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Former library director sues twp.

BY JENNY MATTESON
Clarkston News Editor

Independence Township officials will give depositions this April in a new court case – this past January, former township library director Molly Lynch filed a civil suit for wrongful discharge or firing.

According to Lynch, she is seeking damages for lost wages and benefits due to her dismissal.

Although Lynch was unable to speak in depth concerning her case, she stated the civil suit is based upon a contract she had with the township which stated she could not be fired without just cause.

"Being fired came as a surprise to me," said Lynch. "I don't think they had any reason to fire me. I was there for 14½ years. I did a lot for this township."

Township Supervisor Dave Wagner confirmed the township was served with papers on the lawsuit this past January. He also stated attorneys on the case will take depositions from township employees next month.

"I'm not positive on all the details at this time," said Wagner. "I've handed the

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'A little ball of love'

BY JENNY MATTESON
Clarkston News Editor

"Barb's just got so much love to give – she's a little ball of love," said Traci Trube of Sterling Heights. "She listens to the parents and is there to provide counseling and advice. We couldn't have asked for a better blessing for these kids."

Trube first met Barbara Lubinski, executive director of the Precious Children Respite Home, in 1997 when the Springfield Township family sold their Hogback Lake Road home to her.

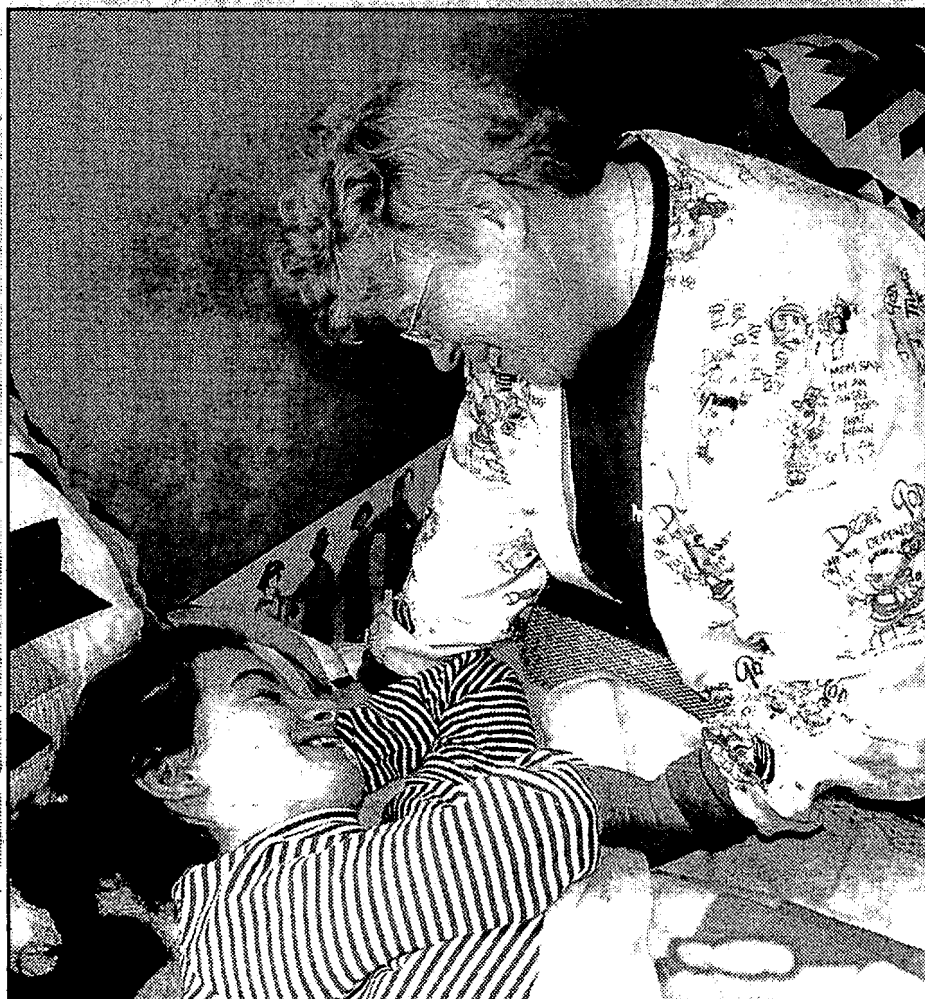
"I was pregnant at the time," remembers Trube, "and we met Barb who was interested in purchasing the home to create a care facility. At the time, we wanted to do this for such a good cause."

Little did Trube know, she would one day need Lubinski's services.

The mission of the Precious Children Respite Home, opened in 1998, is to "provide charitable respite services to families with children that have life-altering illness, using a holistic approach that encompasses quality care, attention to individual spirituality, emotional well-being and dignity."

The home is the only licensed facility for medically fragile children in Southeast Michigan.

Lubinski, who developed the idea while working as an in-home care nurse in Commerce Township, said she pro-



Barb Lubinski, executive director of the Precious Children Respite Home, talks and smiles with 17-year-old Sabryna Jeffrey. Photo by Jenny Matteson

vides a "vacation" for families with children who have Cerebral Palsy, Chromosomal Anomalies, muscular disor-

ders and many other special needs.

"The children have to be stable, but Please see Children, page 27A

Increased sewage rates on horizon in Clarkston

BY JAMES MARTINEZ
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Residents of the City of the Village of Clarkston should expect a significant increase in sanitary sewer rates over the next three years.

At their March 14 meeting, the city council received a memo from Independence Township DPW Director Linda Richardson outlining a preliminary updated sewer agreement.

The update would increase the amount city residents pay the township per quarter per residential equivalent unit (REU) by approximately \$15.40 at the end of a three-year period. Figures from the memo show that while the city paid the township \$8,814 per year from 1981-2005, after the increases the city would pay \$38,127 per year by 2008.

Figures provided in the memo, state that \$40.08 of the \$60 charged by the township to its customers goes to the Clinton-Oakland Sewage Disposal System, with

the remaining \$19.92 going to operate and maintain the system.

"We haven't changed it since 1981," said Richardson, who explained the current rate was not enough to operate and maintain the city's system. "We should have been looking at it yearly. When we looked at ours, we should have looked at theirs."

"I hate to see any increase, but when you see the history behind the reason for the increase it's hard to disagree," said Mayor Sharron Catallo. "I feel sorry people are going to have increases, but this one for maintenance and so forth is necessary."

According to the memo, the previous maintenance agreement between the township and city had a set rate of \$4.52 per quarter per REU for the township to maintain their sanitary sewer system, while township residents paid \$19.92.

As stated in the memo, the proposed increase for the city would be phased in over a three-year period

increasing approximately \$7 in 2006, another \$4.20 in 2007 and \$4.20 in 2008. After the increases, city residents will pay \$19.92 per quarter per REU; the same rate the township charges its customers.

"All \$19.92 will go to operation and maintenance... we treat them like we do the township. The city is a little more maintenance intensive because of the restaurants," said Richardson.

"We're doing it gradually so hopefully people will understand and it won't cause hardship," said Catallo.

City Manager Art Pappas explained that the memo represented a preliminary agreement the township and city council must review.

At the meeting, during which the council took no official action on the issue, several council members posed questions on whether it will cover a major breakdown in the system, whether the money paid by the city is kept separate from the township, and total main-

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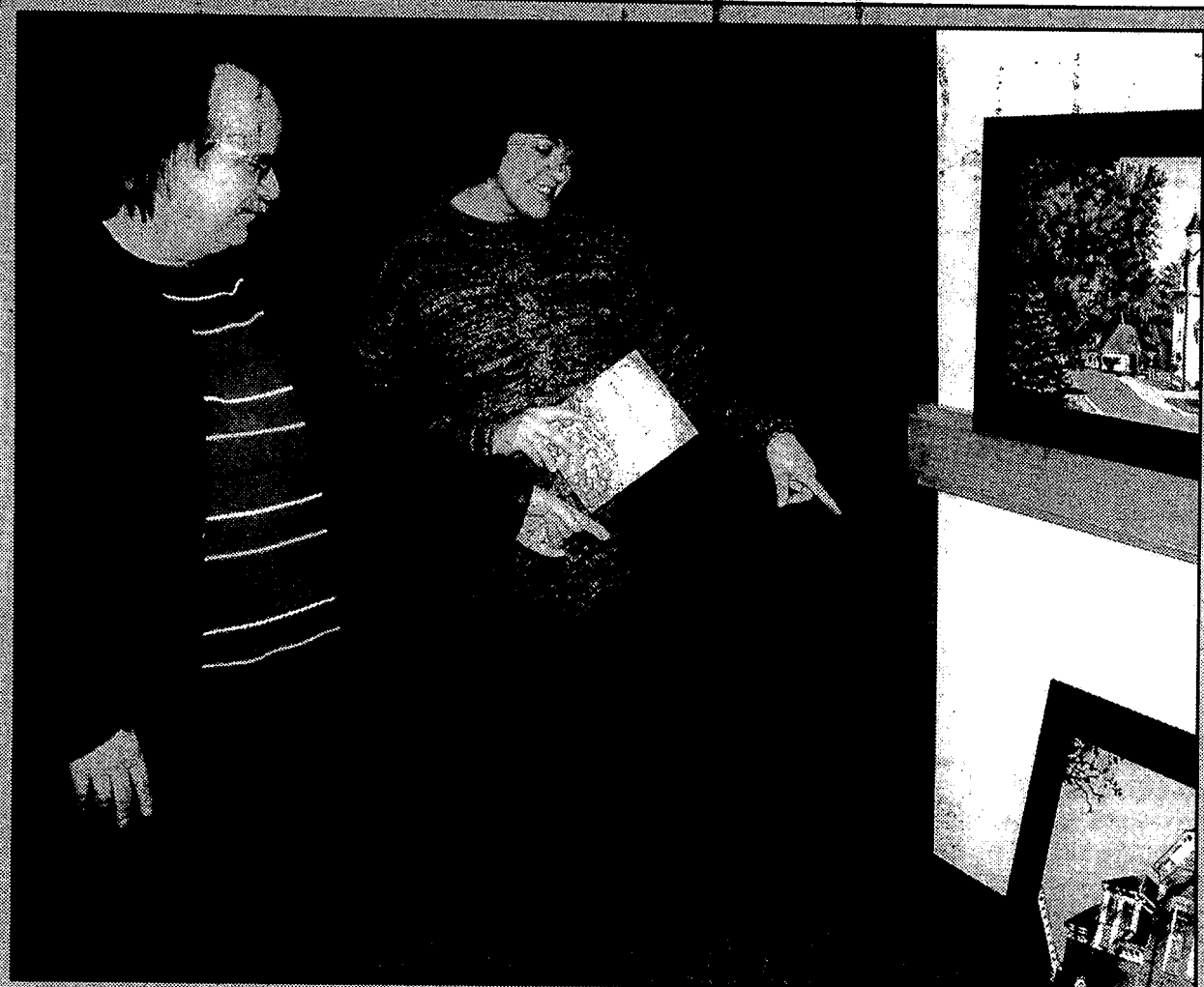
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Celebrating rural life...

The Springfield Township Library hosted a poetry reading on March 16 featuring Douglas Smith, the editor of a book called "In Drought Time: Scenes from Rural and Small Town Life." The book featured paintings and poems from over 45 Michigan artists celebrating rural life. Above, William Brody, an artist from Holly, discusses one of his paintings with Sherry Macias of Pontiac. Several of Brody's paintings were featured in the book, including one of a rural scene along Eaton Road in Springfield Township. Nearly 20 of his works were on display for the reading. Photo by James Martinez.

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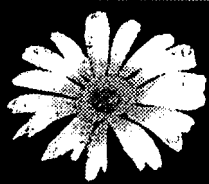
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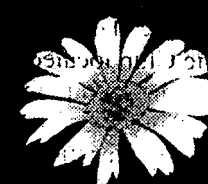
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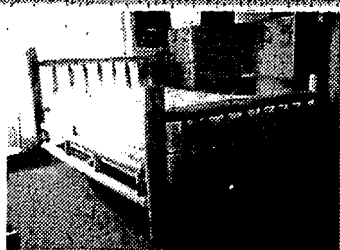
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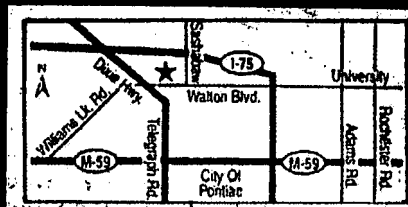
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Briefly

Rotary Wine Tasting

The Clarkston Rotary Club invites everyone to enjoy the "Taste of Spring" Wine Tasting Gala on March 28 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at Oakhurst Golf and Country Club.

The event features award winning Michigan wines and appetizers presented by Oakhurst Golf and Country Club.

The cost is \$40 per person with pre-sale and \$50 at the door. All proceeds benefit the Clarkston Rotary's community projects.

To order tickets, contact your local Rotarian or call Jeff Lichty at 248-625-4244 or Joel DeLong at 248-625-9741. Tickets are also available at the Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce, please call 248-625-8055.

Benefit raffle March 24

A raffle to benefit the Jacqueline Milzow Memorial Scholarship Fund is scheduled for March 24 from 7-11 p.m. in the Deer Lake Banquet Center.

The one-night raffle is for a 2006 red, fully loaded Pontiac Solstice convertible roadster. One ticket per person is required for entry into the event and each ticket purchased equals one chance to win the car.

The car's winner does not need to be present at the event to win. Only 1,000 tickets will be sold. Live entertainment, a strolling dinner and a cash bar included.

Tickets are \$100 each and are partially tax deductible. They are available at the Deer Lake Athletic Club located on White Lake Road.

The Jacqueline Milzow Memorial Scholarship Fund is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation conceived to provide educational opportunities for underprivileged young people in Oakland County. The fund was created in memory of Jacqui Milzow, a longtime educator and resident of Oakland County.

For more information, call 248-625-8686.

CHS Rumage sale seeks donations

The Clarkston High School Robotics Team is holding a rummage sale fund-raiser on April 8 from 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

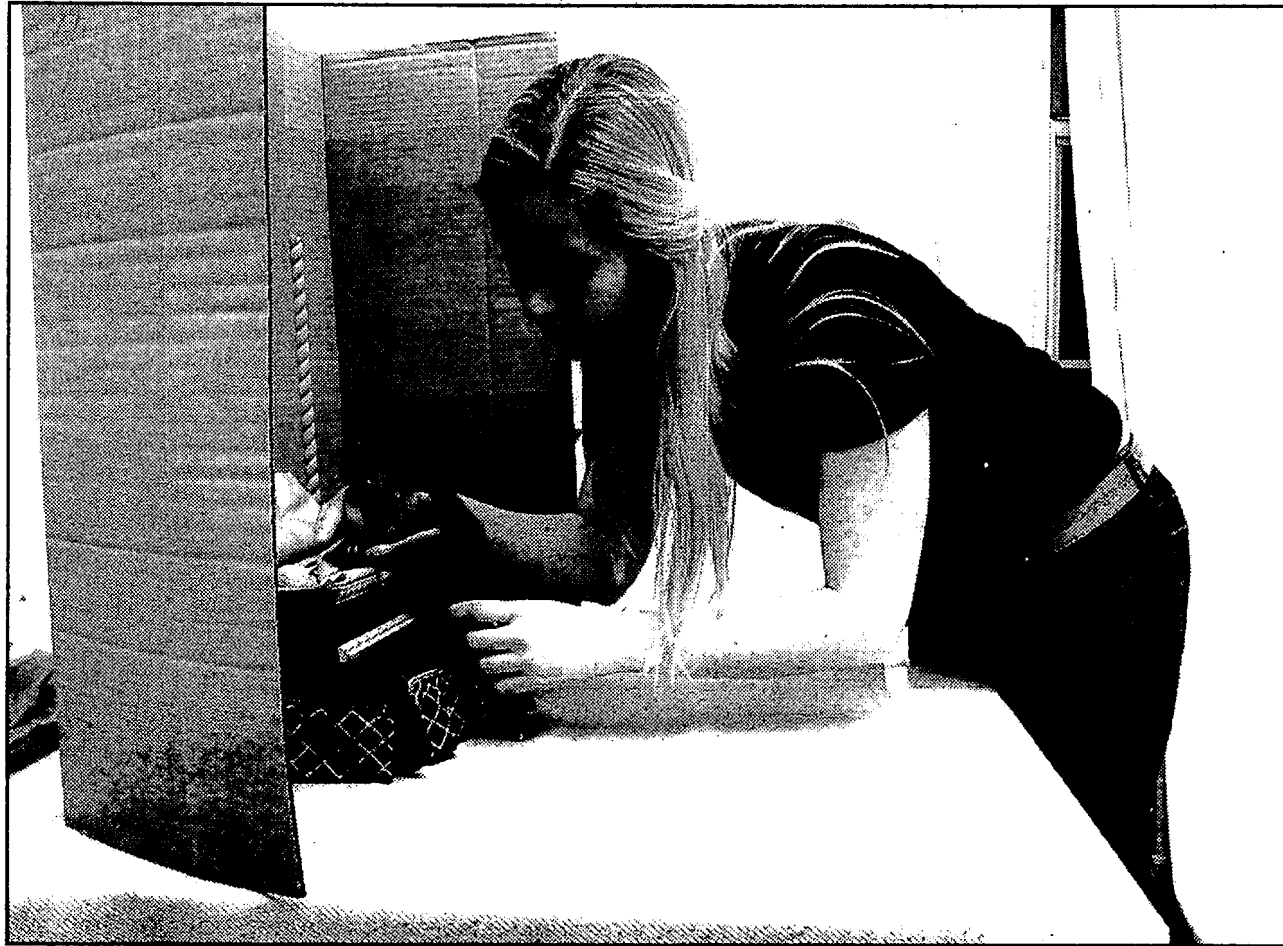
The group is seeking donated items to sell. Items can be dropped off at CHS at the child care center entrance on March 7 between 3-7 p.m. Any household items and bottles can be dropped off, couches are not preferred. For more information or to arrange an early drop-off, please contact Carol Flickinger at 248-969-8701.

CHS concert to fund senior prom

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Correction

In the March 15 Progress Edition of The Clarkston News, the story "Proclaiming God's grace and proving His love" about Oakland Woods Baptist Church should have listed the address as 5628 not 562, and hours of Sunday morning worship services as 9:30 and 11 a.m.



Elizabeth Forbes works setting up a display of her work. Forbes, a 1999 Clarkston High School graduate, is completing the Master of Arts digital arts program at Maryland Institute College of Art. Her work will be on display May 5 - 15 as part of a digital arts thesis exhibition. Photo provided

CHS grad to display work in Baltimore

BY JAMES MARTINEZ

Clarkston News Staff Writer

College students often come home to raid the refrigerator and their parents' wallets.

When Elizabeth Forbes returned to Independence Township a few weekends ago, she left with childhood toys and trinkets to use in her master's thesis.

Forbes, a 1999 Clarkston High School graduate, is one of 16 students graduating this year in the Master of Arts in Digital Arts (MADA) program at the Maryland Institute College of Art (MICA). As part of MICA's annual MA Digital Arts Thesis Exhibition, people will see the work of Forbes and other graduates from May 5 - May 15 in the Fox 3 Gallery in Baltimore.

The exhibition features digital photos and drawings, interactive installations, video works and short films.

For her thesis, Forbes looks to "explore the ways in which children play at life through their toys and how that reflects back on our society." She constructed

scenarios using the materials and toys of childhood to represent scenes from everyday life reflective of the often grim realities many people face.

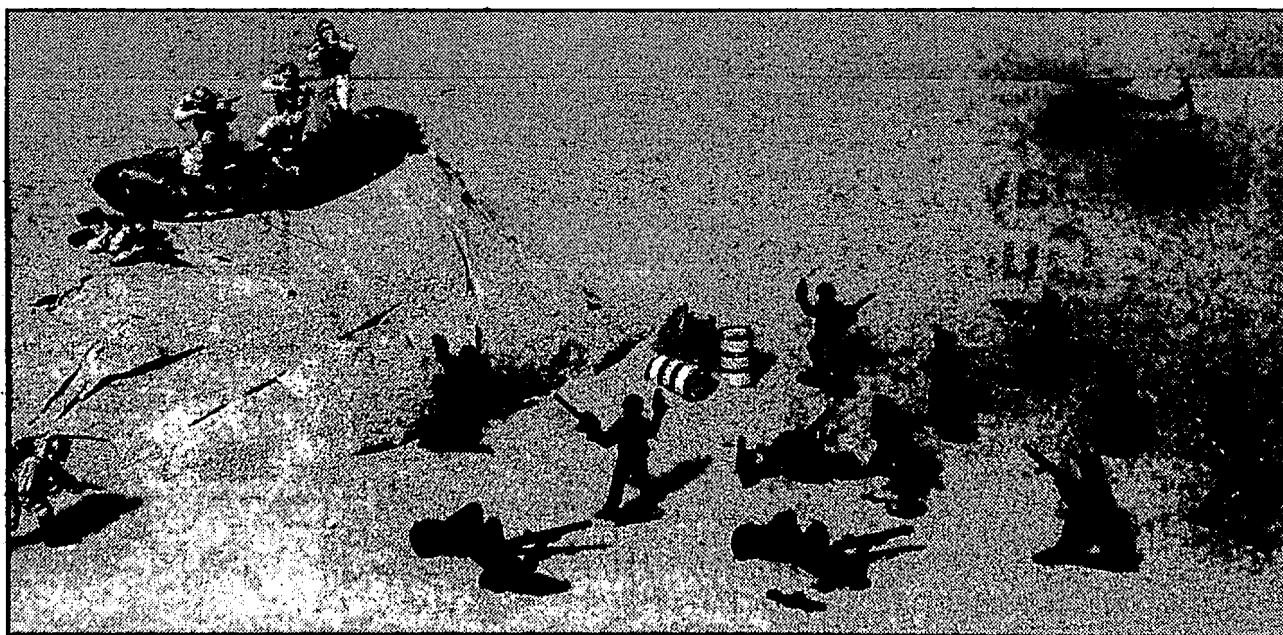
According to Forbes, several factors played a role in her thesis topic. Watching her brother Jeff's daughter shopping for toys and reflecting back on her own childhood spurred her to focus on the issue. The display, in its final stages of completion, focuses on a wide range of topics from war to family issues like abuse.

"It's not quite a critique. I don't think it's bad for kids to play out these types of things. It's more of an observation," said Forbes, who noted her display had grim elements, but was not all gloom and negativity.

"I'm trying to bring out to people that kids do have to deal with these things and that may be overlooked sometimes. I want them to be thinking about the ways our lives can affect kids."

All the photos in her display use toys and childlike materials to form dioramas.

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Forbes photography explores "the ways in which children play at life through their toys and how that reflects back on our society." Photo provided

Best Image Possible



Chase Hulderman of Clarkston earned a \$200 prize for his essay "Rescuing an American Hero from Obscurity: Why George Washington is Important Today," which ran as a guest column in *The Clarkston News* on July 6, 2005. Photo provided

Hulderman's Washington essay earns recognition

When Chase Hulderman received a \$200 prize from the Amy Foundation for his essay, "Rescuing an American Hero from Obscurity: Why George Washington is Important Today," it was the latest in a string of writing honors for the first-year Calvin student from Clarkston, Michigan.

The George Washington essay ran as a guest column in *The Clarkston News* on July 6, 2005 and was also highlighted in Pen & Sword, the newsletter of the Lansing-based Amy Foundation. The foundation sponsors several contests each year honoring writing that articulates a biblical position on world events.

Hulderman, who is planning to major in biochemistry, learned about the essay opportunity through his mentor, a press secretary in the Michigan House Republican Communications Office. The mentorship, which fol-

lowed Hulderman's internship in the communications office, guided him to a number of essay opportunities, all of which offered scholarship money and centered on themes of government.

Last year, an essay on George Washington won Hulderman a 2005 Washington Crossing Foundation Scholarship of \$1,000. The award also included a tour of Independence Hall and other historic sites in Philadelphia for Hulderman, the sole Michigan recipient.

Another essay about the Supreme Court and the first Amendment landed Hulderman second place in a contest sponsored by the Camp American Foundation, whose aim is to educate students and adults about the U.S. Constitution and the Christian principles that played a part in the founding of this nation.

Chase is the son of Jeffrey and Valerie Hulderman of Clarkston.

Florida man sees father in paper

BY JAMES MARTINEZ
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Former Clarkston resident Rich Klein, who now lives in Florida, received a big surprise recently when he stumbled upon a very familiar face in *The Clarkston News*.

Klein saw the Feb. 22 edition while working at the post office in Zephyrhills, Florida. Curious about his old hometown, Klein flipped through the paper. On the cover of the Millstream section he saw his late father Ray Klein in a photograph.

"I couldn't believe it was him. I told my wife 'That's my dad here,'" said Klein, whose family subscribed throughout his childhood.

The article, "In Simpler Days," featured Tink Ronk and his recollections of earlier times in Clarkston. A picture provided by the Independence Township Fire Department showed Ronk and several men from the community around a town-

ship fire truck outside of Ronk's Barber-shop.

Ray Klein, who took over as Clarkston's postmaster for Tink's mother Elizabeth around 1970, was one of the men pictured.

"I was talking with a carrier who had his loading case as he was sorting mail and I just happened to see (the paper)," said Klein. "I don't care how long you're gone. You see something like, that you take a look."

