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Independence proposed for senior center

BY NOAH PURCELL

Clarkston News Staff Writer

A "divide and survive" strategy is on the table to secure funding for a new senior center in Independence Township, while at the same time making sure the area's Parks and Recreation department has enough money to stay afloat.

"Our main goal is to get the senior center built and at the same time stabilize the Parks and Recreation budget," Independence Township Parks and Recreation Director Mike Turk said.

At the Jan. 17 township meeting, the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission was scheduled to present a plan asking to place a millage and bond issue on the August 2006 ballot to support the construction and support of a new senior center.

Such a millage would affect Parks and Recreation as a whole, as 20 percent of its current budget goes to running the senior center.

"This would really be a benefit to the senior center and parks and recreation," Turk said.

According to a draft of the proposal, a millage to support the new senior center would fall in between .25-.5 mills. At .25 mills, \$408,880 would be generated annually with a \$30.37 average cost per year to residents. At .5 mills, \$817,760 would be generated annually with an average yearly cost of \$60.74 to taxpayers. Those figures are based on households whose taxable value is \$121,471.

The PRAC draft also suggests a maximum bond of \$3 million for the construction of the senior center, assuming a 20-year repayment schedule and a five percent interest rate. A .1089 millage rate would be required per year for repayment of the bond.

Turk, who is on the PRAC, stated the committee was instructed to examine future funding for parks and recreation. In total, a dozen different millage proposals and scenarios were and will continue to be considered. The scenarios range from a 1 mil request for Parks

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Independence Township Supervisor Dave Wagner displays a concept rendering of the new senior center. Photo by Jenny Matteson

New senior center visualized

BY JENNY MATTESON

Clarkston News Editor

Some say, "A picture is worth a thousand words."

For Independence Township seniors, the saying becomes "A picture leads to a thousand questions."

Earlier this week, Independence Township Supervisor Dave Wagner released the first proposed renderings of the new township senior center — and

the \$3 million, 14,000-square-foot structure pictured above is a far cry from original discussions of a combined senior center/ community building with a pole barn shape.

"It is an entirely different look than anything we had talked about before," said Wagner. "This is nice. I think the look matches better with the new school

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Fortinberry censured, court not all peachy

BY JAMES MARTINEZ

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Just getting along seems to be on everyone's mind in the 52-2 District Court now that the Michigan Judicial Tenure Commission's case against Judge Dana Fortinberry is settled.

Fortinberry was publicly censured by the Michigan Supreme Court on Jan. 12. The court issued an order agreeing with the terms of a settlement Fortinberry reached with the commission in November.

The punishment is in response to charges made by the Michigan Judicial Tenure Commission after Fortinberry wrote a controversial letter in July 2004. The letter implied that Judge Kelley Kostin, then a candidate for the 52nd District Court, and her husband were involved in a police cover-up of wrongdoing in the death of the husband's previous wife.

"I'm pleased that the Michigan Supreme Court decided to adopt and ratify the resolution we had worked out with the tenure commission," said

Fortinberry's lawyer Thomas Cranmer.

"I continue to believe the most important part of this story is the ongoing relationship between Judge Fortinberry and Judge Kostin. The two judges are working efficiently and effectively together. I think that's a credit to their professionalism," he added.

"We're satisfied and expected they would affirm the decision," said Judge Kelley Kostin. "The court is moving fine and I think an apology by Judge Fortinberry

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Clarkston Poms shine
at Palace.

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Kings to you ...

No matter how cold the weather is outside, the students at Springfield Plains can get some exercise for their brains with their new chess club. The group for students grades 1-5 was started by parent Cathy Schiuff and meets on Mondays after school from 4-5:30 p.m. The club's first meeting was Jan. 9, and already the group has a waiting list. Pictured, fifth-grader Jake Sain practices with Nicholas Moore. Photo by Andrew DuPont

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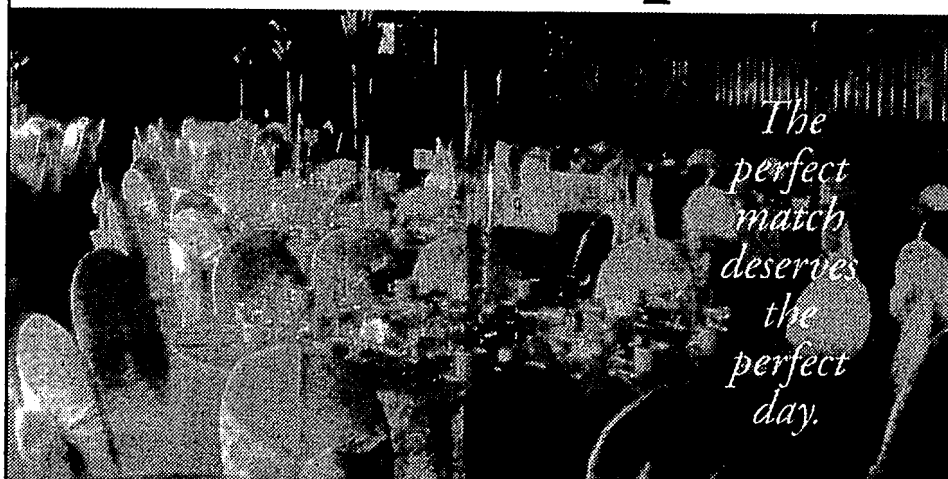
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The Second Front

Briefly

Orco rescheduled for Jan. 19 PC meeting

The holidays are over, the snow has melted and Orco Investments is returning to the Clarkston High School auditorium on Jan. 19 for a special meeting of the Independence Township Planning Commission.

Orco's request to rezone approximately 70 acres from single family residential to planned shopping center and highway commercial is the topic of a 7:30 p.m. public hearing. The parcel of land being considered is located in the southwest corner of the intersection of I-75 and Sashabaw Road, north of Waldon Road.

Orco was originally scheduled for the public hearing on Dec. 15; however, the session was cancelled due to weather.

Also on the agenda is a public hearing for a rezoning of the same parcel initiated by the planning commission itself. After reviewing Township Planner Dick Carlisle's recommendations in the Sashabaw Corridor Study, the commission began the process to rezone the property from single family residential to local commercial, planned shopping center, office service one, office service two and multiple family.

For background information on Orco's rezoning request, please go online to www.clarkstonnews.com. Use the search engine to browse *The Clarkston News* archives.

Optimists hold annual essay contest

The Clarkston Area Optimist Club is again sponsoring an Essay Contest. Students can win up to \$5,000 in scholarships by writing an essay on the topic, "I'm Unique Because..."

Applicants have to be a high school student under the age of 19 as of Dec. 31, 2005. The deadline for submission is noon on Feb. 10, 2006.

For complete details, please pick up the official rules and application form from the Clarkston High School counseling office or call Essay Chairman Sherry Regiani at 248-625-5222.

CVP benefit for Davisburg Rotary

The Clarkston Village Players are having a benefit performance of "Sylvia" for the Davisburg Rotary on Jan. 25 at Depot Theater on White Lake Road, said Rotarian Nancy Lopez.

Tickets for this performance cost \$15 per person. Lopez recommended ordering tickets in advance because the benefit show usually sells out. Curtain time is 7:30 p.m. with a cocktail party starting at 6:30 p.m. Proceeds go to the Rotary's Community Service Fund.

"Sylvia" is a comedy about a man going through a mid-life crisis who discovers solace in a stray dog he finds wandering in the park. The show contains adult language and is not suitable for children.

For more information on the benefit performance call 248-634-9775.



Christine Witkowski and her father Mike, who attended her performance with the New York String Orchestra in December. Photo provided

CHS grad plays Carnegie Hall

Father attends while winning battle with cancer

BY JAMES MARTINEZ
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Mike Witkowski's struggle with cancer made watching his 20-year-old daughter perform with the New York String Orchestra at Carnegie Hall all the more sweeter.

After being diagnosed with level three colon cancer in April of 2004, doctors gave the Springfield Township resident and father of five a 40 percent chance of survival.

While Witkowski was successfully battling cancer, his 20-year-old daughter Christine, who attends Northwestern University, was earning recognition as one of the country's promising young musicians.

Christine, a 2003 graduate of Clarkston High School, was one of 61 musicians selected from conservatories, high schools and colleges to participate in the New York String Orchestra Seminar this December.

"I was really excited. I didn't think I was going to get in. I thought I could just compete next year. A lot of the musicians were a year older so I thought I could just come back next year," said Christine.

The 10-day seminar challenged young musicians with exposure to new musical ideas and high professional standards as they prepared to perform two shows in the famed Carnegie Hall.

Witkowski's success against the cancer allowed him to attend the Dec. 28 performance when the orchestra played Beethoven's Symphony No. 7.

"Considering my circumstances a year ago, it was nice to go and see her perform there. I was just proud to be there. Getting to see her perform at that venue was a dream," said Witkowski. "And the best part was that she was really good."

"It was great. Last year when he was sick there was a lot he couldn't come to. So it was nice to have him come out and be a part of things," said Christine, who was one of the people who drove him to treatments when home from school.

Witkowski credited family and friends with helping him fight the disease and shock of the diagnosis.

"I was fortunate my friends pulled together and got me the help I needed. I didn't have to lift a finger," said Witkowski, who had to take a break from his job as an associate professor focusing on criminology at the University of Detroit Mercy.

Witkowski said his friends threw him a fund-raiser on Dec. 10 at a Detroit brewery to help cover the costs of health care he could not afford.

"During radiation and oncology, I was on my back because that stuff made me so sick. I was flat down the summer before my surgery, going to the mailbox was an accomplishment," said Witkowski.

"It was a wake up call and you start to appreciate the music in your life, which is your kids and what they accomplish," he added.

The literal part of that "music" came in part directly from Christine's performance in New York. And despite all the lore surrounding the venue, Christine said she felt comfortable on stage.

"I've never played with such great musicians. I wasn't nervous though because it wasn't about you, but about playing great music with great colleagues," said Christine.

"Walking on stage at Carnegie Hall was one of the most amazing things. You're in New York, a great city with all the history and you're playing on stage

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School millage lurches forward

BY ANDREW DUPONT
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Talk is turning into action for the Clarkston School Board.

Discussion continued at great length at the Jan. 9 board meeting on the issue of ballot language for their non-homestead tax proposal. The district's previous millages expired at the end of 2005.

The Thrun Law Firm is fine-tuning the language of the proposal, and if agreed upon by the board at their next meeting on Jan. 23, will be set for the May 2 election.

The school board agreed to pursue approval for a non-homestead millage renewal in the district, estimated to be 19.2491 mills, for a period of 10 years. However, the district is only allowed to collect 18 mills annually by law.

"We could get our community to pass 100 mills, we'd still only collect the 18 mills they (the State government) expect by law," Superintendent Dr. Al Roberts said at the beginning of discussion. "Regardless of your decision as the school board... the community will support us collecting the 18 mills that we are expected to collect by law."

ing a shorter period between renewals would keep the issue more familiar to voters.

"The risk that we run by putting 10 years on the ballot in today's situation is voters are going to say no," Bomier said. "I'd rather hold back a little, not be quite as aggressive."

Trustee Joan Patterson also supported shortening the time between elections with millage discussions.

"I know our voters will support us, but I'd like (to) look back again in two years, look at our situation and report back what we're doing," Patterson said.

"But Joan keep in mind too, I think we should communicate often and our communication should be as transparent as possible. However, we don't want to be communicating on tax issues, non-homestead issues and Headlee rollbacks which the public doesn't understand," Hyer replied. "It's not really our job to educate them on those issues, it's the State's job. I'd rather communicate with them about the excellent programs we have, the excellent curriculum we have, the great things our students are doing. So let's not waste our entire communi-

"We don't want to be communicating on tax issues, non-homestead issues and Headlee rollbacks which the public doesn't understand... It's not really our job to educate them on those issues, it's the State's job... So let's not waste our entire communication dollars, our entire communication efforts communicating on a tax issue that we should collect anyway."

Stephen Hyer
Vice President
Clarkston School Board

If approved by voters, the millage would be in effect until 2015, but due to Headlee rollback, the board could possibly seek additional renewals in the next 2-4 years in order to keep the millage rate at or above 18 mills.

For the past several weeks, the board discussed adding a second millage to the ballot asking for an additional 4.5 "restoration" mills to offset the effects of the 1978 Headlee Amendment.

"The only thing you need to ask yourselves is where do you want to be in two years," said Anita Banach, director of communications and marketing. "If we want to be back at this issue, then you would just go for (option one). If we want make a stab at not being back at the issue in two years then go for (both options)."

Before agreeing to pursue the 10 year proposal, several board members discussed the time length.

When discussing the length of the new proposal, Vice President Stephen Hyer was supportive of passing both millage options for 10 years.

"I personally do not want to have this conversation again in two years," Hyer said.

"We spent a lot of time on this issue," he added, saying he thought the board should be spending their time on other topics.

Trustee Barry Bomier raised an objection to passing such a proposal, say-

cation dollars, our entire communication efforts, communicating on a tax issue that we should collect anyway."

"The bottom line for me is that we must collect the 18 mills," Roberts reiterated. "The question I believe board members should be asking themselves tonight is 'Which of those two options ensures that we will collect the 18 mills until we go to the ballot again?'"

President Karen Foyteck voiced her concern over the second proposal, saying voters may become confused.

"That's confusing, two proposals for the same number of years with a different number on both proposals," Foyteck said. "I'm concerned that we're going to be criticized and people are going to say it's a stealth thing here and we're trying to do it under the table."

Trustee John Koval also supported the second millage for ten years, but discussion steered away the second option.

The board's final decision of the evening came as a compromise. Though the second millage option was dropped, the board agreed to extend the length of first option to ten years.

In the event Headlee rollback brings the proposed millage rate below 18 mills, the board would then have to seek an additional millage to compensate. Regardless if any additional "restoration" millages are voted down, the original millage would remain in effect until 2015.

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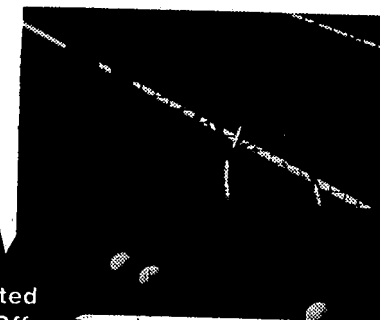
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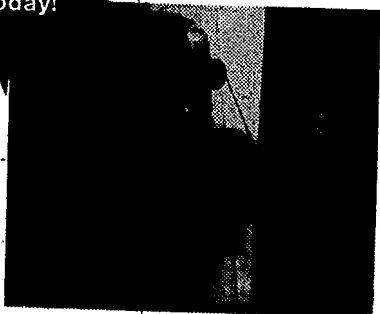
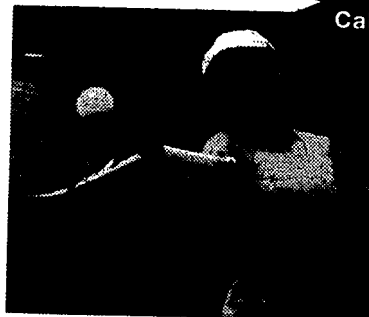
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Suspicious person at Clarkston schools under investigation

BY JAMES MARTINEZ
Clarkston News Staff Writer

In two separate incidents on Jan. 4 and 13, Clarkston students reported seeing a suspicious vehicle loitering around schools in Independence township.

The suspicious episodes prompted Clarkston Community Schools to send a letter home to parents and additional police patrols as further investigation by the Oakland County Sheriff's Department is conducted.

"We're continuing the investigation. We take these things very seriously," said Lt. Dale LaBair of the Independence Township substation. "To the students: be vigilant. If you see anything suspicious report it."

The most recent incident occurred at approximately 6:40 a.m. on Jan. 13 near Clarkston Elementary School located at 6595 Waldon Road. As stated in police reports, a 13-year-old male Sashabaw Middle School student was walking to his bus stop when he saw an older model black SUV parked near the track and football practice fields.

According to the report, as the boy passed the driver exited the vehicle wearing a dark colored mask and carrying what appeared to be a flashlight. The student saw the person walking towards him and fled the

scene. He reported it to a custodian in the Clarkston Elementary School. The student said the man never said anything to him. The vehicle was gone when the custodian went to investigate.

The letter sent home to parents on Jan. 13 from Geraldine K. Moore, the Executive Director of Elementary and Middle School Education Services, informed parents of the incident that happened earlier that morning.

An excerpt from the letter sent home to parents by Moore read:

"It is during situations such as this, that I feel it is important for all families to be reminded of the importance of open lines of communication with their children. Please take the opportunity to discuss with your children your family plan in regards to safety, strangers and suspicious activity."

In addition to the Jan. 13 incident, police reports indicate another sighting occurred at approximately 4:30 p.m. on Jan. 4 again near Clarkston Elementary School.

Two female students, ages 8 and 10, were walking home on Eastview when they saw an older model black SUV drive back and forth a couple of times. As stated in reports, the vehicle stopped near them and the driver

asked if they wanted a ride home.

The girls said no and ran home, reporting the incident to their father, who returned them to school where a report was taken. The girls could not say whether or not the suspect pursued them and the driver appeared to be the only occupant in the vehicle.

"We've obviously adjusted our patrols to address the problem," said LaBair, who noted deputies have concentrated patrols near all Clarkston Community Schools. He said police will continue seeking and interviewing possible witnesses.

As a further precaution, the letter sent home from the schools stated students must know they can and should report anything that makes them feel uncomfortable to a parent or trusted adult.

The suspicious person is described as a white male in his mid to late 30's, standing approximately 5'11" with a medium build or slightly overweight. The suspect has short or balding hair and slight facial hair. He wore a black sweat shirt and dark colored pants.

The reported vehicle in both cases is a late 90's to 2000 medium-size black SUV, possibly a Ford Explorer

LaBair encouraged anyone with information on the situation to call 1-800-TURN-1-IN (887-6146).

Lozano reelected Chairman of RCOC Board

Clarkston's Rudy Lozano will remain Board Commissioner for the Road Commission for Oakland County Board. He was reelected on Jan. 12 at a regularly scheduled meeting.

Lozano, the longest serving of the three board members, was appointed to Road Commission in 1991. He previously chaired the board in 1993, 1994, 1995, 1996, 1999, 2000 and 2005.

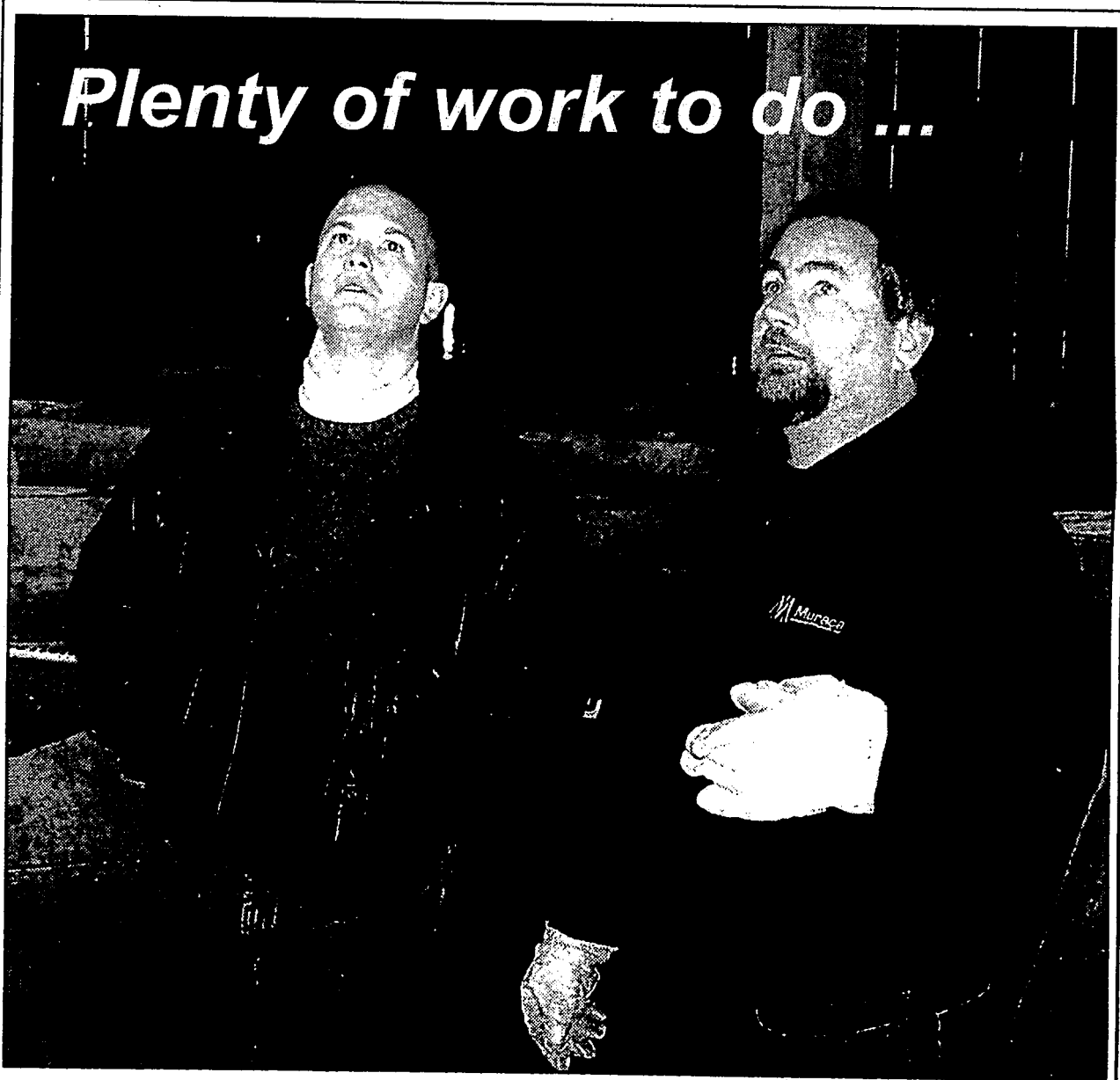
The chairman's term is for one year and the position rotates among the three board members. Board members are appointed by the County Board of Commissioners for six-year terms.

Independence planning and ZBA appointments

On January 3, the Independence Township Board of Trustees voted unanimously to appoint Trustee Larry Rosso as the board representative on the Planning Commission. Rosso replaces Trustee Dan Kelly, who recently took on further committee responsibilities within the township.

Also at the meeting, the board unanimously approved the re-appointment of Cheryl Karrick to another three-year term on the Zoning Board of Appeals.

In a letter from Building Director David Belcher, "(Karrick) has done an excellent job during her terms, serving on various boards. We would like to see her professionalism continue as she serves the community."



Plenty of work to do ...

For two hours on Jan. 14, Sam Moraco opened the doors of the McCord homestead to anyone interested in seeing the well-known property before major work begins to renovate the home. Moraco and coworkers were on hand to take visitors through the home and answer questions about their construction plans. Pictured, Moraco (left) shows Mike Fitzgerald, who lives down the street from the McCord property, around the barn while explaining his plans. Photo by DuPont



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Opinion

As the expressway goes

With a chance to sneak back home to Alpena a few weekends ago, I couldn't stop thinking about a major hospital coming to Clarkston. During the three plus hour drive, I concluded bringing the medical complex here was the best decision.

The rate of development spiraling around I-75 is not my favorite thing in the world, but oddly enough it was in the small town of Alpena nearly 100 miles from I-75 that I realized its inevitable impact.

Growing up about 20 years ago, I recall seeing many signs (the type politicians often put in your yard under the cover of night) in front of houses in Alpena. While there definitely were some people who wanted the expressway beyond our two lane highway to come through, most of the signs I remember were anti-highway. Visualize the word expressway with a large red X through it.

That was twenty years ago or so. While the situations between Alpena and Clarkston with expressways couldn't be more different, I took a lesson comparing the two. The decisions in Alpena, made by whoever, for or against the expressway, settled the issue long ago. That same decision in the Clarkston area likewise was made long ago and there's an inertia built up from those decisions.

Where the expressway goes, so does business and development, particularly when in proximity with a big city like Detroit. Granted there are exceptions, but myself having arrived in the area only a few years ago, Sashabaw looked setup for one thing: Development.

Now I'm not advocating just rolling over and letting companies stroll in and build what they want, neglecting the master plan or ordinances. But I truly believe 20 years from now those remaining open spaces along the Sashabaw corridor will be developed, no matter what fight takes place.

The idealist in me wants to argue against any major development, even ones I like, because of who else can come in the development door once it's fully open. But as I see it, we need to have some pragmatic foresight here and think beyond the immediate future for what's practical.

If you think fighting development will keep the area as it is now, then by all means resist. But in 50 years will the open spaces be there? I don't think so. My goal would be to make the best of a tough situation. Taking on a development like the McLaren proposal allows you to guarantee some positive outcomes from the development. Good jobs, educated people and quality healthcare all come to our doorstep with such a medical complex. Yes, the traffic comes too, but it's coming anyway and our leaders have to figure out how to deal with the congestion.

There's also the question of Michigan's struggling economy to think about. The auto industry has been good to this area, but it's struggling. While I believe The Big Three will rebound, I never liked betting future generations' livelihood on one thing. Drive through Flint. Yes, that's a somewhat careless comparison, but when making decisions that affect the area for decades and generations, why not secure a development that brings good jobs.

It too cringe when I see empty buildings for rent and dozers in the woods, but I don't think it's preventable over an extended period of time. Not here, not now, not on Sashabaw. Taking that as the rule, then we must accept what will provide the best possibility for good lives. The McLaren decision for me is easy. Take it and run.



At
Ease

James
Martinez

Opinions abound on development in and around Independence Twp.

Don't miss P.C. meeting on Jan. 19

Dear Editor,

Just about a year ago, the Independence Township supervisor announced the proposal for a big-box anchored regional commercial center in the heart of our community. It was said to include a Wal-Mart and a Lowe's.

From the onset we knew that it would be a long war trying to repel this much too intensive and inappropriate development for our community. A very significant test of our resolve and determination to be the ones who define growth in our community is coming next week.

On Jan. 19 at 7:30 p.m., the Independence Township Planning Commission will hold a public hearing in the Clarkston High School auditorium. This public hearing will be in three parts. The first one is the developer's application to rezone part of the 70 acre parcel to C-2 (Planned Shopping Center) and C-3 (Highway Commercial) as a first step for seeking approval of the big-box regional center. Over the course of the last year, citizens in our community have been very active and vocal in their opposition to this proposal. This public hearing may well be a decisive battle in that war.

