCAR: Clarkston native Michael Simko, a 24-year-old third generation driver works for Mound Steel and Supply by day, and keeps his dream of racing for NASCAR alive on nights and weekends.

Clarkston grad holds Bulldogs' leash: Ryan Kaul, a graduate of CHS who led the football team to a 22-3 record from '99-'00 and went on to become the starting quarterback for Ferris State.

Millstream: Don Brose, Jr., a third generation lighting specialist, was recently elected District Governor of the Michigan District for Optimist International.

August 24

No Wal-Mart, MTA finds COG ballot proposal 'deficient': Independence Township Supervisor Dave Wagner released an opinion from attorneys with the Michigan Townships Association concluding the proposed legal defense fund ballot language "has serious deficiencies and infirmities, and would not successfully pass legal challenge." In the same meeting, Wagner announced that ORCO is no longer considering a Wal-Mart.

Student wants to promote "understanding": Clarkston High School sophomore Kara Huth was selected to partake in the People to People Student Ambassador Programs. Huth will travel to New Zealand and Australia in the summer of 2006 to raise understanding of international cultures.

New face on sidelines for varsity girls Basketball: As a point guard at Clarkston High School, Grand Valley State University and Aquinas College, Tim Wasilk viewed himself as an extension of his coach.

Wasilk is no longer an extension, he is the root, as he takes over the CHS varsity girls basketball team

this year. In his first year Wasilk guided the Wolves to a appearance in the state quarterfinals, winning regional and district crowns along the way.

Millstream: Brent Bair, managing director of the Road Commission for Oakland County was featured for his work with the commission and his extensive world travel.

August 31

Rotary hosts 65th Labor Day parade: This labor day is the 65th time the Clarkston Rotary's parade rolls down Main Street.

The theme of this year's grand affair is "Community Service: A Labor of Love."

"We are representing Clarkston. So many groups act and so many people volunteer their time in this area," said Joel DeLong, chairperson of the Clarkston Labor Day parade committee. "No matter where you go, there's someone representing a group."

Country Fair approaches: On a day celebrating workers there is a lot of fun to be had down Clarkston Road.

The First Congregational Church in Clarkston is celebrating its 11th Annual Labor Day Country Fair and Classic Car Show Sept. 5.

Visitors can enjoy a wide range of events including live auctions, a dime auction and a bake sale. An eclectic range of items can be purchased or won ranging from Detroit Piston tickets and movie passes to baked goods and antiques.

Feelin' the burn: Stand Ministries PowerLifting for Christ spread their message at Clarkston Community Church's annual picnic. The Stand lifters hefted, twirled, tore and witnessed their message to those in attendance.

Couple to attend Franklin Art Show: Looking for something to do over the long Labor Day weekend? Interested in something unique?

Then hit the road for the Franklin Art Show's 25th anniversary celebration "Art on the Green" to visit Independence Township artists Ruth and Ed Coulson.

The Coulsons will show their clay pieces along with more than 60 other artists.

"We really enjoy this show. It's a nice place to present our work. It's a smaller, intimate show," Ruth said.

Swimmers waste no time: Clarkston swimming coach Kenwyn Chock did not have to wait very long for confirmation that this year's girls team is the best in school history.

In the first meet of the season against Grand Blanc on Aug. 29, in the first event, and even from the first lane of the pool, the 200 medley relay team of freshmen Christine Seiple and Molli Simpson, junior Kandice Keen and sophomore Alyssa Vela became Clarkston's first ever state qualifiers with a time of 1:56.7.

Millstream: Dr. Derrick Fries was featured for his nomination to the Sailboating World International Hall of Fame. Fries won many sailing awards and wrote "Start Sailing Right," which is in its fifth edition.

September

September 7

Every penny counts, Doing what they can for Katrina victims: After seeing the destruction and suffering caused by Hurricane Katrina, some Clarkston area children wanted to do anything they could to help - a cookie and lemonade sale on Sept. 3 is what they came up with.

The sale in Deer Ridge Manor began at 11 a.m. Many of the children were up late the night before baking for the sale.

The children also passed out poems, buttons, baked goods and crafts during the Labor Day parade.

The group has raised over \$1200 and is currently searching for a business or corporation that will match their donation.

Lincoln book gives first hand accounts: Condescending history professors may claim there is nothing new to learn about Abraham Lincoln. Considering he was assassinated 140 years ago and remains one of the most revered figures in United States history, that claim may not be too outlandish.

But two Clarkston residents believe they are publishing a book that does indeed provide new information and may change some of the historically recorded

details about the nation's 16th president.

Historical collector Bill Snack and Bill Feeheley recently published "Rare Personal Accounts of Abraham Lincoln," a 360-page book containing approximately 250 personal accounts of President Lincoln. The book provides a typed version of each account as well as a scanned version of the original letters in each individual witnesses own handwriting.

The never before published letters are part of a series of unpublished books written by John Boos, a Lincoln collector and author who lived in Albany, New York.

Wolves win against Lakers put in perspective: As Clarkston put the finishing touches on a 31-21 victory Sept. 1 over host West Bloomfield, the jubilation attached to the Wolves first win of the season evaporated as senior quarterback Mike Kittle lay injured on the field.

According to Clarkston Coach Kurt Richardson, Kittle will make a full recovery, a declaration which might surprise anyone who watched him attended to for approximately 20 minutes before being taken off the field on a stretcher and then to Beaumont Hospital.

Millstream: Tom and Loraine Hall were featured for their dedication to land preservation while acknowledging development. The Halls have preserved over 10 acres of their original lot in five easements to the North Oakland Headwaters Land Conservancy, leaving the community a wooded preserve called Oakland Crest which earned them the NOHLC's Blue Heron Award.

September 14

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

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

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

"I'm not worried about saying 'Clarkston sent \$500,000.' Just the fact that we are doing this as a community is what makes it so special," said Nancy Carlisle, who is heading up the CRC.

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

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Cameron Mitchell, 10, tries to persuade cars to stop at a bake sale he and several neighborhood children and parents put on to raise money for victims of Hurricane Katrina. All proceeds went to the American Red Cross.

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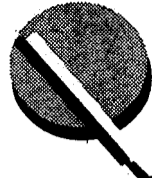
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More of Clarkston Schools in the Holiday Spirit



Teachers at BLE surprised students at the end of the all-school holiday singalong by performing their own musical dance number. Photo by Andrew DuPont



Third-graders in Mrs. Ouellette's class participate in a present pass. The person holding the present when the music stopped got to unwrap one of the many layers of wrapping paper. The present was wrapped in several layers, so the students had to pass the box many times before actually opening. Photo by James Martinez



Balancing a balloon was just one of the many games IE students played during their classroom parties. Photo by Jenny Matteson



Left to right: Madison McGuire, Christian Hill, Michael Monaghan and Shawna Mulcahy construct delicious cookies at Springfield Plains Elementary.



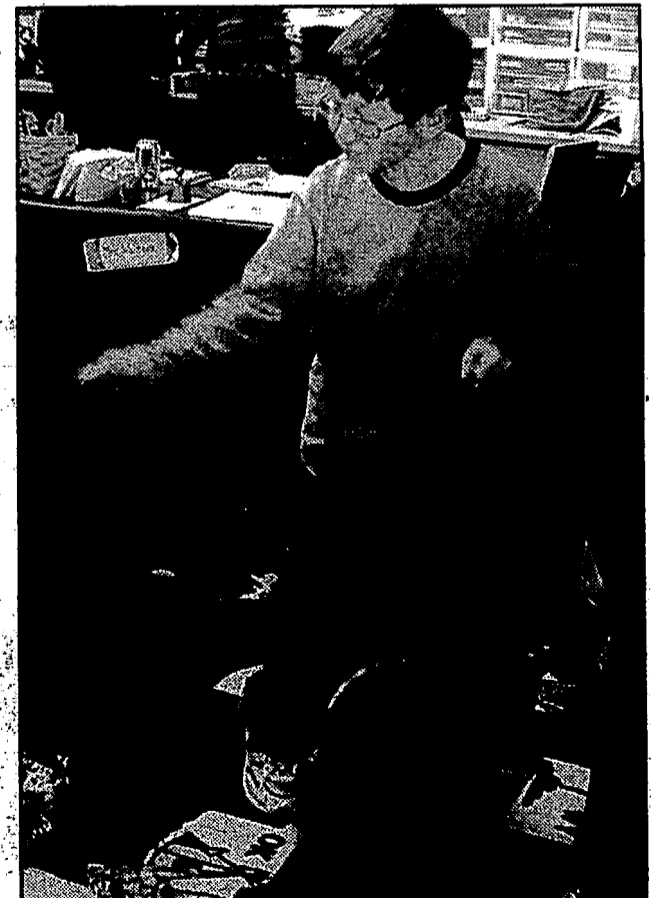
Members of Mrs. Patnaude's first-grade class pass a ribbon while holding hands. Roman Daugherty, 6, hands off to Sergio Guiterrez, 6, who is all laughs. Photo by James Martinez



Nick Strubbe played the Snowplow Man in the AE third grade production of "The Snow Party." Photo by Andrew DuPont



IE Students enjoyed dressing up and eating snacks. Photo by Jenny Matteson



Can you guess what he's doing? Alex Brohman plays charades with his classmates during the Clarkston Elementary holiday classroom parties. Photo by Andrew DuPont

People Poll

What are your wishes for the area in 2006?



"Peace, prosperity and no road construction. What I hope for every year."

Sharron Catallo, Clarkston Mayor



"Another year of safety and prosperity for the community."

Clarkston Police Chief Ernie Combs



"An upturn in Michigan's economy because it benefits everyone. Health and happiness for residents and success for the township businesses."

Nancy Strole, Springfield Township Clerk



"Better traffic control and a change in Michigan's economy. I'd like to see some road improvements made to accommodate traffic and a nice fruit market."

Dave Wagner, Independence Township Supervisor

By James Martinez

The Clarkston News' Millstream

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

The Clarkston Village Players: entertaining their community for 45 years and counting

BY ANDREW DUPONT
Clarkston News Staff Writer

They started with a small performance of "Two Blind Mice" at Clarkston High School in 1961. Now, 45 years later, the Clarkston Village Players have become a landmark in the community they entertain.

The theater group has an extensive history, one Marlene Sewick, group member since 1963, has been working to document.

CVP was only a roving troupe for a short period of time. The original troupe, a group of friends numbering less than two dozen, gathered at each others homes to practice and performed at CHS.

