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Chad Perry takes steady aim during archery practice at the Oakland County Sportsmans Club. Photo by Andrew DuPont

Taking aim...

Airing 'dirty laundry'

Raises for non-elected, salaried Independence Township employees

JENNY MATTESON
Clarkston News Editor

Amidst cries of a struggling economic climate and dwindling township resources, the Independence Township Board of Trustees openly debated on Jan. 17 whether or not to give non-union employees raises.

In a memo to trustees, Supervisor Dave Wagner asked the board to approve approximately \$37,000 in raises, almost \$10,000 less than the \$47,000 budgeted for 2006.

"I know we have concerns, especially with the economic environment of the community around us," said Wagner. "We've talked about Ford, GM... we've made comparisons with other area townships, which I just don't like doing."

"I think its a good proposal."

The raises proposed by Wagner average out to 2.5 percent overall; however, most employees actually received a 4 percent raise or higher. The 2.5 percent comes from several new employees not receiving any raise and several township positions not being filled.

Trustee Dan Travis motioned early in the salary discussion to separate elected non-union salaried employees from the non-elected.

"Myself and my fellow trustees did not run for these positions as pay positions," said Travis. "We ran for them for public service."

The motion passed unanimously. Travis then motioned for a pay freeze effective for 2006. The

motion was seconded for discussion purposes. **Board members debate elected officials salaries**

The heated discussion concerning elected, non-union salaried employees showed large gaps in opinion between trustees. Treasurer Jim Wenger later in the meeting compared the dialogue to "airing the township's dirty laundry in public."

The overall sentiment from board members was 4 percent is too high for elected officials. The idea of a 2 percent raise was brought forth by many trustees.

"I feel like taking a 4 percent increase is sending the wrong message to citizens," said Clerk Shelagh VanderVeen. "I could live with 2 percent for elected officials."

"Two percent or zero percent is really insignificant to the overall budget, but it has a psychological effect," said Wenger. "So I'm torn. This is not any easy decision or an easy discussion."

"I can live with a freeze for elected. I'm uncomfortable with 4 percent."

Trustees Dan Kelly and Charles Dunn voiced similar opinions that not enough documentation is available supporting the suggested raises. Kelly, however, supported an across-the-board, 2 percent cost of living increase, but nothing more.

"Frankly, I don't feel there is enough data to support a raise," said Kelly. "I also am not com-

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Senior thumbs up: look for August ballot proposals

JENNY MATTESON
Clarkston News Editor

The original goal was a new senior center for Independence Township. Now residents may need to decide whether or not they want an independently funded senior center program.

The Independence Township Board of Trustees gave a thumbs up to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission to continue moving forward with a proposed senior center bond issue and millage for the August election.

Advisory Commission Chairman David Lohmeier made the presentation proposing the two ballot issues for the August election: a bond to fund the proposed \$3 million senior center and a millage to support senior department operations.

During his presentation, Lohmeier informed township trustees that though these are separate proposals, they must be passed simultaneously to be beneficial.

He also explained that during "our current trying economic times" the advisory commission did not feel residents would approve a fully-supporting parks and recre-

ation millage. Instead, commission members felt the community would support funding to build and run the township administration-promised senior center.

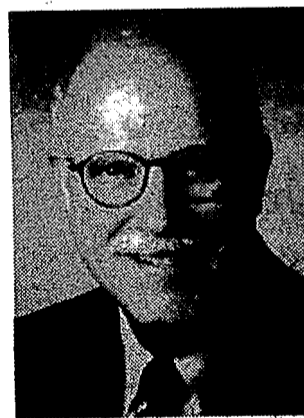
"I'm enthusiastic about this," said Penny Shanks, advisory commission secretary and executive director of the Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce. "This is something the community owes and it is past time to do this."

"If you want us to back out, the time to tell us is now," said Lohmeier in reference to the two proposals. "If we need to change direction with this, we need to change now."

Overall reactions from the township board were supportive: Treasurer Jim Wenger complemented the commission for requiring that both the bond issue and millage be passed in order to move forward. "You really can't have one without the support of the other," he stated.

"I think we need to give the committee our solid support and an answer tonight," said Trustee Dan Kelly.

"I can get behind this," said Supervisor Dave Wagner. "I think this is a good proposal you have. It's different than what I was thinking, but keep going."



'Go for it. You're on the right track.'

Dan Travis
Board Trustee
Independence Twp.

"Go for it. You're on the right track," said Trustee Dan Travis.

Trustee Charles Dunn voiced a concern that the proposal does not completely fund parks and recreation. He stated he does not like the idea of having to come before voters again later to ask for even more money.

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Millstream

Bryan Cornwall sees a bright future for the Sashabaw corridor.

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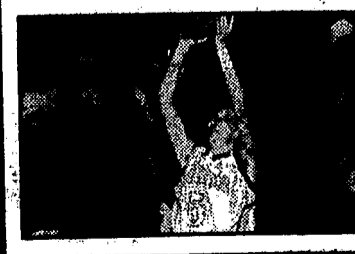
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Embracing the cold...

Approximately 48 women from the Oakland County area participated in the "Women in the Wilderness Winter Expedition" on Jan. 21 and 22. The event, hosted by Oakland County Parks and Rec, doubled in size from the previous year according to Rachel Meyers of Oakland County who helped coordinate the event. The two-day program introduced women to winter recreation and taught basic winter survival, sport and camping skills. Clinics included gearing up for winter, winter hiking, snow shoeing, cross country skiing, geocaching and outdoor survival. Photo by James Martinez

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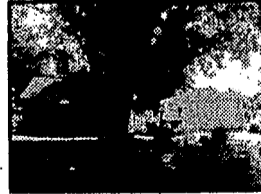
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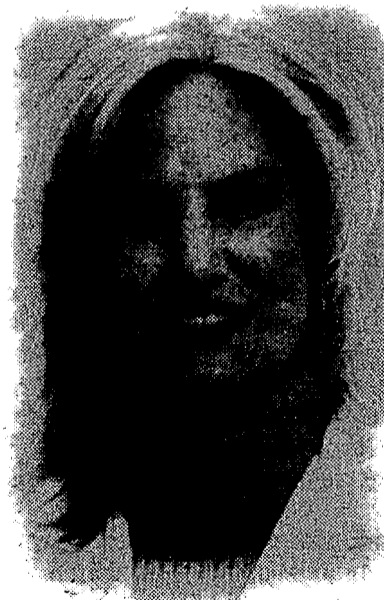
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Briefly

Millage decision possible Feb. 13

Having already reached a consensus on the issue, the Clarkston School Board did not hold any further discussion on the ballot language for their non-homestead tax proposal at the Jan. 23 meeting. At the previous meeting, 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.

In order to meet deadline requirements for May 2 election, action is expected to be taken on the final ballot language at the next scheduled board meeting on Feb. 13. The board must vote to approve the final language to appear on the ballot before any further action can be taken.

Legion hosting Americanism Dinner

American Legion Post #377 at 4819 Mary Sue Road is hosting an Americanism Dinner on Feb. 11. Cocktails run from 5:30 - 6:30 p.m. followed by dinner. Cost is \$12 if prepay and \$15 at the door. Those under 12 pay \$9. For reservations, call Leona Puckett at 248-674-0280. Make checks payable to: American Legion Auxiliary #377. Checks can be mailed to 5425 Pine Knob Lane, Clarkston, MI 48346.

In other news from Post #377, the Vietnam Veterans Chapter 133 will hold meetings at Post #377 the first Sunday of every month at 1 p.m. For more info call Carnie Jackson at 248-705-8727.

Post #377 also hosts a post-traumatic stress disorder group led by PTSD counselor Pam Pemberton from the Veterans Administration every Thursday from 4-7 p.m. The group is open to veterans, but they must call for prior evaluation before attending. For more info, call 313-831-6509. AML Post #377 is located at 4819 Mary Sue Road in Clarkston.

Deadline nears for school board apps

The deadline is approaching for anyone who wishes to apply for the open four-year term seat on the Clarkston School Board for the May 2 election.

Candidates who wish to seek office at the election must file an Affidavit of Identity and a nominating petition with Oakland County by 4 p.m. on Feb. 7. A \$100 nonrefundable fee may be filed in lieu of the nominating petition. Withdrawal deadline is 4 p.m. on Feb. 10.

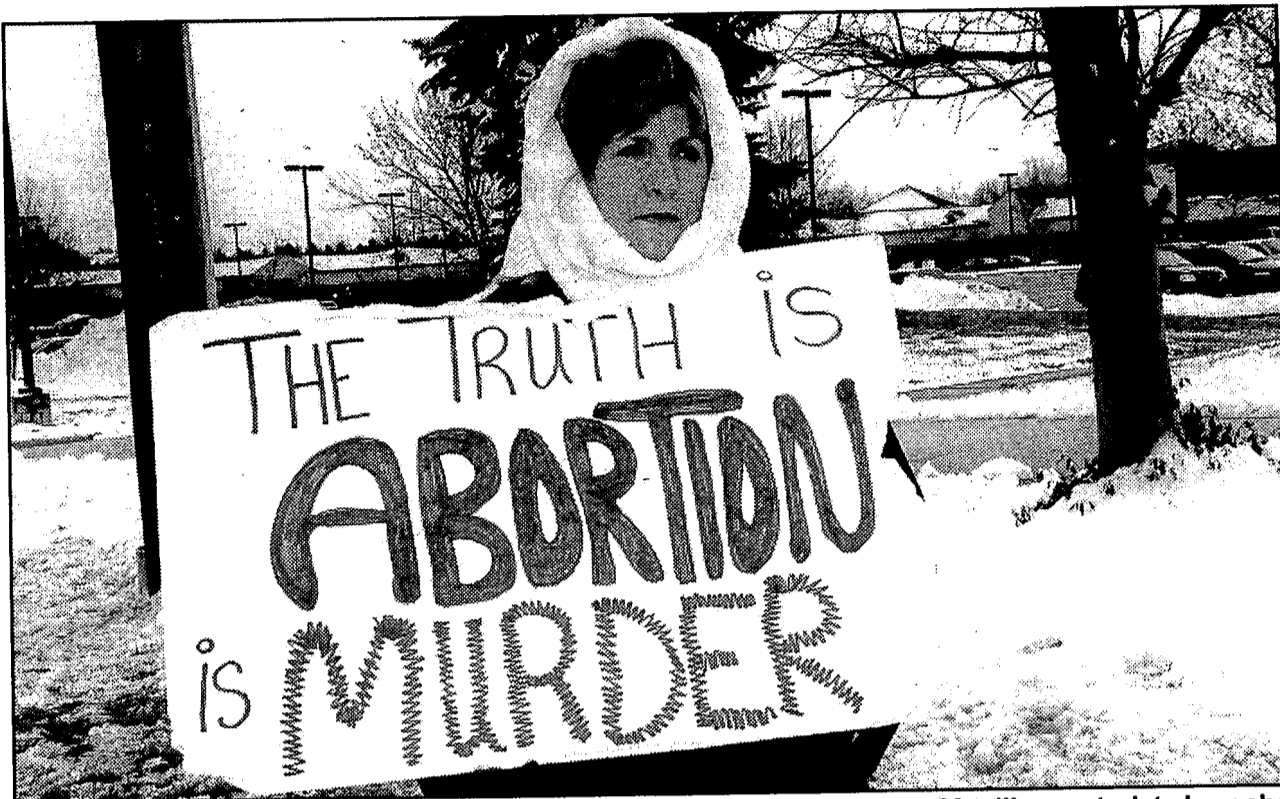
Secretary Sheila Hughes' term is set to expire in May, and she is not expected to seek reelection.

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.



Clarkston resident Patsy Brady holds a sign along Dixie Highway on Jan. 22 telling motorists how she feels about abortion. Photo by James Martinez

Battle continues 33 years later

BY JAMES MARTINEZ
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Thirty-three years after Roe v. Wade, pro-life supporters from the Clarkston area gathered along the streets and dedicated a monument, affirming the importance of the issue to many residents.

With Jan. 22 marking the 33rd anniversary of the controversial Supreme Court decision to legalize abortion, a pro-life crowd stood near the intersection of Dixie Highway and White Lake holding signs expressing their views on the issue.

"I think as a woman and mom who grew up in our times, we've all been duped by the abortion industry which has made billions off killing babies," said Clarkston resident Kathleen Pierz and mother of two. "I'm a feminist, but pro-life too," she added.

North Oakland Right to Life President Pat Spence, of Clarkston, estimated 50 to 60 people showed up from 1 to 2 p.m. and were well received by most motorists. She only saw one negative response to the signs and said she did not see any pro-choice supporters standing

in opposition.

"I've been out there six times and the negative response is going down which is nice," said Spence. "We're getting a positive response from all ages."

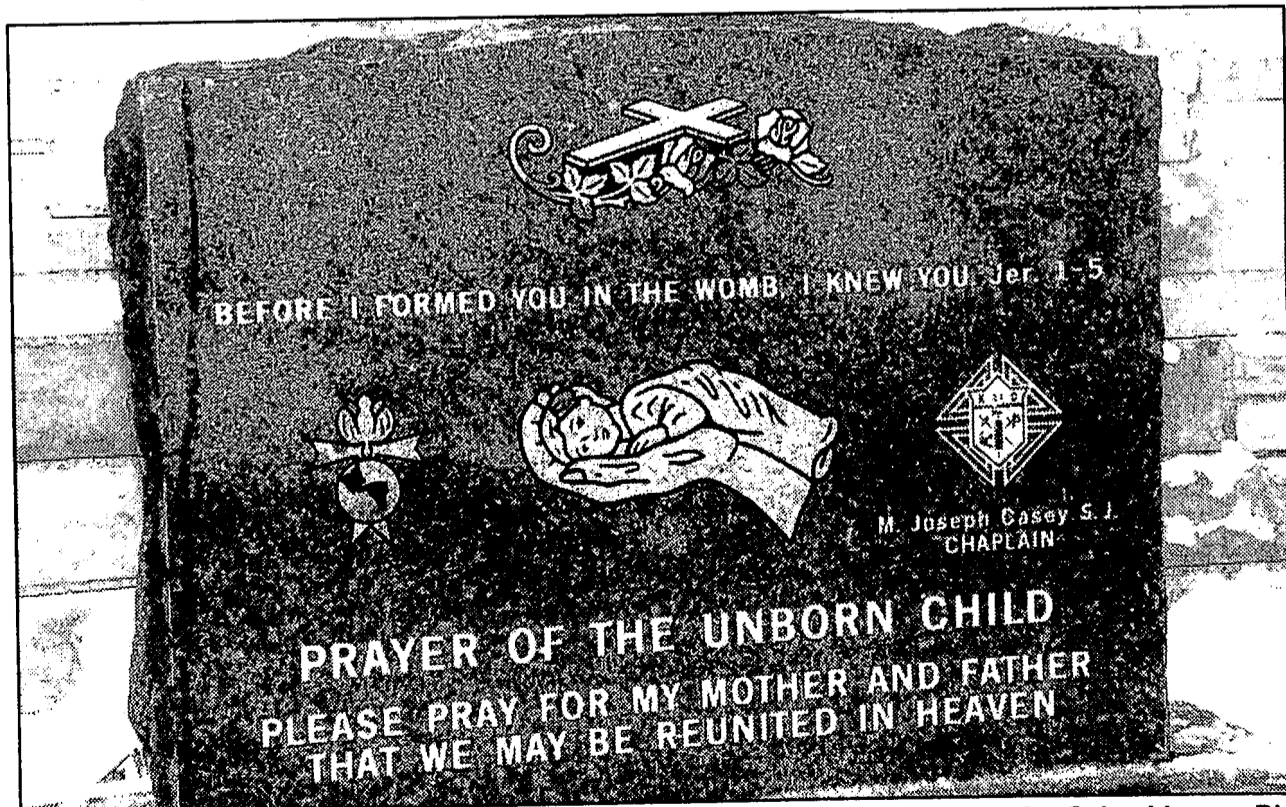
Many of the people on the street echoed Spence's observations.

"We've had a very positive response today. I've only seen one bad response. It appears Clarkston is a very pro-life area," said Clarkston resident Patsy Brady.

"We've been fighting Roe v. Wade since 1973 because we've seen the lessening of abortions in our state and country," said retired Detroit firefighter Bob Pepper of Highland Township. "We'll be out here until we see Roe overturned. The appointments of Alito and Roberts is a good start. We've saved a lot of babies."

In addition to gathering along Dixie Highway, several pro-life supporters met at the Colombiere Center on Big Lake Road to dedicate a memorial to the unborn.

Leading the ceremony was Auxiliary Bishop of the
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This memorial to the unborn, designed by Clarkston's Vince Rautz, was dedicated at Colombiere on Big Lake Road in Springfield Township on Jan. 22. Photo by James Martinez

Challenges of moving your company, business, home

By Bill Langdon, Jr.

RFC CFS BCM RFP Retirement Plans and Board Certified Funds Specialist, Wealth Management Consultant

What ever happened to old fashioned customer service?

I write this month to vent my frustration and hopefully to reduce yours, when the time comes for you to make a move. I write this from recent, personal experience.

It has been quite a 12-month period for us at Langdon Capital Management, Inc., and at the Langdon household. In 2005 we expanded our company, moved our firm from the original location of 15 years, and after 19 years of living in the same neighborhood, moved our residence. Before moving we bought a house and did a complete home renovation. The renovation was not without its challenges to say the least.

I always tell clients to expect the unexpected bumps and issues. Yours truly should have listened to himself. What we didn't plan for, was the lack of good old-fashioned customer service starting from utility providers (the cable company, phone company) to the trusty United States Postal Service.

It's one thing to organize and plan for a personal or business move, it is quite another thing to have to triple and quadruple check with these companies to make sure services are completed as promised within a reasonable time, which is what happened to us. You shouldn't have to -- but if you're planning a move, plan on over promising and under delivering.

When moving go to the post office and get and complete a Change of Address Form (Form #3575). It doesn't cost anything. You can also go online (<http://www.usps.com>) to change your address, but this will cost you \$1, to be billed to your credit card. The buck fee is to cover verification costs.

The bottom line is you want to cover

your bases. If your customers cannot find you easily, even if it is not your fault, your potential revenue could head your competitor's way.

Find out when phone books close the deadline for changing your listing, timing the move with home delivery of the new book. Order business cards, stationary and promotional items well in advance, with all the new numbers. You want your customers (new and old) to know how to find you.

Tell your world of the move. Advertise it before, during and after. Your ads don't have to be big or expensive. Just effective.

Lest you think I am a complainer, overall we were very thankful and blessed despite 2005's best shots at souring us.

Over the years we assembled and build some life-long relationships both personal and professional and they helped us through. The key, in my professional opinion, is to deal with people and businesses with a high level of integrity and trust, and spend a little more time to find specialists in their field hopefully through referrals. And remember, just because other's don't you should always live with your business promises and when others don't live up to theirs, it throws things off center.

I end this column with a New Year's challenge to my readers: Have you taken the time to re-examine, organize and re-focus on your goals to make your lives happier and more successful? If you have congratulations!

For those of you that have not, now may be a good time to start. I encourage you to MAKE time to prioritize and organize those goals. Remember most people spend more time planning and organizing a short family trip than they do focusing on their goals for their life.

A healthy and successful 2006 to all and as always, Successes in life are failures turned inside out!

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Good times, friends and Lots-N-Lots of Spaghetti await at the Hart Community Center on Feb. 21 from 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Presented by Springfield Township Parks and Recreation and the Young At Heart Senior Citizen Group, the cost for this event is \$6 for all-you-can eat pasta. Children age four and younger eat for free. Homemade baked goods will also be available for purchase.

Pre-registration is strongly encouraged but will be accepted at the door. Participants may come anytime between 5:30 and 7:30 pm.

For more information call STP&R at 248-624-0412.

Cartoon fun for the kids

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Brittany and Geoffrey Smith of Clarkston and other students at Notre Dame Prep in Pontiac, hold a sign welcoming German football players. Standing in front of the Smiths is Clarkston's Peter Dondanville whose family was also hosting a player. Photo by James Martinez

Local families host global footballers

BY JAMES MARTINEZ

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Several area families received special visitors from Germany this past week.

As part of the NFL Global Junior Championship X, many Clarkston families, whose children attend Notre Dame Prep School in Pontiac, host members of an all-star football team from Germany. The tournament is an official event of Super Bowl XL in Detroit.

"We're excited (to have them). Both our kids take German and are into sports," said Clarkston resident Laureen Smith.

Smith and her husband Mike and their two children Brittany, 17 and Geoffrey 15, host two players.

"I think it's exciting that they're coming. It's a new experience. I speak German and I'll learn about culture and show them how Americans live," said Smith's son Geoffrey, who is a 15-year-old sophomore at Notre Dame Prep.

The football players arrived at Notre Dame around 4 p.m. on Jan. 22 where they met the families they will live with for the next nine days or so.

"It's great and amazing. I've never been in the United States before. It's wonderful," said Mathis Baumbach, who along with Dominik Szwilski is staying with the Smiths during the tournament.

"I hope we win, but it's hard because (Germany's) not a football country like the United States. We have a good team though," said Baumbach, who is listed as a 6'3", 194-pound wide receiver.

"It's such a great opportunity (for our students) to meet kids from another culture," said Patty Kutil of Notre Dame Prep. "(They'll) learn how they are different and how they are the same."

According to Kutil, 28 families volunteered to host

the 36 player roster from Germany.

The tournament taking place at the Pontiac Silverdome consists of all-star teams of approximately 180 players ages 19 and under from Canada, Germany, Japan, Mexico and the United States. The first round of the tournament is on Jan. 25 and is in jamboree format. Games are split into seven-minute halves with no overtime.

The championship and medal games are set for Jan. 29. Games in the medal round are split into two 12-minute halves with the NCAA's overtime format, except teams must attempt two-point conversions. The championship has four 12-minute quarters with NCAA overtime format.

As stated on Global Football's Web site, the United States team is made up of the Greater Toledo High School Academic All-Stars. The players are seniors nominated by their coach if they earned a 3.0 GPA or better their junior year.

When asked what he knew about the Detroit Lions, Baumbach seemed to relate to his receiving brethren.

"I know they have some good receivers like Mike Williams who I watched on TV play at USC... (The Lions) lose often, that's known in Germany, but some day they might be a good team if they get a good quarterback."

The first Global Junior Championship was played at Super Bowl XXXI in New Orleans in 1997.

Tickets are \$5 per day and 100 percent of the sales benefit the host high schools. Tickets are available at host high schools: Andover High School, Lahser High School, Notre Dame Prep and Seaholm High School. For more event info call 248-975-6515 or visit www.NFLHS.com.

'Big Box' proposal tabled

JENNY MATTESON

Clarkston News Editor

Almost three hours of presentations and public comment at the Jan. 19 Independence Township Planning Commission meeting ended with very little action.

After hearing presentations from Orco Investments, Township Planner Dick Carlisle and comments from area residents, township planning commissioners voted unanimously to table a rezoning request by Orco and the commission's own rezoning request.

The evening's two rezoning requests and public hearings center around a 70-acre parcel of land located at the northwest corner of Waldon Road and I-75 near Sashabaw Road.

Orco Investments filed a request to rezone the 70-acres from single family residential to planned shopping center and highway commercial (C2 and C3).

"C2 and C3 permit in our ordinances the most intense development possible," said Carlisle. "The township has not planned for regional commercial development... I find this request for C2-C3 is not consistent with our master plan. Also, the density is not in line with the Vision 20/20 plan."

Several professionals spoke during Orco's presentation to the planning commission.

Robert Jacobs, Esq. discussed the unusual nature of the parcel due to the close proximity of I-75, unusual topography of the land and some remediation needed to an orchard previously located on the property.

Appraiser John Widmer, MAI, discussed several economic feasibility studies requested by Orco to determine whether "a reasonable rate of return on investment backed expectations" existed.

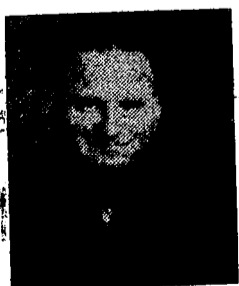
As zoned, Widmer determined the property "is not economically feasible." He also found no demand for office space on the site. In the end, Widmer determined the most feasible, and highest, rate of return would be on a commercial development.

Speaking for Birchler Arroyo Associates, Inc., Rod Arroyo discussed any possible road improvements needed in the area should a commercial development take place. He found some road widening, a continuous right hand turn lane from Sashabaw Road into Waldon Road and an additional traffic signal at Waldon Center Drive would be needed.

The final presenter was Joan Primo, of Strategic Edge, discussing a retail feasibility study requested by Orco. From her research based upon consumer availability and existing retail competition, she recommended a two phase "power center" or "big box" development for the site that includes between 365,500 and 474,500 square feet.

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Opinion

Senior center history forgotten

Dear Editor,

After reading the article in *The Clarkston News* on the proposed Senior Center, a few points of history were never revealed or addressed.

The millage for the Senior Center has now been overwhelmingly defeated twice by township residents. After the last millage defeat, a promise was made by township officials that the township would try to acquire the property adjoining the Board of Education building and a millage would not be held on the Senior Center project again because the township would instead seek bonds to pay for this project.

But as anticipated, here we go again for a third millage vote for a bigger better Senior Center. Apparently, promises made in the past are now hopefully forgotten by taxpayers, and voters wishes have once again been ignored.

Here's a novel idea: let's make it a Community Center that can be used and enjoyed by the whole community and not just a few select seniors. I could whole heartedly support a project that is payed for and can be used by all. What I cannot support is a taxpayer funded country club that cannot be used by most residents be-

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Letters to the Editor

Bomier, Patterson help put trust back into 'trustee'

Too often when people get elected to public boards they only run with the pack. It's as if elected "trustees" believe to get along they must go along, rubber stamping whatever proposals that come down the pike. It's unfortunate, but the public would be amazed at all the 7-0 votes their elected officials put forth.

So, it is refreshing when trustees stand up, ask questions and voice concerns which may be contrary to the majority. Such is the case with Clarkston School Board members Barry Bomier and Joan Patterson.

