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From Clarkston Road to Waterford Twp . . .

## CIA considers Sashabaw development

BY PHIL CUSTODIO  
*Clarkston News Editor*

More commercial development may be coming to Sashabaw Road, and the CIA may be behind it.

A Corridor Improvement Authority, CIA for short, was approved in a split decision by the Independence Township Board at its Sept. 19 regular meeting. The CIA board met for the first time this past Thursday.

CIA members were given a preliminary Development Plan and Tax Increment Financing Plan, developed by Carlisle/Wortman Associates, Inc.

"The (CIA board) meeting went well," said township Supervisor David Wager.

Over the next 2-3 weeks, the board will discuss and finalize the plan, then present it to the township board for discussion and approval, Wager said.

"The board has ultimate approval over it," said Richard Carlisle, of Carlisle/Wortman Associates, Inc., who has been working with the township on the project.

According to the plan, the CIA's boundaries would include Sashabaw Road from just north of Clarkston Road south to the border with Waterford Township. It would also include segments of Clarkston, Waldon, and Maybee roads.

Proposed projects, with their estimated timeframes, include:

- Redevelopment of sewer lines on Sashabaw from Liberty Square to Maybee Road, 2007-2008;
- New underground power lines along the corri-

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## Planners table McLaren plan

BY PHIL CUSTODIO  
*Clarkston News Editor*

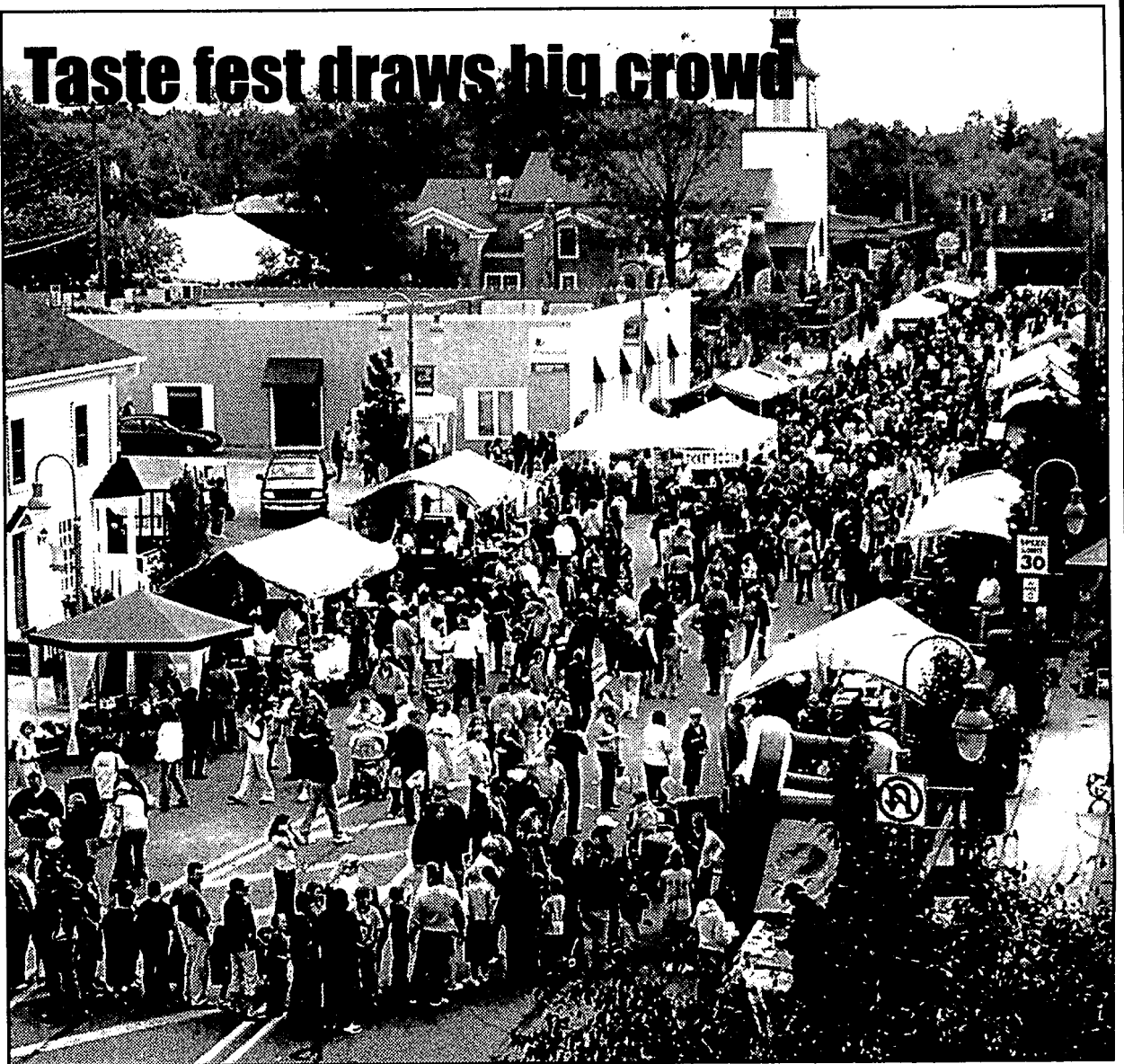
A stream of supporters and an expensive presentation by McLaren Regional Medical Center was not enough to sway township planners from their duty.

Members of the Independence Township Planning Commission said that while they supported the idea of a 73-acre McLaren health-care village development on Sashabaw Road near I-75, they were not yet prepared to approve it.

"I'm not against this development - there's just some work that needs to be done before it can move forward," said commissioner Sam Moraco before moving to table the proposal.

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## Taste fest draws big crowd



Thousands of people bought \$35,190 in tickets at Sunday's Taste of Clarkston, and the silent auction raised more than \$4,000. The auction will fund four scholarships this year.

*Photo by Paul Kampe.*

## Schools on 'bad financial track'

BY ANDREW DUPONT  
*Clarkston News Staff Writer*

Something has to change about Clarkston Schools, and it needs to change now, according to school board members and district administrators.

Almost all of the Sept. 25 board meeting was spent in discussions between board members and administrators. Though no final decisions were made regarding the district's future, those in attendance agreed the district is currently on a bad financial track.

"The task before us is not a pleasant task by any stretch of the imagination," said Superintendent Dr. Al Roberts. "Something has to change."

Though he described the talks as "a little bit more than brainstorming but not much" and emphasized

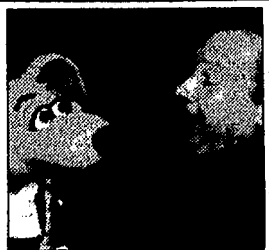
that no decisions were being made that night, during the final group discussion, Roberts stressed the need to commit to a decision and a timetable, as the longer a decision is delayed, the less effective it will become.

Officials agreed the district needs to be operating on a balanced budget by fiscal year ending 2009 or it will risk completely depleting the district's general fund balance. As of this past June, the district has over \$13 million in fund equity. Even in a "best case scenario," however, the district will have to struggle during the current school year to cut \$1.5 million in expenditures, according to Bruce Beamer, executive director of business services.

Even then, the district will still post a \$4 million

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Co-owner Bill Guthrie makes the ceremonial cutting of the ribbon to open the Maxx Self Storage facility on Sept. 23. The business is located at 8483 Andersonville Road, just west of White Lake Road in Springfield Township. Maxx invited the community to join them in the grand opening celebration, which had refreshments and grilled foods available for guests. Photo by Paul Kampe

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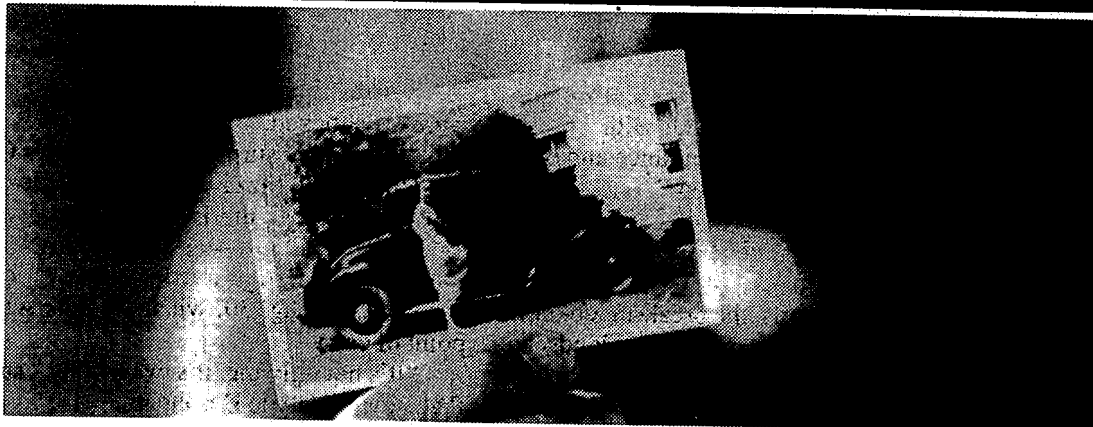
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## Don't fall into the trap of late night eating

By Ernie Harwell

All of us face the temptation of late night eating. It's late, the TV's on, and you find yourself munching on something. Before you know it, you've eaten too many chips or cookies.



When I'd talk to big league umpires, they'd tell me that their biggest temptation was going out after games, having a drink or two, and eating a big meal. They knew it wasn't good for them, but it was awfully hard for them to avoid.

The truth of the matter is that when you're eating late, you're probably adding extra calories that you don't need. And that means you'll gain weight.

Next time you're hungry at night, try to hold off eating until morning. If you can't wait, try eating a low-calorie snack like a piece of fruit. That way, when you're hungry in the morning, you can have a big healthy breakfast to get you going - and you'll have the whole day to burn it off.

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

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

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# The Second Front

## Briefly

### CSI demo at township library

Ever watch the popular show CSI and wondered how they do all that? Now teens can learn the reality of crime scene investigation from Det. Rob Charlton, a forensic detective with the Oakland County Sheriff's Department, at the Springfield Township Library on Dec. 5. Charlton will bring the tools of his trade so visitors will be treated to a hands-on experience. The investigation begins at 6 p.m.

Please contact the Springfield Twp Library with any questions at (248) 846-6550 or visit them at 12000 Davisburg Road.

### OC Sportsmen's Club hosting Vegas party

Experience a little taste of Las Vegas right here in Clarkston on Sept. 30. The Oakland County Sportsmen's Club is hosting its own Vegas party fund-raiser from 7 p.m. - midnight. Try your luck at Texas hold'em, seven card stud, black jack, the big wheel or let it ride. Admission is \$5 per person. A cash bar and snacks will also be available. The OCSC is located at 4770 Waterford Rd. For more information, contact the club at 248-623-0444.

### Alumni Tent at homecoming this Friday

Visitors to the Clarkston High School homecoming game can take a trip through the school's history on Sept. 29. The CHS LEAD group has worked since the beginning of the school year on the Alumni Tent, which will open at 5 p.m. prior to the start of the game.

The Alumni Tent pays tribute to all Clarkston graduates with a display of photos, trophies and other memorabilia dating back to the 1920s. This year, the tent will be part of the ticket sales line so alumni can keep their place in line while still getting to visit the showcase.

The Alumni Tent was first open at last year's homecoming game, and like last year, refreshments and gifts will be provided to visitors. In addition to the tent, CHS alumni will be recognized during half-time.

### Be careful with cider

Just in time for fall festivals, Michigan State University Extension issued a statement advising people to pay attention to apple cider. The notice says cider should be consumed within days of purchase and to keep it refrigerated.

Cider is raw, unpasteurized apple juice, which may contain bacteria. It is not recommended for consumption by people with weakened immune systems such as young children and the elderly.

## Burglars strike

BY PAUL KAMPE  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

It may not be a crime wave, but several break-ins at small businesses in the Clarkston area was cause for concern for at least two store owners.

Heidi Graunstadt, owner of the LA Café at 5815 Dixie Highway, was driven to action following a Sept. 2 break-in at her location. The perpetrator(s) used cement slabs, likely left from the renovation of a nearby business, to break the door in, she said.

She had heard of other break-ins at small restaurants in her area, including a Jimmy John's location in the Waterfall Plaza, and felt compelled to alert other area businesses.

"I need other people to know what's going on," Graunstadt said.

"No one was telling each other, no one was saying anything."

Graunstadt said she cannot remember the last time her business was broken into. She has heard from others the crimes had similar features, using existing landscaping rocks or, in her case, hardened cement, to commit the crimes.

"They (criminals) want quick cash... and we need cash to run our businesses," Graunstadt said.

"They just don't care about surveillance and other equipment because they are so brazen."

Just two days prior, Mel's Grill at 7080 Gateway Park Drive, at the corner of Andersonville and White Lake roads, was broken into.

According to police reports, the break-in looked as if it had been facilitated by an accompanying landscaping rock, thrown through a window.

Mel's owner Jim Mellema said he could not understand how the robbers got into the building because the damage done to the affected window was remarkably small.



Frosty Boy owner Michael Troschinetz is one of several local business people who have been victimized by burglars recently. Photo by Paul Kampe.

The robbery was caught on surveillance video at 10:15 p.m. The cameras captured the suspect using a flashlight to find their way through the restaurant.

Burglars stole change and emptied cash registers during the break-in. An employee opening the restaurant the next morning reported the break in.

Mellema said he suspects younger criminals because of both the time and the point of entry. He noted that at his former location on Pelton Road in Independence Township, he never encountered a crime like this.

"I've never dealt with it on either side of Clarkston, but times are tough," he said.

Mel's employee Cathy Tuohy said, "our customers were so shocked."

"I was very surprised because it's Clarkston."

Hometown Pizza, on the other side of the complex from Mel's, was the target of two break-ins in one month. The first, on Aug. 9, happened when the perpetrator broke through a front window. The second occurrence on Aug. 30, when the side window was the point of entry.

"It's not only me, it's everybody," said Hometown Pizza owner Clyde Bardhoshi.

"It (the crime) is surprising, because this is supposed to be a quiet area.

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## Crash kills 2 in Springfield

BY PAUL KAMPE  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

In the early morning hours of Sept. 20, a fatal car wreck along Bridge Lake Road in Springfield Township claimed two lives.

The crash happened shortly after 1 a.m. Killed were the driver, Katie Beauchamp, 25, of Clarkston, and her passenger, 28-year-old Juliette McCarty of Springfield.

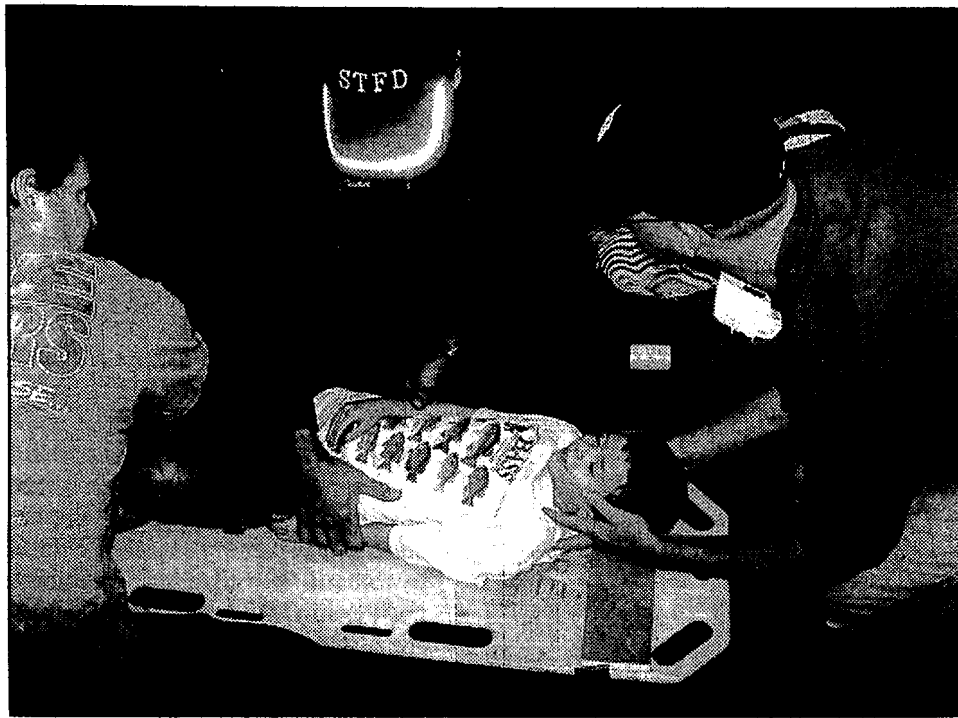
The duo were reportedly fleeing from sheriff's deputies, who were attempting to make a traffic stop. Police said the pursuit lasted less than two minutes and spanned a distance of two-and-a-half miles.