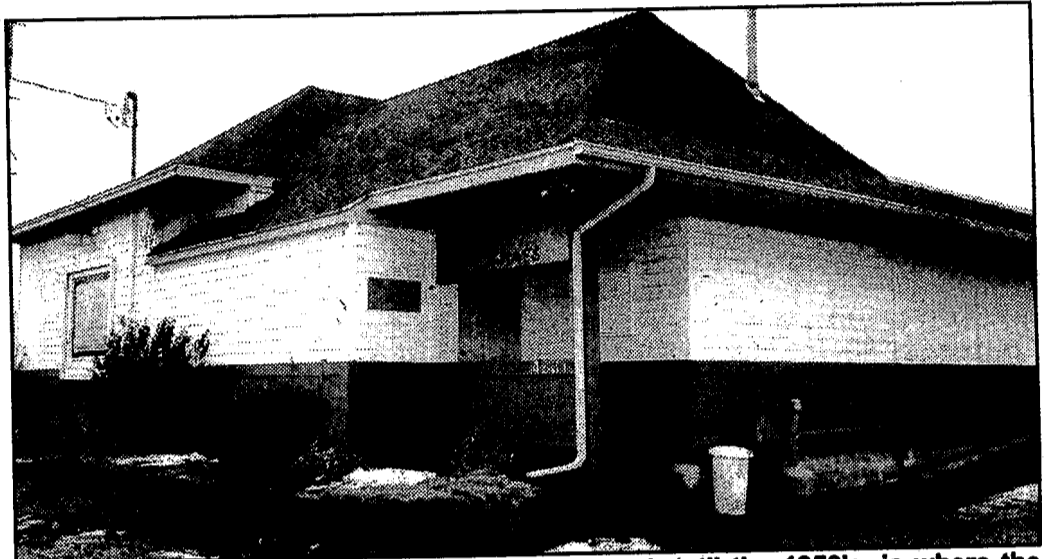
Eventually, the group found their home in the Depot Theater on White Lake Road, which like the CVP themselves, has undergone a lot of changes over the years. Visitors cannot help but notice the unusual look and location of the theater. The theater was originally an old train station, located a short distance from the tracks.

In use until 1959, the station was purchased from Grand Trunk, the train company who owned the station, by CVP.

"The Depot had closed to passenger stops in the late 1950s. The price for just the building was \$150. The land still belongs to the railroad and CVP must maintain insurance on the building and have a plan to dispose of it if no longer in use," Sewick wrote in an e-mail correspondence. Sewick said that is why the parking lot at Depot has remained unpaved.

By 1964, the station was converted into a theater and open for business, seating 80 people on wooden folding chairs. According to Sewick, the theater's original curtain was taken from the Clarkston Opera House, and has been preserved for use today for certain dramatic performances.

Amy Seaman has been involved with CVP for nine years, and is in her first year as the group's president. Seaman observed that change is always constant



The Depot Theater, originally a train station used until the 1950's, is where the Clarkston Village Players call home. The theater has undergone a lot of work and changes over the years. Photo by Andrew DuPont

within the group, especially when it comes to the theater itself.

"We're constantly trying to update our systems and sound and lights, Seaman said. "We had started out with a really antiquated lighting system and we've updated that as much as we could."

"Every time we squirrel away some money we try to do what we can to improve our area," Seaman said,

Over the decades, the theater has gone through several renovations with group members carrying double duty; working as actors or directors at night and working as electricians or roofers during the day.

"We've got so many dedicated people like Verne Vackero," Seaman said. Vackero has been with the group for many years and most recently appeared as Claude Monet in the production of "Defying Gravity." "He is very dedicated and is currently like our building maintenance person," Seaman added.

Building work is nothing new though, as Sewick indicated the process of shaping up Depot Theater has been going on for decades.

"The group raised and spent \$15,000 to complete the upgrading of the Depot," Sewick wrote. "Endless hours of planning and

work saw CVP gaining nonprofit status, dealing with Grand Trunk and the (Independence Township) Planning Commission and Zoning Board and the actual construction (95% of which was done by member volunteers)." Sewick noted that work continued from 1981 until 1990. Since then, sporadic work has continued on the Depot, as changes are constantly being made.

Building projects aside, the CVP got their footing in the 70's, expanding and getting the attention of the community.

"People were coming out on a regular basis to enjoy the offering of the no longer fledgling theater," Sewick wrote. "CVP was becoming very comfortable in the Depot and concentrated on giving the audiences what they wanted... comedies and trains." A lot of laughs were had in the 70's, with nearly two thirds of the group's performances being comedies.

Dean Vanderkolk has been involved with CVP for 22 years, and in that time has seen the group, and the theater go through several changes.

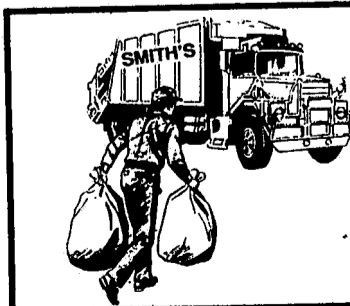
"The building has changed greatly in terms of physical structure over the years. When I first began, there were no plumbing facilities in the building, so patrons and actors all had to use a port-a-potty to answer nature's call," Vanderkolk wrote in an e-mail. "As you know, we are in very close proximity to the railroad tracks, and being caught inside when a train went by was an exciting experience, to say the least."

"I like working with the group because I feel it really makes an effort to present fresh theater to its patrons," Vanderkolk

Please see CVP, page 14B

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Jan. 24 is themed "Snack for the Birds." Registration is required and began on Jan. 3.

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The Clarkston Schools Early Childhood Center and the Clarkston Area Youth Assistance are co-sponsoring six parenting workshops titled "**No More Whining!! Develop Positive Behavior in Young Children.**"

The workshops are facilitated by counselor and parent educator Jennifer Arkwright.

Workshops are held on the following dates: Jan. 10, Feb. 7, March 7 and April 11 from 6:15-8 p.m. at the new Clarkston Early Childhood Center.

Participants can register for any number of workshops by calling 248-623-4350. The cost is \$10 each, or attend all six for \$50. Childcare is available on a limited basis and at a minimal cost.

Crosshill Community Preschool, a non-profit organization, has several openings in the four-year-old and young 5's classes. A possible three-year-old afternoon class may begin in January on Tuesday and Thursday.

Classes are available for three-, four- and young five-year-olds. The preschool is located in the Davisburg United Methodist Church at 803 Broadway, Davisburg.

For more information, please call Susan at 248-634-2673 or the preschool director at 248-634-1064.

Independence Township Parks and Recreation is offering **Horseback Riding for Beginners** starting on Jan. 15 from 5-6:30 p.m. at Times Square Academy, which is located at 4835 Oakwood Rd (off M-15). The classes are scheduled to continue each Sunday.

Cost of the sessions is \$155 for residents and \$165 for non-residents. Space per session is limited to six riders.

The class will consist of basic grooming, riding and horse care for beginners. Riders will be required to wear long pants and hard sole shoes. All participants should let the instructors know of any physical limitations or special accommodations prior to the beginning of class.

Call 248-625-8223 for specific session dates and more information.



An annual tradition of Christmas morning, members of the Clarkston Wolfpack Running Club donned Santa hats and ran through Clarkston, stopping to carol at local grocery stores. Photo provided



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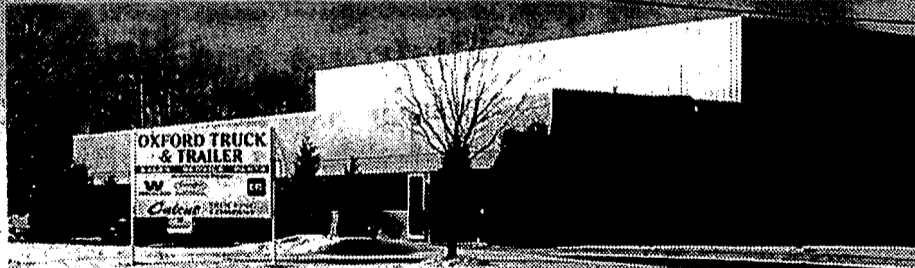
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Year

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



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

Art in the Village comes to Depot Park this weekend: Time stands still in anticipation of the Clarkston Community Historical Society's 31st annual Art in the Village festival.

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

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

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

The Hawks had the ball at midfield, but one fluke fumble later, the clouds began to part. On Clarkston's

subsequent first play from scrimmage following the turnover, senior running back Nick DeVault was a ray of light, darting into the endzone from 27 yards out.

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

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

Millstream: Deputy County Executive and Chief Information Officer Phil Bertolini was featured for his work with technology in business and community in Oakland County.

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Wal-Mart still possible?: The possibility of "big box" development in Independence Township has not gone away - even with a new proposal from Orco Investments Inc. presenting a residentially-based plan.

Orco Investments Inc. owns approximately 70-plus acres at the southwest corner of Sashabaw and Waldon roads near I-75. In February, the company requested a rezoning for the area with the intent to build two regional chain stores (with Wal-Mart and Lowe's being named at one point), restaurants, hotel, shopping complex and assisted living center.

The company considers this proposal Plan A for

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the site and, in a letter from Robert A. Jacobs to Independence Township Supervisor Dave Wagner, stated Orco has not withdrawn the application for rezoning.

However, Orco did offer an alternative to Plan A on Sept. 6.

In a new Application for Site Specific Relief Authorization, under Section 5.30 of the township zoning ordinances, Orco Investments is proposing a plan with 6.07 acres of commercial development and 64.5 acres of residential. The company is proposing two possible residential densities: Plan B provides for 476 homes, while Plan C proposes 532.

Clarkston says, 'Good Morning America!': Members of the Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce, staff from the Union and other residents were filmed in a spot for "Good Morning America" on Sept. 15. A news crew from ABC 12 WJRT-TV Flint/Saginaw filmed the 10 second spot where residents, led by Jason Ryan from the Chamber Board of Directors, said hello to the rest of the country from the Taste of Clarkston. Chamber Enthusiast/Planner Terri Bendes said the spot should air Wednesday or Thursday during the week of Sept. 19. The TV station approached the chamber about the Taste of Clarkston because they like to focus on events that are beneficial to the community said Bendes. The spot was part of a promotional package for the event.

Taste of Clarkston blossoms Sept. 25: From

Please see Year, page 9B



Good Morning America had the Union hopping in the morning on Sept. 15.

Clarkston's Original



Dr. Nancy Crossley is affiliated with William Beaumont Hospital.