Klein only recalled a couple other occasions during his nearly 20 years with the post office where he saw *The Clarkston News* come through.

"I saw (a copy of *The News*) about six or seven years ago when a carrier pointed it out to me," said Klein, "but it was the first time I had looked at it in any detail in years."

Following the initial excitement, Klein

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Independence Twp. considers Corridor Improvement Act

BY JENNY MATTESON
Clarkston News Editor

Local township trustees are talking about bring the CIA to Independence Township – and they are not referring to the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency.

During their March 7 meeting, the Independence Twp. Board of Trustees listened to a presentation by Township Planner Dick Carlisle on “Corridor Improvement Authorities,” or CIA’s.

Corridor Improvement Authorities were passed into law on December 19, 2005 by Governor Jennifer Granholm in Public Act 280. The act was designed as a community development tool for Michigan commercial corridors.

In a memo dated March 2, Carlisle says CIA districts “function in a manner similar to a Downtown Development Authority (DDA), but with special powers, conditions and criteria unique to commercial corridors.”

On significant “power” is the ability for communities to create as many CIA districts as they wish, as long as no single parcel is situated within more than one CIA district.

In addition, CIA districts can cover corridors exist-

ing in more than one community. For example, Dixie Highway is a commercial corridor stretching over several communities – locally White Lake, Independence and Springfield townships – and can be covered by one CIA district in all of them.

On March 7, Carlisle spoke to the board regarding a possible CIA district covering the Sashabaw corridor from just north of Clarkston Road to just south of Maybee Road.

“I think this is a wonderful opportunity to benefit from the prosperity north of Maybee Road and use that to improve south of Maybee Road,” said Carlisle. “This particular piece of legislation gives us some opportunities for this.”

– Dick Carlisle
Township Planner

According to Carlisle, the Sashabaw corridor has experienced over one million-square-feet of improvements, 68 percent of which is commercial. Currently, the area has \$90 million in taxable value.

As for establishing a CIA, communities must fulfill seven requirements, hold a public hearing, create the district and create a CIA membership to oversee the district.

“We are capable of meeting all the criteria to form a CIA for the Sashabaw Corridor,” Carlisle informed the board.

Carlisle also informed board members that although there are several options for financing CIA projects, the most common is through Tax Increment Financing (TIF).

According to Carlisle’s March 2 memo, when using TIF, “a body has the ability to capture any new tax revenues attributable to increases in value of eligible real and personal property that result from implementing the CIA development plan beyond an established date. These funds are set aside for reinvestment projects within the boundary of the CIA.”

In essence, the CIA can collect the difference in taxes when taxable values increase. For example, a corridor with a current taxable value of \$70 million increases the following year to \$80 million after the creation and implementation of a CIA district. The CIA is then able to capture any taxes or millages collected on the new \$10 million of taxable value.

“We’ve had experience with TIF’s before,” said Carlisle. “This is a direct way to put the additional revenue back into the area.”

Several board members spoke favorably of creating a CIA district along the Sashabaw Corridor.

Trustee Dan Travis motioned, and Trustee Dan Kelly seconded, to proceed researching the idea with “due diligence” and have Carlisle return to the board with a full report. Trustees passed the motion unanimously.

‘I think this is a wonderful opportunity to benefit from the prosperity north of Maybee Road and use that to improve south of Maybee Road.’

City Council committee reports back on library

BY JAMES MARTINEZ
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Discussion concerning use of the Independence Township library continued at the Clarkston city council meeting on March 14, as the library committee presented their findings to the rest of the council.

The seven-page document from the newly formed library committee, consisting of Council Members Cory Johnston, Kristy Ottman and Steve Wylie – was provided to inform the council for further discussion rather than to make a recommendation.

“It gave the summary of what perhaps some of our options are with the most important one trying to get rid of the 10 percent administration fee because that’s money we don’t have and can’t afford,” said Ottman, who reiterated at the meeting a desire by much of the council to continue use of the township library.

“It was just information gathering and now we have to sit down with the township and see what works with them,” said

Johnston. “We did find out if we can’t come to an agreement with the township there are other things we can do. (The report) wasn’t meant to decide what to do.”

Following their Feb. 13 meeting, the committee was formed to research relevant library services and costs, as the board considers a new library agreement with the township. The previous agreement between the township and city, effective since Jan. 1, 1999, expired Dec. 31, 2005.

The document contained a summary outlining the views of the committee:

• If it is the opinion of this committee that providing library services for our residents is a benefit to our community and should remain as a public service if funds allow.

• The Township library is the most convenient and has provided acceptable service in the past. Maintaining and strengthening those relationships due to proximity of the municipalities and the “historical sharing of communities and

services” is preferred.

• We must state, however, that given the current financial status of the City of the Village of Clarkston and the previous method used for calculating payments, the previous contract should not be renewed as written unless Independence

Township can provide information that justifies the costs and method of calculation.

• To maintain the relationship with the township for those library services, a payment plan must be established in relation-
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Library options

The following options were given by the committee in order of the committee’s preference for council review:

1. Amend and renew the contract with costs based on same millage rate paid by Independence Township residents or a fixed fee.
2. Place a ballot proposal for levying a library tax as required to pay for library services.
3. Renew the contract as written except for the elimination of the 10 percent administrative fee.
4. Renew the previous contract with Independence Township as is.
5. Seek costs on a per person or family basis from Independence, Springfield or other townships and cities.
6. Start the public library of the Village of Clarkston.
7. No library services publically provided.

Pet of the Week



From left to right, Majik, Lady and Kimba. They are Rhodesian Ridgebacks which are used in Africa to keep lions out of the villages. Here in Michigan they keep the squirrels at bay and when not on squirrel duty they just lay around with the family.

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15 YEARS AGO (1991)

• Mystery solved, Clarkston-area actress plays part in cracking case: An excited J.J. Allen telephoned The Clarkston News offices Thursday, March 21.

At first, the excitement seemed the normal reaction of an actress who had just appeared on national network television.

Allen, in fact, had appeared the night before on ABC's "Unsolved Mysteries." The Independence Township actress had been featured in The News last January, after she was chosen to portray a Coldwater, Mich., woman allegedly murdered by her husband last Easter Sunday.

• Easter egg hunt: Children have a chance to meet the Easter Chicken as well as hunt for eggs this weekend.

25 YEARS AGO (1981)

• She's so glad she's livin' in the USA: Leanne Reed was proud. The party in her first grade class-

room at Andersonville Elementary School last week was just for her, and it was even more special than a birthday celebration.

She had become a citizen of the United States just the day before on March 17, and now it was time for her young friends to share in the excitement.

• \$20,000 bond forfeiture asked, Township takes court action on Stickney pit: The Stolaruk Corp. has reached the end of the line as far as Independence Township is concerned.

The corporation failed to reclaim the Stickney gravel pit as outlined in a 1979 consent judgement and the township has moved for forfeiture of a \$20,000 bond.

50 YEARS AGO (1956)

• School Athletes Honored At Banquet: On Monday evening a large crowd gathered in the cafeteria at the Clarkston High School for the sixteenth annual Athletic Banquet sponsored by the Clarkston Rotary Club. Jim Price and Keith Lowrie were co-chairmen of the affair.

• Operation Dress-Up Gets Underway: Miss Virginia Sink, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Floyd Sink, of 9940 Sashabaw Road, president of Soroptimist International of Detroit, announces that her group has launched OPERATION, DRESS-UP, a campaign for new shirts for boys 10-17 years of age.

• Plan To Attend Junior Play: The juniors of the Clarkston High School wish to remind everyone that the play "Cheaper By The Dozen" will be presented in the H.S. Auditorium on Thursday and Friday evenings, April 13 and 14.

Hey, I'm just like Oprah!

In 1986, the world's population was around 4.932 billion. Twenty years later, it has ballooned. There are now between 6 billion and 6.6 billion of us bipedal humans roaming the earth. This, despite the fact that in 1986 the Soviet Union's nuclear power plant in Chernobyl sprung a leak.

Twenty years. The more things change, the more they stay the same. Then US President Ronald Reagan gave the okay for the Air Force to take out Libyan "terrorist" centers. Today US President George Bush 2 is giving the military the go to fight terrorist centers wherever they may be. We must have a thing against "terrorists."

In 1986 the takeover of the world by Oprah Winfrey and her minions began -- that was the year her show went nationwide.

And, this week 20 years ago I opined under the heading of *Don't Rush Me*, for the first time. After 20 years, we're both doing our thing. So, I guess that makes me just like Oprah.

Except that I'm a white guy and she's not. Except she's on TV and I'm in print. Except she has her own la-dee-da book club and I don't.

Except that she's worth millions and I'm not. Except that she's now the Supreme Overlord Of Everything and I'm still just Don Rush.

Twenty years ago I was thin and Oprah was not. Now Oprah is thin and I am not.

Okay, maybe we're not alike.

In 1986, I asked readers to rename my column. It was called, *Straight Shootin' by Don Rush*, so you can see why I needed something new and snappy. It was 20 years ago this week Dave Masek won world-renown fame, glory and riches beyond belief for coming up with *Don't Rush Me*.

Yep, I told folks Dave was the winner and gave him \$19.95. Well, actually he taped a nickel to his entry and told me to "just send me a \$20 bill." Since then, this is the only other time I have mentioned his

name. Twenty bucks and his name mentioned twice for naming a column that I have come to love. I think that was fair, don't you?

I went into our morgue and dug out that column. Here are some of the suggested names:

- Just Rushing By
- Don's View Scope (With a profile of Don looking through a pair of binoculars.)
- Don's Scoops
- Don's Curiosity Corner
- Don's Focus on Facts
- Don's Events and Facts
- Don's Area Prime News
- Don's Knowledge of Area Events
- Rush Around Town
- Rush's Ramblings (Which sounds too much like Jim Sherman, Sr.'s *Jim's Jottings*.)
- The Gravel Voice
- Don's Corner
- Rushin' Spoken Here
- The Crack of Don (yuck, yuck)
- Not For Yuppies Only
- The One That Missed the Waste Basket (pretty good, too)

I did some quick math, and since I am not a mathmagician, I figured I have written over 1,000 installments into the now hallowed halls of *Don't Rush Me*. You know, if I would have put \$10 away every time I wrote a *Don't Rush Me* I still wouldn't be anywhere near the wealth of Oprah.

Let's see, 52 weeks a year, minus two week's vacation equals 50 weeks, times 20 years equals 1,000, times \$10 equals \$10,000. Yep, I was right, nowhere near Oprah numbers.

I'm not jealous or anything. Flying around the world in my very own private jet and meeting lots of interesting people just doesn't sound fun to me.

Twenty years... you know what the number one song was in 1986? I'm gonna tell you, "*We are The World*." At least music hasn't gotten any worse in two decades -- or has it? I don't listen to modern stuff. Oh, and by the way. If you don't like my column, blame Dave. It's all his fault!

Comments for the aged one, commonly referred to as Don Rush can be e-mailed to donrushmedon@charter.net



don
rush
don't rush
me

My 'yard art' girl has been violated

If you were a reader of *Jottings* last October 5 you may recall the boasting of the art form known, at least by some, as "yard art."

Therein was a picture of my antique manure spreader -- in all it's a rare, rusted, rotting beauty.

To draw drivers' attention off the boring road, I have at times added other art to the scene. Like at Christmas, Santa was in the driver's seat.

For Valentine's Day I dressed my blowup lady-friend in jeans and bright red pullover, bought specifically for the purpose from JC Penney.

For St. Patrick's Day I pulled one of daughter Luan's bright green blouses over the red pullover and attached the blonde haired balloon to the front of the spreader.

I got honks of approval as drivers looked on while avoiding road signs and culverts.

On the Sunday morning before St. Patrick's Day I glanced toward my "art" as I went for the paper. I couldn't see her. Looking a little harder I saw her on the lawn.

She and I were both deflated.

She still had her jeans on, but the two tops were gone. Also gone, along with her art, was some of her dignity.

To discover the cause of her deflation I started blowing her back up. Alas, the culprits had penetrated her body, and tore a hole in her right side. Judging by the location I've concluded their target was her kidney.

So, what do I do now to my lady's damaged torso? Repair the damage or give her a decent burial in a nearby landfill?

Or do I just accept defeat, continue cursing, pray for the wound to heal, let passively fifth another form of relief, or do I accept it as an isolated incident and re-dress my balloon?

Well, as long as Luan's teen clothes in our closet fit the expandable mamequin, and if I don't run out of tire patch, I'll continue to strive for the coveted "yard art of the year" award.

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A 15-year-old's words of wisdom on being independent: "I don't need your advice about stuff, I can take care of myself. So what are you making for lunch?"




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Independence Township

March 13: Employees performing a drug inventory at Clarkston Ambulatory on Dixie Highway discovered two vials of a prescription drug missing.

An unknown person entered a vacant home on Pine Knob Trail stealing some old clothes. Entry was gained by breaking the garage door.

March 14: Police firearm discharged to kill injured skunk around 12:40 p.m. on Eastlawn Road.

Suicidal subject on Timber Ridge Trail.

Dvorak Street resident discovered hole in the center of a picture window and screen. The hole is believed to have been caused by a pellet gun.

March 15: Residents of apartment on Tuson Boulevard allege a 19-year-old man, last known to be living in Independence Township, entered their home uninvited asking for his ex-girlfriend. After the residents forced him to leave, he reportedly punched a hole in the hallway wall and broke a window.

Clarkston resident claims her purse – containing her cell phone, credit cards and \$22 in cash – was stolen from her vehicle as she paid for gas inside a Dixie Highway gas station.

March 16: Two 17-year-old Waterford males ticketed for disorderly conduct and fighting under local ordi-

nance after police were dispatched to a fight on Parview Drive.

57-year-old Clarkston man arrested for operating his vehicle while intoxicated on Ortonville Road near Berry Point. P.B.T. results were .155. The man was also cited for having an unregistered vehicle, improper plate and no proof of insurance.

The investigation by the Oakland County Sheriff's Department of a 39-year-old Independence Township resident on Parkwood Boulevard continues. The woman discovered shortly before noon, had last been seen alive at 11 p.m. the previous day. Nothing suspicious was reported at the scene as the body was removed and transported to the Medical Examiner's Office. The case is open pending results of an autopsy.

Glenburnie resident claims she was contacted by a collection department of a cable company attempting to collect a delinquent bill from 2005. The woman said she does not have service with the company, but that the agency stated the account was set up with her social security number and phone number.

March 18: 30-year-old Clarkston man arrested for aggravated domestic assault on North Marshbank. The man allegedly assaulted his wife.

Oakhill Road resident reports receiving 25 unwanted automated calls dating back to March 11.

43-year-old Clarkston woman arrested for domestic assault after a dis-

pute with her husband at their Waldon Woods Drive residence.

March 19: Two 23-year-old Clarkston men cited for disorderly persons after they allegedly shot a house on Circle Drive East with a paint ball gun. One of the men was also ticketed with interfering with a police investigation while police were looking into the issue.

56-year-old Warren man arrested for operating his motor vehicle while intoxicated on southbound I-75 near Sashabaw Road. P.B.T. results were .115.

March 20: Approximately 20 windows at Clarkston High School on Flemings Lake Road were spray painted with obscenities by unknown people. A glass door was also reported broken.

Attempted suicide on Spring Meadow Drive.

Resident on Ranch Estates Road reported receiving approximately 30 harassing phone calls between 11:30 p.m. and 12:20 a.m.

Springfield Township

March 14: Tartan resident discovered someone entered his vehicle stealing the stereo from the dashboard. A bag of tools was also stolen.

March 18: Police firearm discharged to destroy injured deer at 8:16 p.m. on Holcomb Road.

Peaceful St. Patrick's Day reported

St. Patrick's Day appears to have been a mild night in Independence and Springfield Townships with very few alcohol related driving offenses reported.

As of the morning of March 20, neither substations of the Oakland County Sheriff's Department had any reports of alcohol related driving offenses for March 17. One drunk driving arrest was reported in Independence Township at around 2:30 a.m. March 18 by the Michigan State Police post in Groveland Township.

"We expected more with St. Patrick's Day being on a Friday," said Lieutenant Dale LaBair of the Independence Township substation. "Either they got lucky or found other ways to get where they were going."

LaBair said the substation was aware of the potential for more drunk drivers than usual due to the holiday.

"I don't think (arrests made) were low, but it was low here," said LaBair who explained that the Oakland County Sheriff's Department Alcohol Enforcement Unit was on duty.

Calls to the AE Unit were not immediately returned.

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Improve yourself through healthy curiosity

By Ernie Harwell

I've always believed that one of the best things a person can do, from a mental perspective, is to develop a curious mind about life.



One of my favorite hobbies is asking people about their families, where they grew up, their jobs, whatever. I joke that I'm the biggest busybody around, but the truth is that I like finding out about people, what experiences have shaped them, what makes them tick. It's great fun

and a wonderful way to learn and build relationships with people.

There are other things we can do, too, to exercise our minds. Next time you come across a word you don't know, instead of skimming by it, find a dictionary and learn about it. What does it mean? How did it originate? How is it used? It might just stick in your head for the next time you're searching for that perfect word or phrase. Traveling is another great way to expand your horizons and see how other people live. Our country is so beautiful and diverse, and full of learning opportunities. I also highly recommend traveling abroad, if you're able, because it can really give you a new perspective on the world and life.

When we cultivate our minds, we improve ourselves and become more well-rounded. And that's a healthy way to be.

And please remember to take care of your health before it's longggg gone!

Ernie Harwell, "the voice of the Detroit Tigers" for more than four decades, retired after 55 years behind a major league microphone. Today, at age 86, Ernie's days are filled with serving as a health and fitness advocate for Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan, 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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Help fill the hay wagon for charity

By C.J. Carnacchio
Oxford Leader Editor

Cindy Jenko, of Oxford, believes "we are better together."

That's why she and her church, Seymour Lake United Methodist in Brandon Township, are conducting a massive food and personal needs drive to benefit three local charitable organizations - Oxford/Orion FISH, Ortonville Community Emergency Fund (OCEF) and Lighthouse of Oakland County's Emergency Services branch in Clarkston.

"We wanted to be able to reach out to all three communities," said Jenko, explaining her church draws members from the Oxford, Brandon and Clarkston areas due to its "unique location" at the corner of Seymour Lake and Sashabaw roads.

From now through April 1, church members are working to collect 1,024 cubic feet of canned goods, nonperishable food items and personal needs items such as toothpaste and toothbrushes, deodorant, toilet paper, soap, shampoo, diapers and dish soap.

Clarkston residents Doug and Kathleen Woodward are coordinating the community outreach mission.

The goal is to collect enough items to fill the 16-foot X 8-foot X 8-foot hay wagon sitting outside the church facing Seymour Lake Road.

Donated by church member Clark Cook, owner of Cook's Farm Dairy, the large wagon is being used to display a banner reading "Help Us Feed the Community: Drop Off April 1st."

Due to weather conditions, the wagon won't actually be filled with the donated items. It's mainly there to serve as a symbol, a goal and an advertisement for the drive, according to Jenko.

"We wanted a semi-truck, but we thought it would tear up the lawn," Jenko said.

The food/personal needs drive is part of the church's "40 Days of Community" program, which is affiliated with Pastor Dr. Rick Warren's Saddleback Church in California and based on his book "Purpose Driven Life."

Jenko described the program as a way to "bring the church together" and help the community at-large fulfill a need.

"We are better together," she said. "We worship better together. We can reach out to our community better together."

Members of the congregation will assist the drive by canvassing neighborhoods for item donations, placing collection boxes at their workplaces, "adopting" grocery stores (asking customers as they enter the store to purchase certain items, then donate them on the way out), and purchasing items themselves.

On Saturday, April 1, the final collections will be made, sorted and boxed at Seymour Lake UMC's Fellowship Hall, then delivered to the respective agencies.

Jenko said the donations will be divided among the three charitable groups based their current needs, requested items, and the demand for their services.

Oxford/Orion FISH assists approximately 120-130



LEND A HELPING CAN - (from left) Seymour Lake United Methodist Pastor Debbie Line, Clarkston residents Doug and Kathleen Woodward, and Cindy Jenko (center), of Oxford, are collecting food and personal needs items for three local charities. Photo by C.J. Carnacchio.

families each month. OCEF aids about 50-60 families each month. Lighthouse Emergency Services in Clarkston helps approximately 100 families a week.

Of the more than 1.2 million people living in Oakland County, approximately 70,000 are receiving food donations. Of those 70,000 people, about 74 percent

are working, age 18 or younger, or over the age of 65.

There are approximately 1,300 homeless people in the county and almost half do not live in shelters.

For more information about the drive - how to donate, how to volunteer, etc. - call Kathleen Woodward at (248) 922-9049.

Expo highlights Clarkston's best

The Clarkston Connects Community Expo will highlight the area's best businesses and attractions at Clarkston High School from 9 a.m.-noon on April 1 - tom-foolery will be kept to a minimum.

The fourth annual Expo will feature scores of exhibits from the area featuring fun and interactive displays. Throughout the morning, presentations will entertain and educate.

A wide assortment of door prizes are in the works featuring gift certificates from area eateries and establishments.

To keep the little ones happy Oakland County Parks and Recreation's inflatable obstacle course will be on-site and the CHS gym will be open to all ages. The Masons will provide free child ID items throughout the day as well.

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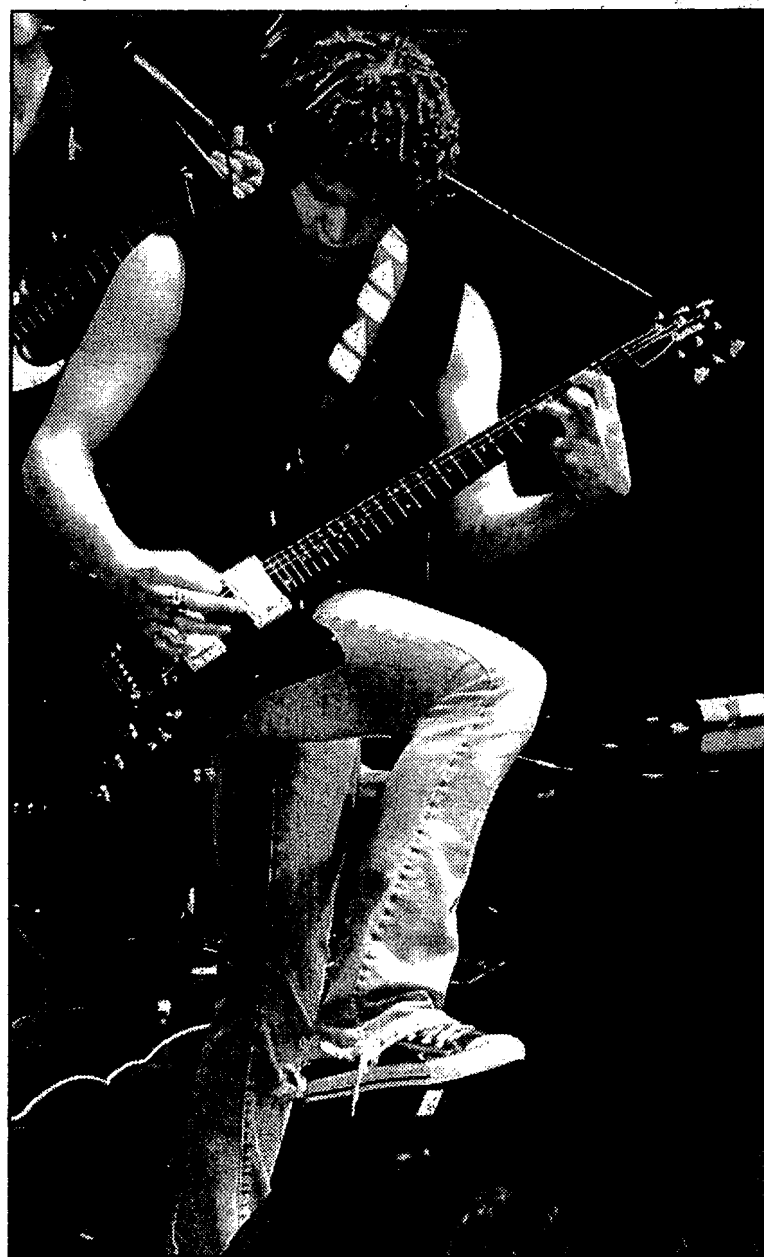
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Ax2Grind drummer Jake Navarre (above) kept the beat going while Luke Lochicchio (at right) rocked the house on his guitar.



Six bands composed of Clarkston Junior High School students competed in a battle of the bands on March 15 as the kickoff to fund-raising efforts for UNICEF.

The bands played mostly rock music and were judged by a panel of eight teachers.

The event, which was organized by the CJHS student council, had 370 guests in attendance and raised \$1000. The school's autistic program also raised several hundred dollars by selling concessions during the event.

Jon Paddock, science teacher and student council supervisor at CJHS, said the competition went very well and he hopes it will become an annual event.