I urge everyone who is concerned about the effect this development will have on our community to attend the Planning Commission's public hearing.

Letters
to the
Editor

Sincerely,
Karen Koval
Independence Township

COG's legitimacy 'questionable at best'

Dear Editor,

Clarkston's Citizens for Orderly Growth member's comments in the press lately seem to contradict each other.

The group's spokesman Neil Wallace has already gone public with its views. In the *Oakland Press* article of Jan. 6 titled "Hospital Dilemma," concerning the proposed hospital development in Independence Township, he stated, "People are already saying this is a regional draw and we don't want this."

If that is not a stand against this project, I don't know what is. Yet many of it's members have publicly claimed otherwise.

C.O.G.'s, a so-called grass roots organization, only claim to fame to date has been an ill-conceived plan for a millage proposal for a legal defense fund. Neil Wallace, C.O.G.'s organizer and spokesman, is an attorney whose best interest is served by opposing development in the township to justify the need for his proposed legal defense fund. The legitimacy of this organization is questionable at best.

As a citizen of Independence Township, I believe that it is in the public's best interest to have our grievances addressed by the officials we pay to uphold the integrity of our community's growth plans.

C.O.G.'s narrow self interest's do not reflect the

wishes of all the taxpayers in Independence Township.

Michael Powell
Independence Township

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Dear Editor,

Help, help, help.

Independence Township wants to bulldoze our homes. The property bound by Waldon, Walters, Flemmings Lake Road and I-75 has always been zoned residential. But since Orco approached township officials, they want to rezone to commercial. There already is a lot of property zoned commercial all along Sashabaw Road, like across from Pine Knob Elementary. Send Orco there. Where is our eminent domain?

If you know how to help us or know someone that can help us keep this property residential, please step forward. The township has called a meeting for Jan. 19 at the high school, but this seems like everything is already cut and dry. Please attend this meeting. Even sheer numbers may help.

The next home Independence Township may want to bulldoze could be yours.

Leonard Secrest
Marry Ann Staley Secrest
Independence Township

Keep your eyes open

Dear Editor,

Because we don't see new enterprises popping out like mushrooms these cold, dreary days, some of us may have the wrong impression that there isn't much happening on the development scene. But the reality is that the Independence Township board's agenda and the planning commission's list of zoning requests are full to the brim.

Here's what I hear around town:

The senior center, which has almost expired as many times as a Dr. Kervorkian patient, is alive once again. At one point, the project appeared doomed because of a shift in building sites, and an oversight in letting the seniors know what was happening. Some of them threw up their hands when the school board decided to make a major change in turning over the most desirable site for one that will require two buildings rather than one. Both are just east of the township library.

The ground-breaking will probably follow the August primary and millage elections, assuming the millage requests and bond issues are approved. Committees are confident that passage will take place and that the project will become reality. Yea.

Several medical organizations are looking at Clarkston as the site of new hospital and clinic facilities. Not only will the facilities mark our town as the home of top-notch medical services, but each new hospital (at least two requesting zoning of sites along Sashabaw) should bring a number of professionals, doctors and nurses to our community. We welcome them with open arms. Double yea.

New senior residential facilities will likely be built along Sashabaw as well. The much-needed housing will likely cause a surge in retail store building, including development of new banks, shopping centers and a Nino Salvaggio-type fruit, flower and vegetable stand on

Please see Letters, page 21A

A Look Back

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

15 YEARS AGO (1991)

- Students walk for Middle East peace: Though candles were snuffed by snow and biting winds Jan. 17, spirits were not.

- About 50 Clarkston High School students trekked from the High School on Waldon Road to the ever-green tree on Main Street, Clarkston, in support of peace – and of U.S. troops in the Persian Gulf.

- Council approves M-15 plan: It looks as if M-15 will be widened this summer – with the Clarkston Village Council's blessing.

- The council initially opposed the widening, but voted 5-0 Jan. 14 to approve a "compromise" widening plan.

- Brisk sales of U.S. flags: American flags are sold out in Independence Township, but area stores are ordering more.

- School issues session: A special presentation Jan. 30 is designed to answer questions about three school proposals.

Sponsored by the Blue Ribbon Kids Committee, the presentation will cover the Feb. 11 election school bond proposals for a new high school, new elemen-

tary school and a swimming pool.

25 YEARS AGO (1981)

- Schools bounce back from Bankok, Absences decrease, but are still higher than normal: When it comes to the Bangkok flu, administrators of Clarkston's schools are keeping their fingers crossed, says William Neff, administrative assistant of elementary education.

- While the numbers of absentees have declined over the past week, administrators almost shut down Clarkston Junior High on Jan. 14, he said.

- Village parking officer quits: The familiar blue uniform of Clarkston's parking enforcement officer, Volney Schaffer, is absent from the village scene following his resignation last week.

50 YEARS AGO (1956)

- New Pastor At Sashabaw Church: Reverend F. Robert Wilkie, who has done extensive work with young people, will take over the pastor's duties at the Sashabaw Presbyterian Church beginning Sunday, January 22.

- Art Workshop At Clarkston High: Fifty Clarkston and Ortonville teachers will participate in a fifteen-hour IN-SERVICE EDUCATION WORKSHOP to be conducted by Miss Elizabeth S. Ohlrogge, Art Consultant of the Binney & Smith Co., on January 25, 26 and 27 at Clarkston High School.

- Locker Plant Owner Dies Suddenly: Folks in Clarkston were shocked on Tuesday when they learned of the sudden passing of Charles Robinsin of 7860 Perry Lake Road, owner and operator of the Clarkston Food Locker Plant on N. Main Street.

You say potato and I say spud

I like to read as much as the next guy. I also like history. So when I get to read a history book like I am currently enjoying, it's nice to notice similarities between two differing time periods.

A reporter-like-type, as I live and experience life, I am supposed to also observe, find comparisons and draw conclusions. (That's why I'm not a reporter-type, rather only reporter-like. Reporters ain't supposed to draw conclusions in their writings. A reporter-type's job is just report the facts. Which is another reason my mug appears on the opinion pages, not news -- but pardon moi, I digress . . .)

While reading Micheal Dobbs', *Saboteurs: The Nazi Raid on America*, I laughed out loud. Not because I thought it was funny that the genius of American intelligence work (infighting between the FBI and other US intel groups) gave a German sub three hours to un-stick itself off of a sandbar only a couple hundred yards off Long Island. No, I didn't laugh because eight, five-foot-six German-Americans planned on crippling America's industrial abilities as America was getting into WW 2. No.

I laughed when I read a passage stating during WW1 Americans were so whizzed off at the Germans, that we struck them right out of our lexicon. Slash! Whack! Gone they were. So let it be written, so let it be done!

In the American vernacular of almost 100 years ago, sauerkraut became Liberty Cabbage. Frankfurters became Hot Dogs. If you were a patriotic chap when ordering ground beef on bread, you wouldn't tell the friendly fellow with the paper cap and white apron behind the counter, "Mac, give me a hamburger, medium rare."

Nope, you'd say to the dandy, "Bud, serve me up one of them Liberty Sandwiches with a little pink in the middle."

Where I am going, I believe, is obvious. This all sounds vaguely familiar.

Like New York Yankee great Yogi Berra said, "It's like deja vu all over again." Seems to me, not too many years ago we Yanks got cranked when the



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French were acting like -- well the French -- over our wrecking Saddam Hussein's day. In the official U.S. Congressional Menu, the listing for French Fries magically appeared one day as Liberty Fries.

The point is, the more things change, the more they stay the same.

You say potato, I say spud. You say French Kiss, and even though I am a red-blooded American of patriotic stripes, I still call it Giving The Tongue.

Hey, it's America, who cares what we call things and what folks think of us? We don't change. The world has to admit, America is great. Heck, it's only in America a guy who was born poor and given the name Marion Morrison could one day rise to become the pop culture's icon for masculinity, toughness and good ol' American rugged individualism. (As I type, a larger-than-life, color portrait of John Wayne wearing a white cowboy hat and tan leather vest looks over my shoulder. We won't go into the smoking, drinking and womanizing of the man born Marion at this particular juncture in time and space. The Duke's still cool in my book.)

What I am wondering is why do the pointy-headed socialists of the world shake with indignant rage and call Americans intellectually inferior beings whenever we do something that upsets their snobbish sensibilities? (Wow, that was a mouthful.)

Newsflash! We are the world's spoiled-kid.

And, it just so happens we have the good fortune of geography, lots of people, jobs and big world-wrecking weapons.

We don't change. We am who we am. The world should accept us for who we are. It's part of our childlike charm that when we feel teased or belittled, we stick out our tongues, grab our balls and go home. Nanny-nanny poo-poo.

Gosh, do you think our arrogance makes other folks cringe?

For those who enjoy a well-written piece:

a) Why did you read this?
b.) Pick up a copy of *Saboteurs: The Nazi Raid on America*. It's an easy read and interesting, ta'boot.

Comments for the tongue-giving, liberty-cabbage eating one can be e-mailed to: dontrushmedon@charter.net

Of lost socks and residue build-up

I wear long, black socks most of the time, but especially in winter. They should be easy to keep track of, but from time to time I lose one in the wash, much like every other person who does laundry.

As I searched for a lost one recently, I remembered hearing Ray Stevens' singing, "Where do my socks go when I put them in the dryer?"

Ray Stevens' recordings should be in everyone's collection. His recordings "Misty" and "Everything is Beautiful" topped the charts a couple decades ago. However, most of his songs involve screaming monkeys, a streaker, "Shriners Convention," used cars and other off-beat stuff... that I like.

He says they've invented the laser beam and the high tech drill, "But where do my socks go when I put them in the dryer? Do they escape down some black hole or get trapped and cause me fire?"

"Do they penetrate, or turn to lint I just want to know where they went."

"I don't know about you, but I've observed that it's gone on for years. Every time I wash my clothes half my socks just disappears."

"I prepared about 12 pairs of socks, you just count 'em, there's 24. I just put 'em in the dryer one at a time and I purposely closed the door. Just like that the cycle ended and when I opened up the hatch, all I could find was 13 and not a one of them darn things matched."

"There's a perfect mystery about this problem that we should cogitate -- the dryer should be an impartial machine -- it should not discriminate. It should take your socks, long or short, wool or nylon, new or old, but there's one kind of sock it will never take, it's one with a great big hole."

"I had just one sock left so I went to the store and asked the salesman if he could match this."

"He said, 'Buddy I couldn't sell you one sock if you were Peg Leg Bates.' I said, 'Listen, pal, if I were Peg Leg Bates I wouldn't need one.'"

The song ends with, "I guess I'll have to start spray painting my ankles. If you find a sock in your leg, it's mine."

Another good thing about Ray Stevens' songs is that you can understand the lyrics.

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I like to write letters, partly because I think people like to receive them. Some letters I write are even complimentary, and some questioning.

Like the one I wrote recently to the Gillette Company, owners of the Oral-B rotating toothbrush. At my dentist's suggestion I've been using an Oral-B about three years.

Maybe six months ago I noticed there was a grimy build-up at the base of the brush where it sits on the recharger. Finally, I'd had it. Gillette must have a public relations person who wants to keep me pleased, so I wrote them.

In their response, they thanked me, saying they "are anxious to see that our products meet your needs and expectations."

They said it appeared to be toothpaste residue, and that "some brands of whitening toothpaste such as Ultra-brite contain abrasives that are not water soluble. These abrasives build-up inside the gears and result in this residue."

They also suggest I remove the brush after each cleaning and rinse it inside and out to prevent residue build-up.

That's the answer I had anticipated. WASH THE DARN THING MORE OFTEN, YOU STUPID JERK!

Since I had expected that answer, I had begun a more thorough washing and the residue had not reappeared. But, it gave me and them something to write about.

Jim's Jottings



Jim Sherman

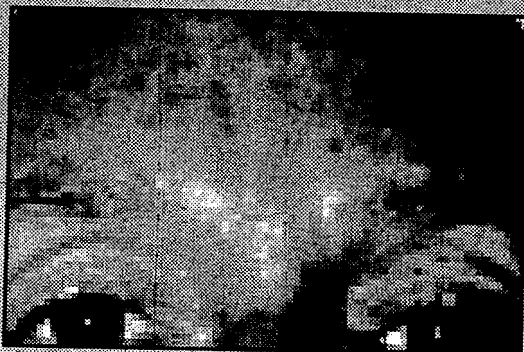
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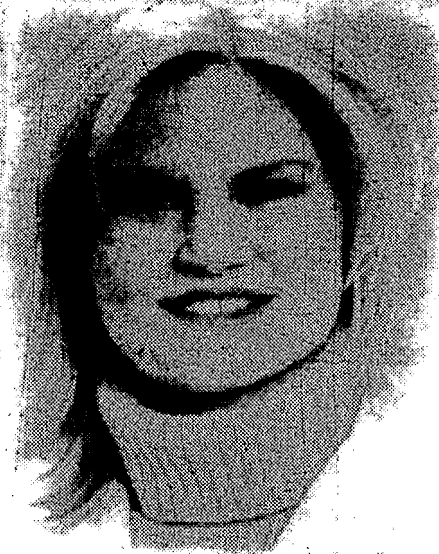
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January 5: A 46-year-old Clarkston man living on Parview Drive is suspected of domestic assault and assault and battery stemming from an incident that allegedly occurred on Dec. 23. According to reports, the victims chose not to disclose the information until parents found out. On the day of the incident the Parview man came home where his son and two friends were. The man allegedly assaulted his son for missing a court ordered community service assignment; and then assaulted the two friends as they tried to leave accusing them of being bad influences on his son.

January 9: Pole on entry gate at residence on Fieldstone Ridge damaged by vehicle.

Golf clubs and shoes stolen from building on Transparent Avenue.

22-year-old White Lake man arrested for marijuana possession and use at apartments on Parview.

January 10: Car stereo and book bag stolen from vehicle parked at Dixie Highway business.

A pair of tennis shoes stolen from a vehicle after unknown suspect/s smashed rear window of vehicle on Willow Park.

The side window of a van was smashed out while parked at a business on Dixie Highway.

Bike recovered at Davorak Road

north of Maybee Road near Hidden Lakes Apartments.

Approximately 50 CD's stolen from vehicle parked at business on Dixie Highway near the M-15 intersection. The passenger side window was smashed out and the glove box broken into.

Ohio resident says he dropped off his \$40,000 boat for repair at a business on Dixie Highway near Maybee Road. The man claims the owner of the business refused to repair the boat until the man endorsed a \$1,600 check from his insurance company and sent it to him. The man says he has made several unsuccessful attempts to learn about his boat which is still on the premises.

A student at Clarkston Elementary School attempted to start some paper towels on fire in the building's bathroom. The principal contacted police about the incident which occurred on Jan. 9. There was no damage reported.

A 9-year-old autistic student, who ran away from Bailey Lake Elementary, was found by police at around 10 a.m. at Pine Knob Ski Resort.

January 12: 21-year-old Waterford man arrested for possession of marijuana on Huron Parkway. The man drove a black Chevy blazer and was first observed near Waldon Road and Clarkston Elementary School. Police pulled the man over for defective equipment.

A business on Clintonville Road received harassing phone calls from the son of a patient.

January 13: Three vehicles were

broken into at an apartment complex on Fox Creek. A Sony radio stolen from a vehicle as entry was gained by removing the passenger window. A first aid kit was

stolen from another car which had a passenger window smashed out. An I-pod, Please see Police, page 21A

Deputy and driver injured in accident

An Oakland County Sheriff's deputy and a 65-year-old driver from Holly suffered minor injuries in an accident at the intersection of Big Lake Road and Dixie Highway on Jan. 11 around 7:30 a.m.

The 50-year-old deputy was driving a 2005 Chevrolet Impala patrol car northbound on Dixie Highway south of Big Lake Road when she attempted to turn left onto westbound Big Lake Road. The deputy struck a Jeep Comanche driven by the Holly resident.

Witnesses at the scene indicate the Jeep may have ran the red light prior to the crash. Both drivers were wearing seat belts and alcohol is not considered a factor in the crash.

Both drivers were injured and transported to Genesys Hospital and listed in stable condition.

According to Oakland County Sheriff's Lt. Dale LaBair of the Independence substation, no violations were issued initially, but the investigation remains under investigation by the Crash Reconstruction Unit.

Firefighters pull dogs from icy water

Members of the Independence Township Fire Department rescued two dogs who fell through the ice on Woodhull Lake on Jan. 10 around 10:30 a.m.

According to Captain Tom McDonald, two firefighters sporting cold water rescue suits pulled the animals from the lake, which is located off Sashabaw Rd. near Walton Road.

"Someone living on the lake saw one dog in the water and one on the ice. When we arrived, both dogs were in the water," said McDonald.

The dogs did not struggle with rescuers who were able to remove them from the water after about five minutes. Both dogs ran off after being retrieved. McDonald said the dogs did not appear to be injured.

The incident was the first of its kind in the winter season for the fire department, McDonald said.

"That's our first this year. It varies by the year, but typically we have two or three incidents like this in early or late ice," said McDonald.

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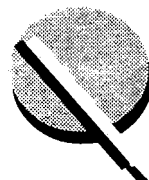
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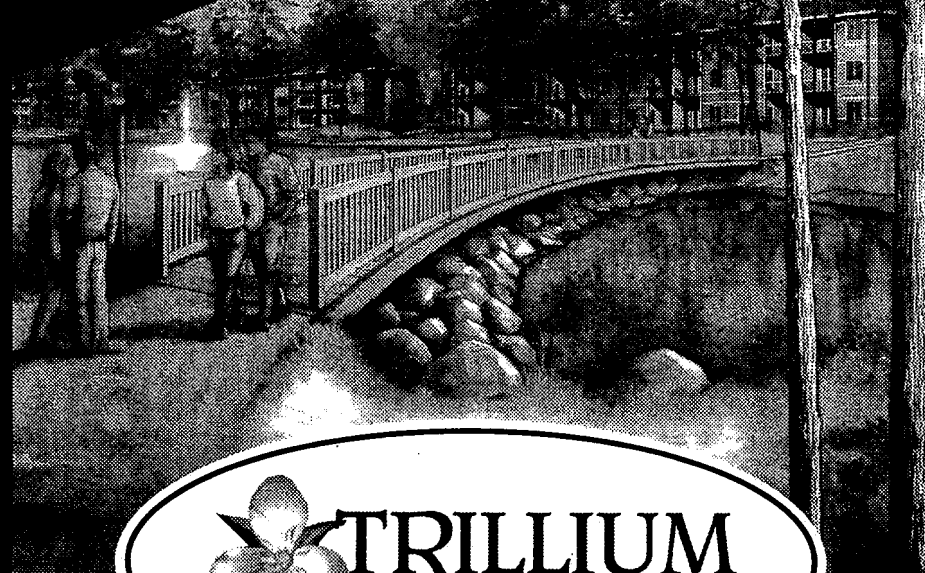
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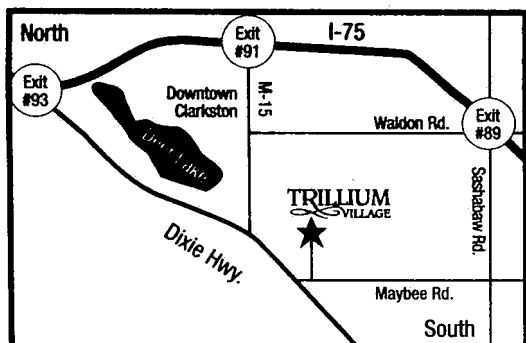
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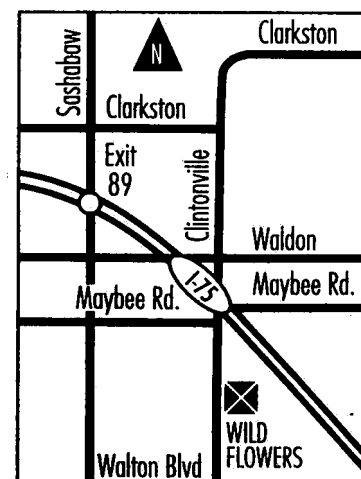
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Chamber launches Women in Business

BY JENNY MATTESON
Clarkston News Editor

Are you a business woman looking for a peer group for support and ideas? Are you interested in issues facing women today?

Then make sure not to miss the first session of the Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce's "Women in Business" series on Jan. 31.

"I'm very excited about this opportunity. This is something we've never done before," said Chamber President Sue Welker.

The idea of a "Women in Business" series began almost three years ago when chamber members came forward with an interest in the subject. In February of 2005, chamber employees formed a focus group to learn what topics interested women chamber members.

By the fall of October, a plan was in place.

"When you consider the entire chamber membership, about two-thirds of our member companies have women in decision making roles," said Chamber Executive Director Penny Shanks. "When you learn who your chamber members are and what they are interested in knowing, it opens the door for many other opportunities."

The goal of the "Women in Business" series is to provide area business women with opportunities to network with peers while maintaining a close hometown connection for themselves and their business.

According to Shanks, the advisory role in a woman's life that was once filled by family is now often left void. By meeting with peers, local business women can find the mentoring they need.

"There is an energy and rejuvenation when you

interact with our peers," said Shanks. "Women share so many challenges - home versus work versus scheduling versus everything else - being able to share those issues with other women is important."

The "Women in Business" series also fits nicely with Welker's theme for her term as president of health and wellness in the work place.

"Certain health issues are unique to women," said

inspiration, but on the side, what she has done and the passion she has shown for her book is amazing."

The other three sessions include:

- A workshop on identifying and employing your strengths with facilitator Patrick Banks of Banks International in February.

- A panel discussion on business issues, such as finances and marketing, in March. Part of the discussion will involve how to benchmark your business.

- A field trip in April. Although a destination is not yet finalized, Shanks said the goal will be networking.

"Each of these are a different way to network and learn something new," said Shanks. "On the side we're hoping our women in business will take further steps and set up their own meetings and sessions to make even stronger connections."

When all is said and done, one question begs to be asked whenever the theme "Women in Business"

arises: What about Men in Business?

With a smile, Shanks assures the sessions are open to men; however, the topics will be women oriented.

In addition, she emphasized that all the other chamber sponsored functions will remain throughout the year and open to all chamber members.

"We're not giving up any of our other networking or skill building activities," said Shanks. "This is just another opportunity."

Reservations are required for the Jan. 31 session and the cost is \$10 per person. The chamber is offering a buy one get one free ticket special - and encourages everyone to bring a guest.

For more information or to make a reservation, please call 248-625-8055.



'When you consider the entire chamber membership, about two-thirds of our member companies have women in decision making roles.'

**Penny Shanks
Executive Director
Clarkston Area Chamber**

Welker. "At these meetings, we can speak freely. They are a safe place to talk about issues, either in groups or one-on-one."

"Women can comfortably share ideas and be a little more open, especially when they find other women who share their concerns. These sessions are a camaraderie where you can find a source of information or support."

The first of four sessions is on Jan. 31 from 7:45-10 a.m. at the Clarkston Community Schools Administration Building. The morning features guest speaker Ellen Schettling Whitehead - local resident, author of *Shell Song* and Clarkston Schools employee.

"I'm really excited to have Ellen's presentation," said Shanks. "She's going to be talking about her book and

Finding a sense of freedom for yourself

Diane has had some incredible success!

Remember her from the report of my I-CARE group last month? By way of a refresher, Diane was a participant in a group of women who completed the I-CARE program (I-CARE representing I, clarify, assert, reinforce and evaluate my personal goals). She decided she wanted to improve her work/life balance and that her first step would be to focus on self-care.

Diane actually had many other goals she wanted to conquer, yet decided she first needed to focus on some self-care issues which, she reasoned, would best prepare her to eventually conquer her other goals.

Ultimately, Diane ended up focusing on doing only two things differently. First,

she's learning to say "no" in an assertive, effective manner. Second, she's accepting that seeking perfection in her work is not always a good thing.

So, here's an update on Diane's progress:

She is practicing the art of assertiveness and is delegating or declining responsibilities she previously would take on despite knowing she didn't have the time or interest.

What Diane didn't want to do was hurt anyone's feelings. By practicing assertiveness, she is able to say "no" in a gentle, yet firm manner. So far, Diane hasn't made any enemies!

She is also being kinder to herself when she performs in a less than perfect manner. For instance, instead of doing a third draft of a report that was due yesterday, Diane is finding that her second draft is more than acceptable to meet her client or managers' needs.

What a sense of freedom! Diane now has more energy, both physically and emotionally. Since her stress level has diminished, Diane is able to focus on

more important things at the office, such as creative projects that she hadn't had the energy to address previously. She also reports enjoying relationships more, now that the stress of pleasing others is decreased.

Whether you work with a structured process such as I-CARE, or some other model for change, the most important thing is to follow a process. Without a structured plan for changing behaviors, we risk relapse.

For example, Diane decided that whenever someone made a social request of her time, she would thank them for

thinking of her and promise to get back to them. Because Diane is still learning to be comfortable with saying "no," this allows her a non-pressured opportunity to consider whether the activity is a worthwhile investment of her time and energies.

When she needs to be assertive, she takes a moment to gather her thoughts, and then responds.

Liz Jamieson is a life coach and psychotherapist practicing in the Clarkston area. Comments or questions may be directed to Liz via email at liz@pathwayslifecoaching.com

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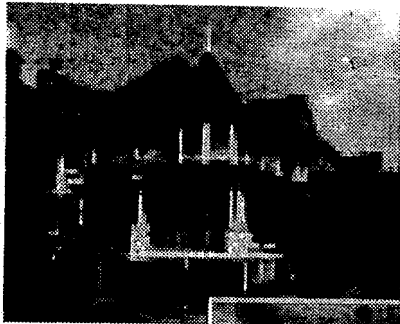
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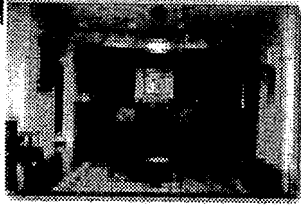
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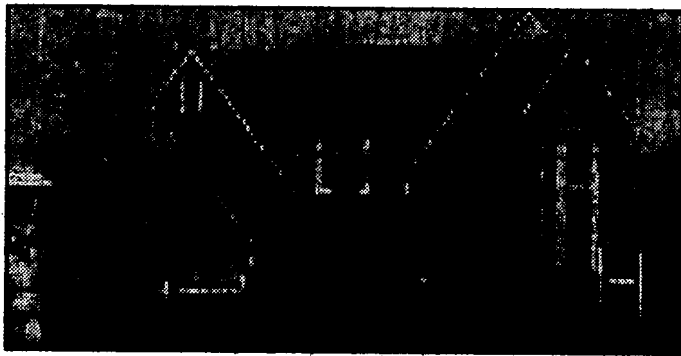
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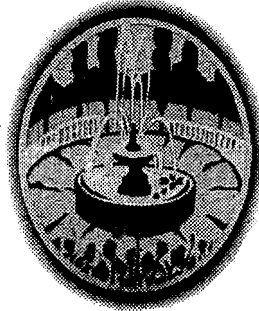
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Lighting up Aston Martin's stage

BY JENNY MATTESON
Clarkston News Editor

There's a new super star in town setting the stage on fire... and his name is Torch.