Care Center

The baby who won't stop crying

Article written by: Dr. Nancy Crossley

New babies cry for a lot of different reasons. It's one of the main ways they can let you know they need something. Still, it can be very frustrating, especially at 2 am!

As you and your baby get to know each other, you'll learn to tell their hungry cry from their pain cry. Here are some tips to help you sort out and answer your little one's needs.

CAUSES OF CRYING

Hunger - Newborns need short, feedings - usually 20 minutes about every 2 hours. If it's possible that your baby is hungry, try feeding first. Don't forget to burp frequently during and after feeding.

Clothing - Check baby's clothes to make sure they're not too tight, too cold or too warm. In general, your baby will be comfortable dressed as warmly as you are. Check fingers and toes to make sure there's not a thread or hair cutting off circulation.

Illness - Sickness can make your baby cry more frequently. Call or take him/her to the pediatrician if you think your baby is not feeding well, is very fussy or is much less active than normal.

You should see your pediatrician for any illness in a baby less than 1 month of age, or for fever higher than 100.4 in a baby less than 3 months of age.

Diapers - Most babies won't cry excessively with a wet diaper unless they have a diaper rash. Still, a change is worth a try.

Boredom - If you think your baby might be bored, you can try a car or stroller ride, dancing with them in your arms, or just holding them and walking from room to room.

Overstimulation - Babies can easily become tired and overstimulated because of playing, being handled and being in a very new and exciting world. Although it's important to include your baby in your activities, make sure to include quiet times too, with low lights, a quiet environment and a slower pace. You can also try swaddling your baby by wrapping snugly in a warm blanket with arms bent and held close to the body, or use a pacifier.

Colic - Colic is a general term used to describe the baby who cries for several hours at a time on a daily basis. Colic usually starts by 2 weeks of age; almost all babies outgrow these crying episodes by 3 months. The cause of these episodes is unknown. Vibration (as in a car or vibrating child seat) and white noise (a fan, washing machine, or dishwasher) can be helpful.

If you're getting angry and frustrated with your baby's crying, try to take frequent breaks by letting a spouse, family member or friend take care of your baby for a while. If you're so angry that you're afraid you might hurt your baby, call your doctor or an emergency room for help.

Some books that may help: *Happiest Baby on the Block: The New Way to Calm Crying and Help Your Baby Sleep Longer*, by Harvey Karp; Bantam Books, 2002.

Hush Little Baby: Gentle Methods to Stop Your Baby from Crying, by Barbara Hill; Avery Publishing Group, 1999. *365 ways to Calm Your Crying Baby*; by Julian Orenstein, Adams Media Corp., 1998.

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.

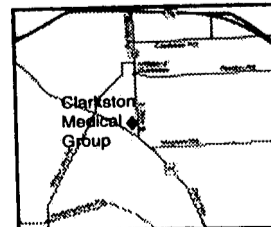


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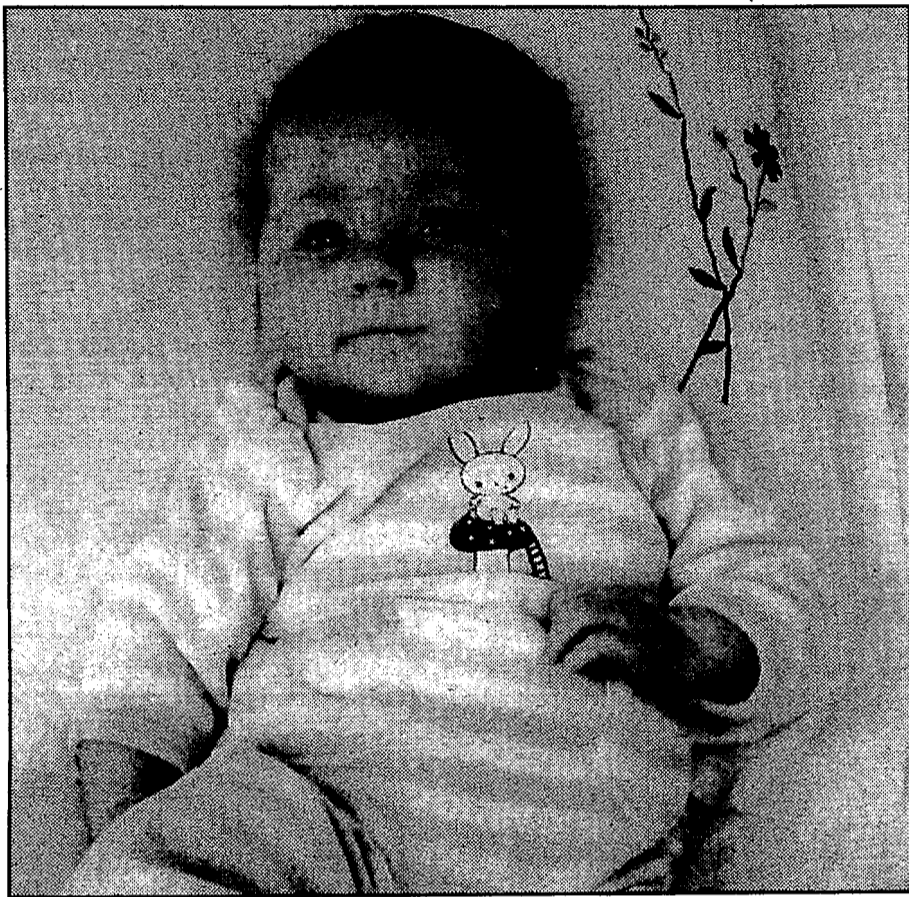
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Milestones

Introducing Samantha Carpentier



Paul and Kerry Carpentier of Clarkston announce the birth of their daughter, Samantha Geohegan Carpentier. Samantha was born Sept. 25, 2005 in Grosse Pointe. She weighed eight pounds, nine ounces and measured twenty inches long. Samantha is welcomed by her big sister Madison, 2, grandparents Carol and

Tom Carpentier of Holly, John and Linda Bruce of St. Claire Shores, Maureen and Richard Vreeland of Freeport, Florida, great-grandparent Bernadette Carpentier of Cadyville, New York and godparents Kent Walker of Corona, California and Sylvia Popovski of Clinton Township.

Student joins Pre-Med Institute

Local student Allyson Kowalk has been accepted this fall into Albion College's Liberal Arts Institute for the Pre-Medical and Health Care Studies (Pre-Med Institute).

The Pre-Med Institute serves as an intellectual community for all students interested in health care careers including: medical practitioners, therapists, pharmacists, public health work-

ers, health care administrators and medical researchers.

Allyson Kowalk is a first-year at Albion College and is a member of the Gerstacker Liberal Arts Program in Professional Management. She is the daughter of Stephen Kowalk and Cindy Kowalk of Clarkston and a graduate of Clarkston High School.

Student achieves success

Jessica L. Wingett of Clarkston recently received her bachelor's of science degree in mechanical engineering from Western Michigan University on December 10, 2005. Jessica also was named to the Dean's List. Jes-

sica is the daughter of Joanne Savoie of Clarkston and David (Krystal Wingett) of Clarkston. Jessica is a 2001 graduate of Clarkston High School. Jessica will be employed by Nissan of Farmington Hills.

Student named to Dean's List

John Bracknell of Clarkston was named to the Dean's List for the Fall 2005 term at Johnson & Wales University. Bracknell is pursuing an associate degree in culinary arts from the

College of Culinary Arts at the Providence Campus. To receive a dean's list commendation, students must earn a cumulative grade point average of 3.4 or above.

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Religion

Keys to a Happy New Year

Ever feel like the man who just had his annual physical exam and was waiting for the doctor's initial report? After a few minutes the doctor came in with his charts in hand and said, "There's no reason why you can't live a completely normal life as long as you don't try to enjoy it."

Some people feel that way about Christianity. They think that to be a Christian means that you can't enjoy life. The truth is just the opposite. Most people settle for too little joy when God wants them to experience tremendous joy. Scripture is replete with commands to "Rejoice always! Be joyful always! Be thankful!"

It's sad that more Christians don't experience more happiness. Happiness would help their light to shine.

As we enter into 2006, I want to share with you three keys to a truly Happy New Year. I have found these keys to be a powerful help in my own life.

Key #1: Realize that happiness is a gift from God. It's fascinating that the Bible commands us to be happy—as if we can do something about it! The fact is, we can't do anything about it, without God's help. This world is full of people trying to get happy in all the wrong ways. Joy is a fruit of the Spirit, so as we deepen our relationship with Christ and seek his presence, we can call on his Spirit to give us joy.

Key #2: Take charge of your attitude. Dr. Swindoll has written, "The longer I live, the more I realize the impact of attitude on life. Attitude, to me, is more im-

portant than facts. It is more important than the past, than education, than money, than circumstances, than failures, than successes, than what other people think or say or do. It is more important than appearance, giftedness, or skill. It will make or break a company, a church, a home. The remarkable thing is we have a choice every day regarding the attitude we will embrace for that day. We cannot change our past. We cannot change the fact that people will act in a certain way. We cannot change the inevitable. The only thing we can do is play on the one string we have, and that is our attitude. I am convinced that life is ten percent what happens to me and ninety percent how I react to it. And so it is with you — we are in charge of our attitudes."

I would qualify that last statement by saying, "We are in charge of our attitudes, but cannot consistently change our attitudes without dependence upon the Spirit of Christ."

Key #3: Develop honest and open relationships. God has wired us to be in relationships. This is why God created the family. This is why God created the church. The church is supposed to be God's family, where we come together and relate to one another on the basis of our common commitment to Christ. As we worship together and live the adventure of life together, we learn how to laugh and cry together.

Someone has said, "A sorrow shared is half the sorrow, while a joy shared is twice the joy." Don't go through life alone! It will double your sorrow and decrease your joy!

I encourage you to try these three keys. They will unlock a HAPPY NEW YEAR for you!

(Greg Henneman is pastor at Clarkston Community Church)

Spiritual Matters



Pastor Greg Henneman

In our churches...

Join St. Daniel Catholic Church for "Coming Home" with scriptures any Tuesday at 10 a.m. for a small group study of the coming Sunday's scripture readings and get reacquainted with Catholic worship. For more info call Kathy Desrochers at 248-625-7397. St. Daniel Catholic Church is located at 7010 Valley Park.

Every Friday evening at 6 p.m., Calvary Evangelical Lutheran Church is offering "Celebrate Recovery." This is a Christ-centered recovery program to help people overcome life's hurts, bad habits and hang ups. The evening includes a simple meal, praise and worship, and group discussion. Calvary Evangelical is located at 6805 Bluegrass Drive. For more information call 248-625-3288.

