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Orco rezoning denied

BY JENNY MATTESON
Clarkston News Editor

Applause and a standing ovation greeted the Independence Township Board of Trustee's July 5 decision to deny the first reading of Orco Investments' rezoning request for 70 acres of land located on the northwest corner of Sashabaw and Waldon roads near the I-75 interchange.

The denial was the latest in over a year's worth of presentations and discussions on the matter.

Orco's rezoning proposal asked to change almost 70 acres from single family residential (R1-A) to approximately 18 acres of planned shopping center (C2) and 50 acres of highway commercial (C3).

"The next step is going to the ZBA (Zoning Board of Appeals) and then we will review our options," said Orco representative Robert Jacobs, Esq. after the meeting.

When asked whether or not court action is an option, Jacobs responded, "It's a distinct possibility. We will review our legal rights."

During the agenda item, the board listened to a brief presentation on the rezoning request from Jacobs who emphasized "this is the best use of the property." Rod Arroyo, vice president with Birchler Arroyo Associates, Inc. also spoke on behalf of Orco.

"We believe that the planning analysis shows the current zoning is not appropriate," concluded Jacobs. "There is a demand, there is a need for commercially zoned property in the township. There are no sites within the township that can accommodate large commercial uses..."

"The township's own unilateral zoning initiative is being enacted solely as a defense to the current proposal before you."

In addition to Orco Investments representatives, trustees also heard from Township Attorney Jerry Fisher, Township Planner Dick Carlisle and public comment.

Board discussion on the matter was brief. Treasurer Jim Wenger remarked on the fact all comments regarding the proposal have been consistent.

"It feels that Orco is saying our vision is no longer 20/20, it needs correction," said Wenger. "And I hope that is not true. I feel our vision is still just as clear."

The board voted unanimous to deny the first reading. Trustee Dan Travis was absent.

In a related discussion, the board approved unanimously.
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Sometimes all a kid needs to have fun is some velcro. Sam Hiltz, 9, enjoyed the velcro wall at the Independence Township Festival of Fun. For more pictures, see page 24A. Photo by Jenny Matteson

Independence Senior Center: a parks and recreation program

BY JENNY MATTESON
Clarkston News Editor

The Independence Township Senior Center has its own buildings. The center has its own staff. The center runs its own programs.

However, the senior center is not an individual department within Independence Township like the DPW or building department – it is a program (a subgroup) within the parks and recreation department. In many ways, the senior center and programming is handled

like parks and recreation's yearly sports leagues, while in other ways functioning completely differently within the township.

The fifth story of our series on the proposal for a new senior center and operational millage will look at the structure of the senior center within parks and recreation; and how this format affects the center's operations and budgeting.

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Five generations of Clarks return home.

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Reporting for duty...

Joe Armstrong swears in at the July 10 Clarkston School Board meeting. Armstrong won the open seat at the May 2 election and is serving a four-year term as a trustee. Photo by Andrew DuPont

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The Second Front

In loving memory...

Family and friends remember Lauren Hart

Briefly

Meeting to decide fate of school employee

No decision is made yet in regards to a Clarkston School District employee with a felony conviction on their record. The employee was named as one of several employees in Oakland County school districts with felony records published in *The Oakland Press* in response to a Freedom of Information Act request.

According to Anita Banach, director communications and marketing, a meeting is expected to take place with the employee, Superintendent Dr. Al Roberts and a representative of the school board. Banach said she expects the meeting to take place later this month and whatever decision is made will be shared after the meeting.

The employee in question was convicted of perjury in 1985.

Water Ski show set

Davisburg's own Spray Masters Water Ski Club and Show Team are dedicating a performance to Springfield Township Parks and Recreation and friends on July 20 at 7 p.m. at Big Lake.

The cost is \$2 per person, children 2 years and younger are free!

Come out to see this amazing show filled with costumes and breathtaking skiing. Bring your lawn chairs and blankets.

Maps to Big Lake are available through the Parks and Recreation office upon registration. Show is held rain or shine. For more information, call the Springfield Township Parks and Recreation office at 248-634-0412.

Road work on M-15

Construction work will begin sometime in the next week on M-15 between Strawberry Lane and Rattalee Lake Road to help improve congestion problems near M-15 and Rattalee Lake Road. The area under construction begins 750 feet south of Strawberry Lane and extends to 350 feet south of Rattalee Road.

The project involves widening each side of the existing roadway to accommodate a new center left turn lane. The project also includes milling and asphalt resurfacing of the existing roadway to provide a new and improved surface.

Reasonable access to all properties will be maintained throughout construction. Northbound and southbound M-15 traffic will also be maintained with one lane provided in each direction.

Correction

The following are the correct times for the Clarkston Farm and Garden Club's garden walk on July 19. The garden walk runs from noon-4 p.m., with a luncheon running from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m. and garden banquet running from 11 a.m. - 5 p.m. at the Community Education Center. For more information, contact the Clarkston Farm and Garden Club at 248-623-4321.

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BY ANDREW DUPONT
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Allen and Katherine Hart remember their daughter Lauren as a feisty girl who spoke her mind and stayed true to herself and her friends. They remember her as a fighter, someone who never quit despite the odds against her. They remember her as someone who put her mind to something and accomplished her goals, no matter what.

When doctors told 13-year-old Lauren she had Ewing's Sarcoma, an extremely rare form of bone cancer, and that she had two years to live, she did not waver from her goal to graduate from high school and become an adult.

On May 31, Lauren and her family saw that dream come to fruition as she crossed the stage of the DTE Energy Theater. Despite the ravaging effects treatments had taken upon her, Lauren smiled as she joined her friends as Clarkston High School alumni with honors.

The event was bittersweet however, as Lauren passed away in the early morning of June 5, less than a week after graduating and only a day after she celebrated her 18th birthday. Lauren's battle with cancer lasted years longer than doctor's expected, and though the disease had long weakened her body, never once did it weaken her heart.

To her friends and family, Lauren was more than a girl who loved art, chocolate and Orlando Bloom. "Monkey," as she was affectionately called by those who knew her best, was a source of inspiration in their lives and someone who left a lasting mark on all of them.

The Artist

In life, Lauren was blessed with a close group of friends who supported her endeavors and encouraged her self expression.

"She had a very close group of friends and they had been absolutely wonderful for her," said Katherine. "They really helped her... they were there for her every step of the way."

Throughout high school, this group of friends, called the Flying Happy Hamsters Of Deathly Doom was there for Lauren.

"She was and still is the heart and soul of the group that we call FHHODD," wrote Michelle Pascoe, a friend and classmate of Lauren's who walked her across the stage at graduation. "We miss her."

Lauren was an artist, and she enjoyed expressing herself through drawing and sculpting. In particular, she picked up a knack for drawing Japanese anime characters, and one year made detailed drawings of them for her closest friends as

Christmas gifts.

Some of Hart's designs were even transferred to ties and scarves sold at St. Jude Children's Research Hospital in Tennessee, where she received much of her treatment.

"I had the pleasure of working with Lauren for a couple of years as her volunteer art teacher at St. Jude. Lauren had an extraordinary amount of artistic talent and it was an honor to have spent so much time with her," wrote Joyce Petrina on the online guestbook for Smith Family Funeral Home.

During her years at CHS, Hart was an active participant in the school band and CHS Drama Club. She left a lasting impression.

"Although she was absent often due to treatment, I'm thankful I had a chance to know Lauren," wrote Greg Warner, who taught Lauren American Literature in high school. "Her attitude, her sense of humor and her courage are an inspiration to me. Those traits of her personality during her sickness taught me more than I ever taught her. I can safely assume that many people have been affected in the same positive way by Lauren."

The Warrior

No matter how cancer weakened her, Lauren's friends remember her spirit unwavering.

"She was very positive even though she had cancer," Katherine said. "She had a very good outlook which is probably what got her as

Please see Lauren, page A16



Lauren Hart's long battle with a rare form of cancer inspired those around her. Hart passed away on June 5, just days after graduating from Clarkston High School. Photo provided



The band member of Air Margaritaville will perform Friday at Concerts in the Park. Photo provided

Concert series takes a trip to Margaritaville

Fans of Jimmy Buffett might find their lost shaker of salt in Depot Park on July 14 as the Concerts in the Park series continues with "Air Margaritaville."

Michael Fedorka and J.D. Jones have been fans of Jimmy Buffett for many years.

"I can remember seeing him at Florida State University when I was a student there," says Jones. "Being from Florida has always made me feel a part of his music."

Fedorka agrees, "His songs tell such great stories. The sea, the sun, the fun. It's the lifestyle a lot of us would lead if we had the chance or the stamina."

Dressed in tropical shirts, Bermuda shorts, island hats and other beach togs, fans from 16 to 60 transform into Parrotheads during Buffett's concerts and escape to Margaritaville. The music, with influence from New Orleans, Key West and the Caribbean, conjures images of a laid-back island lifestyle of friends, frozen drinks and beach parties.

There is nothing quite like experiencing a Jimmy Buffett concert. That is, if you're lucky enough to get tickets.

Buffett has cut his tour dates to a minimum and this year's concerts sell out in minutes.

What's a Parrothead to do? In 1992, Fedorka (vocals and guitar) and Jones (guitar and vocals) formed Air Margaritaville: a musical tribute to Jimmy's style of Caribbean soul. Since then, their act has struck a chord with Parrotheads throughout the Midwest.

From songs known by heart like "Cheeseburger in Paradise," "Fins" and "Volcano" to Buffett's classic covers of "Brown Eyed Girl" and "Jamaica Farewell," Air Margaritaville plays the whole gamut of Buffett's hits.

This year's tour includes Charlie Salaz (bass), Marty Kane (drums), Mel Diaz (percussion), Tom McCovern (harmonica) and Brad Norman (keyboards.) They appeared on the Mitch Albom radio show and released their first CD, "Catch and Release—Live," last June.

"Air Margaritaville" hits the stage at 7 p.m. The Concerts in the Park series is a free series of summer concerts presented by the Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce.

Local Talent Spotlight: *The Heller Boys*

Early visitors to Depot Park are in for a special performance by Clarkston's own Heller Boys.

Lukas, 15, and Toby, 13, are brothers with an ear for bluegrass and country music. Lukas plays guitar while his brother shows his skills with a fiddle.

This duo has been playing together

for the last two years and made an appearance at last year's concert series.

This year, Lukas said they will perform upbeat music people can dance to that mixes bluegrass, celtic and old country together. The Heller Boys go on stage at 6 p.m.

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School board members change positions

BY ANDREW DUPONT
Clarkston News Staff Writer

The first meeting of the Clarkston School Board for the 2006-07 fiscal year began with all four officer positions changing hands.

The July 10 meeting opened as new board member Joseph Armstrong took his oath of office. Armstrong was elected in May to a four-year term. He replaces Sheila Hughes, who did not seek reelection after serving 16 years on the board. Armstrong will serve as a trustee.

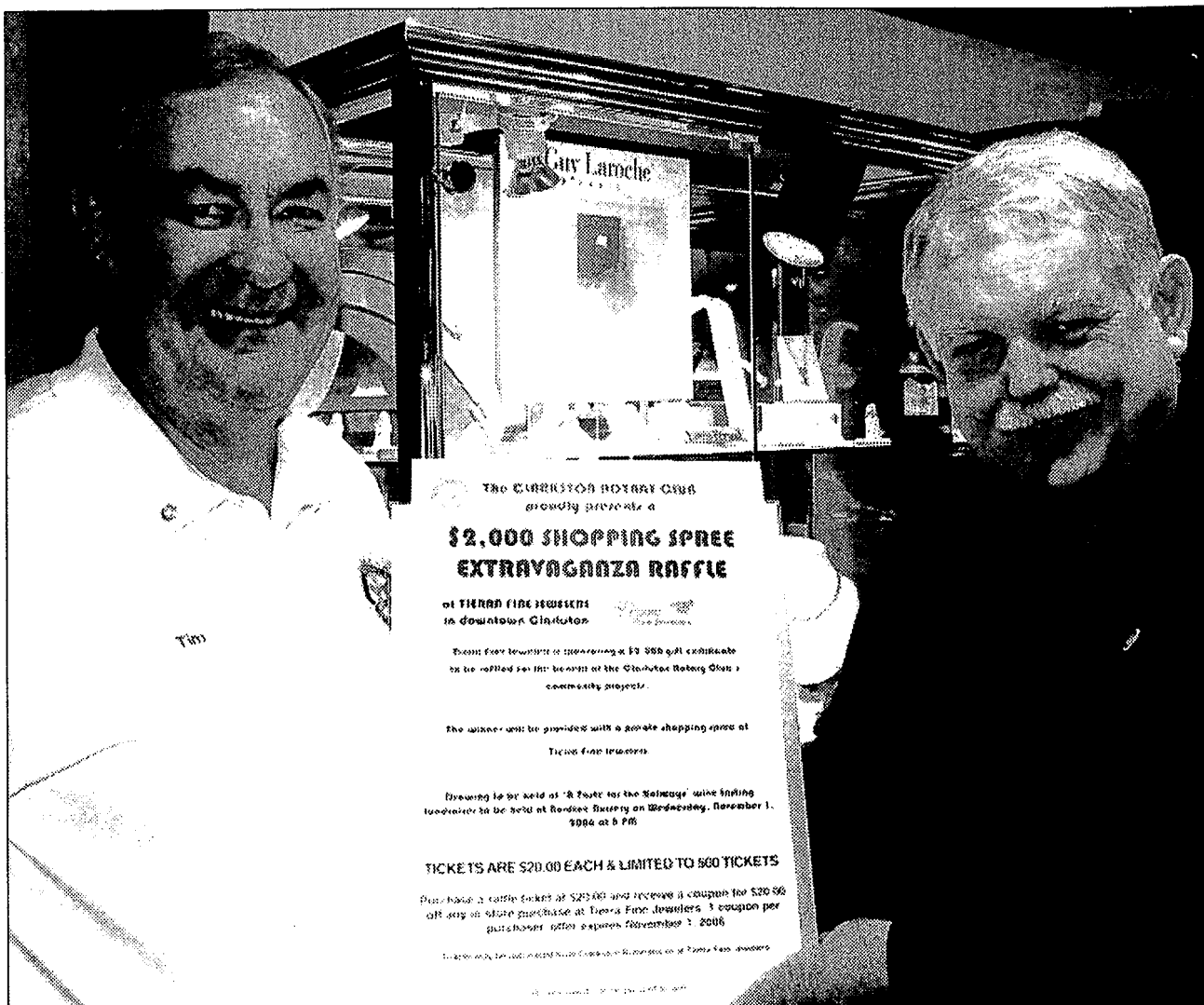
The next duty of the new board was to elect officers.

Stephen Hyer was elected to serve as the new board president. Hyer previously served as vice president and replaces Karen Foyteck, who remains a trustee on the board.

Barry Bomier, who previously served as a trustee, was elected to replace Hyer as vice president.

Ron Sullivan was elected as the new secretary, a position previously held by Sheila Hughes. Sullivan previously served as treasurer. John Koval, who previously served as a trustee, was elected to replace Sullivan as the new treasurer.

Joan Patterson remains a trustee and is the only board member not to change positions.



Pictured right, Clarkston Rotary President Tim Everhard stands in Tierra fine Jewelers with owner Buck Kopietz, who donated a \$2,000 shopping spree for the raffle. Photo by Jenny Matteson

Farmers Market to return July 22

The Clarkston Farmers' Market will return to downtown Clarkston on July 22. The market features locally grown produce, fresh baked goods and local artisans. This year the market starts at 8 a.m. and ends at noon from July 22-October 7. Several new vendors are added. For more information, visit www.clarkstonfarmersmarket.org.

Got a great event coming up you want people to know about? Give us a call at 248-625-3370 or e-mail at shermanpub@aol.com, attn: Clarkston News

Shop til you drop: Clarkston Rotary holds \$2,000 shopping spree raffle

The Clarkston Rotary Club proudly presents a \$2,000 shopping spree extravaganza raffle at Tierra Fine Jewelers in downtown Clarkston.

Tierra Fine Jewelers is sponsoring a \$2,000 gift certificate to be raffled for the benefit of the Clarkston Rotary Club's community projects.

The winner will be provided with a private shopping spree at the store.

Raffle tickets are \$20 a piece, and comes with a

coupon for \$20 off any in-store purchase at Tierra Fine Jewelers. Only one coupon per purchaser allowed, and the offer expires November 1, 2006.

The winner will be drawn at 8 p.m. at "A Taste For the Holidays" wine tasting fund-raiser on Nov. 1 at Bordine's Nursery. Tickets may be purchased from Clarkston Rotarians or at Tierra Fine Jewelers.