McCarty led deputies north on Bridge Lake Road, north of Rattalee Lake Road, in her 1996 Chevrolet Corsica before she lost control, hitting a tree on the east side of the roadway and coming to



Friends erected a memorial on a tree close to where two Springfield Township women died.

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Emergency workers back-board a young volunteer. More than 20 kids volunteered on Sept. 18 to help Springfield Township firefighters with their mass casualty training exercise at Fire Station Two. Photo by Paul Kampe

## Emergency responders train for the unthinkable

BY PAUL KAMPE  
*Clarkston News Staff Writer*

Emergency response personnel got a chance to brush up on skills they hope they will never have to use - mass casualty triage involving children.

The Springfield Township Fire Department had a clinic at Fire Station Two on Sept. 18 at which they simulated a bus-accident triage situation, with the help of nearly 25 child volunteers.

The children served in rotations on the bus. They acted out and read their symptoms, and were tagged with color designations indicating their conditions. This helped firefighters practice dealing with mass emergencies involving children. The second phase of the training involved back-boarding the young patients, to practice how they would be taken away from the scene.

Marlene Oaks, Springfield Township Fire Department EMS coordinator, said they hope they won't have to deal with child victims, but if they do, this training will make them better prepared.

"They could be coming from their home, they could be driving down the expressway and we get a call and there may only be three people that can respond right away," Oaks said.

"They've got to determine who can be saved, who is not severely injured and what kind of care they're going to need when the next responders come on the

scene."

Registered Nurse Ina Golden, of Genesys Hospital in Grand Blanc, said the training helped acquaint responders with the particular needs of children. Genesys is where STFD sends its patients.

"Using live patients and children really helps improve (response). This way, it helps the paramedics, seeing and being around small children so they can triage them much better."

Dr. Stuart Etengoff, emergency physician with Genesys, brought his three children and three of their friends to the training.

"Springfield Township borders I-75 for a considerable stretch - it's possible that this is realistic," he said.

"Our goal is to give paramedics and firefighters an opportunity, if they're first on a scene, how to put some order in chaos."

STFD Chaplain Marc Burnett, also the pastor of First Baptist Church in Davisburg, came to watch the event. Preparedness for a mass-casualty emergency involving children is something that can go in both directions, he said.

"It's excellent because it prepares the firefighters and, secondly, it prepares the children," Burnett said.

"It prepares kids to know firefighters are there to help."

### *Friendly forest tickets still available for purchase*

Tickets are still on sale for the annual Friendly Forest at Clintonwood Park at the Independence Township Parks and Recreation office. The Friendly Forest will take place on Saturday, Oct. 28.

Kids ages 2-9 can walk the enchanted trail with their parents and collect goodies from their favorite cartoon and fairy tale characters. Don't forget to wear your costume! Tickets must be purchased in advance for a specific time. Tours are every 15 minutes from 4:30-7 pm.

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# More of Clarkston Schools' new teachers and staff

BY ANDREW DUPONT

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Last week, we began introducing the new teachers and staff from the Clarkston school district to our readers. There are several more staff members to introduce, so this week, the series continues with five more additions to Clarkston schools.

**Casey Kirsten** of Highland is the new LRC teacher at Bailey Lake. Prior to coming to Clarkston, Kirsten interned in the Portage Public School District.

She received her degree from Western Michigan University in 2006. Through her university studies she also gained experience in the Van Buren Intermediate, Kalamazoo Public and Richland Public school districts. An honor roll student all throughout high school, she was a member of the National Honor Society and won the High Honors Cadet Award in college. In high school, she was All American Basketball and Volleyball – named MVP in both sports during her freshman and sophomore years. In college, her team won the school's IM volleyball championship every semester for four straight years.



For 11 years, Kirsten was also a competitive dancer, saying she started dancing at age 3.

In her own words, "I love to play and watch sports, especially volleyball, basketball and football... I participate in a volleyball tournament every summer.

"Someday I hope to go skydiving and para-sailing! I want to travel all over the world."

**Stacy Leicht**, a Clarkston resident, is the new third-grade teacher at Pine Knob Elementary, but some may recognize her from her five years as a guest teacher in the district.

A 1988 graduate of Adrian College, Leicht worked at Blissfield Elementary from 1987-1991 and at Oakwood Elementary School from 1997-2000 before working in Clarkston.

Outside of work, you might find Leicht reading, baking, working on scrapbooks, walking Abby, her Shih Tsu, or cheering on the Detroit Red Wings



with her husband, Rick, or their two children, Kelsey and Zach.

Kelsey is a sophomore at Clarkston High School and a member of the poms team. Zach, a sixth grader at Sashabaw Middle School, is a goalie for a traveling hockey team, but loves any sport.

**Ann Krause** joins the staff at North Sashabaw Elementary this year as a fifth-grade teacher, after completing a year of student teaching there.

"I am absolutely thrilled to be here in Clarkston at North Sashabaw. I student taught there last year in third grade with Amy Randolph. What a terrific year," said Krause. "I am so glad to be part of the Clarkston family."

Krause obtained her bachelor's degree in Spanish with a minor in English from Wayne State University in 1997, and her post-bachelor's EIA certification from Baker College in 2006.

Krause lives in Oxford with her husband, Darrel, and daughters. When she is not working, she said she likes cooking, especially Italian, and reading.



**Alison Gilreath**, who is a graduate of the district, is the new psychologist for North Sashabaw Elementary, Sashabaw Middle School and Renaissance High School.

Gilreath graduated from Clarkston High School in 1999. She went on to the University of Michigan, where she obtained her bachelor's in psychology, and then on to Wayne State University, where she obtained her master's in school psychology.

Gilreath said her job involves evaluating special education students and working "educators, parents and other staff to support a successful learning environment for all students."

Prior to her return to Clarkston, Gilreath interned in the Farmington Public School district and worked in the Berkley school district.

When she's not working, she's spending time with her husband Adam, also a CHS graduate, or exercising. In her own words, Gilreath is currently training for the Detroit Free Press Half Marathon in October, where



she will be running to raise money for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society.

**Arlinda Crossland** is the new media specialist at Andersonville Elementary.

Crossland, a resident of Bloomfield Township, graduated from Michigan State University in 1978. She worked as a media specialist in the Birmingham school several years.

Crossland is a music lover who enjoys traveling, photography, art and computer graphics. She considers herself fortunate to be blessed in so many ways – she has a healthy life with her husband of over 25 years and her two children. worked as a technical illustrator for General Motors for several years.

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## CRASH

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a stop after hitting another series of trees on the west side.

Beauchamp was taken to Genesis Hospital, where she died two hours after the incident. McCarty was ejected from the vehicle on impact and died at the scene.

Neither driver nor passenger was wearing safety belts.

The Oakland County Sheriff's Office said the crash is still under investigation and alcohol may have been a factor in the wreck.

A memorial has been erected on a tree on the east side of the roadway, presumably the point of initial con-

tact in the incident.

One item in the collection of pictures, cards, and memoirs adorning the tree was a message to the pair's friends from Beauchamp's family. The note read: "And you think partying is fun."

Cars stopped along the roadway the afternoon of Sept. 22 to look at the memorial. Carl and Karol Scott of Waterford Township visited out of curiosity after reading of the tragedy in the newspaper.

"It was a sad thing, it's just senseless," Karol Scott said.

"They never learn until it's too late, drinking and driving don't mix," Carl Scott said.

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# Opinion

## Newbie takes the reins

Greetings to the readers of the Clarkston News. My name is Phil Custodio, and I'm the new editor.

I grew up in Dayton, Ohio, and earned my journalism degree at Ohio State University. Hopefully mitigating this transgression, I earned a master's degree at the University of Michigan branch campus in Flint. I worked for two years as a reporter at the Flushing Observer community newspaper near Flint, and as an editor for three years at the Heritage newspapers in Genesee County, which included the Observer. Before that, I served in the U.S. Army for four years (including the first Iraq war).

So far, my installation as editor has been going well. Everyone I've met in the office and the community has been professional and courteous, but some seem to be a bit apprehensive about me and my abilities. This is understandable. The last time I got a job as editor, I had already been a reporter there for two years. People here don't know me from Adam (whoever he is). This will hopefully soon change. I'm already set to attend a couple evening governmental meetings (that's normal for your editor, right guys?). I'm visiting with local officials. I've met with several readers who have come into the office to make suggestions and comments. I'm happy about that - I wouldn't want to work for a newspaper that isn't read by anyone.

I can see already that this is a great place to work, as everyone here hopefully already knows. My desk has a great second-story view through one of those old-fashioned, distorted-glass windows, smack dab in the middle of historic downtown Clarkston. I can see the Old Village Cafe and the Old Village Bake Shop - get to stop by for a coffee and a pie. There are many gifts & shops nearby - probably something more my style. I'm looking forward to meeting some of the local business owners and community leaders. As I was going to know the area, I've downloaded a "Brief History of Clarkston" from the Clarkston Community Historical Society web page. The two-story building pictured on the web page seems to be the same building I look at through my window, the one that says "Maccabee Temple" on its upper facade and has a bunch of fake owls perched on top. Another photo shows a young family in a rowboat on a lake. Except for the dirt streets, horse-drawn wagons, fancy-hats and clothes, and the lack of life preservers on the boaters, these could be recent photos.

In a town like this, many families go back a long time. The Holcomb, Beardslee, Dorr, and of course Clark families, listed by the historical society as among the first settlers of the area, are still well represented in the phonebook. I'm not a life-long resident of this area - far from it - but I hope to be just as good as one soon.

Phil in the blank



Phil Custodio

## 'Dear Editor' (letters from our readers)

### Where did the extra school money go?

Dear Editor,

It seems that the local school district is starting to make it a habit of "robbing Peter (the parents) to pay Paul" - namely, instituting a "student activity fee" to save \$192,000 while granting raises to the superintendent and central office administrators and non-union personnel.

A communication sent to all district employees on Oct. 21, 2005, said employees were to be given "financial grants" in November. Quoting the official communication: "The fund balance that we have achieved is a direct result of working with people who are willing to make concessions when the district's financial picture is bleak. This year's budget position is significantly better than that which was projected during negotiations. It seems only fair to show our employee family that we appreciate their work to help us control costs. A one-time grant of \$400 will be given to current employees (hired as of 9/30) who have a scheduled work week of 25 hours or more and a \$200 grant for those who have a scheduled work week of 24.99 hours or less. These funds are scheduled to be

paid on November 18, 2005."

Believe me, as a retired Clarkston teacher, I think it was great that the teachers, maintenance employees, etc., received a bonus as they are hard-working individuals, and the bonus was well deserved; however, how is it that a lack of funds wasn't foreseen last October? In fact, the letter stated "a dedicated sum of dollars will be set aside to keep youngsters involved in activities at their school. This was part of our overall plan for school reorganization and it is part of the district's vision." What occurred between October 2005 and April 2006 to make the budget cuts necessary. I just don't get it!

I am hoping that the Clarkston News will obtain a copy of the official Oct. 21, 2005, letter and that it will be printed as a matter of public record - a matter which should be of major interest to every taxpayer in the school district.

Carole Hicks  
Clarkston

### Seniors deserve new activities center

Dear Editor,

The people who are against a new senior center disturb me. I attend a grief counseling session at the center once a month because my husband died over a year ago. In the summer, we cannot have the air conditioner operating because we cannot hear each other, the windows cannot be opened because of code violations so if we want to be comfortable, the doors can be opened but then all the bugs come in.

I am still working full time so I do not participate in any daily activities at the center, but I feel very sorry for them.

I was born in Clarkston many, many years ago. In fact, my father, Charles Rockwell, was mayor of Clarkston

for awhile. All of you people have discovered Clarkston and suddenly it is YOUR town and you seem to think you can make all the decisions as to what we need here.

We seniors are paying for your little darlings to go to the wonderful schools in Clarkston and we certainly have no one attending them. So let's be fair, you can help pay for the center and we'll keep paying our taxes so your children can have air conditioned schools, swimming pools, sports teams with stadiums with artificial turf, which I'm sure we really needed, and all the other necessities they seem to need.

Barbara Bentley, Clarkston

### McLaren would benefit community

Dear Editor,

As longtime residents of Independence Township, we support the rezoning request being made by McLaren Health Care. We support the planned Health Care Campus with Hospital proposal and believe a hospital in the Sashabaw corridor would be a perfect fit for this area. It is a much needed medical facility that will benefit all independence Township residents.

The jobs created and influx of money to the surrounding community by those who will use this facility would be a much needed boost to the economy of Independence Township. We also believe that having a hospital in the township is an asset to the community and is not detrimental to the community as some are now claiming.

If approved, it will raise our standard of living and make Independence Township one that others will envy.

When the planning commission makes its final decision, we hope that all of our community needs are taken into consideration and not just the isolationist views of C.O.G. We also hope the planning commission realizes that this small group in no way represents the views or the wishes of all of the township's residents, and it most certainly does not represent us because we want a hospital.

Michael and Lori Powell  
Independence Township

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Please keep them short and to the point. We'll edit them for spelling, grammar, punctuation, clarity and length. We take the liberty of publishing (or not) all letters we receive. Please sign your letter (no photo copies!) and include a daytime phone for verifications. Deadline is noon, Monday. You can drop them or mail them to 5 S. Main Street, Clarkston, MI 48346; fax them at (248) 625-0706; or e-mail shermanpub@aol.com, attn: Clarkston News. Any questions call The Clarkston News at (248) 625-3370.

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## A Look Back

A peek back to those thrilling days of yester-year as reported in the pages of *The Clarkston News*

### 15 YEARS AGO

1991

"Suspect charged in gunpoint rape, kidnapping" - Police charged a Waterford Township man in the Sept. 12 kidnapping and rape of a 20-year-old Clarkston-area woman. According to police, the suspect had been released in 1982 after serving 12 years of a 20-40 year sentence for rape. He had also been convicted on drug charges and released in July.

"School harassment policy receives first approval" - The Clarkston Board of Education voted Sept. 23 to approve first reading of a policy prohibiting any form of racial, ethnic, or sexual harassment. The policy applied to students, staff and visitors.

"Space wars: school enrollment up" - School officials expected enrollment to grow by about 100 students that school year, but state funding stayed the same and voters had rejected requests for more money. To compensate, the district hired more part-time aides, increased class size, and used portable classrooms.

### 25 YEARS AGO

1981

"Enrollment drop reflects economy" - School officials expect a drop of at least 85 students more than expected, bringing a loss of about \$170,000 in revenue. The district already expected to lose 202 pupils when setting the budget. School officials said declining state and county populations because of a lack of jobs caused the drop.

"Look for new trees in village" - Clarkston planted 26 new trees throughout the village on Sept. 29. The village paid \$1,000 and residents donated \$700 to pay for the trees.

### 50 YEARS AGO

1956

"Local United Fund plans campaign" - Clarkston and Independence Township residents formed the Independence United Fund organization, and will start their fund-raising drive on Oct. 15. Organizers hoped to raise \$4,588.80 that year to help those in need, such as victims of natural disasters and poverty.

"Rotary Anns Start New Year" - The Clarkston Rotary Anns held their first meeting of the season on Sept. 25. There was a splendid attendance. A representative from the Ground Observation Corps, a civilian defence organization working with the Air Force, spoke to the group. The G.O.C. post in Clarkston, one of 13 in the county, was in need of repair, he said.

## Militants giving Muhammad a bad name

"When I lie me down to sleep, I don't pray the Lord my soul to keep. I usually offer up platitudes."

"Oops, sorry 'bout that last indiscretion Big Guy." And, "Thanks for a wonderful life."

Without fail, I put in plugs for my wife and kids -- you know, the usual -- health and happiness to family, friends, "and even them I don't particularly like at the moment."