He's dynamic yet calm with full, flowing blonde hair and a regal appearance. Few can deny his charm and ability.

This Springfield Township resident is definitely a rising name in the world of modeling – and he's only six years old. Oh, and he still walks around on four legs.

Torch, a registered Afghan Hound, was recently selected as the canine face for Aston Martin's Rapide press debut during the Detroit Auto Show on Jan. 9.

"It was a great experience," said owner Claudia Jakus, also a Springfield Township resident. "From the time I was exposed to... anybody connected with this show, I could not have asked for anyone to be more courteous. They were friendly, kind and wonderful."

Torch, whose official name is CH. Summerwinds Fuels, the Fire CD, RN, SC, CGC., auditioned for his debut role on Jan. 8. He was discovered for the Aston Martin premier through the Sadie Hawkins Animal Modeling Agency. He listed with the company this past fall.

"I thought Torch had all the character of an Afghan Hound – he has the beautiful coat and everything," said Jakus. "The best part is that he has a great temperament for these things."

And the Aston Martin executives could not agree more. According to Jakus, Torch was originally cast to model in the press preview with Design Director Marek Reichman; Dr. Ulrich Bez, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Aston Martin; and another professional model.

However, Jakus was surprised to find Torch being taken for the photo shoot and finale.

"He became known as the Aston Martin dog," said Jakus proudly.

Success is nothing new though for this award winning canine. Torch is an American-Canadian Show Champ, holds an Obedience Title and Rally Title, is a Senior Courser and a registered therapy dog at Crittenton

Hospital. Oh, he is also brother to Bongo, the Jakus family's other Afghan Hound.

"I'm not worried about whether or not he'll get any more jobs," said Jakus, who does not train dogs for a living.

"He's just going to be my dog. If he gets more jobs, he gets more jobs. If he doesn't, he doesn't. He'll always be my dog."



Torch with owner Claudia Jakus. Photo provided



Torch on stage during a rehearsal with representatives from the Aston Martin company. Photo provided

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Fire agreement extended, council wants discussion about fees

BY JAMES MARTINEZ
Clarkston News Staff Writer

The Clarkston City Council extended the intergovernmental fire agreement with Independence Township for three years, but several council members want at least an explanation of where administration fees the city is charged go.

Council members discussed the administration fee at the Jan. 9 council meeting as they were approving bills, which included the payment to Independence Township for services rendered and administration fees for those services in 2005.

The amount approved for payment totals \$216,084.97, including fees for fire, library, police and spring clean up, as well as approximately \$19,621.36 in administration fees.

"I'm just trying to justify the (administrative) fee to us. If it costs them 10 percent, then we will pay 10 percent," said council member Cory Johnston during the meeting.

Fellow council member Dan Colombo agreed, "I'd like a justification, it would be fair."

Administration fees set at 10 percent since 1993 cost the city \$13,506.13 for fire, \$3,373.61 for library and \$2,741.62 for police in 2005.

"It makes perfect sense there is an administrative fee, but what we're trying to understand with the situation is. When the fee was initially put in place about 13 years ago, the 10 percent equaled an amount less than \$10,000," said council member Scott Meyland, who worried about the potential of the fees to double again during the life of a seven-year contract.

In a recap provided to *The Clarkston News* by City Manager Art Pappas, administration fees for only the fire services now cost \$5,079.02 more than in 1995 when fees totaled \$8,427.11.

While the ten percent fee remains the same, the increase occurs because the taxable value of property in the village used

to calculate the percentage, rises.

According to numbers provided by Pappas, the taxable value was \$28,090,370 in 1995, but rose throughout the years to \$44,981,456 in 2005.

The council's decision to approve the agreement for three years rather than seven came after city attorney Thomas Ryan advised the members that the administration fee won't go away. Ryan suggested making a shorter agreement and encouraged the council to speak with Independence Township officials to see if something more equitable could be created.

Due to earlier council concern, city attorney Thomas Ryan wrote a letter to township attorney Carl-G Karlstrom with minor basic changes discussed at the Dec. 12 meeting asking for the 10 per-

cent administration fee be removed.

According to a response letter from Karlstrom, the fee will not be eliminated.

"We want to protect ourselves. The percent hasn't changed, but the amount has," said Meyland. "For the benefit of our citizens and budget, if we pay \$20,000 on anything, we'd put the same scrutiny on it."

Meyland said a cap on the total amount of dollars or an altered percentage would be an equitable adjustment in the eyes of the council.

The council previously approved the tentative fire service agreement at the Dec. 12 council meeting with the final language to be ironed out on Jan. 9.

Pappas confirmed that the contract for library services is coming up in the near future.



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— Scott Meyland
Clarkston City Council

In other city council news...

• City manager Art Pappas was authorized to sign a lease agreement with clients on 3 East Church Street for a five-year period from Jan. 1, 2006 to Dec. 31 2010.

• Representatives of St. Daniel Catholic Church attended the meeting to discuss traffic problems caused by the Greenfield Triathlon hosted in the village this past August. Barbara Bartos, appearing on behalf of Pastor Chris Maus, said the event made attending church difficult for members and suggested the triathlon be rerouted, held at a different time or on a differ-

ent date. The council agreed to look into the issue.

• Clarkston resident Anne Clifton suggested conducting a survey of resident usage trends in Depot Park in order to implement proposed natural plantings so as not to prevent any interruption of use. Clifton discussed proposed plantings adjacent to the walking bridge and on the banks of the stream which would enhance and reduce maintenance in these areas as well as providing a filter for runoff. Clifton also discussed plantings near the Mill Pond and other places.

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Joint community scholarships announced

Five area service organizations are joining forces to offer up to 16 local scholarships valued at \$500 to \$1,000 each. The Joint Scholarship undertaking is chaired by Heidi Wood, Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce, and includes representatives from the Clarkston Area Optimists Club, Clarkston Farm and Garden Club, Clarkston Foundation and the Clarkston Rotary.

"We hope that a single application form, a coordinated deadline date and joint publicity efforts to encourage students to apply for these local scholarships will increase the number of students applying for these local funds," Wood said.

The joint application form represents a pool of over \$14,000 available through 16 individual scholarships. Limit of one scholarship award per student from each organization.

- Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce – five scholarships \$1,000 each
- Clarkston Area Optimist Club – three scholarships \$1,000 each
- Clarkston Farm and Garden Club – four scholarships \$500 each
- Clarkston Rotary Club – two scholarships \$1,000 each
- Clarkston Foundation – two scholarships \$1,000 each

The Scholarship form is available online at www.clarkston.org. Scholarship applications are also available at the Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce, Clarkston High School Counseling office and the Independence Township Library.

The deadline for applications is March 17. Scholarship applications should be returned to the Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce, 5856 S. Main St., Clarkston MI 48346.

Please note no faxes or email applications will be accepted.

Free fit kit at Rumph Chiropractic

Rumph Chiropractic Clinic is working in cooperation with the Michigan Chiropractic Association and the Michigan Department of Community Health to distribute free Fit Kits in the Clarkston area.

The goal of the free Fit Kits is to help Michigan residents improve their overall wellness.

There are two parts to the wellness program:

• **Step One:** The Fit Kit Campaign, presented by the Michigan Chiropractic Association, is aimed at helping promote a healthy lifestyle and getting Michiganders up and active.

The Fit Kits help to jump start a person's new fitness routine and include health information, pedometers, a guide on how to start on a new, healthy lifestyle and a listing of free to low-cost local programs in the area to assist people in getting active and healthy.

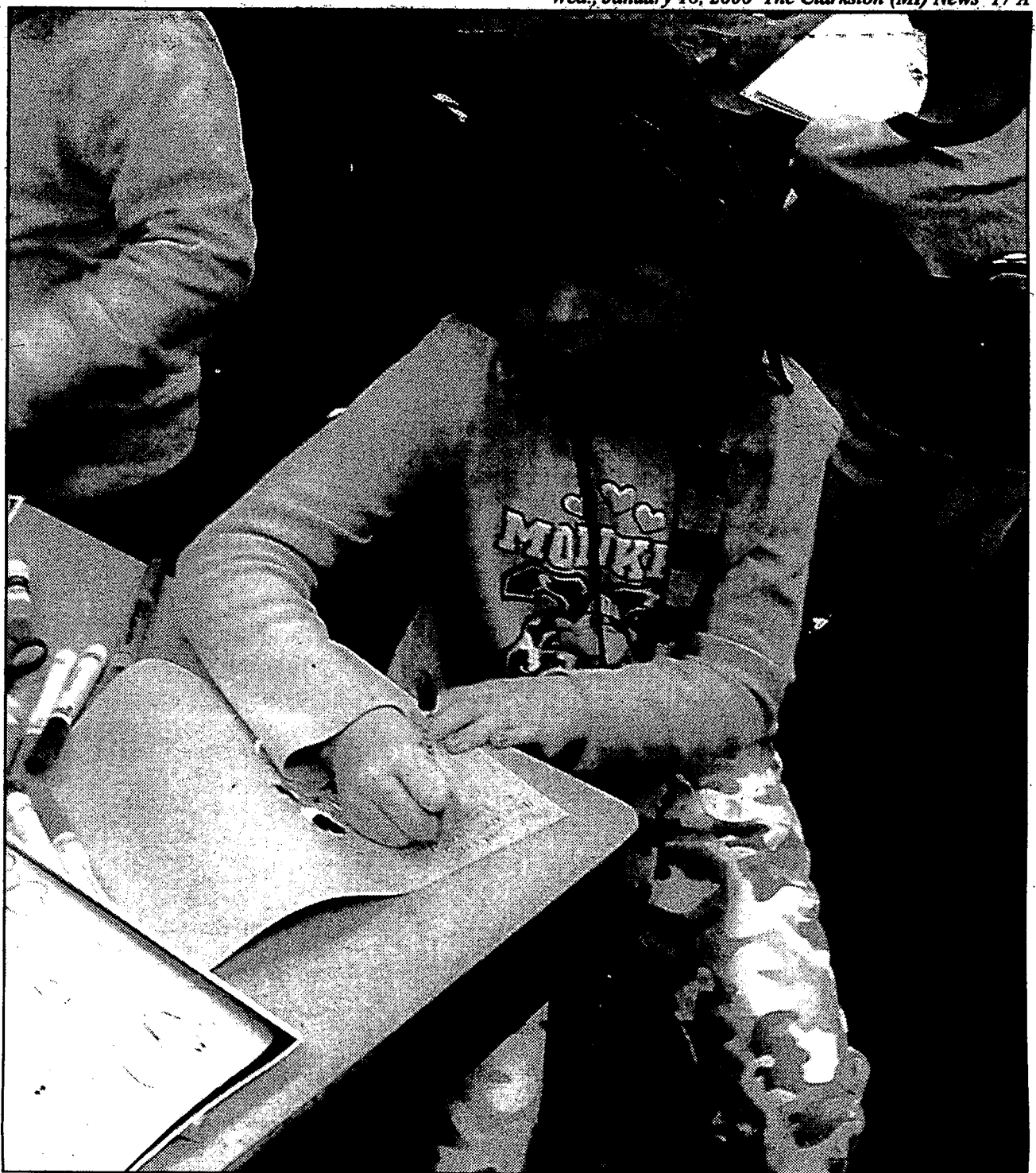
• **Step Two:** The Michigan Steps Up program, developed by the Michigan Department of Community Health under the direction of the Michigan Surgeon General's office, is an ongoing program that serves as a long-term solution aimed at helping people understand, improve and continue their new healthy lifestyle.

People can visit www.michiganstepsup.org to find tools to help them begin their long-term wellness goals. These tools include healthy recipes and snack ideas, healthy choices for eating out, daily health tips and links to hundred of health-related resources. There is also a free health assessment quiz that enables an individual to track specific health goals.

"Nothing's more important than an individual's health," said Dr. B.J. Rumph of Rumph Chiropractic. "The Fit Kit makes an individual aware of the importance of the how to, and a guideline for improving a person's wellness. The Fit Kit addresses the nutritional, exercise and a way of monitoring how many steps an individual takes in a span of a day, with a free pedometer, and includes material the public of Clarkston can use to create their own personal health plan."

In addition to all this, the free Fit Kit also includes a list of public walking areas in the Clarkston area.

For more information or to pick up your free Fit Kit, please visit Rumph Chiropractic at 5732 Williams Lake Road in Waterford or call 248-673-1215.



Third-grader Hannah Cartier works on a Valentine card for Josh Valenti, a CHS graduate now stationed in South Korea. See the whole class and their work at www.clarkstonnews.com. Photo by Andrew DuPont

Sending love across the world

Mrs. Sherwood's third-graders took a classroom lesson and turned it into a caring outreach to a fellow Clarkstonite.

Josh Valenti, a 2003 graduate of Clarkston High School, is currently stationed in South Korea on military duty.

After hearing about Valenti from Wendy Burleigh, a reading support aide, Mrs. Sherwood and her students, who were learning how to write letters, decided to help him with any homesickness he might be feeling.

Together, the class worked on holiday cards, jokes,

pictures and letters. When their work was done, the class packaged their crafts together and sent them to Valenti.

Time passed, but eventually, Valenti was able to send a message back, via e-mail, to thank the students for everything they sent.

The class decided not to stop there, and they are preparing more goodies to send before Valentine's Day. Look online by Jan. 20 for a more in-depth story, featuring comments from Burleigh and an additional photo of Mrs. Sherwood and her students.

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'A World in Motion' at Pine Knob

Volunteer engineers from General Motors visited fourth grade classrooms at Pine Knob Elementary on Jan. 13, as part of the six-week program, "A World in Motion."

The program, sponsored by the Society of Automotive Engineers has been around for over a decade, but 2006 is the first time PKE students have participated.

The students began their workshop sessions on Jan. 6 and will continue into February. After learning some of the basic idea of engineering, they were given the assignment of designing and building a new toy ship. The students spent the afternoon like "MacGyver," taking a slip

of paper, tape, a paperclip, drinking straw and note card and turning them into a prototype for their ships.

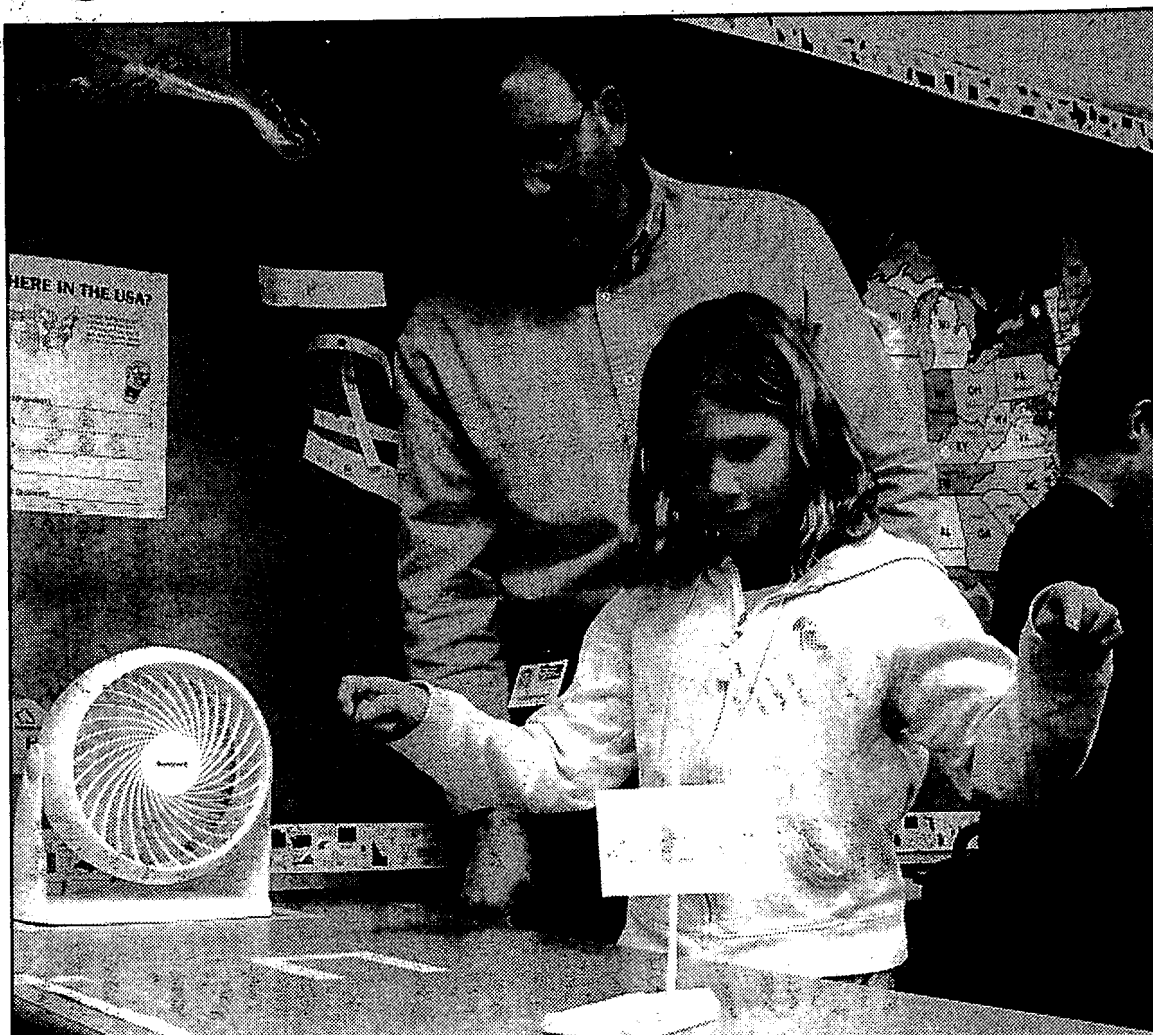
Every Friday, the engineers visit several classrooms at PKE to help oversee their projects. Students are broken up into teams of three, with each student being made an honorary project, facility or test engineer.

Besides being fun, the project is geared towards helping students build an interest in the math and science that go into engineering projects.

Look in a future issue of *The Clarkston News* for more photos of the projects as they advance.

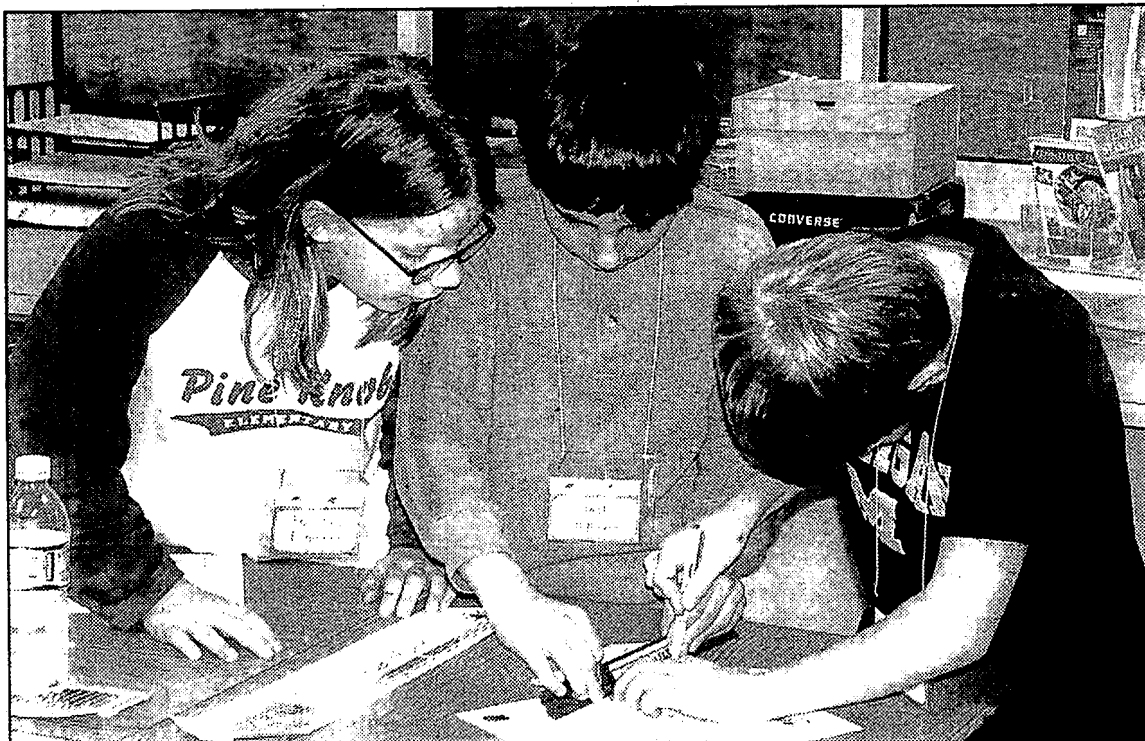


GM Engineer Mary Ann McCracken helps students assemble the base of their prototype ship.



GM Engineer Robert Ferer looks on as fourth-grader Madison Novak tests out her group's prototype in front of a small fan.

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Students were broken up into teams of three to work on their projects.

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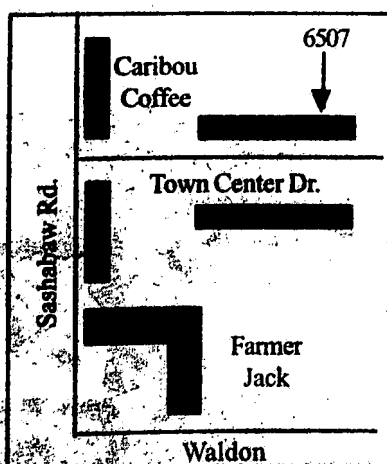
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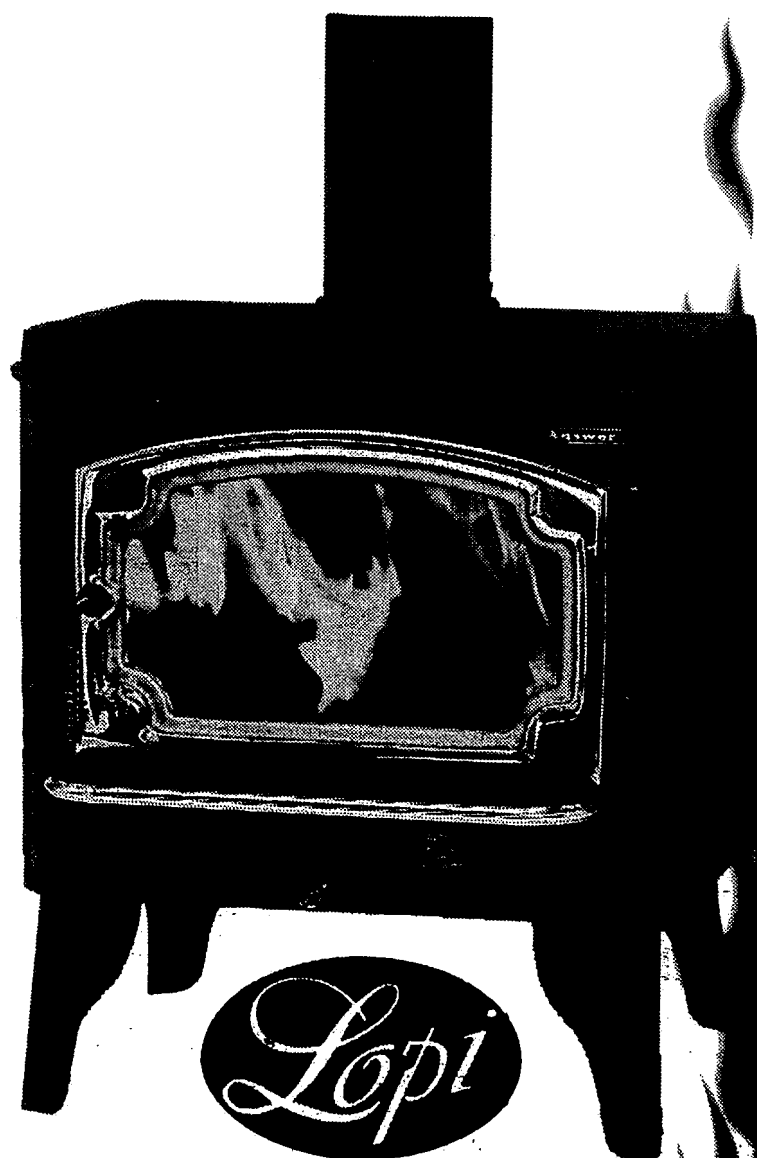
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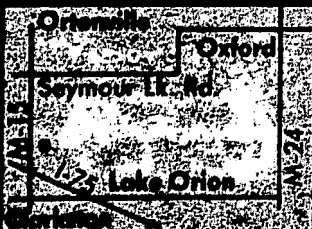
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Springfield Township

January 9: Both rear wheels and tires stolen from a 2006 Dodge Ram truck at car dealership on Dixie Highway near I-75.

Tools including a cement saw, impulse nailer and electric hammer found missing from trailer at company on Dixie Highway.

Police firearm discharged once to destroy injured deer at around 8 a.m. on E. Holly Road.

January 11: A safe was found damaged in Springfield Township Park at Dilley and Davisburg roads. The safe was found to be the property of the Holly High Boosters.

January 12: Davisburg resident informed by his bank that someone used his name and social security number to open three credit card accounts.

Springfield Township board happenings

Don't bring sloppy plans to a board meeting was one of the messages from the Jan. 12 Springfield Township Board meeting. The following are some of the actions at the meeting as well as an announcement for those concerned about the budget.

•The Springfield Township Board will hold a special meeting to review the 2006 budget and look at advanced planning and potential cost-saving measures. The meeting is set for Jan. 24 at 7 p.m. at the Civic Center on 12000 Davisburg Road.

•The Springfield Township Board approved the final site plan for a condominium project between Andersonville and Clark roads as long as all parties involved meet to work on the final details.