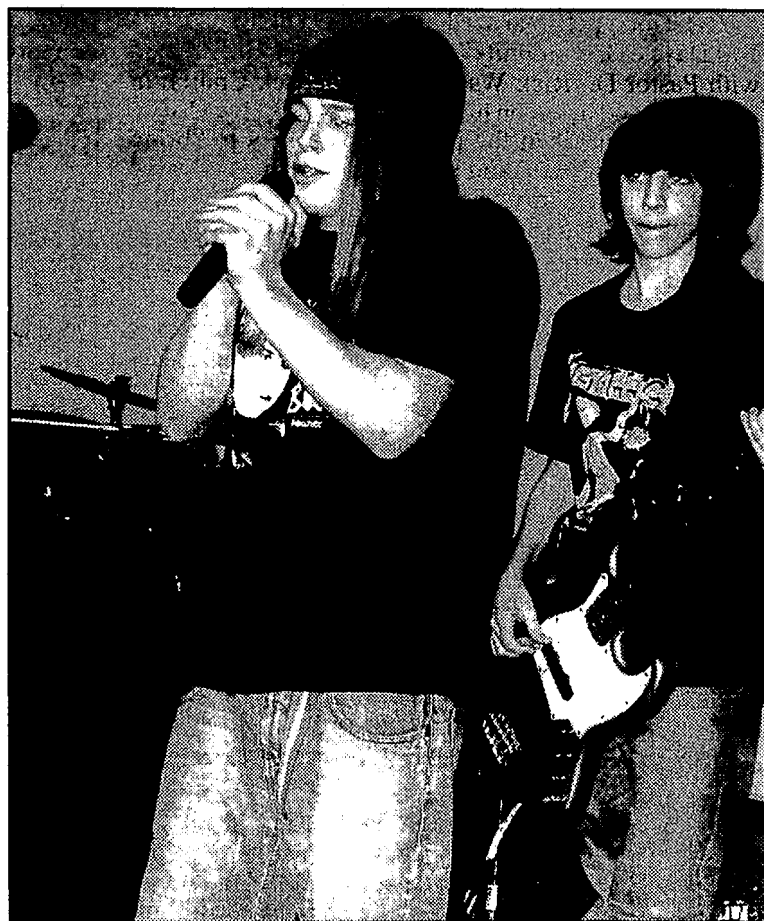
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Chad Angell jams with the rest of Münshine



Ninth-graders Chris Stallo, Ricky Dobbler, Matt Decker and Josh Collier (not pictured) make up Changing Lanes, a crowd favorite.



Dan Hobson lays down bass for Münshine singer Jack Waddell

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MEAP scores: How does Clarkston compare?

The following breaks down Clarkston's MEAP results by grade and subject in comparison to six neighboring school districts. The following scores represent what percentage met or exceeded Michigan standards. Look in next week's issue of *The Clarkston News* for commentary on the MEAP results

Third Grade Math

- Davison 97.9 percent
- **Clarkston 97 percent**
- Lake Orion 95.3 percent
- Brandon 93.2 percent
- Oxford 91.4 percent
- Holly 91.3 percent
- Waterford 86.1 percent

Third Grade Reading

- Lake Orion 97.1 percent
- **Clarkston 95 percent**
- Brandon 94.5 percent
- Davison 93.7 percent
- Oxford 91.4 percent
- Waterford 88.8 percent
- Holly 88.4 percent

Third Grade Writing

- Brandon 70 percent
- Davison 64.2 percent
- Lake Orion 64 percent
- **Clarkston 59.2 percent**
- Holly 50.6 percent
- Oxford 50.6 percent
- Waterford 49.8 percent

Third Grade ELA

- Lake Orion 92.3 percent
- Brandon 90.7 percent
- Davison 89.7 percent
- **Clarkston 88.5 percent**
- Oxford 86.8 percent
- Holly 81.1 percent
- Waterford 80.9 percent

Fourth Grade Math

- Lake Orion 95.3 percent
- Davison 95 percent
- **Clarkston 94.9 percent**
- Brandon 90.2 percent
- Holly 89 percent
- Oxford 86.6 percent
- Waterford 84.6 percent

Fourth Grade Reading

- **Clarkston 95.6 percent**
- Lake Orion 94 percent
- Holly 93.1 percent
- Davison 92.3 percent
- Brandon 91 percent
- Oxford 88.5 percent
- Waterford 88.3 percent

Fourth Grade Writing

- **Clarkston 74.4 percent**
- Brandon 73.8
- Lake Orion 71.9 percent
- Davison 65.9 percent
- Oxford 62.4 percent
- Waterford 56.7 percent
- Holly 49.1 percent

Fourth Grade ELA

- **Clarkston 94 percent**
- Lake Orion 89.9 percent
- Brandon 87.9 percent
- Davison 87.1 percent
- Holly 83.9 percent
- Oxford 82.1 percent
- Waterford 81.3 percent

Fifth Grade Math

- **Clarkston 89.9 percent**
- Lake Orion 87.2 percent
- Davison 85.4 percent
- Oxford 84.8 percent
- Holly 82.4 percent
- Waterford 74 percent
- Brandon 77.3 percent

Fifth Grade Reading

- **Clarkston 95.8 percent**
- Oxford 92.8 percent
- Lake Orion 92.2 percent
- Davison 87.6 percent
- Brandon 86.9 percent
- Holly 86.4 percent
- Waterford 84.9 percent

Fifth Grade Science

- **Clarkston 92.7 percent**
- Lake Orion 90.8 percent
- Oxford 88.7 percent
- Davison 88.5 percent
- Waterford 85.6 percent
- Holly 85.4 percent
- Brandon 84.2 percent

Fifth Grade Writing

- **Clarkston 81.1 percent**
- Brandon 74.2 percent
- Lake Orion 72.7 percent
- Davison 72 percent
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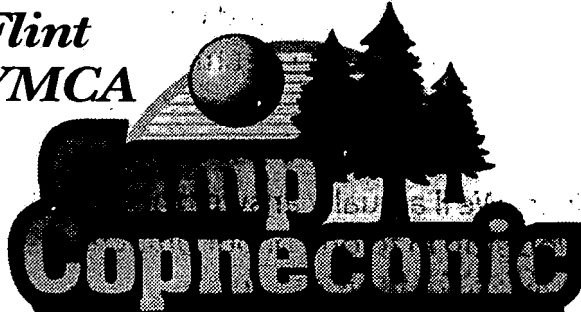
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Rewarding excellence and dedication



Several employees were recognized for their hard work and devotion to the Clarkston School district at the March 13 school board meeting. Pictured are (left-right) Danielle Blanchard, CJHS teacher; Mike Greve, CJHS teacher; Jennifer Lambouris, BLE teacher; Shawn Ryan, CJHS principal; Joyce Sherman, CJHS teacher; Melissa Bridgeman, CHS teacher; Jamie Maras, CE teacher; Ron Conwell, CHS teacher; Kim Konjarevich, IE instructional aide; Dennis Klenow, IE teacher; Kelley Woodworth, NSE teacher and Gerald Ostrom, SMS teacher. Not pictured are Sandy Gallivan, CE media specialist; Kim McDaniel, CJHS counselor and Andrea Davis, CHS/ASD paraeducator. Photo by Andrew DuPont.

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- Clarkston 86 percent
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Sixth Grade Reading

- Clarkston 93.1 percent
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- Lake Orion 91.1 percent
- Oxford 85.4 percent
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Sixth Grade Social Studies

- Clarkston 92.4 percent
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Sixth Grade Writing

- Clarkston 87.3 percent
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Sixth Grade ELA

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Seventh Grade Math

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Seventh Grade Reading

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Eighth Grade Reading

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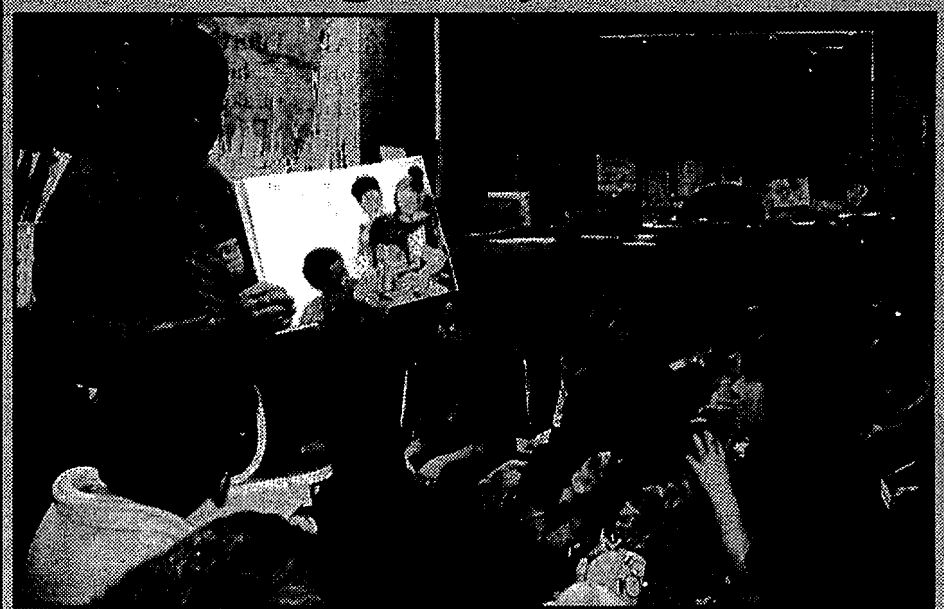
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Reading Day at PKE



Clarkston News staff writer James Martinez visited Pine Knob Elementary March 10 and read "Thank You, Mr. Falker" by Patricia Polacco to third-graders during "Third Grade Reading Exchange Day." Students were encouraged to wear their pajamas, bring blankets and flashlights for special reading activities throughout the day including an assembly. March is reading month. Photo by Anne Underwood

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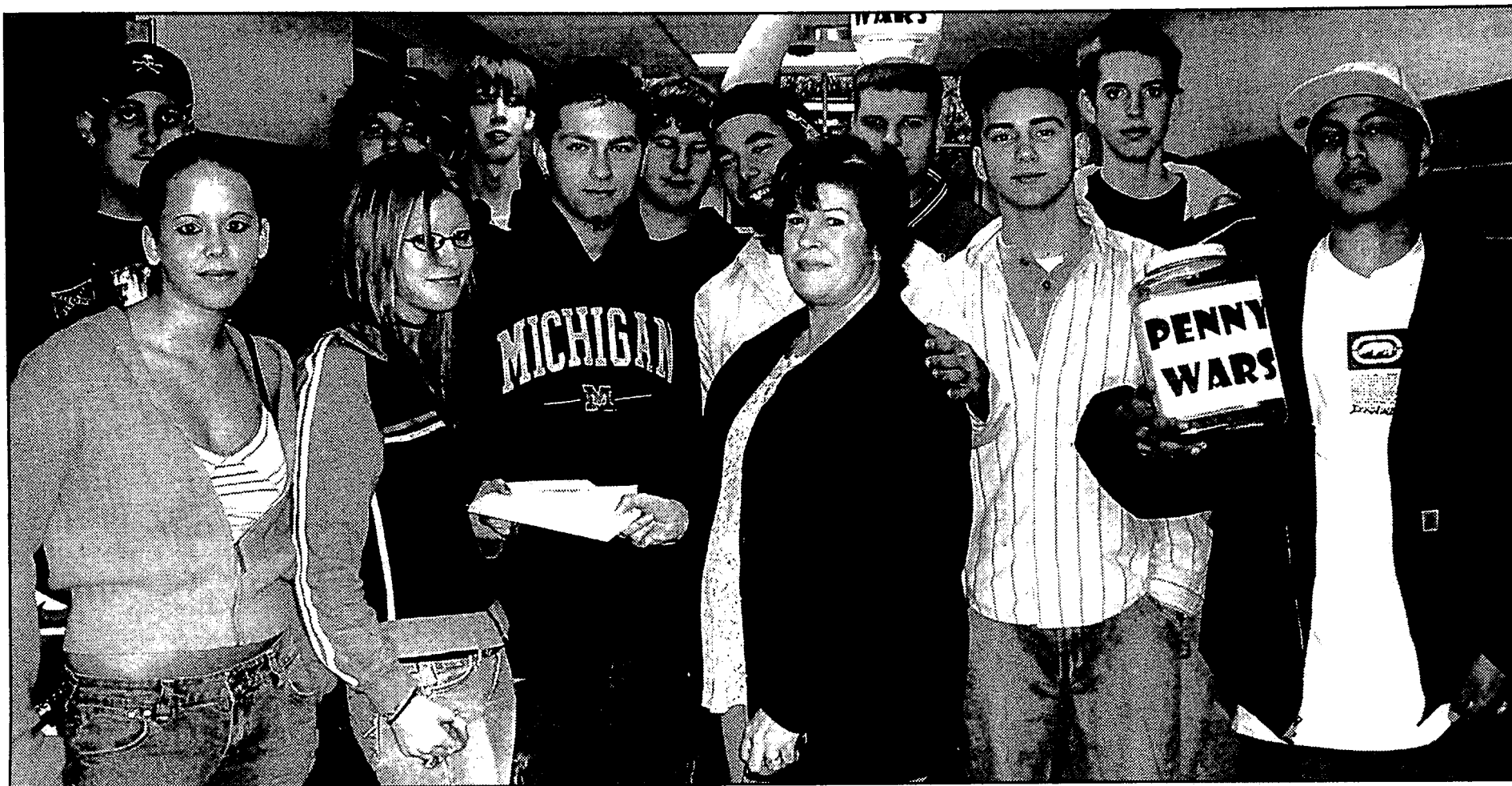
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Penny War raises support for injured alumni



Students at Renaissance High School engaged in a "penny war" to help one of their own. Chris Mersino, a 24-year-old Clarkston resident, was injured while at work on Jan. 5 when the garbage truck he was working on backed over him. Maggie Montney's second hour math class from second semester won the RHS penny war by bringing in the most change and presented a check for the total raised to Maggie Caverly, Mersino's mom. Mersino is a graduate of RHS, as is his fiancée Ana Moor. The couple has a four-year-old daughter, Hailee. By competing against other classes, students brought in pennies and spare change, raising \$700 in total. *Photo provided*



Six local students are working to raise funds for their People to People trips. Pictured are (left-right) Chris Cumming, Samantha Bosquez, Samm Etters, Drew Davidson, Megan Wertheimer and TJ Lawson. *Photo provided.*

Strength in numbers

Several Clarkston students banded together to raise funds for their summer trips to Australia and New Zealand. The trips are part of the People to People: Student Ambassadors program and will take students to various locations throughout the two countries for nearly three weeks.

The families of the six students currently have plans for several fund-raisers in the near future, including:

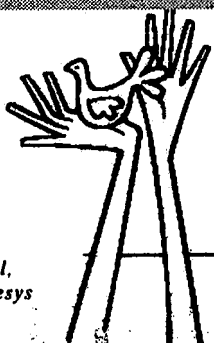
- A euchre tournament on March 25 at Bottoms Up Food and Spirits located at 14007 Dixie Highway. Registration begins at noon and costs \$20 a person, or you can call Dan to pre-register at 248-634-0040. Cash prizes awarded to the top five scorers.
- A bottle drive on April 1 at the Krogers located at M-59 and Crescent Lake starting at 9:30 a.m. Donate your recyclables and make every dime count.
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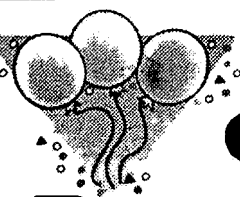
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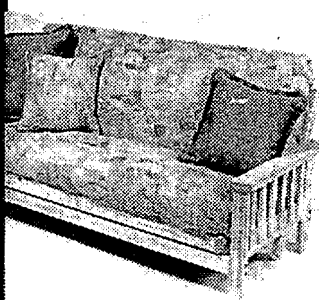
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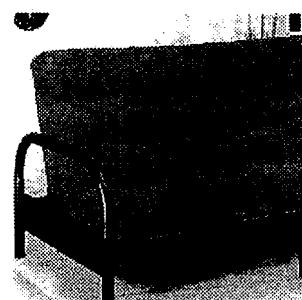
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Be assertive in your views, not aggressive or passive

During a recent gathering of professionals from a variety of fields, I shared my interest in offering an assertiveness course for women.

To my shock, laughter erupted.

"You wouldn't want to teach *this* group to be more demanding!" someone exclaimed.

After the sarcasm and snickers slowed, I reminded them that assertiveness is not about being demanding or aggressive. Rather, it's the art of making one's needs known in a clear, direct and positive way.

As I talked further about my passion for teaching women this skill, the one man in the group said, "We men need to learn that too."

Probably for different reasons I thought.

Those of us from the baby-boomer generation, and our parents before us, were socialized as women to act at the passive end of the assertiveness scale, and men on the aggressive end of the continuum.

When teaching assertiveness, I encourage the use of the following formula: "I feel (insert feeling word) because of (state behavior of other person) and I need/want you to (describe the behavior you expect)."

For example, "I feel confused because you said your project would be done this morning and it's not. I need to know what your action plan is."

The key point is that you are owning your feelings (no one can make you wrong about those) and you are not being critical...rather, descriptive of what you're observing. Keep in mind that being assertive takes prac-

tice. As your comfort level increases, you'll move away from using the formula and begin expressing yourself in a more personalized, comfortable manner.

One of the most exciting examples of learned assertiveness I've witnessed was when Susan (name changed) "stood up" to her boss.

Susan was a participant in a women's group I facilitated. Week after week she would share stories of how insignificant her boss made her feel. In fact, he treated most of his employees in a demeaning and condescending manner.

Each week, fellow group members would challenge Susan to assert herself with him. This was an especially scary prospect for Susan as both her childhood and marriage had been abusive. However, she eventually did it!

When she came into group that night to share her good news, we all knew something wonderful had happened. Her eyes were sparkling and the smile on her face was contagious. Susan excitedly shared details of the conversation she had with her boss.

For Susan there was no going backwards after that. She had cracked a lifelong pattern of minimizing and ignoring her needs. Did she continue to struggle to feel entitled to stand up for herself? Yes, but Susan now knew that she could and would be taking better care of her emotional self.

Just imagine what this world would be like if we all let our needs and wants be known in an assertive versus passive and/or aggressive manner?

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

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Clarkston for most Beauty Pageant

Clarkston High School Performing Arts Center will host the Miss International STAR, Summer Starlets & Southeast Michigan Galaxy Pageants June 30 - July 1.

Delegates and pageant royalty will join the event from around the world. Most of the events are open to girls of all ages even boys under eight. Meet Katarina Rea from MTV's Tiara Girls which was filmed in Clarkston and airs this April.

There will also be a showcase for local crafters and vendors such as modeling schools, talent agencies, seminars, photographers, coaches, t-shirts and souvenirs. Anyone interested in volunteering or participating can go online to www.starslikeus.com or email info@starendeavors.com.

Patty's Day treats...



Cheryl LeBoeuf of Lake Orion serves up corned beef and cabbage to Vic Peters of Lapeer at the Church of the Resurrection's St. Patrick's Day dinner on March 17. Photo by Martinez

Clarkston Brandon Community Credit Union

Established for employees of the Clarkston School District in 1957, the Clarkston Brandon Community Credit Union has been, and still is, the financial institution of the people.

Having grown to more than 9,500 members from both Clarkston and Brandon, the CBCCU continues to function under the philosophy of a financial institution belonging to and serving the people of the community.

"The service we provide to the community is a philosophy," said Phyllis Welch, president and chief executive officer of CBCCU, adding that credit unions were established by working class people to help members who are in need of financial assistance.

In that same spirit of community service, CBCCU is involved in many charities including: the Giving Tree (benefitting youth assistance in Clarkston and OCEF in Ortonville); blood drives; fundraisers for community schools.

"The most important thing credit unions do is look at the person first," Welch said.

Owned by the people, with a volunteer board elected by its members, the credit union's simple philosophy of an organized cooperative credit society which evolved in the early 19th century to protect working class people.

"The profits are returned to the members," said Welch.

Established as a school employee cooperative, CBCCU has long encouraged financial services on which return paramount savings and trust back into the community.

Because of that trust the CBCCU extended its membership beyond school employees by opening services to the entire community in June of 1999.

"We want to stress that it's the people that are important to us—this is not just a business," said Donna Bullard, Vice President.

Membership benefits provide convenient services to the entire community including trusted, low interest credit cards, free checking with no monthly service charge and overdraft protection to qualified members.

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With the growth of extended membership, the CBCCU continues to work hard to bring special services to the community with a personal touch by offering a day branch service to students within the Brandon School District.

Directed by Joanne Tumey, the success of the student-manged institution is evidenced by the age of the student accounts. Welch says many students who worked for the school-run credit union opened their own accounts while they were in grade school.

Clarkston Brandon Community Credit Union

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Visit their website at www.cbccu.org.



From left, Colleen Ouisenberry, Sian Sasso, Nancy White and Sue Cole. The staff at Clarkston Brandon Community Credit Union.



Clarkston Sports

Familiarity breeds championships

Wolves win fourth straight regional title on home floor

BY NOAH PURCELL

Clarkston News Sports Reporter

In terms of warm, fuzzy-feeling inducing memories, the "new" Clarkston High School gymnasium no longer has to live in the shadow of its more venerable sibling, the "old" gym, anymore as the Wolves beat Macomb Dakota 64-59 to win the regional championship on March 17 on their home floor.

Much to the delight of their loyal fans who packed the stands, infiltrating significant parts of the visitor seating, Clarkston's netted the basketball program its fourth straight regional title, the seventh of Coach Dan Fife's career.

"Our crowd was great. This is Clarkston. Clarkston has always been a great athletic community. We've always had great support," Clarkston Coach Dan Fife said during the afterglow of the regional victory.

Coming into the regional tournament, Clarkston's players were well aware of the special opportunity afforded to them this year.

"Ever since the summer, my goal has been to win the regional championship here," said senior and four-time regional champion Joe Moran.

Moran's sublime shooting was a key component in the Wolves' victory. He

poured in 17 of his game-high 27 points after halftime, missing only one of his seven second half shots and in the process knocked down three 3-pointers.

"It seemed like Moran didn't miss a shot throughout the whole second half," Macomb Dakota Coach Bill Snyder said.

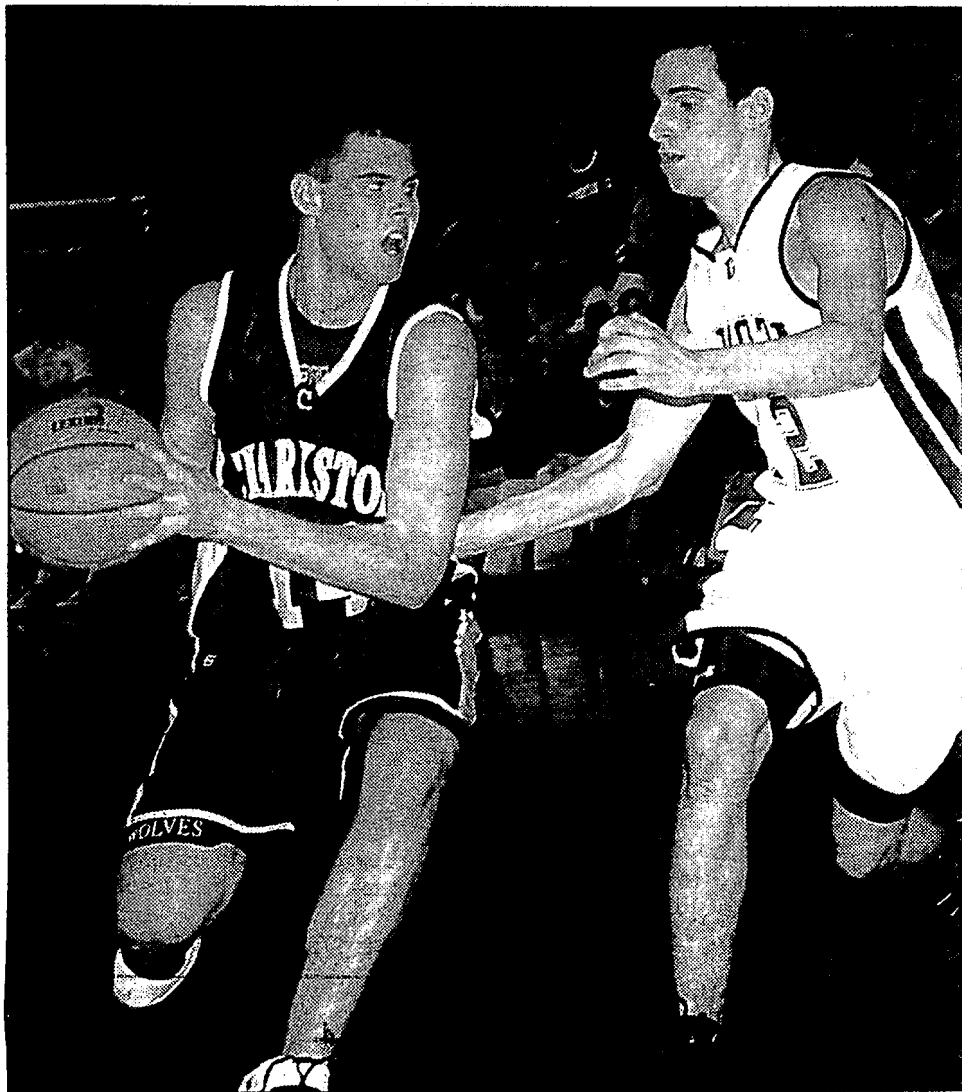
Moran's flair for the dramatic accompanied his bulk scoring as he opened the fourth quarter with back to back 3-pointers followed by another field goal to score the Wolves' first eight points of the period and give Clarkston a 53-47 lead with 4:30 remaining.