At the Jan. 9 school board meeting the hot topic was the upcoming school millage ballot proposals -- a complicated issue.

Trustees Bomier and Patterson deserve credit for being outspoken and expressing concern for voters and taxpayers.

On January 9, Bomier disputed the time span between non-homestead millage elections. He ques-

tioned the aggressiveness of presenting voters with two simultaneous 10-year millage proposals. He was the first to focus on keeping the school millage proposal in the voters hands.

At the same meeting, Patterson strongly voiced her concerns for local businesses during these unstable economic times. She appropriately echoed Bomier's statements for keeping millage renewals off the ballot for a decade. She prefers to keep the issue where it belongs, in voters hands.

Though we disagree with the board's attempt to circumvent the Headlee Amendment, we appreciate those boards members who value the concerns of business owners and voters over their own convenience. We are thankful Bomier and Patterson see the lack of necessity in a long-term millage.

Clarkston Schools are a large part of this community, but they are only a piece of a much bigger picture. We thank those board members who see outside the boundaries of the board room and show respect for the community as a whole. -- AJD

Clarkston News Editorial

Want to chime in on the school millage issue? Write a Letter to the Editor!

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Communication: so who's job is it anyway

Communication, it's something we do every day. Communication: Boy, what a physically big, cumbersome word.

Communication, an inconvenience or a core function?

Apparently to some, when having to discuss local school millages with the community, communication is just that -- an inconvenience and *not* a core function of the Clarkston School Board.

Last week we reported on the school board's discussing their operational millage request for the May election. In that article, board member and Clarkston Chamber of Commerce president in waiting Steven Hyer was quoted stating, "...we don't want to be communicating on tax issues, non-homestead issues and Headlee roll-backs which the public doesn't understand. It's not really our job to educate them on those issues, it's the State's job."

Okay... Always the curious reporter, I decided to meet with Hyer to get a better perspective on his statement. Let me state this up-front: I am thankful to Hyer. I did learn a few things and discovered some points which will require further research.

We may not see eye to eye, but we had an informative meeting and I appreciate the time he took with me. Here is what he said in response to my question: Could you please clarify your previous statement?

"The school district's job is educating children. The school district's job in terms of core function is not dealing with these tax issues -- that's a statewide issue."

"However, the discussion we're having in terms of length of time (for the proposed millage) is that

we're not in the business of telling people about millages, so why would we want to do that every two years. That is the context that I was saying that in."

Okay... I thought a teacher's job was to educate students. And the school board's job -- the administrative, taxing authority of the district -- was to "deal with these tax issues" and communicate them to the public.

Yes, school board members make decisions on curriculum, budgets and textbooks. Yes, these do pertain to education, but when is the last time anyone saw a school board member teaching a math lesson in a third grade classroom?

In addition to these "educational" decisions, school board members decide employment issues, salaries, bonuses, stipends and perks. Whose job is it to communicate to the public if their tax dollars are being spent wisely in this arena? The same individual who is responsible for educating the public on tax issues?

I decided to ask our state representatives the question: Whose responsibility is it to communicate with the public about local school millages? Here's what I learned:

• **Michigan Association of School Boards** -- "It is the school district's responsibility to communicate with their public regarding millage/bond issues." Jennifer Rogers, Associate Executive Director of Public Relations and Communications

• **Michigan Educators Association** -- "Typically, the school district must communicate that there is an election and what it is seeking." Margaret Trimer-Hartley, Director of Communications

• **Representative John Stakoe** -- "The board of education that seeks a millage has an obligation to explain why it is asking the taxpayers for more money, how it plans to use that money, etc."

• **Senator Mike Bishop** -- "As to school districts, once the language is approved by the state, it is incumbent upon the school district to inform the public on what it does."

I think the picture is clear: **School boards have the responsibility to educate and communicate with the public concerning millage issues. And they should do so often.**

This is one reason I do not support a 10-year millage. I don't like any tax that outlives the elected officials who created the darn thing, whatever financial wrangling they are attempting to create. Ten years is simply too long for a millage discussion to be out of the hands of voters.

I admit, these officials agreed with Hyer on one point: **If a school district is advocating the passage of a millage, an outside entity (i.e. a parent or citizens run group) should be used.** Recommendations from the state officials on who should be on the advocacy group varied, but all agreed the group was to work on behalf of the school district.

According to Hyer, "So if we're going for a millage proposal, of course it's our job to educate and communicate and that was later in the comment you printed in the paper... Everything we're doing is wide open."

"The thing is, when we communicate on these issues, we ramp up -- we're going to the Rotary, the Optimists, the Lions Club -- we're going to go to every PTA meeting; we'll have things in the newspaper; we're going to work through the chamber and that's a lot of effort. I mean, every time we do this -- so if we're talking about a millage, I mean, we'd have to hire people if we're going to do that every year because we're not doing our core business."

Interesting. Clarkston Schools, which already has a public relations/communications department would need to hire their own lobbyists to advocate for a millage. Hmm. Wonder what they are doing in the PR department now?

Is anybody's pocketbook starting to sweat over this?

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The News to Me



Jenny Matteson

A Look Back

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

15 YEARS AGO (1991)

• **B&Bs stall:** Bed and breakfast facilities still are not allowed in the Village of Clarkston.

The Clarkston Village Council took no action on a proposed bed and breakfast ordinance Jan. 28, two weeks after a public hearing on the issue.

• **Hibler hired at Wixom library:** Nearly six weeks after resigning from his duties at the Independence Township Library, James Hibler has been named director of the Wixom Public Library.

25 YEARS AGO (1981)

• **Outlook bleak for Clarkston schools:** A grim picture was placed before Clarkston School Board members Monday night.

Superintendent Milford Mason placed the figures on a blackboard and the tallies revealed that even if all extracurricular activities – including athletics, band, chorus, drama and drivers education, were removed from the budget – cuts in staff totalling over one-half million dollars would have to be made to balance the

1981-82 budget.

At the end of the three-and-one-half-hour long meeting, school board members had made only one firm decision, to appoint a 20-member citizens' council to react to cuts proposed by the school administrators.

• **Topped tower:** After 25 years of service, the decaying light poles at the Clarkston High School athletic field are no more. Friday morning, workmen labored into the afternoon cutting down the old poles to make room for a new system, planned to be installed and ready by next fall's football season.

50 YEARS AGO (1956)

• **Help Fight Polio; Turn On Light:** Tonight the Mothers' March on Polio will take place in the Clarkston area. Not only mothers but every individual is interested in helping the victims of this dreaded disease.

• **Rotary Club Hears Noted Astronomer:** On Monday evening the Clarkston Rotary Club enjoyed an exceptionally interesting speaker, Dr. Keith Pierce, associate professor of astronomy at the University of Michigan, based at Mt. Math-Hulbert Observatory at Lake Angelus.

• **Unique Souvenirs Seen At Open House:** Last Saturday evening Mr. and Mrs. Allan Hinz of Hillcrest Drive entertained at an "open house" honoring her sister, Mrs. Marjorie Brim, who just returned from a trip around the world.

• **Piano Team Here Next Week:** The most popular piano team of our day, Luboschutz and Nemoenoff, will appear here on February 1, at the Isaac E. Cray Junior High School auditorium, under the auspices of the Waterford Township Civic Music Association.

Oops, I forgot my pants

Guys.

Just like roses, guys by any other name, are still just guys. Black, white, pink or yellow; short, tall, fat or skinny, at any point in the history of mankind -- excuse me, in the history of guykind -- we guys are the same.

I came to this conclusion, this certainty of life, after I read an Associated Press report on MSNBC.com. The following headline caught my eye, and the gears in my cobwebbed mind started to churn -- albeit rather slowly.

Police halt annual 'No Pants Subway Ride.'

No pants subway ride? Well, I never... did that.

Obviously this wasn't a local story, except for the afore mentioned conclusion (connection, if you will) about guys. That story was in New York -- but guys from Clarkston, Oxford, Orion, Ortonville, Goodrich and New York are all on the same page, genderly speaking. (I am quite sure you won't find "genderly" in any dictionary of good standing, so don't waste your time looking for it. Just go with it.)

As there are no local subways, I can honestly say I never rode in one without pants. However, I do seem to remember a certain annual party my college roommates (okay, and me too) hosted during our formidable years at good ol' Central Michigan University. I guess there was a reason why CMU was a "ranked" school in the pages of *Playboy* and it wasn't because the Chips tore things up on the gridiron. I think the student body just tended to tear things up -- lawns, sidewalks, etc.

If memory serves me correctly our annual "Oops I Forgot My Pants" parties were quite popular. More on that later. Let's get back to the subway gig.

According to MSNBC, "Eight pranksters who dropped their pants and showed their underwear on the subway on Sunday were taken into custody and issued summonses for disorderly conduct. All were ultimately released, said Improv Everywhere, the group that organized the stunt."

"The group said more than 160 riders participated

in the fifth annual No Pants Subway Ride before police halted their No. 6 train about 5 p.m.

"Charlie Todd, who founded Improv Everywhere in 2001, said it's not his group's intent to offend. He said he wants to create scenes of chaos and joy in public places around New York..."

Our motivations up there in Mt. Pleasant weren't as noble as our brethren's in New York. We just wanted to see as many coed gals in various forms of undress as we could, and as it was winter this was the quickest, easiest means to that end. There might be something noble in that endeavor, but I rather doubt it.

The lads in New York were moved by a higher, more virtuous calling (don't bother looking up "virtuistic" either. I'm pretty sure it ain't a word).

"It was our intent to make people laugh. We try to give people a great story to tell," Todd told reporters.

Well, how nice of them to be thinking about other people. I'm not saying I am not buying Todd's line about just trying to "make people laugh," but I know guys. Guys never do anything for purely selfless reasons.

If I really think hard, I seem to recall our pantless operations were fairly formal affairs. Dress shirts, ties, dark socks and polished shoes were required. Just no pants or, for the gals, no skirts. (Note to Dads: Relax, most of the girls wore those white, fluffy, ruffly, sometimes silky things that normally go under skirts. We saw more skin on the beaches than we did at our pantless shindigs.)

As I think back, it's interesting to note (but not all together germane and/or important to the story) that us guys covered our guyhood with boxer shorts. No guy showed up in his tightsy-whitey briefs. And, in case you're wondering, no other colored briefs containing guys attended our soirées.

Hmmm? Just thinking...

If I am not mistaken, somewhere, somebody probably has photos stashed away from those thrilling days of yesteryear just waiting to be published. Yikes. I guess, as a guy, I won't try running for public office anytime soon.

Comments for Guy Don can be e-mailed to: dontrushmedon@charter.net



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Just jotting...

I asked for, and got, a new electric razor for Christmas. It's a Braun. It came with its own cleaning stand and a readout screen that tells you when it's dirty. Ain't that nice? It, along with every other product these days, came in three languages: English, French and Espanol. What I really found interesting was their statement: "You shave the length of an 18-hole golf course every 18 months." I'm going to have to write to Braun and ask if that's a par three course, public course or the kind the pros play on. And, who did they hire to research this?

A *Detroit News* headline read: Detroit schools down by 10,000. Drop to 130,600 means district will lose \$73M in state funding. No!

Detroit's school district didn't 'lose' \$73M. They just didn't get it because they don't have it coming.

It's not unlike other Boards of Education and administrators claiming they should be getting money they say was taken away by the Headlee Amendment.

No! That money, by law, is not theirs.

Which brings up another question: Do school administrators, parks and recreation people, any level of government, any charity or any business, corporation or person ever admit being satisfied with the amount of money they earn or are given?



Jim's
Jottings

Jim Sherman

During the Senate judiciary committee hearings on the confirming of Judge Alito, I noticed a man sitting behind the judge with his right foot tossed over his left knee, showing the bottom of his shoe.

I made a note to myself: When was the last time you saw a hole in the sole of anyone's shoes? For me it may have been when Adlai Stevenson was running for president against Dwight David Eisenhower. Campaigning in Flint, a photographer snapped a picture of his holey shoe. It went across the world.

Holed soles were common in my mid-1930s school days. Cardboard filed the space from time to time as I walked 13 miles to school, uphill both ways, to attend Fremont on Grand River Road, not far from Newburg or Bancroft and just a few miles south of Corunna.

I get the publication *Metro Health*, Detroit Area's Source for Monthly Health News, mailed to me free or I would quit it. My regular reader knows I too often quote headlines. (see above) and this is another one: "Bacon, sausage, hot dogs and processed meats hike cancer risk by 67%."

If we added up all the percentages of cancer risk for everything we intake none of us would make it out of the hospital birthing room. Perhaps that would be good, because in a short time there would be no people, thus no need for percentages.

This study, which condemns all processed meats, comes from the University of Hawaii. How would a nutritionist find processed meat on those islands? Isn't all their meat cooked on a revolving spit with an apple in their mouths?

The paper says, (and that is about as anonymous as you can get) sodium nitrite is the culprit and "the USDA once tried to ban sodium nitrite, but was unsuccessful due to political influence and lobbying efforts of meat processing companies." The quote marks are mine, the words are theirs.

It's another case of making a statement that isn't proven, but is covered by numerous disclaimers in their masthead. Wonder if Abramoff was involved in this influence peddling?

Anyway, the bottom line is that if you eat any processed meat you are going to die. But if you don't eat any processed meat you're missing some great tastes and you are still going to die.

Well, it's January and sports writers have begun pushing baseball. Interesting that this year these writers are predicting I'll go 30 who has record for the Detroit Tigers instead of the pennant.

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Police and Fire

Independence Township

January 11: 54-year-old Clarkston man arrested for operating his vehicle while intoxicated. Police were alerted to the man drinking in his car at a gas station on Sashabaw Road near Maybee Road. The man was also arrested for driving with a suspended license, refusal of P.B.T. and altering, fogging and falsifying the car's registration tabs. The man has no prior alcohol convictions. Chemical breath results were .18 and .16.

January 13: 24-year-old Pontiac woman arrested for domestic assault and unlawful entry on Riverview while picking up her daughter from the girl's father's house. The woman allegedly shoved the father and forced her way into the home.

January 14: 21-year-old Grand Blanc man arrested for operating his vehicle while intoxicated, first offense; driving with a suspended license; and failure to stop at an assured distance on M-15 near Deer Ridge. P.B.T. results were .14. A 20-year-old male passenger in the vehicle was ticketed for under 21 alcohol consumption.

January 15: Runaway from Clintonville Road residence, originally reported gone on Jan. 13, confirmed to be back home.

Police firearm discharged to destroy

injured deer at 8:10 p.m. on Holcomb Road.

Snowboard stolen from patron at Pine Knob Ski Resort.

January 16: Several items stolen from vehicle on Pear Road near Snow Apple Drive.

I-pod stolen from vehicle on Heron Parkway. Entry was gained by smashing the passenger window.

Barking dog complaint on Felix Drive.

Stereo and CD's stolen from unlocked car on Lake Waldon Drive.

January 17: Report filed by an 81-year-old Clarkston resident concerning possible fraud. The resident said she received a phone call from female and was convinced to disclose her bank account numbers.

Personal checks stolen from Lancaster Hill Drive residence. A friend of the resident from Pontiac called the man admitting he took the checks and had cashed three \$200 checks.

Independence Township resident reported that someone made transactions on his debit card account from Jan. 14-17. The withdrawals totaled approximately \$540 as listed on the report.

A 1997 red Ford F-250 pickup truck, trailer and two Arctic Cat snowmobiles stolen from business on Andersonville Road. The driver parked the truck at 4:45 p.m. the previous day in a fenced in area and left the keys in the vehicle. The items are worth an estimated \$15,100.

January 18: Attempted fraud on during week of Dec. 18 - Independence Township resident claims an unknown individual attempted to apply on-line for credit using his identity.

Sterling Heights man received a \$100.50 energy bill listed in his name at a Waterford address he does not own. The man was also told by a representative of the Michigan Unemployment Office that a person was using his social security number and name for employment at a Clarkston business on M-15.

The small window of a business on Dixie Highway south of White Lake Road was broken. Unknown culprit went through the front desk removing a small amount of cash. A nail tech's work area was also ransacked.

Business on Dixie Highway spray painted the block wall on the north side of the building. The owner said the spray painting occurred on two occasions on Jan. 15 and 17 in and out of the building.

January 19: Home invasion on S. Eston. Approximately \$2,850 in cash and change as well as miscellaneous papers and titles stolen.

Passenger window of vehicle on Autumnwood Court smashed out, but nothing reported stolen.

Two vehicles vandalized in Hidden Lakes Apartments on Ashwood and Cottonwood courts. In an apparent attempt to steal the car stereo of one vehicle, the passenger window was smashed. The other vehicle's cloth roof was cut and

the radio removed.

Clarkston teen cited for failing to report a property damage accident, violation of driving license and driving too fast for conditions after he admitted to crashing a friend's vehicle into a street sign in the subdivision on Stonewood Road. A resident reported the damage to the sign caused by the accident which took place around 2 a.m. on Jan. 17. The vehicle suffered an estimated \$1,700 in damage. No figures were listed about the sign's damage.

January 20: Purse stolen during

Please see Police, page 14A

Pedestrian injured in car accident

An 42-year-old Holly man was struck by a vehicle as he wandered into the roadway at the intersection of Dixie Highway near Big Lake Road at about 8 p.m. on Jan. 17.

The southbound vehicle struck the man head-on on the driver's side. The motorist was a 19-year-old Davisburg man driving a 1999 GMC Sonoma.

The man received nonthreatening injuries. According to information from witnesses, the pedestrian was possibly intoxicated.

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By Ernie Harwell

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We all want our kids and grandkids to be safe while they're riding in the car. So let's all make a special effort to ensure we're doing everything possible to protect them.

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Ernie Harwell, "the voice of the Detroit Tigers" for more than four decades, retired after 53 years behind a major league microphone. Today, at age 86, Ernie's days are filled with serving as a health and fitness advocate for Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan, public appearances, writing, traveling and taking long walks with "Miss Lulu," his wife of more than 60 years. His latest book, a collection of his baseball columns entitled "Life After Baseball," is available at local bookstores or by calling 1-800-245-5082.

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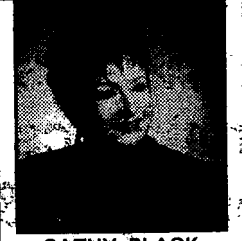
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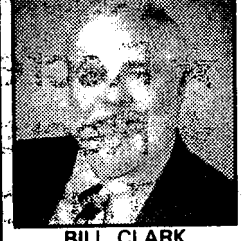
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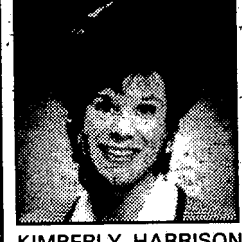
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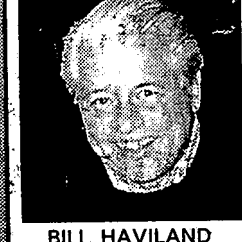
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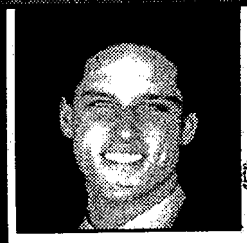
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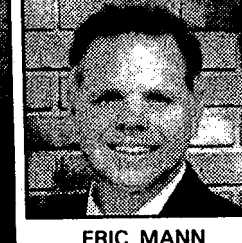
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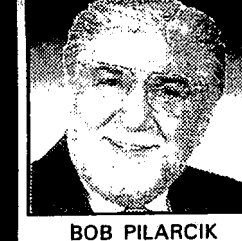
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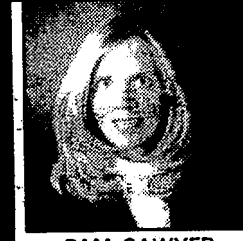
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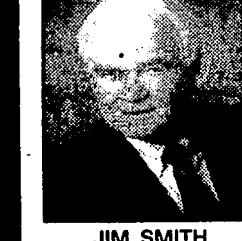
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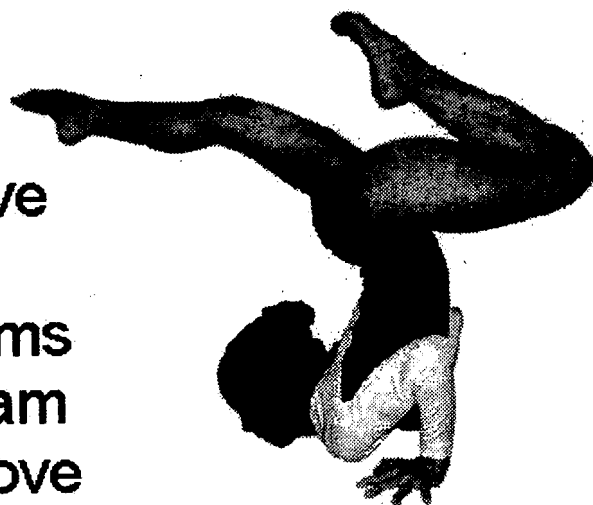
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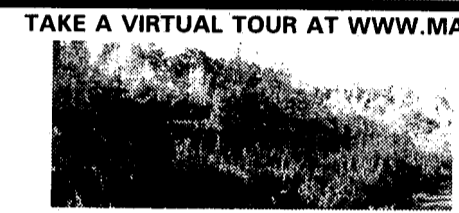


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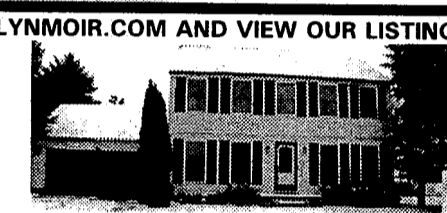


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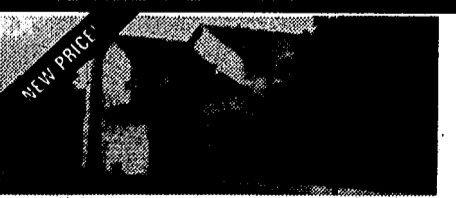


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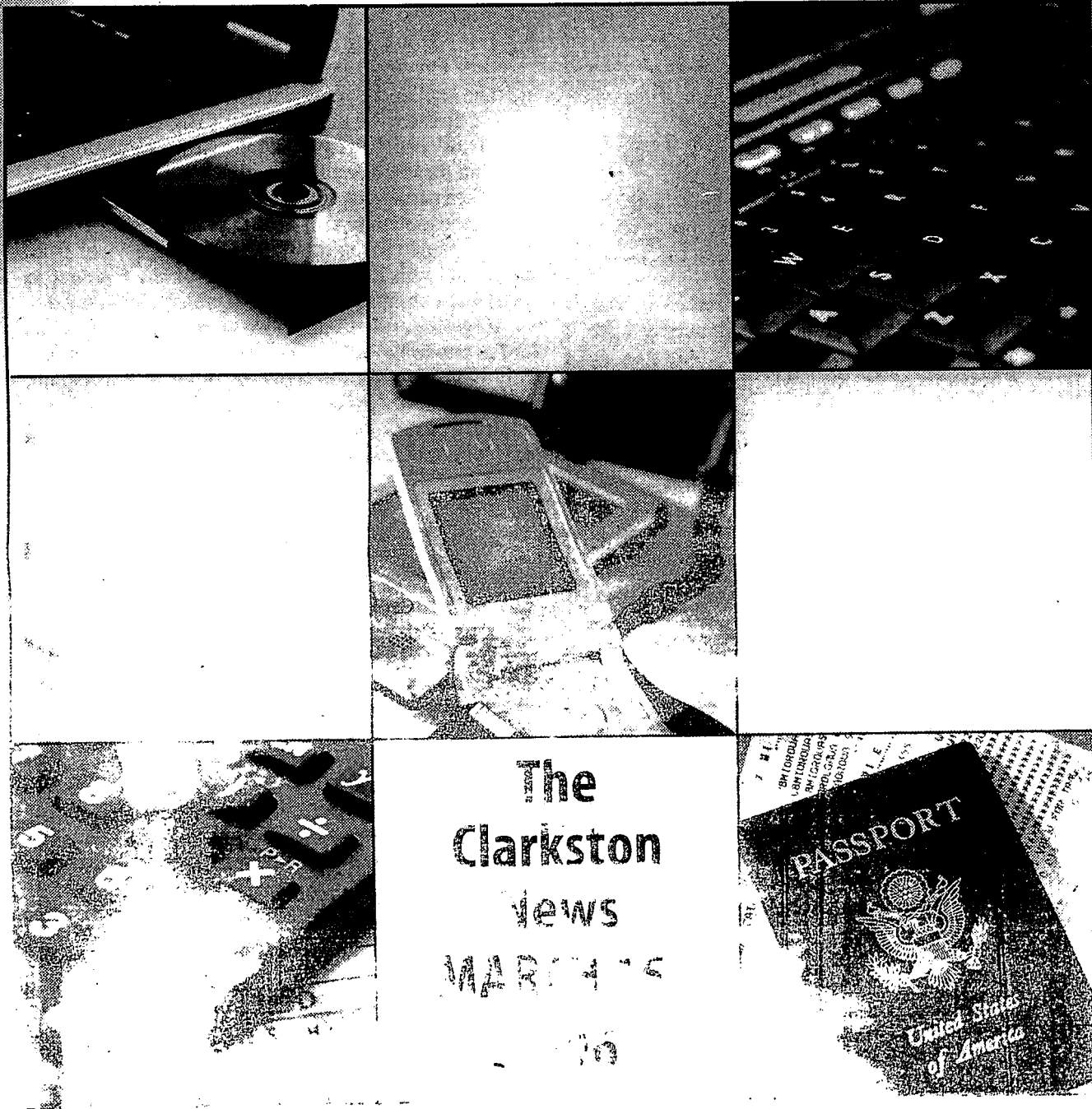


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home invasion of residence on Snow Apple Drive. The invasion occurred between 11:30 p.m. and 7 a.m. on Jan. 19-20. The purse contained seven credit cards, cash and two gift cards.

17-year-old Clarkston High School student cited for marijuana use and possession after a teacher sent him to the office for smelling like marijuana. A subsequent search of the student's car revealed a piece of tin foil containing suspected marijuana seeds and residue.

33-year-old Milford man arrested for being disorderly after being involved in a fight at a business on Dixie Highway near M-15 at 9:45 p.m.