Representatives for "Wilderness Estates" submitted the final site plan for a 20-unit clustered site condominium project. The property's main entrance is off Andersonville Road with another access point off Clark Road.

According to Township Supervisor Collin Walls, the plans had two major problems. The plans and documents were not coordinated and parts of the plan were illegible and sloppy making it difficult for the board to act on the plans presented.

"The frustration on the part of the board has more to do with the fact they were before us two months ago and got a long laundry list of things that needed to be corrected and they did some, but not all of them," said Walls. "There were items added last night that weren't there two months ago."

•The board approved the rezoning of 9191 Dixie Highway from residential to office (OS) except for a 25-by-300 foot parcel that will stay residential. Walls said the rezoning presents an opportunity to preserve a unique structure consistent with Dixie Highway corridor plan.

Audience members raised questions about traffic safety and visibility specifically regarding a bus stop and already vacant office space in the area.

Walls said he expects the safety issues will be addressed as Softwater Drive is converted from a public to private road, meaning the school system may then choose to move the bus stop.

•The board approved an ordinance to emphasize and clarify the Township's policies for the issuance, transfer, renewal, relocation and enforcement of liquor licenses and permits, as well as address the operation of licensed premises.

Carnegie

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where many great musicians have played," she added.

As Christine's musical career takes off, she is quick to credit many people key to her success.

"My teachers in Clarkston schools were very supportive and really good about encouraging me. I don't think I would have picked up having a music major in college without them," she said.

"My family's been supportive. My mother and little sister put up with my playing while watching TV. Now it's not as painful to listen to."

When asked about where his daughter's musical dexterity came from, Witkowski laughed saying he knew it did not come from him, but from her mother's side of the family.

Christine received a full tuition scholarship to NWU for her musical and academic talents after a successful high school career that included participating in marching band, madrigals, concert band, choir and drama. Currently, Christine is considering grad school and hopes to pursue a career in music.

Christine has four siblings all present or past CHS students. They include Laura, D'Anne, Brian and Amanda.



Former CHS grad Christine Witkowski with Gail Williams, her horn teacher at Northwestern University, and horn teacher Joseph Buono who taught her throughout high school from Royal Music in Royal Oak. She credited both with positively influencing her career and education. Photo provided

Letters

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Clarkston Road.

There are other projects lurking in the wings, of course. Details will become available as the planning commission does their duty.

And while the Michigan economy continues to wobble and job security becomes an oxymoron, Clarkston is leading the way to become the community of tomorrow in Oakland County.

We hope the township board and planning commission continue to perform their functions with diligence and integrity.

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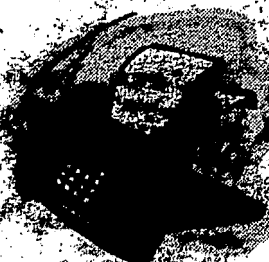
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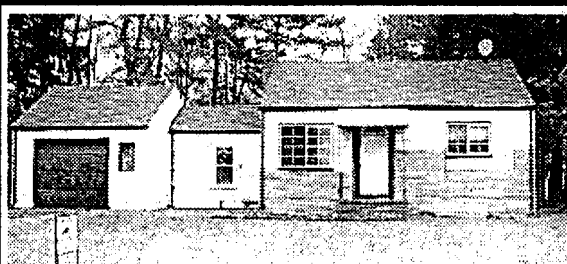
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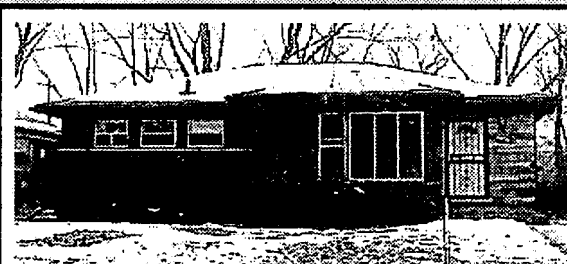
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Clarkston News Sports

Wrestlers find stiff challenge at Michigan duals

BY NOAH PURCELL

Clarkston News Sports Writer

The Wolves' wrestlers got a midseason look at the best competition in the state at the Michigan Duals in Bay City on Jan. 14. Clarkston finished tenth out of a field of 16.

"There's no doubt about it, this is the toughest tournament in the state. They only invite the top five in each division," Clarkston Coach Joe DeGain said.

Overall Clarkston went 2-3 in their dual meets. The Wolves defeated Roscommon 33-27 to start the day's action but then lost to Richmond next by a score of 35-28. Another loss followed, this time to Lakewood to the tune of 39-28. In their next dual, Clarkston overwhelmed Caro, 45-21. In the final set of bouts for the day Clarkston and Anchor Bay wrestled to a tie, 33-33, and the match was decided by the eighth criteria, that being most overall take downs.

"It always stings to lose. We lost really close dual meets. On another day we could have won the tournament, but on the other hand on another day we could have finished last," DeGain said.

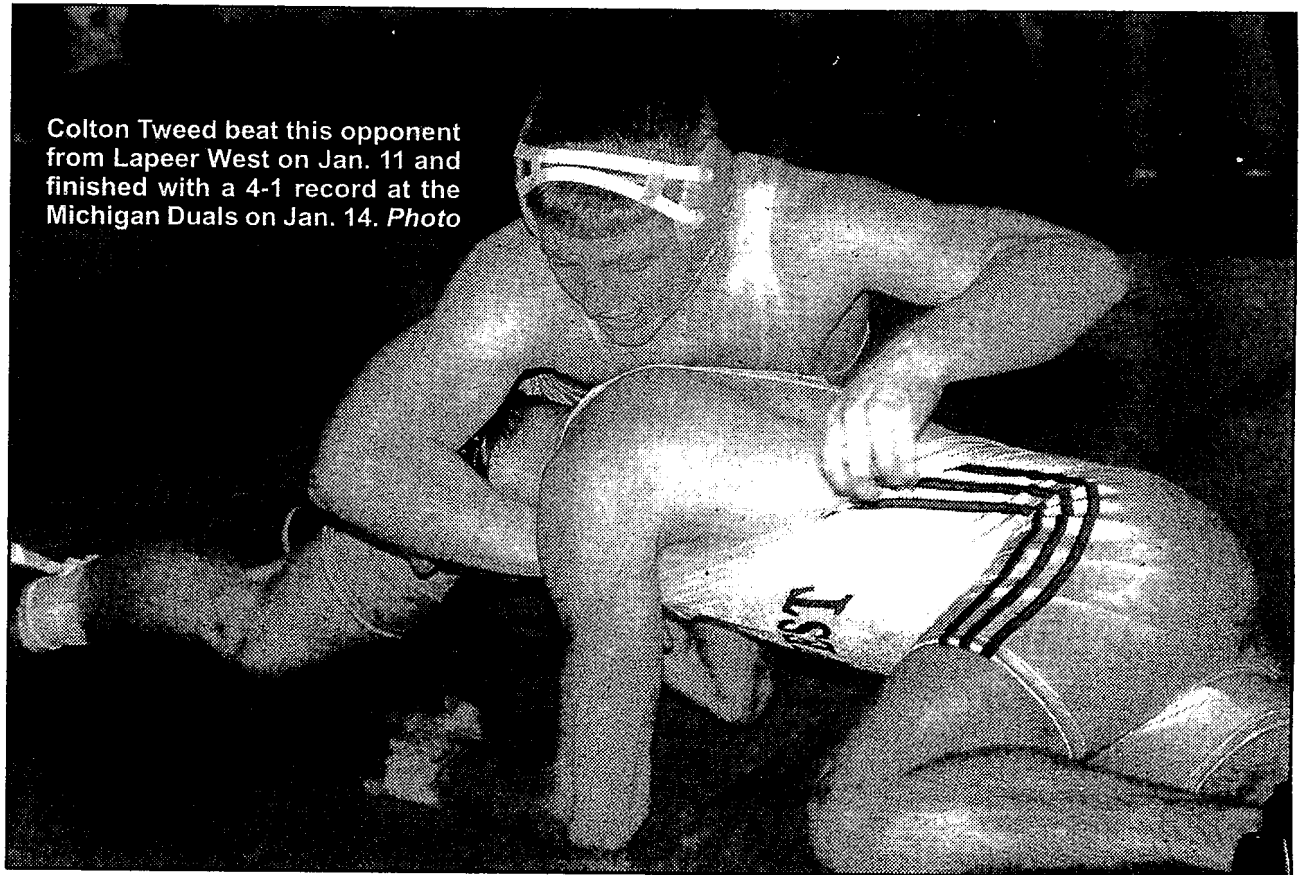
Standing out for the Wolves were junior Tommy Ellsworth, who wrestled at 160 pounds, and senior Steve Herron who competes at 275. Both wrestlers went undefeated throughout the duals, each winning five matches.

Junior Colton Tweed (145) and sophomore Bryant Craft (152) also shined at the end of competition, each compiling a 4-1 record.

Sophomore Adam Lauzen (189), senior Josh McAllister (171) and senior Mitch Miller (135) all won more than they lost as well, finishing with 3-2 records.

DeGain was especially pleased with Lauzen's efforts as he fills a void in the lineup as Clarkston awaits the return of Steve Smiley.

"(Lauzen) had to step in for us. He was probably the underdog in every match because he is so under-



Colton Tweed beat this opponent from Lapeer West on Jan. 11 and finished with a 4-1 record at the Michigan Duals on Jan. 14. Photo

sized, but he came up big for us," said DeGain, who added Lauzen is closer to 171 pounds though at the duals he wrestled in the 189-pound division.

The Wolves did get a nice boost heading into the Michigan Duals, by beating Lapeer West 48-33 at home on Jan. 11. Tweed, Craft, McAllister, Herron, and juniors Josh Booker, Mike Maguire and Tyler Schneider were all victorious against Lapeer West.

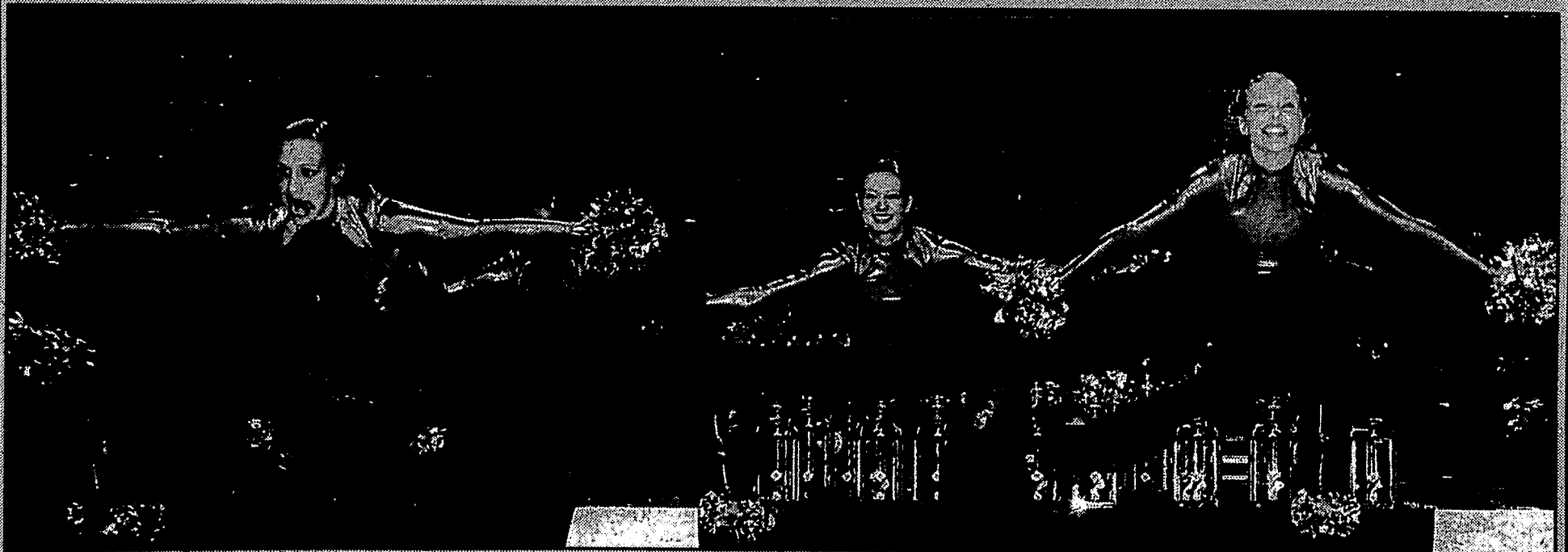
The most important dual match of Clarkston's season so far occurs on Jan. 18 as Clarkston will wrestle

Lake Orion and host Rochester High. While DeGain is not looking past Rochester, the dual match with the Dragons is certainly the main event for both teams.

"(Lake Orion) is a tough team and they are real enthusiastic and they believe in themselves and I know they pride themselves on beating us. I know they will be gunning for us," DeGain said.

Lake Orion beat out Clarkston for last year's OAA DI title. The winner of the dual match should have the inside track on this year's crown.

Athletes of the Week – Clarkston Poms



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The Clarkston pom poms competed in the 15th annual Pom/Dance Championships held at the Palace of Auburn Hills and finished in 10th place out of 25 large and medium varsity squads.

"Our goal was to beat last year's (showing). We probably had three to four weeks of practice just on that dance," said Clarkston Coach Erin Montero, who added the girls performance in front of the judges was the best rendition they had done.

Please see page 26A for more photos

Groves catches Clarkston on the wrong night

BY NOAH PURCELL

Clarkston News Sports Writer

With the bitter taste of a loss to rival Northern on Jan. 6 languishing in their mouths, Clarkston's basketball team got back to sipping from the chalice of sweet victory as they disassembled Groves on the road, 56-28 on Jan. 10.

"I didn't expect to win that easy at Groves, for whatever reason they had a bad game because they have been playing very well. But it really was an easy game, it turned out to be a lopsided score and I wasn't expecting that," said Clarkston Coach Dan Fife.

Senior Joe Moran had a game high 15 points for the Wolves, despite resting during the fourth quarter. Juniors Kevin Badgley and Dan Owens each chipped in 9.

With a game at Pontiac Central on Jan. 17, which finished too late for this edition of *The Clarkston News*, and a home tilt with Southfield Lathrup lurking on Jan. 20, Clarkston is in the thick of OAA Division I competition.

"This week will be a tough week for us. Lathrup is pretty good again, (Lathrup Coach Mike Avery) does a good job of coaching,"

In 2005, one of the blemishes on Clarkston's 23-3 record came at Lathrup. The Chargers won the first contest last year, 43-41. The second matchup between the two teams last season featured a stalling offensive tactic by Lathrup, leading to a first quarter score of 3-0 Clarkston. The Wolves persevered through the unique strategy, in the end besting the Chargers 42-25, but with memories of last year still baffling fans, anything could happen this year.



Junior Kevin Badgley chipped in 9 points in Clarkston's 56-28 win at Groves on Jan. 10. Photo by Noah Purcell

Chartrand's point binge helps Icers to 1-1 week

Clarkston's hockey team, despite suffering their third league loss, 4-3 on Jan. 14 to Farmington United, is still aiming to finish near the top of the standings at seasons end.

"(The league) is still up for grabs. Right now I'd like to be in the top three. A lot of things can happen," Clarkston Coach Bryan Krygier said.

Though Clarkston lost to Farmington, Krygier was pleased with the efforts of the team. The Wolves trailed 4-1 entering after the first period and 4-2 entering the third.

"Instead of folding and getting blown out, we fought our way back into the game," Krygier said.

Senior Kyle Cummings scored one of Clarkston's goals and senior Kyle Chartrand had three assists against Farmington.

The week on the ice was not all small victories. On Jan. 12 the Wolves triumphed over Birmingham United 5-3 at home.

"(Birmingham) graduated a lot of seniors and are a little down this year. They are kind of going through the same things we are," Krygier said.

Chartrand was again the big winner for Clarkston, scoring three goals. Cummings added the other two scores. Scott Cooley added two assists, while Ryan Kenerson, Matt Prasil and Mike Medonis also added helpers in the win.

Clarkston is 7-6-1 overall and sports a 6-3-1 league record. One encouraging factor is the increased parity within the OAA DI this year. Farmington, with a 4-1-1 record in the OAA DI has the inside track on the league title.

The Wolves do not play again until Jan. 26 at Royal Oak. Clarkston then hosts Troy on Jan. 28. Krygier hopes the layoff will help the Wolves shore up some nagging issues.

"We are just making bad hockey mistakes," Krygier said. "We have to put into action what we've learned in the first half of the season."

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Tough tournament times for Volleyball after win vs. Troy

BY NOAH PURCELL

Clarkston News Sports Writer

Clarkston volleyball Coach Kelly Avenall's squad picked up a much needed and hard fought win against Troy Athens on Jan. 12. The victory was the Wolves first outside of a tournament this year.

"(Troy Athens) was a good win for us," said Avenall. The Wolves certainly earned their victory against Athens, winning in five sets, 27-25, 25-13, 22-25, 23-25, 15-12.

Standing out individually for Clarkston was sophomore Julie Gillespie who had 15 kills in the match.

The volleyball team's winning ways did not continue at the Grand Blanc Classic on Jan. 14. The Wolves, in going 2-4 on the day, ran into several teams with powerful middle hitters, a player-type the relatively small Clarkston lineup has problems countering.

"(Teams with good middle hitters) are the ones that are hurting us," Avenall said.

On the day, Clarkston nabbed victories against Henry Ford and Detroit Renaissance but lost to Mason, host school Grand Blanc, Brandon and Goodrich.

Avenall felt junior Brittany Davis stood out for the Wolves at the Grand Blanc Classic.

"(Davis) worked well as a setter and did well in terms of being a leader out there on the floor," Avenall said.

In addition to being used as a setter, Davis accrued 10 kills for the tournament.

In upcoming action on Jan. 19, the Wolves tangle with Groves on the road; a team who is also going through some growing pains this year.

"Hopefully that will be a win for us. (Groves) is struggling as well, and they lost a few players from last year," Avenall said.

Though the Wolves do not have a tournament over the weekend, Clarkston does travel to Rochester Adams on Jan. 23. Clarkston's next home game is Jan. 26 against Troy High.

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Skiers trying to get in where they fit in

BY NOAH PURCELL

Clarkston News Sports Writer

Being forced to fit their competition schedule into a fickle winter has not led to much time on the hill for the boys and girls ski teams at Clarkston High School. But amidst the rainy days, the teams have managed to both start the season at 3-0.

"It's just very hard to train. We haven't had any training time at all," first-year Clarkston Coach Mike Foyteck said.

On Jan. 11, the boys and girls each defeated Rochester Adams and Andover in the slalom. Poor conditions forced the cancellation of the grand slalom portion of the meet on Jan. 12.

Clarkston's boys defeated Andover 14-27 and triumphed over Adams 17-25.

Leading the way for the boys were Eric Weiland, Scott Huber, Bradley Gale and Cobie Bland.

On the girls side, the Wolves summarily dispatched Andover 10-31 and vanquished Adams 10-33.

Hannah Wolf, Heather Barron, Alyssa Vermeulen, Maddy Dunn provided the scoring for the girls.

In the ski teams first meet of the season only the grand slalom was run against Rochester High on Jan. 9. The boys team won 14-24 while the girls were victorious 10-32.

The first of a two day meet against Lahser and Notre Dame took place on Jan. 17, which finished too late for this edition of *The Clarkston News*. The grand slalom portion of the meet is set for Jan. 18.

Upcoming Parks and Rec events

Young children and parents should rejoice, Start Smart is back.

Independence Township Parks and Recreation is now accepting registrations for the Start Smart, a six-week program in which parents work one on one with their child, ages three to five, in a supportive environment to learn basic sporting skills.

Sign up for Start Smart basketball, soccer, baseball, sports development, or the new golf class. Classes begin in February on specific weekday evenings, depending on the class.

Please visit the Parks and Recreation office to

register or call 248-625-8223 for more details.

Back for the second time the annual Independence Township Parks and Recreation Girls Softball Pitching Clinic is set to begin Feb. 1 and runs Wednesdays until March 8.

The Clarkston Varsity Softball coaching staff, along with other softball personalities, will be conducting this clinic for girls ages 8-14 (age as of 1/1/06). The clinic is conducted from 6-7 p.m. Registration ends January 27. Each participant receives a t-shirt. Please call 248-625-8223 for more details.

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For those who want to be healthier 'in the worst way'

By Ernie Harwell

I'm often asked whether I dreamed of being a major league broadcaster as a child. My answer is always the same: I became a broadcaster because I grew up wanting to play baseball in the 'worst way' - and that's exactly how I played it.

Though this tongue-in-cheek reply gets a chuckle or two, it also reminds me that there's often a best way, and a worst way, to do things.

So if you have decided to exercise to improve your health, here are three important things to remember about the best way to begin:

First, consult your doctor. Next, start slow and increase your level of exercise gradually. Even a little exercise is better than none. Just walking three to four times

each week for 30 to 40 minutes will deliver many benefits. In fact, the U.S. Surgeon General says 30 minutes of moderate exercise cumulative each day is enough to keep us in shape.

Finally, remember that pain during exercise is a sign that something is wrong. If you experience unusual pain while exercising, slow down or stop until you have again talked to your doctor.

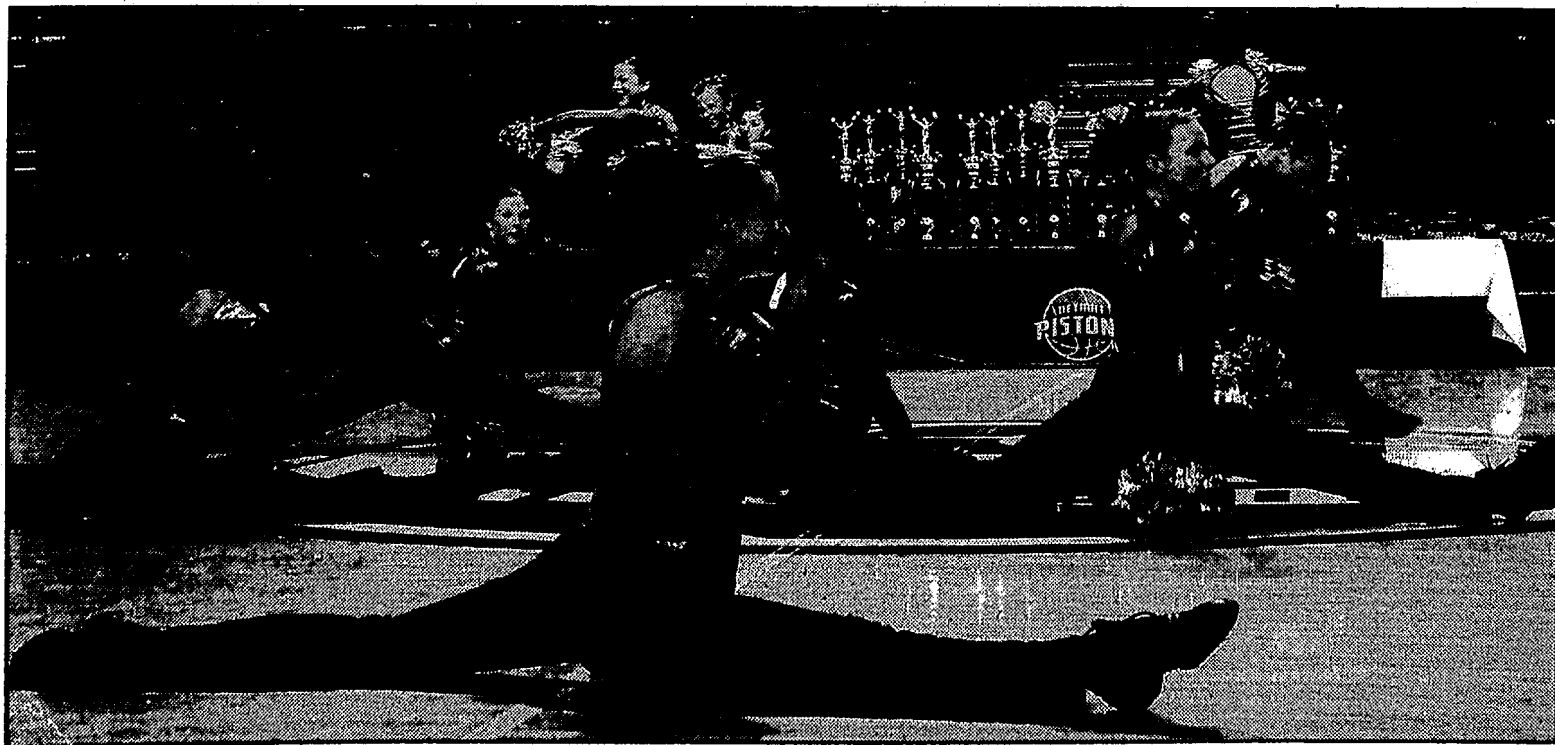
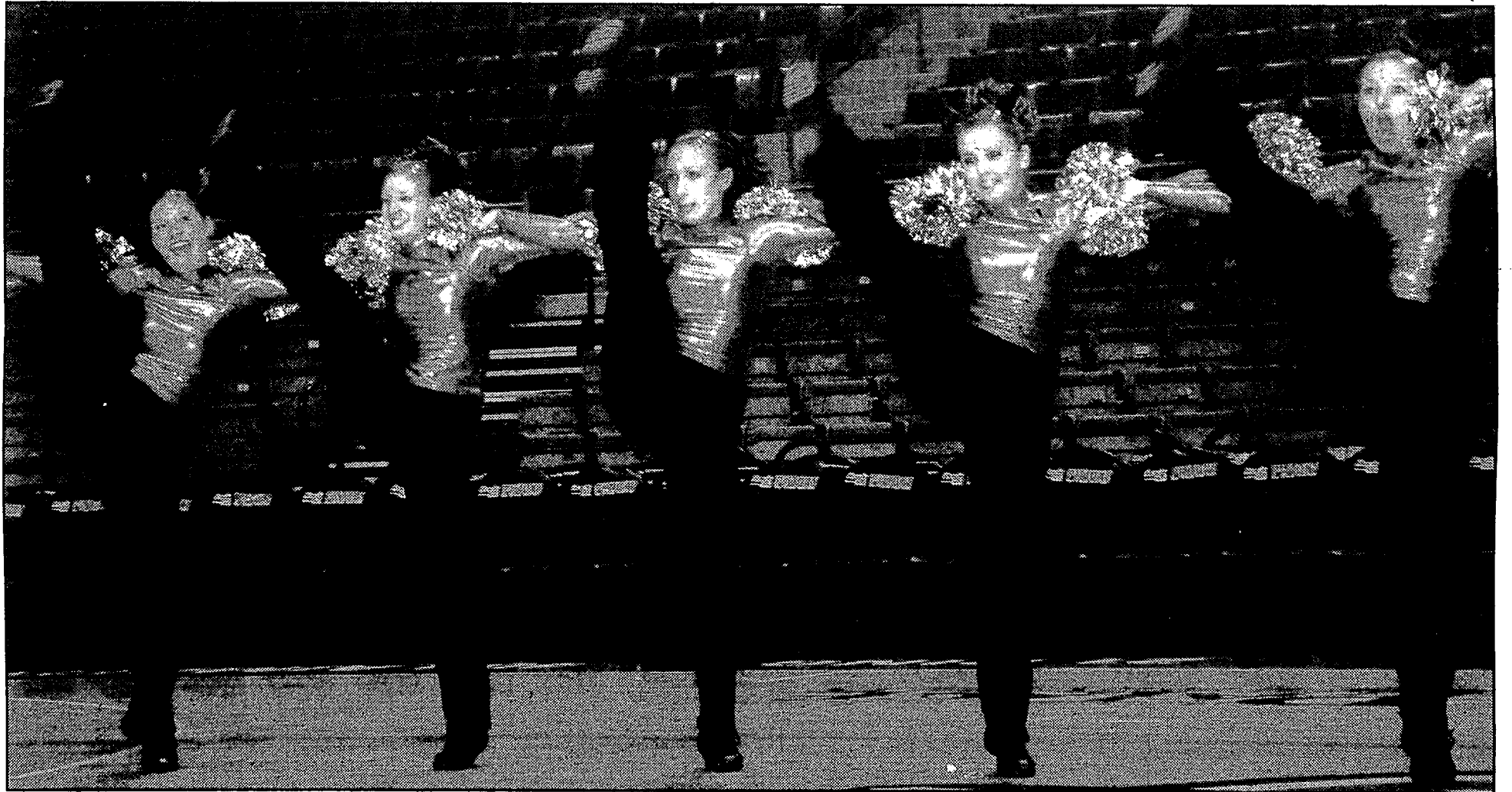
These three simple tips are your keys to improving your health "in the best way."