"If I score five points and they need me to play defense and rebound then that's what I do. Tonight they needed me to score. I just want to win, that's all I'm concerned about," Moran said.

After a dunk by sophomore Oliver Kupe gave Clarkston a 58-53 lead with less than a minute remaining in the game, the Cougars nearly snuck up and bit the Wolves in the closing seconds, cutting the lead to three points. Like any good superhero, Moran's work was never done as he canned two free throws to give Clarkston five points of breathing room with 33 seconds remaining.

Seniors Rob Ronk and John Kast each knocked down one of their two free

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The rock belongs to junior Dan Owens and no other during Clarkston's win over Macomb Dakota in the regional final on March 17. Above: Larry Marhle greets Dan Fife with a congratulatory handshake and the regional trophy after Clarkston's 64-59 defeat of Macomb Dakota. Photo by Noah Purcell

Athlete of the Week – Joe Moran

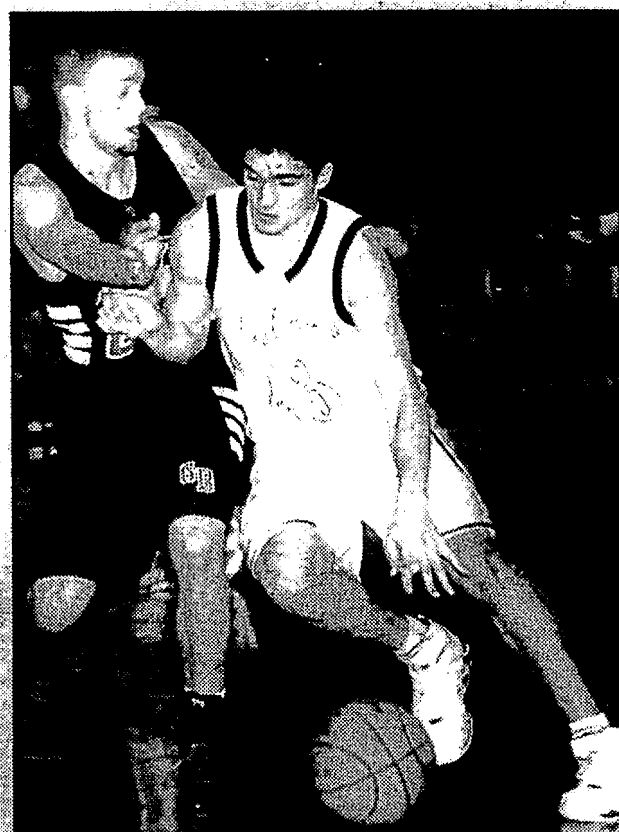
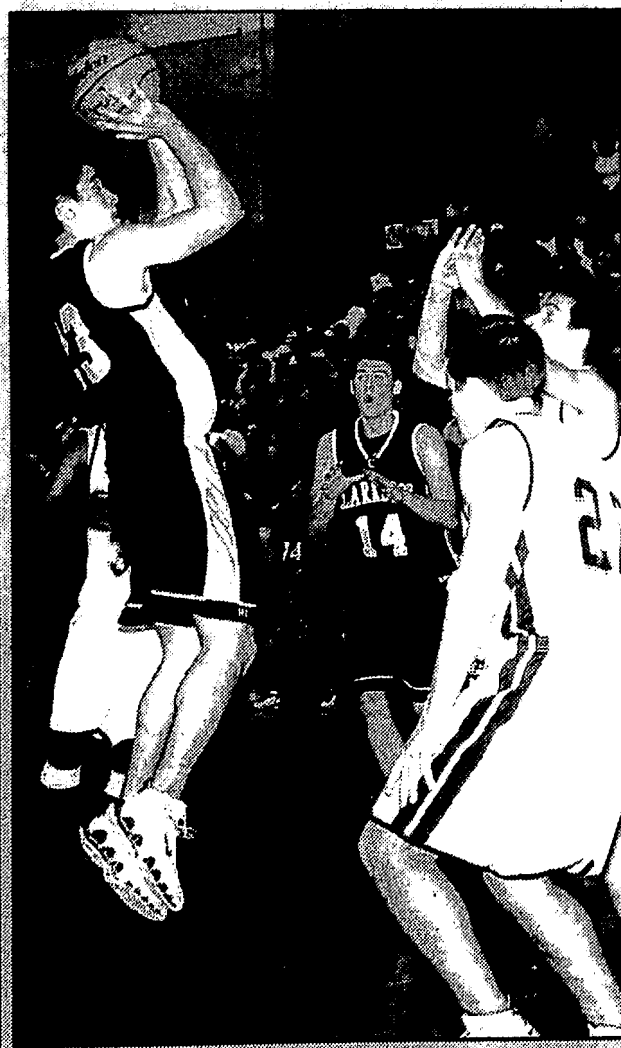
For the second time this season, senior Joe Moran is the Athlete of the Week. The guard-forward led Clarkston to victories over Grand Blanc and Macomb Dakota en route to Clarkston's fourth straight regional championship.

"When a kid works as hard as he does it's special," Clarkston Coach Dan Fife said.

For the tournament Moran averaged 22.5 points per game and shot 57 percent from the field. He poured in 27 points in the district final on March 17 against Dakota and helped eliminate Grand Blanc on March 15 with 18 points. All told, Moran's offensive production accounted for 39 percent of his team's points during regionals.

"I waited for this for three years. I played in the shadow of some great players, like Chris Johnston, Robbie Clark and Brad Goodman, and I've learned from the best coach in the state," said Moran, who is a four-year varsity player.

Right: Moran drives past Grand Blanc's K'Len Morris. Left: The stroke is on display as Moran pulls up against Dakota. Photos by Noah Purcell



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Clarkston girls track season off to fast start

BY NOAH PURCELL
Clarkston News Sports Reporter

A selection of the Clarkston girls track team got the season off on the right foot with an admirable showing at the State Indoor Meet at the University of Michigan on March 18.

As the track season is yet to begin, Clarkston ran under the Team Running Gear moniker.

"I think everyone ran well," said assistant track coach Jamie LaBrosse, who is focusing on the team's distance runners this season as he did last year while John Yorke serves as head coach.

The best performance of the day

came from seniors Beth Hoekstra, Lyndsay Smith and Lisa Sickman and freshman Stephanie Morgan who won the mile relay.

LaBrosse said Sickman was close to 90 percent healthy, after being forced to sit out the cross country championship in the fall with a leg injury.

Other stand outs for Clarkston included the distance medley relay team comprised of Smith, Hoekstra, Jenna Leach and Jordan Mozwske, who took sixth overall.

Individually, Morgan finished second in the 800. Leach took fourth place in the mile and sophomore Stephanie

Thorstad finished fourth in the long jump.

Thorstad, who as a freshman qualified for states in the long jump, is part of a youth movement in the field events which LaBrosse hopes makes Clarkston's team more dangerous this year.

"We've never had anyone place in the state in field events," LaBrosse said. "That adds another dimension to our team."

LaBrosse hopes that competitors like Thorstad and 2005 state qualifiers like sophomore Taylor Rademacher (long jump) and sophomore Autumn Touchstone (100 hurdles) will help the team build on their fourth place finish at the state

finals last year.

As in years past though, the girls track team will be anchored by the distance runners hot off their third straight cross country state championship this past fall.

Jenny Morgan, a senior, did not compete in the State Indoor Finals, but LaBrosse expects her to be healthy for the season. Morgan, Smith, Sickman and Liz Mengyan, who now runs at University of Illinois, set a state record in the 3200 relay at last year's state finals in June. Morgan also set a state record as an individual in the 1600 last year and was also the state champion in the 3200.

Youth baseball classic taking shape

The Clarkston Riverdaws are sponsoring an USSSA World Series Qualifier baseball tournament held April 28-30 at Clintonwood Park in Clarkston.

The registration fee is \$350 per team. Age groups will be nine and under, 10 and under, 11 and under, 12 and under, 13 and under, and 14 and under. The age groups are limited to eight teams each.

Each team is guaranteed three games. All teams must be USSSA registered. Team rosters must be submitted to www.ussa.com by April 24.

Deadline to sign up is April 12, or until eight teams have filled an age bracket.

Payment must accompany registration and can be sent to Clarkston Youth Baseball Organization, P.O. Box 1153, Clarkston, MI 48347-1153.

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Half of the proceeds from ticket sales go to the Everest Academy Boosters club. The other half will be used to support the troops in Iraq.

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Even before their fourth straight regional title can sink in, Clarkston's basketball team was back on the floor.

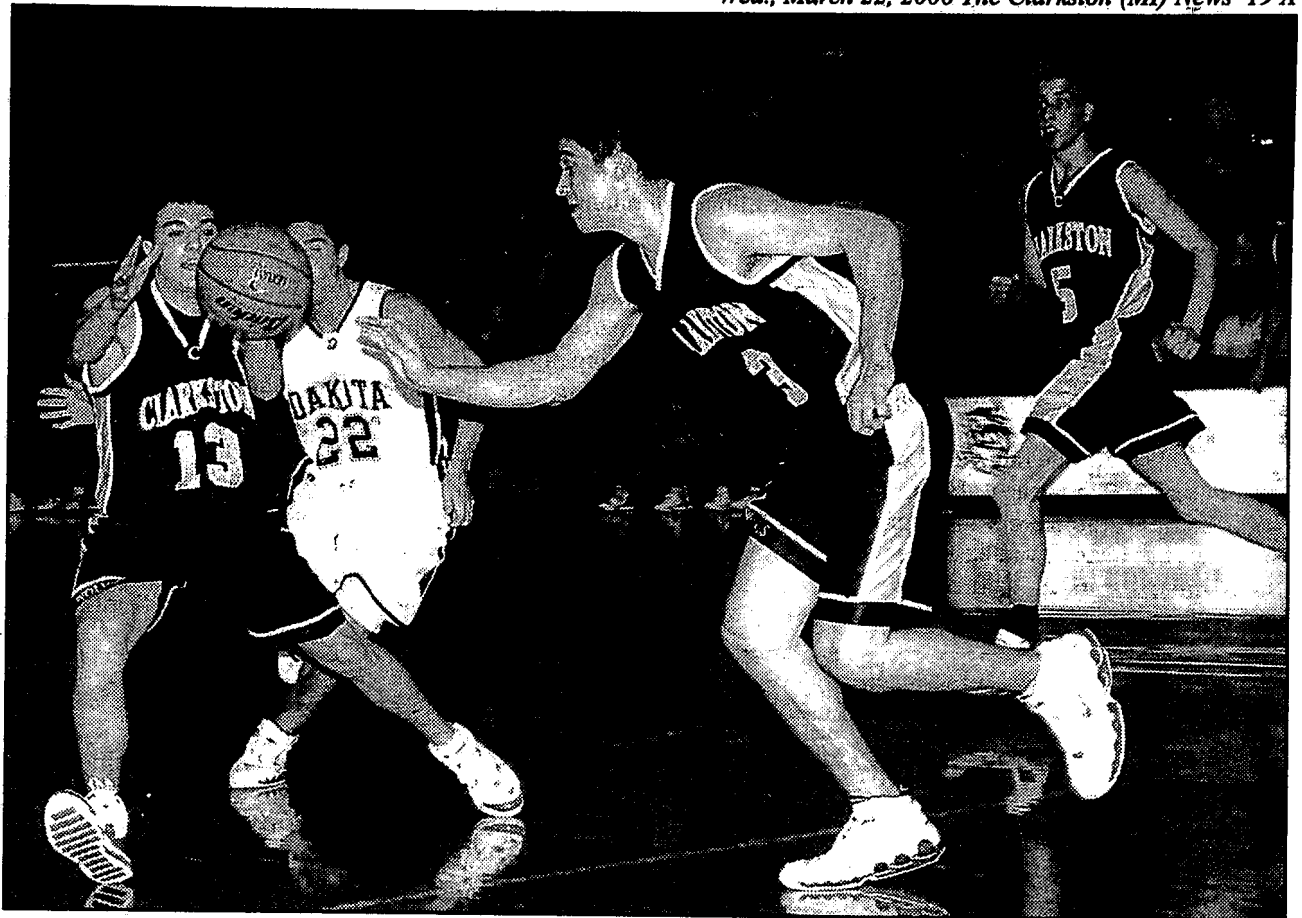
The Wolves met Saginaw Arthur Hill in the Class A state quarterfinals on March 21 at Saginaw Valley State University. The contest finished too late for this edition of *The Clarkston News*. Check www.clarkstonnews.com on March 22 to see how the Wolves fared.

Going into the game, Clarkston Coach Dan Fife and his players were not planning to make any monumental changes to the formula responsible for a 21-4 record and district and regional championships.

"Arthur Hill's loaded. I can't change who I am or what our team is now. That's the way we are and we'll give it our best shot," Fife said.

"We're not going to be as physically talented as the top teams in the state. We have to beat them with our heads and our conditioning," senior Joe Moran said.

The winner of the Clarkston-Arthur Hill quarterfinal will face the winner of the Taylor Truman-Detroit Redford quarterfinal at 2:50 p.m. at the Breslin Center in East Lansing on March 24. The Class A state championship is slated for March 25 at 4 p.m. and will also be played at the Breslin Center.



Senior Ian Sabbag (13) and Joe Moran get after a loose ball in the regional final. Photo by Noah Purcell

Regionals

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throws to preserve the victory. The symbolism of Ronk and Kast's foul shots down the stretch was lost in the revelry which followed the final horn.

Kast, a four-year varsity player and now four-year regional champion, endured numerous setbacks in his senior year as issues with his knee trailed him from summer shoot-arounds into the winter, culminating in surgery. Though by his own admission Kast is not back to 100 percent, he is again contributing for the Wolves.

Ronk, originally slated to backup Kast at the point, started for the Wolves throughout the season and with infallible handles and clutch free throw shooting earned high marks from his coach.

"He's (Ronk) going to be in there at the end of the game," Fife said.

While Clarkston weathered a Dakota rally for their prize, the two teams each scored 36 points in the second half, making the Wolves 28-23 advantage at half-time significant in retrospect.

"We really got taken out of our offense in the first half," Snyder said.

Clarkston used 10 players in the first half, harassing the Cougars into 11 turnovers before halftime. While not as wild, the Wolves were no portrait of efficiency

in the first and second quarters, turning the ball over seven times.

"Maybe I'm getting smarter as I get older. I'm using more players. If they learn our defensive sets, then I'll play them," Fife said.

Throughout the playoffs, Fife has gone deep into his bench in order to make use of individual talents. At point guard, junior Andrew Lyons' boundless tenacity and senior Ian Sabbag's craftiness in setting up his teammates helped the Wolves through numerous stretches.

On the way to knocking off Macomb Dakota for the regional title, Clarkston ran up against Grand Blanc on March 15, who they defeated 51-46, ending the Bob-

cats' season for the second year in a row.

Moran led the Wolves in scoring with 18 points including six of his team's 10 points in a fourth quarter which began tied 41-41.

Another player giving Clarkston quality clock throughout the regional tournament was junior center Bren Bergquist who scored 13 points and had nine rebounds against Grand Blanc and managed another baker's dozen of points to go with 10 rebounds for a double-double against Dakota.

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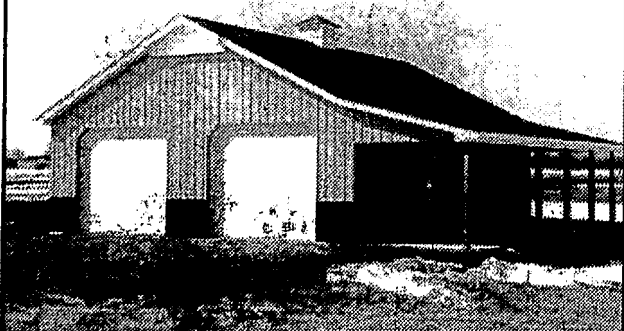
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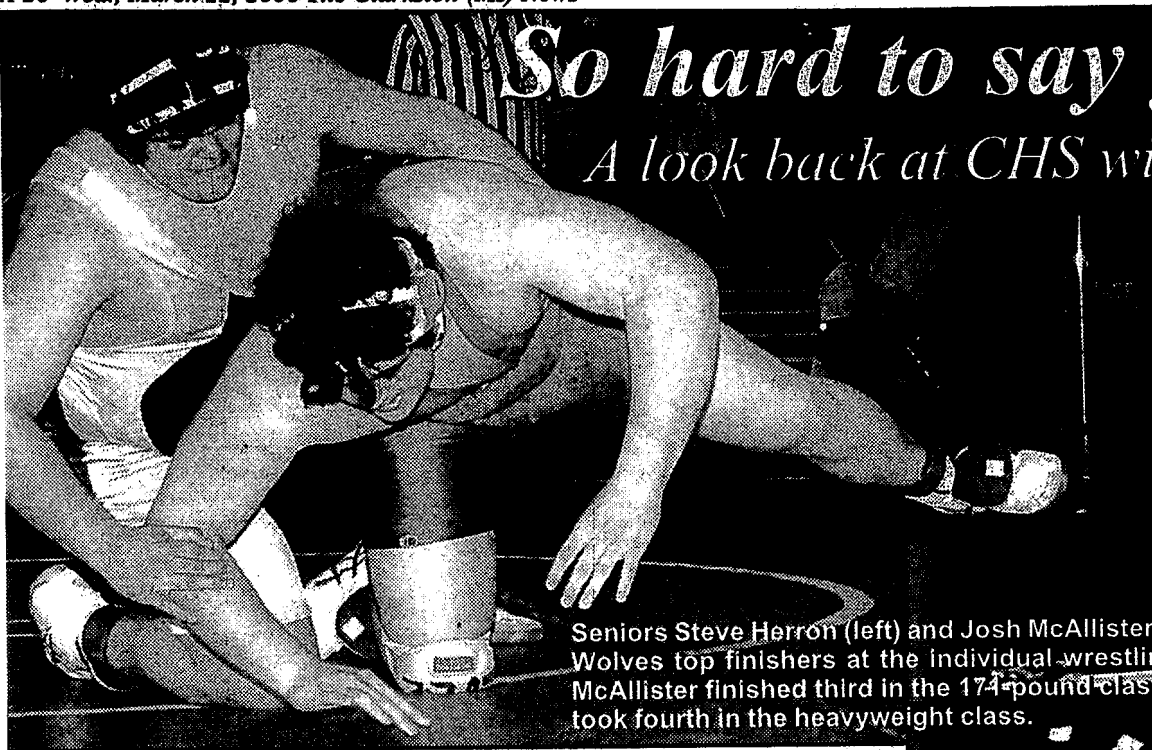


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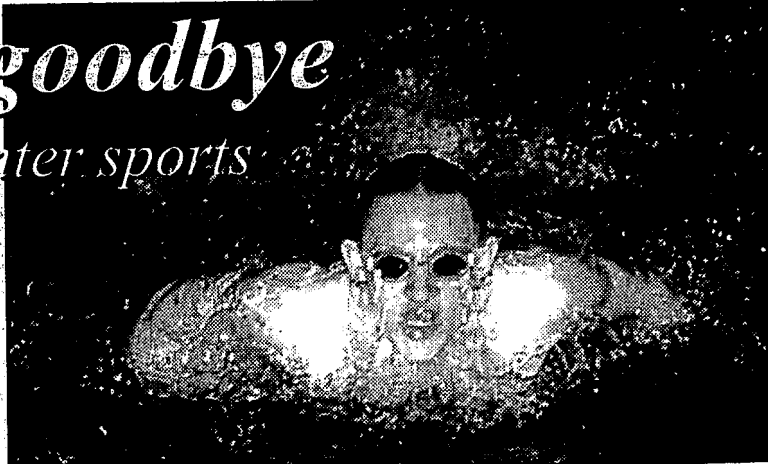


So hard to say goodbye

A look back at CHS winter sports

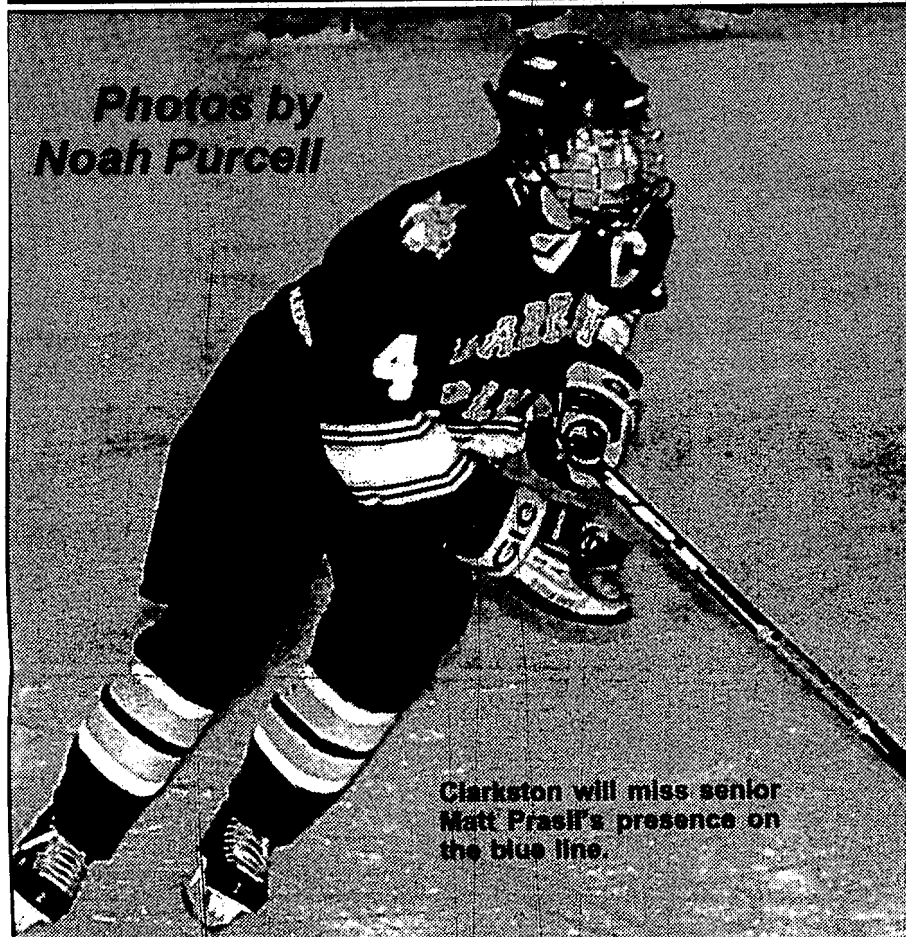


Seniors Steve Herron (left) and Josh McAllister were the Wolves top finishers at the individual wrestling finals. McAllister finished third in the 174-pound class. Herron took fourth in the heavyweight class.

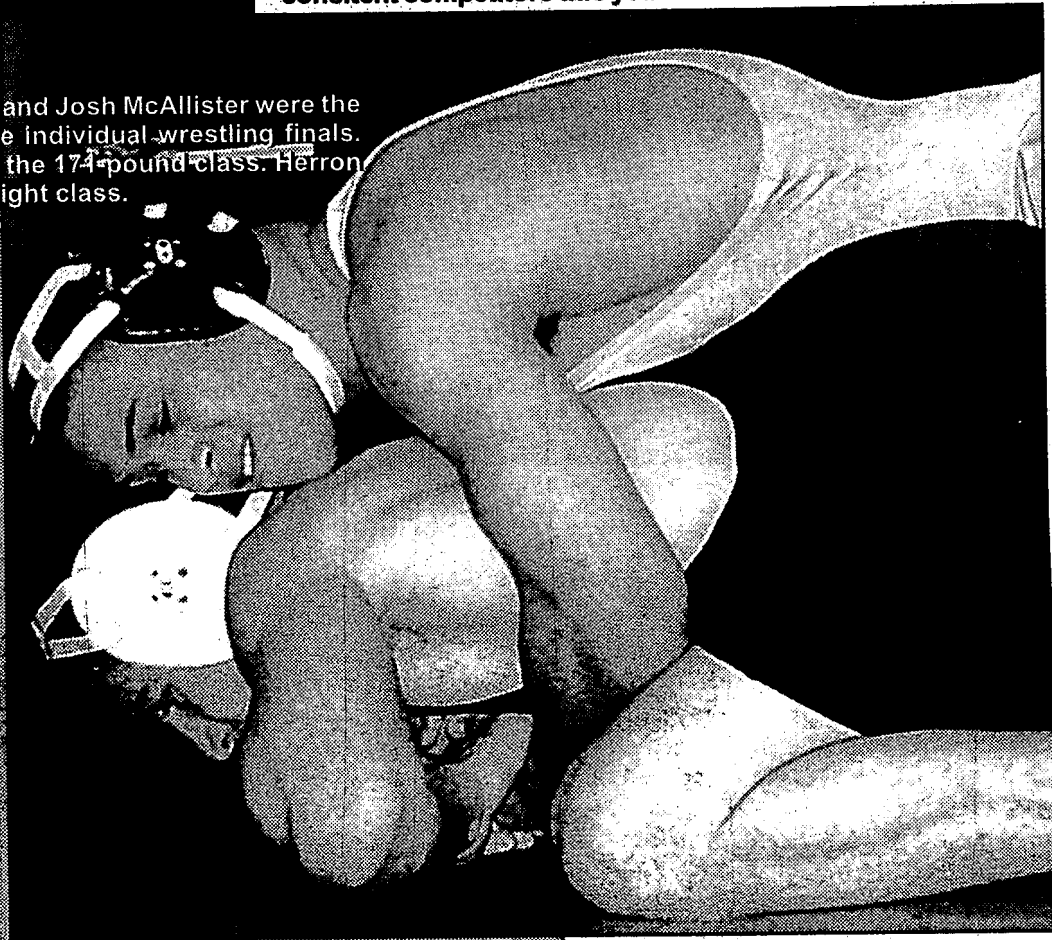


Freshman Robert Nelson was one of the swim teams' most consistent competitors this year.