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Opinion

Close to home

Sometimes, the most important messages are the ones we take for granted, the ones we feel are too cliché or too obvious to point out. So when I say my column is a reminder to tell the people you care about how important they are, I hope that people will not roll their eyes but continue to read. This is not my story, but one I feel I have to tell.

My older brother is a cancer survivor. Eleven years ago, he was diagnosed with non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma at age 15. Fortunately, the disease manifested physical symptoms so quickly that it was caught early. Also, this form of cancer is common enough that treatment has, to a degree, become standardized.

Even so, I was 14 at the time. My other siblings were just barely in the double digits, so trying to understand the nature of the situation was nearly too much to handle. We were shielded from witnessing the worst of our brother's experience.

My grandmother, however, was not as fortunate and lost her battle with cancer in the summer of 1997. I will forever remember, in great detail, the last day I saw her. My mother and I visited her at home. She was laying on a couch, unable to get up or move with much freedom. For the most part, I sat in the corner of the room; a fly on the wall while everyone else participated in the conversation. I will always feel guilty for wanting to leave. I was uncomfortable seeing her like that, and in my mind thought I would have more time to appreciate her company when she was better. I gave her a hug good-bye and felt one of the most energetic and lively people I ever knew become fragile in my arms. I never saw her alive again.

With these memories still fresh in my mind, I spent some time with the parents of Lauren Hart to hear her story (albeit it an abridged version). Since I took this job, I have not had a more difficult assignment to maintain journalistic neutrality. I can only hope I did a decent job retelling the story of someone I never met, but whose story hit very close to home.

Parents should never have to bury their children. Even more so, children should not be given a death sentence just because their illness is not a common one.

For the last five years my family has hosted an annual fund-raiser to support the hospital who undoubtedly saved my brother's life. Surely the money we raise only scratches the surface of what is needed, and that helps combat the most common and researched forms of cancer.

Hearing there are no major sources of funding for these "orphan cancers" and that no major progress has been made in treating them in the last two decades is beyond frustrating: it's unacceptable. Hospitals like St. Jude should not be rarities in this day and age, and we should support them in their endeavors while pressing others to join them.

With all that's been said and done, nobody can snap their fingers and fix these problems, and the scary part is that nobody knows who may be afflicted next. Major breakthroughs take time, but telling the people you care about how important they are shouldn't.

I am sure the Hart family would agree with me that no matter how much time you have, it's never enough. You never know when those closest to you might be taken away, so make sure they know just how important they are.

Soapbox



Andrew DuPont

We do need to be more vigilant

Dear Editor,

I applaud the June 21 column by James Martinez and the letter to the editor by Tom Stone concerning the June 12 Clarkston City Council meeting. They were both concise, thoughtful and unfortunately correct observations about the City of the Village of Clarkston, the council, our actions and potentially our future.

There is no question that we elected officials will need to do our job better if we are to maintain our city the way we think it once was and many wish it would remain. The council meeting on June 26 was a little more orderly, although not perfect.

Next year's budget was approved with some dissent, we discussed our police services, at least generally agreed on establishing procedures for evaluating them and we made some headway on addressing the road and parking problems that are a legacy of the past road improvement and water installation projects. We still have much to do and many decisions to make even for the small city that we are.

The June 26 meeting was my first budget approval meeting and I voted no because I did not approve of the process or the results. The budget was presented to the council later than required by our charter, to the best of my knowledge, with little input from the department heads, and the comments of the non-budget committee council members and the public seem to be ignored. We were in fact informed at this meeting, at which the budget was supposed to be approved, that we could not make changes at this time. One wonders why we bothered having meetings and public hearings if no changes can be made.

I ran for city council for the first time last November, was elected and quickly found out that I have a lot to learn. I ran for office because I thought more needed to be done and it was my opinion that many issues were being ignored, including what I perceived as budget problems.

I admit that I have not been able to make much progress on the items I thought were important, and have found numerous more that I would like to address. It is a much tougher job and takes more time than I could have imagined.

I have, however, found out a few things in my short time in office. For example, the oath of office that all elected officials take simply states that we will abide by the constitution and laws of the United States and the State of Michigan. Our city charter requires that we protect the health, safety and welfare of our citizens. Our job is to establish the policies by which our city is run and meets these requirements.

With that in mind, I find it sadly interesting that several council members have commented in the past that the council had not taken any action on an item because no one had complained. None of the require-

Letters to the Editor

ments of our elected position states we have the option of only meeting our obligations when someone complains. It is, however, sometimes far easier to ignore those matters that do not seem urgent, or for which there is no easy solution, and take care of the matters which are easy or for which we have no other choice, even though there may be complaints. We sometimes lose sight of why we are here. Based on Mr. Stone's comments it would seem that happened at the June 12 meeting.

Mr. Martinez pointed out in his column that we need to decide what it is we want as a city, or if we can even afford to be a city at all. Unfortunately, if we cannot, we will lose our freedom to choose much of what we do like about the Village of Clarkston.

Mr. Martinez wrote in the past about being involved with your government. We should do many things without being told, but in order to remain a successful city we do need the opinions, comments and complaints from those we represent in order to be truly representative.

I continually ask people to attend Council meetings and encourage them to express their opinions. The Clarkston City Council runs relatively informal meetings, sometimes to our detriment, in which everyone has the chance to express their opinion on all matters. There is always a scheduled time for public comments on any subject.

My neighbor, Tom Stone, has attended and made his opinions known, although his comments this time may not be what we would have liked to hear. The unfortunate truth is that very few people attend these meetings, sometimes none. We are probably not very good at dealing with controversy or criticism because we do not see much of it. We do need the residents to voice their opinions, and complaints, and demand that we do the job we were elected for, or better yet, they also can run for office and see what is actually happening in our city.

It is considered political suicide to make negative comments about fellow council members as their cooperation and votes are required to pass any action a council member would like to see happen. While I may not always agree with the opinions of my fellow council members, or they with mine, we must try to do better, work together, have open discussions, be more responsive and hope the people of Clarkston will help us achieve that goal by participating in the process and continuing to correct us when we go astray.

As with many worthy efforts, it is difficult, frustrating and time consuming, but I still believe the results can be worth the effort.

I understand that Mr. Martinez has left *The Clarkston News*. His insight and knowledge of our local happenings will be missed. Good luck to him on whatever his next endeavor may be.

Cory Johnston
Clarkston City Council Member

Combined elections are a win-win

I'd like to take the opportunity clear up any confusion regarding the timing of school elections and why those local school districts should consider combining their stand-alone May elections with local municipal elections in November.

Combined elections are not only easier and more convenient for voters but would save millions of dollars statewide, money that could be used in the classrooms for our children.

If school districts combined their elections with their municipal counterparts, elections would be free or virtually free. Our office this week completed a survey of Oakland County's 51 cities and townships. It was reported to us the May 2005 election cost nearly \$1 mil-

lion (\$969,541.97) in just our county alone. That's enough to fund 20 school teachers, buy 40,000 books or purchase 2,000 computers.

South Lyon Schools is the only district here in Oakland County to opt for a November date, but currently more than 30 school districts in Michigan, including Lansing, Saginaw, Lincoln Park and Dearborn Heights, have November elections. Lansing school officials, for example, say the system works very well and has increased voter participation. Initial concerns have simply not been realized.

Under Michigan's consolidated election law, which I co-sponsored, voters now have more consistency.

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A Look Back

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

15 YEARS AGO (1991)

• Business, homeowners survive storm: Some area residents resorted to picnicking during a power outage caused by the July 7 storm.

However, most Detroit Edison customers would agree that the blackout – the worst in history for the Oakland County area – was no picnic.

The Clarkston and Davisburg area suffered much tree and shrub damage, as well as damage to homes and other structures.

• Bopping to banjos: Back by popular demand, the Auto City Banjos will liven up Clarkston's Depot Park with a free concert Friday, July 19.

The 15 banjo players from the Flint area were well liked last year, said concert organizer Don Brose, adding that the group's proceeds are donated to charity.

25 YEARS AGO (1981)

• M-15 widening out until cost shared: If Independ-

dence Township is willing to promise \$100,000 to pay its share of the drainage improvements proposed for M-15 south of the village, then the state is willing to have a consultant review alternatives to the proposed five-lane widening.

If Independence does not agree to take on the cost of the drainage construction, then the state will not move to widen M-15 to five lanes, and instead may just review intersection improvements.

• Engineers ask payment from Independence: Former Independence engineers Johnson & Anderson of Pontiac have come to collect their due, but the township's escrow account has dwindled to \$2,000 and the firm's bill is \$11,050.

• Springfield shys at TV action: Springfield Township is in no hurry to jump on the cable TV bandwagon.

By unanimous vote, the Springfield Township board agreed at its regular meeting July 8 to drop out of a planned meeting later this month between several townships to discuss the future of cable television.

50 YEARS AGO (1956)

• School District Boundaries Altered: February 16, 1956, the County Board of Education took action to transfer all of Independence Township (except the South half of Sec. 32 and S. W. ¼ of Sec. 33) from the Waterford Township School District to the Clarkston Community School District.

• Wilberg Elected To School Board: At the Clarkston Community Schools Annual Election held on Monday, Walter Wilberg was elected to the School Board. He defeated Kenneth Thayer by 10 votes.

You can get live bait, 24/7

I know I have lived a sheltered life. I grew up in the area, after college I got a job in the area and now my family lives in the area. I haven't been on foreign shores (unless, of course, you count Canada as foreign). I know I work in the media and see a lot of things, but, still I'm a small town (some say minded) kind of guy.

So, I was shocked and awed when I noticed the pop vending machine outside of Art & Dick's Party Store in Oxford. Instead of Coke or Pepsi products for sale, the danged thing is selling "live bait."

I kid you not. For a few bucks you can get your choice of live minnows, worms or leeches from a vending machine.

"It's the coolest thing ever," Art and Dick owner Chuck Walleman said. "The customers love it. I don't understand how they can keep live minnows in there, but when you buy them they're alive and happy."

Well, Chuck, the minnows are as happy as any creature can be living in a plastic quart container, ready to be



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strung up on some biped's fishing hook.

"I guess they don't mind the dark," Chuck added.

The live bait machines are popping up around the area because Ron Jedlicki, from Hook Line and Sinker Bait and Tackle in Lake Orion, has got the drive and will to make this business a success. Nothing fishy about it, he tends to the machines three times a week to make sure the bait is, um, fresh (?).

Ain't America great! Where else can you buy live bait 24-hours a day, seven days a week? (Other than Canada, probably.) Chuck said the bait vending business has been good at his location.

And I quote Chuck, "For a while we were the number one sales location. Ron says he see's lots of coins in the machine, which, he says, means a lot of kids like buying the live bait."

Boy, have things changed. Both Chuck and I can harken back to our perspective youths.

"When we were kids and we needed worms, we'd get the hose out, soak the yard and go out and pick 'em up."

Me, too. And, as we got older, I can remember midnight raids to area golf courses to pick the crawlers up off the greens. It may have been illegal, but heck, we were young and doing the course owners a favor -- no self-respecting golfer wants to putt over greens covered with crawler slime, do they?

That was then, this is now -- I guess the kids find it easier to shell out four bucks or so for prepackaged worms from a machine. Man, all the good things happen these days -- bikes with 27 gears, the World Wide Web, I-pods, cell phones and now live bait machines. Yep, you guessed it: I am jealous.

I guess the only thing that really needs to happen in the world of fishing is to sell pre-wormed hooks. It still is icky to thread a worm on a hook and then have to tear it in half, because it's too long. Gross!

Ron has been baiting his vending machines for since spring and has another machine at the Sunoco station on M-24 in Lake Orion.

"Business has been good, better than I planned. I wish I would have bought them years ago!" Ron said.

And, how do the minnows survive?

"That's the secret we don't like to give up . . . let's just say we just add water," the cagey Ron replied.

Thanks, Ron. Thanks.

Comments, suggestions or complaints for Rush can be e-mailed to: dontrushmedon@charter.net



Chuck Walleman going for some live wiggles.

Shayna's eat anything, go anytime mind-set's gone

For you *Jottings* readers who don't like to read about ma'dog Shayna, come back next week.

I'm finding that Shayna is being inconsistent in her eating and actions. Since I took her for her first ride in the car, she has acted like it was her only love.

In the car, head out the window, tongue out and occasional glances at me with that "thank you" look in her clear blue eyes. She loved it!

My driver's seat also seems to be her favorite cuddle seat, perhaps because I cover so much of it and leave the leather welcomingly warm.

Then today, Shayna wouldn't even look at the car when I opened the door. I drive a van and all doors can be activated from my seat. Before, even the initial opening noise would get her hopping ready.

Today I opened the doors, called to her and even started driving away. No reaction. She just went on sniffing the grass. I got out and checked. There was only grass to sniff. What the heck is that all about?

Last year, Shayna loved my fried zucchini. This year, she won't touch it. Why? I breaded it with the same ingredients, fried it the same and served it to her right from the table, like last year.

She acted insulted, like she deserved better, or wanted cracker crumbs instead of bread crumbs, or expected maybe a candle. I don't know. It tasted great to me.

Shayna's favorite right now is ice cream. When she doesn't come after a couple calls before my bedtime, I yell, "Shayna? Want some ice cream?"

Her jingling collar can be heard immediately. I've learned to step aside right after the call, lest I get bumped too hard.

My favorite ice cream is butter pecan. To my knowledge Shayna doesn't know what that tastes like. She gets vanilla. The cheapest vanilla I can find. I'm not going to spoil her.

Among her other food choices are crab legs, pie-crusts, pickled bologna, prime rib, bacon, raspberry jam on toast, crunchy cereal (plain), fried salt pork and coffee cake.

Her least favorite is artificial flavoring. I paid \$9 for a bottle of bacon flavoring, poured some on her dry dog food and she wouldn't touch it. I left it in her cage two days and she decided she'd rather starve.

Shayna rode in the front seat with me as I towed the *Clarkston News* float in the Fourth of July parade. By actual count there were 16 million people lining the streets, more than half of them young people, with hands outstretched hoping for an ice cream bar or candy treat.

Shayna ogled each of them, getting as close as possible with her head out the window. And, I figured out what was making her so happy. She heard, "Look at those bright blue eyes" so often, she thought she was a movie starlet.

Nobody even saw me. If there's a next year, Shayna's driving and I'm going for the admiring glory. Of course, I'm kidding. Shayna can't drive. But I am going to learn ventriloquism and we're going to have some great fun pointing out people's flaws, praising some gals, insulting guys and spreading dog jokes.

"Hey, did you hear the one about the guy going into the bar with Fido on his neck?"

The bartender asks, "Where'd you get the dog?" And, the dog says, "Oh, he just picked me up."

We'll have a million of them come next parade time.

Parting thoughts . . .

Make time for yourself.
Laugh heartily.
Spread joy.
Take a chance.

Jim's Jottings



Jim Sherman

Letters

Continued from page 6A

Instead of dual polling places – one for local and another for school elections – they have a single polling place. Absentee voters are now informed when there is an election involving school district issues.

Area school district representatives have argued that school board members elected in November instead of May would not have enough time to understand their district's budgets and policies. However, the facts demonstrate otherwise. Board of Education members elected in November would have until February before budget discussions would begin and do not vote on those budgets until late June or early July. Nearly every other government official elected in November – the entire Michigan Legislature and our federal congressional representatives – is able to make this timing work.

Combined elections would likely increase voter input. During the May 2 election in Oakland County this year, voter turnout was only 9.67 percent and as low as 1 percent in some precincts. In more than half the districts, contestants ran unopposed. Poll workers and voters were frustrated at the waste.

Legislation is pending that would require districts now holding annual elections to hold them every other year, and gives them the November option. Local districts, however, don't need to wait until the legislation, now is considered before changing their election timing. It is not a difficult procedure for local districts to combine elections.

Some things just make sense. With the promise of increased voter participation and millions of dollars in savings that could be put to use in the classroom, combined elections are a win-win for everybody involved.

Ruth Johnson
Oakland County Clerk/
Register of Deeds

Invest in the Springfield Twp. Library

Dear Editor,

Springfield Township opened its first library in 1976. The building was an old one room schoolhouse that was moved and converted into a library.

Five years ago, voters approved building a new Civic Center located on Davisburg Road that houses the new library and township offices. The old library was 1200-square-feet; the new library is 12,000-square-feet.

Since the construction of the new library, patronage and book circulation have more than doubled and is still growing. However, the current library budget is still the same as it was in the old building.

The increased usage and expanded services make it obvious that the library can not continue to offer the same quality programs, hours and service without an increase in funding. Adding to the financial strain is the fact that funds gained through the sale of the old building have been exhausted. That is why on Aug. 8,

Springfield Township voters will be asked to approve a 1/2 mill increase used to operate the library.