Until recently, I used to end with a wish for world peace. Nowadays, when I slip and pray, "that you will bring peace to the earth," I find myself to be an Indian-giver. (If you haven't heard, kids, the term "Indian-giver" used to mean somebody who gives something only to take it back. It was very politically incorrect, so it has been stricken from our modern vocabulary.) To rectify the slippage of my thoughts, I'll add something like "Lord, can you ignore that last request? This is Rush, signing out. Amen," to the end of my prayer.

See, I don't want to tempt the Big Kahuna in the sky into actually listening to me. That Being -- whatever or whomever he (or she) is cannot be too hip on the course of human events these days. I'd hate to remind the Ominipresent One there is the day of reckoning option at his/her disposal. That's the option which ultimately brings peace to the land, but unfortunately, it's done by squashing, vaporizing or turning humanity into pillars of salt.

*Hmm, maybe that's why Iran is getting nuclear weapons?*

At any rate, I don't want to be blamed for all that death and destruction, so I have bowed out of the asking for peace process. Which leads me to . . .

Is the rest of the world, Europe and the Middle East in particular, imploding on itself? In the name of everything that is holy and scared, what in the Hades is going on over there? I cannot for a moment pretend to understand how one cartoonist, in one newspaper, from one small European nation can cause such a fracas as the one from Denmark has.

Did you know the "offending" cartoon which ap-

peared in the *Jylland-Posten* newspaper was actually first published in *September* -- not a few weeks ago? That's almost a half smacking' frackin' year of ancient history ago! Why are there still thousands of people gathering at Danish embassies around the globe, throwing rocks, burning things and generally being nuisances five months after the infidel's ink drawing was published? Don't they have jobs or families to tend to? Why are they just now bring down a Holy War on cartoonists -- they're a little late. And, those who want the streets to run red with Western blood, have they actually seen the cartoon?

I've read the problem is folks ain't sposed to draw Muhammad for fear it will lead to idolatry of said rendering. Call me kooky, but I am here to tell you not too many Danes are going to idolize a cartoon of a bearded man with a bomb in his turban. Come to think of it, I doubt not to many Islamics, no matter how whacked-out they are, would idolize the drawing either.

But still . . . Radical, militant Islamics have put a bounty squarely on the cartoonist's head for having the audacity of drawing a cartoon with Muhammad. They see no problem with depicting other religions/beliefs in derogatory ways. Video taping and showing the beheading of other humans on TV, no problemo, dude. Ditto, to sending sons and daughters to blow themselves up while standing next to innocent bystanders. Militants have incited these riots over a lousy cartoon -- and they want the world to take them seriously?

Seriously, I thought you weren't 'sposed to shoot the messenger. It's a good thing folks like myself (read: thinking individuals able to contrive and express opinions no matter how terrible or wrong) work in between the Pacific and Atlantic oceans or there would be lots of dead opinions.

If you have yet to see the cartoon (and chances are you haven't cuz the American press is too scared) go to [www.cagle.com](http://www.cagle.com)

This is political cartoonist Daryl Cagle's website. Plenty of good political cartoons from many different artists.

*Comments for Infidel Rush can be e-mailed to: [dontrushmedon@charter.net](mailto:dontrushmedon@charter.net)*



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## Looking ahead via 2007 Old Farmer's Almanac

The color shades for next year will be sage and other greens. "Green is the color that represents a larger social movement," says a Pantone rep. There'll be new neutrals, subtle nuances, such as when you're not sure if it's blue or grey.

For women, destroyed denims are out. So is high maintenance silver and black lacquer furniture. Too much work.

Here's a deal: A donation of as little as \$1,500 will buy the privilege of naming one of 600 new ant species found in Madagascar. Entomologist Dr. Brian Fisher is trying to create a data base to identify ants anywhere in the world. That's important! Yeah!

### Jim's Jottings



Jim Sherman

Among the things the *Almanac* says people are talking about are solar-powered backpacks to recharge cellphones, tractors with power steering, spectator sections in labor and delivery rooms, in-flight foreign language classes and replacing lawns with low-maintenance, chemical-free meadows of native grasses and wild-

flowers.

Even *The Old Farmer's Almanac* can't avoid saying something about sex, though in this case it's "How to impress the opposite sex."

Here are the eight ways they suggest: 1. Stop trying so hard. 2. Ignore rule 1. 3. Do well what you do best. 4. Make sure that you smell good.

5. Dress the part. 6. Stop blowing smoke and start sending signals. 7. Spend time, not (lots of) money 8. Be yourself.

For first impressions: Ladies avoid clothing with shoulder pads. Men, don't shave your legs. Both, perfume your body, not your clothes, and ignore all scientific studies that suggest human sweat is desirable.

Use some mystery: Ladies, keep you age to yourself. Men, it's OK to inflate your age. Both, keep your feet out of your mouth, don't monopolize, don't exaggerate and use some compliments.

This issue of *The Old Farmer's Almanac* will also tell you how to whistle, with tongue and lip exercises and positions. They didn't work for me.

The "biggie" in *The Almanac* is always astrology and the weather. The Lower Lakes weather summary is: Winter will be colder than normal, on average, especially in the west. Precipitation will be below normal with below-normal snowfall except in the west (west means Milwaukee, Chicago and Indianapolis), and lake-effect areas.

The coldest temperatures will be around Christmas and in early to mid- to late January and late February. The heaviest general snowfalls will be in mid-December, early and late January and mid-February.

April and May will be warmer and drier than normal. The period from mid-April through mid-May will be much warmer than normal, with summer-like temperatures in mid-to-late April and mid-May.

Summer will be a bit cooler and wetter than normal, on average. The hottest period will be in late July.

September and October will be cooler and drier than normal, on average.

*The Almanac* says while weather cannot be predicted with total accuracy, the history of their predictions shows 80 percent accuracy.

Quote from an unknown, "The only perfect climate is in bed."

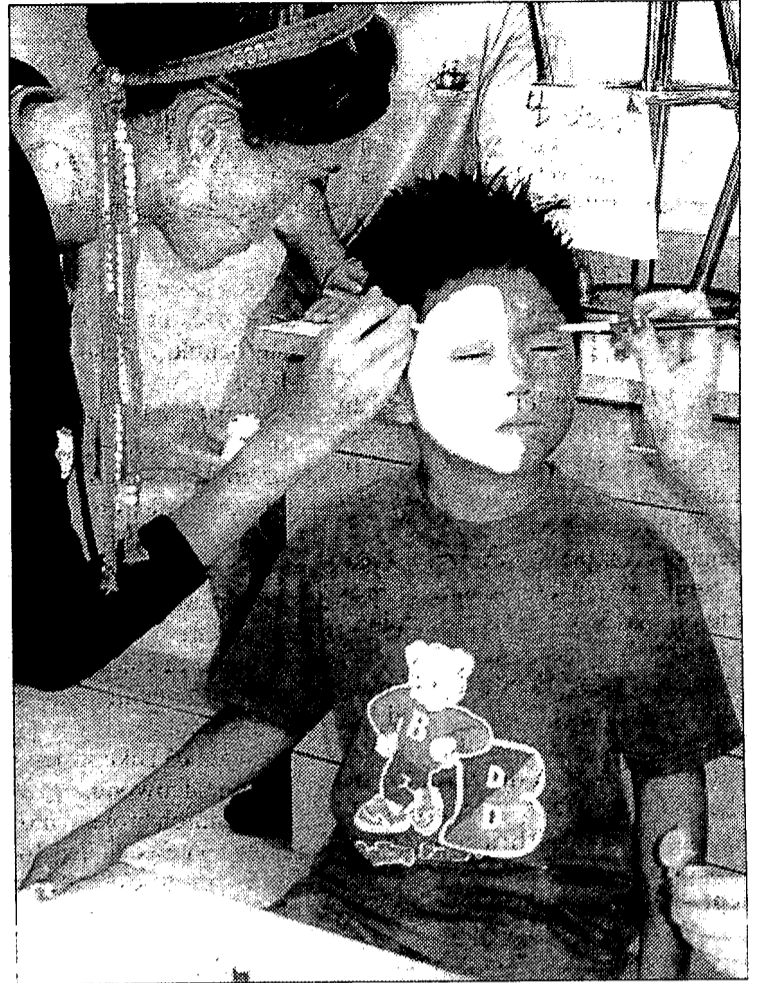
When in doubt about temperatures, count on the cricket. The chirping of a cricket provides a clue to air temperature. Count the number of cricket chirps in a 14-second period. Add 40. The total will equal the air temperature (F) to within one degree (75 percent of the time).

Scientific researchers, experimenting over an 18 month period, found red heads feel more pain. However, blondes were not included in the survey, with no explanation.

Two studies at the University of Michigan showed older people have less negative emotions -- are less grumpy.

Enough? *The Old Farmer's Almanac* is on sale at lots of stores.

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### Fun times at Balloy Lake Elem

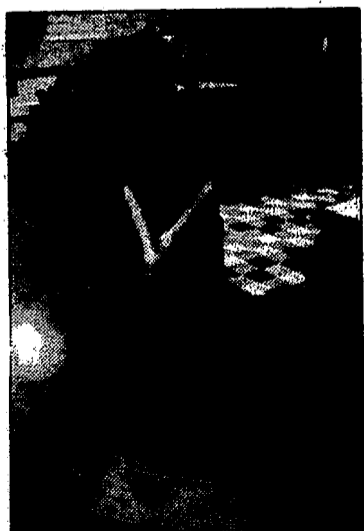
Students and their families packed Bailey Lake Elementary on Sept. 24 for the school fair. At left, Megan Girschner, 3rd grade, shoots the for the bullseye. At right, Zachary Segel, also in 3rd grade, gets his face painted in anticipation of a football game. Photos by Paul Kampe



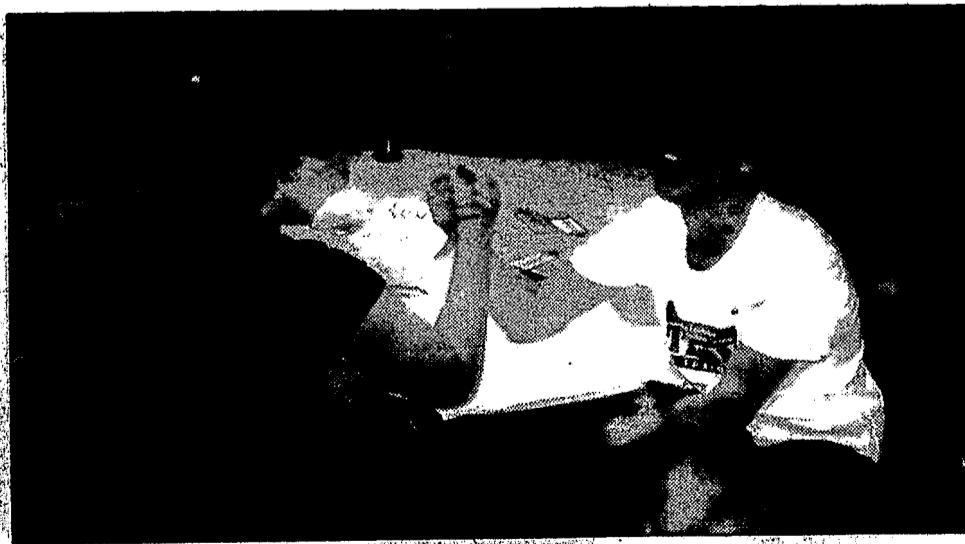
The hair spraying area seemed a bit less chatty than a typical salon.



Four-year-old Allyson Lesnau got a taste of a hard day's work.



Fifth grader Jesse Pierson sinks the big putt.



Erin Mueller takes on Mrs. Blum in the "Teacher Challenge."



Third grader Kelsey Catania goes fishing for a prize.



# Police and Fire

## Independence Township

**Sept. 17** Suspect left a burning bag of animal feces on the porch of a home on Warbler. The suspect allegedly left in a van and crashed through a fence to a nearby field to escape.

Neighbor complaint on Whipple Lake Road. **Sept. 18** An establishment broken into on M-15 and cigarettes stolen.

Suspicious circumstance on Willowpark, an unidentified man followed a girl to her bus stop. The girl told her mother about the incident after school.

Three cars on Ashwood Court scratched and laced with obscenities, allegedly by a jilted ex-girlfriend of one of the owners.

**Sept. 19** Driver's window broken out of an SUV on Willow Park.

An Independence Township man reported his vehicle and ATM card stolen.

Attempted break-in at a vacant home on Hadley Road.

Independence Township, fraudulent charges made on a credit card.

A motorcycle valued at \$1,500 stolen from a garage at a home on Brookwood Drive.

**Sept. 20** Vehicle fire on I-75 near Clintonville Road.

Phone tower tagged with graffiti on Maybee Road.

An Independence Township woman reported fraudulent uses of her bank account for nearly \$350.

A patient made threats to his former doctors.

An Independence Township man got in a shouting match with a delivery man behind a business complex along M-15.

**Sept. 21** Car broken into on Longhurst after right-side rear window was broken. Stereo stolen from the dash and subwoofer stolen from the trunk.

House fire on Snow Apple.

An Independence Township man reported an obscenity written on his vehicle in dirt.

**Sept. 22** Car scratched with insulting remarks while parked at Clarkston High School.

**Sept. 23** Bike stolen from an apartment on Glenwood.

A church broken into in a harassing manner on Sashabaw Road.

A semi-trucker attempted to get diesel fuel at a gas station on Sashabaw Road and found his truck would not fit under the canopy of the station. The truck caused damage to the canopy and to the car wash, as well as landscaping on the property before advancing to northbound I-75. Deputies caught up with the man on East Holly Road at another station.

**Sept. 24** Left side tires slashed on a 2002 Chevrolet Blazer on Lancaster Hill.

Multiple people kicked out of DTE Energy Music Theatre for throwing sod. A concert-goer at DTE kicked out three times during the show before being ticketed upon the fourth visit.

Two friends were resisting arrest at DTE while being removed from the venue. One subject stunned with a taser.

## Springfield Township

**Sept. 15** Nine recreational vehicles and motor homes broken into at a storage facility on Dixie Highway. Doors and win-

dows broken to gain entry, electronics, clothes and tools stolen.

**Sept. 22** A motor vehicle stolen from a home on Old Pond. Suspects were later found on Ridge Valley. Allegedly, the suspects pried open a garage door of the home to steal a dirt bike. A passing motorist alerted police to the situation.

### Similar acts leave two cars damaged

**Independence Township-** In the night of Sept. 17 or early morning of Sept. 18, similar tactics on neighboring streets destroyed two cars.

On Heath, a 2002 Chevy Monte Carlo was smashed in the rear-window, windshield and rear driver's window with what appeared to be a pipe or a baseball bat.

The culprit broke nearly half of the rear window and the windshield was badly damaged, according to police photos.

Similarly on Williamson Street, a 2000 Mercury Sable was destroyed with what appeared to be a similar object in a similar fashion.

The car's windshield was broken and nearly the entire rear window was broken out.

Something strange in your neighborhood? Call the cops, then call us. 248-625-3370

### Bad check passed

**Springfield Township-** A fraudulent check was passed at a business on Dixie Highway on Sept. 17 in the amount of \$363.88, drawn on a National City Bank account. Police said there are more of this type and to be aware of the situation. Contact the Springfield Township station of the Oakland County Sheriff's Department at 248-625-8531 for more information.

### Station robbed

**Independence Township-** Shortly after 9 p.m. on Sept. 23, the Clarkston Shell at 7251 Main Street was robbed by a suspect with a knife. Police reports say the clerk, who was forced to the register, saw the suspect was wearing blue jeans, a gray t-shirt and white tennis shoes. The suspect wore a nylon stocking over their face and proceeded to flee the area headed toward Bluegrass Street.