25-year-old Clarkston woman arrested for simple assault and malicious destruction of property at a group home on Rattalee Lake Road after destroying furniture and hitting employees attempting to settle her down. According to the report, the woman became agitated after not being allowed to use the phone. The same woman was committed to Genesys Hospital in Grand Blanc on Jan. 19 for other disruptive behavior.

January 21: Police were called to gas station on Sashabaw Road after two 17-year-old Allen Park teens allegedly threatened a cashier who refused to sell them cigars. Following a police investigation the two teens were cited for possession of marijuana, possession of tobacco and disorderly conduct. A third teen who reportedly sat in the back of the car the trio rode to the gas station in, was cited for possession of marijuana and tobacco.

18-year-old West Bloomfield man injured his face and wrist at Pine Knob Ski Resort after falling from his snowboard. Star EMS transported the man to Royal Oak Beaumont Hospital.

At least four separate vehicles were broken into overnight on Spring Meadow. A couple of the cars were left unlocked, but two were entered through smashed windows. A battery charger, pocket knife and other items stolen.

January 22: 16-year-old Shelby Township teen tried to exchange fraudulent tickets for lift passes at Pine Knob Ski Resort.

Resident on Oak Park discovered his photo, name, and personal information on a Web site without his permission. The man believes a woman he had an internet relationship with posted the information. The resident said she is upset about their break-up, and the site depicts him in what he considers a negative light. The man received a call allegedly verifying his telephone number, and the day after received an e-mail informing him of the Web-site.

Springfield Township

December 31: 11-year-old boy bit on the face by a pit bull at around 2 p.m. on Clark Road. The boy was playing at a friend's house with the dog when he was bit. The boy received stitches at the Clarkston Ambulatory Clinic.

January 10: Three men cited for soliciting without a permit on Wellington for a business on Dixie Highway. One of the men, a 21-year-old White Lake man, had multiple outstanding warrants and was arrested.

January 15: Threats complaint on Julie Drive.

January 18: Business on Broadway in Davisburg broken into. Someone broke through the block wall and entered a locked room removing \$200-\$400 from a coin machine, five cases of pop and a set of keys. Note found written posing as management complaining about ripping off patrons.

January 20: Resident on Red Cedar Court encountered a suspicious person in his driveway with a crowbar and hammer around 2:23 a.m. The suspect continued to approach until the resident released his Rottweiler who chased the intruder back to his vehicle. The man is described as a six-foot white male with a medium build, short dark hair and glasses. The man entered the passenger side of a late 70's or 80's model full size Chevy truck painted with primer and left.

Holdup note left for bartender

A bartender at Deer Lake Athletic Club on White Lake Road found a note on her car instructing her to leave the night's deposit in a plastic bag and stating there was an armed male watching.

The 29-year-old employee left work with the nightly bank deposit, her manager and a patron around 1 a.m. on Jan. 20 when she found the note on her windshield. She also found a plastic bag for the deposit under her tire.

After reading the note, the employee ran to her manager's car and they drove away immediately. While driving to another local business, they called a detective and alerted him of the situation.

As stated in the report, the note said a man armed with a 9-millimeter handgun was watching the employee from nearby. The employee was to leave her cell phone

and the deposit in a plastic bag and then drive to the bank like normal.

According to the report, the note named the employee and warned her against doing anything stupid. The note also contained a threat asking the question of whether or not the employee was "ready to die for the money."

Employees of a nearby business said they observed a red Grand Am occupied by two people parked in the rear of the lot near the time of the incident, but could not say if the occupants were involved with the incident.

Detective Darren Ofiara of the Oakland County Sheriff's Department said the incident remains under investigation.

Dog pulled from mud by firefighter

According to Captain Dan DeLongchamp of the Independence Fire Department, firefighters rescued a dog stuck in a swampy area off Eston Road on Jan. 18 around 10:30 a.m.

A firefighter donning a water rescue suit was able to pull the boxer from the mud quickly, said DeLongchamp.

The owner of the dog, a Macomb County man who is employed in the area, called 911 to alert the fire department. There were no injuries reported to the dog.

This is the second incident this month involving the rescue of a dog. Two dogs were pulled from frigid waters by Independence Township firefighters after falling through the ice on Woodhull Lake on Jan. 10.

OCSO participating in "Bill's Big Dig"

The Oakland County Sheriff's Office and Channel 7's Bill Spencer are holding "Bill's Big Dig." The program is an event to assist Oakland County's senior citizens and disabled residents with snow removal.

When snow accumulates to more than three inches, supervised crews are sent from the OCSO's Boot Camp to help residents. On the first visit, a supervisor from the OCSO will knock on the door of the resident to verify their status as elderly or disabled and in need.

Eligible residents are those who are not able to afford to pay to have their snow removed and are physically unable to shovel snow. In order to participate, Oakland County residents can call the OCSO's Community Service hotline at 248-975-9700, hit key #5 and leave a message with their name and address.



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Injured man still critical

BY JAMES MARTINEZ
Clarkston News Staff Writer

A Clarkston man injured while working on a garbage truck remains in critical condition fighting an infection.

24-year-old Chris Mersino suffered serious injuries to his abdomen and lower extremities after the garbage truck he was riding backed up and drove over him.

The incident occurred on Jan. 5 at approximately 1:30 p.m. after Mersino fell from the truck, as stated in a press release from the Waterford Township Police Department.

The driver of the truck was a 39-year-old Waterford resident.

Mersino is employed by Smith's Disposal, a 55-year-old Clarkston-based garbage collection company.

Mersino remains at Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak fighting an infection, according to his fiancée's mother JoAnn Zulinski.

"He's got a bad infection and they don't know where it is," said Zulinski. "But every day miracles have been happening. We just want everyone to keep praying. We're praying that they can find the infection so he can start healing."

Zulinski said Mersino can open his eyes, but is in a groggy state.

Just weeks prior to the accident, Mersino and Ana Moor, who have a 4-year-old daughter named Hailee, were

beginning to look for wedding halls.

"(Ana's) doing the best she can. She just wants everyone to pray," said Zulinski. "(Hailee) doesn't really understand. She wants to see him, but knows she has to wait."

"It's just a tragic accident... I wished it never would have happened. Everyone's praying because he was part of the family here. We're very much concerned and we'd like to get updates," said Smith's Disposal owner Ken Smith.

According to Smith, Mersino was hired by Smith's in April after a spokeswoman for the business talked to Zulinski in her hair salon.

"We were talking and she told me that Chris and Ana couldn't get married until he got a better job. I think she knew we paid well and had good benefits and she asked me to see if we could get Chris a job. Because of that we gave him a job. We are all praying for Chris and his family," said Smith's Disposal spokeswoman Carol Evans in a press release.

"We (are) especially upset about this. We have an exceptional safety record and treat our employees very well. They are well paid and receive fully paid health insurance and other benefits," added Evans.

Smith confirmed a MIOSHA investigation is underway.

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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.

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.



Carin Burrill, left, and Natalie Gallagher demonstrate some of the equipment available at Jazzercise Fitness Center. Photo by Jenny Matteson

Just a bit of 'Jazzercise'

There's a new way to stay fit in the Clarkston area - and it's called Jazzercise.

"Jazzercise has become so popular in the Waterford and Clarkston area that we found it necessary to open our own facility," said Jazzercise Fitness Center Manager Carin Burrill.

The Jazzercise Fitness Center was located in several locations around the Clarkston community before settling at 5425 Perry, Suite 105 in Waterford on Jan. 2. Those familiar with the program would have taken classes at Christ Lutheran Church, St. Trinity Lutheran Church or through Waterford Parks and Recreation.

"We settled here because it's close enough for all our clients," said Burrill.

The center features instructors Natalie Gallagher, Mary Pruet and Mary Misiak.

Doors officially opened on Jan. 2; however, a grand opening is scheduled for March 6 featuring free classes all day to anyone who comes through the door.

For more information on Jazzercise Fitness Center, please call 248-698-6138 or go online to jazzercise.com.

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Family sets stage for concert in their home

BY ANDREW DUPONT
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Most people go out to see their favorite musical acts perform on stage. The Carrick family brings the acts to their living room, literally, and they want to share the music with the community.

The Carrick family is hosting their own house concert on Jan. 29, where their home becomes the stage for an intimate performance by Americana artists.

"It's kind of been around for a long time. It's kind of a grass-roots approach to bringing music to people by bringing in touring musicians, local musicians," Craig Carrick said. "A lot of times there's not a venue for them to play, they're looking for coffee shops, trying to steer away from the bars and nightclubs where there's more of a concentration on the performance than all the other stuff that's going on."

Carrick said he experienced a house concert presented by the Paint Creek Folk Lore Society, and loved the experience so much he decided to try one himself.

"It was awesome. You're sitting up close and personal with these phenomenal artists and enjoying absolutely incredible music in somebody's living room," Carrick said. "You get a chance to mingle with the artists and depending on where they're from, it might be your only opportunity to see them in the area."

Starting the Carrick's show is the

country folk blues duo Stacey Earle and Mark Stuart. The married duo mix Earle's twang and Stuart's sympatico and are considered "Nashville-royalty" by some. The pair shared a stage with performers like Steve Earle, Willie Nelson, Richard Thompson and Gregg Brown.

"They're a heavy-duty touring band," said Carrick. "They're in Europe one week, Texas the next week, Ireland the next, you just never know. They're all over the place, that's what they do. To us it's very exciting because they're our favorite songwriters which is what we look for."

The second act features John Latini, who has performed for over 25 years. Winner of the 2004 Metro Detroit Songwriting Contest, Latini plays multiple instruments and performed on the same stage as groups like Blues Traveler, Creedence Clearwater and Commander Cody.

"We fell in love with his songs big time and we thought that was a perfect pair-up to Mark and Stacey," Carrick said.

The event is the second time the Carrick family has hosted a house concert. Carrick said the first event took place in October and was very successful.

"As a music lover, you're turned on by it. You want to see that up-close and real personal connection with the artist," Carrick said.

The concert begins at 4 p.m. Coffee,



The musical Carrick family stands in their home, where they will host a house concert on Jan. 29 at 4 p.m. Pictured are Craig and Nicki Carrick and their children Erin and John. Photo by James Martinez

soft drinks and snacks are provided, but visitors are expected to bring any other food.

A \$12 donation is requested to sup-

port the performing artists.

Space is limited and filling fast. Anyone interested in attending should RSVP by contacting Carrick at 248-394-0113.

Local volunteers help in SuperBuild

BY JAMES MARTINEZ

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Forty houses in six days.

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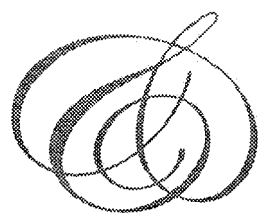
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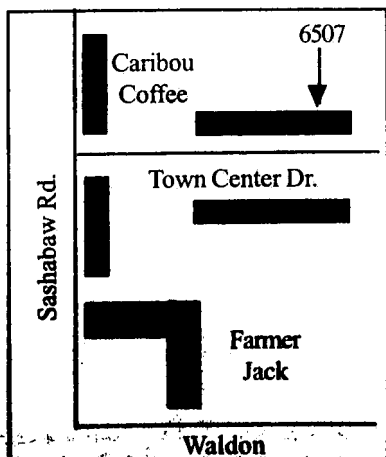
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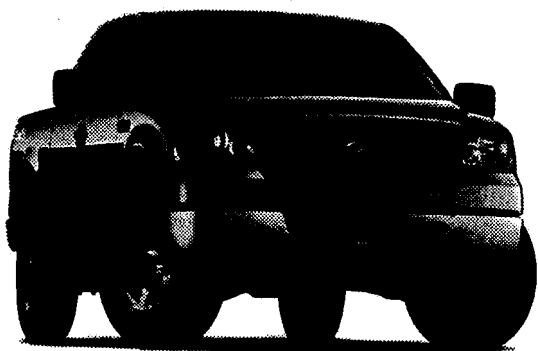
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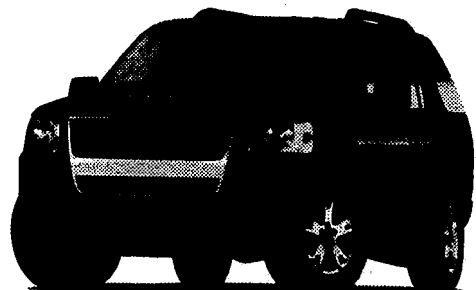


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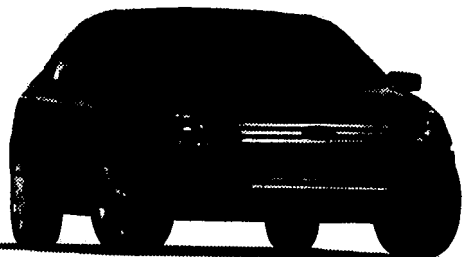


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Steady Ronk-ing all night long Wolves get their minds right in win over Lathrup

BY NOAH PURCELL
Clarkston News Sports Writer

Still reeling from their second straight league loss at Pontiac Central on Jan. 17, Clarkston's basketball team made a strong statement in front of their home crowd defeating Southfield Lathrup 77-54 on Jan. 20.

"This was a huge win. Coach (Dan Fife) challenged

us in practice and we responded," Clarkston senior Joe Moran said. "We're capable when we want to be, which should be all the time."

The Wolves had much to atone for as their effort was questioned after losing to Central, 60-49.

"(The game against Lathrup) was a lot better honestly. A lot more competitive, a lot more aggressive, a lot more focused and more like what we should be all about to start with," Clarkston Coach Dan Fife said. "(Against Central) I just didn't think our mental focus, our approach mentally or physically was where it should be for a Clarkston team to play Division I. We can't go out there and walk around on the floor and expect the other team to roll over."

Against Lathrup, Clarkston built a 30-19 first half lead and extended their advantage with a 7-0 run to start the second half. Though Lathrup rallied back with an 11-4 spurt of their own, Clarkston closed the third strong, leading 48-35 going into the final quarter.

"We maintained our poise and every time they made a run at us we kept knocking it off. That's huge because we hadn't been doing that. We'd been getting lazy and then not sustaining our intensity and our focus and not been getting good possessions with the ball and not valuing the basketball," Fife said.

A large dollop of poise came from senior Robbie Ronk who has taken over the bulk of point guard duties in the wake of an injury to senior John Kast. The time line on Kast's return is estimated between 4-6 weeks.

Perhaps most telling about Ronk's play is a conversation which occurred as Fife was going to take him out of the game in the second half.

"Moran said, 'Coach, we need Robbie in there,' and I said, 'Joe, it's about time you said that,' and he

said, 'Well it's about time Robbie stepped up and played like he is capable,'" Fife said. "(Ronk) took care of the ball and did what we needed to get us into our offense, to settle us down, keep everybody on task on the floor, doing what a point guard is supposed to do ... he's a floor general now and we've been lacking that."

With Ronk providing a steady guiding hand, the Wolves out scored the Chargers 29-15 in the fourth quarter, thanks in part to a wide disparity in shooting percentage and procession to the free throw line.

"We weren't ready tonight to play basketball. We missed a lot of assignments, we weren't in tune, we didn't come with the intensity we would have like to come with, and they did a good job of finding the open guy," Southfield Lathrup Coach Mike Avery said.

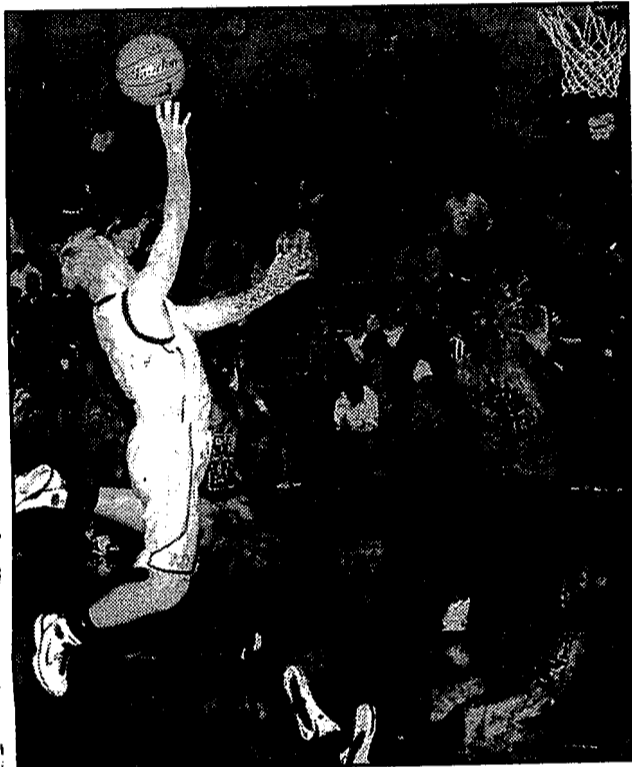
The Chargers desperately tried, and failed to get back in the game with perimeter shooting, going 4 for 19 from the field and 9 for 10 from the free throw line in the fourth quarter. While Clarkston hit enough of their free throws (11/19) to subvert the Charger's intentional foul strategy down the stretch while shooting 7 for 9 from the field in the fourth.

Avery thought the Wolves, cornered by an 0-2 league record, were a dangerous opponent coming into the game.

"I knew coming into the game they were going to be ready, 0-2 in the league, and I knew they were going to be fired up for us because we were in first place in the league," said Avery.

Pontiac Northern, who beat Clarkston on Jan. 6, is now in first place in the OAA Division I with a 3-0 record after beating Central, 58-56, on Jan. 20. Lathrup is 2-1 having beaten Central and West Bloomfield.

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Robbie Ronk is fouled as he drives the lane against Southfield Lathrup. Photo by Noah Purcell

Athlete of the Week — Joe Moran

Senior Joe Moran is the Athlete of the Week after, as he continued to shoulder the bulk of the scoring load for Clarkston's basketball team.

Moran had 18 points in a loss to Pontiac Central on Jan. 17 and 22 in the Wolves' victory over Southfield Lathrup on Jan. 20.

"I'm trying to get my shots where I can, obviously not having John (Kast) leaves some shots open and it hurts us. I have to take more of a leadership role," Moran said.

To his coach Moran, a four-year varsity player and two year starter, is deserving of such a leadership role.

"(Moran) exemplifies what Clarkston basketball should be about," Clarkston Coach Dan Fife said.

Moran started playing basketball in his youth at YMCA leagues and continued his hoops education in the McGrath league when he moved to Clarkston from

Warren in third grade.

What struck Fife early about Moran early on is his dedication to the game.

"At the time I thought I was having trouble getting kids to make a commitment to basketball. (Moran) would always be in the gym as an eighth grader. I would come up here after track meets and he would be in the gym working on his game," Fife said.

When he is not fine tuning his jumper, Moran values time with his friends and the odd game of golf or poker.

Moran has been accepted to Michigan State University, where his two older sisters go to school. He is waiting to hear from the University of Michigan and still has to weigh his options as far as playing basketball in college goes.

He is interested in studying finance in college.

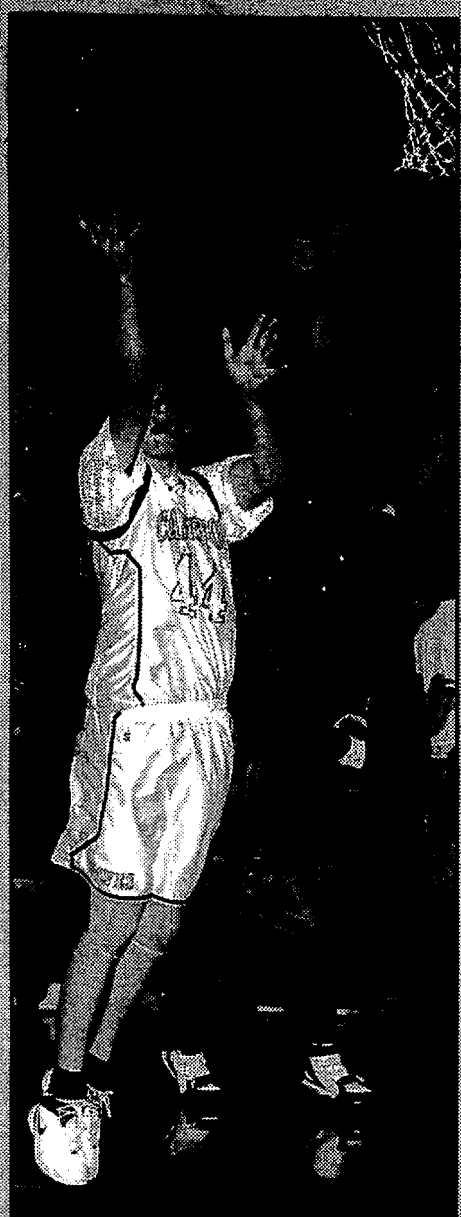
Joe's parents are Dave and Rhonda Moran.



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Bran Bergquist scored 9 points and 5 rebounds in Clarkston's 77-54 win over Southfield Lathrup. Photo by Noah Purcell

Bball

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Clarkston and Central are tied in the league standings at 1-2.

"This is a tough place to play in. I would love to see their home record, they don't lose many at home. You have to play a damn good game to beat Clarkston at home," Avery said.

At 6-2 overall, Clarkston is undefeated at home this season, though only three games have been played at CHS.

"It was (helpful) to be at home. We had great crowd support. That was probably as good a crowd as we've had in a long time," Fife said.

Moran led the way for Clarkston in the scoring column in both games this week, finishing with 18 points in a losing effort at Central and 22 in the Wolves win over Lathrup. Lathrup's Andre Rison led all scorers with 24.

The Wolves will put their unblemished home record to the test as they host six of their next eight games.

A tough Flint Central team came calling on Jan. 24. The contest finished too late for this edition of *The Clarkston News*.

The Wolves host Troy High on Jan. 27, before a quick sojourn to Avondale on Jan. 31. The home stand resumes on Feb. 3 against Ferndale and Feb. 7 with West Bloomfield. Clarkston's rematch with Lathrup, this time at the Chargers home gym looms on Feb. 10. A week of revenge-tinged games follows as the Wolves host a lovefest with Pontiac Northern on Feb. 14 and invite Pontiac Central to the jungle on Feb. 16.

Skiers steady so far, stiff challenge awaits

The Clarkston ski teams continued to slide along, both improving to 5-0 on the season after victories over Lahser and Notre Dame on Jan. 18 and 19.

The girls team was victorious by a count of 10-31 over Lahser and 12-26 over Notre Dame in the slalom on Jan. 18. Hannah Wolf, Trish Peters, Alyssa Vermeulen and Heather Barron provided the scoring.

Due to a scheduling snafoo which left the Wolves with only four racers, Clarkston only raced Lahser in the grand slalom on Jan. 19, but still beat the Knights 14-22, with Maddy Dunn, Erica Halsey, Wendy Roberts and Barron powering the Wolves.

On the boys side, The Wolves beat Lahser 10-36 and Notre Dame 14-23 in the slalom. Chris Bland, Cobie Bland, Bradley Gale and Brandon Boozer were the Wolves top finishers on the first day of action.

Again the Wolves only competed against Lahser in the boys' grand slalom and defeated the Knights 10-30. Gale, Scott Huber, Cobie Bland and Chris Bland were the top finishers.

Clarkston Coach Mike Foyteck foresees a tough meet against Cranbrook, Detroit Country Day and Waterford on Jan. 25 and 26. He was especially worried about DCD and Cranbrook.

The competition gets no easier going forward as the Wolves travel to the Traverse City Invitational on Jan. 30, where they will face some of the best teams in the state.

"Basically it will be like a state meet," Foyteck said.

The Wolves will head up north to practice prior to the invite.

"They will get some big hill experience and then race on Monday," Foyteck said.

- NOAH PURCELL

Start practicing that jumper

The MRPA Hoop Shoot is a fun and exciting shooting competition for boys and girls on Feb. 6 at Clarkston Middle School from 7-9 p.m.

The competition breaks down into the following age groups: 8-9, 10-11, 12-13 and 14-15.

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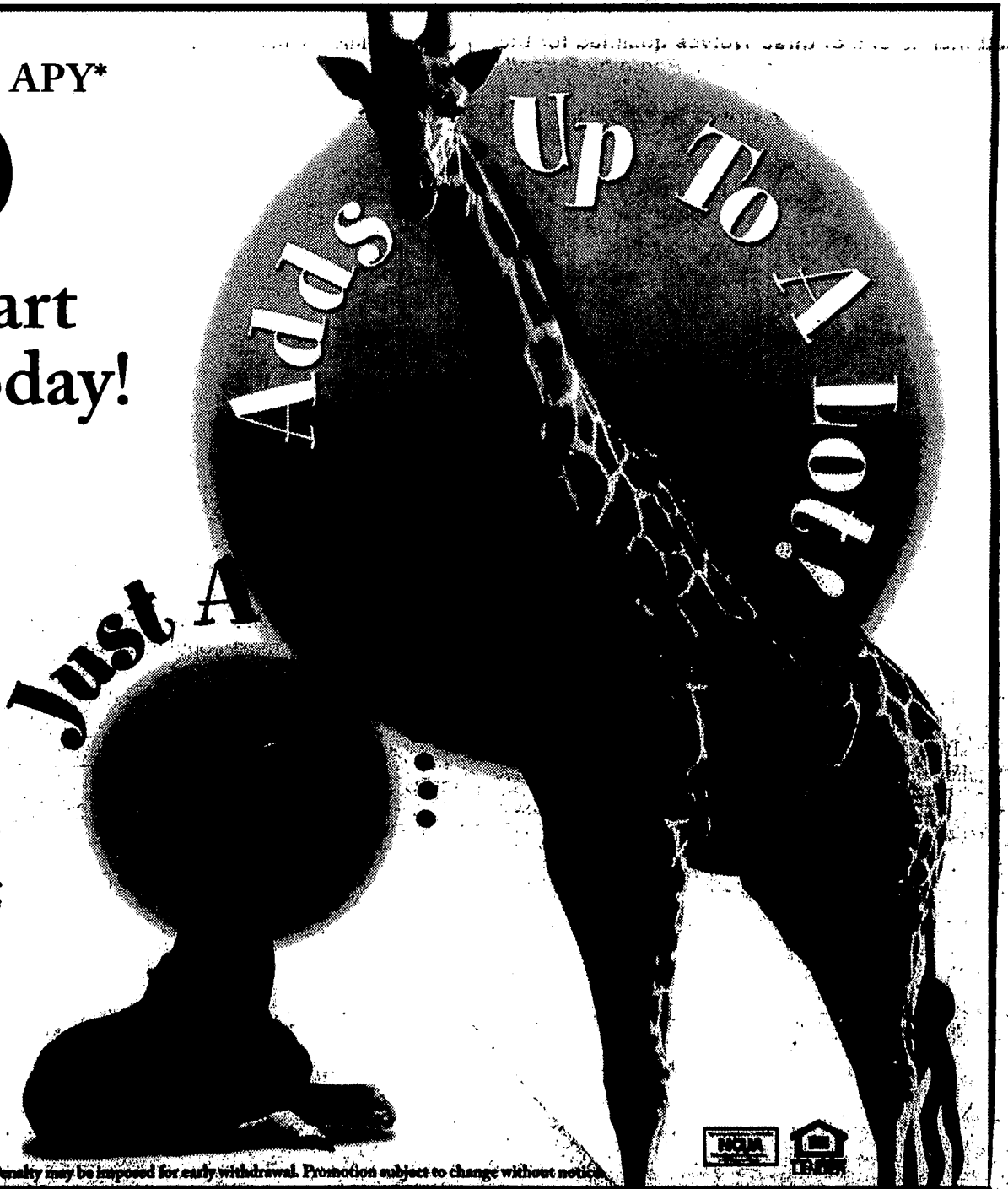
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Grapplers prove mettle on the mats

BY NOAH PURCELL
Clarkston News Sports Writer

When the wrestling season draws to a close, the Wolves wrestlers may be able to look back on the past week as a catalyst for whatever success they enjoyed down the road.