Imagine quality services; a qualified, friendly staff; new books; children's programs; book clubs; access to computer technology; inter-loan programs; support to local schools; DVD's; books on tape; extensive resource materials – all for a tax increase of \$50 a year for the typical homeowner. That is the best deal in town.

Remember the library is funded solely through Springfield Township tax dollars, so we are counting on your support.

Please mark your calendar for Aug. 8 and remember to get out and vote yes for the Springfield Township Library. A yes vote is an investment in our community and our future.

Stephen and Jeannine Rawe
Springfield Township

Thanks to all who make this home

Dear Editor,

There are many things that make Clarkston a very special community, a place of great pride and caring. Among those things are the contributions made, and being made, by various families, such as the Huttenlochers and Roesers.

The Catallos are another such family. Certainly, Clarence set the stage and is remembered with great respect. Sharron has continued the tradition by her

many years of service to the village and the city.

Now, it is Kurt Catallo's turn. He added to his entrepreneurial spirit and commitment to the community by stepping up to rescue the iconic Clarkston Cafe. Thanks, Kurt!

And thanks to all who contribute in many less public ways to make this such a pleasant place to live.

Dr. Tom Stone
Clarkston

Senior center would pull twp. together

Dear Editor,

A new combined senior center and town hall would pull the Independence Township community together and match the elegant school structures already in place.

Is your home for sale or might be in the future?

I'm looking forward to Editor Jenny Matteson's report on "the center's connection to parks and recreation."

Most sincerely,
Beverly Ann "Peggy" Dryer, Clarkston

Support for Dan Kelly

Dear Editor,

Vote for Dan Kelly in the August primary.

It is a pleasure to recommend Dan for Oakland County Commissioner. Dan is an intelligent, forward-thinking individual. He asks the right questions before making decisions for the community his position as an Independence Township Board member. He has served on various local boards and committees.

Kelly knows the art of negotiation through labor contracts at the township, the cable franchise and the lake boards on which he has served. He has the exuberance of youth along with the necessary experience to make him a valuable asset to the Oakland County Board of Commissioners.

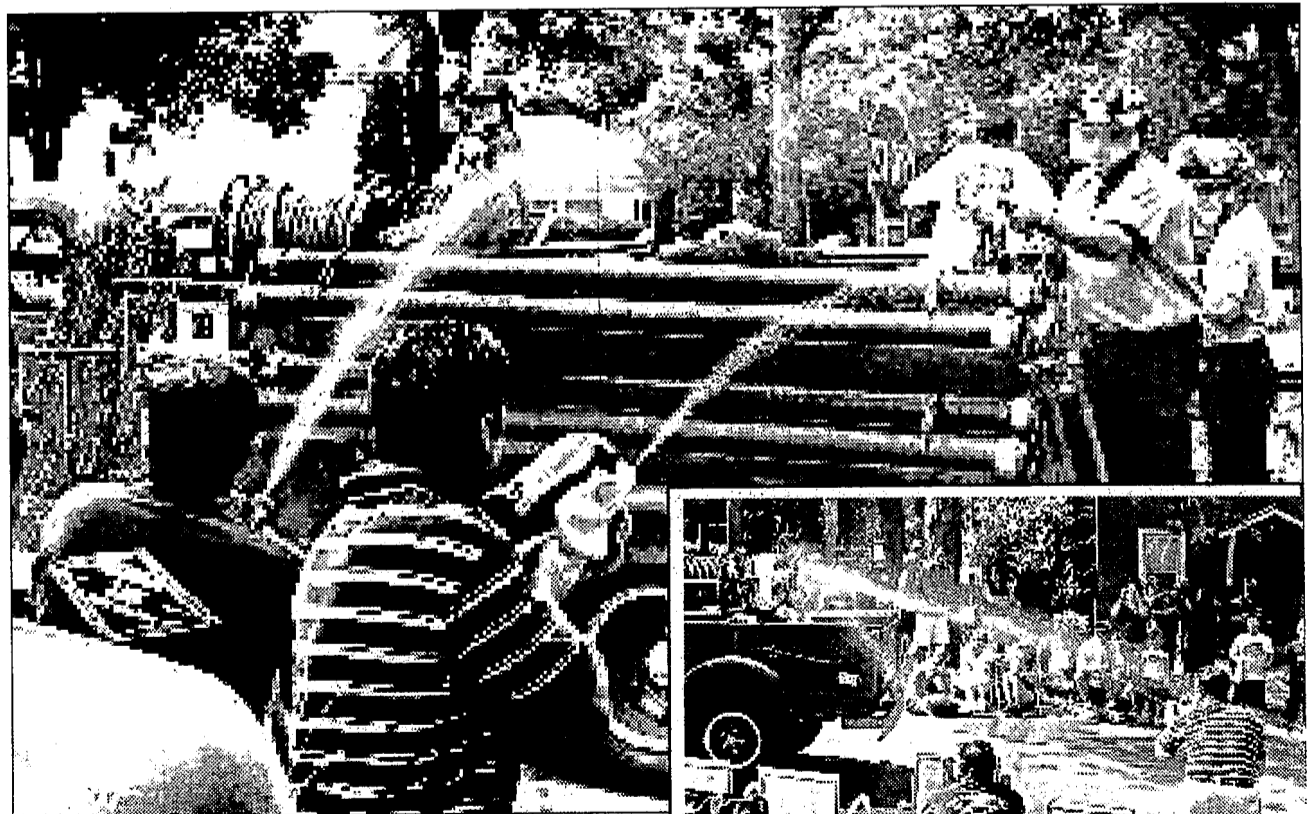
We need new thinking and new ideas! Isn't it refreshing to see an individual who has a successful career outside of politics willing to take on this responsibility too? Elect Dan Kelly for Oakland County Commissioner.

Joan E. McCrary
Independence Township

Taking the water into their own hands



Clarkston village residents Brian Lenaghan (wearing the striped shirt) and Bob Hahn decided to take "the water" into their own hands during the annual Fourth of July parade through downtown Clarkston.



The two men, who have been "handling" matters now for three years, soaked passing floats that were spraying spectators, such as those on the fire trucks.

Photos provided by
Cameron Hahn



Police and Fire

Independence Township

June 27: A 2001 Chevy Blazer was stolen with the keys inside on Timber Ridge Trail. The Blazer was later found abandoned in Flint.

June 29: A mailbox at Farmer Jack on Dixie Highway caught fire and was extinguished by the fire department.

June 30: Lady's wallet stolen from her purse at Clarkston Community Church.

A man ordered a bill totaling \$18.09 at Ruby Tuesday's on Sashabaw Road then told the waitress he didn't have any money. He was issued a citation for defrauding a keeper and told not to return to Ruby Tuesday's.

July 2: Homeowners on Mattawa Drive went to visit some neighbors and returned to find their house full of smoke. They managed to rescue their dog and kept the fire down with a neighbor's garden hose until the fire department arrived. The homeowner was treated for smoke inhalation. The fire appeared to start near an aquarium, which possibly slowed down the fire when it broke from the heat.

A woman awoke and found a man staring at her through her open screen door. The man fled when she yelled, "Who's out there?" She did not get a good look at the suspect and was advised not to leave her screen door open.

A woman was assaulted by her boy-

friend on Clintonville Road.

Man detained for being intoxicated at DTE Energy Music Theatre.

July 3: A man was pulled over for driving a car registered as abandoned. The owner had a suspended license and was asked to put his hands behind his back. The man asked if he was under arrest, then turned around and shoved the officer. He took off running, but was later caught and taken into custody.

Several letters opened from a mailbox on Clearview Drive.

July 4: A man walked out of Kroger with a grill valued at \$99.99 inside his shopping cart. When he was asked if he paid for the item he drove off.

A man fled the scene of an accident and was later found in the Sashabaw Elementary School parking lot. His PPT was 0.13. He was ticketed for driving while intoxicated and leaving the scene of an accident.

Woman pulled over on Parview Road because her Buick Regal was smoking. When she got out the car filled with smoke and had to be extinguished by the fire department.

July 5: An I-Pod and I-Pod station stolen from a car on Old Cove Road.

A man was struck in the head with a beer bottle on Clarkston Road. The suspect fled, but was later caught in the woods nearby.

July 7: A dumpster inside Bridgewater Apartments caught fire and was extinguished.

Wallet stolen from a Ford Explorer on Old Cove Road and a briefcase stolen from a second Ford Explorer at the same residence.

A woman suspects her boat was stolen from Royal Marina on Dixie Highway. The woman was paying to keep her boat there. During that period, the Marina went out of business and her boat was not found on the property.

July 8: A pair of sunglasses, leather gloves and set of car keys stolen from a car parked in a garage on Timber Ridge Trail.

Car stereo and case containing 24 compact discs stolen from a car in Parview Apartments.

Water skis and knee boards stolen from a shed on Parview Road.

Three suspects brought in for questioning regarding several area car break-ins. The one suspect was found laying in the grass on Snowapple Drive.

July 9: Man arrested in the DTE Energy Music Theatre parking lot for allegedly throwing a beer bottle at a car and then striking the car owner in the leg and back with a hammer.

Two Yamaha Quad Runners stolen off a trailer on Elmdale Road. A third quad was on the trailer, but was not stolen.

July 10: A man on Lancaster Road ticketed for furnishing alcohol to minors.

Two vehicles stolen from Bridgewater Apartments

Police were dispatched to Bridgewater Apartments for a possible vehicle theft of July 6. When an officer arrived, he saw a red SUV and black SUV following each other on South Marshbank.

As the officer turned around, the two vehicles fled.

The officer pursued the two vehicles. The black SUV turned on Pelton Road.

The red SUV attempted to stop, but struck a parked truck. The driver fled the car.

The K-9 unit was called and found the man in a wooded area.

Another officer followed the black SUV into Waterford and Pontiac, but was instructed to end the pursuit.

A silver Dodge pickup at Bridgewater Apartments was also broken into.



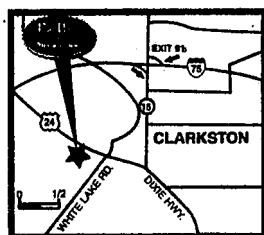
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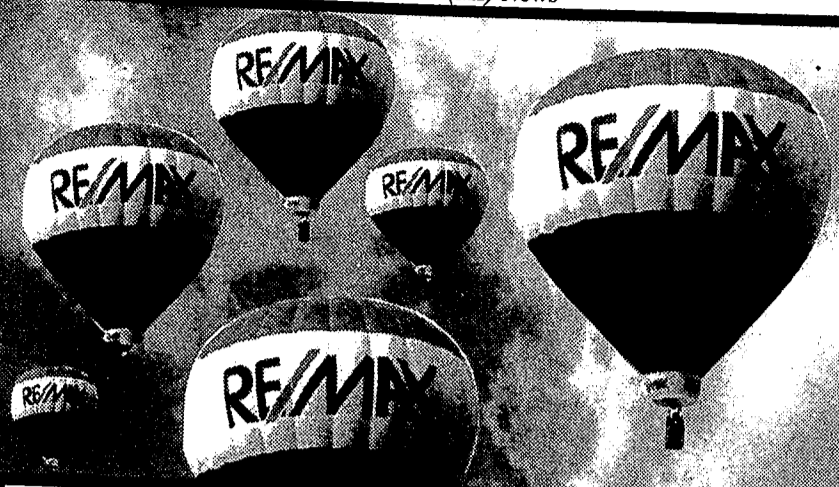


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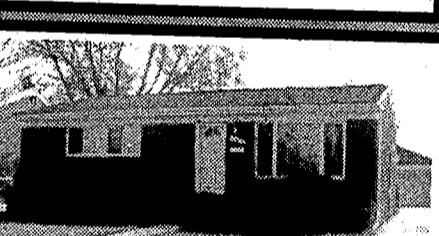


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Crosshill Preschool receives national accreditation

Crosshill Community Preschool has earned accreditation from the National Association for the Education of Young Children—the nation's leading organization of early childhood professionals.

"We're proud to be accredited by NAEYC, and recognized for our commitment to reaching the highest professional standards," said Vivian Olive, Director of Crosshill Community Preschool. "NAEYC Accreditation lets families in our community know that children in our program are getting the best care and early learning experiences."

Crosshill Community Preschool is celebrating its 30th anniversary in September 2006. The preschool is located in the Davisburg United Methodist Church in Davisburg and serves 3-5 year olds from the surrounding communities of Holly, Clarkston, White Lake, Davisburg and Waterford.

"Davisburg United Methodist Church has been supportive of our program by providing the use of their buildings and grounds," said Olive.

More than 11,000 early childhood programs—serving over one million young children—are currently accredited by NAEYC.

"In recent years, we've seen a growing number of child care and preschool programs earning NAEYC Accreditation," said Mark Ginsberg, Ph.D., executive director of NAEYC. "By earning accreditation, Crosshill Community Preschool has become a leader in a national effort to raise the quality of early childhood education, and to help give all children a better start."

NAEYC created its accreditation program in 1985 to set professional standards for early childhood education, and to help families identify high-quality child care and early education programs. To earn NAEYC's accreditation, a program conducts a self-study to determine how well it meets the standards.

After necessary improvements were made, Crosshill was observed by an independent, professional validator in February of 2006, and then reviewed by a national panel in May, 2006. Results of the observation and review were received in June.

Crosshill Community Preschool is located at 803 Broadway in Davisburg. The school is currently accepting enrollment in the summer day camp program and fall classes for 3, 4, and young 5's. For more information, please call the preschool at 248-634-1064.

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— Vivian Olive
Director
Crosshill Community Preschool



Students at Crosshill Community Preschool learn about Native Americans. Photos provided



Megan McReynolds, Catherine Schlaff and Lydia Brauher have playing with some water.

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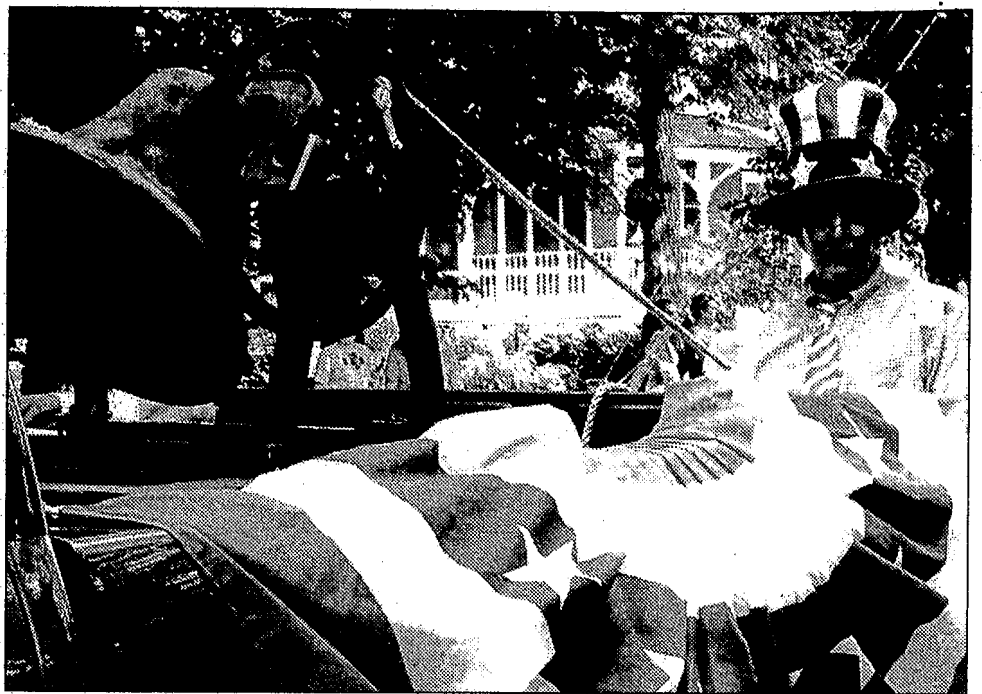
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Joe Methner and Scott Frederick work the grill at the Knights of Columbus' June 23 fund-raiser. In total, 170 chicken and steak dinners were served.