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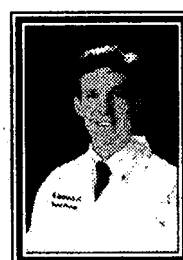
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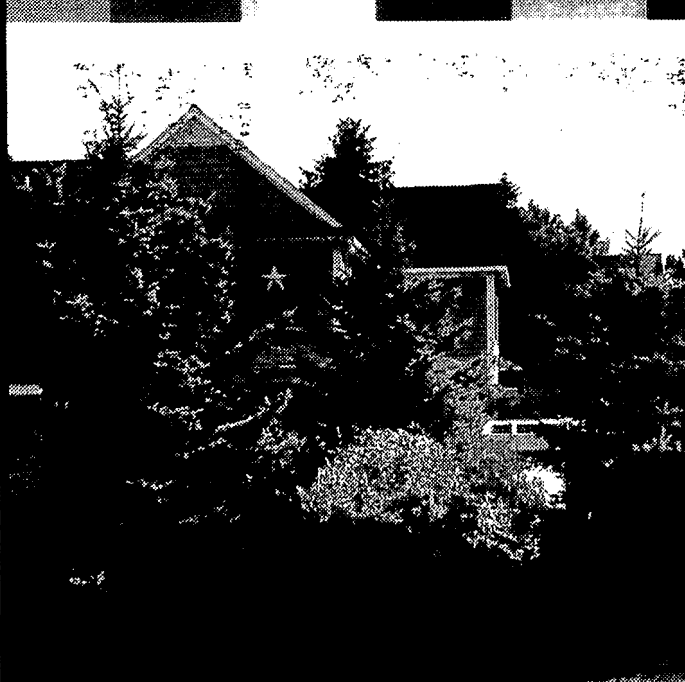
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# Burglar(s) hit at least five area businesses in past month

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"Sooner or later they will get caught," he added.

Also, only days prior to the second Hometown Pizza robbery, on Aug. 26, both Jan's Finishing Touch at 9474 Dixie Highway and Frosty Boy at 9263 Dixie Highway were broken into during robberies that likely had a connection.

At Jan's, the suspects entered after breaking a screen on a window and stole money from a candy box, and apparently fixed themselves a bowl of soup prior to leaving. The suspect also took candy and a bag of Doritos, which was found at Frosty Boy on an outside ledge.

Frosty Boy owner Michael Troshinetz said the burglar entered in

the drive-thru window after attempting to gain entry through a front window, and knocked a register down. Troshinetz said it also looked as though the person was not inside the store for a long time because items in the rear of the building went untouched.

Another register recorded the time it was opened, 5:15 a.m., by the suspect. The suspect stole approximately \$400.

Troshinetz was thankful the incident happened while the ice cream shop was closed and no one was harmed.

Having owned the store since 1990, he said he recalls only one other crime.

"I never really had trouble before...no vandalism, no nothing," he said.

"The biggest problem is making sure they (teenagers) don't skateboard and get hurt."

Oakland County Sheriff's Department officials in Springfield Township said the investigation into the Jan's and Frosty Boy robberies are ongoing, and the department is following up on leads in the cases.

Detective Steve Armstrong, OCSO Independence Township, agreed with Troshinetz's observations regarding the time needed for a robbery.

"It's absolutely amazing how fast these people can get in and out," Armstrong said. The average time is less than one minute.

The investigations into Mel's and Hometown Pizza are both ongoing, he said.

The best way to keep the criminal element away is to keep lights on both in the parking lot and within the building, Armstrong said.

The robberies at Mel's and Hometown Pizza could possibly be linked due to the proximity of the locations, but that is not definite, Armstrong said.

He said he has little knowledge of problems within the Gateway Park plaza prior to these incidents.

"It was shocking to me to see someone get hit two times in the same manner," he said.

Armstrong suggested residents inform police of people hanging around businesses late at night.

"We do rely on these calls, they do turn out positive results. It's a more proactive approach to get suspects initially instead of trying to trace a suspect," Armstrong said.

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# McLaren

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The motion passed 6-1, with Commissioner Curt Carson voting against.

The project would include a 200-300 bed hospital, medical offices, ambulatory surgery center, pharmacy, medical equipment store, research and educational facilities, retail building with office space, cancer center, healing garden, heart center, rehabilitation center, emergency care facilities, and space for future

growth, according to information provided by McLaren Health Care.

A presentation by McLaren stated the benefits of the project. These would include the creation of 3,000-4,000 jobs, and \$600-800 million added to the local economy in wages and taxes.

Partnering with McLaren is the Clarkston Medical Group, currently located on Dixie Highway.

"We need more space - we're anxious to move into the new building," said Dr. James O'Neill, founder of the center.

The new facility would improve medical

care for local residents by providing specialized and emergency care right in town, O'Neill said.

Township planner Richard Carlisle recommended further revision to the proposal before approval. The report called for revisions, clarifications, and further information on 47 items, including the five-story height of the proposed hospital, drainage, and fire protection.

The hospital's height has been an issue since it was first proposed last year.

"This is a predominantly low-rise, two-story community," Carlisle said.

Township ordinances allow for two-story buildings. Five-story structures would require a variance granted by the planning commission and township board. This could provide a precedent, he said.

"We need to be very careful about this," he said.

The McLaren design team has worked hard to respond to the township's concerns, said McLaren President Philip Incarnati.

"We implore you to allow us to proceed with this project," Incarnati said.

Dan White, of the de-

sign firm RTKL, said the height is needed to help patients, staff, and families. Patients can be kept closer to treatment rooms, nurse stations, and visiting rooms if floors can be stacked, or "pancaked," on top of one another instead of spread out horizontally.

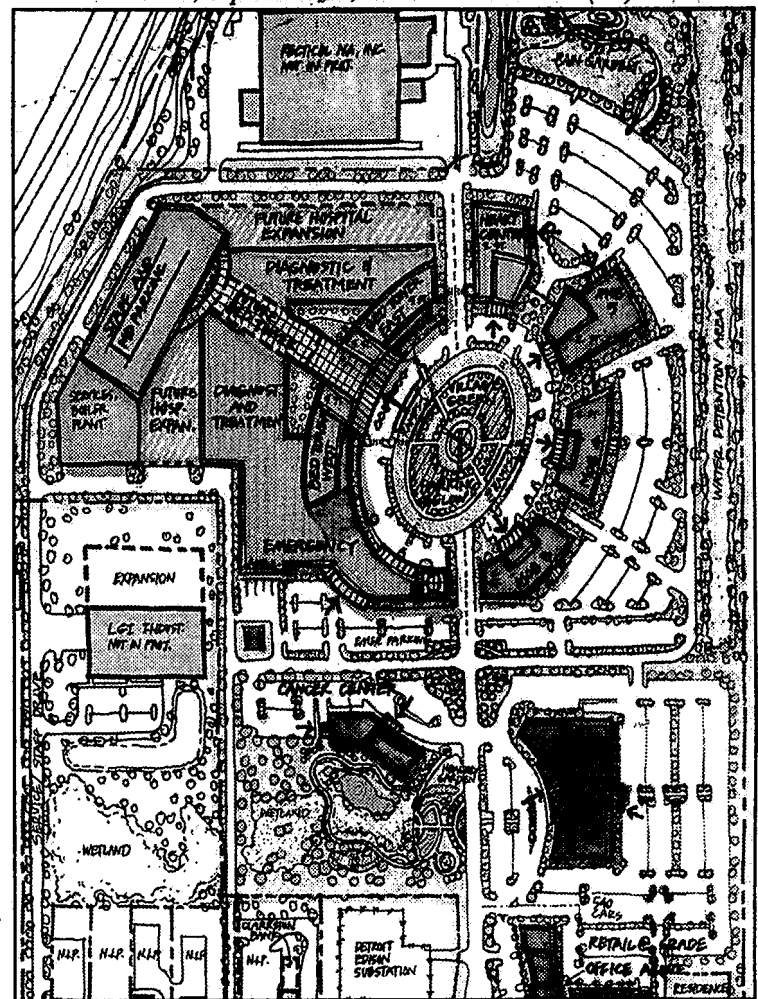
In this case, six floors would have been the most economical. Five floors would make a good compromise between the needs of the hospital and the community, White said.

Almost all of the almost 20 people who spoke during public comment were in favor of the proposal. Some had questions for the McLaren representatives and one spoke against the project.

"This would be a significant departure from anything we've ever had in this community," said township resident Neil Wallace. "There are ample reasons to reject this - clearly there are too many questions to make a decision tonight."

Many of those speaking in favor of the project

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The McLaren plan includes a new hospital, medical offices, and open green spaces.

cited its potential to create jobs.

"There is no doubt that there are issues here, but don't lose sight of those jobs," said Dan Hunter, director of Oakland County Economic and Planning. "The impact would be huge - we really need it."

"This is the opportunity of a lifetime," said Independence Township resident Michael Clark.

McLaren is working to revise its plan, said

Kevin Tompkins, vice president of marketing at McLaren.

"We're working on this as we speak," Tompkins said. "We're looking forward to bringing this back to (the planning commission) as soon as possible."

McLaren will work with the township to address all 47 issues in the Carlisle report, Tompkins said.

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- dor, 2012-2013;
- Landscaping and other beautification works along Sashabaw Road. The first phase would be between Maybee and Waldon, 2007-2015;
- Two additional lanes on the Sashabaw Road bridge over I-75 and widening Sashabaw Road to six lanes, 2008-2012;
- New well house and wells in the Pine Knob, DTE Energy area, 2008-2009;
- Street lighting on Sashabaw from I-75 to Clarkston Road, 2011-2012;
- Water main relocation on Sashabaw from I-75 to Clarkston Road, 2010-2012;
- Eight-foot-wide safety path along both sides of Sashabaw from I-75 to Clarkston Road, 2011-2012;
- Widening Sashabaw to three lanes, from Maybee to the south township boundary, 2010-2015;
- New three-lane Sashabaw bridge south of Clinton Road, 2014-2015; and
- Acquisition and assembly of land for future public building construction, 2007-2015.

The CIA board can decide which of these projects to forward to the township board, Wagner said.

At the township board's Sept. 19 meeting, the board voted 5-2 to approve an ordinance creating the Sashabaw Road Corridor Improvement Authority. The board needed to approve the second reading and adoption of the ordinance in order to keep on schedule and get the most benefit, Carlisle said.

"My concern is that we establish (the CIA) this year," he said. "It does require a compacted time frame."

Establishing the CIA by the end of this year would allow the township to "capture" funding that is available this year. By state law, municipalities must approve an ordinance to create CIA. Delaying action would not have provided enough time for the new CIA board to get up and running, he said.

Trustee Daniel Travis, who, along with Clerk Shelagh Vanderveen, voted against the ordinance, questioned the need for approving the authority so soon.

"This is in a big hurry," Travis said. "We are in essence trying to better an area that we've already put \$2 1/2 million into."

The level of development of the area is already adequate, Travis said.

"There is considerable development

pressure on it," he said. "Is this the direction the township wants to go?"

Legislation allowing the creation of CIAs was signed by Gov. Jennifer Granholm in December, 2005. Corridor Improvement Authorities are similar to Downtown Development Authorities. Both serve as tools through which increases in tax revenues resulting from infrastructure improvements can be "captured" by the municipality, as a way of helping to pay for them. Only one DDA is permitted per community, while several CIAs can be created to serve more than one commercial area, according to a press release by state Sen. Gilda Jacobs, who introduced the CIA act.

If the board voted not to approve the second reading, creation of the CIA would be delayed until next year, causing the township to lose tax revenues created this year, said Trustee Charles Dunn.

"We are not approving any development on Sashabaw tonight," Dunn said. "If we don't approve this and then want to do a project ... we would have less money."

The authority is required to report to the board and get its approval before doing anything, he said.

"Why in the world would we not pass this - let's move it along," he said.

Township resident Neil Wallace, of the group Citizens for Orderly Growth, opposed the ordinance.

"I urge you not to adopt this - not now, not ever," Wallace said. "This would change a long standing policy about development."

The current policy provides for orderly development of the area. If the authority is created and succeeds in making improvements to the Sashabaw Road corridor, such as by widening the road and improving its bridge over I-75, the township would be more susceptible to outside businesses coming into the area over residents' objections, he said.

The township planning board has used the lack of infrastructure in the area as a legal defense to block development. If infrastructure is improved, that defense would no longer exist, he said.

"The effect would be felt long and hard in this community - it opens a Pandora's Box," Wallace said. "This is inappropriate - there is more commercial development in that corridor than in the rest of the township."

Township resident Craig Bennett agreed.

"If you do this, we will end up having to take development we don't want,"

Bennett said.

Dunn disagreed with the idea that approving the ordinance takes away the planning commission's authority, and dismissed the idea of big businesses from outside the community influencing the decision as speculation and conspiracy theory.

"This is not a capitulation to external forces," he said. "This is a financial issue, not a development issue."

Township resident Michael Clark

said he was in favor of the ordinance.

"I hope you have enough guts tonight to go forward with this," Clark said.

The township board voted unanimously to approve the appointment of nine residents to the CIA board. Appointed are Dunn, Steve Pierson, Forrest Milzow, Bob Roth, Ken Winship, Tim Smith, Dawn Horner, Dave Carter, and Carol Chase.

## Sewer deal irks trustees

### City, township fees much different

BY PAUL KAMPE  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Upon inspection, Independence Township opened what could be a financial can of worms.

At the Board of Trustees meeting on Sept. 19, township Department of Public Works Director Linda Richardson presented a review of sewer maintenance rates. A 25-year-old agreement cited in her report showed a disparity between the rates charged to township residents and City of Clarkston residents.

The rates applied to one Residential Equivalent Unit, or REU, is \$4.52 per city resident and \$19.90 for township residents. Those rates are applied to single-family homes on a quarterly basis.

Those revenues go to the township for repairs to sewer pipes, clearing clogged lines, checks on the lines and service to lift stations used in lower-lying areas.

"We treat their residents like our residents," Richardson said.

Township Trustee Daniel Kelly was the first to question the practice. "If our residents are paying \$19, why are we doing this," he said.

Richardson said the rate structure could be in part attributed to the dif-

ference in the amount of lineal sewage capacity because the size of the township dwarfs that of the city.

Kelly countered, "do our residents get more out of the \$19?"

Trustee Charles Dunn suggested closing the differential over a period of time.

Trustee Larry Rosso said an immediate increase, to make up for the nearly \$14 difference, would be "monstrous."

"We're balancing compassion and economics."

Trustee Daniel Travis said, "that's like a gift (the rate), I don't know many things that have not changed in cost since 1981."

"How did they get such a sweetheart deal?"

The board voted to postpone any action on a sewer maintenance agreement with the city.

Fifty-year township resident Michael Clark requested permission from the board to speak on the matter.

"Why did it take 25 years for this," he asked.

"We're asking township residents to subsidize this cost for city residents."

Clarkston City Manager Art Pappas said Richardson will be presenting him with a new draft of an agreement for the two entities.

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# Clarkston News Sports

## Wolves 'Popp' Troy Athens, 38-7



Erik Thompson looks to gain a few extra yards against Troy Athens. Photo by Dave Pemberton.

BY DAVE PEMBERTON

Clarkston News Sports Writer.

The magic number for Clarkston is now "one."

The Wolves defeated Troy Athens 38-7 on Sept. 22 to improve to 5-0. They need to win just one more game to make the state playoffs.

"We will talk a little bit about that,"

Clarkston football coach Kurt Richardson said. "One game and we are in the playoffs, but we have to get better. We can't just have the first team get better. We have to have the seconds and thirds get better. If someone goes down, they can step in and be ready. That's sometimes hard for those kids, because they think, 'yeah right.' But last year (Mike) Kittle went down. We had some kids go down in key games last year. It happens. Everyone has to get better."

Clarkston will take on Royal Oak at home Friday night. The Wolves can clinch a playoff berth, but will have plenty of distractions leading up to Friday's showdown because of homecoming week.

"I always worry about homecoming week," Richardson said. "There is Powder Puff and all that stuff, sometimes they forget there is a football game. We have to stay focused."

Distractions won't be all the Wolves have to worry about. The Ravens are at 4-1 this season and have outscored their opponents 123-27.

"They have a solid defense," Richardson said. "They don't give up many points at all. They will give us everything we can handle."

Junior running back Jimmy Popp was the star for Clarkston against the Red Hawks. Popp rushed for 73 yards and four touchdowns.

Popp's first touchdown came after Clarkston recovered a fumble on Athens' first drive. Popp pounded in a 2-yard touchdown run with 5:57 left in the first quarter.

With 11:50 left in the second quarter, Popp ran in a 11-yard touchdown to put Clarkston up 14-0.

Popp ran in his third touchdown with 6:51 left in the second quarter, and Ryan Breen hit a 33-yard field goal with 11 seconds left in the half to put Clarkston up 24-0.