Clarkston showed Lake Orion what they thought of the Dragons reign over the OAA Division I on the mats on Jan. 18, winning 30-25.

"It was emotional. There were a lot of close matches. There were some matches that were some real gut checks," Clarkston Coach Joe DeGain said.

With the Wolves holding a 27-25 lead going into the final match, Clarkston's Josh McAllister (171 pounds) fended off Ben Knight to seal the victory.

"We just needed to dethrone the Dragons," McAllister said, referring to Lake Orion's OAA League title in 2005.

"(Beating Lake Orion) was really big because they beat us last year. I think it will give us an advantage at the league meet," Bryan Craft, who pinned his Dragon counterpart at 152 pounds.

Other Wolves having their hands raised by the referee against Lake Orion were: Steve Herron (275), Adam Lauzen (189), Tommy Ellsworth (160), Colton

Tweed (145), Tyler Schneider (125) and Mike Maguire (119).

DeGain was somewhat worried about a let down after his Wolves beat Lake Orion, as host Rochester was still on the dual meet dance card, but Clarkston handily dispatched the Falcons 45-21.

Maguire, Tweed, Craft, Ellsworth, McAllister, and Herron picked up their second wins of the day against Rochester. Josh Booker (130), Eric Butterfield (140) and Steve Cooper (215) all vanquished their Falcon opponents as well.

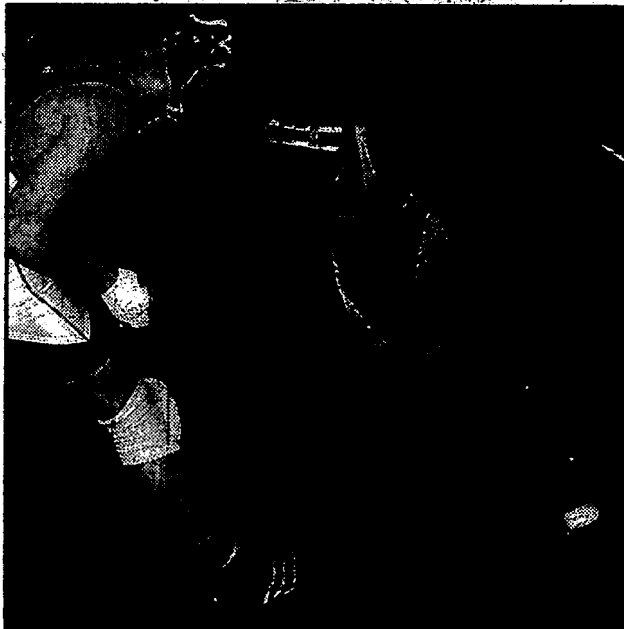
With matters in their backyard in order, Clarkston traveled to Ohio to wrestle in the Western Brown Invitational on Jan. 21.

"It's a tough tournament. There were two state runners-up from Ohio and the Kentucky state champs," DeGain said.

The Wolves ended up in fourth place out of 16 teams on the day.

"We kind of fell apart at the end. It's good we were able to put some guys into the semifinals though. I'd rather have them lose in the semis in Ohio than in districts here," DeGain said.

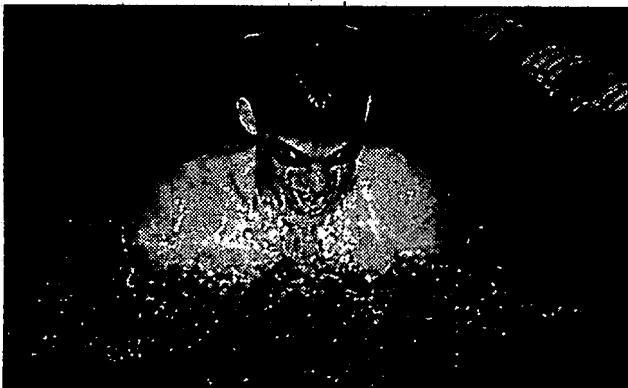
Both Maguire and Ellsworth finished in second place in their respective weight classes. Craft and Herron fin-



Josh McAllister clinched Clarkston's win over Lake Orion with a win at 171 pounds. Photo by Purcell

ished in third. Tweed and McAllister managed fourth place finishes. Mitch Miller (135) took fifth and Cooper, Butterfield and Booker ended up in eighth place.

Up next Clarkston has a double dual hosted by Troy Athens on Jan. 25 and compete in the county duals in Roseville on Jan. 28.



Matt Inch is one of three Wolves qualified for the Oakland County Meet on Feb. 4. Photo by Purcell

Swimmers strive for County cuts

Clarkston did not fare so well as a team in the pool this past week, losing to 117-69 to Berkley on Jan. 17 and 108-73 to Rochester Adams on Jan. 19.

Taking the edge off somewhat was Jim Peers who became the third Wolves swimmer to make the cut for the Oakland County meet to be held on Feb. 4.

Peers qualified for the county meet in the 500 freestyle against Adams, joining Matt Inch (200 and 500 freestyle) and Josh Badgerow (100 fly and 100 freestyle) who qualified for the county meet in the Wolves first match of the season on Dec. 20.

"I would have liked to be a little farther along at this point in the season," Clarkston Coach Kenwyn Chock said. "There are two weeks left before (the county meet). We basically have this week to get someone else in there."

Clarkston's match against Harrison at home on Jan. 24 finished too late for this edition of *The Clarkston News*.

"(The Harrison meet) will be the last time they can qualify for (the county meet)," Chock said.

After the county meet, the swim team's focus switches to the state meet on Feb. 27 and obtaining an overall berth on the state level.

"We're trying to get somebody to swim. It's just how healthy they stay and how hard they train," Chock said.

A day at the park

For children ages three to five, the Start Smart program offers a window into sports basics beginning Feb. 1 at Everest Academy from 5:45-6:35 p.m. and running for six weeks thereafter.

Start Smart is a program in which parents work one-on-one with their child in a supportive and relaxed atmosphere that promotes fun as the number one priority of sports.

Children must be accompanied by a parent or adult. Class will not be held on Feb. 14.

Cost is \$30 for residents and \$40 for non-residents. Contact Independence Township Parks and Recreation for more details at 248-625-8223.

Basketball Basics are the focus of a six-week program designed to teach first and second grade boys and girls the proper way to shoot, pass, and dribble.

The Independence Township Parks and Recreation program begins Jan. 28 and costs \$35 for residents and \$45 for non-residents. A t-shirt is included with the instruction of basic drills and sportsmanship.

Location is yet to be determined. First graders are scheduled from 10-11 a.m. and second graders get some run from 11:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

Call 248-625-8223 for information.

Got two left feet? Independence Township's spate of dance classes is here to help.

The first session of classes runs Jan. 31 through Feb. 28. Cost \$45 for residents and \$55 for non-residents.

Ballet for Youngsters starts at 6 a.m. and teaches the basics of the most popular dance of the last 50 years.

Continuing Wedding Social Dances at 6:45 p.m. is intended to hone the steps learned in Wedding Social Dance, which begins at 7:30 p.m. In the first

wedding dance class, participants learn the basics of the Fox Trot, Waltz, Rumba, Swing and Night Club Slow dances.

Salsa and Merengue instruction closes the evening at 8:15 p.m. focusing on the exotic twists and turns of latin dance.

Contact TTP&R for more details at 248-625-8223.

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 conduct this clinic for girls ages 8-14 (age as of Jan. 1, 2006). The clinic is conducted from 6-7 p.m. Registration ends Jan. 27. Each participant receives a t-shirt. Please call 248-625-8223 for more details.

Springfield Township Parks and Recreation wants the family dog to be well behaved and hopes their Dog Obedience Classes beginning Feb. 2 and running through April 6 will help.

The classes are held at the Hart Community Center in Davisburg.

Shots are required for all dogs and shot records are required on the first night of class.

Class size is limited and registration is required. Call STP&R at 248-634-0412 for availability, class levels, class times and fees.

For newbies and novices, the session of Yoga classes running Wednesdays from Feb. 1 to March 22 at the Springfield Township Community Center from 12-1:00 p.m. will provide a stimulating experience.

Participants are required to register three days prior to the start of the session.

Cost is \$80 for the session. Call STP&R at 248-634-0412 for information.

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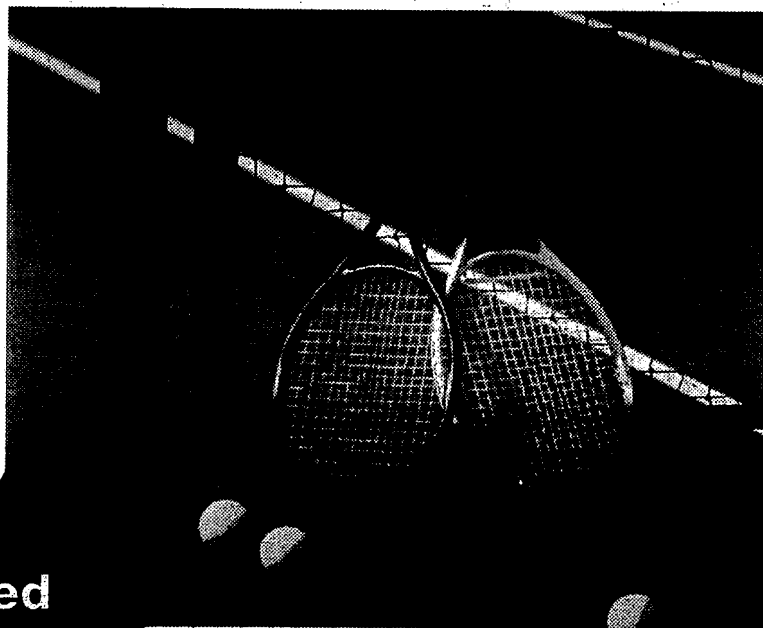
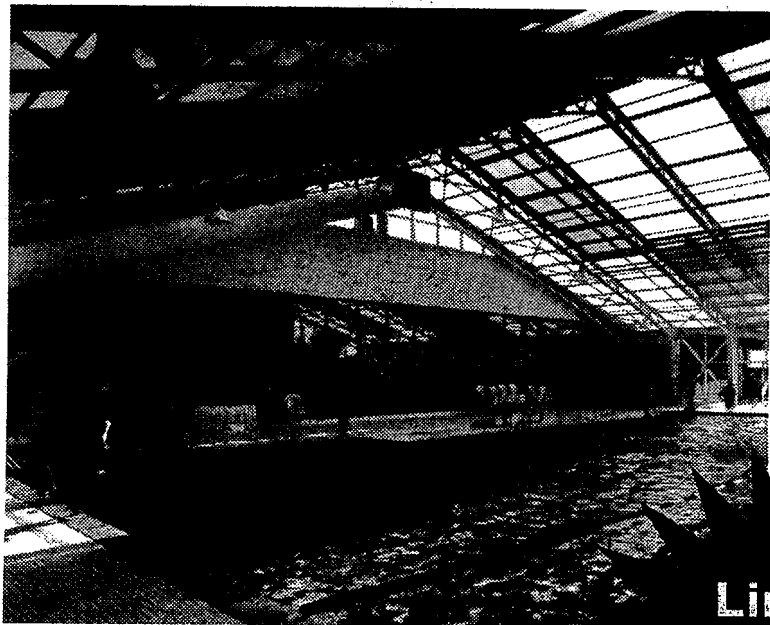


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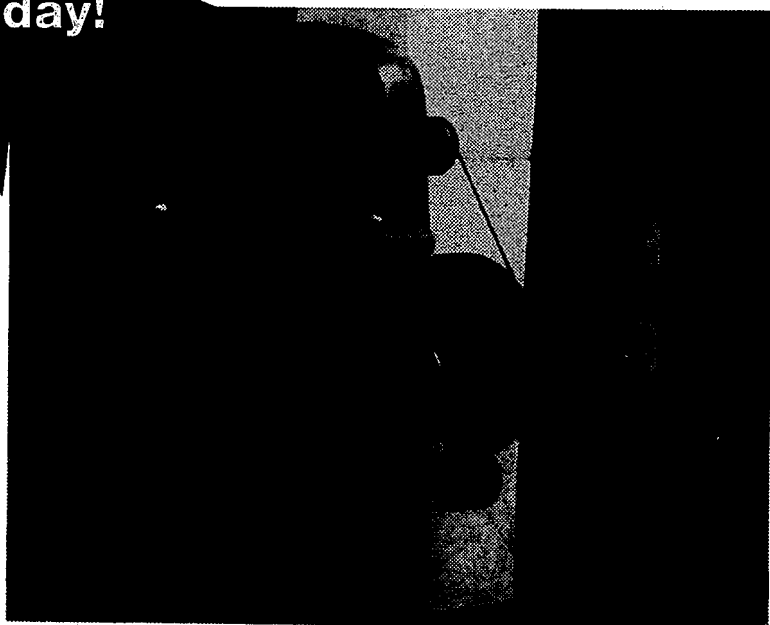
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No handicaps for this motivational speaker

BY ANDREW DUPONT
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Being handicap is a state of mind. Nobody knows that better than Brett Eastburn, and he's happy to spread his message.

Eastburn was born with no arms or legs. Despite what some people might see as disabilities, Eastburn showcased his skills in basketball, football, baseball, swimming, wrestling, art, teaching and especially motivation.

An internationally recognized motivational speaker, Eastburn brings his message of boosting self-esteem and overcoming obstacles to both adults and children.

Over the past week, Eastburn visited several Clarkston schools to speak with students, starting on Jan 18 at Sashabaw Middle School and Clarkston Elementary and ending on Jan. 20 at Clarkston High School.

After introducing students at Clarkston Elementary to his service dog, Murray, Eastburn shared personal experiences with students to illustrate his message.

"A handicap is something that can get in your way, something that can slow you down... ladies and gentlemen, it says nothing about someone. Last time I checked, I was a person, not a thing," Eastburn said.

Showing no effort, Eastburn leapt from his wheelchair onto a nearby table, and proceeded to show students just how able he is. He dribbled a basketball while recounting stories from his days as a point guard for his school team. He threw a quick pass to a student in the audience; and later did so again with a football, though he made sure the student did not throw it back.

"It's not that I can't catch it, I just want to stay on

the table," Eastburn joked.

In school though, any joke about his appearance was on Eastburn's opponents, who underestimated his skill and often left him open, giving him the perfect opportunity to help his team.

"Just because somebody looks like they're handicap doesn't necessarily mean that they are. I personally believe you're handicap only if you choose to be. And I also believe that there's only one person in this room who can stop you from doing what you truly want to do in life and that is... you," he said.

When he got thirsty during the presentation, Eastburn grabbed a can of Coke, opened it with his teeth, and drank -- to loud applause from the audience.

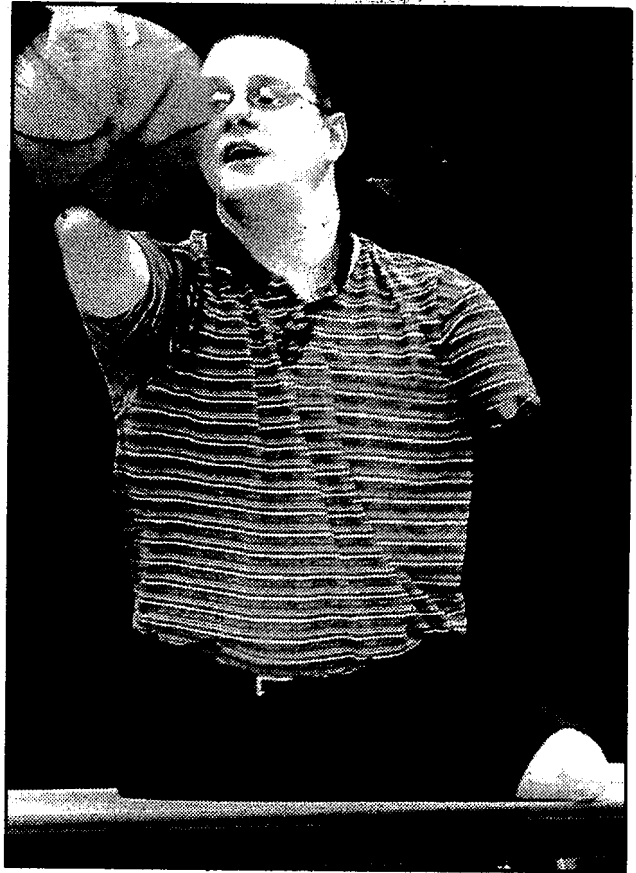
"You know what cracks me up? I'm the only guy in the world that I know of who can draw applause from opening a can of cola," Eastburn said.

He told students to applaud the same way for their next speaker when they take a drink and see how they react.

Eastburn answered questions from the audience and shared stories throughout his demonstration. Near the end of his presentation, while holding a marker between his chin and shoulder, Eastburn scribbled away on a large piece of paper. Eventually, he held up a portrait of Garfield the Cat to the sound of awe from the audience.

Throughout the performance, one theme resounded in everything Eastburn did: that handicaps are something we impose upon ourselves.

"When you think 'I can't do that,' you're right, because you won't even try," Eastburn said.



Eastburn showed off his skills with a basketball.



Brett Eastburn introduces his service dog Murray to the crowd. Photos by Andrew DuPont



Much to the delight of the crowd, Eastburn opened a can of soda with his teeth.



Fifth-grader Abbigayle Kline was captivated by Eastburn's presentation.

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Whitehead to share inspiration at Women in Business



Ellen Whitehead will be speaking at the first Women in Business meeting hosted by the Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce on Jan. 31. She will speak about how she found her inspiration and others can find theirs. Photo by DuPont

BY ANDREW DUPONT
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Bringing her personal insight and experiences to the table, Ellen Whitehead is hoping to inspire those around her at the Women in Business meeting hosted by the Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce on Jan. 31.

Whitehead, a poet, author and longtime employee of Clarkston Schools, is featured as the event's guest speaker.

"It's quite an honor," Whitehead said. "I've always focused my talks more on mental illness because that's my passion... this is probably the first time I've stepped outside of the box and focused more on the business world and inspiring people."

Whitehead spent 10 years researching for her book "Shell Song: Voices Deep Within - Stirrings of a Scattered Soul," a semi-biographical account of her grandmother's battle with schizophrenia. Over the years, Whitehead made several appearances to speak to people on the struggles of dealing with mental illness.

For Whitehead's appearance at the Women in Business meeting, she is planning to focus more on how she found her inspiration to write the story.

"I want to talk about how you can achieve any goal that you can set your mind to regardless of the options that come your way."

Whitehead's philosophy revolves around finding inspiration and combining that inspiration with an individual's gifts.

"I think everybody has God-given gifts that you were given, that you were born with... and I think you need to nurture those gifts," she said.

Whitehead said she found her inspiration for her book in her grandmother, Lydia Schettling, and she used that inspiration to fuel her passion to write. The combination kept her devoted to her project for the 10 years needed for completion.

Whitehead said her philosophy can transfer to the business world for people as long as they find their passion and set goals for themselves.

"In the business world, if your passion is to make a million dollars, then you need to set goals and ways that you can achieve that," she said.

In addition, White stressed the importance of focusing on today.

"The one thing I've learned through the whole process is you can't go back to the past mistakes you've made... If you rely too much on the past or rely too much on the future, you're going to get stuck in a rut, and you really need to focus on today," Whitehead said, encouraging people to set small goals every day to work towards.

Independence dealing with numerous sex crimes

BY JAMES MARTINEZ
Clarkston News Staff Writer

A recent string of cases involving internet predators and criminal sexual conduct is keeping police in Independence Township busy.

Currently, there are at least seven ongoing cases involving criminal sexual conduct and internet predators in or near Independence Township. Several of the cases involve serious criminal sexual conduct towards children.

"I think some of it has to do with the fact people are more cognizant of it. We have a good reporting system through the schools, care houses and other avenues," said Lt. Dale LaBair of the Oakland County Sheriff's Department.

"All these things are making the cases better and making it easy to report. The prosecution process is better.

"There's no new wave. I think we're peeling some things back. Some of these cases are old. The attention now is because students are feeling less stigmatized to come forward about it," added LaBair.

One of the most recent cases involves Russell Mark Fay, a 35-year-old Independence Township man arrested in Gaylord on five counts of first degree criminal sexual conduct. The female victim, now age 13 alleges the acts took place when she was six years old and living in Highland Township. The incident was reported Dec. 1.

Fay was arraigned in 51st District Court in Novi on Jan. 7 with a \$50,000 bond.

In another case, Trevor Matthew Witt of Springfield Township faces charges on six counts of third degree

criminal sexual conduct stemming from an incident at a party in Clarkston on Parview.

The alleged crimes involved two teenage girls, ages 14 and 15, from Linden, who went to the party in Clarkston. Alcohol provided by Witt is believed to be a factor.

"These are statutory rape charges because they're a violation of the statute, which states you can not have sex with anyone under 16," said Sergeant Matt Baldes.

Witt was arraigned on Jan. 11 in 52-2 District Court by Judge Kelley Kostin. Bond was set at \$20,000 per count, or a total of \$120,000.

According to Baldes, Witt has no prior convictions, but did have one prior contact reference, the same type of allegation.

Another 44-year-old Independence Township man was arrested on five counts of first degree criminal sexual conduct on Dec. 22. Allegedly, the man sexually assaulted the 9-year-old daughter of his live-in girlfriend on several occasions dating back to Jan. 1, 2005.

A 24-year-old illegal alien faces four counts of third degree criminal sexual conduct following his Jan. 6 arrest. The man was found parked in Independence Oaks with a 14-year-old Waterford girl on Jan. 5. Both the man and girl were in various states of dress.

All four counts, which are 15-year felonies, stem from previous acts committed in Waterford Township.

In early November, a 38-year-old man living with his girlfriend and her 6-year-old daughter was arrested and charged with criminal sexual conduct, second degree. Following an investigation, police alleged the man committed the

arrested after soliciting who he thought was a 13-year-old girl for sex over the internet. The 28-year-old man was arrested at an location arranged with the "girl" who was actually a detective from the OCSO Computer Crimes Unit.

The man faces charges in 52-2 District Court of child sexually abusive activity, using a computer to commit a crime, malicious destruction of police property and driving on a restricted license.

Oakland County Sheriff's deputies arrested another suspected internet predator on Nov. 17 after he allegedly arrived for what he believed to be a meeting with a 13-year-old girl. The

"girl" was actually a detective. The man, a paramedic for North Flight EMS out of Traverse City, was arraigned in 52-2 District Court on a three count warrant including: child sexually abusive activity, using a computer/internet.

On Dec. 28, a Hazel Park man was

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— Dale LaBair
Oakland County Sheriff's Dept.

acts against the girl while her mother was away at work. He was arraigned in 52-2 District Court on Nov. 18.

Two other cases involve suspected internet predators arrested in the township.

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Letters

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cause of their age.

Most senior centers are primarily used by seniors during daytime work and school hours. Inter-mingling with seniors should be encouraged. A com-

munity center would make much more sense for the whole community.

The prospects for the passage of such a proposal and its legacy costs would be much greater because it is much easier for taxpayers to substantiate the passage of a project that they can actually use.

I think our township officials need to rethink this project and the millage proposal to include its usage by all of the community. Let's make this community funded proposal something the whole community can use not just a select few.

Michael L. Powell
Independence Township

Raises

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fortable as a part-time official deciding the salaries of the full-time officials, the treasurer, clerk and supervisor."

Trustee Larry Rosso was the only board member to openly support the raises recommended by Wagner, although he could also understand and agree upon a 2 percent raise.

"We're here for community dedication. We live in the neighborhoods of the people we represent," said Rosso. "I believe the people in our community believe we are working hard. I think there has to be a value placed upon that work."

Travis, who made the motion to freeze salaries, reiterated the idea of holding salaries for the year until reviews could be made and further information provided. He did state he would agree to a cost of living adjustment at this point, but nothing more with a merit-based review. The motion to freeze the elected officials salaries failed four to three Rosso, Wagner, Dunn and Kelly voted against).

A motion passed unanimously for the three township officials to work on the matter further and return to the board with new recommendations. Trustees requested for the raise increases to include some form of rationale and data.

Non-elected employees receive raises

A similarly opinionated discus-

sion led to non-union, non-elected township employees receiving raises as recommended by Supervisor Dave Wagner.