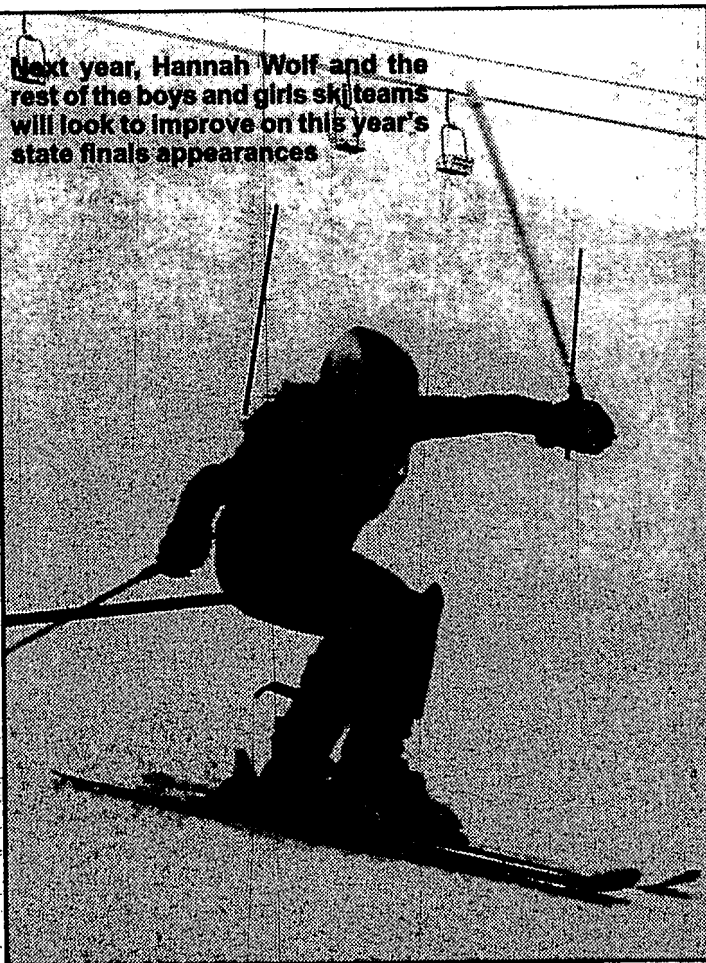
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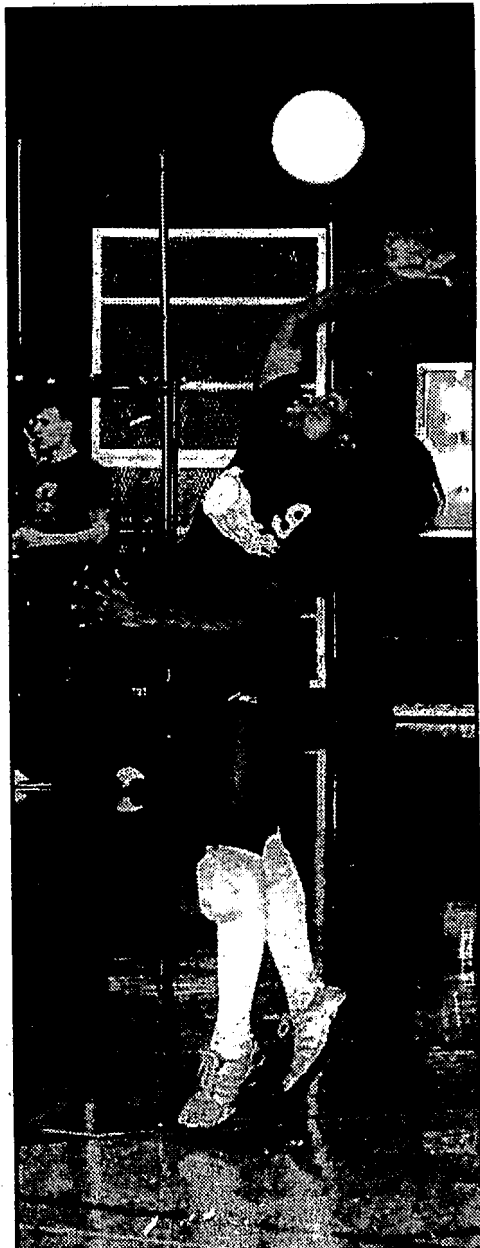
Clarkston will miss senior Matt Prasil's presence on the blue line.



Junior Bren Bergquist's aggressiveness on the court and his role on the team grew by leaps and bounds this year.

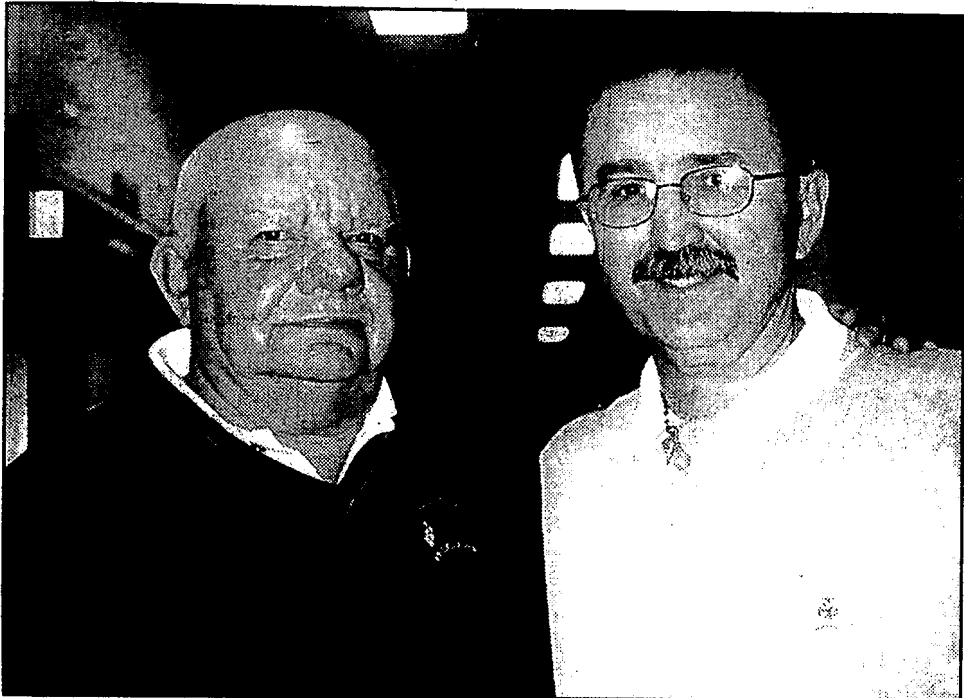


Next year, Hannah Wolf and the rest of the boys and girls ski teams will look to improve on this year's state finals appearances.



The volleyball team will welcome back hard-hitting junior, Laura Kupe next year.

Former Clarkston resident hits the big 500



Former Clarkston Schools administrator Mel Vaara (left) got a chance to see his old player, Dave Funk, coach in Florida where Funk recently eclipsed 500 high school basketball victories. Photo provided

Something Mel Vaara did or said while coaching former Clarkston resident Dave Funk as a freshman in 1960-61 on the undefeated Clarkston High School junior varsity basketball team must have worn off.

After his family moved to Florida after his freshman year, Funk went on to star as a high school player. He played in college at Edison Community College, graduated from Florida Atlantic University and returned to high school basketball as a coach. This season Funk passed a coaching milestone as he eclipsed the 500-win plateau.

"I just wanted to coach. The background I got in Michigan with Mel set me up well for that," Funk said.

After 29 years in coaching he now has 508 wins. His Cape Coral High School team, which plays in class 5A and has 2200 students, went 19-7 this year and lost in districts.

Over the years Funk has gained per-

spective.

"You have to take the good with the bad. If you are coaching long enough you are going to have ups and downs," Funk said.

Recently Vaara and his former charge were reunited by chance when Vaara, vacationing in Florida caught wind of Funk's accomplishments and showed up to watch Cape Coral play.

According to Vaara, Funk was very surprised to see his old coach in the house.

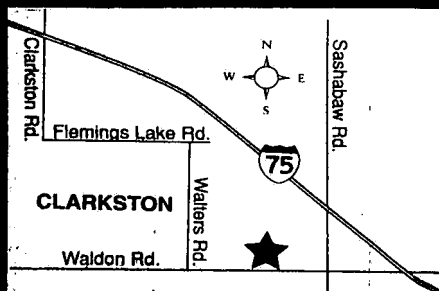
Prep success seems to run in the Funk family as Dave's older brother, Charlie, has also eclipsed 500 victories in Florida. Charlie has 580 victories over 35 years. He played basketball at Clarkston in his senior year under original coach Dom Mauti.

Both Funk brothers are planning to retire at the end of the school year this year. Together they hold a national record for most victories by brothers.



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Students from grades 4-9 performed together at the "Broadway Melodies" production on March 9. Photo by Andrew DuPont

Music fills the halls of Clarkston schools

BY ANDREW DUPONT
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Musical groups from Clarkston schools have a lot to be singing about lately.

Several groups earned high division ranking at the District 4 Choral Festival on March 8. The very next night, 85 students, grades 4-9, displayed their skills for friends and family members at the "Broadway Melodies" musical at Clarkston Junior High School.

Danielle Blanchard, instructor of choir, theater arts and piano and music technology at CJHS, noted the group's performances as a continuation of the successful history.

"This is a special group of choirs in that their work ethic has been very strong," Blanchard wrote in an e-mail to *The Clarkston News*. "In addition, due to the reconfiguration of our building grade levels, there are members of choir who have been with me for four years. That's some true academic commitment to excellence, and we just had to take advantage of this opportunity to let the public hear what singers this age can sound like when they put all that love and commitment into action through hard work."

Putting together "Broadway Melodies" was a first attempt to combine the junior high school musical groups with groups from elementary and middle schools.

"The fourth through seventh grade Honors Choir was something I wanted to do to reach out to students we fully expect will be our leaders as they become choir members here at Clarkston Junior High in the future," Blanchard wrote.

Blanchard said flyers were sent to attract new participants to the program, and the combined group of 85 students met after school, with only seven group practice sessions before the concert.

The performance marked the end of weeks of preparation but only the beginning of the new expansion planned for the musical program.

"I'm very excited about the newly updated Piano/Music Technology courses we have. We will have a website up very soon (www.ClarkstonMusic.com) to feature a rotation of arrangements and compositions created by piano and choir students," Blanchard wrote. "Future fans of our composers will be able to subscribe to podcasts (performances that can be downloaded onto a portable MP3 player) that give insight into the cre-

ative and learning process while we balance playing skills with functional improvisation and multimedia."

The work needed for these projects to move forward is largely credited to Blanchard, and her efforts were recognized during the March 13 Clarkston School Board meeting as part of employee recognition.

"When it comes to going above and beyond in this area, over the last year I've had the pleasure to know and really respect the work that Danielle has done," said Shawn Ryan, CJHS Principal, as he presented Blanchard for her recognition nomination. "It was an excellent program. A lot of work went into it and I think we definitely want to identify Danielle for that."

District 4 Choral Festival Results

Ensembles earning Rating I:
Troubadours - Kelsi Tucker, Nicole Neynaber, Samantha Ushiro and Suki Liu from Girls Choir
Septet - Elizabeth Hawthorne, Laura Love, Mike Buckley, Jacob Brantley, Ryan Parish, Christine Neal and Elissa Garcia from Mixed Choir
Double Duet - Jake Hoppert, Austin Rea, Lindsey Sirbaugh and Claire Chiodo from Mixed Choir
Sounds of Clarkston - Brittany Armstrong, Megan Peterson, Laura Love, Jake Hoppert, Austin Rea, Ryan Parish, Claire Chiodo, Amber Fullmer and Lindsey Sirbaugh from Mixed Choir

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Relationship Recipe: the family mealtime

Each One Reach One – a spotlight on the family sector

Recipe for mealtime madness: Take two working parents. Add a sprinkling of children. Blend in after-school sports, play rehearsals and piano lessons. Fold in a healthy amount of homework and the tempting promise of must-see TV shows. Mix together frantically and attempt to serve before bedtime.

Sound familiar? Today's families are struggling with time. Time for work, time for play, time for daydreams, time for sleep. Time to be together. Enjoying the family meal together is an activity that increasingly is happening less and less often in families. Yet the benefits of the family dinnertime extend beyond the table.

The family dinner has long been a touchstone of family togetherness, a time to slow down and enjoy one another while developing a meaningful connection. It provides a sense of belonging and an opportunity for an hour of conversation about what is important in our lives. We get to share about the things we have discovered, the people we have met and our observations from the day. The sharing helps children develop compassion and respect for others. Children learn about their parents' values just by listening to them talk about the day's events. Children learn how to listen and also how to share their ideas and views.

The main ingredient in the traditional organized family meal is communication – as one key to raising emotionally healthy children. Tricky subjects, such as problems with peers or schoolwork, are more easily approached across the dinner table. Children have opportunity to talk about their day and to converse in a car-

ing, open environment that gives them a sense of belonging which will stay with them long after they've left the table. Furthermore, parents can learn about their children's lives and better understand the challenges they face growing up.

The American Psychological Association published a study in 1997 that illustrated the crucial role of the family meal in the lives of teenagers. The study found that adjusted teens – those with better relationships with their peers, more academic motivation and few, if any, problems with drugs and depression – ate dinner with their families an average of five days a week.

When it comes to a family mealtime, a lot of us say one thing but do another. National studies show that more than 80 percent of parents consider eating dinner with their children very important, but less than 50 percent actually sit down together on a daily basis. In one study conducted at Harvard, only 43 percent of more than 16,000 children ate dinner daily with members of their family. More than half of the 9-year-olds ate family dinners daily, and only about one-third of 14-year-olds did so.

Can you imagine throwing a family meal into the mix on more days than not during your week? Can you sandwich it between soccer, piano, student council, youth group and your board meeting? Don't become a statistic for the under-connected, over-scheduled families in America! Finding the time certainly isn't easy and does require teamwork and prioritizing, but it's worth it! Here are a few ideas to help make family meals a reality in your home:

- Pack a picnic dinner to eat together at the soccer field, before or after the game (or hockey rink, football stadium, etc.).
- Purchase the main dish, i.e. a bucket of chicken,

and you supply the rest.

- When you cook, make enough for planned leftovers, and reheat the next evening.
- Learn to use the crockpot!
- Divide and conquer the task of meal preparation!

Assign rotating family duties to help.

- When you only have time to either cook OR eat, healthy, frozen, microwaveable dinners can come in handy.
- Serve breakfast for dinner!
- If dinner is just impossible, consider a regular family breakfast.

Regular meals and an established routine give children a sense of security and stability. When a child feels secure, they also feel much happier and find it easy to do well at school, socially and in various hobbies and interests. A stable child is better able to deal with difficulties, stress and emotional upsets. Regular meals are also beneficial for health reasons, too. They actually regulate all of the body's cycles – physical, emotional and mental.

March is Parenting Awareness Month. PAM is a statewide initiative to promote awareness, education and resources – through state outreach and local efforts – emphasizing the importance of effective parenting in nurturing children to become healthy, caring, and contributing citizens.

Visit www.clarkstonyouth.org and click on Parenting for more information about raising kids.

Visit www.clarkstonconnects.org or call 248-922-3004 to learn more about the Each One, Reach One ... Connecting for a Better Community initiative. The initiative encourages all sectors – parents, neighborhoods, schools, churches, businesses, non-profits and government – to reach out and *intentionally* connect and build community with someone today.

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Jennifer Arkwright

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'Forbes'

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"It's something I'm curious about myself. The way children handle issues and why things happen because I as an adult don't understand a lot of them, so (the children) must understand less," said Forbes. "The display asks questions about how much we expose our kids to. I'm not big into censoring kids, but helping them understand what they do see."

In the future, Forbes hopes to work in free-lance photography and computer arts.

In addition to her supportive family, Forbes credited the media program at CHS as being important to her work today. After graduating from CHS, she earned a bachelor's degree in photography and English language and literature from Grand Valley State University in 2004.

"Clarkston had very good teachers and there was a very supportive environment," said Forbes.

Although she enjoyed the media program at CHS, her interest in the art from did not blossom until she took a few photography classes at GVSU. Taking her father's old camera he used while in the Army in Germany during the Vietnam War, Forbes interest grew with those early undergraduate classes.

"I fell in love with it," said Forbes who since has returned the camera to her father, but purchased a similar one.

Forbes' parents, Larry and Carol still live in Independence Township. Her older brothers, David and Jeff, live in southeast Michigan.

For more information on the MA Digital Arts Thesis Exhibition visit www.mica.edu or call 410-225-2300.



CHS grad Elizabeth Forbes used childhood toys and materials to construct dioramas in her photography to explore how society affects children. Her work will be on display May 5 - 15 at a thesis exhibit at Maryland Institute College of Art in Baltimore. Photo provided

Library

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ship to the village's ability to pay.

The committee report was provided to all council members, but no lengthy discussion took place at the meeting.

"I think they did a lot of work and it's interesting. I still think the point here is the best thing for us is to get a flat rate administration fee for all the services we buy from the township," said Mayor Sharron Catallo. "All these alternatives aren't as easy as the library which we're used to."

Council Member Scott Meyland said the township library is a valuable resource for citizens and expressed frustration about the nature of the library discussion at previous meetings.

"The topic of the library has evolved in a direction I don't think was originally intended. Like the fire contract, when the library renewal came up, we were already concerned about the administrative fee. I think the discussion was brought up so that how we approach the administration fee with the library is consistent with the fire (agreement)," said Meyland.

"From my perspective, I'd never consider cutting the library from our services without an extensive amount of research," said Meyland.

"Budget-wise, everything needs to be questioned and understood. If we were to lay out a list of priorities (the library) is not something high on the list that needs to be questioned."

Clarkston Watershed Group earns \$750 grant for Depot Park

If the Clarkston Watershed Group gets their way, Depot Park will serve as an example to the whole community about protecting water resources.

The group recently received a \$750 grant from the Oakland Native Partnership Initiative. The grant is meant to pay for native plantings and other measures to prevent run off as well as promote public awareness about taking care of water and shorelines.

"We're really pleased. It's relatively small... but it's a real good thing to get started what we want to start," said City Council Member Cory Johnston.

According to City Council Member Jim Brueck, the grant was filed on Feb. 12 and will help the Depot Park Environmental project.

In addition to the ONPI grant, the group intends to file for a five-star \$15,000 grant with the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation in early fall to further the project and fight soil erosion.

The Clarkston Watershed Group consists of members of the Clarkston City Council, the River of Life Group of St. Daniel Church, the North Oakland Headwaters Land Conservancy, the Clarkston Farm and Garden Club and other community members.

For more information on the Depot Park Environmental Project, visit www.clarkstonnews.com and type in "Spring may hold more than cleaning for Depot Park."

Sewer

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tenance costs.

Attorney Thomas Ryan advised the council to have Richardson attend a meeting to discuss the matter.

"What the township is saying is the \$4.52 is not adequate to maintain the system," said Ryan.

In a phone interview, Richardson stated the \$19.92 covers maintenance and operation costs, but does not account for a severe breakdown in the system. She also said she had no problem meeting with the council to answer questions.

Pappas said the city has about \$70,000 in a reserve fund of its own to address any major breakdown.

The memo stems from a Feb. 24 meeting between Richardson, Clarkston Mayor Sharron Catallo, Pappas, Randy Ford and Gary Tressell from Hubbel, Roth and Clark, Inc. on the sanitary sewer issue.

In addition to the potential increased rates from the township, Pappas said he expects a few dollar increase from Detroit which is not unusual. He estimated residents would see an increase in August 2006.

Lynch

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case over to our insurance company who is providing the attorneys for the matter. Other than that, there's not much information I can release."

Lynch confirmed no court date is set. "At this point, I'm just waiting and everything is up in the air."

Lynch's employment with the township was terminated on Sept. 19, 2004. At that time, Wagner stated the decision was "coming for years."

Lynch was replaced by Acting Library Director Patience Beer in Oct. 2004. Beer, who was set to retire when asked to remain temporarily as acting director, was replaced this past Monday by new Library Director Julie Meredith.

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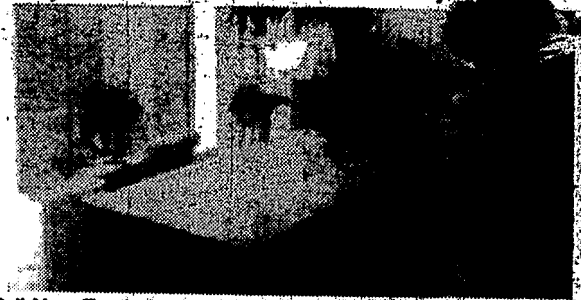
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Letters

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the Supervisors recommendations in light of the current economic realities prevalent in Southeast Michigan and in Oakland County as well as the public perception of the elected officials salaries.

The current condition of our local economy is highly questionable. Massive layoffs are possible at Ford, General Motors, Delphi and others. The impacts will be felt here within the next few months or so.

Currently, in Independence Township previously owned homes and many new homes are listed for sale in an exceedingly stagnant market. The layoffs that are anticipated will certainly add significantly to the surplus housing inventory.

Before the bankruptcy law changes occurred late in the fourth quarter our local banking institutions were reporting significantly higher defaults and loan failures. Locally, mortgage loans for financing new real property acquisitions are significantly down from previous levels.

We all recognize the higher costs for home heating, gasoline, and all petroleum based products. In order to help maintain our employees standard of living, we are

considering an adjustment to their wages.

First, I believe we should separate any discussion and action on the elected officials wages from the non-union employees wages discussion and action.

Second, I would recommend we hold (no increase) elected salaries as they are, and:

Third, that we table any action on non-union wages until mid-year when we will hopefully have a clearer picture of the economic situation.

We will potentially have one or both of our labor contracts settled by that time.

The schools are planning a milage vote in May.

Soon, we will be looking at milage renewals for Fire, Police, and Library on the August ballot. It is also likely that we will see a new milage request for Parks and Rec./Senior Center.

Springfield Township and others have decided to hold wages (no increase).

These factors and the current uncertain economic times give further strength to my position to hold elected wages as they are and reconsider non-union wages later.

The voters are very concerned about their overall tax burden and in poor economic times they will be even more so. You can help improve the public perception of Independence Township Government by your support.

Wait another 30 years to add taxes

Dear Editor,

Some questions are raised by Harry Knitter's letter last week about "waiting long enough", i.e. 30 years for his proposed and multi-festooned "Senior Center."

Why must it have a library with the Independence Township Library nearby? Why a gymnasium if the now renovated 1934 school building is to be made available to seniors, some of whom played in its gym as kids, including myself? Why dining facilities when there are several restaurants nearby? Why is the "Center" to be for seniors only?

Isn't this unfair to the working families who would mostly pay for it, whose social security taxes already support a retiree class that national statistics show to be more economically secure than them?

Why not wait another 30 years before adding to the already substantial tax burden on those still working? Perhaps by then the need would be less demanding?

Tom Bullen, Clarkston

Let's hold them to their promise

Dear Editor,

On April 4, the Independence Township Board will hold its 7:30 p.m. meeting at the Clarkston Schools Administration Building.

At this meeting, the representatives that we elected will consider the most recent (there are now four) development proposal of Orco Investment. Most folks know this as the "Wal-Mart" proposal because the first proposal called for a big-box anchored regional commercial center which would include a Wal-Mart, a Lowe's and much, much more.

Although this big-box proposal is not "of the table" as the public was told back in September, Orco has also proposed three different predominately residential developments for this property. The most recent, to be considered on April 4, has reduced the number of units by just 20 to 456. It will still be the most dense and intense development in our community - ever. With six to twelve unit structures and homes on tiny lots (55 by 100 feet) it is essentially tract housing.

As the Core Group that directs Citizens for Orderly Growth, we oppose this proposal and ask all concerned citizens to urge the board, by letter or by attending the meeting, to reject this proposal.

We have already adequately provided for this sort of housing so there is no reason to "shoehorn" it into the center of the community, an area already too congested. Nor is it appropriate to have this sort of development with its significant access to Walters Road by the high school. This will result in mixing the significant amount of new traffic with the high school traffic - simply not a good idea.

Additionally, this tract housing project, if approved,

will overburden the already burgeoning student population in Clarkston Schools which required yet another redistricting of students just this past year.

Our township Planning Commission rejected Orco's last two housing proposals and they have recommended to the township board rezoning to a suitable mixed use of this property. That proposal will fit within our Master Plan and the Sashabaw Overlay District; the Orco proposals do not.

Last summer, COG presented the township board more than 1,000 signatures gathered in a few short weeks from folks who saw the value in establishing a contingent legal defense fund to ward off these bullying tactics. At that time, we were inaccurately told Wal-Mart was off the table. This was merely an effort to diffuse the concerns of the citizens and it has resulted in the developer being emboldened and continuing its bullying tactics. At that time, a majority of the members of the township board said that the contingent defense fund was unnecessary because they would uphold the Master Plan.