Quarterback Eric Ogg put the Wolves up 31-0 when he had an 11-yard touchdown run with 5:33 left in the third quarter. Popp ran in his final touchdown from 10 yards out with 2:29 left in the third quarter.

The Red Hawks scored their only points of the game when Brian Cischke connected with David Sawyers for a 5-yard touchdown pass with 3:29 left in the game.

"I thought the defense played well again tonight," Richardson said. "They caused some turnovers. They bent a little bit, but they didn't break. They did a good job."

Richardson's only complaint was the amount of flags Clarkston had.

"We had too many penalties," he said. "I'm not going to be satisfied with that. I don't care if it's 100-0, we can't have penalties."

## Athlete of the Week - Jimmy Popp

BY DAVE PEMBERTON

Clarkston News Sports Writer

Junior running back Jimmy Popp rushed for 73 yards and scored four touchdowns during Clarkston's 38-7 victory over Troy Athens.

Popp has seven touchdown runs and has helped the Wolves go 5-0 so far this season. The best start Clarkston has had since 2000.

"He's a very quiet leader," Clarkston coach Kurt Richardson said. "He leads by example and not just on the field. He is one of our hardest workers in the weight room too. He's a great kid."

Popp's play has the Wolves in prime position to make the state playoffs and win the OAA I title.

Clarkston needs to win just one more game to make the state playoffs and have four games remaining this season.

In the OAA I race the Wolves and Lake Orion are the only undefeated teams left in the conference and play in the final week of the regular season.

In the Sept. 22 win over the Red Hawks, Popp had a 2-yard touchdown run in the first quarter, and

11-yard and 2-yard touchdown runs in the second quarter.

His final touchdown run was for 10 yards in the third quarter.

Popp was happy with the team's play against Athens, after a disappointing effort against Troy the week before.

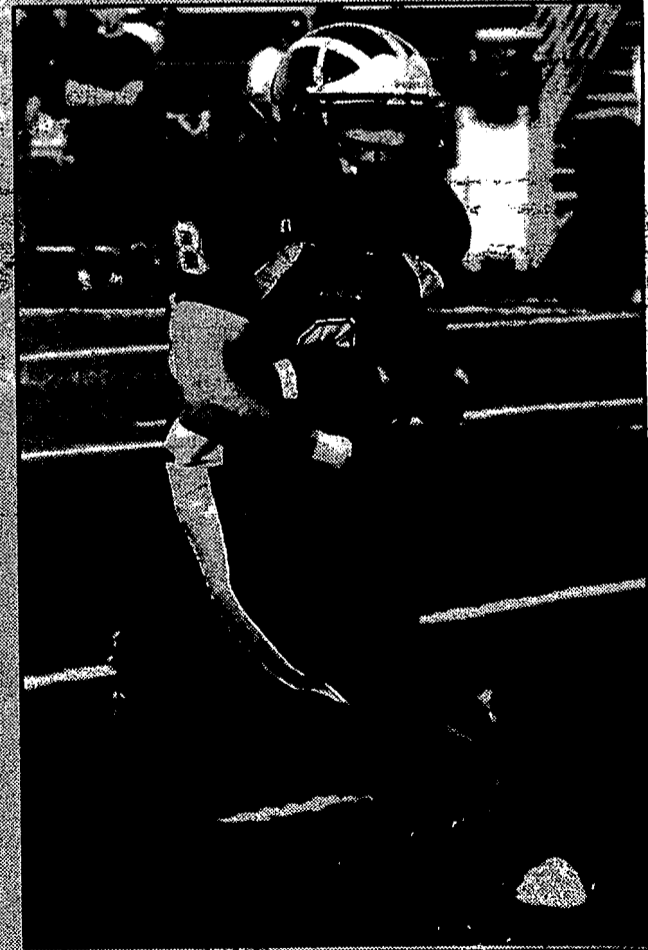
"We had a real good week of practice. We blocked good today," Popp said after the win. "Our 'O-line' blocked great and our backs blocked great. We played solid defense. We played a solid game. It feels good to win like this."

"After last week we knew we needed to get better, step up and play like we should. We want to make sure we are getting better every week."

Popp said he believes the team is getting better each week and has one goal in mind.

"We are looking at a state championship, but we are taking it one game at a time," he said.

Jimmy Popp (left) rushed for four touchdowns against Troy Athens.



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# Adams edges Clarkston by one shot at OAA tournament



Clarkston's Blake Schmidt and Derrick Burns finished second overall at the Hartland Invitational. Schmidt also shot 80 at the OAA I tournament.

BY DAVE PEMBERTON  
Clarkston News Sports Writer

The Clarkston golf team's top four all finished in the top 10 at the second OAA I tournament, but Clarkston still fell one shot short of Rochester Adams.

The Highlanders shot a combined 314, while the Wolves finished with 315. Clarkston also finished in second place in the first OAA I tournament. The Wolves finished two shots behind Bloomfield Hills Lahser.

With the two second-place finishes and a solid dual meet record, Clarkston is in first place in the OAA I with 14 points. The Wolves have three dual meets left. If they win all three, they are guaranteed the OAA championship.

"Next to winning the tournament, controlling our own destiny is what we wanted," Clarkston coach Mark Wiegand said. "We are disappointed to finish second twice, but our guys did all we could ask. It's a real competitive league and Adams just beat us. If we win out the rest of the way, we win the league and that's all we can ask for."

The Wolves' Matt Fuller finished second overall. Fuller and Lahser's Chris Matthews each finished with 76. Adams'

David Brent shot 75 to earn the individual title.

Clarkston's other top scorers were Chris Graczyk with 79, and Blake Schmidt and Brandon Stone, each with 80.

"We have played better, but I think they are still playing solid," Wiegand said. "We need to make sure we are looking at this as a team event. In three tournaments this year, we finished second and by a total of four shots. Every kid knows there is a shot they could have played different to help the team. We have to make sure we are taking shots that are best for the team not the individual."

The Wolves also finished in fourth place at the Hartland Invitational, which was a two-man best ball.

Blake Schmidt and Derrick Burns combined for 69 and finished second overall.

Clarkston will face Rochester, Lake Orion and Troy to wrap up the conference season. The Wolves will also take part in the Oakland County Meet on Friday.

"I'm happy with our play this season," Wiegand said. "Hopefully we can play a little better and turn some of these second place finishes into wins."

## Poor second half costs the game for Wolves

BY DAVE PEMBERTON  
Clarkston News Sports Writer

Stoney Creek scored three unanswered goals in the second half Thursday to defeat Clarkston 3-1 and hand the soccer team its second loss of the season.

The Wolves led 1-0 after Jared Roan scored just over 25 minutes into the Sept. 21 game.

"We played great in the first half," Clarkston coach Adam Bican said. "We played right according to plan. In the second half we got a little complacent. We fell out of our game plan. (Stoney Creek) put three goals on us and won the game."

"Stoney Creek is a very well coached team and has good leaders.

They are a very good team. To beat a team like that we had to play flawless. We did in the first half, but not in the second half."

Clarkston's game against Stoney Creek was the beginning of the second half of the OAA I season. The Wolves hosted Lake Orion on Tuesday night, which finished too late for this edition of *The Clarkston News*.

The Wolves will take on Troy Athens on Wednesday and then play a non-conference game against Flint Powers on Saturday, before hosting Troy on Oct. 3.

"I look for them to come out with fire in them and I look for inspired effort from them," Bican said. "Our goals vary the same."

# Clarkston ballers remain undefeated



Chelsea Kouri scored 10 points against Troy.

## Clarkston Equestrian team off and running

The Clarkston Equestrian team is riding again. With so many riders this year, Head Coach Marc DeLisle decided to field three squads, A, B, and C.

The weekend of Sept. 9-10, A and C squads had their first meets.

Riding for the A Squad are Captain Amanda Work, Co-Captains Emily Martin, Song Miller, Jordan Waller, and Lauren Williams, and the rest of the team, Chelsea Adams, Jenny Gambrel, Taylor Grain, Kristen McMillan, Lauren Palmer, Jessica Parke, Samantha Reas, Katie Shelton, Michelle Voelker, Shelbi Watson, and Paige Zielinski.

Clarkston's biggest competition was the Oxford team, and on Saturday, Oxford won 241-238. Sunday, Clarkston persevered and won over Oxford 272-232.

The C Squad also competed this same weekend. The squad includes Captain Corrinne Sanger, and fellow teammates Stephanie Bean, Mellissa Bemis, and Amanda Cudney. The Clarkston C team rode well and ended up coming in second place behind Romeo.

BY DAVE PEMBERTON

Clarkston News Sports Writer

The Clarkston girls basketball team has cruised to a 5-0 start after a 40-31 victory over Troy on Sept. 19. The great start has the Wolves ranked No. 5 in the state.

"It's nice to be recognized," Clarkston coach Tim Wasilk said. "The team has been playing well and maybe some of that has to do with our success last year. I don't know if right now we are a top five team, but we are pretty good. We have a lot of work to do."

The Wolves will be tested quickly with during the OAA I season, which started on Tuesday. Clarkston faced No. 1 ranked Auburn Hills Avondale, which finished too late for this edition of *The Clarkston News*.

In the Wolves victory over Troy, they relied on their defense, but the offense struggled a little.

"Our defense was pretty good. We held them to 21 shots for the game, which is pretty good," Wasilk said.

"In the third quarter they only had two or three shots. We used a half-court trap against Troy and it worked out pretty well.

"Offensively, we are getting good shots, but we haven't been knocking them down. Hopefully in time our shots will come. We have only played five games so far. We have to get in game rhythm."

Jennifer Johnston led Clarkston with 12 points. Chelsea Kouri added 10 points and three assists.

Kasha Krul led the Colts with 10 points and Michelle Maiuri finished with nine points.

The Wolves will continue conference play when they travel to Pontiac Northern on Thursday. Clarkston will then host West Bloomfield on Oct. 3. Wasilk said he expects the defense to continue to play well.

"Defensively, no matter what, I expect us to be good every night," Wasilk said. "We know where we are supposed to be...(offensively)it's nice to be winning when we are not shooting the ball great."

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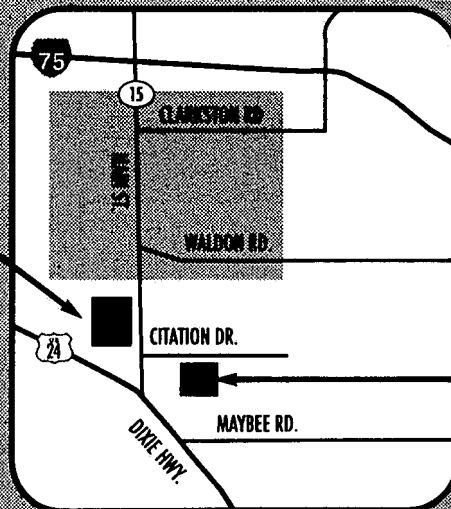
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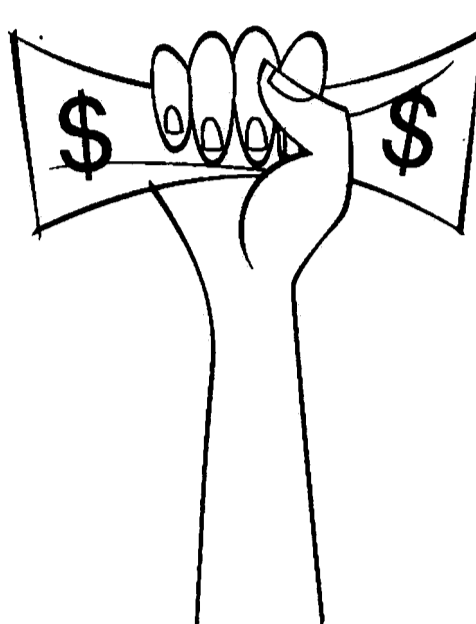
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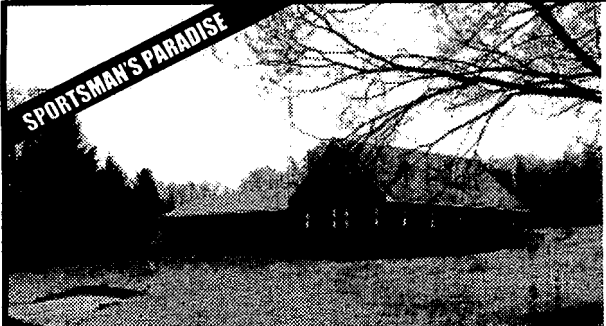
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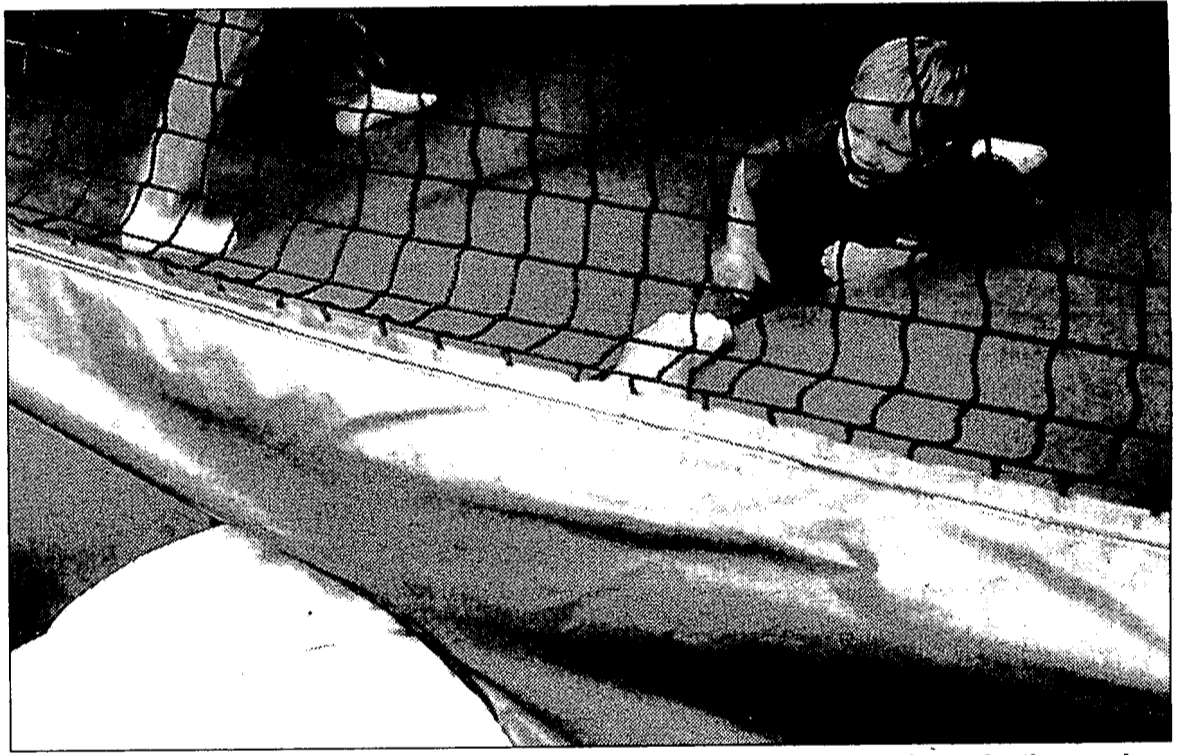
Alex Cavellier, 8, gets a ring lesson courtesy of the magician.



One of the many occasions for children to jump at the Taste of Clarkston.



Clarkston Union Sous Chef Vincent Baker presents their trademark Mac 'N' Cheese.



Logan Strong, one and a half years old, tries to escape his father's reach as playtime ends.



The bean bag race drew quite the competitors. Photos by Paul Kampe



Balloon animals aplenty in the Kids Zone, presented by the Clarkston Area Optimists.

### People Poll

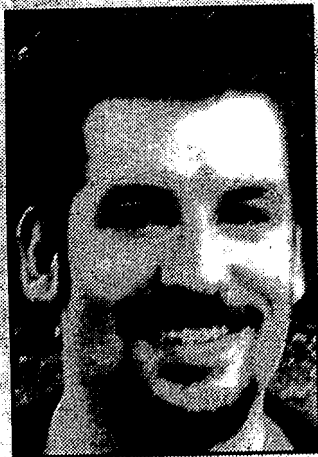
What television show are you most excited for this fall?