A motion by Trustee Rosso passed four to three (Rosso, Wagner, Dunn and Wenger all voted yes; VanderVeen, Travis and Kelly no) to accept the supervisor's suggestions.

"With their dedication, I find what the supervisor's recommended here very fair," said Rosso during discussion.

"Based on the information we have, I am comfortable with it. Overall, it comes under budget, which is fiscally responsible," said Wenger.

"I'm just not comfortable with more than 90 percent getting four percent increases," said Kelly, "play with the numbers however you want."

"That is above and beyond a reasonable cost of living increase. I want the merits and documentation showing these raises were earned or I want a flat cost of living increase."

Kelly emphasized again the need for evaluations and documentation before giving raises. Wagner promised trustees formal evaluations will be instituted and conducted before discussion of raises for 2007.

"I just don't know that you give raises without a review, but that's how it's always been done and that's going to change," Wagner said. "We will be doing reviews in the upcoming year."

Rotary takes on a new service

Dear Editor,

Each year, the Rotary International president asks us to place focus in various areas. The elimination of polio remains a major priority for Rotary as we work with the Centers for Disease Control and UNICEF.

This year, the president of Rotary International has made literacy, along with water, health and hunger, one of his areas of focus, on both international and local levels. He reminds us that, "The ability to read is an indispensable element in a person's equipment for living. Anyone who has not been given the opportu-

nity to learn to read and write cannot lead a full, human, individual and social life."

The Clarkston Rotary Club has accepted this directive with enthusiasm.

Internationally, we are involved in the Guatemala Village School Textbook and Library project as described to us by Rochester Rotarian, Dr. Jay Eastman. Our club is partnering with other Rotary clubs to provide a complete library for a school in a village in Guatemala where the fortunate males attend school through the fifth grade and females through the second grade

before they are required to join the work force. The schools in this village have no books, paper, pencils or chalk.

Locally, we are beginning a drive to collect books for early readers here in Clarkston whose families are at risk for literacy. There are many preschoolers within our school district who need added exposure to reading before they enter school. The Clarkston Rotary club is hoping, through this project, to address these local needs.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Sloan
Literacy Chairperson

Monument

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Archdiocese of Detroit Earl Boyea.

Clarkston's Vince Rauth, an architect by trade, designed the memorial. Rauth said the monument which was put up Jan. 19th was adapted from others he has seen.

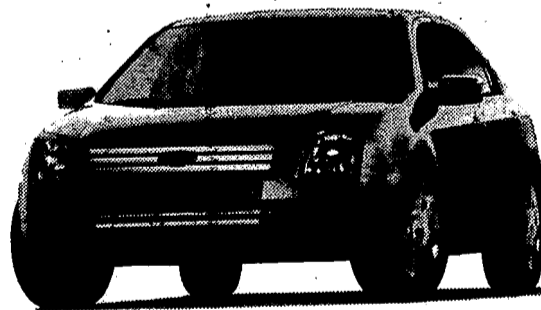
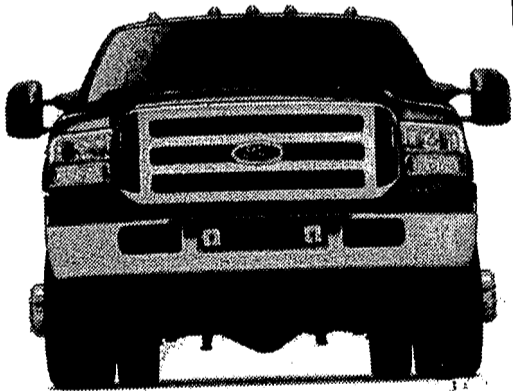
"We hope the Supreme Court will come to its senses one day and make it right," said Rauth.

Rauth credited Father M. Joseph Casey S.J. and the Jesuit community for accepting the memorial and providing the site. Rauth also recognized the Knights of Columbus John XXIII Council #5436 located on Maybee Road in Clarkston and A.X.M. Sharpe Assembly #0477 for donating the granite memorial.

The Clarkston News' attempts to find pro-choice people near the Dixie Highway and White Lake intersection or the ceremony at Colombiere were unsuccessful.

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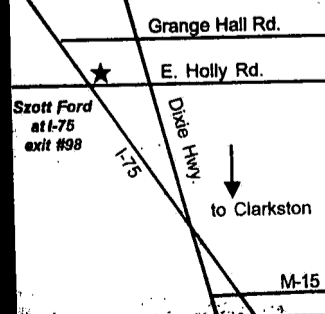


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Big Box

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of developed space.

In her study, she determined Phase I could consist of a "Big Box" discount store, home improvement store, pet store, restaurant and bank. Phase II would incorporate a specialty grocery store and "Big Box" specialty store, such as a book store or sporting goods store.

Similar to public comment made in the past, residents speaking during the public comment voiced an overwhelming dislike for the proposal.

"We did not move here to be next door to a big box. I moved here expecting to drive. I moved here for the character of the community," said Ed Cox.

"We don't want to put in one big box to have a lot of little boxes close," said Robert Ferer.

"I was very disappointed tonight to see things taken from the master plan and used against us," said David Lohmeier. "I don't think they understand the intent of our master plan."

"I already fight to get out of my driveway," said Debbie Clement. "It really will have a severe impact on this community and this area."

"We don't want to be a Troy. We don't want to be an Auburn Hills. We all live here, we all love this community. We built this high school to hold all our kids because we want to live here - not in Troy," said Sheila Hughes.

In addition to Orco's presentation, planning commissioners heard the opinion of Carlisle on the commission's self-initiated rezoning of the same parcel. Based on recommendations from Carlisle's Sashabaw Corridor Study, the commission is considering rezoning the parcel from single family residential to local commercial, planned shopping center, office service one, office service two and multiple family.

Few residents spoke on this matter during public comment. Neil Wallace voiced an opinion that the request "represents a true transition in zoning."

As of deadline, a new date for Orco to appear before the planning commission was not scheduled.

For more background information on Orco's "Big Box" rezoning request and the developer's alternative residential proposal, please go online to www.clarkstonnews.com.

Ballot

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Lohmeier agreed that the thought was raised by advisory commission members; however, the group consensus was that the community would not support the move at this time.

"The residents may support a full parks and rec millage later, they may not," said Lohmeier. "Right now, we

Crimes

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net to commit a crime and obscenity.

"I think the Computer Crimes Unit is helpful, but I don't think they'll run out of work. When they got into it they discovered a whole new realm of crime," said LaBair.

At least one professional in the field echoed LaBair's sentiments.

"I think it's always been a problem. (The criminals) gravitate to positions of trust with parents to

Wed., January 25, 2006 The Clarkston (MI) News 27 A know they won't."

Township trustees directed the parks and recreation advisory commission to return next month with language and final numbers for the bond and millage. The board hopes to place the items on the August ballot.

For detailed background information on the proposal presented by David Lohmeier, included projected bond and millage numbers, please go online to www.clarkstonnews.com and type "senior center" in the search engine.

get access," said Michael J. Witkowski, an associate professor and criminologist at the University of Detroit Mercy.

"We're getting more reports now because you have people reporting it. Like rape, which was less reported in the past, there's no stigma to come forward. Now there are more resources put into detection programs detecting problems that have been there," he added.

Witkowski also said he thinks media helps increase the fear, while he believes communities overall are safer than in the past.



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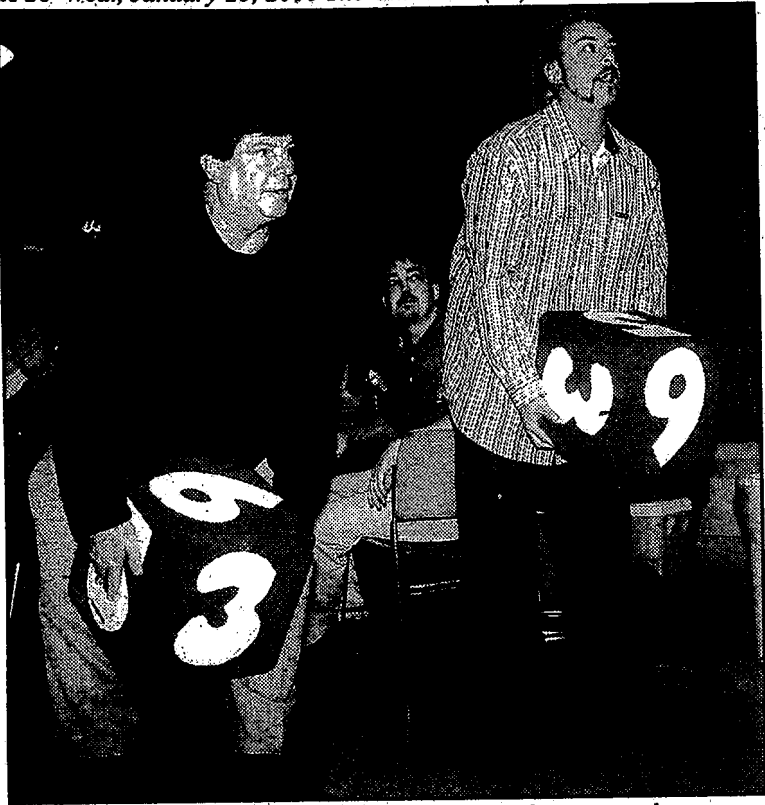
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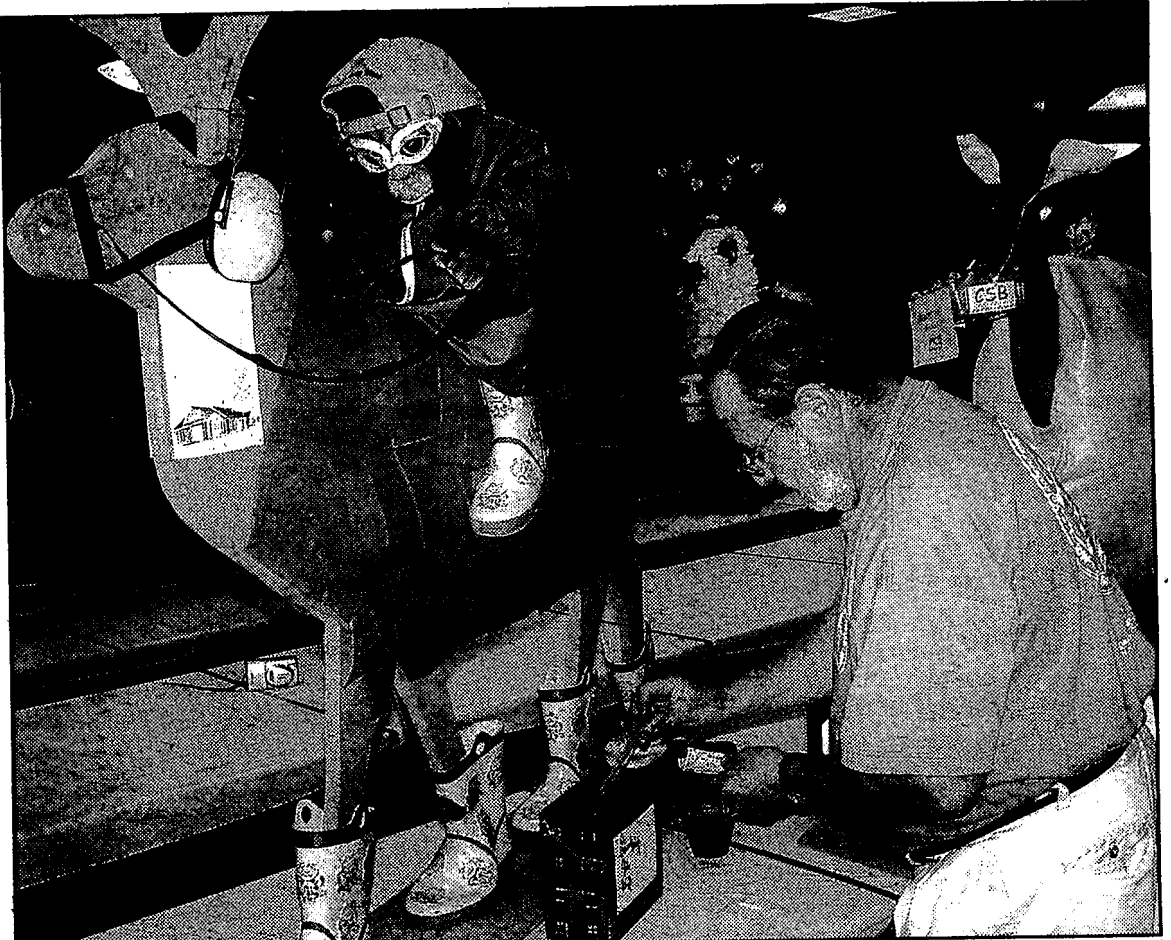
This winter season reindeer did more than light up the Christmas sky and guide Santa to the houses of good little boys and girls.

On Jan. 21, Christmas In Action of Oakland County Clarkston Area hosted "Reindeer Races" at the Colombiere Center on Big Lake Road in Springfield Township.

Guests could bet on which reindeer would win races atop table race courses. The decorated wooden reindeer moved when die were rolled. If the reindeer's number was rolled, it moved up one space towards the finish line. The first to cross the line won.

The reindeer of various themes were sponsored by area businesses and groups. Proceeds from the event went to CIA's community efforts, according to board member Monica Hefty.

Christmas in Action is a nonprofit coalition of volunteers, family members, friends, members and coworkers whose mission is to provide the opportunity for low income seniors and handicapped homeowners to live comfortably and safely in their homes. The group comes together the last Saturday in April to provide free home repairs to qualified homeowners.



Clarkston's Vince Alonzi votes for Clarkston Auto Wash's reindeer as "Best Dressed." A goggle-wearing, whip-cracking stuffed monkey rode on the reindeer, spurring it to the finish.

Even the smallest details count. Bruce P. Mercado, DDS, P.C. sets his reindeer up on the table and adjusts the dental mask. The reindeer Mercado called "Hermy" donned a soccer uniform and dental products.

Photos
by
James
Martinez



The race is won! Maralee Cook and Marilyn Loukes celebrate their victory during the first reindeer race of the night.



Duane Hummel of Davison Optimist pushes a reindeer towards the finish line during a race.

People Poll

What's next for Sashabaw?



"I haven't been keeping up with local developments, but I wouldn't mind a hospital being built (on Sashabaw)."
 - Lorraine Marino



"I'm really into not having Wal-Mart (come in). That would be ruining our community."
 - Lora Perkins



"I think it's a positive for Independence. The proximity to I-75 makes it possible for regional people to travel to those stores without going through the village."
 - Glenn Underwood



"I'm getting tired of driving to Waterford or Pontiac. I'd rather keep the money in town."
 - Mary Lou Underwood

By Noah Purcell

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

Growing along with the Sashabaw corridor

BY NOAH PURCELL
 Clarkston News Staff Writer

Passion and success grew up in the same neighborhood, so when the two have a chance to catch up, they like to spend long stretches of time together.

Bryan Cornwall has given the old friends plenty of opportunity to be around one another since founding Advanced Pet Care on Sashabaw Road in 1992.

"I followed my passion, and I would recommend that to anybody. I literally wake up in the morning and look forward to going to work," Cornwall said. "The whole business is reflected in my personality and my philosophy. That's one thing I really enjoyed about starting a business because your business reflects you, it's a part of you."

The route to reuniting his personal passion with financial success was not initially clear, but Cornwall knew the road when he came upon it. He graduated from Michigan State University in 1980 and went to work for Dow Corning as a chemical engineer.

"After a few years of doing engineering work and working for a corporation, I realized there was more to success than financial success," Cornwall said. "So I started thinking about going back to school and going into human medicine, but actually that was also becoming very corporate."

A confluence of tail winds from his childhood and crosswinds from volunteer work in animal clinics made up the gales which pushed Cornwall into the field of veterinary science.

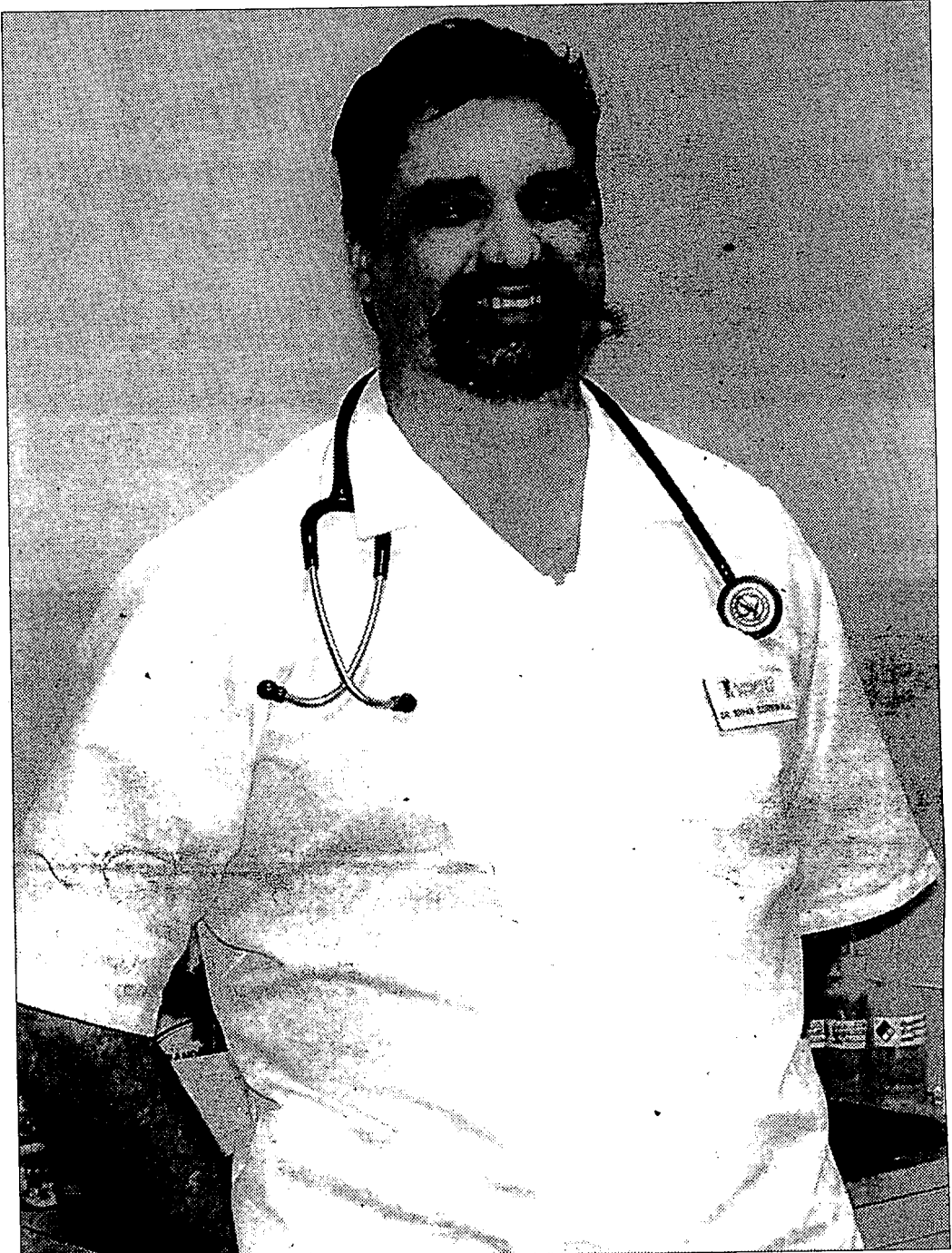
"To make a long story short, I had always been interested in medicine and a big part of that, and I don't mind admitting this, is because I was so accident prone as a kid. I was always going to the emergency room. So I was just enthralled with medicine," Cornwall said. "I just fell in love with the (veterinary science), because there is so much variety. There's variety in species. There's variety in what you get to do. You get to be a dermatologist, a surgeon, optometrist, dentist, everything ... And you can own your own business and be in control."

After taking a leave of absence from Dow Corning, Cornwall found himself back at MSU, this time for veterinary school. In 1989, he reemerged as a veterinarian.

"Before I went to vet school, I knew I wanted to own my own business," Cornwall said.

Fresh out of MSU, Cornwall spent a year in private practice and a couple more doing emergency work.

"(With emergency work) you learn to



Bryan Cornwall and Advanced Pet Care have grown along with Sashabaw Road.

think on your feet, try not to panic, stay calm and you just learn so much medicine," Cornwall said.

When he was done paying his dues to the profession, Cornwall opened what was then known as Independence Animal Hospital in November of 1992, in the Independence Square Mall at the corner of Waldon and Sashabaw. Recently, the name changed to Advanced Pet Care.

"I opened this place from scratch. In fact I was the first person in this spot. It was just a dirt floor when I moved in," Cornwall said.

When choosing a location for his business, much about the Clarkston area appealed to Cornwall.

"Part of why I picked this area is because I wanted to raise my family here, but also these pet owners in Clarkston are phe-

nomenal, just phenomenal. These pets are a part of the family and they will do anything they need to. They are very responsible pet owners and that makes our job a lot more fun," Cornwall said.

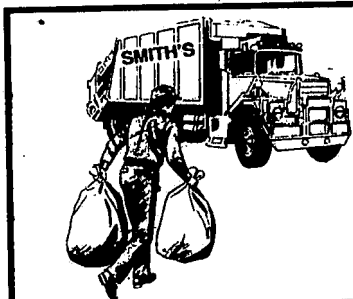
Cornwall's daughters - Amanda, 15, and Tessa, 13 - both attend Clarkston Junior High School.

"At this point it does not look like they will be following in dad's footsteps. And I am very strongly of the opinion that they need to follow their heart," Cornwall said.

While being a nice fit for Cornwall's family, the Clarkston area is also good to Advanced Pet Care; business has increased seven times ever since the doors opened.

"I was the only doctor here for the first seven years and I just worked every hour

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Around Town

State Rep. John Stakoe will sponsor district office hours on Jan. 27.

From 10:45 a.m. to noon, Stakoe's legislative aide, Heidi Puckett, will be available at the Independence Township Hall in Clarkston. From 1 to 2 p.m., Ms. Puckett will meet with constituents at the Springfield Township Hall

in Davisburg.

No appointment is necessary. Residents unable to meet during the scheduled office hours can contact his Lansing office toll free at 1-866-334-0010 or by e-mail at johnstakoe@house.mi.gov to make an appointment. ***

Sportsman in training...



Even Robin Hood and Legolas had to start by picking up a bow for the first time. So did Brandon Schroeder, 13, at the first meeting for archery instruction for children ages 8 and up on Jan. 18. Presented by Independence Township Park and Recreation, the 10-week program takes place at the Oakland County Sportsmans Club located at 4770 Waterford Rd. Photo by Andrew DuPont

The Independence Township Senior Center has several upcoming events:

• Come down and see what you can do at **Greektown Casino** on Feb. 1 from 11:45 a.m.-6:45 p.m. Residents and non-residents pay \$21 and includes motorcoach and \$15 in coin. Lots of restaurants, games and prizes. Registration deadline is Jan. 25.

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

• AARP trained volunteers will prepare federal and state returns in the Carriage House for seniors during the Income Tax Preparation Assistance Program running on Tuesdays from 9 a.m. to noon, Jan. 31 through April 11.

Please call 248-625-8231 for an appointment. A donation to the senior center is appreciated.

• Travel to Meadow Brook Theatre on Feb. 22 to enjoy the Michigan premiere of "Syncopation."

This romantic comedy is set in 1911 on New York's Lower East side and revolves around Henry, a meat packer in a kosher butcher shop, who dreams of becoming a championship ballroom dancer. When he places an ad for a dance partner, he finds much more.

The cost is \$35 for residents and \$38 for non-residents which includes lunch at Macaroni Grill (menu options to be announced) and senior bus transportation. The trip runs from 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

• The opportunity of a lifetime! A four-night tour of Alaska's spectacular interior and a seven-night cruise of

its stunning inside passage aboard the luxurious Island Princess from Sept. 7-18.

The tour/cruise double per person prices range from \$2,969 to \$3,389 according to stateroom chosen. Prices include: round trip air transportation from Detroit, four nights in first-class hotel, music of Denali Dinner Theater, Wildlife tour of Denali National Park, Discovery riverboat cruise and City of Gold tour, Midnight Sun Express in Denali and to Whittier, and inside Passage Cruise for seven days with all meals and entertainment included.

Deposit is \$400 per person with \$600 due by April 10 and the balance due on June 15. A free trip presentation is scheduled for Feb. 9 at 1 p.m. at the senior center.

For more information on all these fabulous events, please call the senior center at 248-625-8231. ***

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. ***

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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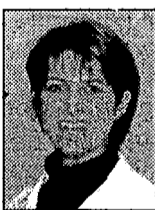
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Clarkston Community Historical Society gets all dressed up

BY JENNY MATTESON
Clarkston News Editor

Every child loves to play dress-up. Now, Clarkston residents can relive those days of fashion curiosity with the Clarkston Community Historical Society's latest exhibit, "Clarkston in Costume: A Century of Fashion," beginning the week of Jan. 30.

The society's 12th exhibit since opening the museum focuses up women's fashion's from the mid-1800's to the mid-1900's. Between 60 and 75 items will be displayed including seven period dresses, mink stoles, gloves, handkerchiefs, shoes, photos and even cosmetics.

"I think the most interesting items are the dresses because of their uniqueness," said Director Toni Smith. "This is a great display. We've never done anything strictly on

fashion." Smith credits Lucia Wilford, of Clarkston, with providing a majority of the dresses.

"It's always cool when the displays come from or belong to Clarkston residents," said Jen Arkwright, president of the Historical Society. "We often have several pieces that are of Clarkston heritage but come from non-residents - I just find it fascinating when the pieces come from Clarkston with Clarkston history."

Both Smith and Arkwright agreed the most surprising piece in the collection is a "Flower Power" girdle in psychedelic colors from the 1960s.

"That one's going to make people look twice," laughed Smith.

"There's something for everyone to enjoy here,"

Arkwright added, "from the funky power girdle to a beautiful Cinderella dress."