"Introduction to the Catholic Faith," a series of RCIA classes start Jan. 8 from 10-10:45 a.m. for adults who wish to explore the Catholic faith, update or prepare for sacraments of initiation at St. Daniel Catholic Church. St. Daniel is located at 7010 Valley Park. For more info call 248-625-1750.

St. Daniel Catholic Church hosts "A Seminary extension class" on Tuesdays from 7-9 p.m. starting Jan. 10. The class will explore various types of prayer and provide an overview of major themes of spirituality, both traditional and modern. Audit \$350 (plus \$50 registration fee); two undergraduate credits \$450 (plus registration fee). The instructor is Mrs. Janis Fletcher, Ph.D., SS. Cyril & Methodius Seminary, Orchard Lake. Register through the seminary at 248-683-0312 or call St. Daniel at 248-625-1750. St. Daniel is located at 7010 Valley Park.

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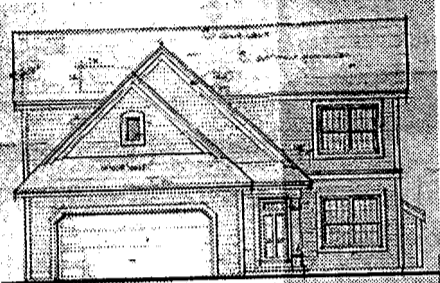
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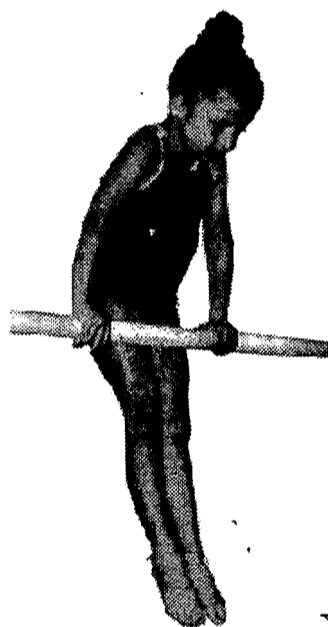
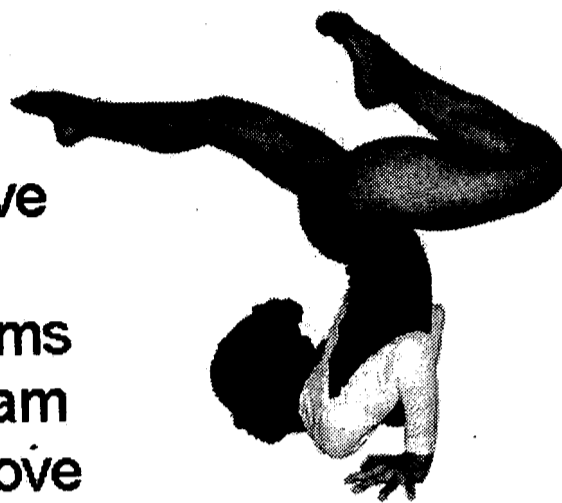
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Obituaries

Loretta Maxine Martin

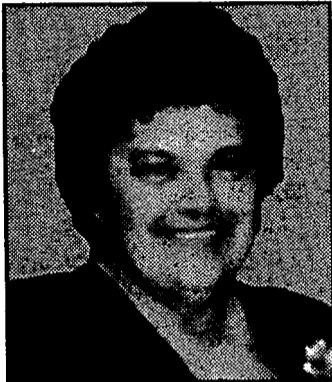
Loretta Maxine Martin of Clarkston, went to be with her heavenly father on her 70th birthday, Dec. 26, 2005.

Beloved wife of Bill for 53 years; dear mother of Catherine (Manuel) Shallal of Troy, Sherry (Antonio) Macias of Pontiac and Bill (Diane) Martin of GA; grandma of Joseph (Tina) LaBeau, Michael and Matthew Shallal, Tony (Glori) Macias, Melisa (Paul) Mansour, Melissa (Andrew) Haygood and Billy Martin; great grandma of 14; sister of Bula (the late Ozzie) Anderson of Clarkston and Arthur (Nancy) LeBlanc of Dearborn-Heights; and a host of other relatives and friends. She is preceded in death by her sisters Luella Smith and Jeanette Martin and her parents Arthur and Rose.

Loretta was a wonderful cook and enjoyed cooking for her family. She enjoyed gardening, was an avid sports fan and loved her family.

Loretta retired from the State of Michigan Clinton Valley Center.

A funeral service was held at the Lewis E. Wint & Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home in Clarkston. Interment is at Ottawa Park Cemetery. Memorials may be made to American Diabetes Foundation. An online guest book is available at www.wintfuneralhome.com.



Elaine Norine Cybul

Elaine (Eulalia) Norine Cybul of Clarkston passed on Dec. 27, 2005 at the age of 82.

Loving wife of Leonard for 62 years; mother of Carol (Fred) Strine of Holly, Melanie (Mike) Nemecek of FL, Brian Cybul and Marina Mantovani of West Bloomfield and Melissa (Stephen) Seed of FL; grandma of Michael & Michelle Borum, Kimberly (Dan) Durgan, Matthew (Amy) Strine, Jennifer (Scott) Seidel, Jeffrey, Megan, Nicole, Stephen, Heather and Nicolas; great grandma of Amy, Katie, Allison and Caitlyn; great great grandma of Faith and Grace; sister of Shirley Christ of FL.

A funeral mass was held at Our Lady of the Lakes Catholic Church, Waterford. Rite of Committal at All Saints Cemetery. Arrangements entrusted to the Lewis E. Wint & Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home in Clarkston. Memorials may be made to Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation. An online guest book is available at www.wintfuneralhome.com.



Edward R. Fluegge

Edward R. Fluegge, aged 87 of Greenville, died at Hospice House of Mid-Michigan on Dec. 23 after a brief battle with leukemia. He fulfilled his wish to join Miss Betty, his wife of 64 years, for Christmas. Betty preceded Ed in death on May 21, 2005.

He is survived by his daughters: Judy (Jon) Clapp of Fremont, Jane (John) Elsinga of Grand Ledge, Janis Yonker of Grand Ledge, Joyce (Mike) Nienhuis of Clarkston, and BettyBeth (Rob) Johns of Grand Rapids; sisters-in-law Nita Gluegge, Dorothy (Gale) Downes, and Helen Gaskell; great friend and brother-in-law Bob Daskell; grandchildren Bruce (Beth) Clapp, Bonny (Rob) Baar, Rachel (Brandon) Lyon, Emily and Katherine Yonker, David Nienhuis, and Eddie, Danny, Michelle and Amy Johns, 10 great grandchildren, nieces and nephews, and many loyal friends.

Ed was born in Detroit on July 16, 1918 to second-generation German immigrants. He loved gardening, camping, fishing and boating. He enjoyed perfect attendance for nearly 40 years in the Greenville Lions Club, holding several positions both locally and statewide. He was a strong believer in community service and an active member of First Congregational Church in Greenville. Ed was a committed husband and father, a beloved Papa, an avid supporter of wildlife and nature, an innovative leader, and servant of the lord.

Funeral services were held on Dec. 30 at First Congregational Church.

Those who wish may remember Ed by donating to Lions of Michigan Foundation, 5730 Executive Dr. Lansing, MI 48911 or First Congregational Church, 126 E. Cass Greenville, MI 48838. Messages of condolence may be sent via Hurst Funeral Home at www.hurstfuneralhome.com.

Betty E. Skarritt

Betty E. Skarritt of Waterford, formerly of Clarkston passed away on Dec. 31, 2005 at the age of 80.

Preceded in death by her husband John "Jack," grandson Jason Betts and great granddaughter Lisa VanLoon. Mother of John (Diane) Skarritt III of Lewiston, Janice (Mike) Groat of Waterford, Jeri Curtis of Clarkston and JoAnn Betts of Pontiac. Grandma "Mongy" of Julie, Jeff, Tracy, Sean, John IV, Jeanie, Chad, Angie, Karen, Steve, Larry, Danielle, Laura and Sarah. Great Mongy to 15 great grandchildren. Sister of Basil (Joyce) Ash of Ostego.

Betty recently retired as organist and choir director at Trinity United Methodist Church in Waterford after 42 years of service. Funeral services were scheduled for Jan. 3. Interment is at Lakeview Cemetery. Funeral arrangements were entrusted to the Lewis E. Wint & Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home in Clarkston. An online guest book is available at www.wintfuneralhome.com.



Geary G Parke

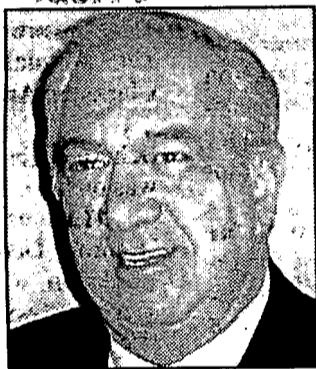
Geary G Parke of Clarkston passed away on Dec. 29 at the age of 60.

He was the loving husband of Marilyn; beloved father of six children; Papa of 11; brother of three.

Geary was the Founder and President of Plymouth Technology Inc. in Auburn Hills.

A Celebration of Life Service was held at the Lewis E. Wint & Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home in Clarkston. Interment at Ottawa Park Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Detroit Goodfellows, PO Box 44444, Detroit, MI 48244 or Detroit Rescue Mission, PO Box 312087, Detroit, MI 48231. An online guest book is available at www.wintfuneralhome.com.

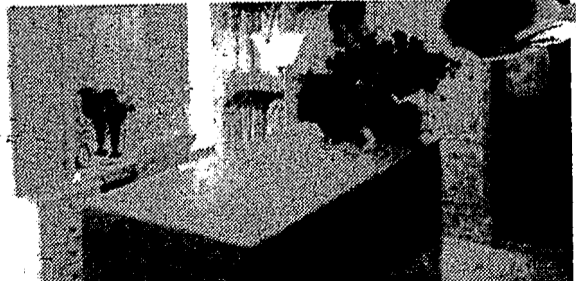


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its days as the Taste of Independence, the Taste of Clarkston's proliferation into a highlight of the fall season continues into an eighth year.

This year's event features 39 participating restaurants and a wide array of entertainment expected to draw people in the thousands.

With two stages of entertainment, an expanded KidZone, a silent auction and special exhibits set up by area businesses; the event offers much more than the area's savory cuisine.