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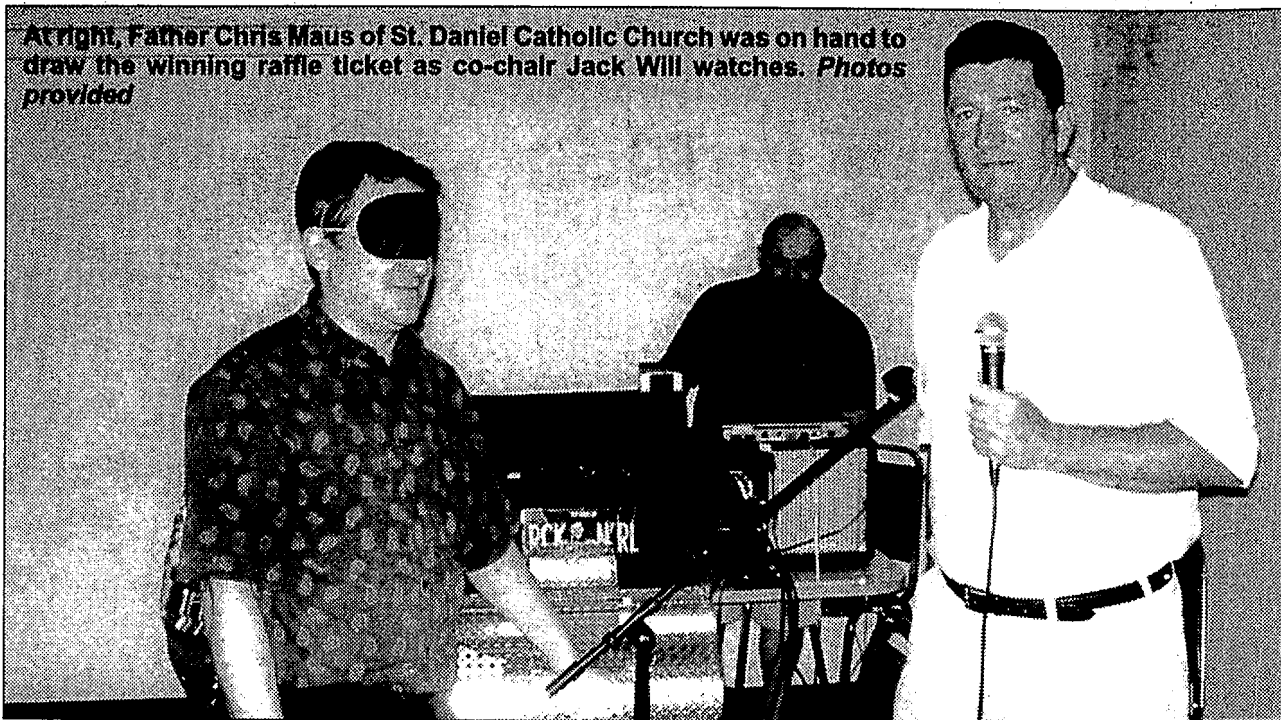
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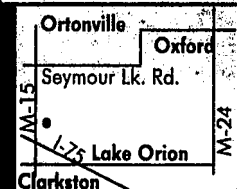
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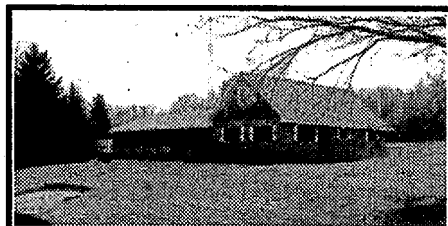
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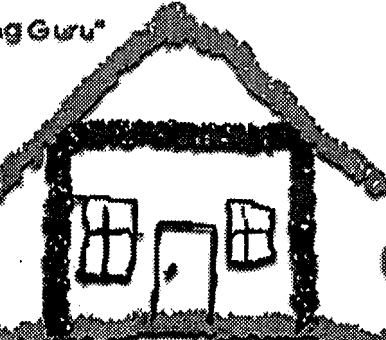
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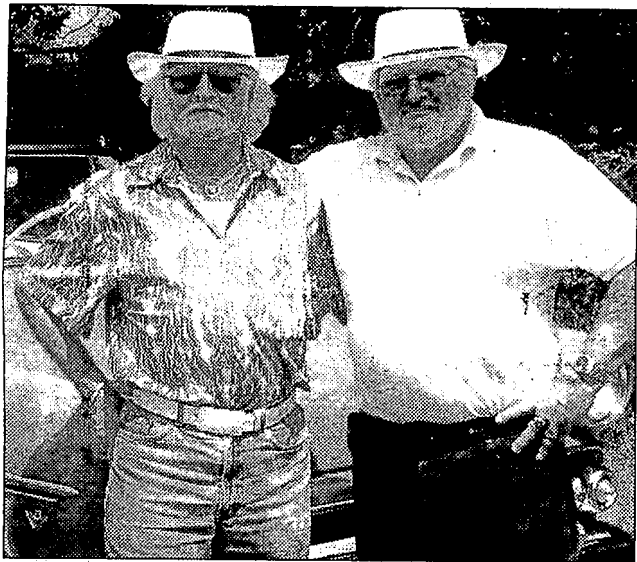
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Willie Nelson hangs out by Dennis Willett's 1933 Ford.



Jim Swindell and Jack Ochodinsky hang out at the show. The two are members of the Flaming Pistons, who helped organize the event.



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By C. Ann Willet

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Lauren

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far as she did. Ewing's Sarcoma in general is a very aggressive cancer and most kids don't last too long and she lasted five years."

Lauren's parents and friends attribute her longevity to her "never surrender" attitude in life, one that earned her the nickname "Warrior" at St. Jude.

"She was very competitive and never gave up. No matter what it was, she would fight to the end to see that she won," wrote Pascoe. "When it came to video games, rematches were common as she had to keep playing until she beat us. That's how she was when it came to her cancer. To the very end it was just another thing that needed to be beaten.

Even the frequent trips to Tennessee for treatment did not alter her personality when she came home to her friends.

"She never gave up, she never just laid down and threw in the towel. She fought for her life even harder when the doctors would say she had only six months, and that was in the beginning of 10th grade. She well out lived that," wrote Kim Vander Weel. "She also never gave up who she was, down to the last moment of her life, she was our Monkey. And I don't care how much time passes, she will always be our Monkey."

Some battles are not winnable, no matter how hard one tries. Even so, Lauren fought long past what doctor's expected, and her fight inspired others.

"Although it was one of the hardest things to do, to watch my friend slowly dying of cancer, I found that all in all the experience was one of the most inspiring times of my life," wrote Pascoe. "I know that now for the rest of my life, I will always think in the back of my mind 'If Monkey could live with cancer, I can live with this.'"

The Struggle

A continuous frustration for the Hart family was the lack of information and help for children with afflictions like Lauren's - termed "orphan cancers" because only a few hundred people are diagnosed annually.

"There has not been a lot of research put into orphan cancers and the reason for that is because pharmaceutical companies do not find it profitable. Now tell that to a mother with a child with cancer," Katherine said.

For that reason, the Hart family had to seek out

experimental therapy and treatments at St. Jude, who there is no treatment available," Katherine said, wishing there was a better way to draw attention to these diseases.

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**- Michelle Pascoe
Friend, classmate
and fellow FHHODD**

"There's no words for it," Allen said. "Compared to all the other hospitals I've ever seen, that hospital is so far above. I was awe struck."

Even with their specialized treatments, the Harts knew the battle was still uphill with so little backing for rare cancer treatments.

"There's a lot of rare cancers out there and people are dying and suffering because

Even though Lauren's fight is over, her parents are continuing in her memory. Katherine said she is debating starting a fund in her daughter's name to support research in treating orphan cancers and Allen said for now, every dollar he makes in charitable donations continues to go to St. Jude.

For more information or to make a donation to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital visit www.StJude.org. To read more comments people wrote about Lauren, visit www.smithfamilyfuneralhome.com.

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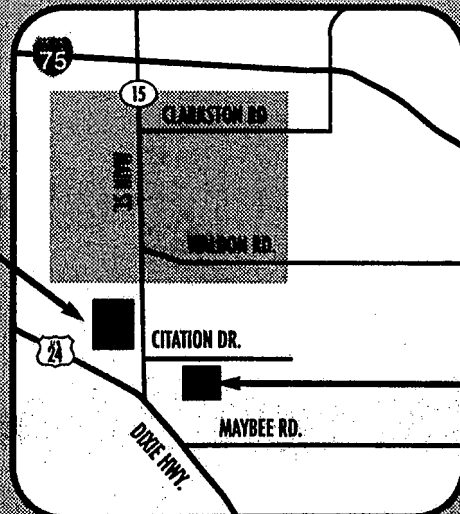
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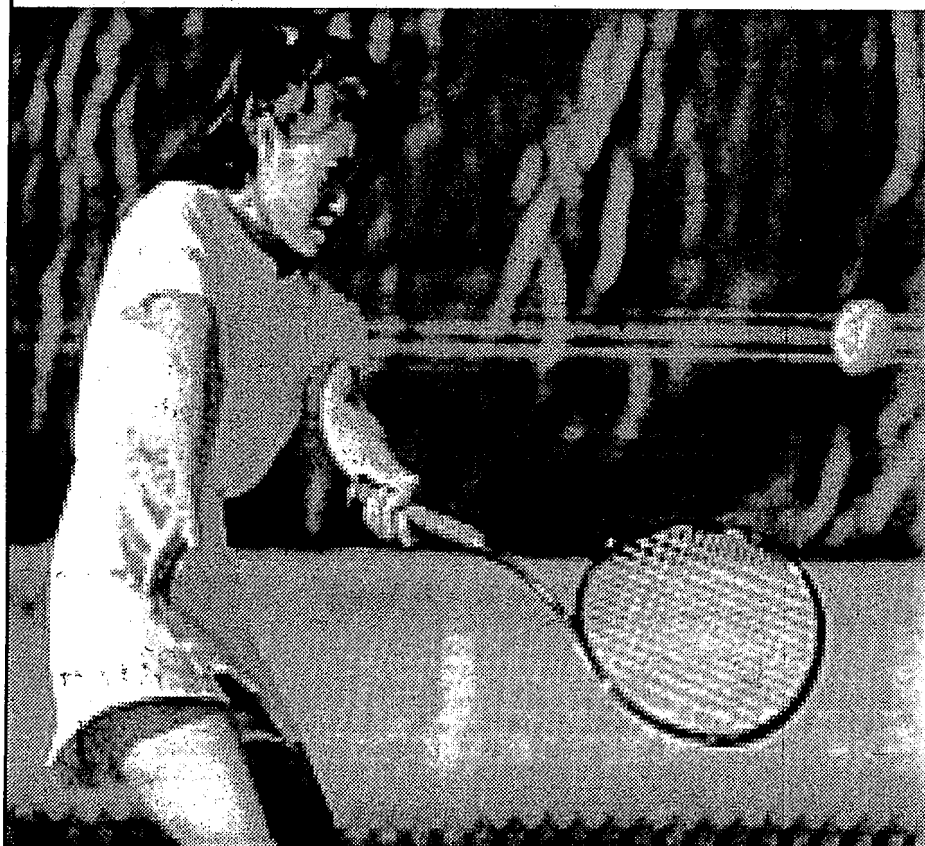
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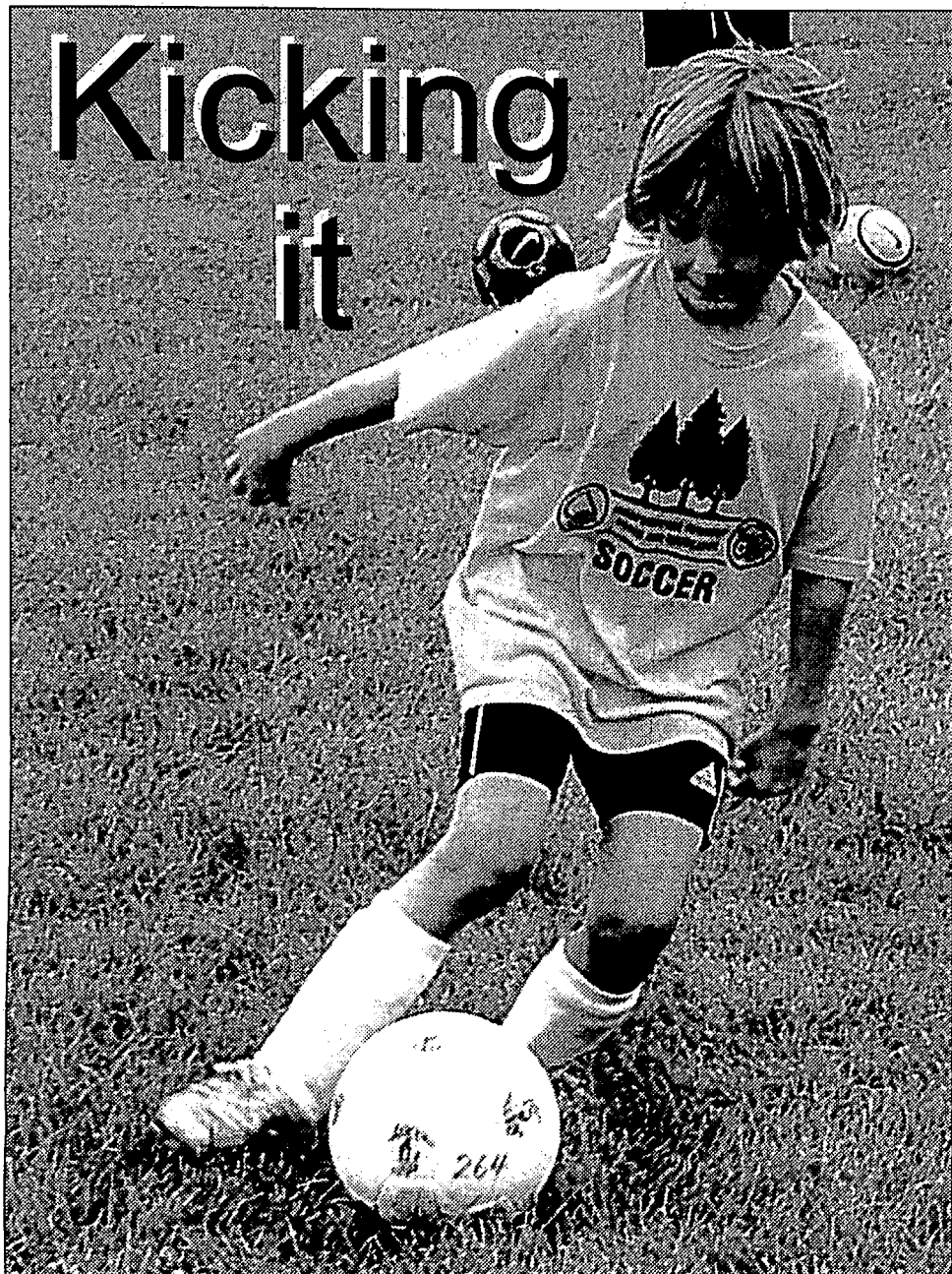
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Clarkston News Sports



Cole Mitchell takes a shot during the soccer camp held at Clintonwood Park.



Anna Davis tries to prevent Ethan Lazzara from scoring a goal.



Campers practice a drill designed to improve teamwork.

Athlete of the Week - Cameron Krausman

BY DAVE PEMBERTON
Clarkston News Sports Writer

Cameron Krausman won his second straight Oakland County Parks Annual Junior Golf Tournament at Springfield Oaks on June 22. Krausman won the boys 10 and under division.

Krausman, 10, already has several tournament wins, but said his favorite tournament is the Oakland County Parks Tournament.

"I like it because it's the first tournament I won," Krausman said. "Winning the second time was a lot of fun too."

Krausman's other notable finishes were first place at a Junior Optimist Qualifier at Royal Oak Country Club, second place at an Optimist Qualifier at Liberty Golf Center, sixth place at the Junior Optimist Tournament and he has won tournaments at



Krausman with his trophy.

Paint Creek Golf Course.

He has played golf for nearly five years. He began playing in his backyard after his sixth birthday.

"For my sixth birthday my dad's best friend bought me a set of golf clubs," Krausman said. "I was excited to get them and used to play in our backyard. It's a lot of fun. My favorite part is chipping."