Smith explained that most of the pieces are placed into their historic context with photographs and explanations. She said the exhibit has a white graduation dress on display, and a photo of actual Clarkston High School graduates wearing similar fashions will accompany the piece.

"We're going to have lots of murals that bring together how and when these pieces were worn," she said.

The exhibit opens the week of Jan. 30 and runs for six months. Hours of operation are the same as the library's: Monday through Thursday 10 a.m.-9 p.m., Friday 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m. and Sunday 1 p.m.-5 p.m. For more information, call the Clarkston Community Historical Society at 248-922-0270.



Debbie DeVault is celebrating 20 years as a Clarkston Community Historical Society Board Member. The mother of three joined the group in the 1986 to make friends, and never left. Photo by Jenny Matteson

Devault explores history for 20 years

BY JENNY MATTESON
Clarkston News Editor

When first joining a community, new residents often join area service organizations to become involved and meet people. Few expect to stay with the group for 20 years.

Debbie DeVault, a 22-year resident of Independence Township, did just that - and she is now celebrating her 20th year as a Clarkston Community Historical Society Board Member.

"We moved here because I like the community and it was convenient between our work places," explained Debbie, who is now retired after 30 years of teaching special education, kindergarten and preschool. "When we were looking for somewhere to live, I really liked the historic look and feeling of the area."

Shortly after moving to Independence with her husband Mike, Debbie was invited to participate with the historical society.

"I've always liked antiques and history," she explained. "I was also new to the community and wanted to meet people, and I have definitely met so many nice people."

"She's very willing to take on anything we ask of her. She's very reliable," said Historical Society Director Toni Smith. "Debbie has a very good personality. She doesn't get catty, moody or tired. She has a great attitude."

Debbie said she witnessed several changes within the organization over the years, but the most dramatic was the creation of the museum.

"It's grown so much, and now we have the museum," said Debbie. "We finally feel like we have a home in the library."

When looking back over past exhibits, Debbie said she really enjoyed the school displays and Christmas show.

However, the Historical Society's Art in the Village is still her favorite time of year. Debbie runs the cider and donut tent for the society all weekend long every year. According to Smith, the dedicated volunteer arrives at 5 a.m. to prepare everything for the day.

"It's just fun to see all the people in the community come together," said Debbie.

For the future, Debbie hopes to see more people involved with the society. She hopes the school programs interest youth in the area's history, and new exhibits keep

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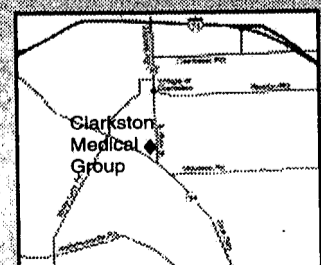
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Milestones

Smith and Distelrath promoted by Clarkston Financial Corp.

Clarkston Financial Corporation, the holding company for Clarkston State Bank and Huron Valley State Bank, promoted **J. Grant Smith** to the newly-created post of president and elevated **James W. Distelrath** to chief financial officer.

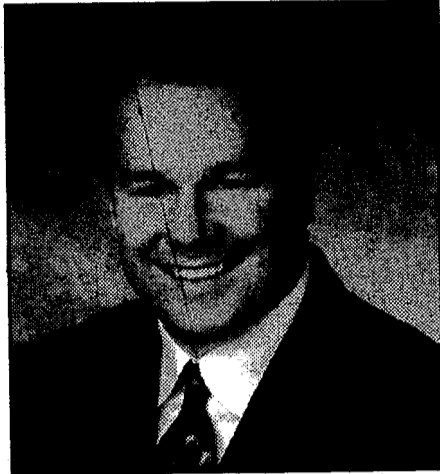
Smith held dual titles of chief operating officer and chief financial officer while Distelrath was vice-president and corporate controller.

Smith joined Clarkston State Bank in 2001 from New Century Bancorp where he was executive vice-president and chief financial officer.

Distelrath, CPA, joined Clarkston State Bank in November 2004 from Paramount Bank where he was senior vice-president and treasurer.

In making the announcements, Edwin Adler, Chairman and CEO, said, "Our Board of Directors heartily endorses the promotion of both of these talented, hard-working professionals. The establishment of an office of president at our holding company is a significant step forward in as much as we intend this to be a pivotal point and springboard for organizational growth."

Clarkston Financial Corporation is the holding company for Clarkston State Bank and Huron Valley State Bank. Clarkston State Bank opened in January 1999.



J. Grant Smith



James W. Distelrath

Fortinberry participates in Detroit Auto Show

Charles Fortinberry, a sophomore at Northwood University and the son of Charles and the Honorable Dana Fortinberry of Clarkston, participated in the North American International Auto Show in Detroit as an intern from Jan. 7 - 13.

Fortinberry spent time greeting the media, handing out press kits, serving a golf cart chauffeur and working in the warehouse.

Students were chosen to participate by the NAIAS executive board from information given in the student's written application form. All students were asked to attach a resume including hon-

ors and activities they are involved in and to share their personal goals. They were also asked to explain why they should be picked to intern at the show.

This is a learning experience Fortinberry will bring back to Northwood University's own International Auto Show set for Oct. 6, 7, and 8.

The show is known as "North America's largest outdoor auto show." Students handle the cars, plan the logistics, negotiate with dealers, arrange advertising, provide hospitality services, work with the media and ensure everyone has a positive experience.

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 Feb. 8.

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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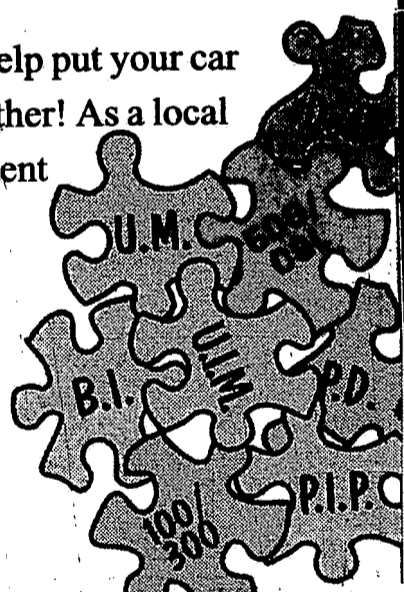
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A true home makeover

Picture with me a big beautiful brick colonial at the top of an intensely wooded hill. A land so picturesque it could grace any magazine cover. As we approach the home, the dense woods open up to a masterfully manicured lawn. Every exquisite plant so vibrant it seems they were painted that way. Yet, the home itself is just as astounding as it's surroundings. There is perfectly placed accent lighting to illuminate all the incredible architecture of the home. Nothing is left for the imagination. Every possible amenity is found: indoor swimming pool, hot tub and sauna just for starters. "Perfection" can barely describe its true nature.

Not only is the outside magnificent, but the interior is just as stunning. The house has rich, warm wood floors, luxurious widow treatments, elegant furnishings and top of the line technology. The house displays a fantastic blend of color and texture. Each room more inviting than the rest. The beauty of it all simply leaves you standing in awe of its perfection. Now imagine with me that this is the type of home that could be in need of a makeover.

I'm not talking about a makeover that includes drywall, wood and paint. I'm talking about a relationship renovation. You see, inside the walls of every picture perfect house are the elements of its real foundation, the family.

A home is much more than a house. A home is truly defined by the people who live there. A home is

a home because of the relationships that are built there. The house may be spectacular and the shell phenomenal, but it's what's inside that counts. The question is, "How is the foundation of your home?"

The Bible talks about a wise builder and a foolish one. The wise builder dug down deep and built his house upon a foundation of rock. When the storms came, the house stood strong. The foolish builder built his house without a foundation and when the storms came destruction came as well. If we want our "homes" (families) to be strong and withstand the storms of life, we must have a strong foundation. Sometimes, it is in the middle of a renovation that we realize that the foundation needs work too.

We can go into any big chain home improvement store and find literally anything we would need to fix up our houses. Aisle after aisle provides us with every gadget and gizmo that will help us get the job done and get it done quickly.

But, where do you go when the foundation of your home, the relationships, need renovating? Which aisle will help you with your marriage? Where do you go when parenting is an issue? Who is going to help you put together a vision for your entire family?

What if I told you that your "home" could receive an extreme makeover? What if I told you there was a "home" improvement center that could assist you in fixing those relationships? What if I told you, "You can do it... we can help?"

I'd love to invite you to a new series that is being started in the month of February here at Bridgewood Church entitled, Extreme "Home". Please see Home page 11B

Spiritual Matters



Pastor Lisa Marsack

In our churches...

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 - 4 p.m. 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
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Pastor: Russ Reetsma
Sun: 9:15 am Sunday School & Adult Bible Fellowship
10:30 am Worship Service
5:00 pm Choir Practice
6:00 pm Evening Service
Mon: 6:30 pm Awana
Wed: 10:00 am Morning Prayer Partners
7:00 pm Prayer Meeting & Bible Study

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(traditional worship), 9:45 (blended worship)
11:15 am (contemporary praise)
Nursery available
Sunday School (all ages) 9:45 (Seasonal)
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Jonathan Heierman
Wed. evening - Dinner & Bible Study 6 pm (Seasonal)
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Sunday School 9:55 am - Nursery Provided
David Hottel - Music Minister
Dina Edwards - Director of Children's Ministry
Charlie Dean - Youth Ministry
Laura Compton - Director of Lay Ministry
Bible Study - Wed., 9:30 am & 7 pm
Sept thru June
www.clarkstonepiscopal.org
248-625-2325

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Clarkston (248) 625-1323
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Kevin Kuehne, Michael Anderson, Dan Whiting
Sunday: Worship 9:30 & 11:00 am
School of Discipleship 11:00 am
Nursery Care at all services
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Dir. of Music: Carolyn Thibideau
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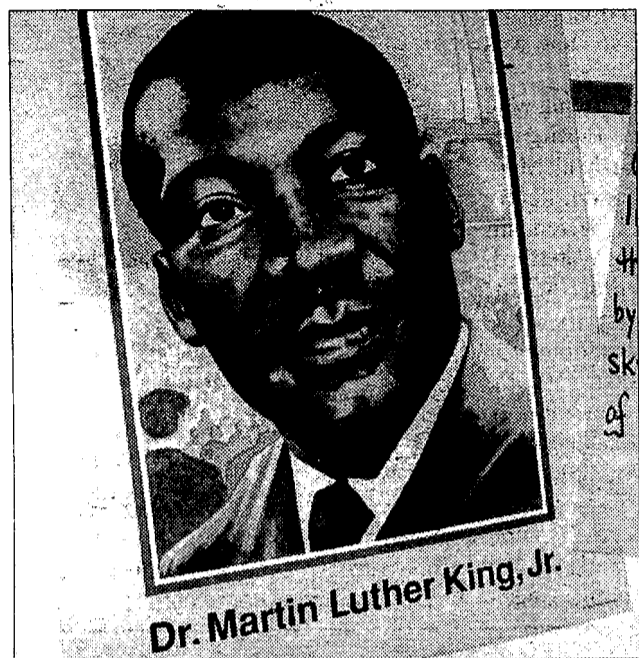
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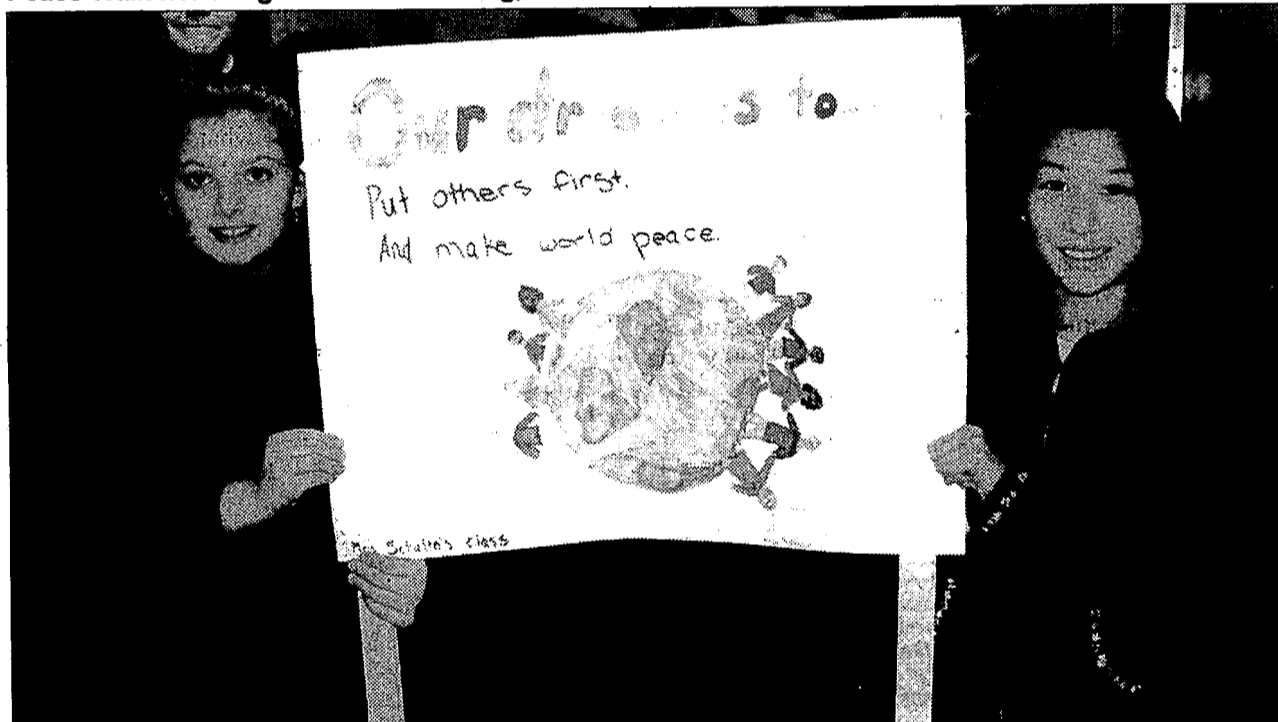
This poster of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. served as a reminder to students of King's contribution to civil rights.



Kindergartners Ellie Vondette and Anna Thompson at Independence Elementary hold a poster at a Peace Walk honoring Martin Luther King, Jr. on Jan. 20.



Students marched through the halls down to the gymnasium where members of each grade explained the significance of their posters. Photo by



Samantha Tonks and Tara Joyce, fifth graders, display their class' dream.



Fifth-graders Cameron Mitchell and Anna Wozniak of Mrs. Jessica Sorensen's class at Independence Elementary hold a poster at a Peace Walk honoring the works and life of Martin Luther King, Jr.



Second graders Matthew Hart and Courtney Roland of Mrs. Angle Cooper's class at Independence Elementary hold a poster at a Peace Walk honoring the works and life of Martin Luther King, Jr. on Jan. 20.

Photos by James Martinez

PUBLIC NOTICE



Charter Township of Springfield

NOTICE OF SECOND READING AMENDMENTS TO ORDINANCE NO. 51 CONSOLIDATED FEE ORDINANCE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Township Board of the Charter Township of Springfield will hold a Second Reading at its Regular Meeting on Thursday, February 9, 2006, beginning at 7:30 p.m. at the Springfield Township Civic Center, 12000 Davisburg Rd., Davisburg, MI to consider the following proposed amendments to Springfield Township Ordinance No. 51, Consolidated Fee Ordinance:

SECTION ONE—AMENDMENTS TO ORDINANCE

Amend Schedules I, II, III and IV of Consolidated Fee Ordinance #51 as follows:

- SCHEDULE I**
- A. Rezoning** \$1,800 plus \$25.00 per acre
Each tax description will be considered a separate application for determining fee.
 - B. Zoning Board of Appeals**
 - 1. Variance (temporary structure, access strip, etc.) \$300.00
 - 2. Interpretation \$ -0-
 - C. Tax Description Change**
 - 1. Combinations \$100.00
 - 2. Divisions, Base Fee \$300.00
 - D. Special Meeting Request** \$750.00 plus consultants costs
 - E. Uses Permitted Subject to Special Conditions (Special Land Use)** \$650.00 plus applicable Schedule II fees
 - F. Transient Sales Permits** \$100.00
 - G. Planned Unit Development**
 - 1. Preliminary \$1,550.00 plus \$70/acre
 - 2. Final Rezoning fee plus applicable Schedule II fees

SCHEDULE II - PLAN REVIEW

Each review fee listed in I, II, III and IV below entitles applicant to two (2) plan or document reviews (original and one (1) revision) for each stage listed. Each additional submission (revision 2, 3 etc.) will require an additional fee equal to 50% of the initial fee for that stage.

- I. Non Residential Site Plan**
 - A. Conceptual** \$1550.00 plus \$70/acre
 - 1. Special Land Use, if applicable See Schedule I
 - B. Final** \$3,500.00 plus \$230/acre

Add following that apply:

 - 1. Community Sewer System**
 - a.) Under 10,000 GPD \$1,500.00 plus \$15/acre
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 - f.) Individual Lift Pump \$70.00 each
 - 2. Water System**
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 - 4. Legal**
 - a.) Condominium Master Deed \$1,700.00
 - b.) Other, if needed Twp. Attorney estimate of cost plus 15 %.
 - 5. Tax Description Change** See Schedule I
- II. Residential Plan Review**
 - A. Conceptual** \$1,500.00 plus \$70/acre
 - 1. Special Land Use, if applicable See Schedule I
 - B. Final** \$4,400.00 plus \$175/unit

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- III. Plat Review**
 - A. Conceptual (sketch plan)** \$1,200.00 plus \$20/acre
 - B. Tentative Preliminary** \$1,500.00 plus \$95/lot
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IV. Plans submitted separate from Site Plan or Plat

- A. Landscape Plan** \$300.00 plus \$20/acre
- B. Signage Plan** \$200.00 plus \$50/sign
- C. Illumination Plan** \$200.00 plus \$20/acre

V. Construction

Applicant will place in escrow funds sufficient to cover the cost of inspections, review of plan changes, shop drawings, cut sheets and "as-builts" and construction administration. Escrow amount will be determined by the Township and will be maintained by developer in an amount sufficient to cover Township's anticipated costs.

A 15 percent non-refundable Township Administration fee will be added to the escrow estimate and paid by the developer.

SCHEDULE III - BUILDING DEPARTMENT

- I. Special Permits**
 - A. Mobile Homes in Park**
 - 1. Single wide \$300.00
 - 2. Double wide \$350.00
 - B. Pools:** Section V for electrical permit, plus:
 - 1. Above ground \$125.00
 - 2. Below ground \$200.00
 - C. Signs**
 - 1. Without electric \$50.00
 - 2. With electric \$100.00
 - D. Demolition** \$100.00
 - E. Moving Building** Pre Inspection \$500.00, plus Building, Electrical Plumbing & Mechanical Fees
- II. Building Permits**
 - A. One & Two Family Residential - Detached**
 - 1. New Construction, Remodel or Addition \$100.00 plus \$.30 sq/ft
 - 2. Accessory Structures
 - a.) First 1200 sq. ft. \$50.00 plus \$.30 sq/ft
 - b.) Over 1200 sq. ft. \$.20 sq/ft
 - 3. Minimum Permit Fee \$50.00
 - 4. Decks & Porches \$25.00 review plus \$.20 sq/ft (\$50 Min.)
 - B. Other (Commercial, Industrial, Multiple, etc.)**
 - 1. New Construction \$150.00 plus \$.30 sq/ft
 - 2. Addition \$150.00 plus \$.30 sq/ft
 - 3. Remodel \$150.00 plus \$.30 sq/ft
 - 4. Minimum Permit Fee \$150.00
 - 5. Plan Review Fee Submit with application \$150.00 plus \$.15 sq/ft
- III. Mechanical Permits**
 - A. One & Two Family Residential**
 - 1. New Furnace (Includes duct) \$110.00 per unit
 - 2. Fireplace - prefab or masonry \$65.00 per opening
 - 3. Humidifiers \$10.00 per unit
 - 4. Electronic Air Cleaners \$15.00 per unit
 - 5. Air Conditioner \$65.00 per unit
 - 6. Gas Piping \$10.00 per unit or appliance
 - 7. Replacement Furnace \$65.00
 - 8. Boiler \$110.00 per unit
 - 9. LPG or Fuel Oil Tanks \$50.00 per tank
 - if below ground - add \$15.00 per tank
 - 10. Minimum Permit Fee \$50.00
 - B. Other (Commercial, Industrial, Multiple, etc.)**
 - 1. Furnace - New (including ducts) (excluding electric heat)
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 - Over 200,000 BTU \$175.00 per unit
 - 2. Gas Piping \$25.00 per unit
 - 3. Humidifiers \$25.00 per unit
 - 4. Electronic Air Cleaners \$35.00 per unit
 - 5. Ventilation and Exhaust Fans \$50.00 each
 - 6. Fireplaces or Wood Stoves \$75.00 per opening
 - 7. Air Conditioners
 - Up to 8 HP \$65.00 per unit
 - 8 HP to 50 HP \$80.00 per unit
 - Over 50 HP \$100.00 per unit
 - 8. LPG or Fuel Oil Tanks \$50.00 per tank
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 - 9. Minimum Permit Fee \$100.00
 - 10. Refrigeration \$65.00 per unit
- IV. Plumbing Permits**
 - A. One & Two Family Residential - New**
 - Up to 2000 sq. ft. \$200.00
 - 2001 sq. ft. to 2500 sq. ft. \$225.00
 - 2501 sq. ft. to 3000 sq. ft. \$250.00
 - 3000 sq. ft. to 3500 sq. ft. \$275.00
 - 3500 sq. ft. to 4000 sq. ft. \$300.00
 - For each 1000 sq. ft. (or increment thereof) over 4000 \$50.00
 - B. Unit Rates**

	Residential	Commercial
Base Fee	\$50.00	\$75.00
Stacks and Vents	\$7.00 each	\$10.00
Water Closets	\$7.00 each	\$10.00
Shower and Bath Tubs	\$7.00 each	\$10.00
Jacuzzi, whirlpool or hot tub	\$7.00 each	\$10.00
Sinks and Lavs	\$7.00 each	\$10.00
Laundry Tray	\$7.00 each	\$10.00
Floor Drains	\$7.00 each	\$10.00
Sump Pump	\$7.00 each	\$10.00

Miscellaneous Fixtures (Items not listed)	\$7.00 each	\$10.00
Hose Bibs	\$7.00 each	\$10.00
Water Heater	\$7.00 each	\$10.00
Water Softener	\$7.00 each	\$10.00
Pump	\$7.00 each	\$10.00
Sump	\$7.00 each	\$10.00
Dishwasher	\$7.00 each	\$10.00
Disposal	\$7.00 each	\$10.00
Urinals	\$7.00 each	\$10.00
Drinking Fountains	\$7.00 each	\$10.00
Underground plumbing	\$10.00	\$25.00
Underslab (if separate insp. required)	\$30.00	\$30.00
Fire Suppression - per sprinkler head	\$3.00	\$3.00
Lawn Sprinkler	\$50.00	\$50.00
Dental Chair	\$6.00 each	\$10.00
Water Distribution System (based on first 200 ft.):		
Up to 1 1/2"	\$25.00	\$35.00
2" to 3"	\$35.00	\$45.00
Over 3"	\$55.00	\$60.00
Each additional 100' (any size)	\$10.00	\$10.00
C. Remodel and/or addition	Unit Rate \$100 minimum	
V. Electrical Permits		
A. One & Two Family Residential - New (use sq. ft. on Bldg. Permit)		
Up to 2000 sq.ft.	\$200.00	
2001 to 2500 sq. ft.	\$225.00	
2501 to 3000 sq. ft.	\$250.00	
3001 to 3500 sq. ft.	\$275.00	
3501 to 4000 sq. ft.	\$300.00	
Over 4000 - per 1000 sq. ft. or increment thereof	\$50.00	
B. One & Two Family Residential Unit Rate - Accessory Buildings, Additions, Remodel and Repair		
Base Fee	\$15.00	
Service		
Temporary	\$25.00	
100 amp or less	\$25.00	
101 amp to 200 amp	\$35.00	
Over 200 amp	\$50.00	
Sub panels, transfer switches and master panels	\$15.00	
Circuits	\$8.00 each	
Fixtures - First 25 or fraction	\$10.00	
Each additional 25 or fraction	\$8.00	
Furnace	\$7.00 each	
Heat Pump	\$30.00 each	
Air Conditioner	\$30.00 each	
Jacuzzi, whirlpool and hot tubs	\$30.00 each	
Lamp posts	\$8.00 each	
Automatic Alarms - Central Control		
Central Station	\$25.00 each	
Electric Heat		
Radiant	\$10.00 per room	
Base Board per 8' section or increment	\$5.00 each	
Underground Trenching (over 50')	\$15.00 per 100'	
Minimum Permit Fee	\$50.00	
Low Voltage	\$40.00	
C. Other (Commercial, Industrial, Multiple, etc.)		
Base Fee	\$25.00	
Service		
Temporary - 100 amp or less	\$30.00	
Over 100 amp	\$45.00	
200 amp or less	\$40.00	
201 to 300 amp	\$55.00	
301 to 400 amp	\$65.00	
401 to 600 amp	\$75.00	
601 to 1000 amp	\$90.00	
Each additional 100 amp	\$8.00	
Sub-Panels, Master Panels & Transfer Switches	\$15.00	
Circuits	\$10.00 first	\$8.00 each extra
Fixtures (First 25 or fraction of)	\$25.00	
Each additional 25 or fraction of	\$10.00	
Feeders & Bus ducts	\$10.00	
Per 100' or fraction	\$10.00 each	
Lighting Poles & Base	\$10.00 each	
Power or Motor Circuits		
Up to 20 HP or KW	\$10.00 each	
21 to 50 HP or KW	\$15.00 each	
51 to 75 HP or KW	\$20.00 each	
Over 75 HP or KW	\$30.00 each	
Fuel Pumps or Dispensing Units	\$5.00 per unit	\$10 each nozzle
Carnival, Circus & Amusement	Hourly rate, \$100 Min.	
Neon Gas Tube Lamp	\$10.00 each	
Automatic Alarms - Central Control	\$50.00	
Central Station	\$50.00	
Electric Heat		
Radiant Heat	\$8.00 per room	
Baseboard per 8' section or increment	\$6.00 each	
Minimum Permit Fee	\$100.00	
VI. Reinspection, Hourly Rate & Miscellaneous		
A. Annual Contractor & Builder Filing Fee	\$25.00	
B. Reinspections	\$40.00	
C. Hourly Rate	\$75.00 per hour	
Charge for special requests, consultations or items not		

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D. Work without Permit(s)

When work requiring a permit is started before a permit is secured, the permit fee will be DOUBLED.