In case of emergency, N.O.D.R.T. looks to work with disaster victims: Americans have rallied to support those lives devastated by Katrina. One of the unfortunate realities of a tragedy of such magnitude is that even with all the goodwill, there will be great need well after Katrina has faded from the frontpage.

Stan Garwood of Independence Township has seen the distraught faces of those touched by natural disasters during several relief trips with the North Oakland Disaster Relief Team, which plans to work in the devastated Gulf Region in the near future.

Ballers relying on D: Holding their last two opponents to 37 points a game, shows Clarkston's girls basketball team is holding down the defensive end of the floor. A 1-1 record in those games though, points out a deficiency on the offensive end though.

Clarkston lost at Stevenson 37-30 on Sept. 13, but rebounded on Sept. 15, beating Waterford Kettering on the road 47-37.

Millstream: Dr. Richard Brozovich was featured for his decades of work as a school psychologist for Oakland Schools.

September 28

Shot Down, 'Great proposal' for Pine Knob doesn't get past first base: After hearing remarks from Township Planner Dick Carlisle and some unplanned public comment, planning commissioners voted 4-2 not to hear a site plan proposal from Mario D'Agostini and Robert Mollicone.

D'Agostini, owner of the Pine Knob Enclaves and representative for AAC Acquisitions, is proposing to move a scenic easement, added in 1998 to cover the back nine holes of the Pine Knob Golf Course, near the course's first easement over the original 18 holes. The back nine holes would then be used to build approximately 150 single-family detached condominiums priced between \$400,000 and \$1 million.

Boil water advisory continues for some: After several days of boiling their water, residents along White Lake Road and Dixie Highway were released from a boil water advisory begun late last week by Independence Township DPW Director Linda Richardson.

This was the second time for a boil water advisory to be instituted since upgrades began on the township's water system. The first was in July and primarily affected residents in Hillview Estates, located in the northeast section of the township. The cause at that time was well interference.

This time, Richardson suspects a new water line to be the problem.

A year of caring... Friends rally women to support woman's medical battle: Inspired by the movie "Calendar Girls," which was based on a true story, a group of area women attempted the



Five-year-old Clarkston resident Kamrey Mantz taking in the ambiance, and some great pizza at Taste of Clarkston. Photo by Matteson

same tactic to help pay for a liver transplant needed by their friend and neighbor Teresa Tersigni, of Michael Mortgage in Clarkston. The women gathered at Linda Walsh-Lapinski's residence in Independence Township on Sept. 21 to celebrate releasing the 2006 calendar titled "Sassy Ladies."

Wolves back-up puts Red Hawks on their heels: From the start of the season, Clarkston football Coach Kurt Richardson has lauded his team's depth at the skill positions. A 41-7 victory over Troy Athens on Sept. 23 featuring junior Eric Ogg's first start at quarterback and touchdowns by six different players gave credence to Richardson's claim.

The move to start Ogg under center was precipitated by injuries to starting running backs Steve McIsaac and Nick DeVault. Senior Mike Kittle, Clarkston's starting quarterback in each of the Wolves' first four games, shifted to running back.

Millstream: Paul and Carolyn Sadows were featured for the 25 plus years their family has run Sadows Auction Galleries, a Clarkston staple.

October

October 5

Fall Homecoming Court 2005: Clarkston High School seniors Paris Conwell and his Sabbag were named the king and queen of the homecoming festivities.

Clarkston council choose Carlisle/Wortman: The Village of the City of

Clarkston council voted unanimously to hire Carlisle/Wortman Associates Inc. The company was placed in charge of updating the city's master plan.

Local man writes song of hope: Independence Township resident Chuck White wrote a song dedicated to those affected by Hurricane Katrina. He used the song as a fund-raiser to aid the victims of the catastrophe.

Clarkston News receives four MPA awards: The Clarkston News was recognized in the Michigan Press Association's 2005 "Better Newspaper Contest" with four awards: Best Special Section, Best Local Columnist, third place Sports Picture and third place Lifestyle Pages.

Wolves' Golf nabs OAA title, moving on to regionals: The Clarkston golfers dominated the OAA Division I competition for two weeks, and then cemented their place in history with a 152-168 win over Lake Orion.

Millstream: Clarkston resident Henry Woloson, president of Security Financial Management, Inc., created an automated system for financial management. Woloson was featured in the section for helping the Clarkston community "Watch their greenbacks."

October 12

ORCO plan 'excessive,' Would be the highest density development ever allowed: The Independence Township Planning Commission heard a proposal from Orco Investments concerning a proposed residential development on 70 acres located at the corner of the I-75 and Sashabaw Road intersection. The proposal came in the midst of a possible "big box" development on the same property.

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.

RCOC official arrested for drunk driving: RCOC Board Chairman Rudy Lozano was arrested on suspicion of operating his county-owned vehicle while intoxicated.

Horn's hot play, Ronk's rock solid effort have Clarkston heading back to States: The Clarkston golfers headed to state finals for the second year in a row.

Millstream: Chuck Gifford, an Independence Township resident who credits his life today to his military background, was featured for his unique ability, and company, that teaches individuals and companies how to network for success. Gifford's business runs from his home, and his typical work day be-

gan at 4 a.m.

October 19

Land deal finalized: A deal was reached between Clarkston Schools and Independence Township regarding the land on which the new senior center is to be built. The deal provides four acres at a cost of \$1. In exchange for the land, the township will also provide the schools with infrastructure work by the district's new administration building.

Farmers' Market looking ahead: With two Saturdays remaining in Clarkston's first outdoor farmers' market, organizers were already looking ahead to make next year bigger and better than ever.

Meeting Bill Walker: Clarkston News Reporter James Martinez enjoyed an eye opening experience with White Lake resident Bill Walker. Mr. Walker spends time every day sitting by his wife's graveside in Ottawa Park Cemetery on Maybee Road. Martinez expected to meet a depressed, sad man. Instead, he encountered an inspiring personality.

Janek a champion, Netters fifth at states: Clarkston freshman Nicole Janek won the No. 4 singles individual state championship, and helped the Wolves finish in fifth.

Millstream: The North Oakland Headwaters Land Conservancy had a "Wild Night Out" to celebrate and promote their conservation efforts. Tom and Loraine Hall were honored at the event for their work to maintain and respect the area's natural resources.

October 26

Chamber EXPO Nov. 3: The 19th Annual Business EXPO for the Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce was set for Nov. 3 in the Clarkston High School Cafeteria. The focus of this year was on business to business interaction.

Man arraigned in shooting: Dominic Demetrius French, 25, from Clarkston, was arraigned in 52-2 District Court on Oct. 19 on felony charges after allegedly shooting his friend in the abdomen.

Candidates answer questions: The four candidates for Clarkston City Council answered questions on Oct. 24 at the Carriage House in Clintonwood Park in front of a mostly empty audience.

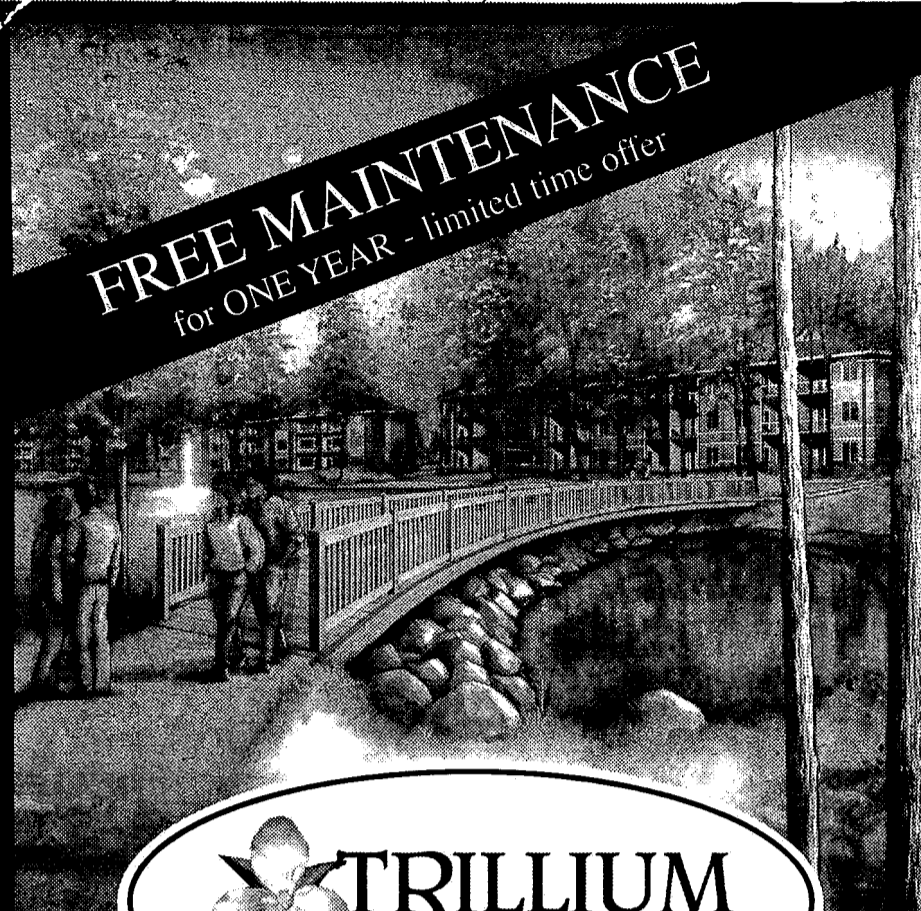
Committee's effort winding down: The Clarkston Relief Committee, founded by Nancy Carlisle, began winding down its Hurricane Katrina relief efforts. The committee kept a running tally of all funds donated to the victims.