And please remember to take care of your health before it's lonnnngggg 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.

Faded Ink

Pom Pons thrill in Palace performance



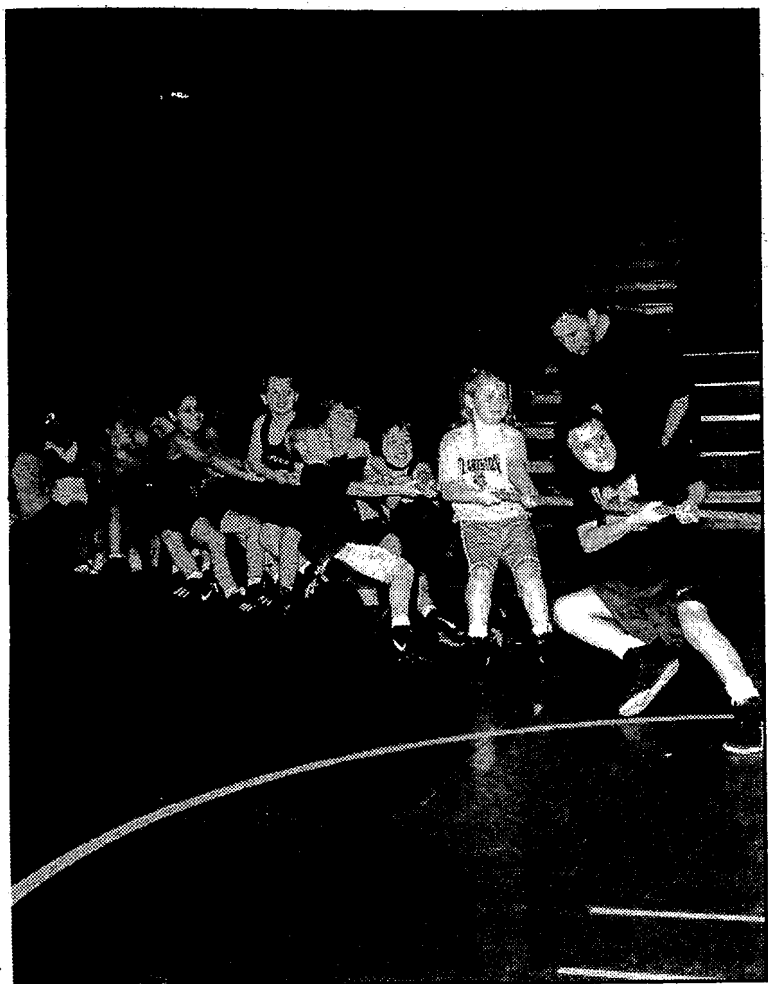
The judges at this year's Pom pon competition specifically liked Clarkston's usage of the poms. Last year and the year before Clarkston finished 12th, improving this year to 10th.

While the competition was a good experience the Palace is probably the only one the Poms will enter this year. But lucky Clarkston fans can catch them at halftime of basketball games all winter long.

**Photos by
Noah Purcell**

With all their might ...

Young wrestlers provide appetizer and mid-meal snack for varsity squads



Young grapplers from Clarkston and Lapeer engage in a bitter tug-a-war on Jan. 11 during a break in matches of Clarkston High School wrestling meet with Lapeer West. The youngsters had plenty of energy left over from the matches the two youth wrestling clubs waged prior to the varsity meet. After a hard fought struggle the team pictured at right pulled the rope into their corner, though neither club was crowned "Tugging Royalty" as the two cities clubs were evenly dispersed on both sides. Photo by Noah Purcell

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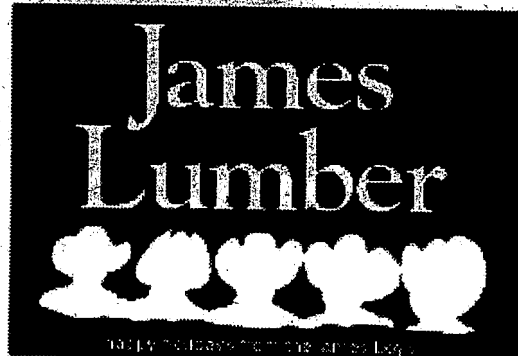


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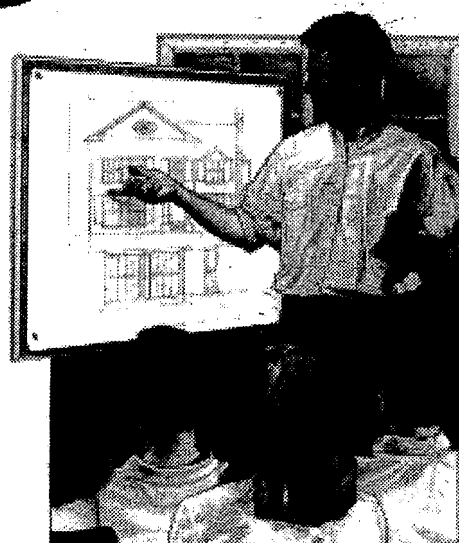
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3 1/2 x 15	Batt	Kraft	15	68	61.55	60.55
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Proposal

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and Recreation funding to no millage proposal at all while economic conditions improve.

"(The PRAC examined) what we can do as a township to stabilize funding," Turk said. "(At the Jan. 17 board meeting) they are giving a summary of what the Parks and Recreation Committee has been working on."

The advisory committee is chaired by David Lohmeier, former member of the Independence Township Planning Commission, and includes many current employees and officials affiliated with both Parks and Recreation, the township and community groups such as the Clarkston Chamber of Commerce.

With expenses expected to continue to rise while the parks and recreation budget remains the same, Turk characterized the move to make the senior center au-

tonomous as a temporary fix.

"We know that this is not going to solve all of the problems," Turk said. "But, I don't think it is a good time to propose a full millage."

The PRAC draft mentions the possible effect school, police, fire and library millages already slated for 2006 might have on a full scale Parks and Recreation millage in August.

The proposal also considers future projected funding options for Parks and Recreation both with and without senior services.

According to the Parks and Recreation departments analysis of revenues and expenditures, should the general fund contribution to the department stay around \$1 million annually in 2007, \$408,800 would be required to maintain and an additional \$438,000 needed to restore. If a millage were used to address those costs, a rate of .2625 would be required to maintain and .2829 to restore - or .5454 together.

The analysis also examined the amount of money

Senior Center

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structure and library in the area."

The artist's rendering was drawn by local architect Jay Noonan about four months ago. Wagner said township Building Director David Belcher worked directly on the drawing. The design in made to fit on the parcel of land located between the Independence Township Library and the new Clarkston Schools administration building on Clarkston Road.

"This is not extravagant, it fits with our community. There are so many pluses to this building," said Wagner. The current 2,400-square-foot building (located in Clintonwood Park) is a disaster waiting to happen."

Some of the pluses Wagner sees with the structure includes:

- senior citizens being able to get out of the weather and not risk slippery walks when arriving at the center,
- plenty of space available for activities,
- and all the specifics a center would need including a storage room, exercise room, commercial kitchen, dining hall, pool hall, administration offices, meeting room and craft room.

"We have a tentative floor plan in the building department, but nothing set in stone," said Wagner.

Even so, the Senior Advisory Board feels more discussion with senior center staff, particularly Director Margaret Bartos, is needed before any further plans are drawn.

"I think it looks pretty terrific," said Board Vice-President Nancy Knitter, "but there are still things we need to know about the internal set-up."

Fortinberry

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would help ease a lot of the tension that exists in the court. An apology would help us get there quicker."

Fortinberry could have received suspension or removal from her bench had the Supreme Court decided not to accept the commission's recommendation and pursue the issue further on their own.

Censure is a finding of misconduct that does not merit suspension or removal, but serves as a deterrent to the accused and other judges who may be engaging in similar behavior.

"I am pleased that the Supreme Court adopted the tenure commission's recommendation in its entirety and that this matter is now concluded," said Executive Director Paul Fischer of the Michigan Judicial Tenure Commission, who served as the Examiner (the prosecutor in judicial misconduct proceedings).

As part of the settlement reached with the commission, Fortinberry admitted she made several statements in the letter that were untrue and which she did not attempt to verify before repeating.

The five-page letter was written by Fortinberry and sent to Dave Curtis, the Vice President of the Oakland County Deputy Sheriff's Association on July 20, 2004. The letter addressed the association's endorsement of Kelley Kostin rather than Magistrate Colleen Murphy, who Fortinberry endorsed. In the letter, Fortinberry raised questions about the death of Robert Kostin's wife Judith Kostin; and how the subsequent investigation afterwards, which ruled the death

President Sandy Meyer agreed, "It's okay as far as the picture goes, but we've not had input on what should be inside."

When asked about the specifics she would like to see inside, Meyer's list matched Wagner's closely. However, Meyer's list also included a gymnasium (even if constructed as a separate building), an elevator to any second floor space, centrally located bathrooms and a senior Alzheimer's daycare area.

"The outside looks good, we still need to work inside," Meyer concluded.

Wagner confirmed he initially received some negative feedback concerning the design.

"Originally, the seniors were disappointed because they felt they hadn't had any input on it," Wagner stated. "I guaranteed them it's not set. We just needed something to show people and get the ball rolling. Now they like it."

Wagner said if a bond issue is passed during the August election, he would like to see a shovel in the ground come Spring 2006.

When asked about any possible millages or bond issues for the new senior center, both Meyer and Knitter spoke favorably.

"Absolutely. The parks and recreation commission sounds like they are right on target," said Meyer. "It's all looking positive. We're all up and excited about this."

"Oh yes, because we need something so desperately," said Knitter. "I think this is a start and will help bring more of the needs of our seniors together."

Senior Center Director Margaret Bartos was unavailable for comment last week. The senior center, located on Clarkston Road, was closed on Monday due to Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

a suicide by the White Lake Township Police Department, was conducted.

The Supreme Court's order stated Fortinberry's behavior violated the Code of Judicial Conduct in three ways:

- by failing to "personally observe high standards of conduct so that the integrity and independence of the judiciary may be preserved,"

- "failure to avoid all impropriety and appearances of impropriety to ensure that public confidence is not eroded,"

- and a "failure to conduct oneself at all times in a manner which would promote the public confidence in the integrity and impartiality of the judiciary."

The order brings to end a lengthy process stemming from the formal complaint filed by the Michigan Judicial Tenure Commission against Fortinberry on May 10.

The charges consisted of two counts including the misrepresentations in the July 2004 letter and misrepresentations at a March 2004 police lodge meeting.

On May 20, Fortinberry officially responded to the complaint asserting the First Amendment protections of political and/or free speech and that the commission could not sufficiently establish the falsity of her representations under Supreme Court case *In Re Chmura*.

On May 31, the Michigan Supreme Court appointed Honorable Robert A. Benson to act as master over the issue. A hearing originally scheduled for Aug. 8 was adjourned to Nov. 28 because of scheduling conflicts. The Nov. 28 hearing was adjourned when the settlement was reached.

needed if the contribution from the general fund to was lowered to \$500,000 annually. The costs to maintain would be the same, but \$938,500 would be required to restore. With less money from the general fund, restoration costs would call for a millage rate of .6055 - or .8679 when combined with maintenance.

"It's very difficult, as a manager, to plan properly and create new programs when you don't know how much money will be available," Turk said. "I think all of our programs have suffered. Last year, when we closed the beach at Bay Court Park, people started to see that."

Coming away from the senior center proposal, the PRAC is slated to continued mulling over dedicated millage options for Parks and Recreation on the whole.

Pick up next week's edition of *The Clarkston News* for reaction to and any board action taken on the proposal. Also check www.clarkstonnews.com for updates.

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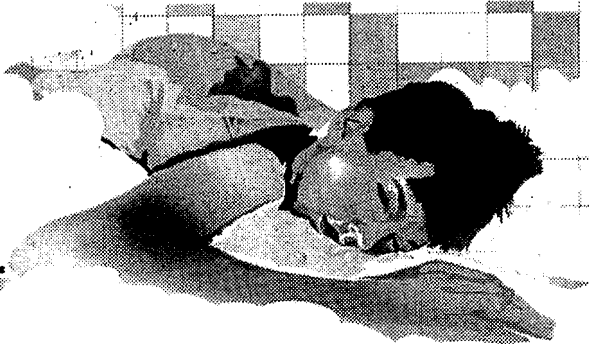
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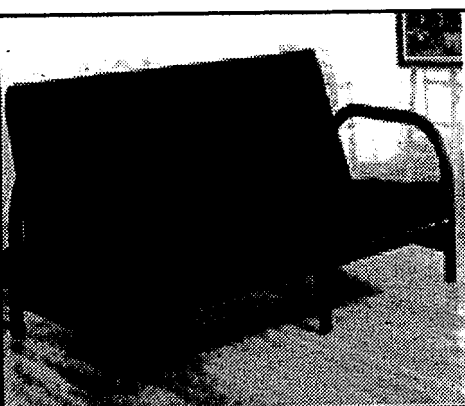
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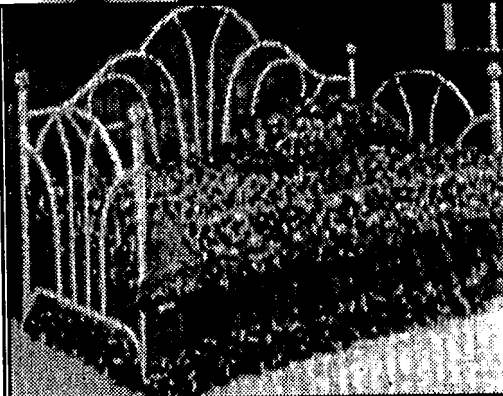


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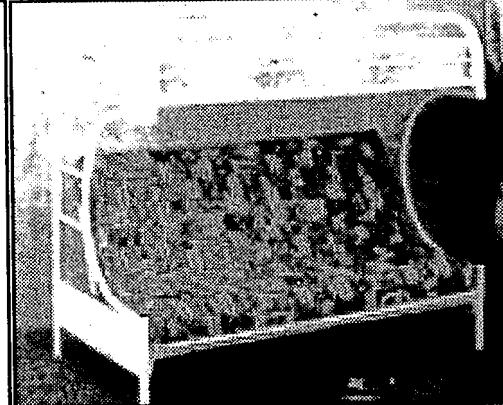
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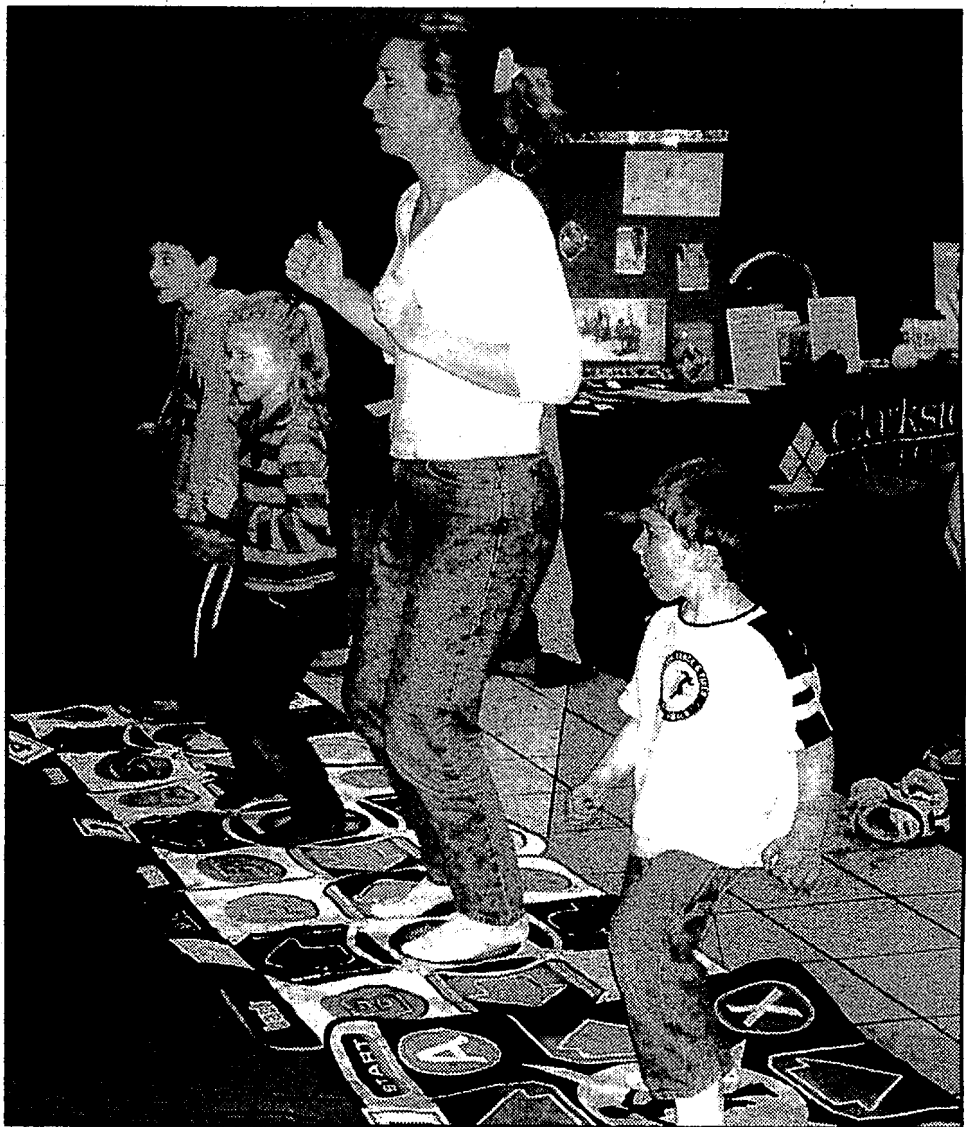
There were activities for visitors of all ages, like Jacob Murray, 2, and Lauren Hartline, 4, who played jump rope with their mothers.



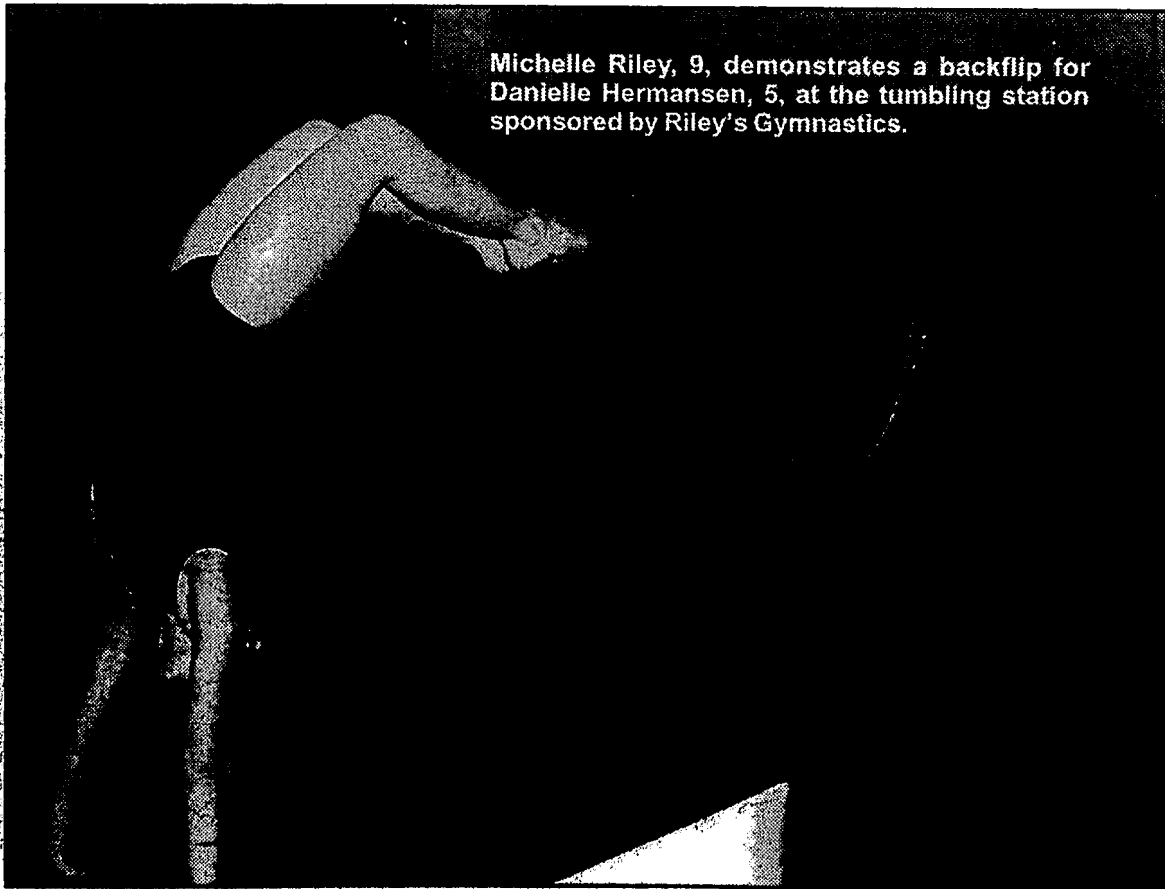
In addition to fun and games, several stations featured health screenings for visitors. Pictured, Riley Dixon, 11, receives a free surface EMG screening from Cara Forney of Vaughn Chiropractic.



The weather was nasty, but turnout was high for the Independence Township Parks and Recreation Family Fun Night Out on Jan. 13. Visitors were treated to healthy snacks, exercise demonstrations, sports, games and free advice to keep in shape.



Who says video games can't be healthy? Certainly none of the Nicholas family, who had a fun workout with a dancing remix on an Xbox. Pictured (left-right) are Michael, Molly, Beth and Matthew.



Michelle Riley, 9, demonstrates a backflip for Danielle Hermansen, 5, at the tumbling station sponsored by Riley's Gymnastics.

People Poll

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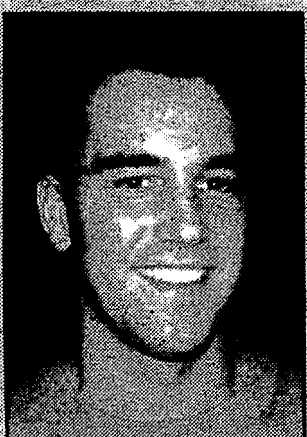
"Use a gym membership if you have it or turn on some music and dance in the kitchen with your kids."

— Marie Bristow



"Raising my daughter keeps me very active."

— Brian Foster



"I go to the gym, showshoe and hike."

— Jeff Morris



"I run in place or I wake up really early and do some exercise with my music."

— Grace Peterson

By Andrew
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Who are the Pillars of Clarkston?

What is a pillar of a community?

Without seeking praise, someone who works tirelessly to make the town around them a better place to live? A business which is as much a landmark as a store? An event which on a yearly basis brings the community closer together?

In short, a pillar is that which provides support for, promotes togetherness in and allows for growth across a community, all at the same time.

In late October 2005, *The Clarkston News* asked for submissions as to who or what are the *Pillars of Clarkston*. This week, we are happy to kick off the series with three individuals nominated by our readers.

CHS Athletics

When asking whether or not Clarkston schools athletics are a Pillar of Clarkston, one only has to look as far as the parking lots at the high school during football games on rainy fall nights or in the dead of winter as the basketball team tilts towards the playoffs. The lots, packed to the gills are a tell tale sign of how much the community cares about their Wolves.

Those looking for further evidence need only listen to long time public address announcer Dale Ryan welcome everyone from grandmas and uncles to a sporting event. Or look at the way Clarkston fans pack the visitors' stands for playoff games, or better yet, just for games.