Cancellations and Refunds:

None granted after six (6) months from date of issue.

Upon written request, prior to commencement or any work, Permits may be cancelled by the holder and 80% of the permit fee will be refunded, except not less than \$50.00 will be retained by the Township to cover administrative expenses.

SCHEDULE IV - LICENSES & BUSINESS PERMITS

- I. Gravel Pits \$300.00 per year
- II. Junk & Salvage Yard \$25.00 per year
- III. Mechanical Amusement Devices \$10.00 per machine per year
- IV. Liquor License
 - a. Application for Transfer or New On Premise Liquor License \$750.00/application
 - b. Ancillary permits, separate application \$75.00/application
i.e.: dance, entertainments, etc.
 - c. Special License (24 hour) \$75.00/application application

SECTION TWO - SEVERABILITY

Should any provision or part of this Ordinance be declared by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unenforceable, the same shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the balance of this Ordinance, which shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION THREE - REPEALER

All other ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect.

SECTION FOUR - EFFECTIVE DATE

This Ordinance shall take effect following publication in the manner prescribed by law. This Ordinance shall be published in the manner provided by law.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that the complete text of the Ordinance and documents related to the proposed amendments may be examined at the Springfield Township Clerk's Office, 12000 Davisburg Rd., Davisburg, MI during regular office hours, Monday through Friday. Written comments may be submitted to the Springfield Township Clerk, P.O. Box 1038, Davisburg, MI 48350 up until the time of the Second Reading. Those persons needing a special accommodation should contact the Clerk's Office at least two (2) business days in advance. Tel. 248-846-6510.

NANCY STROLE, Clerk
Charter Township of Springfield

Publish date: January 25, 2006



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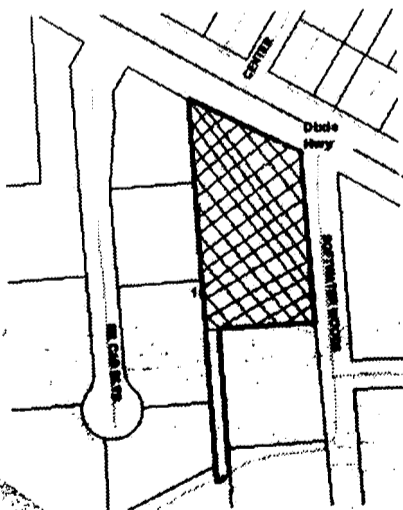
Charter Township of Springfield

**NOTICE OF ADOPTION
AMENDMENT TO ZONING ORDINANCE
AND MAP**

The Township Board of the Charter Township of Springfield ordains that the Springfield Township Zoning Ordinance and Map is hereby amended to rezone a portion of the following described property from R-2 (Single Family Residential one acre minimum) to OS (Office Service):

P.I. # 07-14-478-037, LOCATED AT 9191 DIXIE HWY.

The portion of the property rezoned to OS is limited to the cross-hatched area depicted herein and specifically excludes an area approximately 27 feet wide by 300 feet long that was formerly used and known as Loyal Wing Drive.



Said amendment having been adopted in accordance with the provisions of the Springfield Township Zoning Ordinance No. 28 at a regularly-scheduled meeting of the Township Board held January 12, 2006, which amendment shall become effective seven (7) days after publication of this Notice of Adoption.

The entire Springfield Township Zoning Ordinance, and files related to this amendment, may be examined at the Springfield Township Clerk's Office, 12000 Davisburg Road, Davisburg, MI 48350 during regular business hours. Those persons needing a special accommodation should contact the Clerk's Office at least two (2) business days in advance. 248-846-6510.

Nancy Strole, Clerk
Charter Township of Springfield

Publish date: January 25, 2006

PUBLIC NOTICE



Charter Township of Springfield

**NOTICE OF SECOND READING
AMENDMENTS TO ORDINANCE NO. 48
LIQUOR CONTROL ORDINANCE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Township Board of the Charter Township of Springfield will hold a SECOND READING at its Regular Meeting on Thursday, February 9, 2006, beginning at 7:30 p.m. at the Springfield Township Civic Center, 12000 Davisburg Rd., Davisburg, MI to consider the following proposed amendments to Springfield Township Ordinance No. 48, Liquor Control Ordinance:

The Charter Township of Springfield ordains:

The Liquor Control Ordinance, Ordinance No. 48, as amended, of the Charter Township of Springfield is amended in its entirety as follows:

SECTION 1 - SHORT TITLE

This Ordinance shall be known and may be cited as the "Liquor Control Ordinance."

SECTION 2 - STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The purpose of this Ordinance is to emphasize and clarify the Township's policies for the issuance, transfer, renewal, relocation, and enforcement of liquor licenses and permits, and address the operation of licensed premises.

SECTION 3 - DEFINITIONS

As used in this Ordinance:

- A. "Brewpub" means a liquor license issued by the Liquor Control Commission in conjunction with a Class C, Tavern, or Hotel license that authorizes the person licensed to manufacture and brew not more than 5,000 barrels of beer per calendar year in Michigan and sell at that licensed brewery premises the beer produced for consumption on or off the licensed brewery premises in the manner provided for in sections 405 and 407 of the Michigan Liquor Control Code of 1998. A Brewpub license is considered a hybrid on and off premises liquor license.
- B. "Class C License" means a License to sell retail beer, wine, mixed spirit drink and spirits for consumption on premises.
- C. "Club License" means a liquor license issued to a Club as defined by Section 107 of the Michigan Liquor Control Code of 1998 and pursuant to Rule 436.1127 of the Michigan Administrative Code.
- D. "Hotel License" means a liquor license issued to a Hotel as defined in Section 107 of the Michigan Liquor Control Code of 1998.
- E. "LCC" means the Michigan Liquor Control Commission as defined in the Michigan Liquor Control Code of 1998.
- F. "Licensee" means a person who has been issued a Class C, Tavern, Resort, SDM, SDD, Club, Hotel, Brewpub, or Micro brewer license.
- G. "Michigan Liquor Control Code of 1998" means Michigan Public Act No. 58 of the Public Acts of 1998, as amended. (Michigan Compiled Laws 436.1101 et seq., as amended).
- H. "Micro brewer" means a brewer licensed to manufacture and sell beer to licensed wholesalers, which produces in total less than 30,000 barrels of beer per year and who may sell at the licensed brewery premises the beer produced to consumers for consumption on or off the licensed brewery premises. In determining the 30,000 barrel threshold, all brands and labels of a brewer, whether brewed in this state or outside this state, shall be combined and all facilities for the production of beer that are owned or controlled by the same person shall be treated as a single facility. A Micro brewer license is considered a hybrid on and off premises liquor license.
- I. "Off-Premises Licensee" means a person who is licensed by the LCC to sell alcoholic liquor at retail consumption off the licensed premises, including SDD, SDM, Brewpub and Micro brewer licenses.
- J. "On-Premises License" means a license to sell alcoholic liquor at retail for consumption on the licensed premises, including Class C, Tavern, Resort, Club, Hotel, Brewpub and Micro brewer licenses.
- K. "Person" includes individuals, firms, corporations, partnerships or limited liability companies.
- L. "Resort License" means a liquor license issued by the Liquor Control Commission in a resort area, not to exceed twelve (12) months, without regard to other LCC quota requirements, in accordance with the Michigan Liquor Control Code of 1998.
- M. "Specially Designated Distributor" ("SDD") means a person, firm or corporation engaged in an established business licensed by the LCC to distribute spirits and mixed spirit drink in the original package for consumption off the premises.
- N. "Specially Designated Merchant" ("SDM") means any person, firm or corporation to whom the LCC grants a license to sell beer and/or wine at retail for consumption off the premises of such licensed place.
- O. "Special Permits" include, but are not limited to, outdoor service permits, "One-Day" licenses, "After Hours" permits, Temporary Dance, Entertainment, or "Add Bar" Permits, Specific Purpose Permits, and Special Licenses, as those terms are defined by or utilized in the Michigan Liquor Control Code of 1998 and the Michigan Administrative Code.
- P. "Tavern" means any place licensed to sell retail beer and wine for consumption on the premises only.

SECTION 4 - APPLICATION PROCEDURE FOR NEW "ON-PREMISES" LICENSES

A. Application. Every applicant for an on-premises liquor license approval must complete and file an application with the Township Clerk's Office on forms that will be provided by the Township. The application must be accompanied by a non-refundable fee as set forth in the Township Fee Ordinance, made payable to the Charter Township of Springfield. The application pertains to the Township only, and is in addition to the separate application required by the LCC. The Township application shall include the following information:

- 1. Applicant's name, address and phone number.
- 2. Names, addresses and phone numbers of all persons with an interest in a proposed business, including partners and stockholders.

- 3. Address and telephone number of resident agent for accepting service of process, if applicant is a corporation;
- 4. Name and address of financial institution where an applicant's funds for establishment and operation of the entity sought to be licensed are deposited.
- 5. The sources of all funds which will be relied upon in the establishment and operation of the entity sought to be licensed.
- 6. The distance from other licensees within a two (2) mile radius of the area where the proposed business will be located.
- 7. A statement that the proposed business is not within five hundred (500) feet of a church or school building.
- 8. List criminal record, if any, of the applicant, including all partnership members and all stockholders, if a corporation.
- 9. A statement regarding whether applicant or any partner or shareholder has ever made another application for a liquor license and the disposition of such application.
- 10. A statement that the applicant is not disqualified to receive a license by reason of any matter or thing contained in this Ordinance or the laws of the State of Michigan.
- 11. A statement that the applicant will not violate any of the laws of the State of Michigan or of the United States or any ordinances of the Township in the conduct of its business.
- 12. The legal description, address, and zoning classification for location where business is proposed.
- 13. State whether a new building is proposed or whether an existing structure will be utilized.
- 14. A sketch, drawn to scale, showing floor plans, seating arrangements, site dimensions (including parking areas) future building alterations and other pertinent physical features for existing buildings or proposed buildings in which the applicant's business will be conducted. If the applicant is approved for issuance of a license, the Township may condition its approval upon its further consideration and approval of an engineered site plan, complete with building elevations.
- 15. Details of the applicant's experience, financial capability and history of business experience, including experience as a licensee.
- 16. A general operational statement outlining the proposed manner in which the establishment will be operated, including a schedule of the hours of operation, food service, crowd control, use of facilities, parking facilities and estimated cost of development.
- 17. The name, address, and telephone number of the person to be called in the event of an emergency at the licensed establishment.
- 18. A statement demonstrating that the location proposed and the methods of operation will not detrimentally and unreasonably impact nearby property owners, businesses, and residents.
- 19. Certification of approval from the Oakland County Health Department of an adequate sewage disposal system if using an existing building.
- 20. Any other information relevant to a determination by the Township that there is or is not a need for additional licenses to be issued within the Township.

B. License Restrictions in Application. The following restrictions will be imposed upon all applicants. No license shall be issued to:

- 1. A person ("licensee") whose liquor license has been revoked or not renewed. Licensee includes every entity, corporation or partnership, and each shareholder or partner.
- 2. A co-partnership, unless each of the members of the co-partnership qualify to obtain a license.
- 3. A corporation, if any officer, manager, director or stockholder would not be eligible to receive a license hereunder for any reason.
 - a. A limited liability company if any member would not be eligible to receive a license hereunder for any reason.
- 4. A person who cannot establish that the license will be used by licensee within six (6) months of Township approval and will not be held for investment.
- 5. A person who has been convicted of a violation of any federal or state law concerning the manufacture, possession, or sale of alcoholic liquor.
- 6. A person who does not own the premises for which a license is sought or does not have a lease therefor for the full period for which the license is issued.
- 7. Any law enforcing public official employed by the Township.
- 8. Any person for any premises where there exists a violation of the applicable Building, Electrical, Mechanical, Plumbing or Fire Codes, applicable Zoning Regulations, or applicable Public Health Regulations.
- 9. Any entity or person for any premises unless the sale of beer, wine, or spirits is shown to be incidental and subordinate to food sales, hotel or motel uses, golf course uses, bowling alleys, and other recreational activities. The preceding sentence shall not apply to Brewpubs.
- 10. Any person for any newly licensed premises where it is determined by a majority of the Township Board of Trustees that the premises do not or will not reasonably soon after commencement of operations, comply fully with all Township Ordinances, including having adequate off-street parking, lighting, refuse disposal facilities, screening, noise and nuisance control, and sewage disposal facilities.
- 11. Any person for any premises where the Township Board of Trustees determines that the proposed location is inappropriate because of the Township preferring the location of licensed establishments in developed, commercial or recreation areas, rather than isolated, undeveloped areas, and also considering the following factors: the compatibility with adjacent uses of the land; traffic safety; accessibility to the site from abutting roads; capability of abutting roads to accommodate the commercial activity; distance from public or private schools for minors; zoning classification; and accessibility from primary roads or state highways.
- 12. Any applicant who omits or falsifies any information required by this Ordinance.

C. Investigation. Upon receipt of the application, the Township Clerk will refer the application to the Oakland County Sheriff's Department, the Fire Chief, the Oakland County Health Department, the Building and Planning Administrator, and such other Township officers and employees as the Township Clerk deems appropriate. The Township Clerk shall cause a thorough investigation to be

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made of the persons and the premises, including a complete history of past business experience and any liquor law violations. The findings resulting from the investigations shall be submitted to the Township Board.

D. Hearing. After the Township completes its investigation, the application will be placed on the Township Board's agenda for consideration. Due notice will be given to the applicant. The applicant will be required to appear before the Township Board and answer any questions pertaining to the application.

E. License Approval. If the Township is satisfied that the establishment for which a liquor license is sought may constitute an asset to the community, and meets all the criteria set forth herein, it may adopt a resolution recommending approval, subject to the satisfaction of the conditions stated below, which will be set forth in the resolution. Approval of the license shall be granted with the following conditions:

1. In the Township's discretion, issuance of an on-premises license may be restricted to a tavern license. (A tavern license is included in the State of Michigan quota allowances for Class C licenses.)
2. Issuance of new licenses shall be contingent upon the application for and receipt of site plan approval, building permits, zoning changes and other necessary approvals required by the Township within six (6) months after the issuance.
3. Construction shall be pursued within eight (8) months after the issuance of a license.
4. The Township Board may extend, upon a showing of special or unusual circumstances not the fault of the applicant, the time period set forth in Paragraphs 2 and 3 above, upon timely request.
5. No floor plans, building elevation, site plan, or other pertinent facts, drawings, or documents submitted to the Township Clerk may be changed, unless the change reasonably improves the design or service function of the facility, and the applicant receives approval for the change from the Township. Changes as described in Section 4.1 shall be approved by the Township Board. Other changes shall be approved administratively by an individual appointed by the Township Clerk for such purpose. There shall be no fee charged under this Ordinance for Township review of such an approval request.
6. When the building or remodeling is complete, it must meet all state and local regulations, and must comply with representations made to the Township Board by the applicant.
7. Failure of any applicant to meet any of the conditions of the Ordinance shall be reason for the Township Board to deny the annual renewal of any of the licenses issued.

F. Available Licenses. Under no circumstances is the Township Board obligated to issue an available license or approve a transfer. No applicant for a liquor license has the right to the issuance of such license to him, her, or it, and the Township Board reserves the right to exercise reasonable discretion to determine who, if anyone, shall be entitled to such license. Additionally, no applicant for a liquor license has the right to have such application processed, and the Township Board further reserves the right to take no action with respect to any application filed with the Township Board. The Township Board further reserves the right to maintain a list of all applicants and to review the same when, in its discretion, it determines that the issuance of an additional liquor license is in the best interests of the Township at large and for the needs and convenience of its citizens. Before taking action with regard to a specific application, the Township Board shall make a determination based upon the following criteria:

1. Is there an unmet demand for a land use which would be enhanced by the issuance of a liquor license to be used in conjunction with it?
2. Are currently issued licenses not being used in conjunction with another primary purpose, such as food service, recreation, or hotel uses?
3. Does the Township have adequate police, fire, and other emergency service personnel to service an additional licensed establishment?

G. Multiple Applicants for Available Licenses. If the Township Board elects to issue an available license and more than one person applies for same, the criteria set forth in this paragraph shall determine which, if any, applicant is issued an available license.

1. The applicant which best meets the criteria set forth in Section 4.
2. The applicant whose operations will be most consistent with the appropriate use of adjacent properties and the Township as a whole.
3. The applicant whose operations will be most consistent with the established plans and policies of the Township as expressed in its other ordinances and resolutions.
4. The applicant whose operations will be most consistent with the public policies of the State of Michigan as expressed in its laws, rules, and regulations.

H. Term of License. Approval of a liquor license shall be for a period of one (1) year, expiring annually on April 30 following the date of issuance. The liquor license is subject to annual review by the Township.

I. Changes. Substantial changes in the licensee's operation shall be approved by the Township Board. Substantial changes include changes in space of more than ten percent (10%), reduction of more than ten percent (10%) in percentage of food or other sales not related to liquor, or changes in the approved plan which affects capacity, parking, noise generated or other impact on adjacent residents or property owners. No fee shall be charged for this process.

SECTION 5 - INFORMATIONAL FILING REQUIRED

Whenever the information submitted by a licensee pursuant to the application process contained in this Ordinance changes, it shall be the duty of the licensee to notify the Township and to supplement the information previously submitted. The licensee is responsible for compliance with this section within ten (10) days of the change of information or circumstances.

SECTION 6 - APPLICATION PROCEDURE FOR NEW PERMITS

Any permit ancillary to a liquor license including Dance, Entertainment, or Dance and Entertainment, may be issued simultaneously to the issuance of a new license or transferred license or after the issuance of the liquor license, in the discretion of the Township Board. The request for a permit shall be submitted to the Township Clerk, in writing, accompanied by a non-refundable fee as set forth in the Township Fee Ordinance. (If the request for

permit is made at initial application or transfer, no additional fee is required.) The Township Clerk will refer the permit request to the Township Board which will set the matter for hearing before the Township Board, due notice to be given the licensee. In passing on the licensee's request, the Township Board may consider the following:

- A. Past record of the licensee including liquor license violations and police contacts.
- B. Plans presented for dealing with and for avoiding nuisances and neighborhood problems created by the permit.
- C. The proposed changes in the licensee's operation if granted the permit.
- D. The type of entertainment or dance proposed.
- E. Adequate provisions for any increased parking needs.
- F. Management operations and compliance with the informational filing required in Section 5.
- G. The contents of the site plan.
- H. Compliance with established Township plans and policies.

SECTION 7 - INACTIVE LICENSES

Any license which has not been activated by the licensee upon the Township Board's yearly review for renewal (Section 10) may cause the Township to object to annual renewal of the license.

SECTION 8 - TRANSFERS

A. Liquor Licenses. Applications for the transfer of an on-premises liquor license will proceed and be reviewed under the new license provisions, Section 4, as any other new license, except that the following additional factors may be considered by the Township Board:

1. Consideration will be given to whether or not the operation is expected to change from the existing operation.
2. If continuation of an existing operation is contemplated, the licensee must present a plan relating to how it will deal with existing problems created by the business by reason of insufficient parking, nuisance created on or off-site, civil or criminal liability.
3. Consideration will be given to the intentions of a licensee who obtained the license as a secured party, and does not intend to operate the premises. In this instance, the Township Board may use its discretion in waiving certain requirements.
 - a) If the new license provisions are waived by the Township Board, the license transfer will be approved only if the transferee agrees in writing that:
 - i) the licensed premises will not be operated; and
 - ii) that the transferee will not operate the premises through a management agreement; and
 - iii) that if the transferee operates or attempts to operate the licensed premises this shall constitute grounds for immediate revocation or non-renewal.
 - b) A license that is transferred pursuant to this section is considered an inactive license for purposes of Section 7.
4. Transfers which involve the following circumstances may go directly to the Township Board for consideration without payment of a fee and without the necessity of furnishing the information required for new licenses by Section 4:
 - a) The exchange of the assets of a licensed sole proprietorship, licensed general partnership, or licensed limited partnership for all outstanding shares of stock in a corporation in which either the sole proprietor, all members of the general partnership, or all members of the limited partnership are the only stockholders of that corporation.
 - b) The removal of a member of a firm, a stockholder, a member of a general partnership or limited partnership, or association of licensees from a license.
 - c) The addition to a license of the spouse, son, daughter, or parent of any of the following:
 - i) A licensed sole proprietor.
 - ii) A stockholder in a licensed corporation.
 - iii) A member of a licensed general partnership, licensed limited partnership, or other licensed association.
 - d) The occurrence of any of the following events:
 - i) A corporate stock split of a licensed corporation.
 - ii) The issuance to a stockholder of a licensed corporation of previously unissued stock as compensation for services performed.
 - iii) The redemption by a licensed corporation of its own stock.
 - iv) A corporate public offering.

B. Permits. Existing permits ancillary to liquor licenses are transferred with the liquor license unless cancelled in writing. Transferees must present plans regarding the operation they intend to conduct using the particular permit.

SECTION 9 - RENEWAL

The Township Clerk or his/her designee will review each on-premises licensee's liquor license and permits annually to determine whether or not to object to the Liquor Control Commission's renewal of said license and/or permits. If the licensee is not notified to appear before the Township Board by March 30 of the licensing year, then the license and/or permit will be renewed in accordance with the Liquor Control Commission rules. The Township Board shall object to renewal if the following standards are not met:

- A. **Liquor Licenses.**
 1. Compliance with all standards and plans established and approved at time of issuance of license or at time of later Township approvals.
 2. The Township may also object to renewal based on the criteria set forth in Section 11 regarding revocation.
- B. **Permits.**
 1. Annual renewal procedure of permits shall take place concurrent with the renewal process for liquor licenses, and shall be subject to the following considerations:
 - a) The Township Board will inquire into nuisances created or contributed to by the licensee.
 - b) Civil or criminal violations that cause a disturbance in the community, or that endanger person or property and which can fairly be attributed to the licensee or its customers or employees.
 - c) Licensees must demonstrate that they have continued to operate in compliance with the plan of operation submitted at the time of obtaining the permit or as subsequently supplemented with Township approval.

SECTION 10 - PROCEDURE FOR OBJECTING TO RENEWAL OR REQUESTING REVOCATION OF LIQUOR LICENSE OR PERMIT

A. Procedure. Prior to filing an objection with the LCC to renewal or filing a request for revoking an on-premises liquor license or a permit, the Township Board shall do the following:

1. Serve the licensee, by first class mail, mailed not less than ten (10) days prior to hearing with notice of a hearing, which notice shall contain the following:
 - a) Notice of proposed action.
 - b) Reasons for the proposed action.
 - c) Date, time, and place of hearing.
 - d) A statement that the licensee may present evidence and testimony and confront adverse witnesses.
2. Hold a hearing as scheduled. The licensee will be given an opportunity to be represented by counsel and to present evidence and testimony and to confront adverse witnesses.
3. Following the hearing, the Township Board shall submit to the licensee and the LCC a written statement of its findings and determination.
4. If the Township Board determines that a recommendation of non-renewal and/or a request for revocation is to be filed with the LCC it shall pass a resolution to that effect, stating the specific reasons for the determination. The resolution will be forwarded to the LCC in a timely fashion.

SECTION 11 - REVOCATION

The Township Board may request that the LCC revoke an on-premises license or a permit at any time for any of the following reasons:

- A. Failure to comply with all conditions, standards, plans, or agreements entered into in consideration for the issuance of the license.
- B. Violations of the state liquor laws.
- C. Violation of state law or local ordinance.
- D. Refusal to respond to written warnings that revocation proceedings may be commenced unless the licensee or licensee's representative appears before the Township Board and show cause why revocation should not be initiated.
- E. Maintenance of a nuisance upon or in connection with the licensed premises, including, but not limited to, any of the following:
 1. Violations of building, electrical, mechanical, plumbing, zoning, health, fire or other applicable regulatory codes;
 2. A pattern of patron conduct in the neighborhood of the licensed premises which is in violation of the law and/or disturbs the peace, order, and tranquility of the neighborhood;
 3. Failure to maintain the grounds and exterior of the licensed premises, including litter, debris, or refuse blowing or being deposited upon adjoining properties;
 4. Entertainment on the licensed premises without a permit and/or entertainment which disturbs the peace, order, and tranquility in the neighborhood of the licensed premises;
 5. Any advertising, promotion, or activity in connection with the licensed premises which by its nature causes, creates, or contributes to disorder, disobedience of rules, ordinances or laws, or contributes to the disruption of normal activity of those in the neighborhood of the licensed premises;
- F. Excessive police contacts with licensed premises, or its patrons off the premises determined to be the fault of the licensee.
- G. Repeated instances where the licensee is serving minors or intoxicated persons.
- H. Failure by the licensee to permit the inspection of the licensed premises by the Township's agents or employees in connection with the enforcement of this Ordinance.

SECTION 12 - REQUEST FOR REVOCATION OF OFF-PREMISES LICENSE

The Township Board may, by resolution, request the LCC to revoke the license of an off-premises licensee (SDD or SDM) after it has been determined pursuant to LCC violation hearings that the licensee sold or furnished alcoholic liquor, on at least three (3) separate occasions in a single calendar year, to a person who is less than twenty-one (21) years of age, provided said violations did not involve the use of falsified or fraudulent identification by the person who is less than twenty-one (21) years of age.

SECTION 13 - OPERATION OF LICENSED PREMISES

A. NUDITY ON LICENSED PREMISES

1. No person, while appearing in a state of nudity as defined by this section, shall frequent, loiter, work for or perform in any establishment licensed or subject to licensing by the Michigan Liquor Control Commission. No proprietor or operator of any such establishment shall allow the presence in such establishment of any person who violates the provisions of this section.
2. "Nudity" shall be defined to be the exposure by view of persons, of any of the following body parts, either directly or indirectly, including but not limited to exposure, see-through clothing articles, or body stockings:
 - a. The whole or part of the pubic region;
 - b. The whole or part of the anus;
 - c. The whole or part of the buttocks;
 - d. The whole or part of the genitals;
 - e. The breast area including nipple, or more than one-half of the area of the breast.