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This photo of Racheal St. Peter won Third Place Best Sports Photo in the Michigan Press Association's annual Better Newspaper Contest. The Clarkston High School pom pon team competed at the Palace of Auburn Hills on Jan. 22. The team succeeded in defeating rival Henry Ford II. Photo by Noah Purcell

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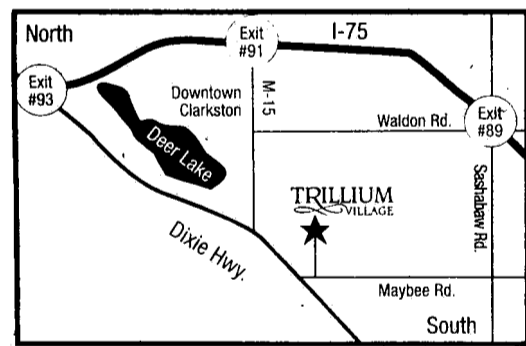
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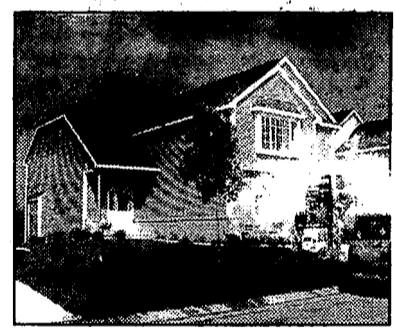


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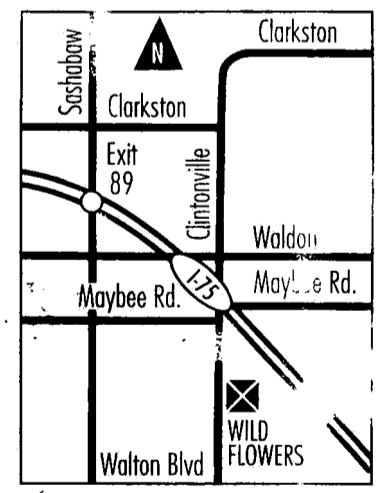
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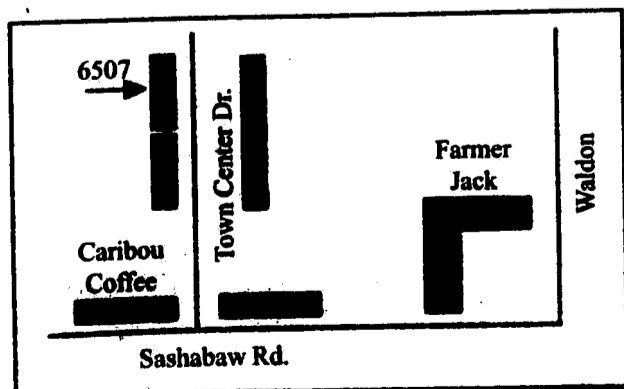
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Dragons' teeth sharper than Wolves, Two teams may meet again in District playoffs: The Lake Orion Dragons defeated the Clarkston Wolves, 27-21, in the biggest football rivalry of the year on Oct. 21.

Millstream: Lions Club member Chris Savage was featured in the section for her unique collection of dolls and bears. Savage has nearly 2,000 dolls, with some of the most unique being one made of tree fungus and one from 1865.

November

November 2

Election draws near for Clarkston: Candidates for the open seats on the Clarkston City Council answered questionnaires from *The Clarkston News*.

Wolves ground Eagles 38-7, Rematch with Lake Orion next playoff stop: Clarkston defeated Utica Eisenhower on Oct. 28 in their first MHSAA district playoff game at Swinchart field.

Clarkston loses beloved father figure: A tribute story was written in honor of Clarkston Pillar and long-time business owner Richard Morgan. Mr. Morgan passed away on Oct. 22 at the age of 90.

Cross Country teams dominate the track - Girls run away from regional field, X-Country Boys earn state berth: The Clarkston Girls Cross Country Team dominated regional competition on Oct. 29 at Clintonwood Park. The boys team also met their goal by qualifying for states with a third place finish at regionals.

Millstream: Springfield Township's Eugene "Chip" Acey was featured for his unique job as a boxing judge. Acey has worked in the boxing arena since the 1980s.

November 9

Results are in ...: Dan Colombo, Corian Johnston and James Brueck won the three open seats on the Clarkston City Council. The three elected trustees won two-year nonpartisan seats.



None hurt in Monday morning blaze, Fire started by encased generator (Photo by Noah Purcell): The residence at 9420 Allen Road in Independence Township caught fire on Nov. 7 shortly after 8 a.m. After dousing the flames, firefighters on the scene determined a gas powered generator encased in a wooden box attached to the house was the blaze's point of origin.

Daycare receives national accreditation: Patty's Play Place, owned by Patty Bellant, earned national accreditation in early October from the National Association for Family Child Care.

Three-time state champion girls X-country: The girls cross country team was featured as the Athletes of the Week thanks to their third straight state title. The girls agreed the win was the hardest earned by the CHS runners.

Millstream: Everyone knows of the Big Three on Automation Alley. But Independence Township resident

Dave Spinweber actually has his finger on their pulse. Spinweber was featured because of his work with the consulting company Global Insight.

November 16

Option remains, Clarkston Schools use lottery for 2005-06 year: School of choice? Open enrollment? Which is which? This question was answered by *Clarkston News* Reporter Andrew DuPont. DuPont also explained how these two options are handled by the Clarkston school district.

A picture in time... Veteran recalls war, Hiroshima: The yellowing photos in Independence Township resident and World War II veteran George Thompson's pocket-size album became a collection of windows into the complexity of human interaction in combat. Thompson discussed his memories, and life after the war.

Beno earns 'Distinguished Graduate Award': Jacob Beno, 19, of Springfield Township, was recently awarded the "Distinguished Graduate Award" for earning the highest grade point average during his 16 week U.S. Army Advanced Individual Training Class in Fort Euis, Virginia.

Kittle, Morgan and Smith sign with DI schools: Seniors Jenny Morgan, Mike Kittle and Lyndsay Smith were honored as Athletes of the Week after signing letters of intent with Division I schools.

Millstream: Local gospel singer Larry Craig of Independence Township used personal tragedies - the death of his wife, twin brother and record producer within a four-year time span - as inspiration for a record. His intent is for the album to minister to people of all backgrounds, whether they are churchgoers or not.

November 23

Almost done, Water system improvements wrapping up for Independence: The \$22 million water system upgrades in Independence Township began wrapping up after almost two years, with the bulk of the work completed in the past nine months. Department of Public Works Director Linda Richardson said she dealt with everything from Mother Nature to contaminated water to budget adjustments to unforeseen construc

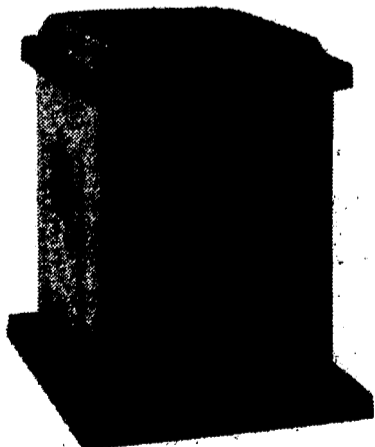
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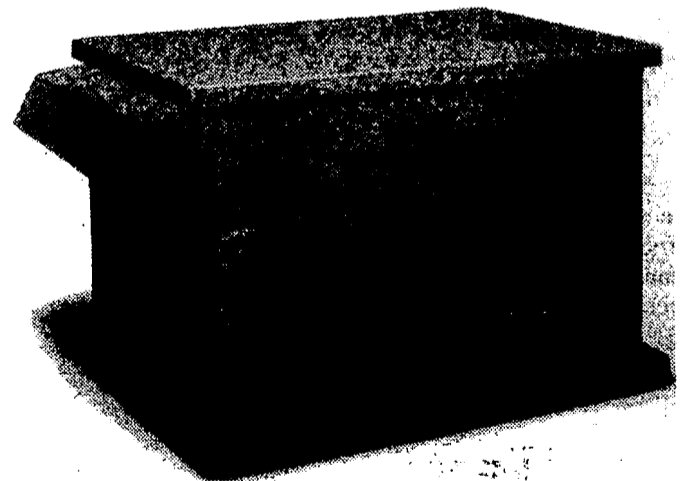
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Goodfellow Edition: The Clarkston News ran a reproduction of the very first Goodfellow Edition banner to roll of the presses in 1955. The Goodfellows celebrated their 50th anniversary this year.

Fondly remembering Beatrice Solly: A memorial story was written in honor of Beatrice Solly, lifelong Ortonville resident and co-founder of Solleys Appliance and Fireplace on M-15 (Ortonville Road).

School records fall at states: Though Clarkston's swimmers did not come home with medals and narrowly missed having their 200 medley named All-State, the girls did break several school records and relished their first trip to the MHSAA Division I State finals.

Millstream: Clarkston resident Richard E. Williams, Jr. was featured for "Connecting the dots and living on the dash." Williams is the director of community and minority affairs in Oakland County. He said his life was inspired by meetings with political leaders such as Martin Luther King Jr.

November 30

Settlement in works, Judge waits for Supreme Court: The Michigan Judicial Tenure Commission recommended to the Michigan Supreme Court earlier this month that Judge Dana Fortinberry of the 52-2 District Court receive public censure for engaging in misconduct contrary to the Michigan Code of Judicial Conduct. The hearing on judicial misconduct charges scheduled for Nov. 28 was adjourned.

Goodfellows hit the streets Dec. 2 & 3: The Clarkston Rotary Club held its 55th annual Goodfellow Newspaper sale in Clarkston. The Clarkston News donated all the papers for the fund-raiser. All proceeds from the sale allowed the Rotary to provide new shoes and boots, hats, mittens and gloves to the 429 community children signed up for the group's program.

Looking back in time, Clarkston man recalls old newspaper contest: Larry Wright, of Clarkston, was featured after a 1973 picture of him was run in the Nov. 9, 2005 issue of *The Clarkston News*. Wright was the winner of a miniature race car after selling the most subscriptions to the paper in 1973.

Wolves add regional crown to den: After a season of playing the juggernauts of the OAA Division I, the Clarkston girls basketball team enjoyed winning the MHSAA regional crown.

Millstream: The Winship family was featured as long-time Clarkston business owners, Winship Studios, and as community leaders. The family is best known for their work with Santa Claus during the Christmas season.

December

December 7

ORCO topic of rezoning hearing: A rezoning request from Orco Investments, Inc. to change approximately 70 acres from single family residential to planned shopping center and highway commercial was placed on the Dec. 15 Independence Township Planning Commission agenda. The request is at the center of a debate over whether or not a "big box" development would be allowed in the township.

Holiday parade lights up downtown: The Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce hosted its annual Clarkston Holiday Lights Parade. The event featured over 40 entries and plenty of holiday goodies.

Locals get picture on Jones Soda label: Sophie and Stefan Hubble, of Clarkston, were selected by Jones Soda Co. to have their picture appear on the label of

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Crema Soda bottles. The picture of the youngsters was taken in 2000 by Terri Kelly, and submitted in 2004 by their mother Mary.

Lumberjacks end Wolves' playoff climb at buzzer: The Clarkston girls basketball team's state title run ended in the quarterfinals against Saginaw Arthur Hills 44-42.