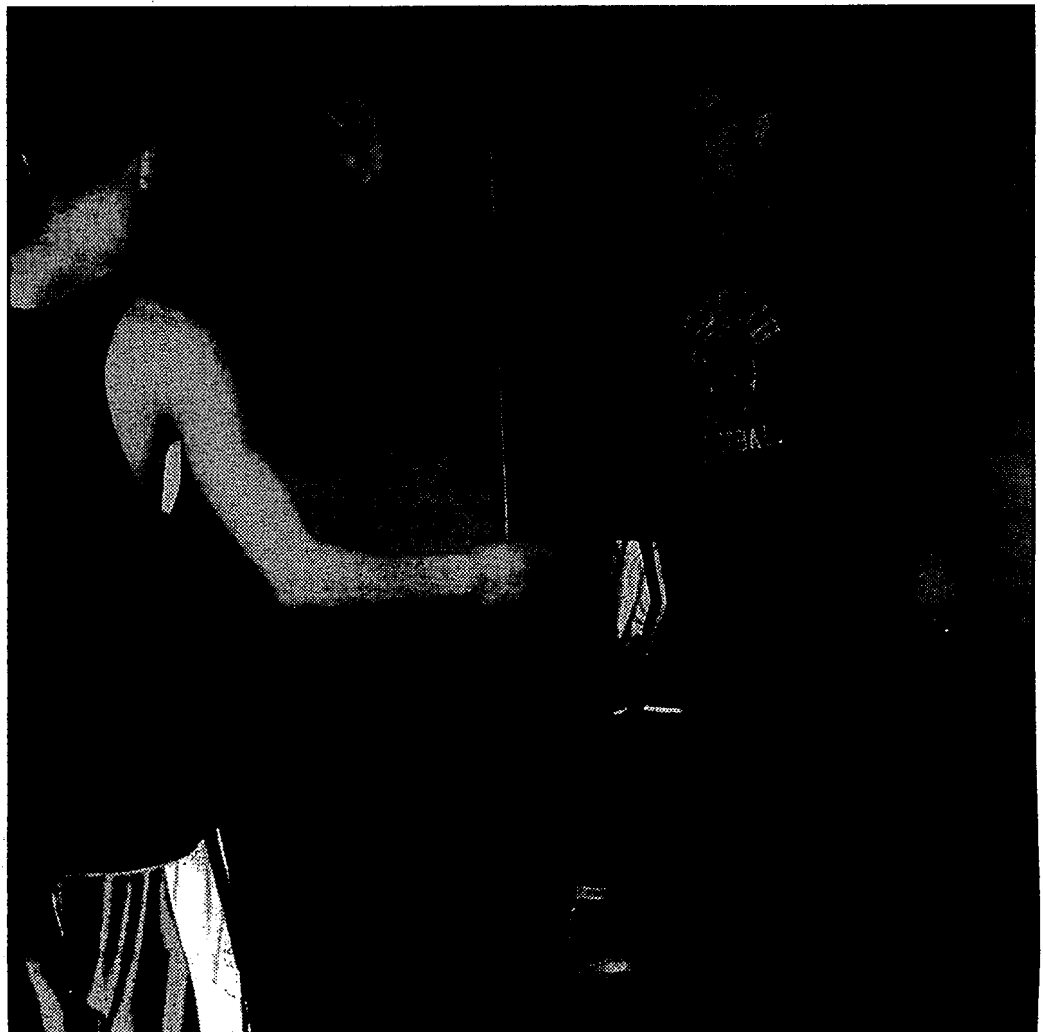
Maybe things would be different if the Clarkston schools were set up like so many of the districts in Oakland County, splitting the high school population across two or three locations.

But the emotional heart of the community is firmly wrapped around the highs and lows of the Wolves and the Wolves alone. And while there may not be any story-book cross town rivalry each year, everyone, from the coaches to the players to the fans enjoys the action all the same.

In Clarkston rivals are not born, they are forged through years of tough competition. Prime examples of these coal-fed competitions are football games or wrestling matches against Lake Orion or basketball games against Pontiac Northern.

"(Clarkston) kids go home and say 'I can't wait to play football or basketball or run cross country for Jamie LaBrosse,'" said Mel Vaara, who serves as a historian for CHS athletics and last year wrote a retrospective on Clarkston sports for *The Clarkston News*.

"Feeding the kids well when they are young has them coming back for more.



Dan Fife's McGrath camp is an example of how Wolves' sports are bigger than the high school itself. Photo by Noah Purcell

You are whetting their appetite and they just can't wait to get the main course in high school," added Vaara.

True to their Wolves moniker, the Clarkston High School athletic programs take care to ensure the cubs grow into strong members of the pack.

The premier example of this is Clarkston Athletic Director and Basketball Coach Dan Fife's McGrath Basketball league, which he has run for the past 24 years.

"With McGrath, one of the whole ideas was just to get kids playing. Back when I started 24 years ago, there was nothing going on in the rec department, so I started it just to get kids playing," Fife said.

The McGrath league operates out of the CHS gymnasium on Saturdays, from the first weekend in December to the end of February.

"Early on we had dads that were coaching and it was beginning to be too structured, too much complaining from the parents, about officials about this that and the other," Fife said.

After the first four years, Fife pleasantly stripped the parents out of the McGrath league and brought in members of the varsity basketball team instead to referee and

coach games.

"I think sometimes our kids play too much in structure and not enough just playing where they can make mistakes and not worry about making mistakes. They will refine themselves rather than just quit trying to do anything," Fife said. "At McGrath I keep it unstructured for a reason, knowing full well that they will get structure as it goes on. I want it to be physical and rough with no complaints. I don't want them to worry about winning and losing, although we keep score — and the kids for some reason always know what their win-loss record is. But I could care less."

In Fife's view of the McGrath league, not being concerned with individual teams' winning percentage and lackluster play are not part of the same equation.

"I fully expect kids to be competitive, I want them to always be competitive. But I don't want them worried about winning and losing at McGrath. It's almost like backyard ball with a little control."

The de-emphasis on structure has allowed some, Fife's own progeny included, to thrive.

"For instance, if you have a tall kid, the

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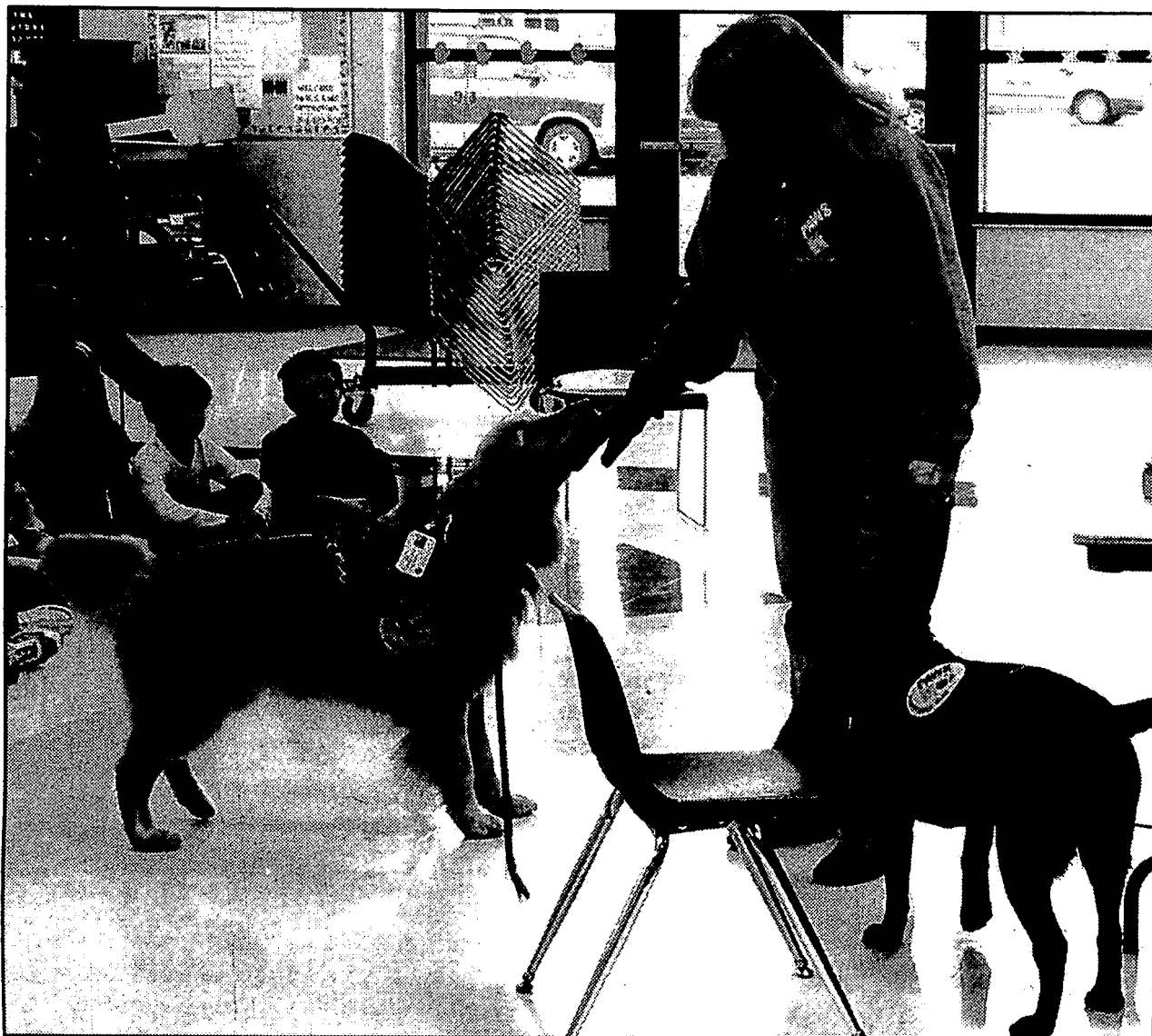
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- A spaghetti dinner is scheduled for Jan. 20 from 5-7 p.m. All are invited for dinner out with your family, friends or out on your own. Enjoy friendly faces and all you can eat spaghetti and meat sauce, salad and Italian garlic bread for \$5 (note the increase in price due to continually rising costs). Yummy desserts are \$1 extra.

- Warm up at a Snowball Picnic on Jan. 25 11:30



Lending a helping paw...

In addition to lessons at disability awareness stations, fourth-graders at North Sashabaw Elementary received a visit from two specials guests on Jan. 11 - Ranger and Whisper - from "PAWS with a Cause," a nonprofit organization that trains helper dogs for people with disabilities. Pictured, PAWS volunteer Gail Montgomery works with Ranger and Whisper in demonstrating how the dogs can help people get undressed. Photo by Andrew DuPont

a.m.-1 p.m., complete with outdoor grilled steak, chicken and homemade picnic fare. Russ Beck will sing hot favorites from Cole Porter, Frank Sinatra, Mel Torme and Tony Bennett. Wear summer clothes over or under your "snuggies." Cost is \$6. Deadline is Jan. 20.

• A Rite Aid pharmacist will explain the new Medicare prescription program from a pharmacist's point of view on Jan. 30 at 11 a.m. Come hear her remarks and ask questions about this program for older adults. Call the senior center and leave your name and phone number to reserve your place.

There's always something new at the Independence Township Library:

- Celebrate reading at the Winter Read-A-Thon on Jan. 30 from 4:30 - 8 p.m. Children ages 8-12 are invited to attend an evening of fun and reading that is sure to add excitement to a dreary winter night.

The event features plenty of breaks for yummy snacks, pizza, games and activities. Bring pillows, sleeping bags, blankets and anything else to keep you comfy. Grab some library books or bring your own.

Space is limited, so please register soon!

For more information or to register for these great events, please call 248-625-2212 or stop by the library located on Clarkston Road.

Christmas In Action of Clarkston is hosting "A Night at the Races" fund-raiser on Jan. 21.

Wooden reindeer sponsored by local businesses, groups and individuals will race to the finish line at Columbiere Center.

CIA is a coalition of volunteers who come together the last Saturday in April to provide free home repairs to qualified low income seniors or handicapped homeowners. The Columbiere Center is located at 9075 Big Lake Road.

For information on sponsoring and tickets, please call 248-618-7433 or write to CIA of Clarkston, P.O. Box 644, Clarkston, MI 48347.

The Springfield Township Library announces their newest activities!

- Beginning at 4:15 p.m. Tuesdays on Jan. 24, school-aged children can participate in the After School Craft Days.

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

For information on these and all the other great library activities, please call 248-846-6550.

The Widowed Support Group will meet on Feb. 2 at 7 p.m. in the Independence Township Senior Center. This month's topic is "Creating Healing Grief Rituals."

This free meeting is facilitated by Bereavement Counselor Alicia Brown. There is no registration required, walk-ins are welcome.

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

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A whole new world of charity and teamwork

BY JAMES MARTINEZ
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Scott Lake saw the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina and wanted to help. He wanted to do more than just donate money, but like many people he lacked the resources to individually provide the help he felt necessary.

With the recent release of a CD called "Chrysalid: Musicians for Katrina Relief," whose proceeds go to help Katrina victims, Lake found a way to incorporate his unique musical talents with others around the world, while sitting at his computer in Independence Township.

"I don't know how to build houses. I know how to make music and that's a neat way to help Katrina victims," said Lake, who plays the guitar and piano and tinkers with electronic music recorded in his basement.

The CD is an on-line collaboration between 44 independent recording artists from 14 countries donating their music to help hurricane victims.

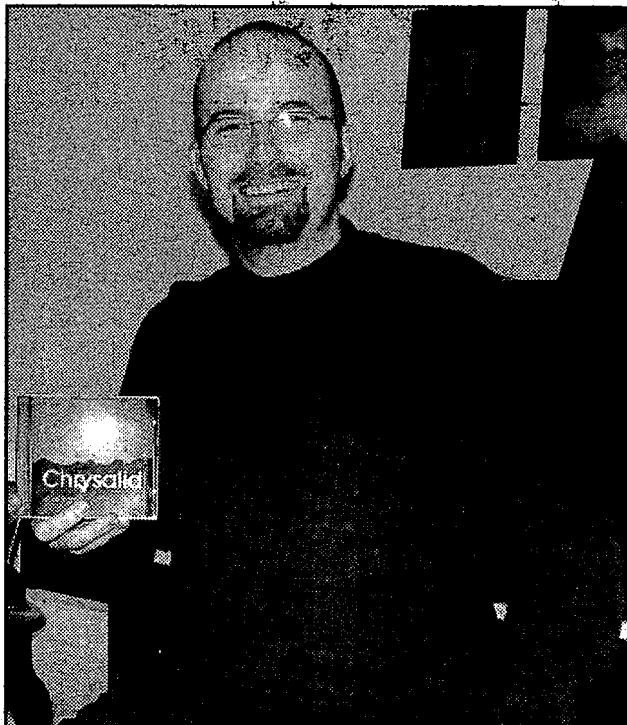
"A few of the people are professional musicians, but most of the people do it as a hobby," said Lake who works as an engineer for General Motors.

The project started on-line as a collaboration between international musicians who communicate through www.kvraudio.com, a community forum, said Lake who participated in the project.

"I use the forum because it's where I get technical support for the software I use. It's people from around the world," said Lake.

"(The CD) doesn't happen without the participation of all the people with different bits of expertise. Even the graphic design was from people on the thread. The only thing we didn't do was pour the plastic for the molds and the actual physical printing," said Lake.

"Chrysalid: Musicians for Katrina Relief" is a double compact disc compilation with song styles including rock, electronic, pop, blues, jazz, ambient, hip hop and folk. All the tracks were submitted over the internet



Independence Township resident Scott Lake worked from his basement recording studio to combine with people around the world to release a CD called "Chrysalid: Musicians for Katrina Relief." The proceeds from the CD go to charities helping Hurricane Katrina victims. Photo by James Martinez

allowing Lake to work with people who in most cases have never met. The group interacted almost exclusively through discussion threads on-line, e-mails and private computer messages.

"To think 10 years ago this was virtually impossible for the average guy. The computer and internet have allowed this," said Lake. "With the internet we have a responsibility to help out. We can't be ignorant anymore."

Lake estimated the project took only about four

months starting last September, with sales ready around the end of December. He credited the quick release to the fact that contributors lived in many different countries and time zones, allowing some people to go to bed for the night while others were awake working on the CD in their part of the world.

In addition to producing the CD quickly, the project was funded mostly through pre-orders.

"We took pre-orders for it. We contacted music software developers who donated raffle-type software. During orders, some buyers would win free software. No one really anted up their own cash," said Lake, who explained the software freebies helped generate interest.

Approximately 176 of the 500 CDs produced were sold through pre-orders on-line. Lake hopes all 500 sell, which he estimated would raise between \$9,000 and \$10,000. He did not rule out an additional printing if all goes well.

The CD costs \$25, of which \$21 will be split evenly between the American Red Cross and Habitat for Humanity. The deducted amounts go to the distributor, said Lake. The pre-ordered CD's turned a slightly lower profit due to shipping costs, but customers now pay for shipping.

Lake's track "Home Again," is an original song he performs while playing the piano. "Home Again" is from the point of view of a displaced musician struggling with the stresses caused by the hurricane. The musically gifted evacuee finally finds a piano while searching for a home and sits to play a song. The man is eventually approached by a stranger who invites him to come play music with his band.

"Home Again" is one of the demo tracks and is number five on disc 1. Lake is listed at 'Rockstar_not'

Those interested in purchasing the double CD or listening to sample tracks can visit <http://www.cdbaby.com/cd/chrysalid>. A preview of the artists can be found at www.katrinareliefed.com.

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Dr. Abraham is a Clarkston High School graduate and attended the University of Michigan Medical School. Dr. Moscovic, also a Clarkston native, attended Michigan State University - College of Osteopathic Medicine. Both are William Beaumont Hospital trained and specialize in internal medicine and pediatrics.

Dr. Cossley is a graduate of Wayne State University Medical School, she trained at William Beaumont hospital, specializing in Internal Medicine and Pediatrics.

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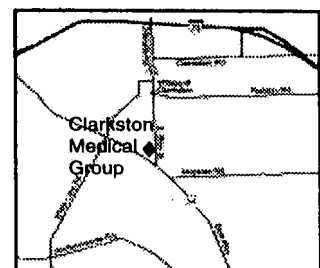


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Milestones

In service for our country...



Lieutenant Colonel Jack Mason, of Clarkston, was recently awarded the Army Combat Action Badge by Major General William M. Lenaers, commander of U. S. Tank and Automotive Command, Warren, during a ceremony conducted on Dec. 7, 2005.

The badge was awarded for actively engaging enemy forces in Kabul, Afghanistan on Oct. 11, 2004.

LTC Mason along with his wife, Hope, is pictured with MG Lenaers at the ceremony.

Local graduate in Air Force Marathon

Air National Guard Staff Sgt. Lyle B. Black participated in the ninth annual Air Force Marathon run at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Dayton, Ohio, the home of the Air Force Museum.

All levels of runners and wheelchair participants, both military and civilian, from around the world competed in either the 26.2-mile run or as part of a four-person relay team, a ½ marathon or 5K run.

The marathon passed through historical places on Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, including the National Museum of the Air Force (start and finish line), the Air Force Institute of Technology, Headquarters Air Force

Material Command, the base's flightline and the Wright Brothers Memorial Monument.

Participants were allowed eight hours to complete the marathon.

Black, a fire protection supervisor with eight years of military service, is assigned to the 127th Civil Engineer Squadron, Selfridge Air National Guard Base, Mount Clemens, Mich.

He is the son of Lyle Black of Foster Road, Clarkston, Mich., and Tami Black of Petrolia, West Bloomfield.

His wife, Jill, is the daughter of Gerald Nagy, and Debbie Nagy, both of Lapeer, Mich.

The sergeant is a 1997 graduate of Clarkston High School.

Clarkston News to hold wedding, anniversary and engagement announcements

The Clarkston News is currently collecting all wedding, anniversary and engagement announcements for a special section coming out in Feb.

Anyone wishing to submit their special occasion can drop them off at our downtown office at 5 S. Main St. or e-mail them to shermanpub@aol.com. attn:

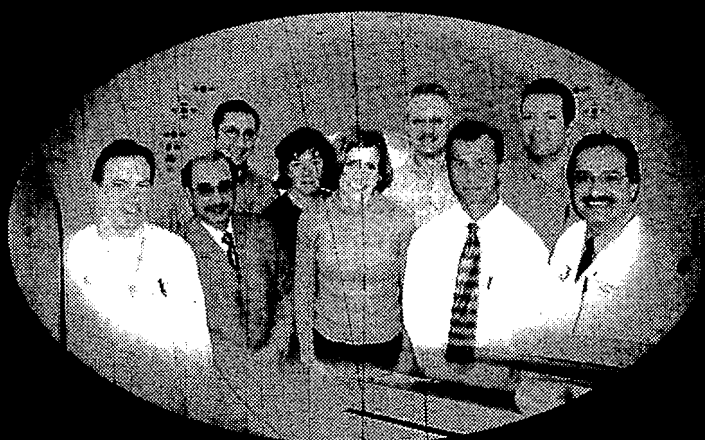
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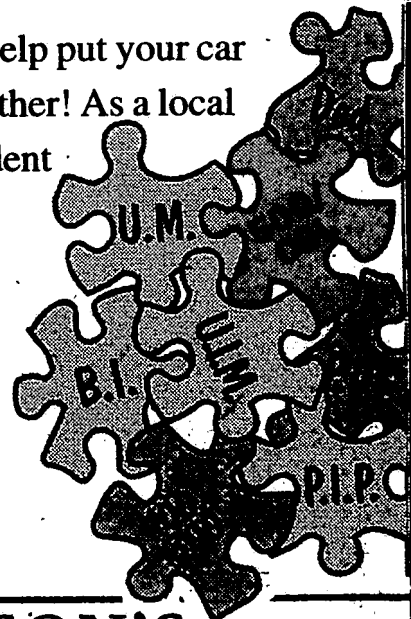
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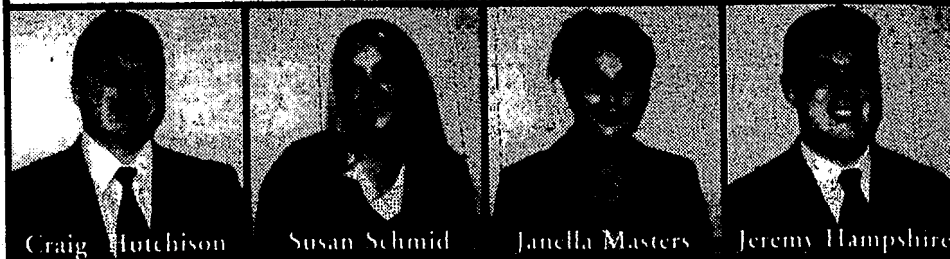
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Religion

The boy with backwards feet.

Most of the time we live out our faith at home, in our community, our workplace and places where daily life takes us. Mission trips are the out of the ordinary. Yet they open our eyes to not just the need of others, but also help us appreciate what God has given us here at home. It was on a mission trip that I met Eddi.

In a busy makeshift medical clinic in Barahona, a village near the Haitian border in the Dominican Republic, was the first time I met Eddi. It was February 2003 and Eddi came to our one week medical mission clinic with his mother. He walked backwards as a result of a birth deformity called "club feet." Eddi was 14-years-old and did not have the opportunity to obtain surgery.

It was devastating to watch Eddi walk, yet proficient. He only wanted to see if the "Angels from America" could fix his feet. As a volunteer in a medical mission to the Dominican Republic for the past 11 years, viewing untreated medical conditions is a common occurrence, yet never easy to witness. Treatments that we take for granted are often completely out of reach for the people there.

A local interpreter worked with our medical mission and explained to Eddi and his mother that we would not be able to complete this surgery. He needed many surgeries and physical therapy. The look of hope left his eyes.

I asked him to come back the next day with no

idea of what we could do. He came back and we worked to try to see if we could pool our money together to obtain the surgery he needed in Santo Domingo (five hours away). This option was impossible. Eddi lived in a small hut with his mother and five siblings; and was the breadwinner for the family working in a bakery. Healthcare in the Dominican Republic is most often unavailable for the poor, hence the reason his feet were never repaired as they should have been in infancy.

I left Barahona with only his address and the cellphone number of our interpreter. I was unable to get him from my mind when I returned home. The events that took place over the next 18 month put a multitude of angels in place that enabled Eddi to come to the United States.

It began as a simple talk at St. Daniel's Catholic Church. They support my mission and I share my stories with them at presentations. After I spoke at the church about Eddi, a parishioner informed me of an organization that helps to bring children for medical care each Mother's Day.

I contacted the Healing the Children Foundation and learned that this would be very difficult due to Eddi's age, no birth certificate to obtain a passport and lack of transportation to be evaluated for the program in Santo Domingo. With many phone calls, wiring of money and lots of red tape, Eddi was brought to Michigan by a volunteer airline hostess. He had a tremendous smile and empty suitcase with only the applesauce and pretzels he had saved from the airplane.

Please see Eddi, page 16B

Spiritual Matters



Maureen Tippen
St. Dan's

In our churches...

Church of the Resurrection hosts **Winter Beach Party** on Jan. 22 from noon to 3 p.m. at the Concord Inn on M-59 in Waterford. Children must bring swimsuit, towel and signed permission slip to swim. Pizza and pop is provided. Reservations must be made by Jan. 20. For more info call Dina Edwards at 248-851-8429 or the church at 248-625-2325. Church of the Resurrection is located at 6490 Clarkston Road.

The Church of Resurrection's **Bible study** begins Jan. 18 and continues on Wednesdays. Fr. Don Duford leads the study of The Book of Revelations. Morning sessions run from 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m. and evening sessions from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. The study is open to the community. Optional resource books cost \$22. For more info call 248-625-2325. Church of the Resurrection is located at 6490 Clarkston Road.

Clarkston Community Church is sponsoring "**Journey to Financial Freedom**," a seminar by Crown Financial Ministries combining Biblical principles of money management with practical applications in a fast-paced format, on Feb. 11. Issues include credit card debt, personal bankruptcy and budgeting. The seminar runs from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and is open to the public and costs \$20 per person, which includes materials and lunch. Registration is available at www.crown.org or by calling the church. For more info call 248-625-1323. Clarkston Community Church is located at 6300 Clarkston Road.

St. Daniel Catholic Church is hosting "**Spiritual Direction Retreat**" starting Feb. 5 from 1 to 4 p.m.