"Gray's Anatomy. Smutty medical drama has good appeal."  
- Jody Begley



"Gray's Anatomy. It's entertaining."  
- Kim Campbell



"I don't watch tv."  
- James Batchik



"CSI, the regular one, that was a good one."  
- Kat Downey

By Paul Kampe

# The Clarkston News' Millstream

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



Brad Lowe of Clarkston with Slam, one of his many creations. Photo by Andrew DuPont

## Puppeteer remains a kid at heart

BY ANDREW DUPONT  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

From the outside, there is nothing special about the way the barn behind Brad Lowe's home in Clarkston looks. The same cannot be said, however, about the inside.

Lowe, 50, turned the barn into his own puppet workshop, where he sits for hours and designs and creates a variety of characters. Extra plastic eye balls lay scattered on a coffee table. Crates filled with fabric and miscellaneous parts are stacked up taller than Lowe himself.

Since he was 5, Lowe said he knew he wanted to work with puppets. By watching others like Ed Johnson and Jim Henson on television and reading books

at the library, Lowe taught himself the basic skills to become a puppeteer.

"I was very shy as a child and puppetry kind of brought me out of that because I could be behind something and work a puppet, and I don't have to be out front," he said.

Over time, Lowe met others who shared his interests and learned some trick of the trade from them as well.

"One of things with puppeteers is they share their ideas. Magicians will say 'I'm not going to show you how I did that trick,' and a lot of arts are secretive about what they use... with puppeteers, it's a whole different thing," he said.

Lowe's work was recognized by his peers, who awarded him the Paul McPharlin award at the end of July. McPharlin was a

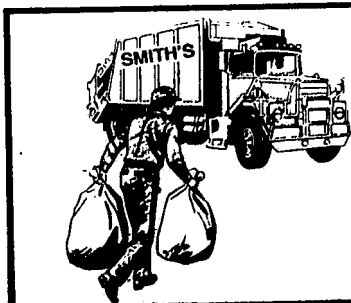
famous puppeteer who lived during the early 20th century and founded the Puppeteers of America. The national award in his name recognizes general excellence in all areas in the art of puppetry and is award every two years.

Though he was thrilled to receive such recognition, Lowe said he was only ever interested in entertaining and educating the children for whom he performs.

"I'm honored, but I'm not into it for the award. I'm into my craft," Lowe said. "How much more rewarding can you get than making someone happy?"

"Kids nowadays, they're on the computer so much that they're not using their imaginations and we need to get back to

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

\*\*\*  
 Chamber member, Clarkston Community Historical Society, is hosting a Clarkston Barn Tour on Sunday October 22, 2006 from 12:30-5 p.m.

Tickets are \$10 per person (children 5 and under are free) Learn about Clarkston's heritage from a unique perspective. Includes tour of local historic barns, complete with farm animals, period crafts and refreshments.

Purchase your tickets in advance at the Chamber office, 5856 S. Main St. The Chamber is located two doors South of the Dairy Queen. Office Hours are Monday-Friday 8-4.

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# Two friends make final 40 in national science competition

BY ANDREW DUPONT  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Only 40 students in the entire country earn their way into the Discovery Channel's Young Scientist Challenge. Participants from all over the country travel to Washington D.C. for the week-long competition in October. Though they will be far from home, two participants will recognize at least one friendly face in the crowd.

Michael Sewell and Nicholas Lemp have known each other for several years and are friends. So both were surprised when they found out they were finalists in the completion, the winner of which gets a \$15,000 scholarship. More than \$100,000 worth of prizes are given away to the finalists.

Sewell and Lemp, both 13, attended Everest Academy in Clarkston for several years. Sewell is currently in the eighth grade at Everest while Lemp is homeschooled, but the two followed similar paths to the national competition.

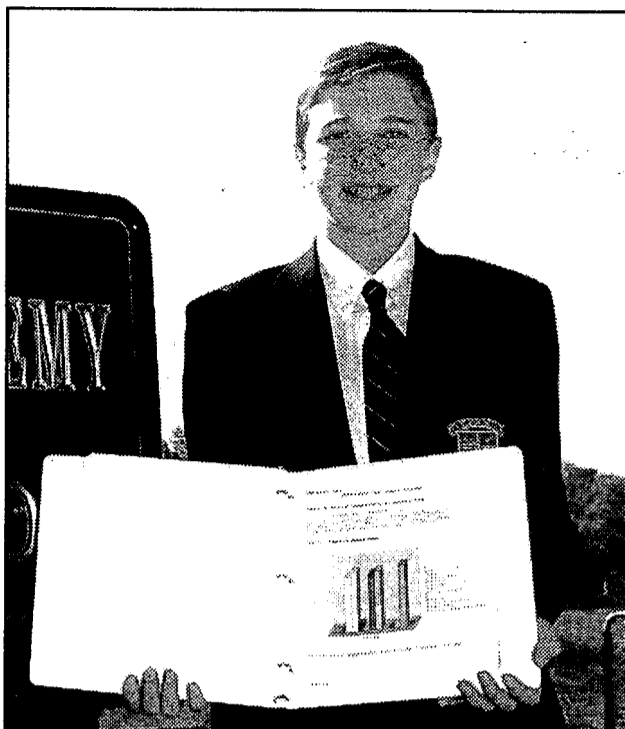
Originally drawn from a pool of 70,000 science fair entries, the number of applicants was narrowed to 1,900, then to 400, and finally 40 students were chosen for the final event.

Sewell first entered his project, entitled "Can aluminum foil your brain," into the school science fair, and then the Flint Area Science Fair, in April 2005. Lemp also entered his project, a soil study to determine the best way to grow wild blue lupine flowers, the flower on which Karen butterflies survive in caterpillar stage.

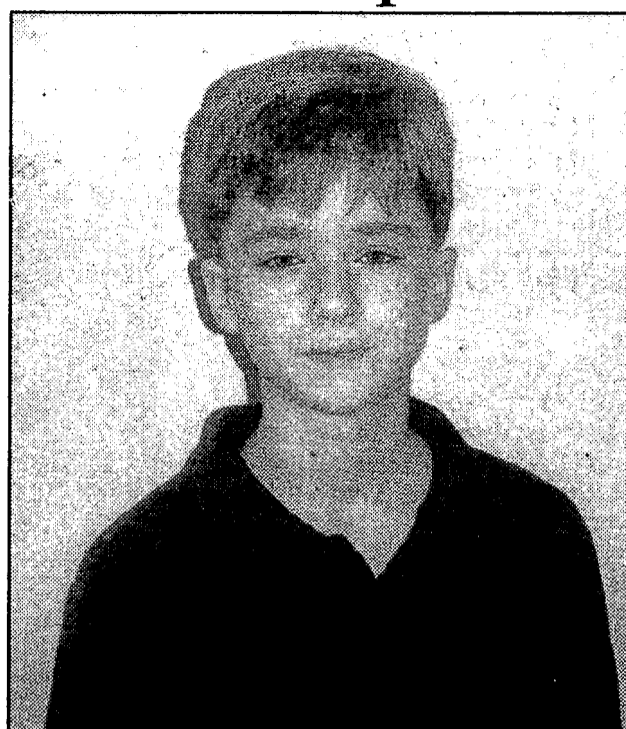
Each student took his own samples and developed tests to evaluate their results. Sewell was surprised by his results, which showed aluminum can leach into food and drinks, including water, from aluminum foil.

"If it can leach into water it can leach into potentially anything," Sewell said. "I was very surprised... and after I found that out, I did more research on how aluminum can be harmful to you."

Sewell said he also found out the protective coat-



Michael Sewell displays some of the research he did for his project on aluminum. Photos by Andrew DuPont



Nicholas Lemp, a homeschooled student from Waterford, is one of 40 finalists in a national science competition.

ing on soda cans can be broken easily, so even a slight dent in the can greatly increases the amount of aluminum leaching.

Lemp said he decided on his project's topic after taking a class at the Environmental Discovery Center Indian Springs in White Lake. Karen butterflies are endangered and Lemp said the naturalists there are trying to help.

"They were talking about what plants they had a hard time growing and they were having a hard time growing this plant. They want to get the butterflies introduced to their park," Lemp said.

Lemp said he may pursue a future in environmen-

tal studies, so helping determine the best type of soil for these flowers might be a stepping stone in his career.

At the final stage, the children will participate in group activities where they will work together to solve scenarios related to health and safety.

Both students admitted they were nervous about the upcoming challenges, but agreed having a friend there will be cool.

"Only two kids from Michigan got in and that's just crazy that it's me and my friend that are going," Sewell laughed.

"That was a shocker," Lemp said.

## Clarkston's Original



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## Care Center

## Influenza: Vaccination, Testing, Treatment, and Transmission

Article written by: Timothy O'Neill, D.O.

Many of us have experienced the symptoms of "The Flu".

These generally include:

- sudden onset of body aches and chills
- dry cough, runny nose, and sore throat
- headache and fatigue
- nausea, vomiting and diarrhea (typically occurs only in children)

However, the side effects of the flu can be much more serious and include severe dehydration, pneumonia, and worsening of chronic illnesses such as Congestive Heart Failure, Diabetes, and Asthma.

**VACCINATION:** Vaccination is suggested for anyone who does not wish to contract Influenza.

Vaccination is highly recommended among the following at risk groups which are given first priority in years where there is a shortage in supply:

- any person >65 with or without chronic illness
- residents of long term care facilities
- persons 2-64 with co-morbid conditions (diabetes, asthma, immune deficiency)
- children aged 6-24 months
- pregnant women (cannot have the live attenuated vaccine)
- healthcare workers who provide direct patient care
- household contacts and caregivers of children less than six months

Usually within two weeks your immune system will have "converted". This means your body has developed antibodies to the flu strains contained in that year's flu vaccine. The vaccine developed for current flu season does not battle the bird flu (avian-flu).

Generally the influenza vaccine is very safe. It may not be given to anyone with an allergy to eggs or prior allergy to the influenza vaccine, anyone with a fever, or those patients who experienced Guillain-Barre syndrome within six weeks of previous vaccination. The side effects are usually very few but may include a sore arm, fatigue, muscle aches and low grade fever for a couple of days.

For completeness there is an intranasal "live" vaccine available that has different benefits and contraindications; please ask your doctor about this if you have questions.

### TESTING:

There are several testing types available. Some are rapid and can tell you while you wait and others require a several day incubation period. Many physicians feel testing is only helpful to confirm the beginning of an outbreak and the end. Also testing may be useful to confirm exposure to the virus by certain at risk people like a nursing home. These people would benefit from prophylaxis with antivirals and treatment.

### TREATMENT:

Treatment with one of several antiviral medications effective against influenza has been successful in shortening the duration of illness in those who catch their symptoms early. It is generally only useful if you have had the symptoms for less than 24 hrs or are trying to prevent close contacts from becoming ill. Some of these medications may actually reduce the risk of close contacts becoming ill by up to 70%. Talk to your doctor about which might be right for you if you become ill or have been exposed.

### TRANSMISSION:

Influenza spreads through respiratory secretions when infected people cough or sneeze. The virus may be passed from the aerosolized secretions or may be passed by close physical contact. Generally people are able to transmit the virus one day before the symptoms start and 5-7 days after symptoms begin. Unfortunately children may be able to transmit the virus for several days longer than adults. Usually symptoms will begin within one to four days of exposure to the virus.

Lastly, remember to never give children aspirin for any viral illness so we can avoid risk of Reyes Syndrome, a very serious illness. Instead use Motrin or Tylenol for fever control. To find out more ask your doctor or visit the CDC website.

Sources CDC website, UpToDate online, ACFP website.

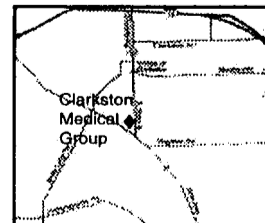


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# Milestones

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## Shempfs celebrate 50 years



**Richard and Meta Schempf**  
sota, Wisconsin and Indiana, as well as Michigan and members of St. Trinity. One guest, Joachim Schempf, flew in from Germany.

Richard and Meta (Mitzi) Schempf recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary at St. Trinity Lutheran Church on Sashabaw Road in Clarkston.

Richard is the former director of education and youth at St. Trinity. Their son, the Rev. Michael Schempf, is the chaplain at Bethesda Lutheran Home, and resides with his wife, Karen, in Watertown, Wisconsin. Their daughter, Joanne, is the wife of the Rev. Jeffrey Walsh, pastor at Trinity Lutheran Church in Monroe.

The Schempf family includes eight grandchildren. Guests included residents of California, Arizona, Georgia, Minne-

## Celebrating 40 years

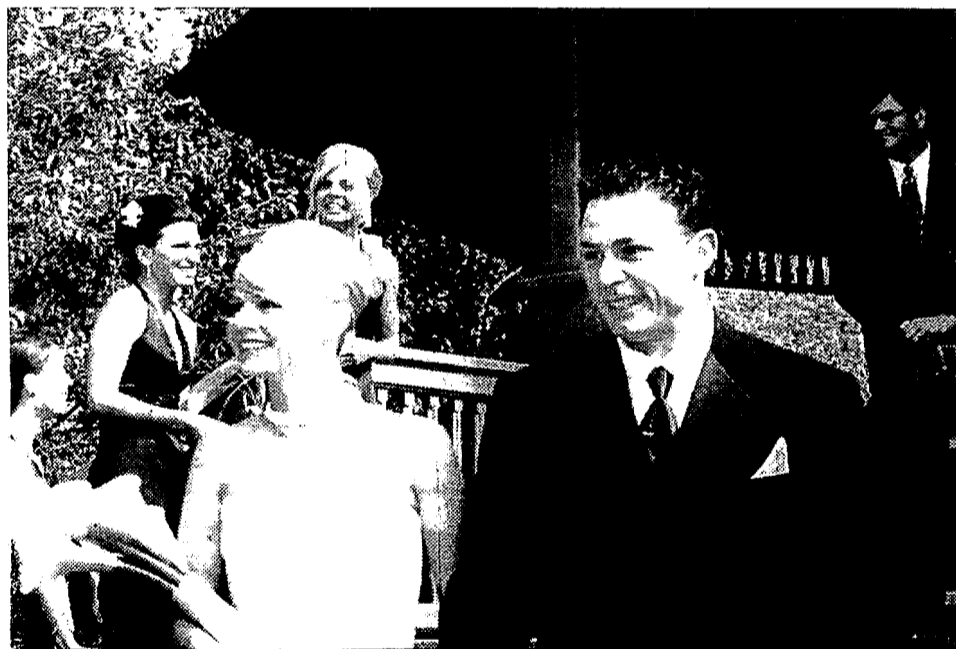


**Stuart and Lorry Mahler**

Stuart and Lorry Mahler of Clarkston recently celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary.

They were married on June 17, 1966, at Precious Blood Catholic Church in Detroit.

Their children are Tim (Cathy), Jon, and Jennifer (John Phyle), and their grandchildren are Alexis, Dylan, Jackson, Nicholas, Justin, Ryan, Andrew, and Lauren.



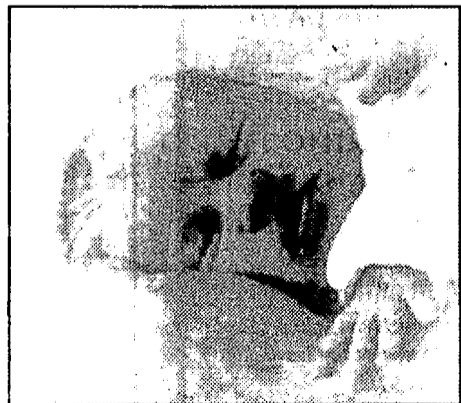
## Przybylski-Montera

Erin Christine Przybylski and Travis James Montera were wed on May 28, 2005, by Pastor Dave Coeiman.

The ceremony took place in Clarkston's Depot Park and the recep-

tion was at the Lafayette Grand. The bride's parents are Ralph and Michele Przybylski. Parents of the groom are David and Minette Brownlee.

## New baby girl



**Jenna Rachelle**

Jim and Lisa (Swan) Hackler announce the birth of their daughter, Jenna Rachelle.

Jenna was born on July 10, weighed 7 pounds, 6 ounces, and was 18 inches in length.

Grandparents include Mark and Linda Shude, and great-grandparents include Robert and Hazel Houston, all of Clarkston.