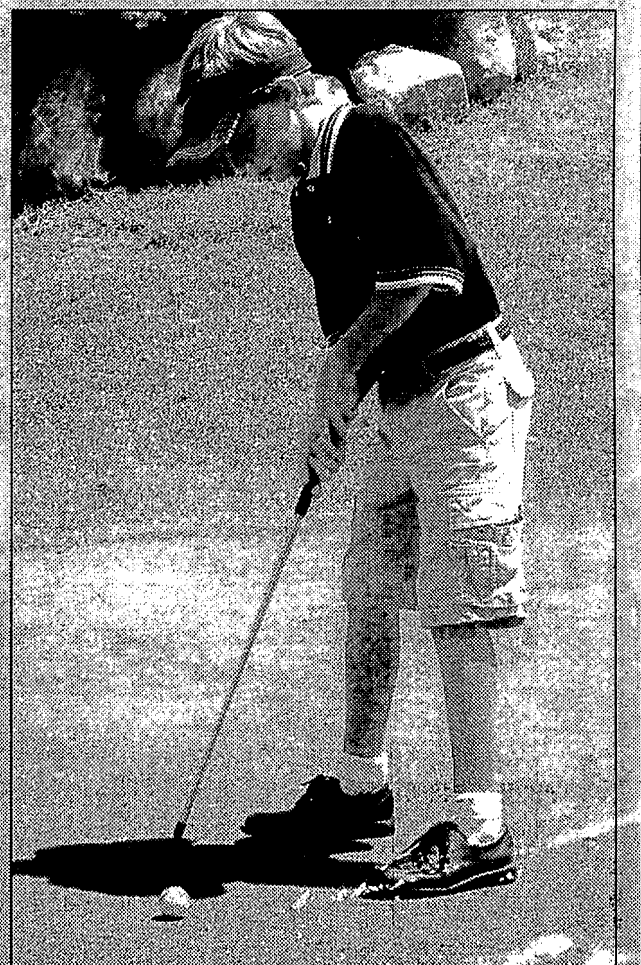
Krausman began to show signs of promise on the golf course. Krausman will turn 11 on July 14, but already has a few key victories over his dad, Ken.

"I've beaten my dad a couple times. He just said, 'Wow,' when I won," Krausman said. "After tournaments he tells me not to get over confident and it's good I won. He's always proud of me."

Krausman said he typically plays four or five times a week and likes to get in the practice.

His long term goal is to see how far he can go with golf.

"I want to win some tournaments so I can get some scholarship money," Krausman said. "My goal is to play college golf and pro golf. But I want to get to college golf first."



Krausman practices his putting at Liberty Golf Center. Photos by Dave Pemberton

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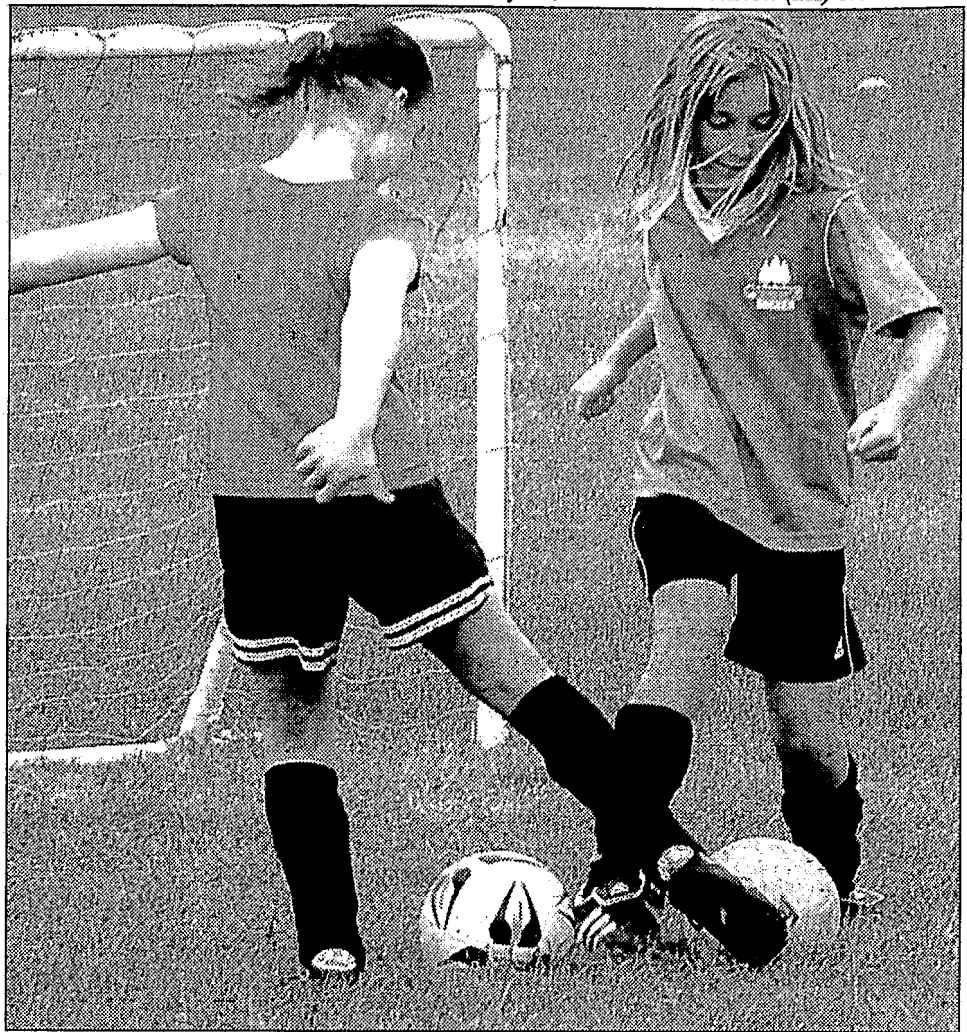
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The Chief Pontiac 18U American Legion Post 377 baseball team: (front row) Matt Truscott (3), Michael Powell (9), Steven Bazner (20), Brett Peters (11), Josh Amundson (34), Ross Tonyan (1), Eric Checkley (5), (back row) Steven Garver (25), Phil McCleery (14), Drew Howard (31), Joel Lange (21), J.J. Lange (41), Dustin Phillips (36), Josh Lawrence (29), Nick Dunstan (2), Jon Ruggeri (4). Not pictured are Bobby Clouse (22), Aaron Phillips and Brandon LaDuc.

American Legion's Chief Pontiacs off to solid start

The Chief Pontiac 18U American Legion Post 377 travel baseball team competed in the Palomino Baseball July 4th tournament in Greensboro, NC. In their first tournament game, Chief Pontiac beat the Rebels 12-10. Steve Bazner had two RBI; Ross Tonyan, Nick

Dunstan, Drew Howard, Brett Peters and Jon Ruggeri each scored two runs. In their second game against the Patriots, Joel Lange pitched the entire game, striking out five batters. The team finished the tournament 1-3. In league play, Chief Pontiac beat the Auburn Hills

American Legion team 13-3. Bobby Clouse went 3-for-5 at the plate with two RBI and a home run. Ross Tonyan and Brett Peters each scored twice. Matt Truscott had a triple, two RBI and scored three runs. The team's current league record is 4-4.

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By Ernie Harwell

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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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The Senior Advisory Committee voted to begin a "\$1 drop in fee" for classes and programs that do not currently charge. The additional revenue will help offset the department's growing expenses.

Senior Center Director Margaret Bartos wrote in the July newsletter, "The Senior Advisory Committee has been discussing ways to curb expenses and increase revenues at the senior

center. Our electric, heating, building repair, cleaning and coffee/water expenses have increased without additional revenue."

According to the newsletter, many nearby senior centers have already instituted similar fees, with many as high as \$2.

Collection of the fee began on July 1. Please contact the senior center at 248-625-8231 with any questions.

Center

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When Senior Center Director Margaret Bartos needs to file a purchase order, she does not send the request to the township finance office. Instead, she files the purchase request with the township's parks and recreation department.

"The money we spend is sent to an individual in the parks and recreation department, who then sends the paperwork on to the finance department," explained Bartos. "Basically, we have to go through parks and rec to get the bills paid."

Why does the senior center director have to go through another department in order to make a purchase? Because the Independence Township Senior Center is not a singular department with its own revenues, but really a division of parks and recreation. In fact, Bartos' immediate "boss" is Parks and Recreation Director Mike Turk.

The hierarchy between parks and recreation and the senior center is most evident during the annual budget planning.

According to Finance Director Sue Hendricks, she notifies Turk concerning how much money parks and recreation will receive from the township's general fund for the upcoming year.

Turk then takes an initial budget request from Bartos for the senior center and incorporates that request into the budget for parks and recreation. This means the senior center's budget is only one aspect of the parks and recreation budget, not a separate entity for township review.

According to Bartos, if cuts need to be made in parks and recreation, cuts

need to be made in senior center programming since the two are combined.

The entire parks and recreation budget then goes to the township supervisor's office, where final adjustments are made and the entire township budget is combined. At this point, the review process begins at the board level.

"We have limited control over our budget and financing," said Bartos. "We are 20 percent of parks and recreation's expenses, but only about 10 percent of the revenues being generated. Our primary funding source is parks and recreation."

Both Bartos and Hendricks confirmed that several expenditures, such as building maintenance or supply purchases, are sometimes interwoven with parks and recreation. Bartos added there are occasionally senior center building maintenance expenditures she never sees since the paperwork goes directly through parks and recreation.

"It always surprises people when I tell them I don't know how much repairs have cost on this building," said Bartos. "I don't always know because the bills don't always go through me."

Due to publication deadline, the Fourth of July holiday and vacation time, Mike Turk was unavailable for comment.

In addition to general fund money received through the parks and recreation department, the senior center also receives funding through Community Development Block Grants, donations, fees, grants and fund-raisers. In the sixth and final installment of the senior center and millage proposal series, *The News* will review the center's budget, where the money is spent and how much is spent on staffing.

RCOC work continues

The Road Commission for Oakland County is continuing the widening of both Clintonville and Maybee intersections (north and south of I-75) for future installation of traffic signals.

Intermittent land closures will continue during construction so please expect delays.

In addition, Maybee Road is expected to be closed east of Clintonville for three weeks beginning July 24.

The projects are scheduled for completion on Sept. 1.

For more information, please go online to www.rcocweb.org.

Orco

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mously to accept the first reading for the township initiated rezoning of the same parcel.

The township's rezoning proposal would change the approximately 70 acres of single family residential (R1-A) to local commercial, planned shopping center, office service one, office service two and multiple family (C-1, C-2, OS-1, OS-2 and R-2). According to Carlisle, the new zoning provides a transition from the residential housing already established in the area to the commercial zoning along the Sashabaw

Corridor.

The only public comment on the issue came from Orco representative Robert Jacobs, Esq.

"This is the most preposterous use of this property... This is not where you will find a full service restaurant or doctor's office," said Jacobs. "It is clearly, clearly only a defense to our proposal."

The township's zoning initiative will come again before the board for a second reading. The Independence Township Board of Trustees meets on the first and third Tuesdays of the month at 7:30 p.m. in the township library on Clarkston Road.

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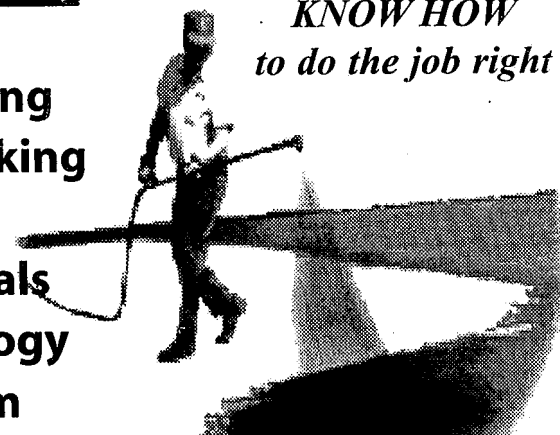
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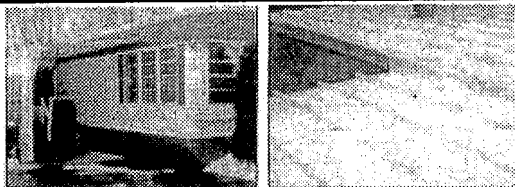
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The boy's got skills. Connor Ryan, 10, made several shots at the basketball game.



Jousting was a popular game among the youngster festival attendees.



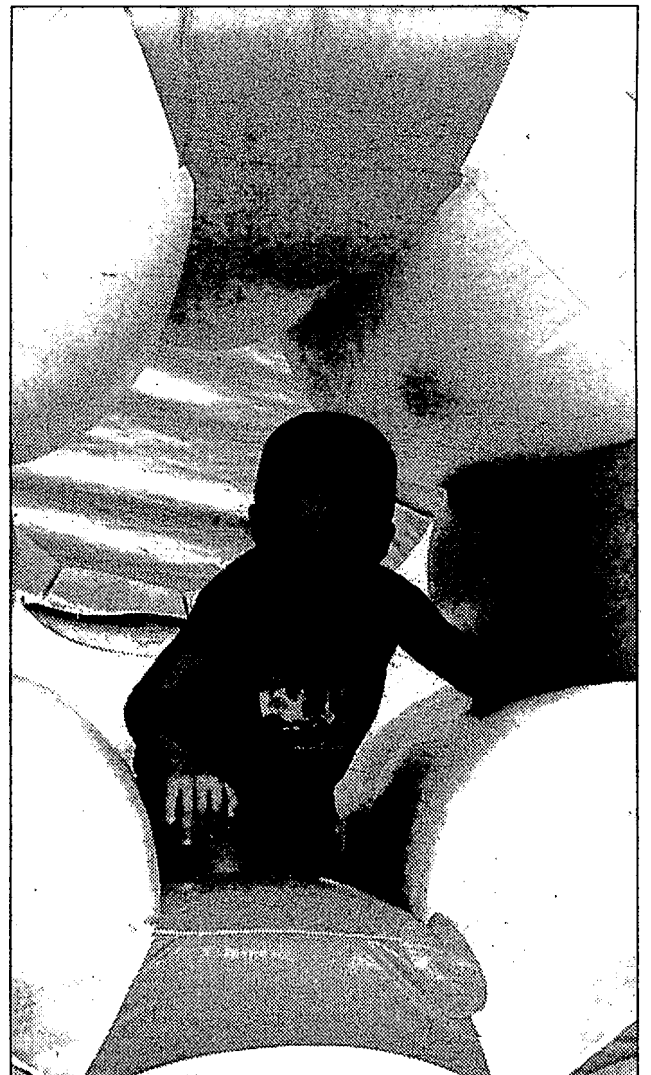
Jeremy Owens, 12, tries out his new marshmallow shooter.



Having a slip and sliding good time is 6-year-old Tyler Wilson.



Several area residents of the four-legged variety came out to compete in the frisbee competition.

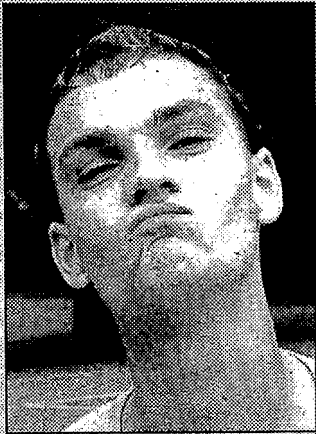


Crawling through an inflatable tunnel is 3-year-old Jack Reese.

Photos by Jenny Matteson

People Poll

Do you attend concerts at DTE?



"Yeah. I went to Steve Miller."
— Justin Fittonneville



"No. I don't have any money to go."
— Lauren Jehle



"Yeah. My favorite was Rascal Flatts. I liked all the people there and the country music."
— Kaitlyn Sitar



"No. Nothing there really interests me."
— Katie Webb

By Dave Pemberton

The Clarkston News' Millstream

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

Coming home with the Clarks

BY DAVE PEMBERTON
Clarkston News Sports Writer

Jeremiah Clark III must have been smiling on July 8. On that day, five generations of his family gathered at Bart Clark's home in Clarkston on Valley Park for the Clark Family Reunion.

Bart Clark, a descendent of Jeremiah organized the family reunion. The get-together took place at Bart's new home in Clarkston, which is named after Jeremiah and his brother Nelson.

The reunion gave the oldest Clark, Virginia, 93, a chance to see a town she grew up in again and gave the youngest Clark, Samantha, 1, the first time she visited the town named after her ancestor.

Virginia is the great-great-granddaughter of Jeremiah Clark. Samantha is Bart's granddaughter.

Clarkston went through a lot of changes between the time Jeremiah called it home and Samantha made her first visit, and Bart's research found the Clarks were a key part of those changes.

Bart began the idea of the reunion while he was researching his family's history.

"One of my ancestors had done a history of the Clark family," Bart said. "My mother gave that to me, which sparked my interest."

Bart researched Jeremiah and the all the other Clarks so he could prepare a scrapbook to show at the family reunion.

During that time, Bart began to have a real appreciation for his family's legacy in Clarkston. He was glad he chose to retire in Clarkston and chose his home to host the Clark Family Reunion.

"It's a great town," Clark said. "Clarkston is a great place to live. It has both a city and country side to it. It's also nice to be in a place with all the family ties."

Prior to his retirement, Bart had never lived in Clarkston and didn't know the history his family had there. Bart's father Milton Hadley Clark moved from Clarkston to Detroit to look for work and that's where Bart was born.