Please see In Our Churches on page 16B

Church Directory

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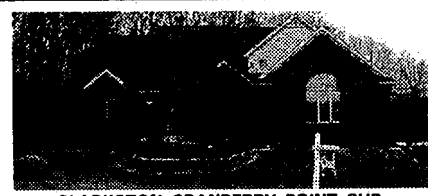
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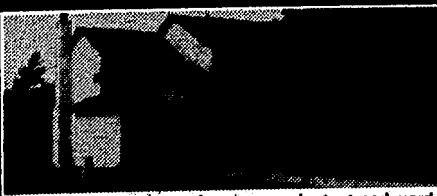
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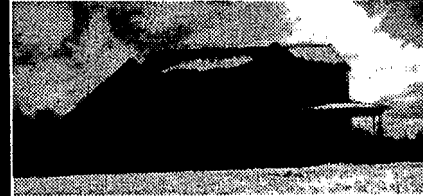


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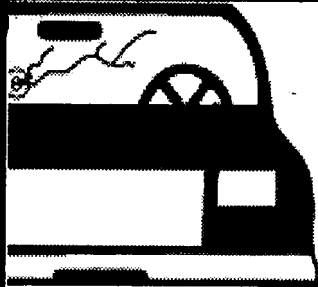
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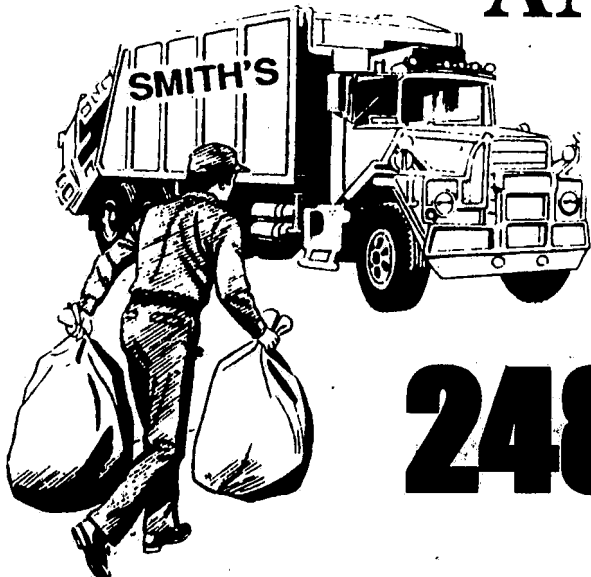
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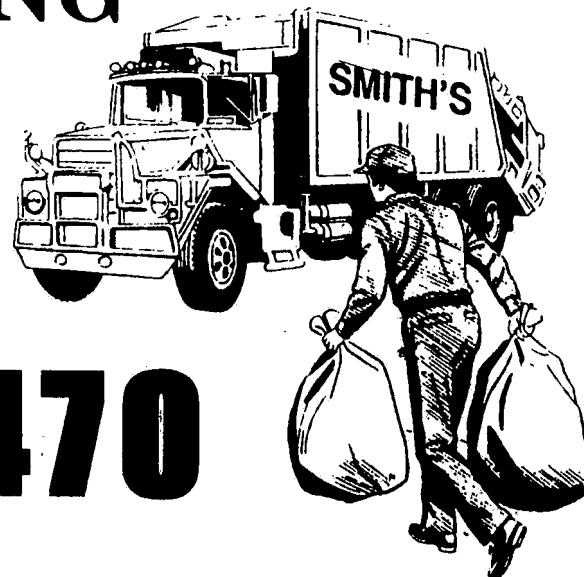
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Clarkston students gain perspective on disabilities

BY ANDREW DUPONT
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Fourth-graders throughout the Clarkston School district are experiencing a piece of life through the eyes, ears, bodies and minds of those with physical or mental disabilities.

Clarkston and North Sashabaw Elementary were the first in the district to participate in the Disability Awareness Workshop this year, but all seven elementary schools are scheduled to do so.

The workshop was started by Debra Branham and Lisa Kowlaski in Rochester, and Clarkston schools have participated for several years.

The workshop involves nine

stations setup in the schools' gymnasium and cafeteria. Each station features items or challenges for students that show them how people with certain disabilities function.

Students are challenged to maneuver through the building in a wheelchair, play games without the use of certain limbs and try homework assignments written backwards.

Stations also feature many of the devices used by people with disabilities to help them through their day. By using these devices, students are given the chance to gain some serious perspective and hopefully social understanding about people with disabilities.

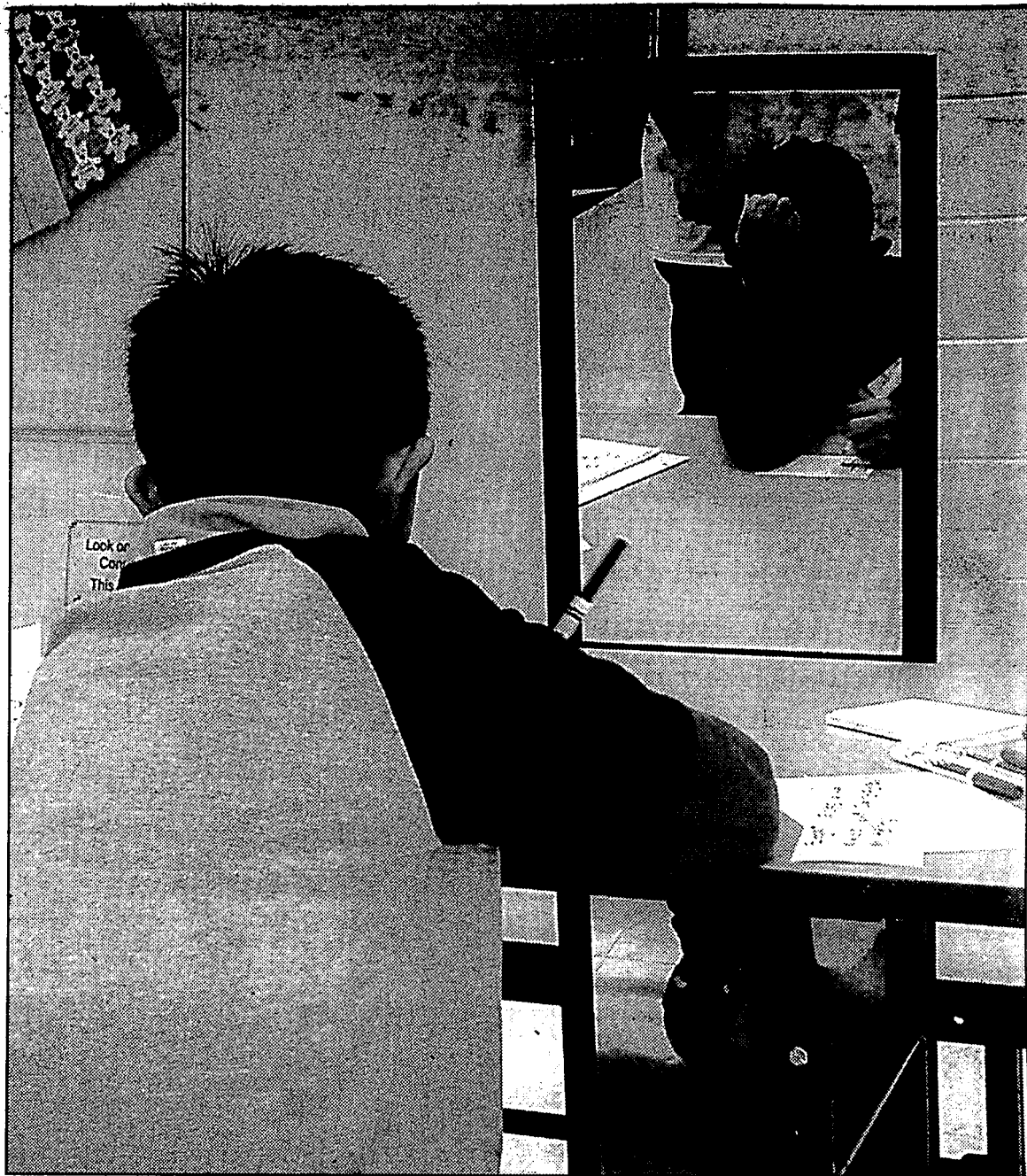
Photos by Andrew DuPont



Stations featured devices for people with severe disabilities, such as this head pointer device used by NSE student Kirsten Isbell. The headgear is intended for use by people who cannot speak or use their hands in order to communicate.



Blindfolded, NSE student Jordan Robertson finds his way through the cafeteria with a walking stick.



Something as simple as writing your own name can be frustrating for people with perceptual or coordination problems, as NSE student Edgar Esmabe learned by trying to write his name while looking in a mirror.



NSE Student Trevor Lemon hears his voice through an electric larynx at a station featuring devices for people with speech disabilities.

Reality shows are nothing new

I hate reality shows. In my opinion, there is nothing "real" about a bunch of people being filmed while they compete in staged contests.

Yes, I know that these are very popular shows. I suppose there will always be that human curiosity in the melodrama of life. I sometimes hear people come into the museum and discuss the daily life of our first pioneers as if everything back then was all so rosy and simple.

Historical Society



Toni Smith

But the life of our first residents wasn't only about farm chores, church socials and quilting bees. A sensational story was just as popular back in Clarkston's early times as it is today, and one of the earliest on record was the murder of a local farmer named Patrick Tully.

Mr. Tully was one of Clarkston's first settlers and he owned a farm located north of town on M-15

and Oakhill Road. According to the December 10, 1857 edition of the *Pontiac Jacksonian* newspaper, Patrick had been missing for several days when his body was found under suspicious circumstances.

Soon afterward, three of his sons were arrested and charged with the "perpetration of the atrocious deed." The trial was held in Pontiac and Moses Wisner was one of the defense lawyers. It was claimed that the three sons - John, Robert and Charles - had willfully murdered their father in order to get possession of \$600 the old gentleman had laid away in the house.

After nine days in court, Robert and John were convicted and Charles was acquitted. The two guilty men were sent to the penitentiary in Jackson for a life term, but that wasn't the end of the story.

In a twist that sounds more like our mod-

ern courts, it was determined that due to a technicality in the way the jury pronounced the verdict, a new trial must take place. In March of 1860, the second trial was begun and this time, John and Robert were deemed innocent, acquitted and set free. So who murdered farmer Tully? The case was never solved.

Although I'm sure the crime rate in town was pretty low (and relatively speaking it still is), that's not to say that the local sheriff spent his time fishing like Sheriff Taylor in Mayberry RFD.

The Clarkston Heritage Museum has in its collection a group of Oakland County Jail record books from the early 1880s. The list of offenses is quite interesting because some of them are obviously from a different time period, whereas many of the offenses are just as "popular" today.

Some examples found in the record books are; Thomas W. (45) - seduction, James B. (40) - whipping wife,

John P. (66) - horse stealing, Mrs. D. (24) - adultery, Elias W. (42) - for letting mare out of barn, Louisa H. (54) - insane, James B. (42) - fighting chickens, Henry A. (26) - highway robbery and Mary C. (24) - murder. Of course, the list goes on and on, but you get the idea.

So what's my point? I guess it's just that the reality we live with today has certainly evolved in many ways from that in earlier generations, but at the risk of sounding like a cliché, not much has really changed.

And personally, I'm okay with that. I love history and find it so much more interesting because those early generations didn't live in a rose colored world. There were family problems, disappointments and hardship all along the way, but then... that's reality!

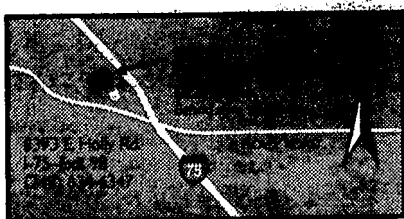
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first thing a young coach is going to do is put him with his back to the basket and never let him dribble. Dane (Fife) would have never got the opportunity at 6'4" had he not played McGrath where he learned to dribble the ball and do all kinds of things."

On the surface the McGrath league is a place where children can play and hopefully learn to love the game of basketball, but beneath the top layer of screeching shoes and balls flowing through hoops lies a deeper purpose. The bonding between the varsity players who staff the league and the kids, ranging from third to eighth grade, creates a cohesiveness to the basketball program as a whole.

"My feeling is, if our players do a good job with the kids, get to know the kids and talk to them, they will someday want to grow up and be like (current varsity players) Joe Moran or John Kast or Robbie Ronk or Ian Sabbag. They get to know (the players) and then they see our games, they are there on Friday nights, see (the players) win or lose and how they act and then the next morning (the players) are right back with those kids again and the kids can identify with them," Fife said. "It works, it really has worked. I don't know that we are producing NBA players all the time, but it seems to work for Clarkston."

When the McGrath league began their were 35 participants, these days there are over 300.

Three weeks of fundamentals begin each McGrath session, while Fife is well aware that most participants value the games which fill the last portion of the schedule he hopes when the kids watch the varsity games, the reasons for teaching the basics become clear.

"If they come and watch the games they can put (the fundamentals) to use. For instance if they see somebody like Robbie (Ronk) dribble the ball under pressure and how he can go between his legs and the passing and a lot of the things that we do," said Fife, adding that the experience of working at McGrath often helps the teachers as much as the students.

"It's surprising when I hear (the varsity players) talk to the (McGrath) kids during games because they are saying some of the things that I say to them during the (CHS) games. It helps our kids learn how to communicate with kids, it puts them out in the public eye, they have to be responsible and present themselves well to adults. It just seems like a win-win for everybody," Fife said.

Though the McGrath league fills the alpha role in linking the Wolves to their younger counterparts, the example ripples throughout Clarkston sports.

Clarkston Volleyball Coach Kelly Avenall runs a summer camp for volleyball players beginning with those entering the fifth grade.

"They are learning the Clarkston system," Avenall said, adding she can see a noticeable difference in the skill level of kids who work on their game in the off-season.

Avenall is in her third year as the varsity coach at Clarkston, having taken over for longtime coach Gordie Richardson. She hopes in time to set up a McGrath style league for Clarkston's young volleyball players.

"I have been writing down things I want to bring in," Avenall said.

She does not have a timetable for the volleyball league styled like McGrath but thought the spring of 2007 would be a safe estimate.

The concept of varsity athletes passing their knowledge back to the youth is also employed by Clarkston baseball coach Phil Price. Teaching at Price's baseball

and softball camp, is an opportunity to come full circle.

"I've come to this camp since I was six or seven. "It's a nice feeling to see the kids learning from me," said Mike Navarre, CHS varsity baseball player, when he was interviewed during the camp this past June.

Another facet of Clarkston's athletic community is direct involvement of coaches with the middle school and junior high sports programs, as well with independent groups set up for younger children.

"The middle school is automatic. Our program is grades 7-12," said Clarkston Football Coach Kurt Richardson.

While the terminology, drills and methods at Sashabaw Middle School and Clarkston Junior High School mirror those of the big brother football programs at the high school, the Clarkston Chiefs youth football team is certainly part of the family as well.

"What's important is (the Chiefs) keep the kids excited about the game. We don't want to sour any kids on playing football," Clarkston Football Coach Kurt Richardson said.

The Clarkston wrestling program operates in much the same manner with the Clarkston Wrestling Club.

"It's almost like we are building a wrestling curriculum. The (Clarkston Wrestling Club) is supposed to feed into the junior high," said Clarkston Wrestling Coach Joe DeGain. "Sometimes the terminology is different but we try to design it so there is a single wrestling curriculum."

DeGain, while mentioning his respect for the parents who organize the CWC, added that while in attendance at CWC practices he has not only shared his methods but also picked up teaching tips for the varsity team.

The culture surrounding Clarkston sports is one that runs deeply through the community. It is easy to see when looking at the explosion of long distance hopefuls in the middle and junior high after the CHS' girls team won three straight state championships. The culture is one that features baseball players attached to the same nickname their father bore while in a Wolves uniform. And that culture, whether over generations or grade levels is surely a Pillar of Clarkston.

— NOAH PURCELL

All three parts of Mel Vaara's reflections on Clarkston athletics can be found on our website: www.clarkstonnews.com. Please search for: Vaara remembers Clarkston sports, Vaara continues sports reflections and Clarkston sports bring more memories in our editorial section.

Stan Garwood



Stan and Kathy Garwood

Stan Garwood hears about problems and tries to fix them.

Having practiced counseling for approximately 25 years in the Clarkston area, he helped many with individual, marriage and other problems.

Garwood's clinic is the oldest in Clarkston according to his wife Kathy, who credited her husband with helping her get back into work with the school system and work as a grief counselor after raising their family.

Over the years, Garwood was involved in the community as a member of the Clarkston Youth Assistance Board, co-chairing the annual golf fund-raiser. He's also served as president and member of the Clarkston Area Optimist Club, participated in the St. Daniel Men's Club, Habitat for Humanity and Lighthouse North.

Over the past four or five years, Garwood has teamed up with others to extend a caring touch to those suffering from the effects of natural disasters through the North Oakland Disaster Relief Team, a group he cofounded with Bob Hadden.

"It's great because you're helping people recover from a disaster who don't usually have the insurance or support to deal with that disaster," said Garwood.

NODRT is a coalition of churches, businesses, organizations and individuals in North Oakland County who strive to bring aid to victims of natural disasters. NODRT sent two groups down to help in the Gulf Coast Region this past year to help victims of Hurricane Katrina.

"It's amazing how (the experience) changes people. They see life differently and have a much more mature perspective of life. They realize what's important and what's not important," said Garwood. "The work is gratifying and I usually seem to get more out of it than the victims do."

Kathy who's also been part of NODRT said Hadden and Garwood hoped through NODRT they could participate in the disaster relief efforts among adults, yet make it affordable for those going on the trips.

"I saw it mushroom from a small group to this large group of people from different churches with their focus on helping those who've been through a disaster," said Kathy.

In addition to his desire to help people, Kathy said Garwood has a passion for the area and supporting its local businesses.

"He eats at Pete's Coney because he feels you need to take care of people in your area. He goes to Brose Electric too. He's adamant about supporting local business," said Kathy. "You know he's a Clarkstonite because he has a mug at the bake shop."

Garwood earned a bachelor's degree in education and psychology at St. Mary's College in 1966, a master's in guidance and counseling at the University of Detroit in 1968 and a master's of social work from the University of Michigan in 1983.

Before coming to the Clarkston area, Garwood worked as a therapist, group worker and supervisor at Macomb Child Guidance Clinic, Inc. in Utica from 1968 to 1982. He also worked at the Macomb Child Guidance Clinic in Mt. Clemens from 1975 to 1980. In 1976, he was a co-founder of the Michigan Association for Infant Mental Health. The following year, he founded the Macomb Association for Infant Mental Health.

The Garwoods moved to Independence Township in 1979 from Warren, Michigan. They raised three kids who were Clarkston High School graduates. Karin (Mitchell) married Steve and has two children Reilly, 4, and Annika, 2. Brian and his wife Sherry have children Nathan, 5, and Alicia, 3. Gordie is married to Tammy.

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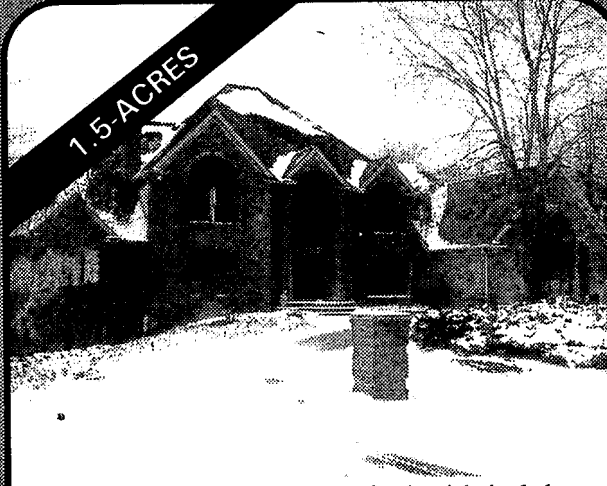
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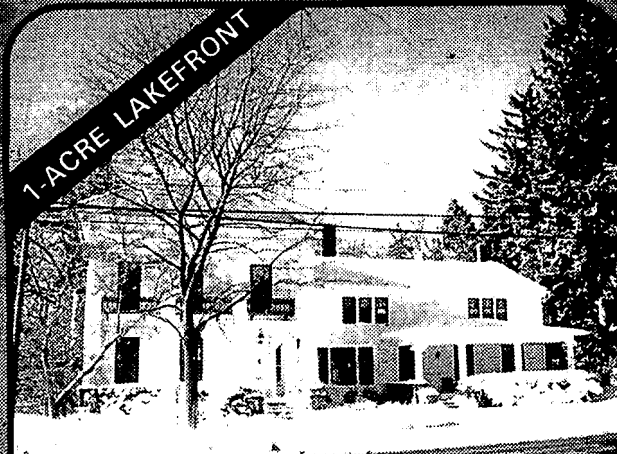
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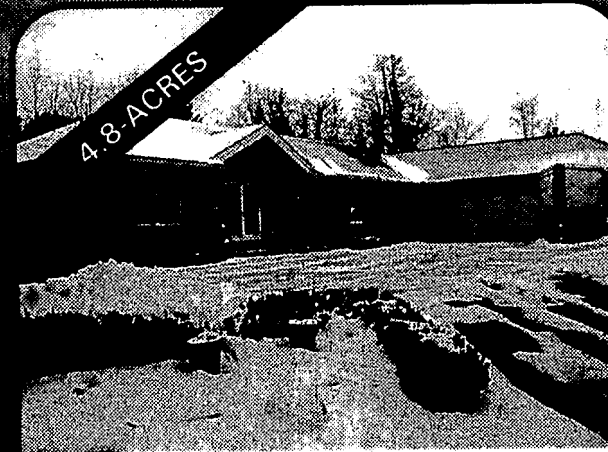
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'Sylvia' fetches laughter and more

For a new performance, there is nothing better than going in with high expectation and not being disappointed. Such was the case with the Clarkston Village Player's latest production, "Sylvia."

One cannot talk about the show without commending Wendy Hedstrom for her portrayal of Sylvia, the dog. As strange as watching a human pretend to be a dog can be, Hedstrom's performance was so convincing that I could easily picture a dog doing the things Hedstrom was trying to simulate. At first, I was confused by her decision to wear kneepads as part of her costume, but after watching her leap animatedly around the stage for a few minutes, I realized just how necessary they are.

CVP Review



Andrew DuPont

Not surprisingly, I discovered after the show that Hedstrom is a dog owner. Only someone who lives with a dog could so accurately mimic their mannerisms. There really must have been some interesting character study sessions. To a fellow dog owner,

Hedstrom's performance rang true on a personal level, interweaving the production with esoteric humor for the canine friendly.

Even so, you don't need to be a dog-lover to laugh at the story of "Sylvia." Nick Szczerba's portrayal of the aloof Greg humorously contrasts with the scholarly yet uptight Kate, played by Hale S. Wells.

The couple obviously have problems before Sylvia came around, but the dog acts as gas on the fire. Instead of talking about his problems with his wife, Greg chooses to philosophize with Sylvia, who mingles helpful insight with her natural impulses.

A lot of credit goes to Rick Shaw for his dual roles as dog owner Tom and the androgynous therapist Leslie. Shaw's characters not only supply quirky humor, but also the voice of reason and guidance to Greg as he copes with his mid-life crisis.

Overall, the humor of "Sylvia" is very sitcom-like, but the show's strength came from the ability to be serious when necessary. Though the jokes can border on the absurd, the somber moments between Greg and Kate are never diminished by them.

Occasionally, the language caused as many laughs from shock as it did humor, but was fitting for the context. How else would you translate what a dog yells at a cat but in words that cannot be reproduced here? "Sylvia" is definitely not a play for children, but grown-ups should find it very entertaining.

If you haven't already, make the time to see the few remaining performances of "Sylvia," scheduled for Jan. 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. The show runs for approximately two hours with one 15 minute intermission.

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Obituaries

Brian Locke

Brian Michael Locke, of Clarkston, passed away on January 12, 2005. He was 48 years of age.

Mr. Locke was the foster son of Michael and Tedde Schild of Clarkston; and foster brother of Dave L., Shannon Monoz and Michael P. Schild.

A funeral service was held on January 16, 2005 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home. Burial ceremonies took place in Perry Mt. Park Cemetery.

Any donations will be used for a marker in Brian's memory. An online guestbook is available at www.wintfuneralhome.com



Mary J. Longley

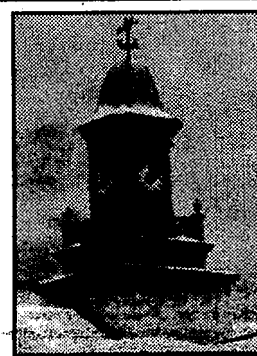
Mary J. Longley, of Waterford, formerly of Dearborn and Ferndale, passed away on January 9, 2006 at the age of 79.

Mrs. Longley was preceded in death by her husband James. She was the mother of Patricia (Gary Metcalf) Fielder of Grand Rapids, Linda (Tom) Saward of Oregon, James (Denise) Fielder of Farmington Hills, Carol (Gordon) Johnson of California, Barb Fielder of Waterford, Sally Fielder of California, David Fielder of Sterling Heights and Robert Fielder of Oregon; stepmother of Betsy (Dana) Tice, Clifford (Patricia) and James Longley, Jr.; grandmother of 17; and sister of Phyllis Rule of Lansing.

Mrs. Longley was a registered nurse for many years at various hospitals, ending her career at Dana Corp.

A memorial service was held on January 15, 2005 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home. Memorial donations may be made to Doctors Without Borders USA.

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More Than Hair holds fund-raiser

More Than Hair, located on the corner of Dixie Highway and M-15 at 5797 South Main Street, is holding a fund-raiser on Jan. 29 from 1-5 p.m. for Chris Mersino.

Mersino, 24, a Clarkston resident, was injured while at work on Jan. 5. He is currently in critical condition at William Beaumont Hospital.

Mersino is the fiancée of Ana Moor and father of four-year-old Hailee Mersino. More Than Hair owner JoAnn Zulinski is his future mother-in-law.

"I've done this before for other people, but this is more important. This is family," said Zulinski. "We

don't know how long this will take or how long he will be in intensive care and take to heal."

Zulinski said all proceeds from afternoon sales on Jan. 29 will go to Mersino's family and medical expenses. All stylists are participating in the fund-raiser.

"They need the support right now," said Zulinski. "Ana can't focus on work at the moment, everyone is with Chris at the hospital. He needs them there."

Appointments are available, but not necessary on that day. All services are available during the fund-raiser. For more information, please call 248-620-1950.