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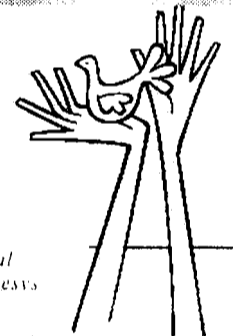
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# Religion

Spiritual matters close to home

## Pet blessings praise God's creation

Something out of the ordinary happens when autumn arrives. People bring pets for a blessing to their church. You'll see dogs, cats, hamsters, birds, turtles ... and one Clarkston church even had a horse show up last fall. It is the feast day of St. Francis of Assisi, the patron saint of animals. Children especially enjoy this event. Parents tell them the story of St. Francis of Assisi's love for all of creation, nurturing young people's appreciation of God's gift of animals and the environment. My grandchildren cannot bring all their pets at the same time. Each year they decide who among their four-legged friends needs the blessing the most. Most families consider their pets integral members of their family. I recall a teen that had found an injured turtle and brought it hoping that God would help it heal. Another time an elderly lady brought her pet knowing that it would not live much longer, but wanting to celebrate her love for her furry friend of many years and praying that God would spare the animal suffering.

Usually the blessings are outdoors. However rain may move them inside. I worked for a pastor once who had a beloved pet companion. When a parishioner commented on the fact that his dog had entered the church building (which he normally was not allowed to do) the pastor commented that when Jesus was born animals surrounded him. They probably kept him warm, like the furry friends that so often warm

the hearts of senior citizens and young people alike. At the blessing of pets the presider offers a prayer like this:

*"Blessed are you Lord God, maker of all living creatures. You called forth fish in the sea, birds in the air and animals on the land. You inspired St. Francis to call all of them his brothers and sisters. We ask you to bless this pet. By the power of your love, enable it to live according to your plan. May we always praise you for all your beauty in creation. Blessed are you, Lord our God, in all your creatures! Amen."*

As the prayer is offered, the pet is gently sprinkled with holy water - that is water blessed to become a sign to us of God's presence and action in our life.

If you cannot bring your pet for a blessing, you can bless your furry or feathery friend yourself at home. Blessings do not require an ordained minister. Just bless the water with the sign of the cross. Read the above prayer over the animal and sprinkle him with the blessed water. Then give thanks and praise to God for the beautiful gift of animals.

St. Francis of Assisi was a champion of justice for all. He is especially known for his love of God's creatures. He is the patron saint of animals and also of ecology. We celebrate his feast day on October 4<sup>th</sup>. St. Francis wrote a Canticle of the Creatures, an ode to God's living things "All praise to you, O Lord, for all these brother and sister creatures." In pictures and statues he usually is portrayed with animals, sometimes a bird on his shoulder or surrounded by animals at his feet.

Please see Pet Blessings, page 7B

### Spiritual Matters

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## In our churches...

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.

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St. Daniel Catholic Church in Clarkston holds scripture study every Tuesday at 10 a.m. The group will cover the Gospel of Matthew at 10 a.m. every Thursday. At 7:30 p.m., the group covers the gospel of John every Monday. St. Daniel Catholic Church is located at 7010 Valley Park Drive. Call 248-625-1750.

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Calvary Lutheran Church has a weekly Wednesday Evening FEAST. Dinner is served at 6 p.m., worship at 6:50 p.m. and classes for all ages from 7:15- 8:30 p.m. The church offers a free nursery. Calvary Lutheran Church at 6805 Bluegrass Drive in Clarkston at the southwest corner of M-15 and I-75. Call the church for more information at 248-625-3288.

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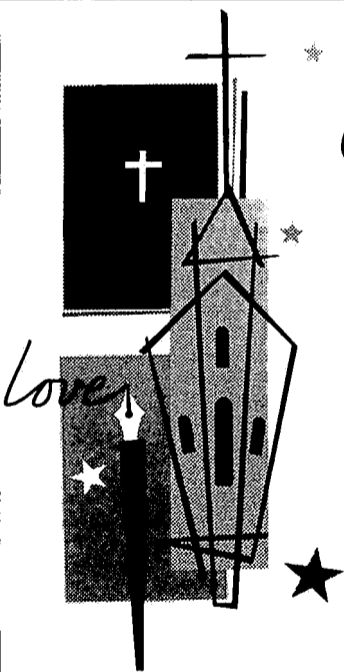
Church of the Resurrection has bible study every Wednesday evening at 7 p.m. Study is currently on "Paul's letter to the Romans." Church of the Resurrection is located at 6490 Clarkston Road. Call 248-625-2325 for more information.

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Church of the Resurrection will have the annual blessing of the animals service. Bring pets or stuffed animals for a blessing on Oct. 1 at 1 p.m. Church of the Resurrection is located at 6490 Clarkston Road. Call 248-625-2325 for more information.

Please see In Our Churches, page 7B

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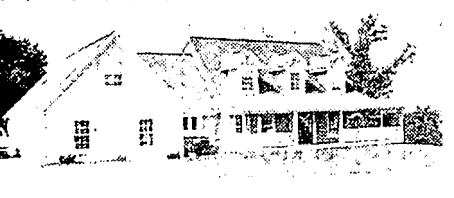


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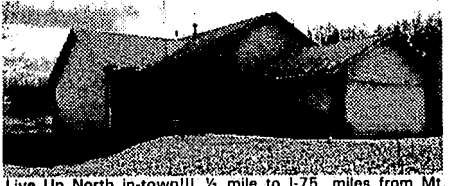
Contact **denise felker**,  
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Sprawling home with gorgeous views! Spacious 5 bed, 3.5 bath on 5+ acres. Newly remodeled with over 4800 livable sf, finished LL with in-ground pool, only 1 mile off of pavement perfect for entertaining! End of privately wooded cul-de-sac, 3-car grg, Brandon Schools, sits on hill overlooking Duck Creek. Add 5 acres avail. Offered at \$369,900



Build your dream home with ultimate seclusion in this beautiful valley! 5.14 acres on Duck Creek off M-15 and Glass Rd. One-of-a-kind property - no one else may develop in the immediate area!! Gorgeous sunsets and private (and few) neighbors make this ideal. Less than a mile from pavement, Brandon Schools, Groveland Taxes. Split from original 10+ acres of 1975 Valley Ridge offered for \$369,900 also w 5+ acres. Topography will allow walkout. Owner open to various financing options. OFFERED AT \$90,000.



Live Up North in-town!!! 1/2 mile to I-75, miles from Mt. Holly Ski Resort, mountain bike trails at end of Haas Rd, many state parks close, 1/2 acre parcel backs up to 400+ acres of state land with walking trails. Quad level w/ outstanding features-open kitchen, dining & living room w/ cathedral ceiling. Warm & homey w/spacious laundry and twr bath. Home warranty provided. Seller is licensed agent. Offered at \$189,900



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## Pet blessings

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Francis lived in 13th century Italy. As a wealthy youth he first spent his time in extravagant living, but after fighting in a war and serious illness he had a vision of Christ that caused him to change his ways completely. He began devoting himself to a life of poverty and preaching. He followed the Gospel by living a life of love and charity. The "Prayer of St. Francis" reflects his spirit:

*Lord, make me an instrument of your peace.  
Where there is hatred, let me sow love;  
Where there is injury, pardon;  
Where there is doubt, faith;  
Where there is despair, hope;  
Where there is darkness, light and  
Where there is sadness, joy.  
O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much  
seek to be consoled as to console;  
To be understood, as to understand;  
To be loved, as to love;  
For it is in giving that we receive.  
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned.  
And it is in dying that we are born to eternal  
life.*

(Frieda Arpoika is the director of faith formation for St. Daniel's Catholic Church in Clarkston)

## In Our Churches

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There are still a few spots available for the Stratford Festival **Motor Coach trip** to attend the musical "Oliver." Call Church of the Resurrection for more information at 248-625-2325 for more information.

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St. Daniel Catholic Church is taking registration for the **Rainbows program**. Meetings take place on Thursday evenings in the Cushing Center. Rainbows is an outreach program for children and adults dealing with change in their lives due to death, divorce or other significant loss. St. Daniel Catholic Church is located at 7010 Valley Park Drive. Call 248-625-1750.

Send your church bulletins to the Clarkston News at 5 S. Main Street, Clarkston, MI 48346

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## New church welcomes community

BY PAUL KAMPE  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

When a family outgrows its home, it looks for another place to live. So it was for Spirit Life Temple, formerly of Waterford Township.

The 6-year-old ministry moved to its new location, 5311 Sunnyside Drive in Independence Township, in June in order to have a much bigger facility than its previous home - almost three times bigger.

The nearly 11,000-square-foot building gives the church room to grow.

"That was the real motivation, to accommodate growth and open new avenues for the congregation," said Pastor Eric King.

At their previous building, King said services were all nearly full and additional parking spaces were needed.

The Sunnyside Drive building was purchased in May. Almost 20 church members helped renovate it before services could start. The project included patching and filling the parking lot, replacing windows, remodeling the nursery, repainting everything and replacing the hardwood flooring.

King, 40, of Waterford Township, and his wife, Anna, are one of three co-pastor families with the church, which boasts a membership of nearly 100. The church has picked up nearly 20 members since

the move, Eric King said.

"We're trying to create an atmosphere so the community knows we're here."

On Sept. 24, the church had its fourth-annual Hot Rod Sunday, where parishioners met, socialized, and ate lunch. The event was scheduled to have three bands, the first of which was The Salt Miners, a bluegrass band. Church members and friends brought their classic cars out to show to the audience. Children were not left out of the event - there was a large bounce-around, and also free ice cream.

King recently spent time in South Africa, helping establish homes and places of worship for people of the Tswana Tribe. The latest trip, from which he returned two weeks ago, was his fourth venture to the area. On his second trip, around the spring of 2005, King made contact with a pastor from the area of Zeerust. On subsequent visits, he helped members of area congregations build homes for more than 50 children and their caretakers from a local orphanage.

The church offers youth and children's groups, as well as a nursery during Sunday service, starting at 10:30 a.m. Saturday service is at 7 p.m., and Thursday service is at 7 p.m. On Tuesdays, the Spirit Life hosts Overcomers Addiction Recovery Services.

For more information, call 248-535-1653.

## Have you seen this necklace?

BY ANDREW DUPONT  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

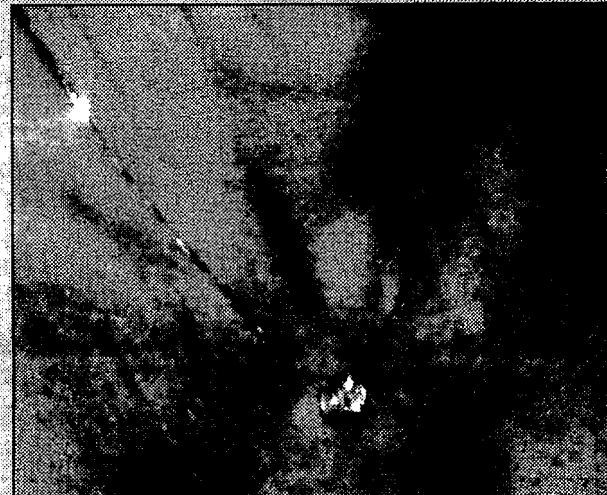
Readers of *The Clarkston News*, you are being asked to keep a look out. A local woman is hoping someone can help her locate a precious keepsake.

Debbie, who requested her last name remain private, said she last remembers having a necklace given to her by her late husband on the evening of Sept. 16. Originally a diamond ring, Debbie said she had the ring refashioned into a necklace and holds a great deal of personal value to her.

Debbie said she was having dinner at Mesquite Creek on M-15 when the clasp that held the necklace on began to bother her, so she removed the necklace and placed it in her purse.

"It was a small purse, it only held my wallet and lipstick," said Debbie, who is sure the necklace could not have gotten lost in the purse's contents. The next morning she went to retrieve the necklace and could not find it. She returned to Mesquite Creek but said neither she nor the staff could find the necklace.

Debbie has contacted local jewelry stores in hopes someone brought the necklace in, but so far has had no luck. She also contacted police, but knows their resources are limited for searching for lost items, so she said she is hoping someone may have found her

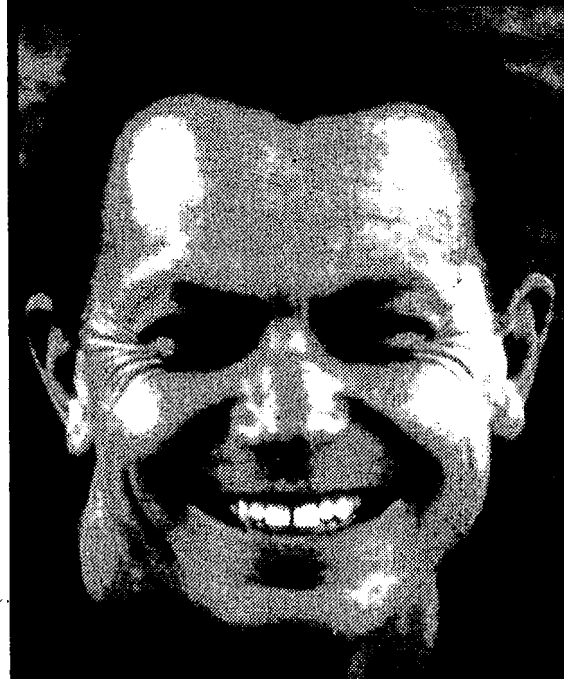


A local woman is hoping someone can help her find her necklace, a keepsake from her late husband. Photo provided

necklace and can return the item to her. She indicated she is offering a reward for the return of the item "I'm not sure how much I can afford, but I am willing to pay to get it back," she said.

The necklace is silver in color with diamond in the center (see picture). If anyone has any information, they can contact Debbie at 248-625-4593.

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# PUBLIC NOTICE

Charter Township of Springfield

## NOTICE OF ADOPTION AMENDMENTS TO ORDINANCE NO. 16 JUNK, ANTI-LITTER AND ANTI-POLLUTION ORDINANCE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that at a regularly-scheduled meeting held on September 14, 2006, The Township Board of the Charter Township of Springfield adopted amendments to Ordinance No. 16, Junk, Anti-Litter and Anti-Pollution Ordinance, which amendments are set forth herein and shall take effect seven (7) days after publication of this Notice.

The Charter Township of Springfield ordains:

The Junk, Anti-Litter and Anti-Pollution Ordinance, Ordinance No. 16, is hereby amended in its entirety to read as follows:

### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD ORDINANCE NO. 16

**JUNK, ANTI-LITTER AND ANTI-POLLUTION ORDINANCE**  
AN ORDINANCE TO SECURE THE PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY AND WELFARE OF THE RESIDENTS OF THE TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD BY THE REGULATION OF OUTDOOR PARKING AND STORAGE OF MOTOR VEHICLES, MOBILE HOMES, TRAILERS, RECREATIONAL VEHICLES, AND NEW OR USED PARTS OR JUNK THEREFROM; AND PROHIBITING THE THROWING AND DEPOSITING OF ANY LITTER ON PUBLIC OR PRIVATE PROPERTY IN THE TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD; AND PRESCRIBING THE PENALTIES FOR THE VIOLATION OF ANY OF ITS PROVISIONS AND TO REPEAL ANY ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HERewith.

#### Section 1. Short Title.

This Ordinance shall be known and may be cited as the "JUNK, ANTI-LITTER AND ANTI-POLLUTION ORDINANCE".

#### Section 2. Purpose.

The purpose of this Ordinance is to limit and restrict the outdoor storage, parking or unreasonable accumulation of junk, unused, partially dismantled or inoperable and/or unlicensed motor vehicles, inoperable and/or unlicensed mobile homes, inoperable and/or unlicensed trailers, or inoperable and/or unlicensed recreational vehicles, including but not limited to all vessels, watercraft, boats, trailers, off-road vehicles, snowmobiles, mobile homes, campers, or new or used parts therefrom; and to prohibit the depositing of litter on private property, public property, and onto bodies of water.

#### Section 3. Definitions.

3.01 "Motor Vehicle" means every vehicle that is self-propelled.

3.02 "Mobile Home" means a factory assembled portable structure designed or used for year-round residence purposes, designed and built to be towed on its own chassis, connected to utilities, and installed on a homesite with or without a permanent foundation.