Bart attended the Naval Academy at



Winnie Clark, Bart Clark and Virginia at the reunion. Photo by Dave Pemberton

Annapolis, Maryland and served in the Navy for 26 years. During that time Bart was the commander for the USS Omaha and traveled the globe. His last assignment was teaching Naval Science at the University of Michigan.

After leaving the Navy, he went to work for Ford Motor Company for 11 years. Once he retired from Ford in 1993, he bought a

home in Clarkston and began to research his family's heritage in the area.

During his research Bart found many interesting facts about his ancestors.

Bart learned Jeremiah and his brother Nelson came to the area in the 1830s. The two opened a saw mill on Washington, where several homes are now located; a flower mill off Main Street, which is now where to The Clarkston Mall is located and a fish hatchery.

Jeremiah served as Independence Township supervisor from 1838-39 and 1843-44. He was also the Justice of the Peace in 1845 and a representative on the state legislature in 1838 and 1841.

Nelson built a home a 71 N. Main Street, which is the white mansion with pillars that still stands today. He also opened

'I can't take it all in. It's hardly the same as it used to be. It was a small town back then. I knew everybody in town. It used to have little stores and you knew everyone. It's like a city now.'

— Virginia Clark

Oldest living member of the Clark family

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Around Town

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

No appointment is necessary. Citizens needing assistance with federal agencies or with comments and concerns may drop in and talk with the staff.

To contact the 8th District Office, please call toll free 1-877-333-MIKE or e-mail through www.house.gov/mikerogers.

The Clarkston Brandon Credit Union is holding our semi-annual **Red Cross Blood Drive** on July 19 from 9:30 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. at the credit union office, 8055 Ortonville Road.

Participants may call 248-625-2923 to set an appointment to donate or with any questions. Walk-ins are welcome.

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

• Enjoy taking a spin around the Motor City? Then

the **Best of Detroit Highlights a Cruise** trip is made for you.

On July 19, lunch at the magnificent Roostertail and then enjoy a narrated cruise aboard a Diamond Jack vessel.

The cost is \$69 for residents and \$74 for non-residents, and includes motorcoach. For an extra cost, tour the Du Mouchelles Auction Gallery.

• Visit the **Stratford Festival Theatre** on September 26-27 for an escape into another time. See the classic "Oliver" and Shakespeare's comedy "Much Ado About Nothing."

Accommodations at The Victorian Inn on the Park within walking distance to the Festival Theatre, Avon River and downtown. Elegant dining at Church Restaurant. Optional tours and motorcoach.

For residents, the cost is \$267 for a double and \$324 for a single. For non-residents, the cost is \$277 for a double and \$334 for a single.

• Enjoy first class amenities and the breathtaking views of the magnificent **New York skyline** from Aug. 23-28.

The cost is \$999 for a double, \$1399 for a single and \$959 for a triple.

Included are: two nights to and from New York City, three nights at the Novotel Hotel-Manhattan at 52nd and Broadway in the heart of Times Square and the Broadway District, two breakfasts, three dinners including Tavern on the Green, all day tour of the city including a visit to Ground Zero, ferry to Ellis Island and the Statue of Liberty, tour of Lackawanna Coal Mine, motorcoach and luggage handling.

An optional Broadway show is available at an approximate cost of \$100 per person.

A deposit of \$100 is due to confirm reservation. The balance is due by July 10.

• Looking to stay active this summer? There's plenty of **activities** available at the center including Bocce Ball, volleyball and the Walk Michigan program.

• The senior center is currently planning a 20-day **trip to Australia** beginning Oct. 9, 2007. There are many wonderful adventures planned for this once in a lifetime journey.

A **trip presentation** by Collette Vacations is set for 3:30 p.m. on July 19 in the Carriage House in Clintonwood Park. Please make sure to stop by for more information on this exciting opportunity.

• The "**Optimistics**," a low vision support group, will leave the senior center at 10:30 a.m. for a trip to Able Zone, a low vision store in Troy, on July 19. Transportation by senior mini-bus, and lunch is on your own at a nearby Polish restaurant. For more information, please contact Karen, ext. 17.

• All are invited to a tasty **spaghetti dinner** on July 21 from 5-7 p.m. Enjoy all-you-can-eat spaghetti and meat sauce, salad and Italian garlic bread for just \$5. Children under 10 are \$2.50. Desserts are \$1. Carry-out is available.

Pickup a flier at the senior center to learn more.

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Your a 'Grand Old Flag'

The Clarkston News staff got together with family to give the Fourth of July parade a little taste of history. This year's float was themed "Snapshots of Old Glory" and featured symbolic images of The Grand Old Flag throughout the years. Photo by Jenny Matteson

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Father/son tradition fuels poem

BY JAMES MARTINEZ
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Every year Jerry McIlrath and his son Patrick find their favorite spot near the 11th hole at the Buick Open in Grand Blanc.

What started out as a father spending time exploring his son's passion for golf, has resulted in a Clarkston grad becoming a published poet.

Patrick, 17, who just graduated, put his excitement about the McIlraths' yearly foray into words for a class assignment – and now they are published through Creative Communication's Young Poets Contest.

"Hole 11" recreates the familiar scenes the father-son team witness year after year. Attending the Open on Saturday and Sunday, the two spend time soaking in the total experience while walking the event, but inevitably plop down around the tee box at hole 12 where they can see the greens at holes 8 and 11. By opting not to traverse from hole to hole, they see most of the golfers in the tournament.

"It's fun and one of those things we look forward to each year," said Patrick. "We enjoy getting out their early and finding our spot and having a good time together."

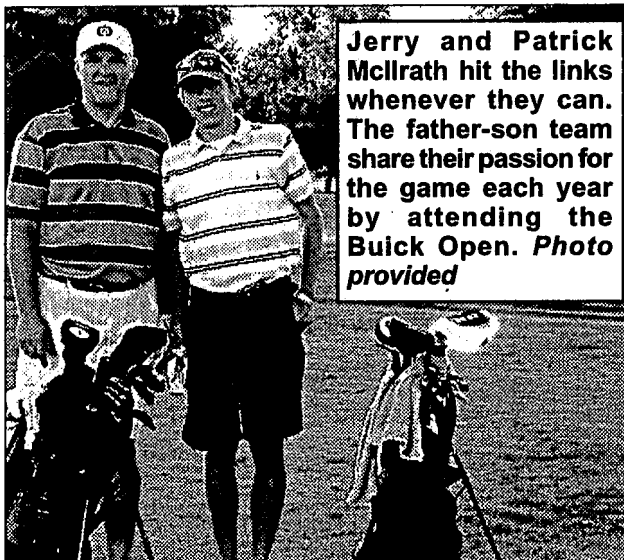
The poem was part of an assignment that required Patrick to submit the effort to any number of writing contests. Patrick selected the Creative Communication's contest and was published. He was not sure how many others entered the contest.

"I was pretty happy (when I heard)," said Patrick. "Writing's fun. I enjoy language arts. I like the writing aspect."

A proud mother, Melanie submitted the poem to *The Clarkston News'* Poetry Corner in early June.

"I thought it was really good. I know when he puts his mind to something he can be creative and come up with ideas I couldn't," said Melanie.

Patrick, a golfer on the Clarkston High School team for four years, took an interest in golf around the age of



Jerry and Patrick McIlrath hit the links whenever they can. The father-son team share their passion for the game each year by attending the Buick Open. Photo provided

10 helping his father kindle a passion for the sport.

"A lot of it is tradition. The experience of the first year and what he enjoyed about going up and getting autographs started it. From that point on he wanted to go every year," said Jerry, who remembers how hard pulling Patrick away from watching the pro's practice in the chipping area was.

Throughout the years, Patrick has collected the signatures of golf's biggest names from Vijay Singh to John Daly on a golf baseball cap he takes each year.

"(Golf) is one of my passions," said Patrick. "It's fun to watch the skill level the guys have out there. It's an out of the world type thing the skill they have."

With no plans to stop attending the Open, even as Patrick prepares for college, the McIlraths already have tickets for the next Buick Open.

"It's pure memories. Something we've done for years and look forward to doing. I already have the four tickets for next year. I couldn't imagine going with anyone else," said Jerry, who recently told his son about the tickets. "I see the same look on his face even as he

The Poetry Corner

Hole 11

We had strolled at least a mile,
From the front clubhouse,
past the heavily secluded brown halfway house,
to the sacred spot we always seem to get.
As we plop open our Blue and Green lawn chairs;
the oak trees behind us shade our backs
like a giant green canopy.

As the stogies are lit,
the smell of cigar smoke fills the air
as if we were in a tavern,
and the men behind us
begin hacking it up.

Across the way,
the crowd at hole 17
is beginning to arrive and gather,
which means that beers sales are mounting
and the sober are few!

As the time passes,
and the day grows older,
players start to arrive,
and the fun of the Open really begins.

Patrick McIlrath

gets older."

The McIlraths live in Clarkston. Patrick intends to attend Spring Arbor University in the fall and study business and sports sciences.

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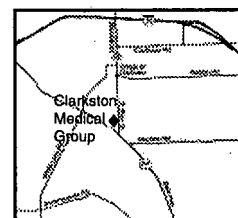
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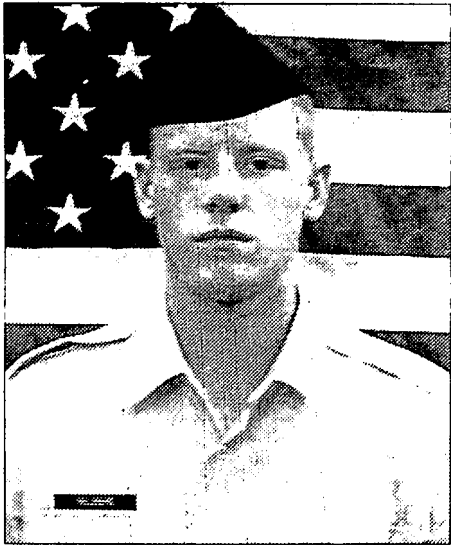
Shawn and Amy (Taylor) Cahill of Murfreesboro, Tenn., formerly of Clarkston, announce the birth of their daughter, Ainsley Elizabeth Cahill.

Ainsley was born 7:40 a.m. on May 12 at Williamson Medical Center in Franklin, Tenn. She weighed eight pounds, one ounce and measured 19.75 inches.

Grandparents are David and Cheryl Taylor of Clarkston and John and Bekki Cahill of Lewis, Indiana. Great-grandparents are Norma Phillips and Maxine Cahill, both of Terre Haute, Indiana; and Donald Anderson of Richmond, Kentucky.

Ainsley is welcomed home by big brother, 3-year-old Patrick.

In our country's service...



Air Force Airman Jason D. Selberg graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas.

During the six weeks of training, Selberg studied the Air Force mission, organization, military customs and courtesies, and performed drill and ceremony marches. He also received training in rifle marksmanship, field exercises and human relations.

Selberg earned credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

Selberg is the son of Lori Brown of Clarkston. He graduated from Clarkston High School in 2005.

Students achieve success

Mark Zerba, son of Jon and Mary Zerba, graduated on May 6 with honors from Michigan State University. He received a bachelor of science degree in packaging.

On May 15, he began employment with the Neutrogena Corporation as a packaging engineer in Las Angeles, California.

Yuri Samsonov of Clarkston graduated Magna Cum Laude from Boston College with a bachelor of science degree from the Wallace E. Carroll School of Management. He majored in finance.

Stefanie L. Haba, of Clarkston,

received the Senior Sigma Xi Award on April 27 during an annual Honors Convocation at Hope College. Sigma Xi is the Scientific Research Society.

John Bracknell, of Clarkston, received his associate degree in culinary arts from the College of Culinary Arts from Johnson & Wales University.

Brenton John Place, of Clarkston, was named to the Dean's List for the spring semester at Anderson University.

Margaret A. Ness, of Clarkston, graduated from Columbia College, Chicago on May 14.

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July 7	6:30 pm Local Talent Spotlight is on Coyx British Invasion and ELVIS! Concessions by First Congregational Church Ballroom courtesy of Saturn of Clarkston	July 28	6:30 pm Local Talent Spotlight is on Stardust Swing Band Swing Music/Big Band Concessions by Independence Twp. Senior Center Ballroom courtesy of Sunrise Assisted Living

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Religion

Think Positive!

When cleaning up after Vacation Bible School this week, I was putting away things in the church. The custodian called me over to alert me to a little boy who was just getting ready to push some buttons on a touch pad that controls the lighting. I walked over to keep him out of trouble, but then I noticed a left-over Bible School "road sign" just his size to carry. By the time I reached the small lad, my intended "don't" had turned into "Would you help me carry this sign ...". He proudly carried the sign to the other building, while I pushed a cart with other equipment. He arrived in the activities building feeling like a hero when people greeted him as a helper and directed him where to take his sign.

The "don't touch that" turned into a positive experience. His self-esteem took a leap rather than blow. The reprimand turned into an opportunity. The negative "don't" became a "please do." And I felt good about having given him the opportunity (and still kept him out of trouble). What miracles a positive approach can bring about!

Jesus knew that. He summed up all the "do not's" of the Ten Commandments in one simple "do" commandment: love one another. He turns them into not just avoiding evil, but doing good. Just look at the commandment "do not kill." Most of us will never commit a murder. But we do destroy life when we harm our environment. A commitment to recycling could

be a "do" Jesus style. Remember Jesus' encounter with the rich young man. He was keeping all the commandments and Jesus commended him for it. Then Jesus asked him to do more - not just avoid evil, but to use what he had to reach out and do good.

Jesus may not be asking us to give away all we have like he did in the encounter with the rich young man, but Jesus does ask us to look beyond ourselves. A positive invitation to the little boy created not just positive feelings in both of us. It not just boosted our self-esteem rather than nag away at it. It also gave rise in our hearts to that relational love Jesus talked about. "Love one another as I have loved you."

Be positive. Jesus says we can do it. "You are the light of the world," Jesus said (Matthew 5:14). He didn't say "you can be" - no, he said you ARE! So let your light shine.

Spiritual Matters



Frieda Arpoika

Frieda Arpoika is Director of Faith Formation at St. Daniel Catholic Community in Clarkston.

Would your church like to participate in Spiritual Matters?

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We love hearing from new voices!

In our churches...

Maranatha Baptist Church is hosting an **Old Fashioned Community Picnic** on July 15 at 11 a.m. Bring your home made preserves, pickles, salsa, pies or needlework for the judging competition. Afternoon contests include pie eating, watermelon seed spitting, chip toss, husband calling and more. Everyone is welcome for the free event, including lunch. Call 248-625-2700 for more information. Maranatha Baptist Church is located at 5790 Flemings Lake Road.

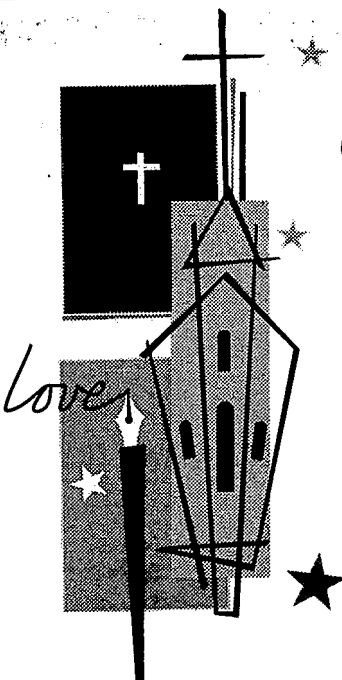
Join the Maranatha Baptist Church for a **"Vacation Bible Time Journey to the Middle Ages - The Knights Shining and the Maidens Fair"** from July 31-August 4. The program runs from 9:30 a.m. to 12:10 p.m. for ages 4 years - 6th grade. For more info call 248-625-2700. Maranatha Baptist Church is located at 5790 Flemings Lake Road.

Clarkston Free Methodist Church is hosting their annual **"Vacation Bible School"** July 31-Aug. 4. The program for students in grades K-5 has a "trading places" theme where student will learn about various bible characters. The program runs from 9 a.m. - noon and takes place at the church, located at 5482 Winell St. near the corner of Maybee Rd. For more information, contact the church at 248-623-1224

"The Connection Summer Series" hosted by Clarkston United Methodist Church is every Wednesday evening throughout the summer. The program starts at 6:30 p.m. with a soup and salad dinner in the front yard, followed by music with the Cross Word band at

Please see In Our Churches, page 7B

Church Directory



ST. TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

"Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod"
7925 Sashabaw Road
Clarkston, MI 48348
(248) 625-4644
Worship:
Sun. 8:15 am & 11:00 am
Sat. 6:00 pm
Sunday School 9:45 am
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8585 Dixie Hwy.,
Clarkston, MI
(248) 625-2311
website: www.dixiebaptist.org
Home of Springfield Christian Academy & Children's Ark Preschool
Pastor: J. Todd Vanaman
Sun: 10:00 am Sunday School & Adult Bible Fellowship
11:00 am Morning Worship Service
6:00 pm Evening Worship Service
Wed: 6:45 pm AWANA
7:00 pm Teen Meetings & Adult Bible Study
Nursery available for all services.

CLARKSTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

6600 Waldon Road, Clarkston
248-625-1611
Website: clarkstonumc.org
Sunday Worship:
8:30 am & 10:00 am
Fellowship Time: 9:15 pm
Nursery available for both services
Children's Sunday School:
10:00 am service
Wednesday Connection
Summer Series:
7:00 pm dinner, 7:30 pm service

BRIDGEWOOD CHURCH

6765 Rantalee Lake Road
Clarkston, 48348
(248) 625-1344
Services: Sunday 10:00am
Morning Worship Service
Exploration Station - Children's Ministry
5pm Evening Worship Service
Studio 7/S.C.O.R.E. -
Children's Ministry
Wed. 6:45pm Fit For Life -
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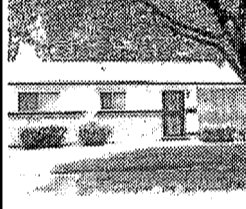
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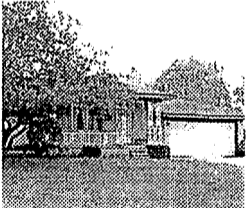
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1.5 BATHS
TIME TO PICK COLORS
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LOTS OF STORAGE
GREAT NEIGHBORHOOD
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BEAUTIFUL HOME



3 BED, 2 BATHS
RANCH STYLE
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APPLIANCES STAY!
CENTRAL AIR
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Obituaries



Peter J. Noonan

Peter J. Noonan, of Clarkston, passed away on July 3, 2006 at the age of 81.

Mr. Noonan was the devoted hus-

band of Mary for 50 years; and loving father of Jay (Nanette) of Ortonville, Anne-Marie of Andover, Massachusetts, Douglas of Denver, Colorado and Patrick (Julie) of Ortonville. He was preceded in death by his daughter Maureen.

He was also the grandfather of Amanda, Alexandra, Irina and Gillian; and brother of Margaret Mangan, Amelda (John) Mikottis, all of Illinois and Rosemary Leichtnam of Grand Blanc.

Mr. Noonan owned and operated A&A Trenching since 1957. He was a member of Knights of Columbus, 4th Degree, Clarkston Council.

Rite of Committal in Ottawa Park Cemetery. Arrangements entrusted to the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Capuchin Soup Kitchen.

Online guestbook available at www.wintfuneralhome.com.



James E. Rosser, Sr.

James E. Rosser, Sr. of Clarkston passed away on July 4, 2006. He was 64 years old.

Mr. Rosser was the father of James E. (Leisa) Rosser, Jr., Lora (Scott) Bryant, Julie A. Whinton and Donald K. Rosser; grandfather of Justine, Danielle, Jacob, Stephanie, Steven, Katie, Daniel, Meghan and Zach; brother of the late Donald, Duddley, the late Susan, Jerry and Peggy; and former husband of Lola Rosser.

Jim "Firebird" Rosser retired from Pontiac Motors in 1992. He will be greatly missed and was loved by many.

A funeral service was held on July 7, 2006 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home. Memorials may be made to Cranbrook Hospice. Online guestbook at www.wintfuneralhome.com.



Robert Goodman, Sr.

Robert E. Goodman, Sr., of Ortonville, passed away on July 3,

2006. He was 72.

Mr. Goodman was the loving father of Steven (Pam) Goodman, Jane (Michael) Regentin and Robert E. (Tootie) Goodman, Jr.; grandfather of Darren, Michelle, Leslie, LuAnn, Cynthia, Michael Jr. and Robert E. Goodman III; great-grandfather of eight; and brother of Kathryn Goodman-Miller "Kate" and the late June Book. He was also the long-time loving companion of Myrna Martell.

Mr. Goodman retired from General Motors/EDS after 43 years of service. He was proud to serve his country in the army during the Korean Conflict.

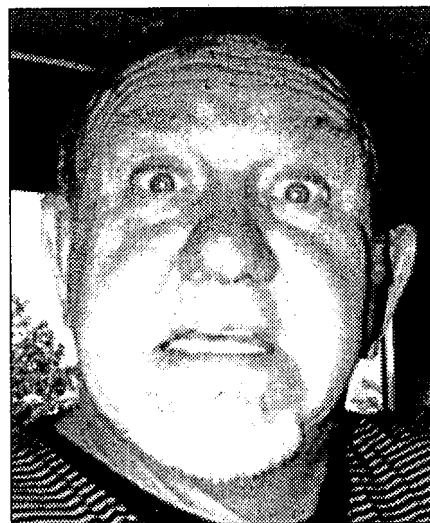
A funeral service was held on July 8, 2006 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home. Memorials may be made to the Salvation Army. Online guestbook at www.wintfuneralhome.com.

In Our Churches

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7:30 p.m. Lawn chairs and blankets encouraged! Clarkston United Methodist Church is located at 6600 Waldon Road. For more info call 248-625-1611.

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.



Edwin Ritchie

Edwin Anthony Ritchie, of Berkley, formerly of Sterling Heights,

passed away on July 3, 2006 after a courageous battle with cancer. He was 69.

Mr. Ritchie was preceded in death by his wife Claudia. He was "Daddy" of Cindy (Wade) Tottingham of Waterford; step-father of Chester (Donna) Provo of Warren and Jeff Provo of Chesterfield; "Papa" of Miranda, Anthony Edwin, Josh and Scott; and brother of Louise Shields and Fran (Howard) Baker. He is also survived by many nieces and nephews.

Mr. Ritchie enjoyed fishing and hunting. He retired from Kinnie-Annex as a truck driver.

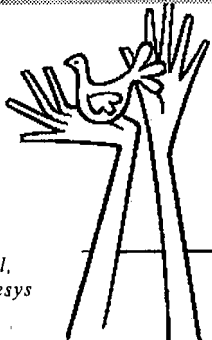
A funeral service was held on July 6, 2006 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son TRUST 100 Funeral Home. Memorials may be made to Beaumont Hospice. Online guestbook at www.wintfuneralhome.com.

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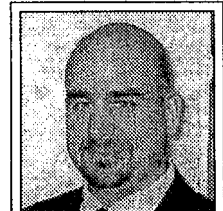
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Tom Miller of CEYX plays the saxophone.

Photos by Jenny Matteson and Dave Pemberton



Three-year-old Shannon Billette enjoyed her beach ball and balloon.



Donna Nowak, owner of Show Offs Body Art, gives James Gartland, 3, a special look for the night. Dad Paul helps the youngster hold his beach ball.



Members of the audience decided to dance the night away.



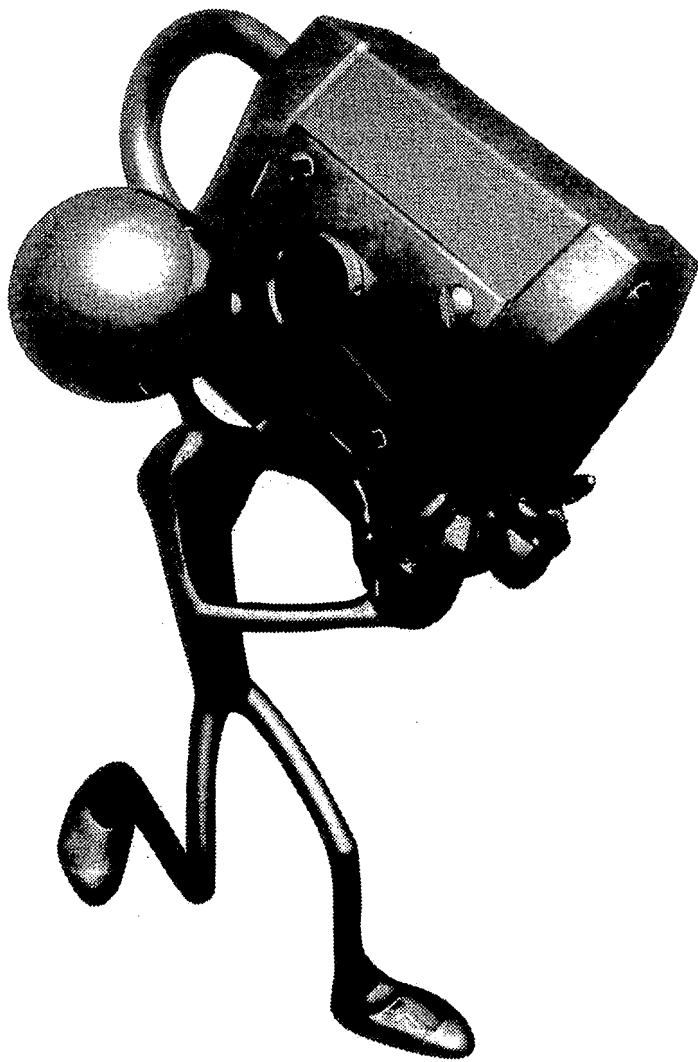
Dean Rusch entertained the crowd while he played the drums along with the rest of CEYX.



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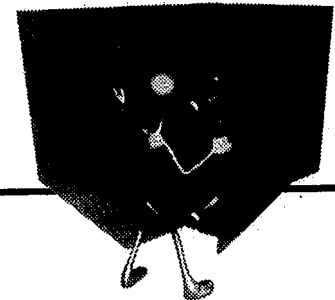
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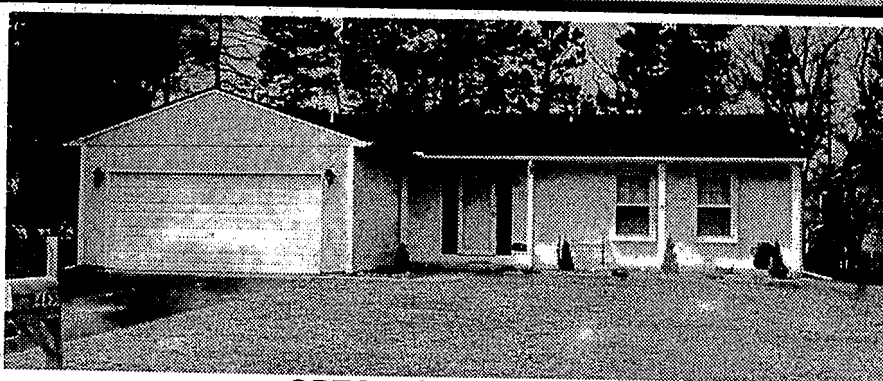
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Virginia Clark, the oldest living Clark, holds Samantha Clark, the youngest Clark.

Millstream

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an academy, which later became the Union School. The building was later tore down and the Independence Township Hall currently sits at the site.

The brothers also served as postmasters and planted the first apple tree in Clarkston.

Jermiah's son, Milton H. Clark, built a store called Clark and Stems. The store was at the corner of Washington and Main Streets until burning down. *The Clarkston News* parking lot now exists in the location. Milton H. built his home at 62 N. Main Street, which like Nelson's still stands today.

Milton's son Edwin and his son Lee Milton opened the Vulcan Art Metal Works. The building is currently Tierra's Fine Jewelry. Edwin made his home at 52 N. Main Street, which is also still standing today.

Lee Milton (Virginia's father) also organized events at the Maccabee Temple and started a weekly paper called *The Community News* in the 1920s.

Virginia remembers the town fondly from her childhood. She graduated from Clarkston High School in 1930.

"I was a member of the last class

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that graduated out of the school on Main Street," Virginia said. "The new school wasn't completely done yet. There was just 16 kids in my graduating class."

This year over 500 students graduated from Clarkston High School.

Before the reunion, Virginia drove around the current town and said she could not believe what she saw.

"I can't take it all in," Virginia said. "It's hardly the same as it used to be. It was a small town back then. I knew everybody in town. It used to have little stores and you knew everyone. It's like a city now."

Virginia has countless memories of Clarkston from growing up. She smiles when she talks about the Methodist Church she attended and getting married in Clarkston. Virginia

even remembers when Rudy's first opened.

"He (Rudy Schwartz) opened the store right before I got married," Virginia said. "It was a wonderful store and he was a likeable guy. He wanted to please everybody."

During the Clark reunion, Virginia got a chance to see all her family and many nieces and nephews she had not seen in years.

All the Clarks in attendance enjoyed a picnic and then took a tour of downtown Clarkston to see the buildings their

'Clarkston is a great place to live. It has both a city and country side to it. It's also nice to be in a place with all the family ties.'

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Reunion organizer
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Around Town

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

• The Oakland County Sheriff's Department will teach **Off-Road Vehicle Safety** on July 22 from 8:30 a.m. - 3 p.m. at the Hart Community Center.

The class will focus on safe operation skills, maintenance, operating on different types of terrain, environmental considerations, laws and requirements, proper clothing, personal preparedness and survival skills in emergency situations.

Ages 10 and older may participate. The cost is \$10 for residents and \$15 for non-residents. Participants must successfully pass a test to receive the ORV Safety Certificate. A minimum number required to hold class. Pre-registration is encouraged, but will be accepted at the door.

• There are still two **Team Reptile Summer Camps** left for the summer: July 24-27 and July 31-August 3. Camps are from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Mill Pond Park.

The camps focus on hands-on experiences such as exploring local parks for snakes, salamanders, turtles, frogs and other wildlife. Camp adventures are recorded so they may be aired on Team Reptile's local television show.

Registration is required one week before camp start date. The cost is \$100 per camper for residents and \$110 for non-residents. Campers must be 8 years or older. A minimum and maximum number of participants required. Proof of age or birth certificate required to register.

All participants receive a Team Reptile t-shirt. All campers must dress for the outdoors, bring a sack lunch and a change of clothes every day.

• The Oakland County Sheriff's Department will teach a **Boater's Safety** course on July 11 and 13 from

6-9 p.m. at the Hart Community Center.

Course topics include fundamentals, boat maintenance, personal watercraft and boat operation, legal requirements of boating and survival skills needed in an emergency. Participants must attend both days and pass a test to receive the Boater's Safety Certificate from the Michigan DNR.

Persons born after Dec. 31, 1978 are required to have a certificate by law.

The cost is \$10 for residents and \$15 for non-residents. Pre-registration encouraged, but will be accepted at the door provided openings are available. A minimum and maximum number of participants are required to hold class.

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

The **Class of 1986 of Lake Orion High School** seeks "lost" classmates for its 20-year reunion.

The event runs from 6 p.m. to midnight on July 29 at Olde World Canterbury Village in Lake Orion. The \$60 per person price includes dinner, drinks and entertainment.

Please RSVP by July 8 by sending checks payable to "Lake Orion High School Class of 1986" to: Cori (Mann) Bzura, 10090 Woodlawn Drive, Taylor, MI 48180.

For more information about the event, contact Michele (Deachin) Brunson at 248-391-7270 or brunsonbunch@sbcglobal.net.

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If you answered "no" to any of these questions, the Clarkston Health Center extends an invitation for you to attend an **Out-Patient Diabetic Program**. This program teaches about diet, medication, blood glucose monitors, exercise and prevention of complications.

The program is a two-part session scheduled for August 7 and 9 from 10:00 a.m. - noon. The fee is \$35, and you are welcome to bring one guest at no additional charge. If you are unable to attend the August program, the session will be repeated in December 2006.

To register or for more information, please call 248-338-5389. This program is presented by the Community Education Department at POH Medical Center.

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INDEPENDENCE TOWNSHIP BOARD

AGENDA

7:30 P.M.

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DATE: JULY 18, 2006

1. Call to Order
 2. Pledge of Allegiance
 3. Roll Call
 4. Opening Statements and Correspondence
 5. Approval of Agenda
 6. Public Forum - *Individuals in the audience have the opportunity to address the Township Board on an issue that is not on the agenda, limiting their comments to not more than three minutes.*
 7. Consent Agenda:
 - a. Approval of Minutes of July 5, 2006, meeting
 - b. Approval of Purchase Orders
 - c. Approval of Accounts Payable Check Run
- Unfinished Business
1. Approval of Thomas Patti Rezoning Request from R-1R (Rural Residential) to R-1B (Suburban Residential)
- New Business
1. Oakland Wireless
 2. Permission to advertise for Operation Specialist II
 3. Clinton-Oakland Sanitary Sewer rate increase
 4. Water Capital Improvement Progress Report - Budget Amendment
- Items removed from Consent Agenda for action or discussion will be moved to the last item under Unfinished Business. Only those matters that are listed on the Agenda are to be considered for action. A majority vote of the Board members may add or delete an agenda item.