Now is the time to hold them to that promise.

We all hope to see the day when this community is developed to its full potential. We want nothing more than to be proud of the quality residential community that is the result of active citizen participation, not the will of outside developers.

COG Core Members:

Craig Bennett, Richard Auchter, Connie Morgan, Karen Koval, Roret Ferer, Joe Glaser, Greg Need, Neil Wallace, Dave Lohmeier and James Williamson.

Florida

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again found the article posted on-line and called his mother and sister in Arizona. His mother Doris recognized Ray immediately in the picture.

"She said 'Oh my gosh, that's your dad,'" said Klein whose father passed away in 1985. "It's one of those things that made everyone's day. I still have the hat he was wearing in that picture."

Klein called *The Clarkston News* inquiring about the picture and a subscription towards the end of the February, reconnecting with the paper he knew as a child.

"Of course there are fond memories. Anytime you pick up the paper you read about people you know. That's what's nice about growing up in a small town," said Klein, who explained he still has a few articles and pictures of himself from papers that came out during his youth.

After graduating in 1971 from Clarkston High School, Rich joined the Air Force before becoming employed for the Post Office in Florida in 1988. He and his wife Carolyn (Swick) have two children and four grandkids.

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Children

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not so that they can't be one-on-one," explained Lubinski. "We take medically fragile children. This means children whose life span has been shortened for one reason or another.

"Our goal is to give the families time to be a family. To be able to do what families do without having to worry about their special child. Then, everyone can come back together refreshed and strengthened."

The respite home provides short-term and licensed care for up to six children of either sex, ages birth through 17. Children come from across Southeast Michigan including Oakland, Macomb, Wayne and Washtenaw counties.

Lubinski said she normally only schedules three to four children; and the shortest visit is normally 24 hours while the longest to date was 17 days.

"We had a young one whose parents took a vacation for the first time in years to Hawaii and he stayed for 17 days," Lubinski remembers.

"Many of the parents refer to this as the 'Vacation House' to the kids, and some of the kids say they are going to Grandma's," said Lubinski. "I really love that one."

While visiting, Lubinski tries to provide the children with as "homey" an atmosphere as possible.

The home includes a functional living room with plenty of physical therapy "toys" and open play space. One bedroom is set as a comfortable nursery while the others have cozy single beds. Both bathrooms are handicap accessible and one has a whirlpool tub for "splash" time.

Parties are a regular event throughout the year with holidays and picnics being the highlights. The children are also encouraged to explore their surroundings, the outdoors and each other.

"We interact a lot with the children," said Lubinski. "It's very important to have parties and go outside to play."

"The best thing is that it's fun for them and they can feel normal for the first time in their lives because



Rachel Seehorsch, 8, is made comfortable by volunteer Traci Trube. Traci's own daughter, Abi, spent many happy visits at the respite home until she passed away at the age of seven. Photo by Jenny Matteson

everyone around them has disability. They can be on vacation."

Most children visit the respite home on the weekends and stays are scheduled a week or two ahead. However, Lubinski said she must schedule weekday and extended stays earlier, especially since she must take time off from her full-time position.

"I would love for this to be my full-time job, but that's just not possible right now," said Lubinski, who lives in the basement of the respite home. "It's hard as a non-profit to make ends meet sometimes."

Payment for services is set on a sliding scale based on ability. The non-profit organization also relies on grants, foundations, private donations and agency contracts to provide for the children.

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According to Lubinski, many private donations are used as "scholarships" for families who can not afford visits to the home.

"Our goal is to provide services to everyone regardless of ability to pay," she stated.

In addition to Lubinski, the Precious Children Respite Home has three workers: Respite Care Coordinator Theresa Blackman, retired nurse and volunteer Kathy McMann, and volunteer Traci Trube.

Trube started volunteering after her 7-year-old daughter Abi, who enjoyed her stays with Lubinski, recently passed away.

"She was under a year old when she came for her first visit. It was when we needed to take a family trip to Chicago," remembers Trube. "I would have never thought when we sold Barb this house we would be needing her services. I figured it was God's grace that we did this."

"There is no other better place as far as I'm concerned. God would not have put us together if that wasn't the case."

"We're simply so happy and blessed to be a part of the community," said Lubinski, "and we're grateful for everything."

For more information on Precious Children's Respite Home, located in Springfield Township, please call 248-625-2995.

Learn More

Barb Lubinski is the guest speaker at St. Daniel Catholic Church's Spaghetti Dinner on March 25 at 6 p.m. in the Cushing Center.

The dinner will follow the evening's Mass service and the goal is to build awareness about the Precious Children Respite Home.

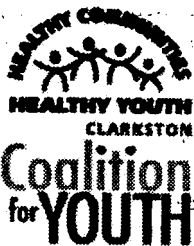
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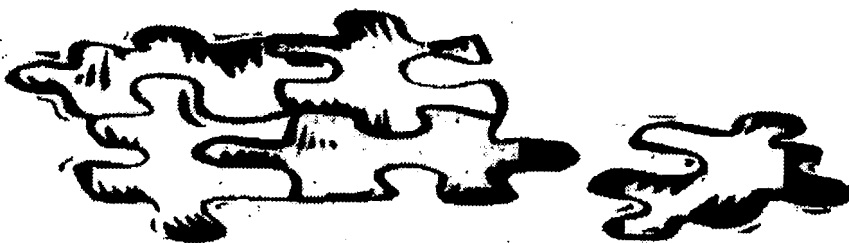
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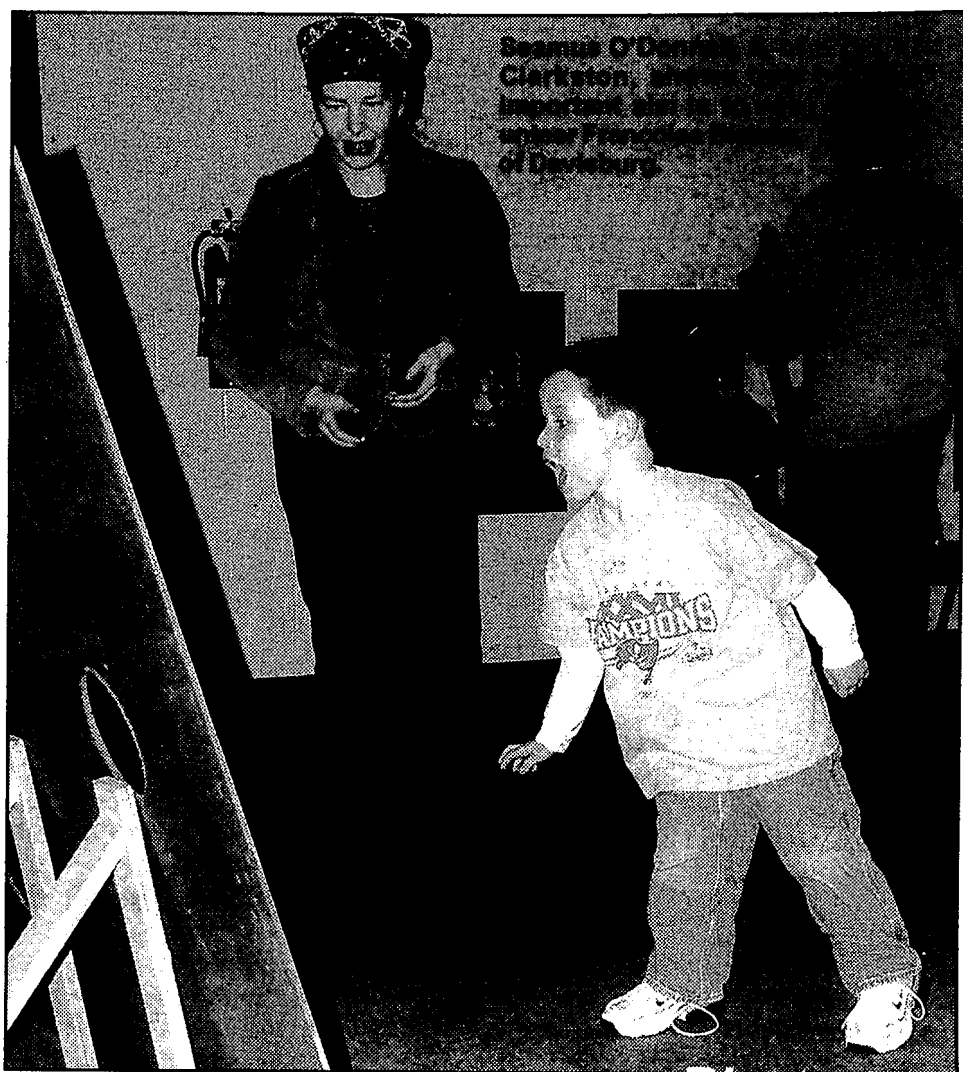
Setting sail at Crosshill PreSchool



Is that permanent?!?! Four-year-old Rhianna Hensler, of Clarkston, gets her first pirate tattoo while Megan Bush, 4, of Davisburg, smiles in the background.



Face painting is serious business for pirates. Here, volunteer Natalie Stevenson, 12, focuses on a drawing for Payton Price, 4, of White Lake.



Right, coming down the inflatable slide was the best part of the day for 5-year-old Courtney Blackett.



Yummy! Above, Davisburg resident Claire Durkin, 4½, munches down on a pirate kabob.



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Jenny
Matteson

Clay Froman, 4, of Davisburg, shows volunteer Cathy Peruski how to "Pin the Patch on the Pirate."



Five-year-old Nevada Ross, of White Lake, loved the slide.



Bryce Nichols, of Holly, head for the finish line during a pirate race.

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

Finding just the right balance

BY JAMES MARTINEZ

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Coaching cycling, teaching tai chi and fitting cyclists at his bike shop are all part of Jeff Noftz's week.

Noftz, the co-owner of Kinetic Systems bicycle shop in downtown Clarkston, keeps a tight but flexible schedule sharing the activities he loves with others.

Currently on Monday nights, Noftz teaches tai chi at the Independence Library helping people explore martial arts which are such a big part of his life.

"Tai chi is about quality movement, synergistic movement and letting go of tension in the body... You learn how to stand better and be less rigid in movement, posture and breathing," said Noftz, who sees poor posture, lack of motion and flexibility as major health issues not taught in most sports.

Noftz's interest in the martial arts dates back to the 1960's. Then as an employee of the University of Idaho, Noftz joined a boxing club and practiced other martial arts.

"I went through all the different martial arts and loved them all... I became enamored with Eastern philosophy and movement and blending with nature," said Noftz, who began conditioning on a bike when he struggled with jumping rope during boxing training.

"As I got older I started gravitating towards the softer forms of martial arts," he added.

Part of Noftz's ability to teach tai chi dates back about 10 years when Noftz heard a story from a friend that intrigued him and would lead him to an invaluable mentor.

Upon visiting his ailing grandmother at the hospital, the friend saw a small Chinese man working his hands above the woman's body. Curious, the friend placed his hands between his grandmother's body and the strange man's hands and felt a shock.

Hearing the story, Noftz knew he had to find the man, but had little information

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"I became enamored with Eastern philosophy and movement and blending with nature."

— Jeff Noftz
Tai Chi Instructor



Jeff Noftz leads a tai chi class at Independence Township library on March 20. He teaches classes every Monday at 5:30 p.m. Photo by Jenny Matteson

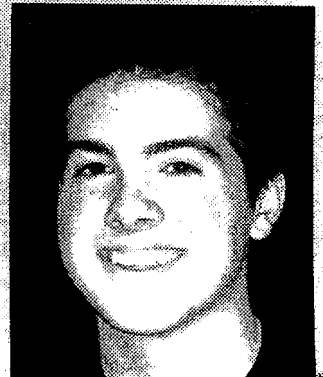
People Poll

Is winter weather done with Michigan?



"Yeah, it's probably over. I think it's going to stay green."

— Alex Squiers



"I don't think so. From my experience with Michigan winters, Spring doesn't officially start until April."

— Steve Colyer



"God I hope so."

— Lesia Wasylkevych



"It's Michigan. It can't be over."

— Karen Brown

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The event is open to families with children ages 6-12.

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



Mike Mercier presents Donna Clancey, executive director of Clarkston SCAMP, with a check for \$250 from the Clarkston Area Lions Club on March 9. Photo by Brace Kase

Lions reach out to SCAMP

With the days finally getting longer, both Clarkston SCAMP and the Clarkston Lions Club are ready for action in the coming months.

The Lions Club is teaming up with Independence Township Parks and Recreation for Easter festivities on April 8 and is prepping for White Cane week which runs April 28-May 6. The Lions Club's next meeting is March 23 at 6:30 p.m. at Clintonwood Park. For more information on the Clarkston Lions Club, call 248-625-2584 or contact them via email at lions.clarkston@sbglobal.net.

Clancey announced at the

March 9 Lions Club meeting that 372 scampers attended the five week program last summer. Approximately 90 percent of SCAMPers have one or more disabilities, including autism, mental or emotional impairment, learning disabilities, speech and language delay or physical handicap. The remaining 10 percent are identified as "at risk" by school personnel and in need of a positive summer experience. SCAMP was able to raise \$122,000 through five major fund-raisers last year. SCAMP 2006 is set for June 19-July 21. For more information on SCAMP call 248-620-1882.

The next Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce **Women in Business luncheon** is scheduled for March 23 from 10:45 a.m.-1 p.m. at Oakhurst Country Club.

This meeting's theme is "Knowledge." A business panel of experts will present information on marketing, financial and organizational issues that face businesses of all sizes. A question and answer period is included.

The cost is \$25 per person, \$15 for Chamber members with their prepaid reservation.

For more information, call the chamber office at 248-625-8055.

There's so much happening at **Independence Township Parks and Recreation**:

• Independence Township Parks and Recreation knows how to present a pajama party on a grand scale.

The **Cartoon PJ parties** are specially designed for children ages three to five and feature crafts, games and pictures.

The date scheduled for the Clintonwood Park Carriage house is March 24. The fun runs 6:30-8:15 p.m. All who attend are encouraged to dress in their favorite pjs or cartoon attire.

Cost is \$15 for residents and \$20 for non-residents and includes a hot dog dinner and juice.

To discover more about Independence Township Parks and Recreation, call 248-625-8223.

Joseph C. Bird # 294 cordially invites you and your friends to a Party on March 26 at 2:30 p.m. featuring Tastefully Simple and Cookie Lee Jewelry demonstrations at the Clarkston Masonic Temple, located at 1 E. Washington.

Please R.S.V.P. to Gail Hess 248-625-1632 for a count.

The Oakland County Senior Center Club, at 4770 Waterford Road, is hosting an **All-you-can-eat Spaghetti Dinner** fund-raiser for Brian's Gohlke and Kelsey Thams, two of Clarkston's People

to People Student Ambassadors.

The dinner takes places from 5:30-8:30 p.m. on March 28. Dinner costs \$6 for adults and \$5 for children 12 and under. All proceeds from the event go towards the students' ambassador funds that will take them to New Zealand and Australia this summer.

For more information, contact the OCSC at 248-623-0444.

Springfield Township and Comcast Cable will award **college scholarships** in the amounts of \$500 and \$1,000.

Recipients must be high school seniors who are residents of Springfield Township. Preference is given to students who have volunteered time and talent in the high school or the community.

For applications, see the Clarkston High School counseling office or stop by the Springfield Township Library on Davisburg Road.

The deadline for applications is March 31.

The **2006 Clarkston Connects Community Expo** is scheduled for April 1 from 9 a.m.-noon at the CHS cafeteria.

Enjoy a day of one stop shopping of Clarkston activities for the summer of 2006!

You are invited to participate in this fun filled morning which showcases the best Clarkston has to offer our youth, teens, young adults, adults and seniors!

For the past three years, over 60 clubs, organizations and businesses have shown the many and varied ways in which to become involved within our community. We warmly thank our past participants and enthusiastically invite them, and those of you who have not yet joined in, to consider coming out on April 1st to share with all of us what you are all about.

If you cannot be an exhibitor, mark your calendars to attend!

For more information, go online to www.clarkstonconnects.org.

To assist area individuals with enrollment and benefit questions concerning the new Medicare prescription drug plans, the Area Agency on Aging 1-8 (AAA 1-8) and Clarkston Health Center will hold a free Medicare drug plan assistance day, at Clarkston

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Clarkston News Staff Reporter

With a new storefront on Dixie Highway, Vehicle Accessories' sign says exactly what the new Clarkston area business is all about.

"We specialize in after market accessories for every vehicle on the road," Store Manager Doug Harding said.

Vehicle Accessories operates locations in Flint and Boyne City opened up their third storefront in early January 2006 in the Clarkston area. The business is in its 12 year.

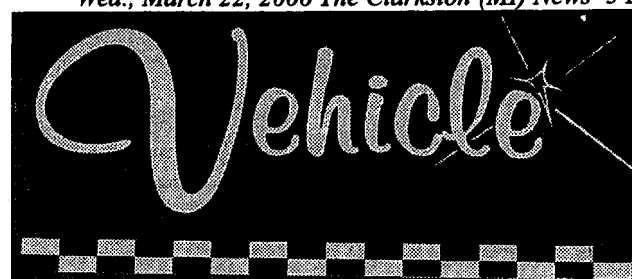
"We have been well received down here," Harding

said.

The newest Vehicle Accessories location sits on the same property as the former Truck King store. While maintaining their predecessor's focus on the big dogs of the road, the new business has something for every automobile, whether big or small.

"If someone comes along with a mini-van and wants a console unit installed, we can do that," Owner Charlie Card said.

Truck owners are not left sifting through Honda Civic light racks though as a full range of bed liners, running boards, fiberglass toppers and grills are ready to be in-



stalled.

"All work is done in-house. We install everything we sell," Harding said.

Citing his staff's familiarity with the product and overall expertise, Harding feels the installation process will not muss busy schedules.

"Most everything we do can be done in an hour. There isn't anything that we do that you couldn't wait for," Harding said.

With a large in-store selection customers can walk in with an idea and drive away with their automobile fully realized.

Harding and the installation staff strive to offer only pleasant surprises when the job is done.

"We think of every truck we do as our own truck," Harding said.

In terms of product lines, Vehicle Accessories sells A.R.E. and Covermaster fiberglass toppers exclusively. As far as other parts go, like trailer hitches and light covers, the selection is wide open.

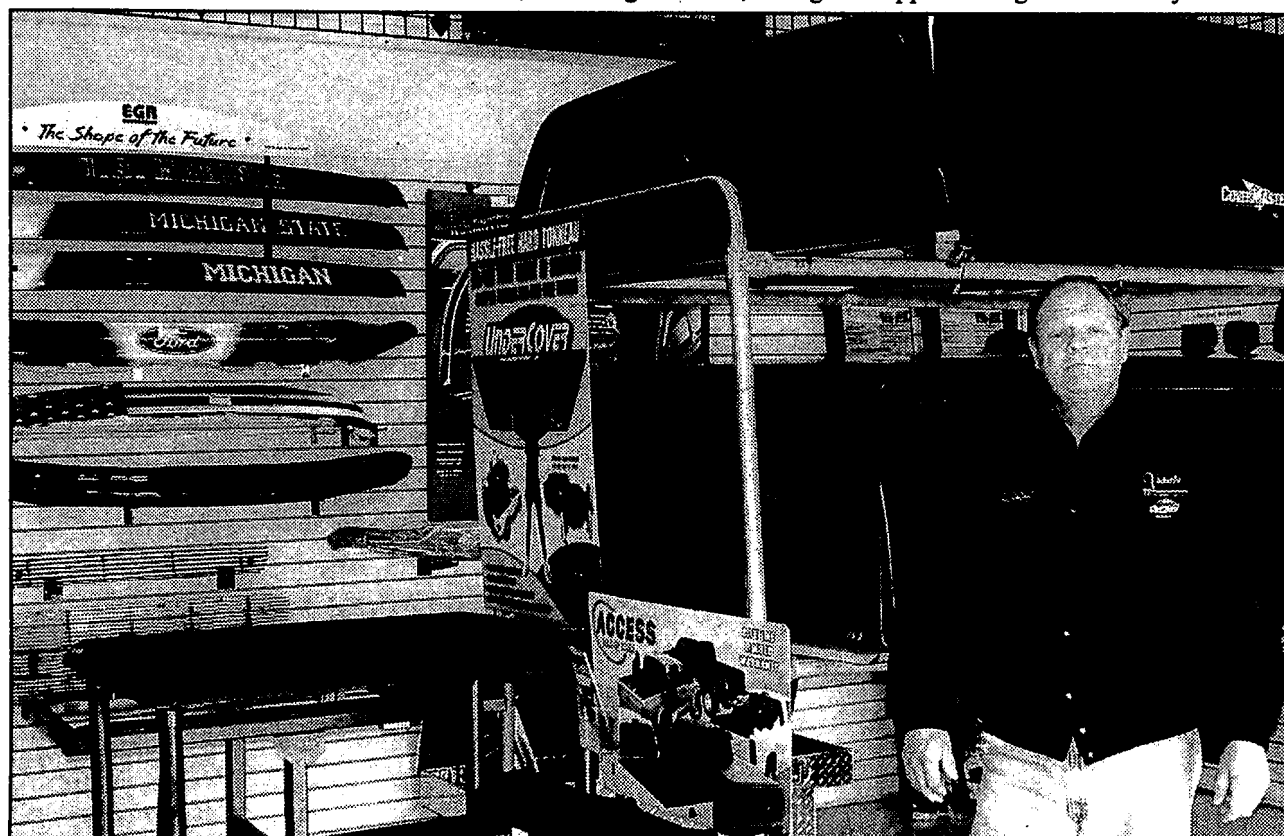
"If there's something you want that's manufactured, I can usually have it here the next day," Harding said.

Vehicle Accessories wants to keep their customers happy, so any warranty issues are handled in-store.

"We honor all warranties in house. If we sell it, we take care of it," Harding said.

Some more of the embellishments Vehicle Accessories offers are: Nerf bars, vent visors, off-road lighting, hidden trailer hitches, custom graphics, bug shields, lowering and lift kits, neon lights and Perma-Tech spray on bed liners.

Vehicle Accessories is located at 7400 Dixie Highway and is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m.-6 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. For more information call 248-620-9220 or visit them online at www.4vehicleaccessories.com.



Vehicle Accessories Store Manager Doug Harding stands in the newly opened Clarkston locations' showroom. Photo by Noah Purcell

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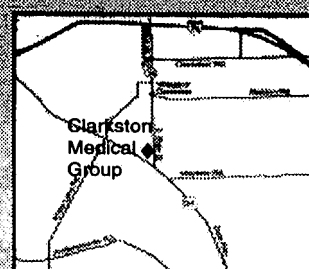
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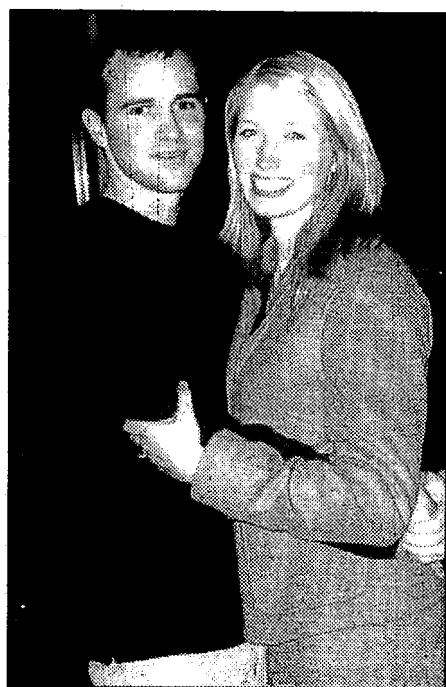
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Milestones

Tate duo engaged



The Tate family is celebrating two recent engagements: Adam and Sarah pictured left and Emily and Bryan pictured right.

Emily and Adam prepare to say 'I do'

Two weddings are planned for the Tate family this year.

On June 24, Adam F. Tate and Sarah M. Slavicek wed in Stevensville.

Sarah is the daughter of Mary and Steve Slavicek of Stevensville. She is a 2000 grad of Lakeshore High School and Western Michigan University.

Adam is a 1997 graduate of Clarkston High School and Western Michigan University.

The couple resides in Stockbridge, Georgia where Sarah is a teacher and Adam is in sales.

Emily Tate, a 200 graduate of Clarkston High School, will marry Bryan D. Moore, son of Gary and Judy Moore of Johnsbury, Illinois.

Emily and Bryan are both graduates of Purdue University in mechanical engineering. Bryan graduated from Johnsbury High School in 2000.

Both are employed by Caterpillar and live in Peoria, Illinois. They are planning an October wedding in Clarkston.

Emily and Adam are the children of Bill and Lois Tate of Clarkston.

Hill-DeGain wed in Davison

Nicole M. Hill, of Davison and Patrick M. DeGain, formerly of Clarkston, were united in marriage on August 6, 2005 at Davison Township Park with Rev. Wayne Wentzel, of Faith Lutheran Church in Grand Blanc, officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Rick and Teri Hill of Davison. She is a 2001 graduate of Davison High School and a 2004 graduate of Michigan State University. She is employed as a Student Services Representative at the National College of Business and Technology.