Millstream: Tom DeLuca showed Clarkston how to make award winning instruments. DeLuca, a master Violin Maker, has constructed violins, cellos and violas for over 20 years. His was Kay, principal violinist of the Rochester Symphony Orchestra, uses her sharp musical ear to help him produce quality instruments.

December 14

Apartments planned for Pine Knob: The Independence Township Board voted on Dec. 6 to not lift scenic easements covering the back nine holes of the Pine Knob Golf Course. As a result, AAC Acquisitions released a statement on Dec. 7 announcing a move forward with plan to construct approximately 114 apartment-style homes on developable portions of the property.

Pearl Harbor vets remembered: The Oakland County Veterans Group held a memorial service on Dec. 7 to honor those veterans of Pearl Harbor and World War II. Several representatives from Clarkston's local American Legion Post attended the event.

Wolves stymie Stoney Creek, suffer first league loss at Troy: The Wolves' began their week on the ice with a 4-0 win against Stoney Creek, but the positive moment did not last as Clarkston lost 3-1 against Troy.

Millstream: Another boxing professional graced the front of the section - Joe Donofrio discussed with *Clarkston News* Reporter Noah Purcell about organizing his first solo boxing endeavor. "The Night of the Olympians" at the Palace of Auburn Hills.

December 21

New firefighter in Independence Township: Independence Township firefighters received a thrill on Dec. 16 when 11-year-old Andrew Damon visited the station on Citation Drive in his newest wheelchair costume - a ladder truck designed by his father. Andrew, an Independence Township resident, suffers from Dejerine-Sottas Syndrome. The Independence Township firefighters presented their newest recruit with a

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Junior Firefighter brass badge and replica helmet bearing his name.

Millage discussion continues - get the facts: A proposal for non-homestead millage taxation was on the agenda at the last three meetings for the Clarkston Schools' Board of Education. Clarkston News Reporter Andrew DuPont reviewed the information from the meetings and walked readers through what the proposal means to them.

SPE newspaper - 'News with a Porpoise': Students in the third, fourth and fifth grades at Springfield Plains Elementary worked together to create "Dolphin Splash," the school's first student newspaper.

County title stays put in Clarkston, Fifth straight crown for Wolves wrestlers: The Wolves territorial instincts proved strong as Clarkston's wrestlers won their fifth-straight Oakland County Tournament. The tourney played out over Dec. 16 and 17 and was predominantly hosted by Clarkston High School.

Millstream: Barb Deradoorian, of Independence Township, was featured for her work with Thrivent Builds, a part of Thrivent Financial for Lutherans, and Habitat for Humanity.

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added. "We try very hard to present plays that are different from the typical community theater staples, and we often get the opportunity to present some very dynamic and challenging shows."

But performances are not the only challenges the group faces. Seaman said when a certain play receives low turnout, it can be hard to determine why.

"We might have a real high ticket sales year... and then the next year we're really low and we're like 'what's going on?'" Seaman said "You can't beat yourselves up over it because you don't know."

Seaman commented that working in a small theater limits the type of shows that can be performed, but also has some benefits.

"In some ways it's so wonderful because it's such an intimate place and we can do such intimate shows and people really feel like they're part of what's going on," Seaman said.

Such close interaction with the audience means the CVP is quick to get feedback on their performances, especially when emotions are stirred.

"People let you know. You find out," Seaman said. "They're not quiet about it."

Last season's performance of "Bat Boy" raised some eyebrows and brought criticism from audience members who found parts offensive.

"Unfortunately that does happen from time to time... we don't do shows like that all the time," Seaman said.

"I think that there are shows that aren't for everybody and we are up front with our publicity and our posters," Seaman said. "When people feel uncomfortable, that's when they feel inclined to voice their opinion but sometimes theater makes you uncomfortable."

"Theater pushes all kinds of buttons in you and they're not all good," Seaman said.

Seaman said shows like "Bat Boy" are not performed with the intent of being offensive and the group tries to take criticism in stride.

"We had members who didn't like 'Bat Boy,' we had people in our own group who didn't care for it and we had people in our group who did," Seaman said.

Likewise, Seaman said feedback from the community is mixed, and even though certain plays will receive a lot of public criticism, Seaman said she hears feedback from people saying how much they enjoyed a show, or in the case of "Bat Boy," gratitude for showing the audience something they have never seen before.

"That's what theater is all about, seeing something you've never seen before in your life," Seaman said.

Even with the struggles involved with building upkeep, constant fund-raising to keep the doors open and finding fresh material to entertain the community, Seaman said everyone has a lot of fun.

"I truly enjoy theater in general," said Seaman, who also works as Theater Manager for Clarkston High School "I think community theater really has a good place for people who want to express themselves creatively."

The thespians of the CVP strive to present fresh material.

"I think we have a big variety of what we offer the community as far as the type of shows that we do," Seaman said. "We tend to do things that you can't really see at a lot of places and I really like that. We don't tend to do things that you see everywhere else and that's what I really like about being involved with Clarkston Village Players."

The next out-of-the-ordinary play in production by CVP is the comedy "Sylvia" by A. R. Gurney.

Directed by Vanderkolk and produced by Karen McClellan, "Sylvia" stars Nick Szczerba as Greg, a man going through a mid-life crisis who finds solace in an unlikely companion. Greg finds a stray dog named Sylvia (played by Wendy Hedstrom) wandering in a park and takes her home, much to the dismay of his wife Kate (played by Hale S. Wells).

The chaos caused by Sylvia goes from a minor annoyance to a major concern for Kate as Sylvia moves in on her territory, taking both Greg's time and affection. Can marriage counseling help or will the influence of man's best friend be too much?

The play contains adult language and is not suitable for children.

Performances of "Sylvia" are scheduled for Jan. 13-15, 19-21 and 26-28.

Show times are 8 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays, 7:30 p.m. on Thursdays and 2 p.m. on Sunday. Tickets are \$12 for Friday and Saturday performances and \$10 for Thursday and Sunday.

Tickets are available for purchase through www.clarkstonvillageplayers.org or by calling 248-625-



Greg (played by Nick Szczerba) tries to play peace maker between his wife Kate (played by Hale S. Wells, right) and new dog Sylvia (played by Wendy Hedstrom) in the latest production by the Clarkston Village Players, "Sylvia." Photo by Andrew DuPort

2511. They are also available by leaving a message on the Clarkston Village Players ticket line at 248-625-8811. Tickets may be purchased at the door the night of the performance; however, availability can not be assured.

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

**STATE OF MICHIGAN
PROBATE COURT
COUNTY OF OAKLAND
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Decedent's Estate**
FILE NO. 2005-301,632-DE
Estate of Dennis D. Francis, Date of Birth:
September 8, 1950
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Dennis D. Francis, who lived at 10050 Dode Highway, Springfield, Michigan died November 27, 2005.
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PUBLIC NOTICE
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INDEPENDENCE TWP.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
The Planning Commission of Independence Township, Oakland County Michigan, will hold a Public Hearing on:
January 12, 2006 at 7:30 p.m.
at the Independence Township Library, 6495 Clarkston Road, Clarkston, Michigan 48346, to consider the following:
FILE PC #2005-031
Oakland Avenue Evangelical Presbyterian Church, Petitioner
**REQUEST SPECIAL LAND USE APPROVAL
FOR CHURCH IN CONJUNCTION WITH CONCEPTUAL SITE PLAN APPROVAL**
R-1R Zone (Rural Residential)
Parcel Identification Number: 08-23-200-008
Intended Use: Church
Common Description: 10+ Acres, Clintonville Road, South of Clarkston Road
Any further information regarding the above Public Hearing may be obtained at the Township Planning Office during regular office hours 8:00 am to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, or by phone at (248)625-8111.
Shelagh VanderVeen, CLERK

PUBLIC NOTICE
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ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
The Independence Township Board of Appeals will meet Wednesday, January 18, 2006 at 7:30 pm at the Independence Township Library, 6495 Clarkston Road, Clarkston, MI 48346 to hear the following cases:
Case #06-0001 Ladd, Lyster, Petitioner
APPLICANT REQUESTS INTERPRETATION OF ORDINANCE TO DETERMINE IF RV SALES AND SERVICE IS SIMILAR TO USES IN MH DISTRICT
White Lake Road, 15.73 Acres, MH
08-31-151-009
NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN THAT THE ABOVE REQUEST MAY BE EXAMINED at the Independence Township Building Department during regular hours each day, Monday through Friday until the date of the Public Hearing. For further information call (248) 625-8111.
Respectfully submitted,
Shelagh VanderVeen
Township Clerk
Nedra L. Lambert
Clerk Technical

Charter Township of Springfield

**BOARD MEETING DATES
2006**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the duly-established boards and commissions of the government of the Charter Township of Springfield have established meeting schedules and locations for calendar/fiscal year 2006 as follows:

SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD
The Springfield Township Board will hold its regular meeting on the 2nd Thursday of each month beginning at 7:30 p.m. at the CIVIC CENTER, 12000 Davisburg Rd., Davisburg, MI 48350:

January 12	July 13
February 9	August 10
March 9	September 14
April 13	October 12
May 11	November 9
June 8	December 14

SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
The Planning Commission will hold its regular meetings, if required, beginning at 7:30 p.m. at the Civic Center, 12000 Davisburg Rd., Davisburg, MI 48350 as follows:

Workshop meetings: 1st Thursday

January 5	July 6
February 2	August 3
March 2	September 7
April 6	October 5
May 4	November 2
June 1	December 7

Business meetings: 3rd Monday

January 16	July 17
February 20	August 21
March 20	September 18
April 17	October 16
May 15	November 20
June 19	December 18

SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS
The Zoning Board of Appeals will hold its regular meetings, if required, on the 3rd Thursday of each month, **except as noted below**, beginning at 8:00 p.m. at the CIVIC CENTER, 12000 Davisburg Rd., Davisburg, MI 48350:

January 19	July 19 (3 rd Wed.)
February 16	August 16 (3 rd Wed.)
March 16	September 21
April 20	October 19
May 17 (3 rd Wed.)	November 16
June 21 (3 rd Wed.)	December 21

SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION
The Parks and Recreation Commission will hold its regular meetings on the 2nd Tuesday of each month, **except as noted below**, beginning at 7:00 p.m. at the CIVIC CENTER, 12000 Davisburg Rd., Davisburg, MI 48350:

January 10	July 11
February 7 (1 st Tues.)	August 8
March 14	September 12
April 11	October 10
May 9	November 14
June 13	December 12

SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP LIBRARY BOARD
The Library Board will hold its regular meetings on the 3rd Tuesday of each month. Meetings will begin at 7:00 p.m. at the Springfield Township Library (in the Quiet Study Room) CIVIC CENTER, 12000 Davisburg Rd., Davisburg, MI 48350:

January 17	July 18
February 21	August 15
March 21	September 19
April 18	October 17
May 16	November 21
June 20	December 19

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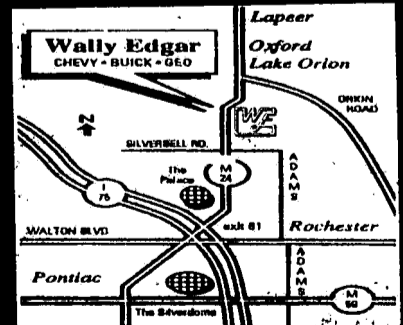
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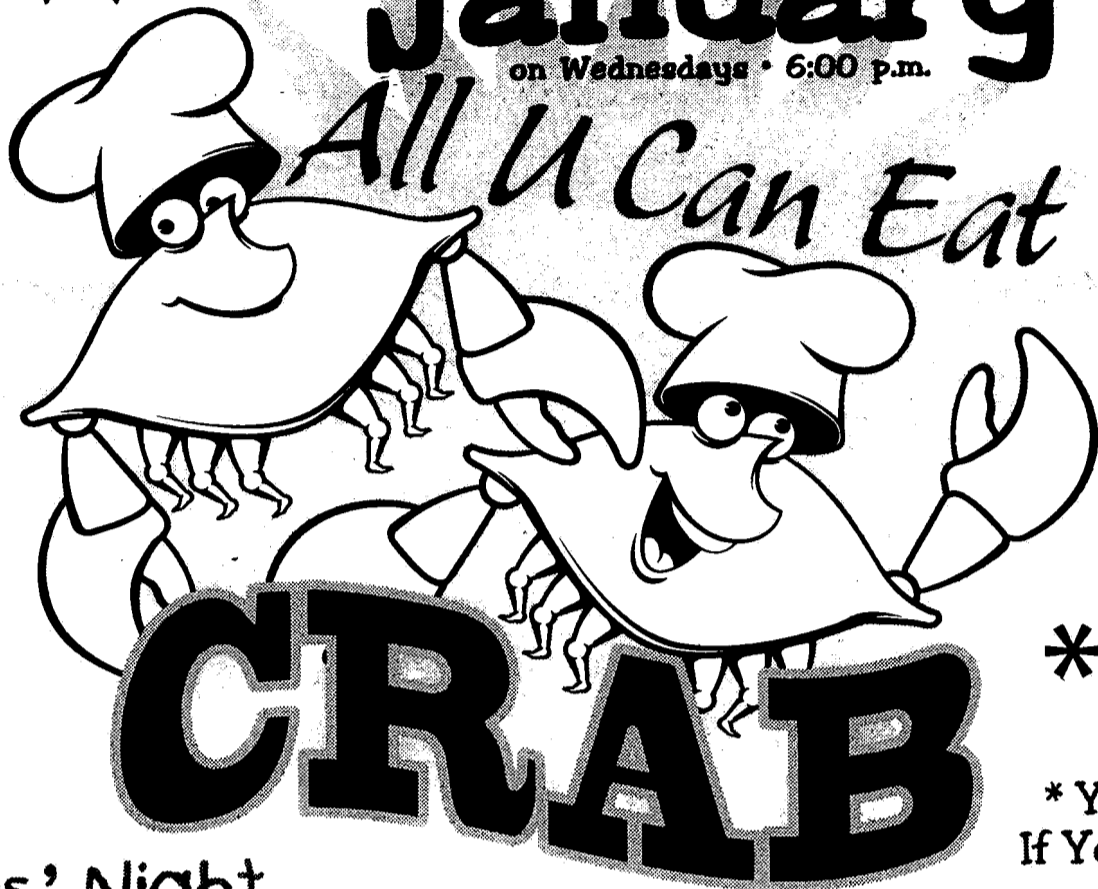
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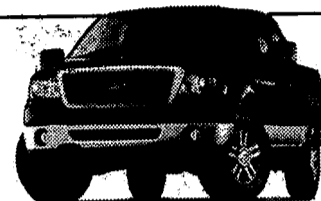
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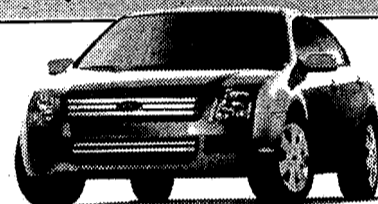
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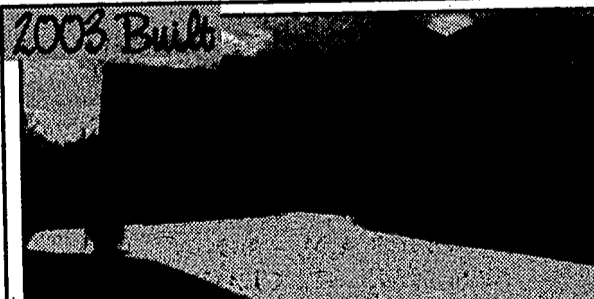
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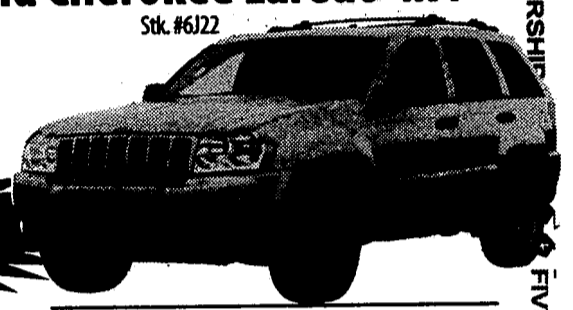


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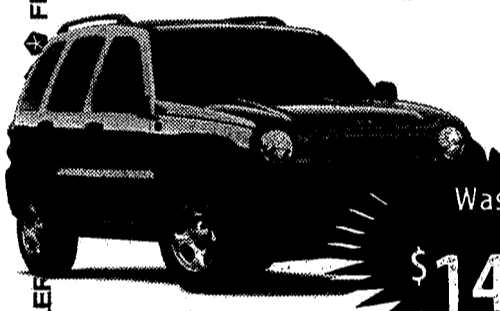


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- Automatic
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Was \$29,830
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New 2006 Jeep Liberty Sport 4x4



- Auto
- Air
- CD
- Cruise
- V-6
- P/Windows & Locks
- Aluminum Wheels
- Sunscreen Glass
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Was \$24,760
 Now **\$14,995***

Stk. #6J9

New 2006 Jeep Commander 4x4



- Auto
- Air
- Tilt
- Cruise
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- P/Steering & Brakes
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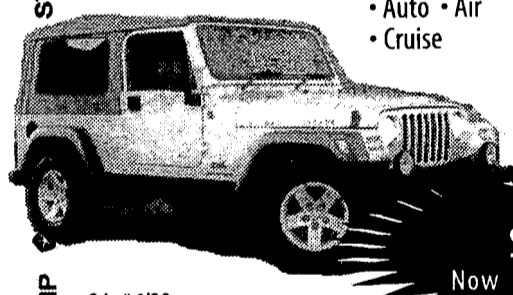
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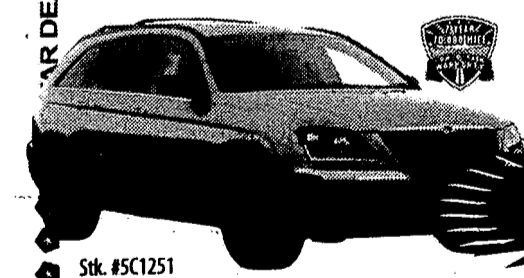


- Auto
- V-6
- Air
- Tilt
- Cruise
- Keyless Entry
- Well Equipped

Was \$21,735
 Now **\$11,995***

Stk. #6A2

New 2005 Pacifica Touring FWD



- Auto
- Air
- Tilt
- Cruise
- CD
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- Well Equipped

Was \$29,030
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- Tilt
- Cruise
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- Great Value

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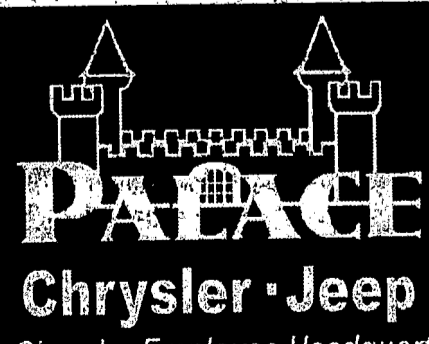
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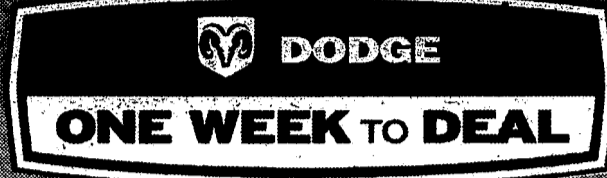
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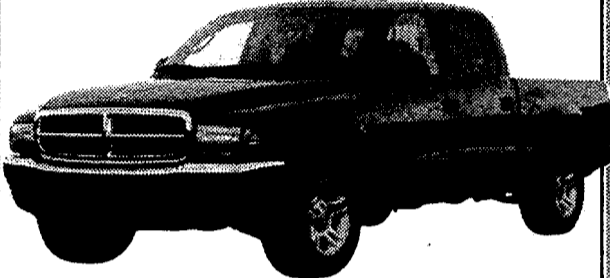


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bench seat. Stk. #26042

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\$1000 Down	\$0 Down	ONE PAY
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2006 Dodge Dakota ST Quad Cab 4x4



Cloth bucket seats, auto,
Magnum 3.7L V-6 engine, air, CD.
Stk. #26125

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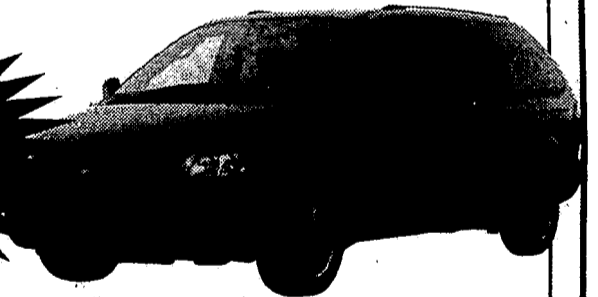


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window
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