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ORDINANCE NO. 83

SUMMARY OF PROPOSED ZONING ORDINANCE TEXT AMENDMENTS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at its regular meeting on July 5, 2006, the Charter Township of Independence Board of Trustees authorized a First Reading of a text Amendment to certain Articles of Ordinance No. 83, the Charter Township of Independence Zoning Ordinance, for the purpose of requiring that building elevations are submitted with a conceptual site plan. A full copy of the Ordinance is on file in the Township Clerk's Office for public review and inspection. The following is the proposed Zoning Ordinance Text Amendment:

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

Section I

Article V, General Provisions, Section 5.12.4.b shall be amended as follows:

b. Conceptual and Final Site Plan Approval. The procedure for processing the site plan includes two (2) phases:

1. The first phase is called conceptual approval, the intent of which is to present a site plan to the Planning Commission for initial review and approval of the overall concept of the development. A conceptual site plan shall contain all information required under Section 5.12.2, except that a detailed landscape plan, and utility information shall not be required at this state of review. Wherein the applicant intends to request variances from the Zoning Ordinance from the Zoning Board of Appeals, conceptual approval by the Planning Commission shall be conditional upon favorable action on any variance requested by the Zoning Board of Appeals.
2. Unchanged.

Section II

Contains severance clause.

Section III

Contains savings clause.

Section IV

Contains effective date.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE
SHELAGH VANDERVEEN, TOWNSHIP CLERK

Published: July 12, 2006

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF OAKLAND NOTICE TO CREDITORS Decedent's Estate

FILE NO: 2006-304, 938-DE
Estate of Betty J. Corby, Date of Birth: August 31, 1970
TO ALL CREDITORS:
NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Betty J. Corby, who lived at 5700 Water Tower Place, Independence, Michigan died February 6, 2006.
Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred

unless presented to Kim P. Dagenais, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 1200 N. Telegraph Rd., Pontiac, Michigan 48341-0449 and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

7/06/2006
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PUBLIC NOTICE

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INDEPENDENCE TWP.
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

The Independence Township Board of Appeals will meet Wednesday, August 2, 2006 at 7:30 pm at the Independence Township Library, 6495 Clarkston Road, Clarkston, MI 48346 to hear the following cases:

- Case #06-0025 Olson, Randy, Petitioner
APPLICANT REQUESTS VARIANCE TO EFFECTUATE SPLITTING OF PROPERTY (LACKS FRONTAGE, REQUIRES SIDE YARD SETBACK VARIANCE, WIDTH-TO-DEPTH RATIO)
5491 Maybee Rd., 2 Acres, R-1A
08-35-101-001
- Case #06-0026 Mazza, Eugene, Petitioner
APPLICANT REQUESTS 20' SIDE YARD VARIANCE, PLUS 2' HEIGHT VARIANCE TO CONSTRUCT ACCESSORY STRUCTURE
9348 Ellis Rd., 3.15 Acres, R-1R
08-07-100-024
- Case #06-0027 Kapelanski, Gary, Petitioner
APPLICANT REQUESTS 2'6" SIDE YARD VARIANCE TO CONSTRUCT BASEMENT (UNDER EXISTING HOME) ON NON CONFORMING LOT OF RECORD
4550 Clinton, Lot 9, R-1A
Oakland Ridge Sub
08-34-452-013

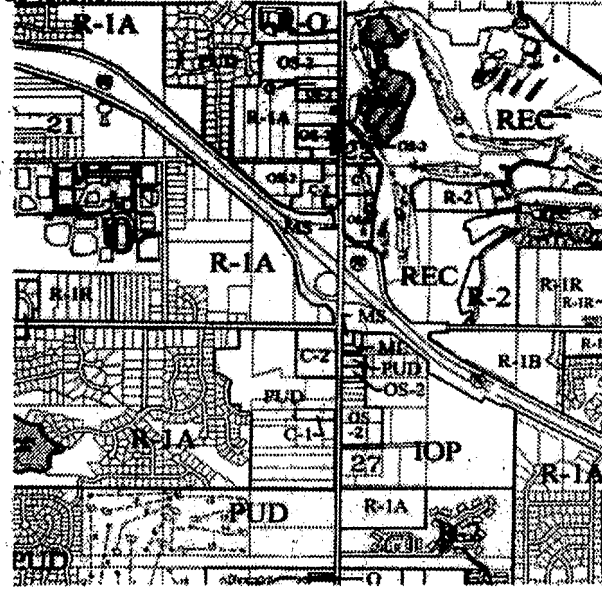
NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN THAT THE ABOVE REQUESTS MAY BE EXAMINED at the Township Building Department during regular business hours. Written comments may be sent to the Zoning Board of Appeals c/o the Independence Township Building Department, 90 N. Main St., Clarkston, MI 48346 prior to the Public Hearing. For further information call (248) 625-8111.

Respectfully submitted,
Shelagh VanderVeen, Clerk
The Township will provide the necessary, reasonable auxiliary aids and services to individuals with disabilities at a public hearing/meeting upon advance notice in writing or by calling the Township Building Department (248) 625-8111

PUBLIC NOTICE

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE

At a regular meeting of the Independence Township Board held on July 5, 2006, the Township Board authorized a First Reading of a rezoning from R-1A (Single Family Residential) to C-1 (Local Commercial), C-2 (Planned Shopping Center), OS-1 (Office Service One), OS-2 (Office Service Two), R-2 (Multiple Family). Approximately 70 acres of land situated in the Southwest quadrant of the intersection of I-75 and Sashabaw Road (north of Waldon Road), 08-22-351-021, 08-22-351-025 (5955 Flemings Lake Road), 08-22-351-007 (5961 Flemings Lake Road), 08-22-351-006 (6750 Walters Road), 08-22-351-018 (5870 Waldon Road), 08-22-351-017 (5890 Waldon Road), 08-22-351-057 (6660 Walters Road), 08-22-351-016 (5860 Waldon Road), 08-22-351-009, 08-22-351-010, 08-22-351-011 (6730 Walters Road), 08-22-351-056, 08-22-351-058 (5920 Waldon Road), 08-22-351-024 (5951 Flemings Lake Road), 08-22-351-022 (5800 Waldon Road), 08-22-351-023, and from R-1A (Single Family Residential) to OS-1 (Office Service One), approximately three acres of land situated on the south side of Waldon Road, approximately 1,500 feet west of Sashabaw Road, 08-27-100-032 (5925 Waldon Road), 08-27-100-033 (5915 Waldon Road), and 08-27-100-034 (5905 Waldon Road), as follows:



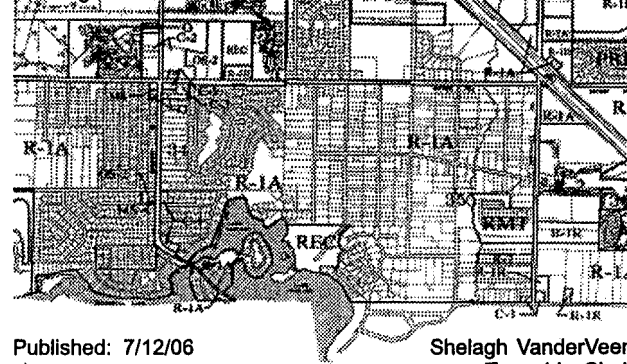
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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE

At a regular meeting of the Independence Township Board held on July 5, 2006, the Township Board authorized a First Reading Amendment of a rezoning request from REC (Recreational) to R-1A/PRO (Single Family Residential/Planned Rezoning Overlay), 18.37 acres, 4819 Edgewood Drive (Mary Sue Avenue), American Legion Chief Pontiac Post 377, 08-35-351-012, as follows:



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CLARKSTON MI 48346
SUMMARY
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
JUNE 26, 2006

Meeting called to order at 7:06 p.m. by Mayor Catallo.
Roll Present: Catallo, Brueck, Colombo, Johnston, Meyland, Ottman, Wylie.

Absent: None.
Minutes of June 12, 2006, approved with two corrections.
Agenda approved as presented with the addition of Police Procedures and Policies.

Meyland reported on the Triathlon meetings and input from St. Daniel Church representatives, Chief Combs, Sergeant Bittinger, Corey Greenfield, Barbara Bartos, and others.

Ottman reported on proposed improvements to Wompole. Ottman is to discuss this with D.P.W. Supervisor Pursley and obtain costs for the work if completed by the City D.P.W. or by a contractor.

Wylie commented on a recent editorial in the Clarkston News. Brueck reported on the rain garden and reported that it was in good shape. Johnston reported that the Clarkston Mom's Club had sent in a donation of \$700 for the rain garden and Depot Park environmental plantings.

Traffic Control Order No. 06-05
A 25-Mile Per Hour Speed limit sign to be installed on Westbound East Church Street, in front of 91 East Church Street, 20 to 25 feet west of the west end of the building between the sidewalk and curb.

Resolved That the Planning Commission, Salaries for FY2006 in the amount of \$855 be approved for payment.

Resolved That Council Salaries for FY2006 totaling \$6,875 be approved for payment.

Resolved That the FY2006 General Fund Budget be amended as follows:

Revenues: \$758,729; Disbursements: \$744,409, per the copy attached to the official Minutes.

Resolved That the FY2007 General Fund Budget be adopted as follows:

Revenues: \$777,514; Disbursements \$753,133, per the copy attached to the official Minutes.

Resolved That the FY2006 Local Street Budget be amended as follows:

Revenues: \$19,750; Disbursements \$19,935, per the copy attached to the official Minutes.

Resolved That the FY2007 Local Street Budget be adopted as follows: Revenues: \$22,700; Disbursements \$22,565, per the copy attached to the official Minutes.

Resolved That the FY2006 Major Street Budget be amended as follows: Revenues: \$37,250; Disbursements \$35,915, per the copy attached to the official Minutes.

Resolved That the FY2007 Major Street Budget be adopted as follows: Revenues: \$34,200; Disbursements \$34,035, per the copy attached to these Minutes.

Ottman requested that a Police Study Committee be established to study the issue of a City Police Department or coverage by the Oakland Council Sheriff Department. Colombo suggested hiring a consultant for this purpose. City Attorney Ryan suggested contacting the Michigan Municipal League to determine if there was a consultant service available to study police coverage for the City.

City Attorney Ryan further stated that the Chief of Police or DPW Supervisor should handle complaints and, if the complainant is not satisfied, then the Council may review the complaint. Tom Stone suggested that the City develop a means to look for patterns of complaints received.

Meyland is to request that Chief Combs give a summary of Policies and Procedures of the Police department. Meyland is to draft a list of expectations for police coverage for Council review.

Council tabled the issue of the use of Depot Park for the children's activities on Taste of Clarkston Day until more details are available from the Chamber of Commerce.

Pappas was instructed to request a site plan and improvement plan for the parking lot at Waldon and Main street for preventing gravel accumulation in the roadway and storm sewers.

Meeting adjourned at 9:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Artemus M. Pappas, Clerk

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SYNOPSIS

TAKEN BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD
THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE

Supervisor Wagner called the July 5, 2006, meeting to order at 7:33 p.m., at the Independence Township Library.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Present: Rosso, VanderVeen, Wagner, Wenger, Dunn, Kelly

Absent: Travis

There was a quorum.

1. Opening Statements and Correspondence
2. Approval of the Agenda, as amended
3. Public Forum opened at 7:37 p.m. and closed at 7:37 p.m.
4. Approval of the Consent Agenda:
 - a. Minutes of Regular Meeting of June 20, 2006
 - b. Accounts Payable Check Run in the amount of \$1,034,476.95
 - c. Purchase Orders in the amount of \$1,023,835.83
5. Approved motion for approval of liquor license transfer to Andiamo of Clarkston LLC
6. Denial of First Reading of proposed rezoning from R-1A (Single Family Residential) to C-2 Planned Shopping Center) and C-3 (Highway Commercial), Approximately 70 acres of land situated in the Southwest quadrant of the intersection of I-75 and Sashabaw Road, (north of Waldon Road), Orco Investments
7. Approved First Reading of Township initiated rezoning from R-1A (Single Family Residential) to C-1 (Local Commercial), C-2 (Planned Shopping Center), OS-1 (Office Service One) OS-2 (Office Service Two), R-2 (Multiple Family) Approximately 70 acres of land situated in the Southwest quadrant of the intersection of I-75 and Sashabaw Road (north of Waldon Road)
8. Approved First Reading of Text Amendment to Zoning Ordinance #83, Section 5.12 Site Plan Review, Subsection 4b1, Procedures for Submission and Review of application
9. Approved First Reading of a rezoning request from REC (Recreation) to R-1A/PRO (Single Family Residential/Planned Rezoning Overlay) 18.37 acres, 4819 Edgewood Drive (Mary Sue Avenue), American Legion Chief Pontiac, Post 377
10. Approved motion approve concept of property swap for a passive pocket park and authorization to prepare a design plan at a cost not to exceed \$3,500.00
11. Approved reclassification of Karen DeLorge from Clerk to Clerk Technical
12. Approved salary adjustment for Renee Poole, Assistant Finance Director
13. Approved motion to create and post for a full-time Custodial position at Independence Township Library
14. Approved motion to consider a budget adjustment for restoring sponsorship of CAYA
15. Approved ZBA alternate appointment of Joseph Lawrence
16. Approved Safety Path Committee appointment of Dale Massey and reappointment of Paul Klemm and Larry Rosso
17. Approved motion to enter into closed session - IAFF Contract at 9:47 p.m.
18. Approved motion to enter into open session at 10:17 p.m.
19. Approved motion to accept IAFF Contract for 2006-2007.
20. Approved motion to adjourn regular meeting at 10:19 p.m.

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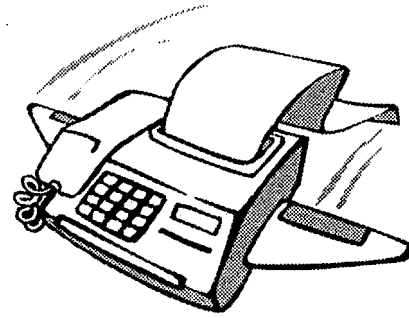
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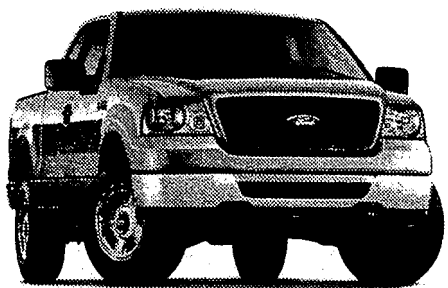
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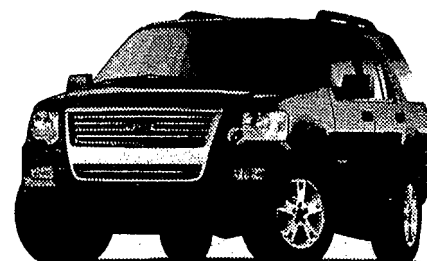
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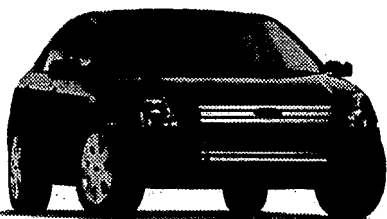
With \$2,129 customer cash due at signing. Includes acquisition fee; security deposit waived.** Excludes tax, title and license fee. Cash due is after \$3,000 cash back and \$1,000 RCL renewal cash.



Eligible Ford Employees can Lease a 2006 Explorer XLT 4x4

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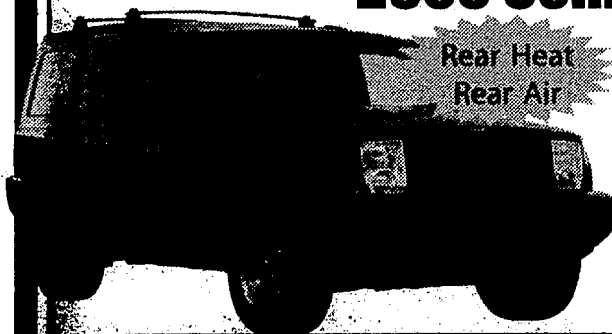
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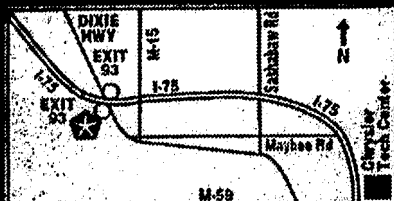
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