The groom is the son of Michael and Donna DeGain of Grand Blanc, formerly of Clarkston. He is a 2000 graduate of Clarkston High School and a 2005 graduate of Indiana University. He is employed as an Assistant Wrestling Coach at the University of Virginia.

Serving as maid of honor was Alana Hill, sister of the bride. Bridesmaids were Cristina Bastianelli, Liz McFarlan, Venessa Quintona and Abbey Strand, all friends of the bride. Madeline Kalush, niece of the bride, served as a junior bridesmaid.

Serving as best man was Jack Barnhiesel, friend of the groom.



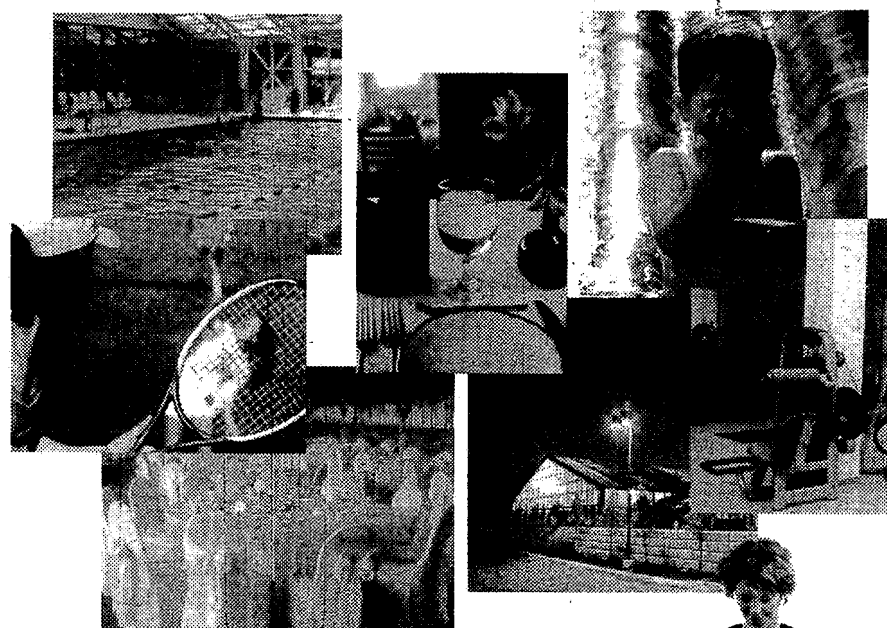
Groomsmen were Clinton DeGain, brother of the groom; Nathan Hill, brother of the bride; Joe DeGain, brother of the groom; Rocky Lund, friend of the groom and Tony Kotewa, cousin of the groom.

Ushers were Matt Ferguson, Joseph Dubuque and Brady Richardson, all friends of the bride and groom.

Following the ceremony, family and friends enjoyed a reception at St. John's Parish Hall.

The couple resides in Charlottesville, Virginia.

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Religion

The true spirit of faith

I apologize.

The privilege of writing this article is not lost on me. Those of us who are invited to contribute to this space are asked because we are some of the identifiable leaders of the faith community in this area. As an ordained clergy, I not only represent the congregation I serve, but to some extent bear the responsibility of reflecting the church, the body of Christ. This represents a diverse group of people with a wide spectrum of theological and political thought, spiritual practices and social witness.

Each pastor, lay person and church has a distinctive flavor. The apostle Paul celebrates this truth in I Corinthians 12 when he writes, "Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God..." Along with Paul, I celebrate our unique differences as the Church, even as we are powered by the same Spirit and witness to the same Lord.

Yet, sometimes the church gets so lost that it acts in ways that grieves even the Spirit. For example, recently a few Christians have been protesting because they believe God is sending a message of condemnation to our country over acceptance of homosexuality. The objects of their protests are grieving families who are at grave sides while they bury their loved ones who have been killed in action in Iraq. Their behavior leaves

many of us weeping along with the Lord we serve.

Such acts leave me angry, embarrassed and frustrated and much of the world disillusioned. The brokenness of the church has for too many reduced the Body of Christ down to just another flawed institution in our society. As one who represents at least part of the church, I apologize for such behavior in the name of Christ. I truly believe that those who act in such a manner truly do not know the damage they do nor how far they are from the calling of Christ. Yet even as I say that, I am aware that none of us are perfect and all of us are flawed seekers.

The Christian community is now in the middle of the season of Lent where believers are called to a time of discernment, repentance and recommitment to follow the path of Christ. We are given the privilege of knowing that no sin is so great as not to be forgiven by divine love and grace. So I pray not only for the world's forgiveness, I pray for God's.

In the place of arrogance, I pray we reflect humility. Instead of condemnation, may we show compassion and may mercy and hospitality replace judgment and division. I pray this will be the witness that the world will come to know about us.

God is at work through us. I am humbled to see daily around me people feeding the hungry, caring for the sick, growing in their knowledge of faith and striving to serve the world in the light of a Lord who shows us a more excellent way. The true spirit of faith is alive and well and I invite you to move beyond the headlines and come have an experience of it for yourself.

(Rick Dake is pastor at Clarkston United Methodist Church)

Spiritual Matters



Pastor Rick Dake

In our churches...

St. Daniel Catholic Church hosts several events in March. Scripture study is on Tuesdays at 10 a.m. and evening prayer at 7 p.m., followed by brief presentations on the passion stories of the four Gospels. On Wednesdays, dinner at 6 p.m. followed by presentations/discussions for adults and learning activities on same theme for children. Presentation topics are as follows: *What is Church?* (March 22) and *Teens present* (March 29). On March 25, there is a spaghetti dinner at 6 p.m. following mass. Ms. Barbara Lubinski, the Director of Precious Children Respite Home in Davisburg, is guest speaker. St. Daniel Catholic Church is located at 7010 Valley Park. For more info call 248-625-4580.

Join in the "Fool's Day Run 5K Run/Walk" on April 1 at 9 a.m. The event is sponsored by Clarkston Community Church. Early registration entry fees are \$18 (with t-shirt) or \$15 (without) and must be postmarked by March 20. Registration fees the day of the race are \$20 (with t-shirt) and \$17 (without). Registration starts at 7 a.m. the day of the race. Make checks payable to Clarkston Community Church Youth. Clarkston Community Church is located at 6300 Clarkston Road, Clarkston, MI 48346. For more info call Dale Decker at 248-625-1323.

St. Daniel Catholic Church is hosting "Spiritual Direction Retreat" starting now until a closing meeting on April 2. A team of spiritual directors will lead the weekly, 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

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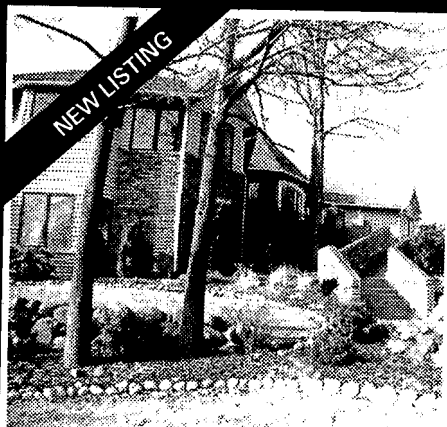
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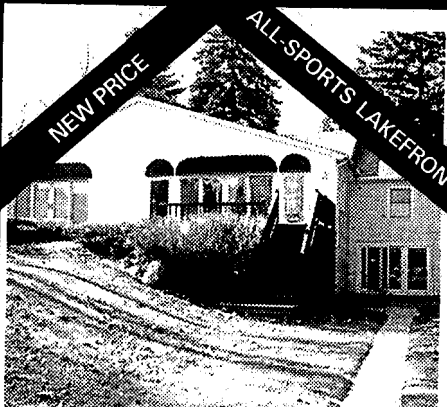
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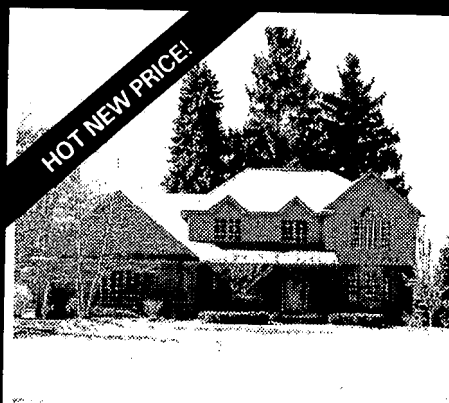
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Obituaries

Former Clarkston resident passes away

Raymond E. Day, of Ohio, formerly of Clarkston and Tawas, passed away on March 10, 2006. He was 75.

Mr. Day was the brother of Eleanor Sommers of Weidman, Evelyn Cooper of Davisburg, Virginia Smock of McBain, the late Harlan, the late Alvin and the late Marian Haut.

He is survived by many nieces and nephews. He was the best friend of Paul Lee.

A funeral service was held on March 15, 2006 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home. Burial in Lakeview Cemetery.

Online guestbook at www.wintfuneralhome.com.



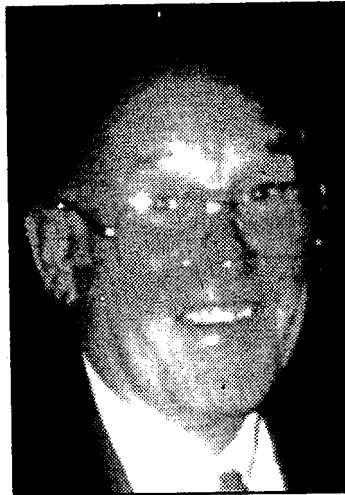
Clifford Teague

Clifford J. "Jack" Teague, of Clarkston, passed away on March 12, 2006. He was 78 years old.

Mr. Teague was the loving husband of Willene "Pee Wee" for 56 years; father of Brian (Sherri) of Columbiaville and Kevin (Victoria) of Sterling Heights; grandfather of Marcus Teague and Christine Clark; and great-grandfather of Tyler, Emily and Megan. He is also survived by two brother and two sisters.

Mr. Teague retired from GM Truck and Bus in 1992 after completing 42 years of service. He served in the U.S. Army.

A funeral service was held on March 16, 2006 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son TRUST



100 Funeral Home. Burial ceremonies in Ottawa Park Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the American Diabetes Association or the Alzheimer's Association. Online guestbook www.wintfuneralhome.com.

Vernon Carl Eisenhardt

Vernon Carl Eisenhardt, of South Branch, formerly of Clarkston, passed away on March 12, 2006 at the age of 77.

Mr. Eisenhardt was the loving husband of the late Jeanne Ellen (Cobb) Eisenhardt; dear father of Andrea (Khokan) Mitra, Mark Eisenhardt, Dale Eisenhardt, Kay (Russ) Lund and Amy

(William) Monroe; grandfather of Romy (Dr. Steven), Justin, Jevin, Robi (Jessica), Neil, Amber, Jeremy, Jacob, Dale Jr., John II (Amber), Shane, Todd, Eric (Amanda) and Melesa; great-grandfather of Isabel, Amelia, Hugo, Kaya, Nathan and Makenzie Marie; and brother of Joyce Schultz, Carole (Gordon) Lowe, Bill Eisenhardt and Roger (Heidi) Eisenhardt.

A funeral service was held on March 15, 2006 at the Potere-Modetz Funeral Home in Rochester. Burial ceremonies took place in Christian Memorial Cemetery. Family suggests memorials to the American Cancer Society.

Online guestbook available at www.modetzfuneralhomes.com.

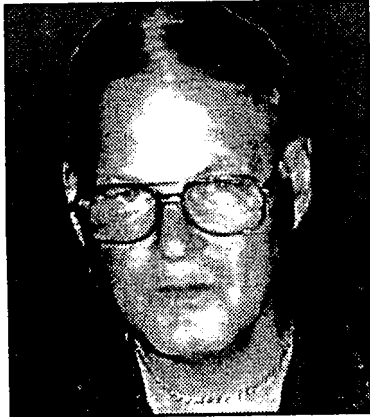
Jack Hoisington

Jack W. Hoisington, of Goodrich, formerly of Clarkston, passed away on March 12, 2006. He was 67.

Mr. Hoisington was the loving husband of Jackie; father of Craig (Stacie) Hoisington of Holly and Lisa (John) Foglio of Goodrich; grandfather of Dylan, Nick, Sebastian, Elli, Morgan, Chanda and Maddy; and brother

of Janet, Jim, Jay (Mary Ann), John (Cecelia) and Jearl "Butch" (Donna).

A funeral service was held on March 16, 2006 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home. Memorials may be made to the Christopher Reeve Foundation or Genesys Hospice. Online guestbook available at www.wintfuneralhome.com.



World War II veteran William Alfred Hammond

William Alfred Hammond, of Waterford, formerly of Macomb County, passed away on March 14, 2006 at the age of 82.

Mr. Hammond was the husband of Katherine; and father of William of Romulus, Donald (Katherine) of Davisburg and Gerald (Therese) of Troy. He is also survived by six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

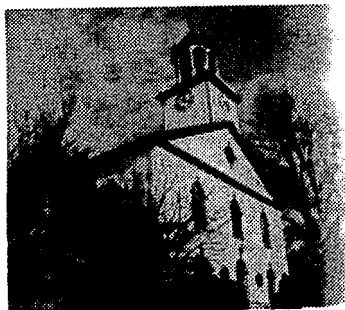
Mr. Hammond retired from Chrysler. He served in the Army during World War II and enjoyed golf and traveling.

A Funeral Mass was held on March 21, 2006 at Our Lady of the Lakes Catholic Church in Waterford. Rite of Committal in White Chapel Cemetery in Troy. Arrangements entrusted to Lewis E. Wint & Son TRUST



100 Funeral Home.

Memorials may be made to the Michigan Humane Society. Online guestbook at www.wintfuneralhome.com.



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Call Gary West, 248-343-3800



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Call Kate Z, 248-933-3473



5652 Golfpointe, Independence
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MLS #26004130
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Getting healthy...



The Deer Lake Athletic Club hosting a health fair this past Saturday for area residents. Participants were able to get different health screenings, learn about nutrition and listen to guest speakers. Picture above, Barbara Pare, of White Lake, talks about nutrition supplements with Jeremy Lasley, store representative with GNC, located on Dixie Highway.

Left, Deer Lake Athletic Club Personal Training Director Dan Houston gives a presentation during the health fair.

**Photos by
Jenny Matteson**



A group of volunteers spend time helping others during a Christmas in Action workday. Photo provided

Christmas in Action gears up for April 29 work day

Once again Christmas in Action of Oakland County is gearing up to provide free home repairs to qualified, low-income seniors and handicapped homeowners.

This year's work day is scheduled for April 29. The last Saturday in April is the traditional day when Christmas in Action does home repairs for qualified low-income seniors and handicapped homeowners.

Last year, the group divided into teams to work on three different homes in Clarkston. Volunteers from the community – representing church groups, business teams and individual citizens – came together on the last Saturday in April to make a difference in their community.

"It is amazing what can be accomplished when a team of volunteers show

up at your door on workday," said one of the 2005 homeowners.

Christmas in Action is a national group that believes in doing home repairs for qualified seniors and handicapped homeowners to insure that they continue to live in a safe and warm home. The group is comprised of skilled and unskilled volunteers who work on the interior or the exterior of the home.

Christmas in Action is currently seeking applicants and volunteers. A representative works with selected homeowners prior to April 29 to create a list of projects to be started and completed on the day.

To volunteer or to request an application for a homeowner, please call 248-618-7433 or write to CIA at P.O. Box 644, Clarkston, MI 48347.

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The Luck of the Irish

Photos by James Martinez



St. Clair Shores' Jeff Reynolds jammed as part of The Cadets who entertained at St. Dan's St. Patrick's Day dinner party.



Leprechaun friends Ella Grant of Waterford, 8, and 4-year-old Ellie Wyckoff of Clarkston sport their St. Patrick's Day hats at Church of the Resurrection.



Dennis O'Malley of O'Malley's Galley stirs up corned beef and cabbage and Irish stew at St. Daniel Catholic Church dinner party. Photo by James Martinez

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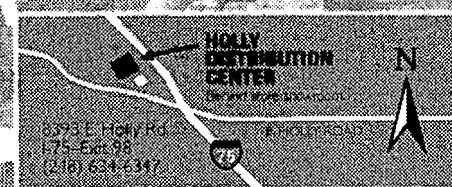
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COZY HOLLY HOME

Lots of living space. 4 bedrooms, 3 baths, open floor plan, cathedral ceilings, finished w/o bsmt, all appliances stay.
\$189,000 34HIL

NORTH END PONTIAC HOME

3 bedrooms, 1 bath, new carpet, fresh paint, newer appliances, oak cabinets, large fenced yard, 1.5 car garage.
\$111,900 11STA

WATERFORD SCHOOLS!!

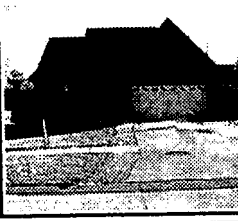
Everything new!! Open floor plan, plaster walls, cove ceilings, neutral colors, nicely done, insulated garage, nice landscaping.
\$148,500 40OLM

LUXURY CHALET VACATION HOME

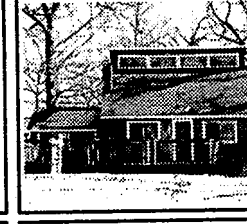
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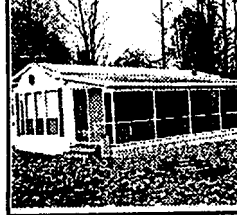
3 bedrooms, 3.5 baths, finished basement, 1st floor mst B.R. & laundry, deluxe patio, 2 car garage. Sharp home!!
\$228,000 28REF

IMMACULATE CONTEMPORARY

3 bed, 2 baths, across from Elizabeth Lake. Dramatic sunset views. Newer carpet & paint, large 2 car garage, decking. Waterford Schools!
\$199,900 86LAK

MOVE IN CONDITION

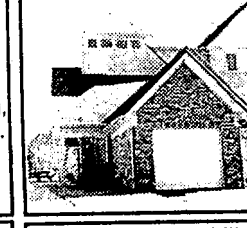
Oak kitchen w/ doorwall, deck w/ stupendous views. Nice large rooms, daylight w/o basement, large fenced yard, lots of wildlife. Lake Orion Schools!
\$215,000 94PIN

SUMMER HOME!!!

1993 park model. Sandy Shores Campground. Corner lot 77x114. Appliances & furniture, screened in deck, beach & playground in Clare County.
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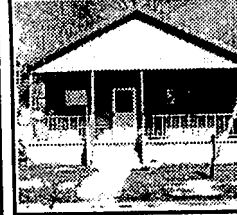
Nice home in popular Red Barn Sub. Lake Orion or Oxford Schools. Private, fenced yard, great neighborhood. 3 beds, 1.5 baths.
\$172,000 13ATH

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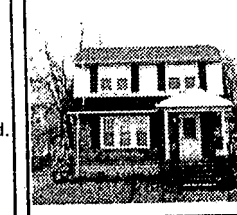
Lined sidewalks, mature trees, 3 bedrooms, approx. 2000 sq. ft., hardwood flooring, par. fin. basement, hot tub & patio.
\$229,900 26NOT

ON 1.5 ACRES

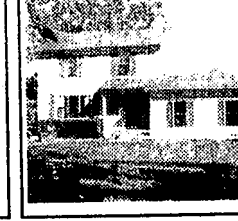
4 bedrooms, 2 baths, woodstove, over 2000 sq. ft., 2 car garage, fenced yard. Davison Schools.
\$169,900 34STA

GREAT COUNTRY LOCATION

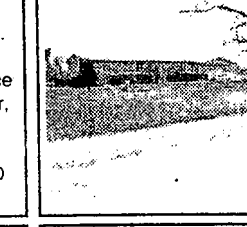
Corner acre lot. 3 beds, 1.5 baths, 1547 sq. ft., basement, 2.5 car garage, parklike setting in Groveland. Holly Schools. Paved road.
\$194,900 65TRI

PREMIER FOR WOODS

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\$119,900 58MEA

COUNTRY COLONIAL

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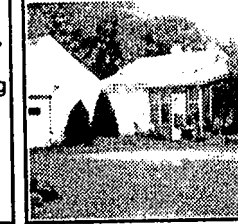
Ranch home on 1+ acres. 3 bedrooms, 1.5 baths, finished basement, breezeway, fruit trees & vines.
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BEAUTIFUL RANCH!!!

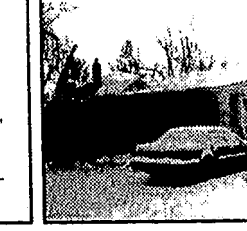
A must see! Parklike setting. Custom ranch, recently updated, hardwood floors, 2 fireplaces, large back windows.
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\$94,900 36HAT

NORTH END PONTIAC HOME

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\$100,000 95COR

PUBLIC NOTICE

Because the People Want to Know

INDEPENDENCE TWP.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

The Independence Township Board of Appeals will meet Wednesday, April 5, 2006 at 7:30 pm at the Independence Township Library, 6495 Clarkston Road, Clarkston, MI 48346 to hear the following cases:

Case #06-0008 Ford, Kenneth, Petitioner
APPLICANT REQUESTS FRONT YARD SETBACK VARIANCE OF 4' TO CONSTRUCT COVERED PORCH
Dvorak St., Lot 76, R-1A
Goodrich Farm Sub
08-26-304-008

Case #06-0009 Moraco, Sam, Petitioner
APPLICANT REQUESTS REAR YARD SETBACK VARIANCE OF 27' AND HEIGHT VARIANCE OF 2' TO CONSTRUCT DETACHED GARAGE, PLUS VARIANCE TO ALLOW ONE HORSE ON PROPERTY (UNDER 3 ACRE PARCEL)
Pine Knob Rd., 2.23 Acres, PUD (WITH UNDERLYING R-1R ZONE)
08-10-426-002

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN THAT THE ABOVE REQUEST MAY BE EXAMINED at the Independence Township Building Department during regular hours each day, Monday through Friday until the date of the Public Hearing. For further information call (248) 625-8111.

Respectfully submitted,
Shelagh VanderVeen
Township Clerk
Nedra L. Lambert
Secretary

PUBLIC NOTICE

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CLARKSTON

NOTICE OF CLOSE OF REGISTRATION FOR THE ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, MAY 2, 2006 FOR CLARKSTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OPERATING MILLAGE RENEWAL PROPOSAL

To the qualified electors of The City of the Village of Clarkston, County of Oakland, State of Michigan.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF CLARKSTON OFFICES, 375 DEPOT ROAD, CLARKSTON, MICHIGAN, 48346, WILL BE OPEN:

**MONDAY, April 3, 2006
LAST DAY TO REGISTER**

FROM 8:30 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.

FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECEIVING APPLICATIONS FOR THE REGISTRATION OF THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS IN SAID CITY NOT ALREADY REGISTERED.

THE MAY 2, 2006 ELECTION WILL BE CONDUCTED IN THE VOTING PRECINCT OF THE CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF CLARKSTON FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING A CANDIDATE TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION FOR CLARKSTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS AND THE FOLLOWING PROPOSAL:

**OPERATING MILLAGE RENEWAL PROPOSAL
EXEMPTING PRINCIPAL RESIDENCE AND
QUALIFIED AGRICULTURAL PROPERTY AND
HEADLEE RESTORATION PURPOSES, AS NECESSARY
19.2491 MILLS FOR 10 YEARS**

To obtain full text of the above proposal contact The City Clerk's Office, (248) 625-1559.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Because the People Want to Know

INDEPENDENCE TWP.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE TOWNSHIP BOARD PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE — SITE SPECIFIC RELIEF AUTHORIZATION APPLICATION

Date: APRIL 4, 2006

Time: 7:30 p.m.

Place: CLARKSTON SCHOOL BOARD MEETING ROOM
CLARKSTON SCHOOLS ADMINISTRATION OFFICES
6389 Clarkston Road
Clarkston, Michigan

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that, on April 4, 2006, at 7:30 p.m. in the Clarkston School Board Meeting Room, Clarkston Schools Administrative Offices, 6389 Clarkston Road, Clarkston, Michigan, the Independence Township Board shall conduct a public hearing for the purpose of receiving public comment on the application of Orca Investments, Inc., for a Site Specific Relief Authorization under Section 5.30 of the Township Zoning Ordinance, seeking approval for a development of approximately 71.4 acres of land situated in the southwest quadrant of the intersection of I-75 and Sashabaw Road (north of Waldon Road).

The Properties which are the subject matter of the application are:

08-22-351-006, 08-22-351-007 (part), 08-22-351-009, 08-22-351-010, 08-22-351-011, 08-22-351-016, 08-22-351-017, 08-22-351-018, 08-22-351-021, 08-22-351-025, 08-22-351-056, 08-22-351-057, 08-22-351-058.

The application, including a site plan, has been submitted seeking site specific relief approval for approximately 4.81 acres of commercial development fronting on Waldon Road, and approximately 66.59 acres of residential development. The residential portion of the property is proposed to be developed with three forms of housing, as shown on the site plan: single family detached, town homes and twelve-plex units. A copy of the application is on file at the Township Building and Planning Offices, 90 North Main Street, Clarkston, Michigan, for public examination during normal business hours.