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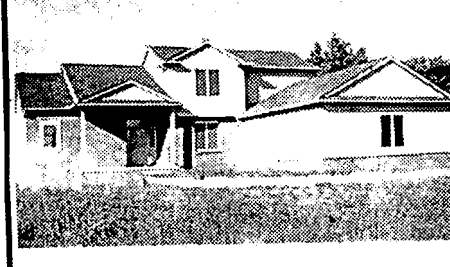
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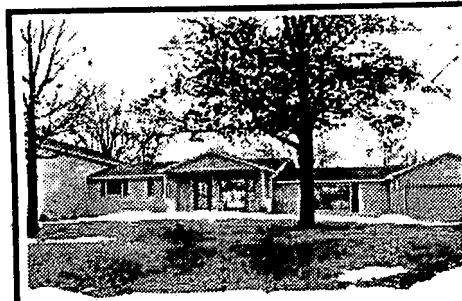


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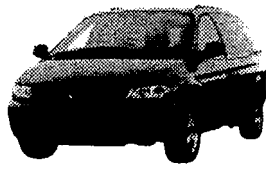
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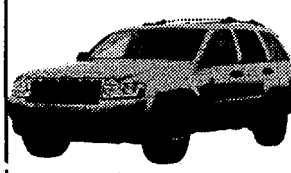
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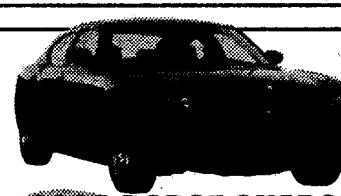
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Around Town

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Clarkston Community Education offers a **Builder's Pre-License Class** on Feb. 13, 15, 22, and 27 from 6-10 p.m. This 16-hour comprehensive seminar is offered in cooperation with the Oakland Builders Institute and centers on the Michigan State Builder's License Examination.

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

Pre-registration with payment is required no later than Feb. 9 to Clarkston Community Education. Please call 248-623-4321 for more information.

Samaritan Care Hospice seeks volunteers to spend time with terminally ill patients and their families.

Hospice volunteers provide companionship and emotional support to patients on an average of 2-3 hours per week. Volunteers must be 18 or older and have reliable transportation. Two mandatory five-hour training classes are provided prior to your first patient assignment. Training classes are now forming.

For more information, call Chris Kokenos at (800) 397-9360.

The **Clarkston Lions Club** holds meetings on the second and fourth Thursday of every month beginning at 6:30 p.m. with a social hour. The official meeting takes place at 7 p.m.

Beginning in October, the Lions will meet in the Carriage House, next to the senior center, in Clintonwood Park. For more information, please call 248-484-7130.

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: 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.

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In Our Churches

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Weekly 30-minute one-on-one meetings follow until a closing meeting on April 2. A team of spiritual directors will lead the eight-week, individual retreats meant to deepen your life of prayer. Space is limited. There is no charge. For more info, contact the St. Daniel Faith Formation Office or Mary Schulte at 248-625-8366. St. Daniel Catholic Church is located at 7010 Valley Park.

St. Daniel Catholic Church is hosting **"Guestspeaker and Faith Formation Evening"** for the whole family on Feb. 8. Dinner starts at 6 p.m. followed by the guestspeaker for adults and separate activities for children until 8 p.m. The guest speaker is Michael Hovey from the Archdiocese of Detroit and the topic is society and human dignity/Catholic social teaching. There is no cost, just donations for dinner. All are invited. St. Daniel Church is located at 7010 Valley Park.

The **FEAST** at Calvary Lutheran Church is on Wednesday evenings through Feb. 22. All are invited to this fun, casual, family evening for a catered dinner at 6 p.m., praise and worship at 6:50 p.m., and classes for all ages from 7:15 to 8:30 p.m. Childcare provided beginning at 6:30 p.m. Calvary is located at 6805 Bluegrass Drive in Clarkston. For more info call 248-625-3288.

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.

Eddi

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Eddi is happily living with a wonderful family in Grand Rapids where he has undergone two surgeries. He will have one to two more surgeries. He is happy, growing and has two brothers from Africa. He is thriving and wants to visit Clarkston to see the community that helped him.

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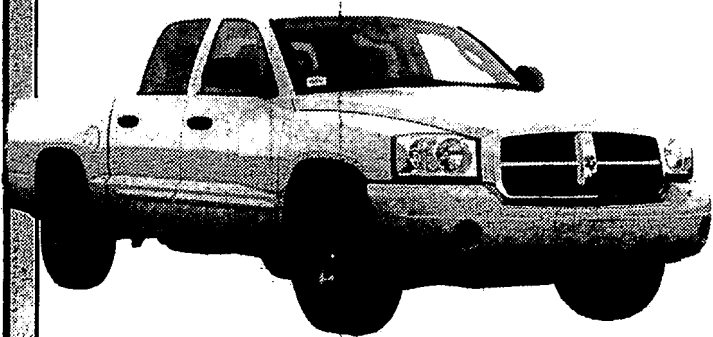


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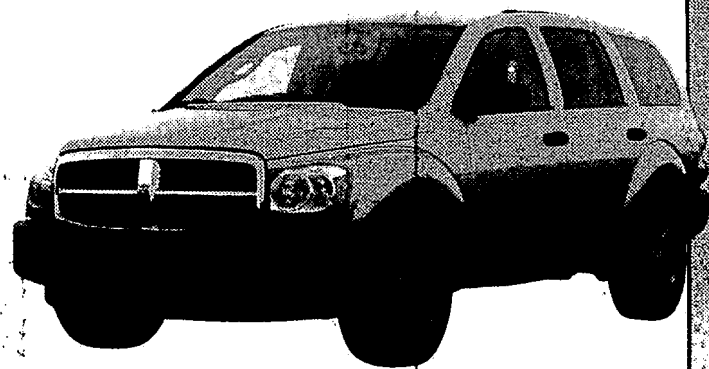
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NOTICE OF DAY OF REVIEW OF APPORTIONMENTS
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that special assessment amounts and the apportionment of costs of lands within the Allen Special Assessment District for maintenance of the Allen Drain will be available for review on January 31, 2006 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Oakland County Drain Commissioner's Office, One Public Works Drive, Waterford, MI 48328.

This special assessment will be levied on the 2006 winter taxes for properties located within the Allen Drainage District, described as those properties located in Sections 2, 26, 27, 32, 33 and 34 in the Township of Brandon and Sections 3, 4 and 5 in the Township of Independence.

Therefore, all unknown and non-resident persons, owners and persons interested in the above described lands, and the County Clerk of Oakland, Board of Oakland County Road Commissioners and Township of Brandon Supervisor and the Township of Independence Supervisor are hereby notified that the time and place aforesaid and at such other time and place to which said day of review may be adjourned, the apportionment for benefits and the land comprised within the Allen Special Assessment District will be subject to review.

The owner of any land in the special assessment district or any city, village, township, district or county who may disagree with the apportionment of benefits may appeal the apportionment within ten days after this day of review of apportionments by making an application to the Oakland County Probate Court for appointment of a Board of Review, as provided in Section 155 of the Michigan Drain Code (Act 40 of the Public Acts of Michigan, 1956, as amended).

The County of Oakland will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services. Persons with disabilities needing accommodations for effective participation in the review should contact the Oakland County Drain Commissioner's Office at least one week in advance of the meeting to request mobility, visual, hearing or other assistance.

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1-25-06

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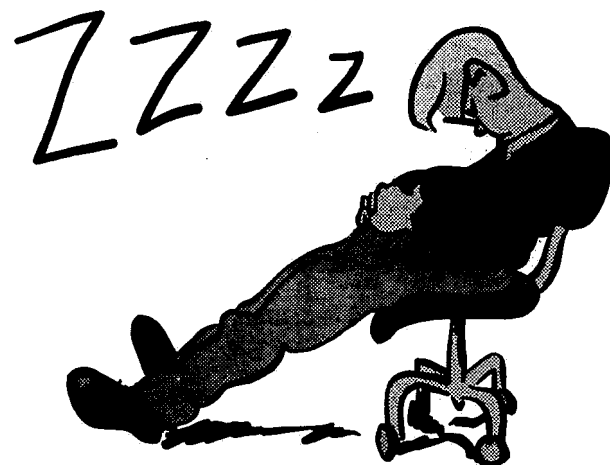
The Independence Township Board of Appeals will meet Wednesday, February 1, 2006 at 7:30 pm at the Independence Township Library, 6495 Clarkston Road, Clarkston, MI 48346 to hear the following cases:

- Case #05-0078 Lynn, Franklyn, Petitioner
APPLICANT REQUESTS 42' VARIANCE FROM FUTURE ROAD RIGHT OF WAY TO CONSTRUCT COVERED FRONT PORCH AND ADDITION ON NON-CONFORMING LOT OF RECORD
Pine Knob Rd., 5.5 Acres, R-1R
08-26-200-011
- Case #06-0002 Rood, Robert, Petitioner
APPLICANT REQUESTS SIDE YARD SETBACK VARIANCE OF 5' AND SIDE YARD SETBACK VARIANCE OF 1', PLUS VARIANCE FOR PLACEMENT IN FRONT YARD TO CONSTRUCT DETACHED GARAGE (REPLACEMENT) ON NON-CONFORMING LOT OF RECORD (PREVIOUSLY GRANTED ON 08/07/02)
Meyers Rd., Lot 45, R-1A
Lake Oakland Knobs
08-34-478-021
- Case #06-0003 Steele, Thomas, Petitioner
APPLICANT REQUESTS VARIANCE FOR OUTDOOR STORAGE (CLARIFICATION OF PREVIOUS USE)
Dixie Highway, 1 Acre, C-3 (Formerly Michigan Rental)
08-32-226-016
- Case #06-0004 Lee, John and Myrna, Petitioners
APPLICANTS REQUEST VARIANCE TO EFFECTUATE SPLITTING OF PROPERTY (LACKS WIDTH, CREATES TWO NON CONFORMING PARCELS)
Drayton Rd., Lots 106-108, R-1A
Drayton Heights Sub.
08-34-127-062

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) 625-6111.

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SUMMARY
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
JANUARY 9, 2006

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Catallo.
Roll. Present: Catallo, Brueck, Colombo, Johnston, Mayland, Wylie.
Absent: Ottman.

Minutes of December 12, 2005, accepted as presented with a correction to the heading date.

Agenda accepted as presented.

Bills in the amount of \$271,429.13 approved for payment.

Chief Combs reviewed the December police statistics.

D.P.W. Supervisor Bob Pursley reported that the weather, with the exception of some ice on January 7, has resulted in few problems with snow removal. At present the full-time employee Scott Rouse with part-time employee Ralph Daigle have been able to maintain the services of the D.P.W. as well as continue with training on the D.P.W. equipment.

The D.P.W. clears all safety paths, but does not salt the safety paths.

Johnston asked that Pursley furnish the Council with a review of use of the lift machine.

Resolved That the City of Clarkston extend the Intergovernmental Fire Agreement with the Charter Township of Independence for a three-year period with the stipulation that the City engage in dialogue regarding the amount and need of the administrative fee.

Resolved That based on the correspondence from Attorney Leo James dated December 29, 2005, the Council authorize the City Manager to sign the lease agreement for 3 East Church Street for a five-year period, January 1, 2006 to December 31, 2010.

Anne Clifton discussed the proposed plantings adjacent to the walking bridge on the south end of Depot Park as well as on the banks of the stream in the park. Anne Clifton, Robyn Johnston, Pappas, Pursley, Tracey Beasley (CRWC), Lola Koch, Sally Elmer of Carlisle/Wortman, and members of the Clarkston Garden Club had met to discuss this proposal. It is felt that this would enhance and reduce maintenance in these areas as well as providing a filter for runoff. Clifton suggested a survey of Depot Park users to make sure that there would be no prevention of current usage; and, support of community members is needed. Clifton discussed the target areas which included the above-mentioned as well as the parking lot at Main and Washington. It is felt that plantings would be a natural prevention of erosion in these areas. The Miller Road side of the Mill Pond was also discussed.

Clifton informed Council that a River of Life meeting was to be held at 7:30 p.m. at St. Daniels Church. This is a non-denominational meeting.

The City of Clarkston will support the Clinton River Watershed Council in its effort to provide for native plantings in Depot Park as well as other areas in the City.

Brueck and Johnston appointed co-chairmen for Council representation to the native plantings project.

Dan Colombo appointed City of Clarkston Street Administrator.

Barbara Baros accompanied by Tom Scholler were present to discuss the August Triathlon traffic at St. Daniel Church. Ms. Baros suggested that the triathlon be rerouted, held at a different time, or held on a different date. Ms. Baros stated that the parking lot at St. Daniel could be used as the staging area if the Triathlon was held at a time compatible to the church's schedule. Council agreed to review this matter. Mayland is to contact Cory Greenfield to investigate times and places that would be appropriate to all involved.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Arneus M. Pappas, Clerk

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Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against Goldie Banta Trust dated September 1, 2000, as amended, will be forever barred unless presented to William Phillips, Successor Trustee, within four months after the date of publication.

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FILE NO: 2006-302, 609 DE

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Written comments may be submitted to Springfield Township Parks and Recreation Department at P.O. Box 1036, Davisburg, MI 48350 until February 14, 2006 at 5:00 p.m. Telephone inquiries regarding the Master Plan may be directed to the Director of Parks and Recreation at (248) 834-0412.

Those persons needing special accommodations to examine the Master Plan rough draft should contact the Director's office at least two business days in advance of their intended visit.

Respectfully submitted,
Jennifer T. ...
Published: January 18, 2006

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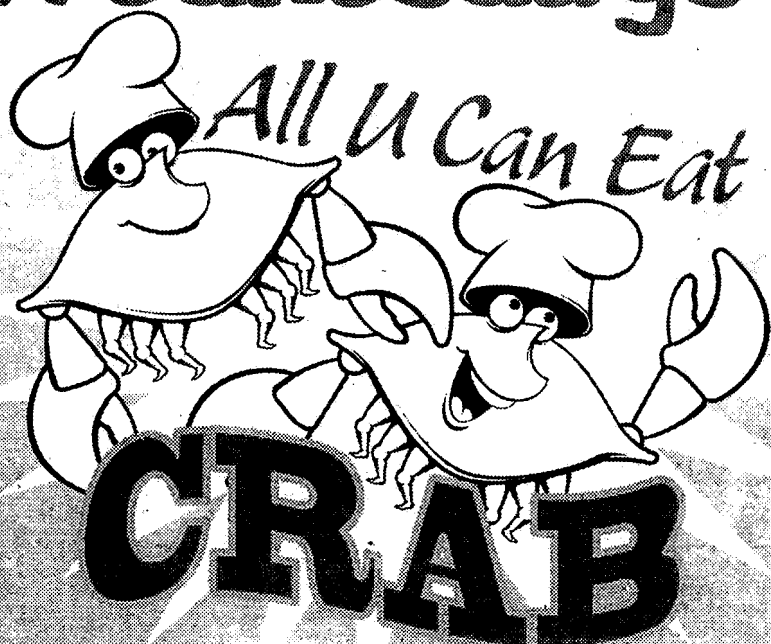
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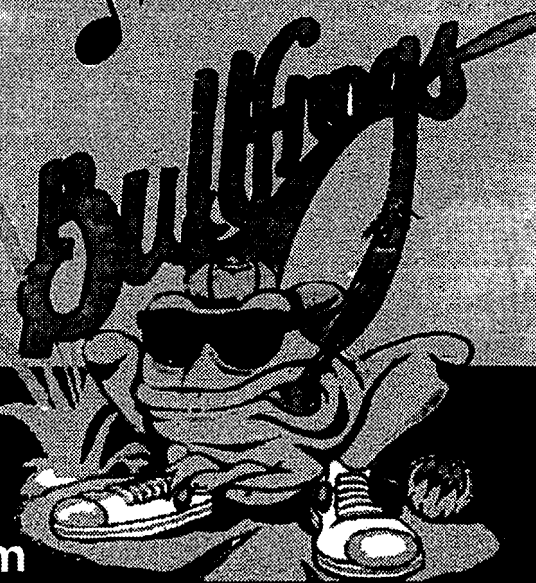
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090 AUCTIONS

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JAN. 27TH, 2006, 10am
Mattress/ bed frame; couch, grill;
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PREMIER SELF STORAGE
100 Ellen Dr.
Orion Township

NOTICE IS hereby given that the entire
contents of the storage units listed be-
low, including but not limited to the fol-
lowing itemized list, will be sold for cash
only to the highest bidder. Sale is open
to the public. Sealed bids on entire con-
tents of each unit, to be removed within
24 hours. Units shown by appointment
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2006 until 11 a.m.

Unit 126 Clifton Barrick- saw, ice
auger, rake, bed frame & misc.

Unit 219 Todd Waltz- 2 TVs, couch,
3 chairs & misc. boxes.

Unit 228 Michael Mrozinski- 5 fold-
ing chairs, table cabinet, tools & misc.

Unit 418 Kelli Lebourdais- micro-
wave, stereo, TV, air compressor,
golf clubs, & etc.

Unit 522 Scott Wheeler- baseball
cards, bike, bed frame & misc.

Unit 711 Shaun Sharp- loveseat,
chair, small desk, bed frame & misc.

Unit 714 Vicky Christopher- chair,
2 end tables, grill & misc.

Sale will take place at Savoie Self
Service Storage, 9650 Dixie Hwy.,
Clarkston, MI at 11 a.m. February
17, 2006. Time & date may be sub-
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event of settlement between Land-
lord and obligated party.

SALE OF DEFAULT UNITS:
Wednesday, January 25, 2006,
10 A.M. Lake Orion Self Storage
Center, Inc., 180 W. Church St.,
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East of Lapeer Rd. (M-24).

Unit #60028: Salma Korany- Dress-
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557 N. Rochester Rd., Leonard
Announces the Sale of:
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Please call 24 hours in advance to
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LX6-2

EXPRESS MINI STORAGE, 2121
Lapeer Rd., Oxford announces the sale
of Unit #275, 276 & 277 leased by
Morris Wortelboer, DBA Third Wave
Seafood & Chop House: restaurant
equipment, bar stools, gas air com-
pressor, fryers, reach-in cooler. Unit
#328 leased by Vicki Lentz: washer,
dryer, lawn chairs, table. Unit #341
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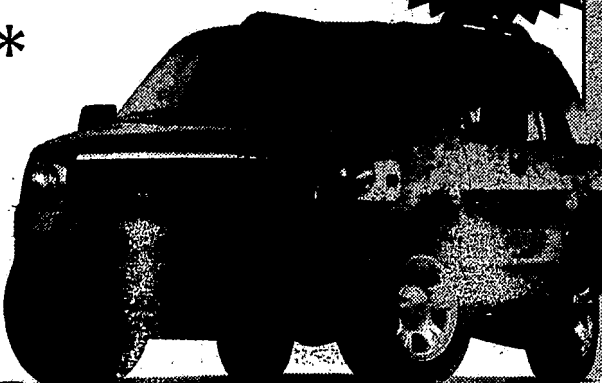
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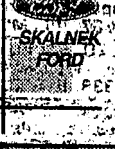
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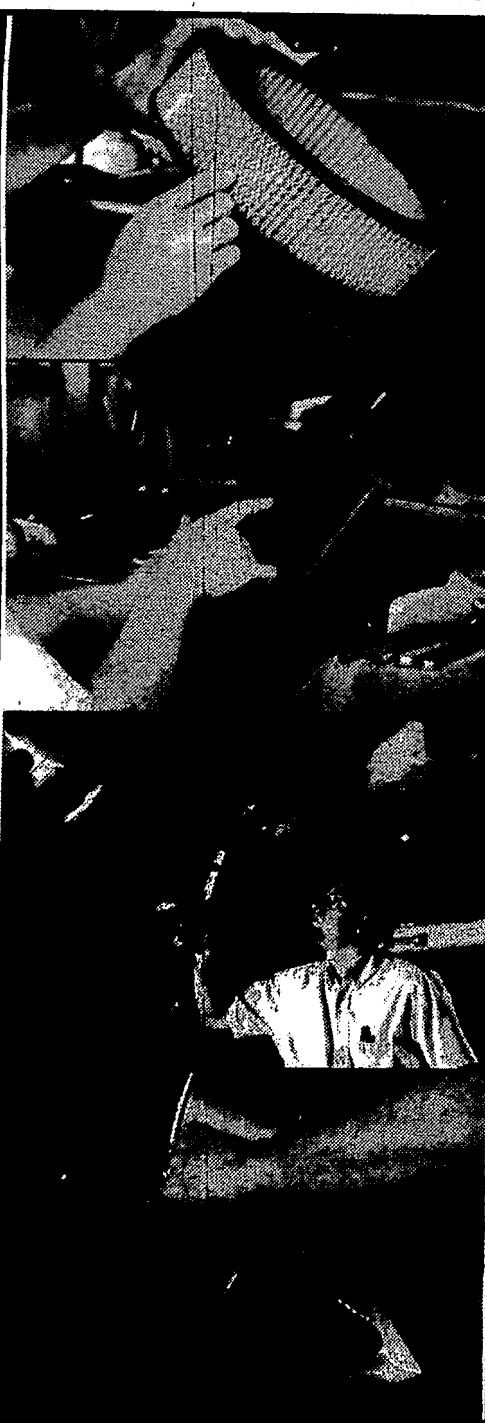
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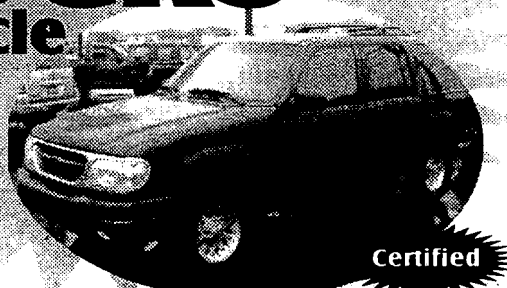
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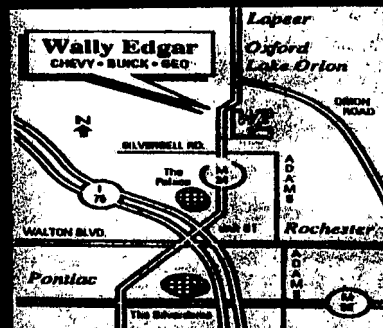
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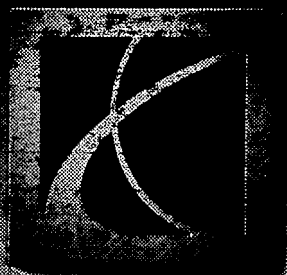
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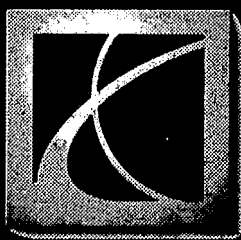
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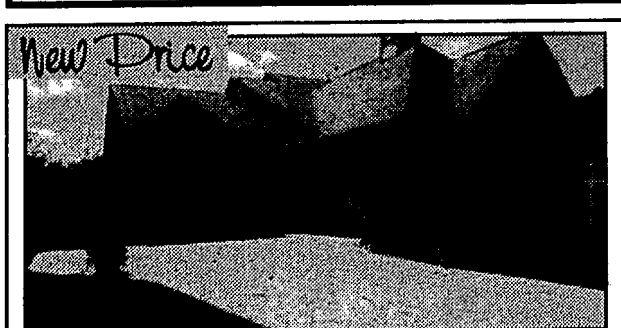
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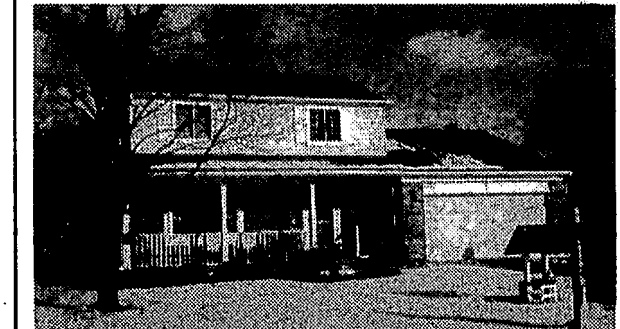


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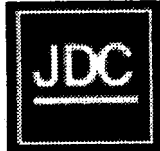
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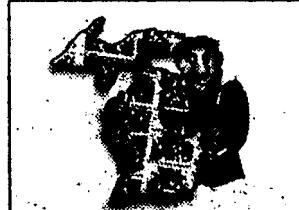
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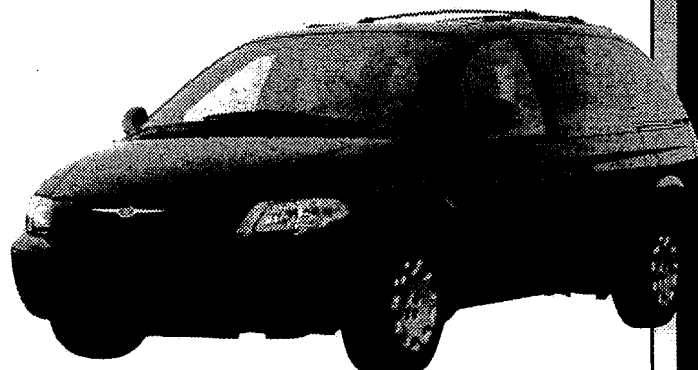
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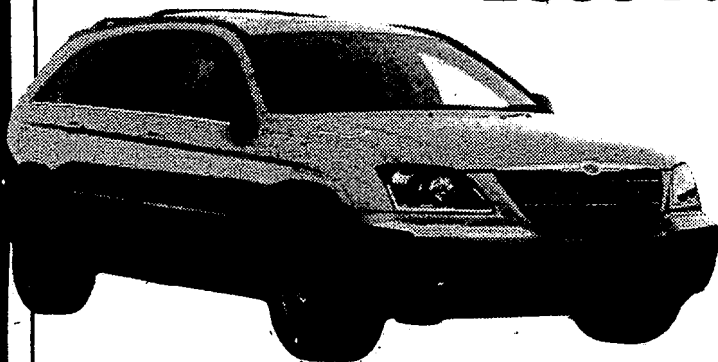
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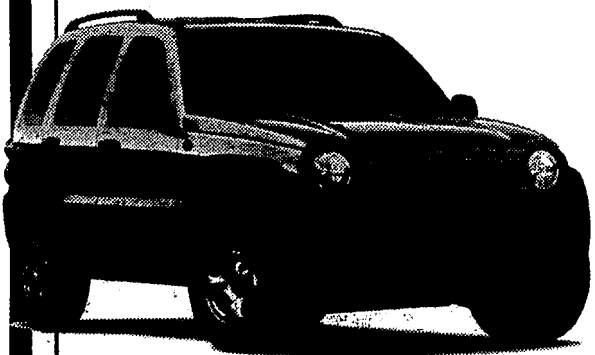
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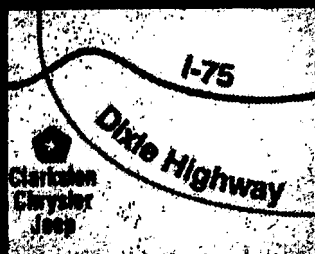
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