SECTION 14 - SEVERABILITY

Should any provision or part of this Ordinance be declared by any court of competent jurisdiction to be invalid or unenforceable, the same shall not affect the validity or enforceability of the balance of this ordinance, which shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 15 - REPEALER

All other ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this ordinance full force and effect.

SECTION 16 - SAVINGS CLAUSE

Nothing in this Ordinance shall be construed to affect any suit or proceeding pending in any court or any rights acquired or any liability incurred, or any cause or causes of action acquired or existing, under any act or ordinance hereby repealed as cited in Section 15 of this Ordinance; nor shall any just or legal right or remedy of any character be lost, impaired, or affected by this ordinance.

SECTION 17 - EFFECTIVE DATE

This ordinance shall take effect following publication in the manner prescribed by law. This ordinance shall be published in the manner provided by law.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that documents related to the proposed amendments may be examined at the Springfield Township Clerk's Office, 12000 Davisburg Rd., Davisburg, MI during regular office hours, Monday through Friday. Written comments may be submitted to the Springfield Township Clerk, P.O. Box 1038, Davisburg, MI 48350 up until the time of the Second Reading. Those persons needing a special accommodation should contact the Clerk's Office at least two (2) business days in advance. 248-848-8510.

Nancy Strole, Clerk
Charter Township of Springfield

In Our Churches

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"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.

The Davisburg Mass Station hosts **"Couple Prayer Series"** on six consecutive days in Lent from March 4 to April 8 from 6-8 p.m. Mass is beforehand at 5 p.m. The series costs \$55 per couple. Info and registration form available at www.coupleprayer.org. The event is held at the Davisburg Elementary School on 12003 Davisburg Road.

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.

Home

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Makeover. Each makeover message and session has been designed to focus on specific areas of your home that need renovation. You will receive everything you need to start your own "home" makeover. If your house is perfect, but your "home" could use some work, come and experience a true "home" makeover.

(Lisa Marsack is a pastor at Bridgewood Church)

PUBLIC NOTICE

Because the People Want to Know
OAKLAND COUNTY DRAIN COMMISSION

NOTICE OF DAY OF REVIEW OF APPORTIONMENTS
ALLEN DRAIN

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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Around Town

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Spaghetti Dinner is scheduled in benefit of Teresa Tersigni for Feb. 12 at the American Legion Hall on M-15 in Clarkston from 1-4 p.m.

Prices are \$10 for 12 and up, \$5 for children ages 5-11, and children 4 and under are free. The meal includes spaghetti, salad, bread sticks, beverage and dessert.

Tickets are available at Coldwell Banker Schweitzer, located at 7151 N. Main St., Clarkston. All proceeds benefit the Oakland Liver Transplant Fund for Teresa Tersigni.

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

PUBLIC NOTICE



Charter Township of Springfield

SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP
BOARD MEETING
JANUARY 12, 2006
SYNOPSIS

CALL TO ORDER: 7:30 p.m. by Supervisor Walls
PUBLIC COMMENT: None
CONSENT AGENDA:

- Approved Minutes: December 8, 2005, Regular Meeting with bills and additional disbursements of \$331,401.57
- Approved Minutes: December 30, 2005 Special Meeting
- Accepted December 2005 Treasurer's Report
- Received December 2005 Reports: Building, Electrical, Plumbing, Mechanical; Litigation; Fire & Ordinance
- Authorized payment of bills as presented, total \$43,254.05
- Authorized 2006 membership in Clinton River Watershed Council @ \$250.00
- Huron Creek: Granted request for extension of Final Site Plan Approval, to March 6, 2007
- Received communications and placed on file.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Conditionally approved Wilderness Estates Final Site Plan
- Adopted Retiree Benefits Policy, as amended
- Community Sewer System Resolution, Sunset Bluffs: Tabled to February 9, 2006 meeting
- Liquor Control Ordinance 48 Amendment: Authorized Clerk to Publish for Second Reading

NEW BUSINESS:

- Second Reading, Rezoning Request, 9191 Dixie Hwy: Amended Zoning Ordinance and Map to rezone a portion of 07-14-478-037 from R-2 (Single Family Residential) to OS (Office Service)
- Provided Comments on Forest Hills Public Road Concept Plan
- 2006 Tri Party funding & Projects: Tabled to February 9, 2006 meeting
- Approved Softwater Lake Sewer Extension Contract Subject to Final Review and Revisions acceptable to Township Attorney and Supervisor.
- Defeated motion to discontinue current computer support/maintenance contract

ADJOURNED: 9:55 p.m.

NANCY STROLE, Clerk

Published date: January 25, 2006

Wed., January 25, 2006 The Clarkston (MI) News 11 B
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.

The **Clarkston High School Class of 1966** will hold their 40 year class reunion on June 24 at the Oakland County Sportsmen's Club. For more information, please contact Elaine Keeley Schultz at 248 673-6542.

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF OAKLAND NOTICE TO CREDITORS Decedent's Estate FILE NO: 05-301-730-DE

Estate of Lillian L. J. Rinnan, Deceased.

Date of birth: 11/24/05.

TO ALL CREDITORS

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Lillian L. J. Rinnan, who lived at 4182 Stonebridge Drive, Holly, Michigan died 11/24/05.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to James K Rinnan, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 1750 N. Telegraph Road, Suite 301, Pontiac, Michigan 48341 and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

12/20/05

James K. Rinnan

3403 Maple Park Crve

Kingswood, Texas 77339

(281) 359-5903

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF OAKLAND NOTICE TO CREDITORS Decedent's Estate FILE NO: 2006-302,033-DE

Estate of Betty Lou Wochholz, Deceased.

Date of birth: 9-2-27

TO ALL CREDITORS

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Betty Lou Wochholz who lived at 5560 Delmas, Clarkston, MI 48348 died 12-22-05.

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

12/22/05

Bruce Wochholz

3560 Delmas

Clarkston, MI 48348

248-625-9378

Walter R. dennison P12675

1750 South Telegraph Road, Suite 301

Bloomfield Hills, Michigan 48302

(248) 253-1100

PUBLIC NOTICE

Because the People Want to Know
INDEPENDENCE TWP.

SYNOPSIS

TAKEN BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE

Supervisor Wagner called the January 17, 2006, meeting to order at 7:30 p.m., at the Independence Township Library.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Present: Rosso, VanderVeen, Wagner, Travis,

Wenger, Dunn, Kelly

Absent: None

Public Forum

There is a quorum.

- Approval of the Agenda, as amended.
- Approval of the Consent Agenda:
 - Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting of January 3, 2006
 - Approval of Accounts Payable Check Run in the amount of \$1,307,653.85
 - Approval of Purchase Orders in the amount of \$1,307,486.76
- Approved motion to separate non-union employees salary increase from elected officials' salary increase.
- Approved motion that three elected officials meet prior to the next Board meeting, reach a suggested pay increase and present data supporting same.
- Approved motion to accept the Supervisor's recommended salary increase for non-union employees.
- Approved motion to accept bid for 1983 GMC dump truck of \$2,701.01 to Richard Minard.
- Approved motion to reclassify Hugh Reid and Timothy McArthur to Maintenance Person at 2005 AFSCME Union Contract rate of \$16.87 (after 1st year) and reclassify Josh Babe to Maintenance Person at the 2005 AFSCME Union Contract rate of \$17.76 (after 2nd year).
- Approved motion to promote Nedra Lambert from Clerk Tech to Secretary, with salary retroactive to January 9, 2006.
- Approved motion to promote Jeff Morris from Recreation Specialist to non-union position of Recreation Programmer, effective immediately, with an annual rate of \$40,685.00.
- Approved motion to authorize Senior Citizen Coordinator to apply for the Specialized Services Grant for the fiscal year 2007 to receive \$24,778.00.
- Approved motion to authorize Senior Citizen Coordinator to purchase a handicap vehicle under Section 5310 of the SMART Program.
- Approved motion to authorize Clerk to sign Letter of Engagement with Plante & Moran.
- Approved motion to adjourn at 10:13 p.m.

Shelagh VanderVeen

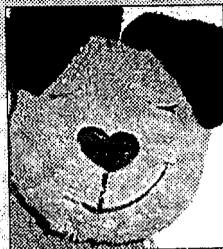
Township Clerk

Published: January 25, 2006



Nathan Whitley and his precious Pup, a toy he has had since birth. But Pup was recently lost at Great Lakes Crossing. Photos provided.

Have you seen Pup?



Pup belongs to 15-month-old Nathan Whitley of Independence Township.

Nathan received Pup the day he was born. Pup was a gift from a work colleague of Nathan's father John, who purchased the treasure from a boutique in Texas.

"Knowing that we might lose him sometime, we purchased a new Pup from the same shop for Nathan's first birthday in October, but Nathan knows the difference. His old Pup is much more loved. Even after washing, Pup carries the scent of love! He is irreplaceable," wrote Chris Whitley, Nathan's mother, in an e-mail to *The Clarkston News*.

Pup was last seen Jan. 16, between 5:15-7:00 p.m. at Great Lakes Crossing mall in Auburn

Hills. Whitley said they entered the mall through The Sports Authority and went straight to the public play area. After discovering that Pup was gone, Whitley said they searched the area and several lost and founds, throughout the mall, with no luck.

"Maybe someone, some child or kind shopper, picked up Pup with good intentions and has yet to call. I just hope they will pick up the phone and let us know he is found. Our phone number is written in red permanent ink on the back of the blanket, and Nathan's name is embroidered across the front of it. We would happily offer a reward to whomever returns Pup," wrote Chris.

To contact the Whitley's, please call 248-922-1205

Millstream —

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we were open, some nights I slept on my office floor," Cornwall said. "It started out with me and two part-time staff members and now we have two full-time doctors and 10 support staff."

Veterinarian Brian Covert shares the general practitioner responsibilities with Cornwall these days.

The field of veterinary science has also blossomed since Cornwall left MSU.

"When I graduated in '89 there was no such thing as a referral service. Something we are proud of here is we will find the answer no matter how complex it is; and if we can't find it, we have a network of specialists who can," Cornwall said.

As his business and the field grew, so too has the area, Cornwall welcomes this and hopes to actively participate going forward.

"The changes that I've seen so far are very, very positive. We were waiting very patiently and eagerly for Sashabaw Road to be widened into a boulevard. Everything is looking very nice, so we are very excited about it," Cornwall said. "I see this being the whole new corridor of Independence Township. I think it is going to be a beautiful area. It's going to be pulling people in, hopefully from quite a ways away from the Clarkston area. From an economic standpoint, it's going to be really good for the area."

While whispers of Wal-Mart being built on Sashabaw Road were only recently joined by McLaren's proposal for a

major medical complex, Cornwall has his own vision for the area. He owns a parcel of land on the east side of Sashabaw, next to Clarkston Lighthouse, and is currently securing funding to build a full scale, state of the art, veterinary hospital there.

"Right now I'm the only person who sees that building," Cornwall said. "We are 1,400 square feet here, so we are looking at a 4,000 square foot facility and hospital ... the sky is the limit, basically anything you can do for a human now, you can do for an animal."

One day a \$600 million medical complex may provide area residents with treatment and specialists, while Cornwall hopes to provide the same type of care for area pets. Until then, he will continue to view his personal mirage and dream.

Pet tips from Dr. Cornwall

Below are five tips Veterinarian Brian Cornwall, of Advanced Pet Care, wishes more pet owners knew and why the advice is important in his own words.

- Do your homework before selecting a pet for the family. "Too often I will see people who come in with a dog that is just not appropriate for children because they thought (the dog) was cute or their friend had one or they saw 101 Dalmations. Then they find out that the dog is aggressive."

- Cats should be kept indoors. "Cats that are indoors live about twice as long as those that are outdoors. There are too many infectious diseases and cars and dogs and you name it out there."

- Watch your pet's weight. "Right from the start (owners) should keep an eye on their pet's weight. Overweight problems are the second most common problem we see in dogs and cats.

That can lead to diabetes, arthritis, heart problems, the same types of ailments as in people."

- Prepare your pet for dental exams. "Right from the beginning they should get their pet used to having their mouth handled, so they can try to do some dental care at home. That is the number one health risk to pets. Over 70 percent of adult dogs and cats have periodontal disease and that means heart problems, kidney problems, liver problems and it cuts their life short. It's absolutely amazing how many teeth we pull. You want to get them annual dentistry."

- Don't change the menu. "Get a name brand diet and stick with it. Don't go changing foods all the time, these animals do not get bored of a food. In fact, it is harder on their intestinal tract, they can't adjust like we can to changing foods."



The Clarkston Rotary is currently collecting books for the Oakland Literacy Council's "Reading Seeds" program. Rotary Literacy Chair Mary Sloan displays some sample books and a collection box. Photo by Jenny Matteson

Watching a love for reading grow

JENNY MATTESON
Clarkston News Editor

Mary Sloan discovered she has a love for gardening. And this Clarkston Rotarian has a skill for growing readers.

Sloan is chair of the Clarkston Rotary Club's new Literacy Committee. The club took on the focus of literacy earlier this year after Rotary International accepted the challenge.

"As a former teacher, I realize how important it is to have a good foundation in reading," said Sloan. "That is close to my heart and led me to this program."

To kick off their literacy focus, the Rotary hosted speaker Catheryn Weiss, director of the Oakland County Literacy Council. Weiss spoke on the council's literacy program "Reading Seeds."

"Reading Seeds" is part of a parent workshop program geared towards families who are at-risk for literacy. The workshop teaches parents strategies to develop early reading skills in their children. The goal is for parents to help their children have an easier time learning to read, thereby helping them be more fluent readers.

At the end of the workshop, the parent is given a book to use to practice the skills learned with their children. If there are children who attend the daycare portion of the workshop, they are also given a book.

"We need to teach parents how to promote literacy," said Sloan. "If they can make that point with these parents in this program, I think they are on the right track."

The Rotary Club decided to assist the program by holding a book drive beginning this week (Jan. 25) and running through the beginning of March. Sloan said their goal is to collect 200 books.

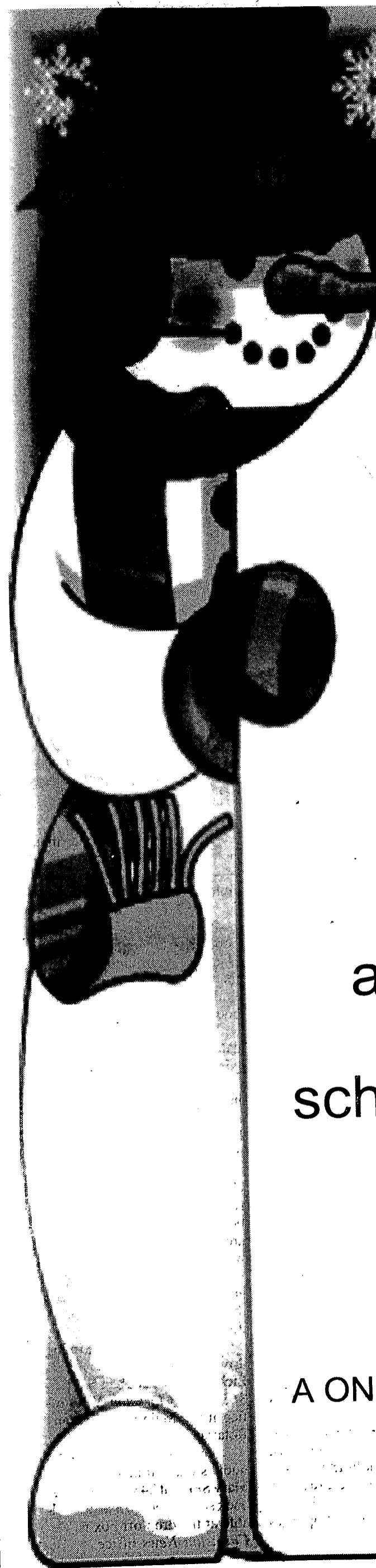
"We can even extend that date and the goal if the drive goes well," Sloan added.

The Rotary Club is collecting new and like-new books for ages birth through third grade. Early readers, picture books and cardboard books are best.

"Students at Renaissance High School are helping us by raising money to purchase books," explained Sloan. "They are investigating titles they feel would be appropriate for this project. Perhaps area children and teachers have a favorite title they can recommend for residents to donate."

Book donations can be dropped off at Rotarian Jeff Lichty's office at 5854 S. Main St.; at *The Clarkston News* office at 5 S. Main St. or with any Rotarian.

For more information or a book suggestion, please call Mary Sloan at 248-625-8837. A book suggestion list is also available at the drop off box in *The Clarkston News* office.



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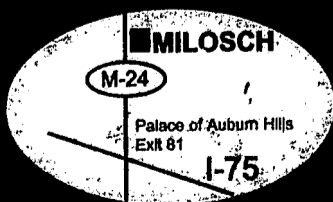
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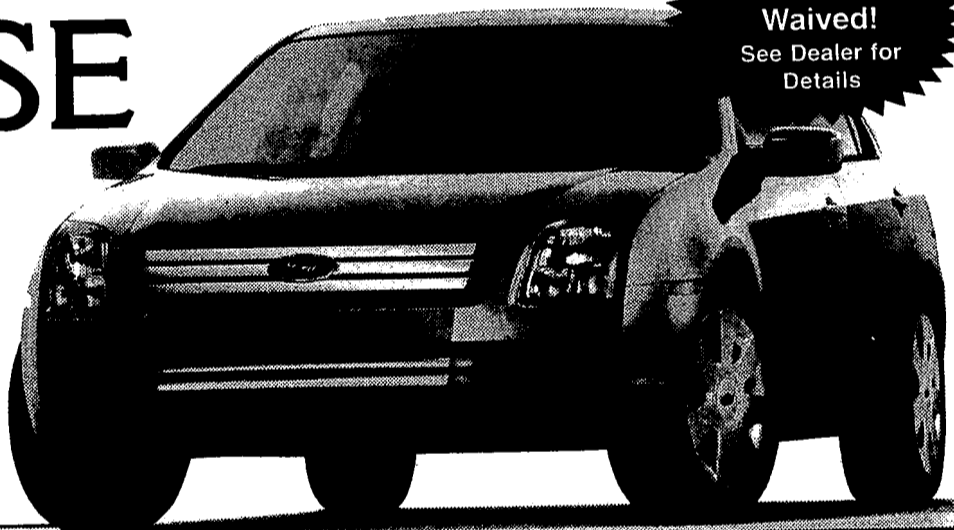
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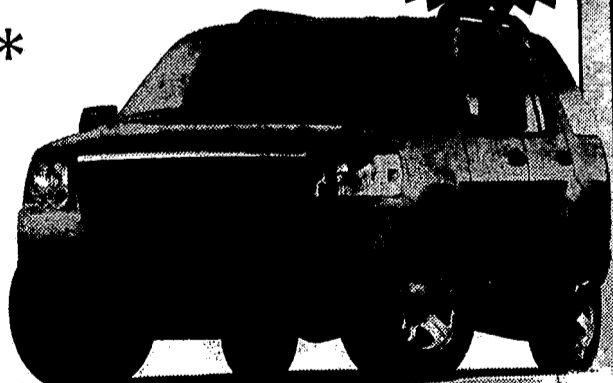
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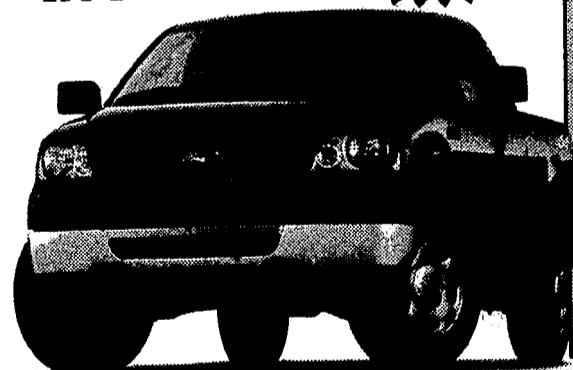
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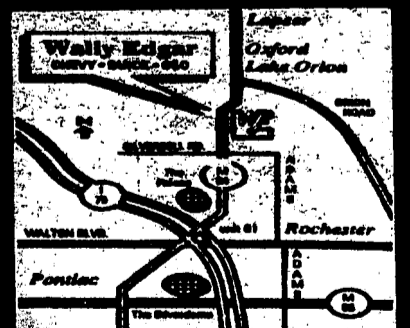
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390 NOTICES

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The Clarkston News
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CX28-tf

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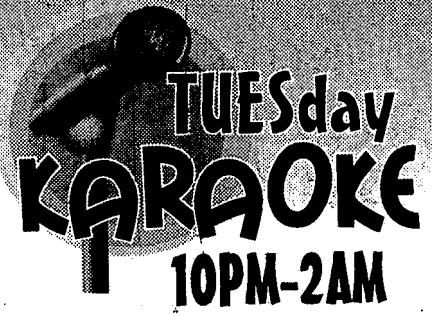
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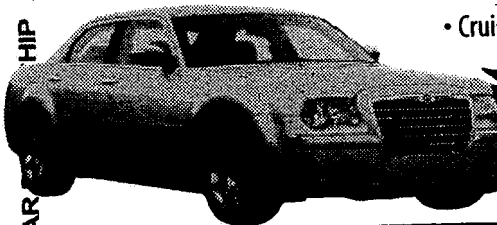
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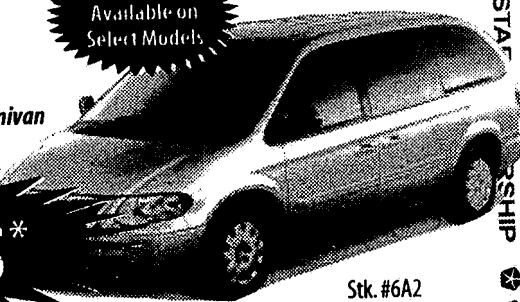
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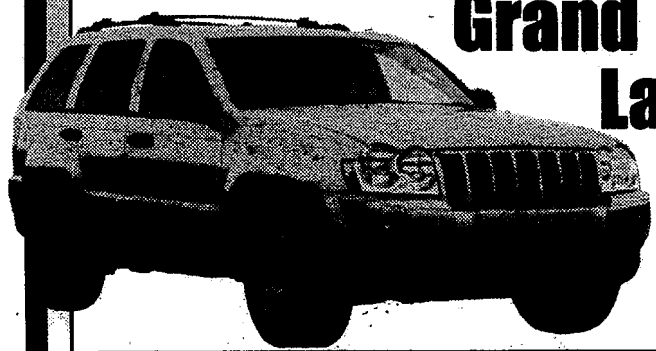
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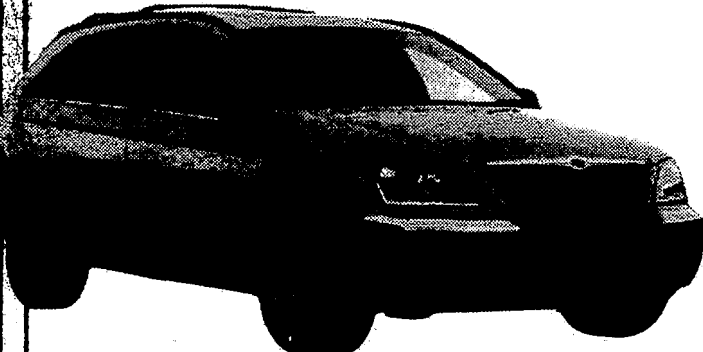
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\$122 ** <small>24 Months</small>	\$195 ** <small>27 Months</small>



2006 Town & Country Touring

Dual power, sliding doors, power hatch, aluminum wheels, rear air/heat, power seat, CD. Stk. #82207

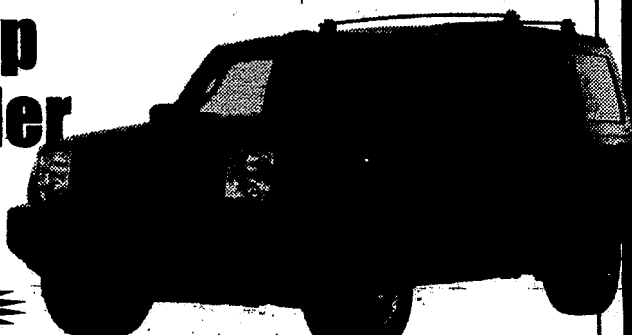
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\$84 ** <small>24 Months</small>	\$176 ** <small>27 Months</small>



2006 Pacifica

Auto., air, power windows & locks, tilt, cruise, CD, dark sunscreen glass and much more!! Sk. #52012

DCX EMPLOYEE	EVERYONE
\$127 ** <small>27 Months</small>	\$176 ** <small>36 Months</small>



2006 Jeep Commander 4x4

Rear Air/Heat

Tilt, cruise, alum wheels, ABS, CD, 3rd row seat, auto, air, power windows & locks, power seats. Stk. #5020

DCX EMPLOYEE	EVERYONE
\$123 ** <small>24 Months</small>	\$216 ** <small>27 Months</small>



2006 Jeep Liberty Sport 4x4

Auto., air, window lock, tilt, CD, keyless entry, plus more! Stk. #13019

DCX EMPLOYEE	EVERYONE
\$86 ** <small>24 Months</small>	\$156 ** <small>27 Months</small>



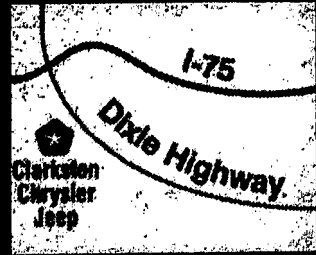
2005 Chrysler Sebring

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2 Left

Auto., air, tilt, cruise, power windows, locks & seats, aluminum wheels, CD, keyless entry. Stk. #37512

DCX EMPLOYEE	EVERYONE
\$11,995*	\$12,875*

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