SHELAGH VANDERVEEN, TOWNSHIP CLERK

DATED: March 22, 2006



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PUBLIC NOTICE

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OAKLAND COUNTY

NOTICE OF CLOSE OF REGISTRATION FOR THE ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, MAY 2, 2006 FOR CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN

BRANDON SCHOOL DISTRICT - MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION - VOTE FOR TWO - FOUR YEAR TERM
CLARKSTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS - MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION - VOTE FOR ONE - FOUR YEAR TERM
HOLLY AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT - MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION - VOTE FOR TWO - FOUR YEAR TERM

To the qualified electors of the Charter Township of Springfield, County of Oakland, State of Michigan.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE OAKLAND COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE, 1200 N. TELEGRAPH RD., DEPT. 417, PONTIAC, MI 48341-0417 WILL BE OPEN:

MONDAY, APRIL 3, 2006

LAST DAY TO REGISTER

FROM 8:00 A.M. UNTIL 5:00 P.M.

FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECEIVING APPLICATIONS FOR THE REGISTRATION OF THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS IN SAID CITY/TOWNSHIP NOT ALREADY REGISTERED.

THE MAY 2, 2006 ELECTION WILL BE CONDUCTED IN ALL VOTING PRECINCTS OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING CANDIDATES TO BOARDS OF EDUCATION FOR BRANDON SCHOOL DISTRICT, CLARKSTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS AND HOLLY AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT. PROPOSALS:

BRANDON SCHOOL DISTRICT

EXHIBIT A BOND PROPOSAL

Shall the Brandon School District, Counties of Oakland and Apeor, Michigan, borrow the principal sum of not to exceed Seventy-Three Million Four Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$73,400,000) and issue its general obligation unlimited tax bonds therefor for the purpose of defraying the cost of:

acquiring and installing technology infrastructure and equipment in and connecting School District buildings;
remodeling existing School District buildings, including security, technology and mechanical upgrades;
constructing, furnishing and equipping additions to School District buildings;
equipping, furnishing, reequipping and/or refurbishing School District buildings, and acquiring school buses;
constructing, furnishing and equipping a new elementary school; and
acquiring, improving and developing sites, including playgrounds and outdoor athletic fields, facilities and structures in the School District?

The debt millage levy required to retire all bonds of the school district currently outstanding and proposed by this ballot proposal is currently estimated to remain at or below the current levy of 8.24 mills. The estimated millage to be levied in 2006 to service this issue of bonds is 0 mills (\$0.00 per \$1,000 of taxable value) and the estimated simple average annual millage rate required to retire the bonds of this issue is 4.85 mills (\$4.85 per \$1,000 of taxable value). The bonds may be payable in not to

exceed thirty (30) years from the date of delivery. If the School District borrows from the State to pay debt service on the bonds of this issue, the School District may be required to continue to levy mills beyond the term of the bonds to repay the State.

(Under State law, bond proceeds may not be used to pay teacher or administrator salaries, routine maintenance or repair costs or other School District operating expenses.)

CLARKSTON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS OPERATING MILLAGE RENEWAL PROPOSAL EXEMPT- ING PRINCIPAL RESIDENCE AND QUALIFIED AGRICULTURAL PROPERTY

This proposal will allow the school district to continue to levy the statutory rate of 18 mills on all property except principal residence and qualified agricultural property required for the school district to receive its revenue per pupil foundation allowance.

Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property, exempting therefrom principal residence and qualified agricultural property as defined by law, in Clarkston Community Schools, Oakland County, Michigan, be increased by 19.2491 mills (\$19.2491 on each \$1,000.00 of taxable valuation) for a period of 10 years, 2006 to 2015, inclusive, to provide funds for operating purposes; if approved, the estimate of the revenue from 18 mills of the above increase the school district will collect the first year of levy, 2006, is approximately \$7,600,000 (\$18.7491 mills of the above is a renewal of millage which expired with the 2005 tax levy and .5 mill is additional millage to restore millage lost as a result of the reduction required by the Michigan Constitution of 1963)?

HOLLY AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT BONDING PROPOSAL

Shall Holly Area School District, Oakland County, Michigan, borrow the sum of not to exceed Twenty Million Four Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$20,400,000) and issue its general obligation unlimited tax bonds therefor, for the purpose of:

erecting, furnishing and equipping additions to and remodeling, refurbishing and re-equipping school district buildings; acquiring and installing educational technology improvements; and developing and improving playgrounds and sites?

The following is for informational purposes only:

The estimated millage that will be levied for the proposed bonds in 2006, under current law, is 1.16 mills (\$1.16 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation). The maximum number of years the bonds may be outstanding, exclusive of any refunding, will not exceed twenty-six (26) years. The estimated simple average annual millage anticipated to be required to retire this bond debt is 1.09 mills (\$1.09 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation).

If the school district borrows from the State to pay debt service on the bonds, the school district may be required to continue to levy mills beyond the term of the bonds to repay the State.

(Pursuant to the State law, expenditure of bond proceeds must be audited, and the proceeds cannot be used for repair or maintenance costs, teacher, administrator or employee salaries, or other operating expenses.)

Full text of proposals is available from the
Oakland County Clerk/Register of Deeds,
Election Division, 1200 N. Telegraph Rd., Dept. 417,
Pontiac MI 48341-0417.
Phone (248) 858-0564.

RUTH JOHNSON,
OAKLAND COUNTY CLERK/REGISTER OF DEEDS
1200 N. TELEGRAPH RD.
DEPT. 417
PONTIAC MI 48341-0417
248-858-0564

PUBLIC NOTICE



Charter Township of Springfield

NOTICE OF ADOPTION AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE NO. 63 AN ORDINANCE TO REGULATE COMMUNITY SEWER SYSTEMS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that at a regularly-scheduled meeting held on March 9, 2006, The Township Board of the Charter Township of Springfield adopted amendments to Ordinance No. 63, An Ordinance to Regulate Community Sewer Systems, which amendments are set forth herein and shall take effect seven (7) days after publication of this Notice.

SECTION ONE - ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS:

1. The definition of "MDNR" in Article III is deleted; and in its place added the following definition:

"MDEQ" shall mean the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality or its successors.

2. The definitions of "Act 98" and "Act 98 Permit" in Article III are deleted; and in their place the following definitions added:

"Part 41" shall mean Part 41 of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act.

"Part 41 Permit" shall mean a permit issued in accordance with the provision of Part 41.

3. All references in the Ordinance to "MDNR" shall be revised to "MDEQ".

4. All references in the Ordinance to "Act 98" shall be revised to "Part 41".

5. All references in the Community Sewer System Ordinance to "Oakland Health Department" shall be amended to "Oakland County Department of Human Services, Health Division".

6. In Article II, the reference to "Act 98 Public Acts of 1913" shall be revised to "Part 41 of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act".

7. Section 4.3 is hereby amended to read in its entirety as follows:

4.3 Any development proposed to be serviced by a Community Sewer System shall also be required to secure special land use approval, pursuant to applicable provisions of the Township Zoning Ordinance, if required by that Ordinance.

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 Amendment shall be effective seven (7) days after publication of Notice of Adoption. This Ordinance Amendment shall be published in the manner provided by law.

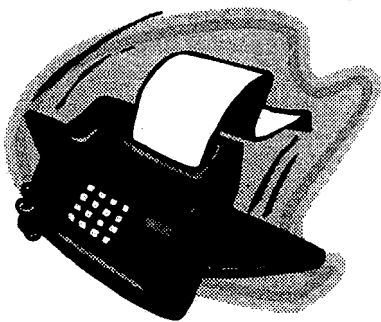
I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of amendments to Ordinance No. 63, An Ordinance to Regulate Community Sewer Systems, adopted at the Regular Meeting of the Springfield Township Board held on the 9th day of March, 2006. The entire Ordinance and documents pertaining to adopted amendments may be inspected or obtained at the office of the Springfield Township Clerk, 12000 Davisburg Road, Davisburg, MI 48350, at all times said office is open for business. Anyone 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

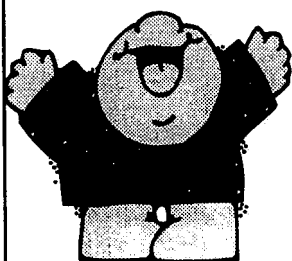
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**STATE OF MICHIGAN
PROBATE COURT
COUNTY OF OAKLAND
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Decedent's Estate
FILE NO: 2006-302,915DE**

Estate of Mildred E. Gatto, deceased. Date of birth: 4-5-22
TO ALL CREDITORS:
NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Mildred E. Gatto, who lived at 8500 Claridge, Clarkston, Michigan died 2-22-2006. Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Margaret Thorpe, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 1200 N. Telegraph Rd., Pontiac, Michigan 48341 and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

Margaret Thorpe
33 Cedar
Ortonville, MI 48462

**STATE OF MICHIGAN
PROBATE COURT
COUNTY OF OAKLAND
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Decedent's Estate
FILE NO:**

Estate of BETTY J. WEST aka BETTY JANE WEST. Date of birth: 08/05/1930
TO ALL CREDITORS:
NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Betty J. West, who lived at 340 E. George, Hazel Park, Michigan died 03-08-2006. Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Gregory West, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 1200 N. Telegraph Rd., Pontiac, Michigan 48341 and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

3-16-2006
Gregory West
5054 Old Cove Rd.
Clarkston, MI 48346
248-628-2094

PUBLIC NOTICE

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CLARKSTON
CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF CLARKSTON
375 DEPOT ROAD
CLARKSTON, MI 48346
**PUBLIC HEARING
PLANNING COMMISSION
APRIL 3, 2006**

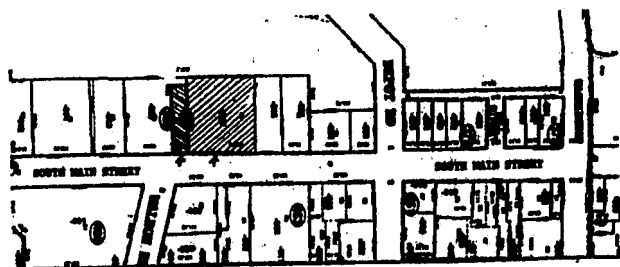
Notice is given that the City of Clarkston Planning Commission will hold a Public Hearing at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, April 3, 2006, at the City Hall, 375 Depot Road, Clarkston, MI 48346.

The purpose of the Public Hearing is to consider the request for the following rezoning requests:

59 South Main Street, 08-20-382-007: From Multiple Family to Village Commercial
69 South Main Street, 08-20-382-008: From R-2 Single Family Residential to Village Commercial

The City of Clarkston Planning Commission will consider any public comments to this matter at this time. The hearing is open to the public to voice their views or submit written comments. Contact City Clerk Art Pappas at (248) 625-1559 for further information or special services.

Derek Werner
Chairman, Planning Commission



Millstream

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to start his search.

"All my friend knew was it was a little bald Chinese guy," recalled Nofz. "I knew there was a small community in Chinese medicine and tai chi. I found him in Ann Arbor.

"I went in to see this guy and I had visions of Kung Fu and 'Grasshopper' that sage-like person," Nofz continued.

The man turned out to be Gabriel Chin, a member of the Board of Alternative Medicine at the University of Michigan who also held a full professorship in chi kung from Beijing University, said Nofz.

Nofz took classes with Chin, who taught for over 60 years. Meeting Saturdays and Sundays year round, Nofz began to study intensely under Chin practicing both tai chi and Chinese medicine.

"He was the most curious person I ever met," said Nofz. "But a lot of people couldn't get passed his wacky exterior."

While studying, Nofz eventually became Chin's chauffeur taking him around from healings and teachings, learning from him close up.

"He was a great human being. He wouldn't take money for healing or tai chi so we'd stick money in his pockets and his wife would know and take the money," said Nofz.

The lessons learned from Chin coincided with Nofz's goals in the operation of Kinetic Systems bicycle shop in Clarkston with Louise Kasl.

"I started taking everything he was doing and put it into bicycle racing, because it's all the same. How the body works is how the body works," said Nofz.

As Nofz worked the store, at its current location since 1986, he gained a reputation for fitting people to



Nofz works on a bike frame in Kinetic Bicycle Systems. Photo by James Martinez

In Our Churches

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Mary Schulte at 248-625-8366. St. Daniel Catholic Church is located at 7010 Valley Park.

The Davisburg Mass Station hosts "Couple Prayer Series" on six consecutive Saturdays in Lent now 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 Davisburg Elementary School on 12003 Davisburg Road.

Keith Cooper, virtuoso guitarist and composer, in concert at Clarkston Community Church on April 30 at 6 p.m. A love offering will be taken at the concert. Clarkston Community Church is located at 6300 Clarkston Road. For more info call 148-625-

Wed., March 22, 2006 The Clarkston (MI) News 13 B bikes.

"I started reading medical books and things about alignment and posture," said Nofz.

That experience and knowledge pays dividends now as Nofz satisfies his passion for coaching and teaching through the cycling group The Flying Rhinos. The group consists of about 300 cyclists of varying abilities who race year round while pursuing active life-styles.

"Teaching and coaching provides a huge family," said Nofz.

Through the group and Kinetics, Nofz and Kasl organize several races including an internationally licensed cyclocross weekend of racing in addition to their annual Spring and Fall Back 40 Rides and the January 1 Polar Rhino Ride. Nofz hosts training sessions throughout the year, both indoors at Kinetic Systems and outdoors on a track on the Oakland County Sportsmen's Club.

The group also benefits from Nofz's experience gained when he was asked to coach cycling one winter at the Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs. Shortly afterwards, Nofz and two other coaches were asked to set up an Olympic training center in Marquette for two summers.

While Nofz realizes the challenges of running a small business, he relishes the flexibility and freedom the venture allows.

"We're doing what we do because we love it and that's the reward... I'd rather do this than be an engineer at GM. We're open seven days a week. We're here and I love it.

"Running the store you get to know people well. Like if you need your car fixed you call John Morgan... Clarkston has that small town feel," said Nofz.

Nofz sees the library's cooperation with the tai chi class as part of the community he has enjoyed since his family moved to the Clarkston area in the 1950's.

"The library has been wonderful about it. There's great people there looking to build a community atmosphere," he added.

Nofz teaches tai chi at the Independence Township library on Mondays at 5:30 p.m. The class is offered for \$4 and is open to the public. Casual clothes are encouraged.

To learn more about the Flying Rhinos Cycling Club call 248-625-7000 or visit their Web site at www.flyingrhinocc.com.



A group practices tai chi with Nofz. Photo by Jenny Matteson

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The Church of the Resurrection hosts Bible study on the Book of Revelation, on Wednesdays at 7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. now through April. The church also has "Lenten Reflection: From Ashes to Easter," on Tuesdays from 6:15 p.m. - 8 p.m. until Holy Week. Eucharist follows reflection. The Church of the Resurrection is located at 6490 Clarkston Road. For more info call 248-625-2325.

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

Around Town

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Health Center on April 4 from 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

To make an appointment, please call the Area Agency on Aging 1-B at 1-800-803-7174. Reservations for the assistance day are required.

Those attending the Clarkston Health Center assistance day are requested to bring the following documentation to ensure a counselor can assist them as thoroughly as possible: name, address, phone number, date of birth, social security number, Medicare card, completed list of medications including dosage, preferred pharmacy, frequency and cost, information on out-of-state travel for extended periods of time and gross monthly income to help determine eligibility for low income assistance.

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

Volunteers are the All Stars of the community. Thanks to volunteers, the Clarkston area is more than just a town to live in, the Clarkston area is a home.

With this thought in mind, the Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce and Clarkston Community Schools are joining together for the second annual **Community Wide Volunteer Recognition Night**.

A special invitation for April 5 is open for any group, organization, church, individual or community who has ever volunteered. The event is from 7-9 p.m. in the Clarkston High School Performing Arts Center and includes humorous and motivational Keynote Speaker LaRon Williams.

A reception will immediately follow the speaker in the CHS cafeteria.

Please RSVP by April 3 at 248-623-3897.

The **Independence Township Senior Center** has several upcoming events:

- 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, through April 11.

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

- 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.

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

Look at all the great events at **Springfield Township Parks and Recreation**:

- **Youth Baseball and Softball Leagues** and forming for this summer. All skill levels are available.

Leagues available for girls 6-16 and boys 6-18 years of age. Practices begin in May, games held June through July, weather permitting.

At this time, Parks and Recreation is looking for adults interested in volunteering to coach. Background check will be completed for those who apply.

Umpires, age 14 years and older, are also sought. Must have knowledge of the game. This is a paid position.

- Come out to the Mill Pond for the **8th Annual Easter Egg Hunt** on April 14.

Ages 4 and younger hunt from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Ages 5-12 hunt from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Children collect brightly colored toy eggs filled with candy and gifts. Pictures with the Easter Bunny are available for \$3. Door prizes, snacks and punch provided. A moonwalk will also be available.

Children must wear socks while in the moonwalk.

and bring their own basket to collect eggs. Hunt held rain or shine so dress appropriately. Parking is limited.

Please arrive half an hour early for your children's scheduled hunt time. The cost is \$5 per child for residents and \$7 for non-residents. Tickets will not be sold the day of the event.

- Eggstra, eggstra, check this out!

Back by popular demand is the Flashlight Easter Egg Hunt for Teens on April 13 from 8-10 p.m. at the Millpond.

The hunt is for ages 13-18, and are currently attending high school. The cost is \$7 per person. Participants are required to bring a flashlight and something to put eggs in.

Awards given to the top three teens who collect the most eggs. Door prizes, pizza and beverages provided.

Hunt held rain or shine so dress appropriately. A minimum number of participants is required. Pre-registration strongly encouraged, but will be accepted at the door.

For information on these and many more activities, call Springfield Township Parks and Recreation at 248-634-0412.

Get the help you need to pass the **Michigan state builder's license examination** through a comprehensive course offered by Clarkston Community Education.

The seminar is scheduled for April 3, 5, 10 and 12 from 6-10 p.m. at the Community Education Center.

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 seminar costs \$199 plus \$20 for the course textbooks and sample questions to the instructor.

Pre-registration and payment required no later than March 30. Please call 248-623-4321 to register.

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

The workshops are facilitated by counselor and par-

ent educator Jennifer Arkwright.

The final workshop is scheduled for 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.

The Clarkston branch of **Christmas in Action** of Oakland County is holding their second annual workshop on April 29.

The CIA is seeking volunteers to assist with home repairs for low-income senior citizens or handicapped individuals who live in their own single family home. The CIA is also asking for assistance in locating low-income or handicapped individuals who could use the helping hands of community-minded Clarkston residents.

To volunteer or obtain an application for a senior, call 248-628-7433 or write CIA, P.O. Box 644, Clarkston, MI 48347.

The MOMS Club of Clarkston will host its annual **Mom2Mom Sale** on May 6 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Bridgewood Church (corner of Rattalee Lake Rd. and M-15). Tables are available for rent for those interested in selling their gently used baby and kid-related items.

For more information on table rental, please contact Amy Siwicki at 248-394-1157 or asiwicki1@comcast.net.

Clarkston SCAMP announces their **24th annual Home Tour** for June 3 and 4.

The annual tour, which is SCAMP's largest fundraising event, features tours of the following: four historic homes in the Village of Clarkston, two new mini-mansions just outside the village and one exceptional garden.

Tours on June 3 begin at 5 p.m. and conclude with an elegant Patrons' Showcase Night featuring live silent auctions after hors d'oeuvres. The tours on June 4 start at noon and include discount coupons for dining at one of several Clarkston restaurants.

For more information, contact Donna Clancy at 248-620-1882.

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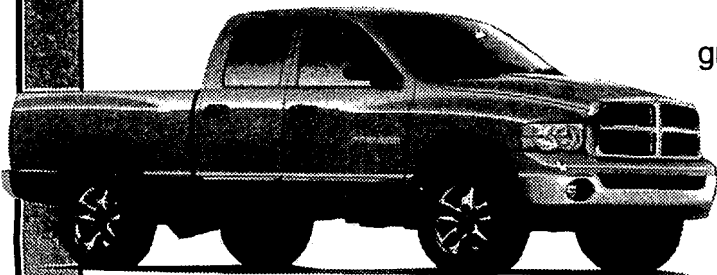
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4 speed automatic transmission, Magnum V-6 engine.

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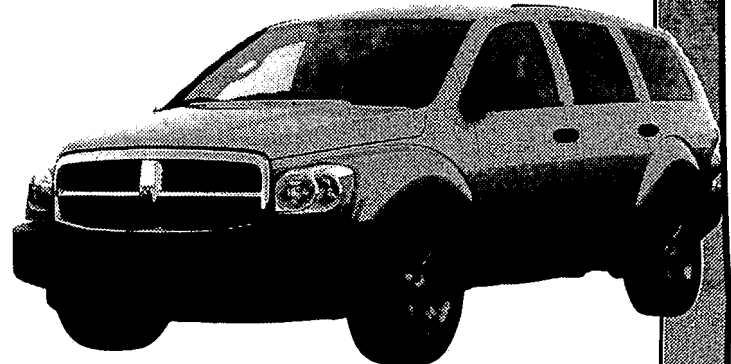
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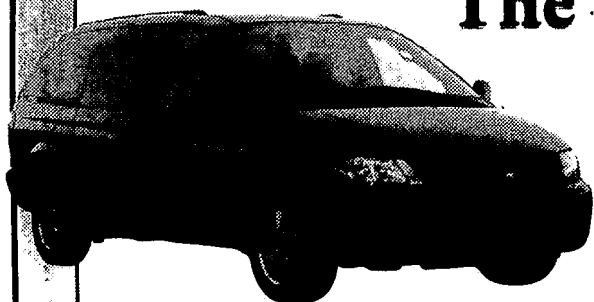
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| Employee Choice | \$239* 27 mo. | \$6,995* |
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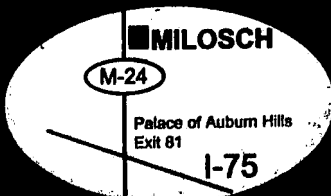
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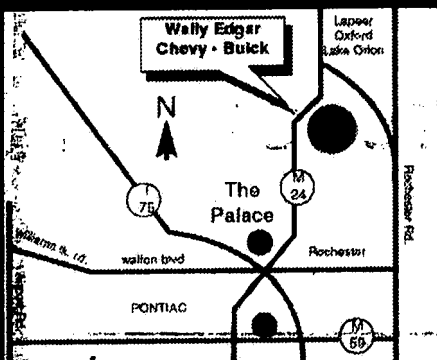


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Rd.. IILX36-1

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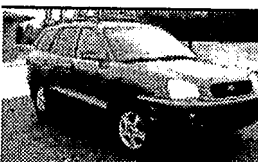
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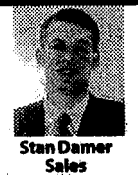
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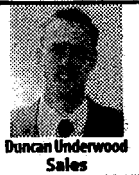
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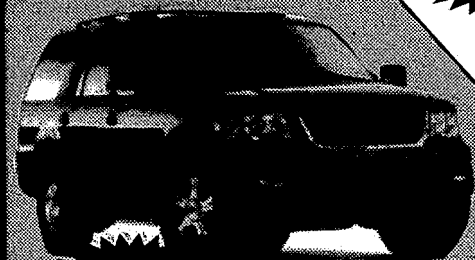
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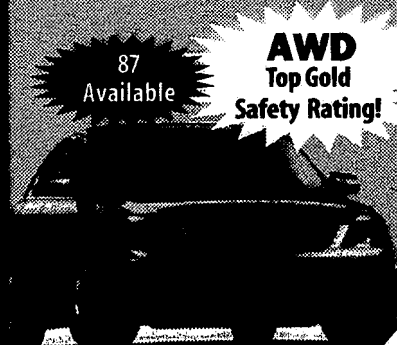
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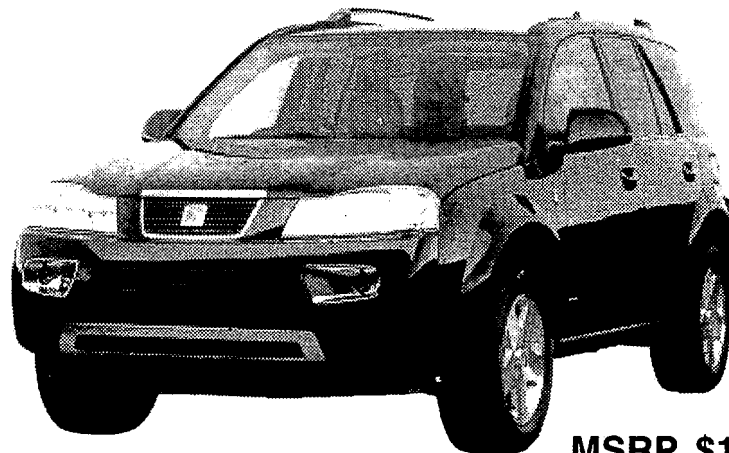
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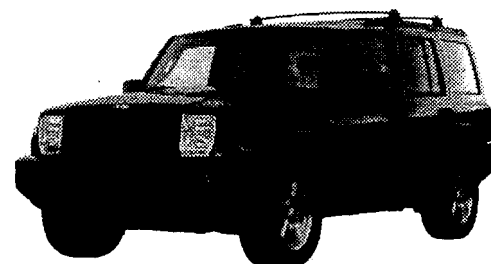
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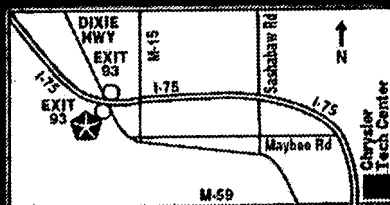
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