3.03 "Trailer" means every vehicle without motive power designed to be drawn by another vehicle and attached to the towing vehicle by means of a reach, pole or any other device and ordinarily used for the transporting of goods of any shape or description; whether or not the bed of said trailer shall be open to the elements or enclosed.

3.04 "Recreational Vehicle" means a vehicle, which is intended for temporary human habitation, sleeping and/or eating suitable for travel or recreational purposes, or a vehicle that moves one or more persons over the ground, water, ice or snow, and which is either self-propelled or connects to a vehicle which is self-propelled. The definition of "recreational vehicle" includes, but is not limited to travel trailers, pickup campers, motor homes, van/campers, folding tent trailers, boats and boat trailers, snowmobiles, personal watercraft, all-terrain or special terrain vehicles, utility trailers and the typical equipment used to transport them on the highway.

3.05 "Litter" shall mean any garbage, refuse, waste, rubbish, offal, paper, cans, bottles, trash or debris, whether animal, mineral or vegetable or whether such be constructed or manufactured.

3.06 Whenever any words and phrases used in this Ordinance are not defined, but are defined in the Township Zoning Ordinance, Ordinance No. 26, as amended, any such definition therein shall be deemed to apply to such words and phrases used herein.

#### Section 4. Storage and Parking

A. No person, firm or corporation shall park, store or cause or permit to be placed upon any public right-of-way or public property, or upon any private property, within the Township of Springfield, any inoperable and/or unlicensed motor vehicle, any inoperable and/or unlicensed mobile home, any inoperable and/or unlicensed trailer, or any inoperable and/or unlicensed recreational vehicle; or new or used parts or junk therefrom, unless the same be wholly contained within a fully enclosed building and does not, in addition thereto, violate any Zoning Ordinance or Building Code of the Township of Springfield or the State of Michigan.

B. Nothing in this Ordinance shall be interpreted to prohibit:  
(1) Any operable farming and agricultural machinery and equipment on private property, provided, however, that (a) it is not parked, placed or stored in the front yard, unless used on a farm; and (b) it does not otherwise violate any of the Zoning Ordinances or Building Codes of the Township of Springfield or the State of Michigan.

(2) Duly licensed motor vehicles, recreational vehicles, mobile homes, trailers, or agricultural machinery and equipment that are temporarily inoperable because of minor mechanical failures, but which are not in any manner dismantled and have substantially all component parts attached, may remain upon said private property, not, however, upon any public right-of-way or public property, for a period of time not to exceed fourteen days in any calendar year.

C. No person, firm or corporation shall perform any repairing, redesigning, modifying or dismantling work or operations to any motor vehicle, mobile home, trailer, recreational vehicle, or new or used parts or junk therefrom upon any public right-of-way or public property, or upon any private property, within the Township of Springfield, except such as may be accomplished within a fully enclosed building, provided further, however, if no fully enclosed building is located upon the premises, the same repairing, redesigning, modifying or dismantling work or operation, if not otherwise unlawful, may be conducted upon the premises for a

period of time not to exceed one week in any one calendar year. Repairing, redesigning, dismantling work or operations will not be permitted on any premises where the conduct of such work or operation would constitute a nuisance or annoyance, public or private, and/or is in violation of any provision of the Springfield Township Zoning Ordinance, Building Code or any law of the State of Michigan. Nothing contained herein shall prohibit such occasional minor repair work as may infrequently be required to maintain a motor vehicle, recreational vehicle, mobile home, or trailer or part therefrom in normal operating condition, provided, however, that such minor repair work is completed within a (48) forty-eight hour period.

#### Section 5. Littering

No person shall dump, deposit, throw or leave, or cause or permit the dumping, depositing, placing, throwing or leaving of litter upon any public or private property, or upon any lake, stream, pond or river within the Township, except in receptacles for collection, and provided further that persons placing litter in receptacles shall do so in such a manner as to prevent it from being carried or deposited by the elements upon any public or private property.

#### Section 6. Penalties

A. A violation of the Charter Township of Springfield Junk, Anti-Litter and Anti-Pollution Ordinance, shall be deemed to be a municipal civil infraction and shall be subject to the following fines:

1. **The First Offense.** The civil fine for a first offense violation shall be in the amount of Seventy Five Dollars (\$75.00), plus costs and other sanctions, for each offense.

2. **First Repeat of Offense.** The civil fine for any offense which is a first repeat offense shall be in the amount of One Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$150.00), plus costs and other sanctions, for each offense.

3. **Second or any Subsequent Repeat of Offense.** The civil fine for any offense which is a second or subsequent repeat offense shall be in the amount of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00), plus costs and other sanctions, for each offense.

Nothing in this Ordinance shall be construed to limit the remedies available to the Township in the event of a violation of this Ordinance.

B. In addition to ordering the defendant determined to be responsible for a municipal civil infraction to pay a civil fine, costs, damages, and expenses, the Judge or Magistrate shall be authorized to issue any judgment, writ or order necessary to enforce, or enjoin violation of, this Ordinance.

C. Continuing Offense. Each act of violation and each day upon which any such violation shall occur shall constitute a separate offense.

D. Remedies Not Exclusive. In addition to any remedies provided for in this Ordinance, any equitable or other remedies available may be sought.

E. Judge or Magistrate. The Judge or Magistrate shall also be authorized to impose costs, damages, and expenses as provided by law.

F. Default on Payment of Fines and Costs. A default in the payment of a civil fine, costs, damages, or expenses ordered under Subsection A or B, or an installment of the fine, costs, damages or expenses as allowed by the court, may be collected by the Charter Township of Springfield by a means authorized for the enforcement of a judgment under Chapter 40 or 60 of the Revised Judicature Act, MCL 600.101, et. seq., MSA 27A.101, et. Seq., as amended.

G. Failure to Comply With Judgment or Order. If a defendant fails to comply with an order or judgment issued pursuant to this Section within the time prescribed by the court, the court may proceed under Subsection I.

H. Failure to Appear in Court. A defendant who fails to answer a citation or notice to appear in court for a violation of this Ordinance is guilty of a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine of not more than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00), plus costs and/or imprisonment not to exceed ninety (90) days.

I. Civil Contempt.  
1. If a defendant defaults in the payment of a civil fine, costs, damages, expenses, or installment as ordered by the district court, upon motion of the Township of Springfield or upon its own motion, the court may require the defendant to show cause why the defendant should not be held in civil contempt and may issue a summons, order to show cause, or bench warrant of arrest for the defendant's appearance.  
2. If a corporation or an association is ordered to pay a civil fine, costs, damages, or expenses, the individuals authorized to make disbursements shall pay the fine, costs, damages, or expenses, and their failure to do so shall be civil contempt unless they make the showing required in this subsection.  
3. Unless the defendant shows that the default was not attributable to an intentional refusal to obey the order of the court, or to a failure on his or her part to make a good faith effort to obtain the funds required for payment, the court shall find that the default constitutes a civil contempt and may order the defendant committed until all or a specified part of the amount due is paid.

4. If it appears that the default in the payment of a civil fine, costs, damages, or expenses does not constitute civil contempt, the court may enter an order allowing the defendant additional time for payment, or reducing the amount of payment or of each installment.  
5. The terms of imprisonment on civil contempt for nonpayment of a civil fine, costs, damages, or expenses shall be specified in the order of commitment and shall not exceed one day for each Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) due. A person committed for nonpayment of a civil fine, costs, damages, or expenses shall be given credit toward payment for each day of imprisonment and each day of detention in default of recognizance before judgment at the rate of Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) per day.

6. A defendant committed to imprisonment for civil contempt for nonpayment of a civil fine, costs, damages or expenses shall not be discharged from custody until one of the following occurs:  
i. Defendant is credited with the amount due pursuant to Subsection I(5).  
ii. The amount due is collected through execution of process or otherwise.  
iii. The amount due is satisfied pursuant to a combination of Subsections I(5)(i) and (ii).

7. The civil contempt shall be purged upon discharge of

the defendant pursuant to Subsection I(6).  
J. Lien Against Land, Building or Structure. If a defendant does not pay a civil fine, costs or installment ordered under Subsections A or B within thirty (30) days after the date upon which the payment is due for a violation of this Ordinance involving the use or occupation of land, a building or other structure, the Charter Township of Springfield may obtain a lien against the land, building, or structure involved in the violation by recording a copy of the court order requiring payment of the fine and costs with the Register of Deeds for Oakland County. The court order shall not be recorded unless a legal description of the property is incorporated in or attached to the court order.

1. The lien is effective immediately upon recording of the court order with the Register of Deeds.

2. The court order recorded with the Register of Deeds shall constitute the pendency of the lien. In addition, a written notice of lien shall be sent by Springfield Township by first class mail to the owner of record of the land, building, or structure at the owner's last known address.

3. The lien may be enforced and discharged by the Charter Township of Springfield in the manner described by its Charter, by the General Property Tax Act, Act No. 206 of the Public Acts of 1893, being Sections 211.1, 211.157 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, or by an ordinance duly passed by the Township. However, property is not subject to sale under Section 60 of Act No. 206 of the Public Acts of 1893, being Section 211.60 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, for nonpayment of a civil fine or costs or an installment ordered under Subsections A or B, unless the property is also subject to sale under Act No. 206 of Public Acts of 1893 for delinquent property taxes.

4. A lien created under this Section has priority over any other lien unless one or more of the following apply:

i. The other lien is a lien for taxes of special assessments.

ii. Federal law provides the other lien has priority.

iii. The other lien is recorded before the lien under this Section is recorded.

5. The Township may institute an action in a court of competent jurisdiction for collection of the fines and costs imposed by a court order for a violation of this Ordinance. However, an attempt by the Township to collect the fines or costs does not invalidate or waive the lien upon the land, building, or structure.

6. A lien provided for by this subsection shall not continue for a period longer than five (5) years after a copy of the court order imposing a fine or cost is recorded unless within that time an action to enforce the lien is commenced.

#### Section 7. Repealer

All ordinances and portions of ordinances inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

#### Section 8. Severability

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

#### Section 9. Effective Date

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

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of amendments to Ordinance No. 16, Junk, Anti-Litter, Anti-Pollution Ordinance, adopted at the Regular Meeting of the Springfield Township Board held on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2006. The entire Ordinance and documents pertaining to adopted amendments may be inspected or obtained at the office of the Springfield Township Clerk, 12000 Davisburg Road, Davisburg, MI 48350, at all times said office is open for business. Anyone needing a special accommodation should contact the Clerk's Office at least two (2) business days in advance. Tel. 248-846-6510.

NANCY STROLE, Clerk  
Charter Township of Springfield

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## INDEPENDENCE TWP.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING  
AGENDA

Date and Time: October 3, 2006, at 7:30 p.m.  
Place: Independence Township Library  
6495 Clarkston Road, Clarkston, MI

48346

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 September 19, 2006, meeting  
b. Approval of Purchase Orders  
c. Approval of Accounts Payable Check Run

Unfinished Business  
1. Holiday Light Show at DTE  
2. Second Reading and Adoption of the Amendments to the Utilities Ordinance

3. Independence/Clarkston Sewer Maintenance Agreement  
New Business  
1. Halloween Hours

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.

The Charter Township of Independence will provide 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 Clerk's Office at (248) 625-5111

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# PUBLIC NOTICE



Charter Township of Springfield

## NOTICE OF CLOSE OF REGISTRATION TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2006 FOR GENERAL ELECTION TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2006

To the Qualified Electors of  
SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP - OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN  
Notice is hereby given that Tuesday, October 10, 2006 is the last day to register to vote or change your address for the above stated election.  
Qualified electors may register to vote or change their address in the following manner:

- In Person:**
- At the Springfield Township Clerk's Office, 12000 Davisburg Rd., Davisburg, MI, 48350 during normal business hours: 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Monday - Friday, Tel. 248-846-6510
  - At the office of the County Clerk during normal business hours.
  - At any of the Secretary of State Branch offices located throughout the state during normal business hours.
  - At the military recruitment offices for persons enlisting in the armed forces.

THE NOVEMBER 7, 2006 GENERAL ELECTION WILL BE CONDUCTED IN ALL VOTING PRECINCTS OF SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING CANDIDATES OF ALL PARTICIPATING POLITICAL PARTIES FOR THE FOLLOWING OFFICES:

- STATE GOVERNOR AND LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR**  
**SECRETARY OF STATE**  
**ATTORNEY GENERAL**  
**STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION - Vote for two**  
Two Members of the:  
**BOARD OF REGENTS OF UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN**  
**BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY**  
**BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY**
- CONGRESSIONAL UNITED STATES SENATOR, REPRESENTATIVE IN CONGRESS**
- LEGISLATIVE STATE SENATOR, STATE REPRESENTATIVE**
- COUNTY AND TO ELECT: COUNTY COMMISSIONER**
- JUDICIAL JUSTICE OF THE SUPREME COURT-TERM ENDING 1/1/2015**  
Vote for two  
**JUDGE OF THE COURT OF APPEALS-2<sup>ND</sup> DISTRICT-TERM ENDING 1/1/2013** Vote for three  
**JUDGE OF CIRCUIT COURT-6<sup>TH</sup> CIRCUIT-TERM ENDING 1/1/2013** Vote for six  
**JUDGE OF THE PROBATE COURT-TERM ENDING 1/1/2013** Vote for one
- TOWNSHIP MEMBER OF THE LIBRARY BOARD-TERM ENDING 11/20/2008** Vote for one
- SCHOOL OAKLAND COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE-SIX YEAR TERM** Vote for two

AND FOR THE PURPOSE OF VOTING ON THE FOLLOWING PROPOSAL(S):

- STATE PROPOSAL 06-1**  
A PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT TO REQUIRE THAT MONEY HELD IN CONSERVATION AND RECREATION FUNDS CAN ONLY BE USED FOR THEIR INTENDED PURPOSES
- STATE PROPOSAL 06-2**  
A PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE STATE CONSTITUTION TO BAN AFFIRMATIVE ACTION PROGRAMS THAT GIVE PREFERENTIAL TREATMENT TO GROUPS OR INDIVIDUALS BASED ON THEIR RACE, GENDER, COLOR, ETHNICITY OR NATIONAL ORIGIN FOR PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT, EDUCATION OR CONTRACTING PURPOSES
- STATE PROPOSAL 06-3**  
A REFERENDUM ON PUBLIC ACT 160 OF 2004 - AN ACT TO ALLOW THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A HUNTING SEASON FOR MOURNING DOVES
- STATE PROPOSAL 06-4**  
A PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT TO PROHIBIT GOVERNMENT FROM TAKING PRIVATE PROPERTY BY EMINENT DOMAIN FOR CERTAIN PRIVATE PURPOSES
- STATE PROPOSAL 06-5**  
A LEGISLATIVE INITIATIVE TO ESTABLISH MANDATORY SCHOOL FUNDING LEVELS
- The full text of the proposals may be obtained from:  
Springfield Township Clerk's Office  
12000 Davisburg Road  
Davisburg, MI 48350  
248-846-6510

NANCY STROLE, Clerk  
Charter Township of Springfield

Published 9-27-06

# PUBLIC NOTICE



Charter Township of Springfield

## Lake Improvement Board for Big Lake, Springfield Township, Oakland County, Michigan. NOTICE OF CONFIRMATION OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENT ROLL

Notice is hereby given that at a Public Hearing held on August 30, 2006 the Lake Improvement Board for Big Lake, by resolution, confirmed a three (3) year Special Assessment Roll for continuation of the Aquatic Weed Control Program for the years 2007, 2008 & 2009 in the annual amount of \$88,962.92.

This Notice of Confirmation is published pursuant to the provisions of Act 451 of the Public Acts of 1994, as amended, Part 309.

Lake Improvement Board for Big Lake

Published: 9-20-06 and 9-27-06

# PUBLIC NOTICE



Charter Township of Springfield

## SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING September 14, 2006 SYNOPSIS

CALL TO ORDER: 7:30 p.m. by Supervisor Walls

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

CONSENT AGENDA:

- Approved Minutes: August 10, 2006 Regular Meeting with bills and additional disbursements of \$296,015.89.
- Accepted August 2006 Treasurer's Report
- Received August 2006 Reports: Building, Electrical, Plumbing, Mechanical and Fire
- Authorized payment of bills as presented, total \$53,749.47
- Adopted Resolution opposing "SOS" ballot proposal to amend State Constitution
- Authorized payment to Clinton River Watershed Council for Stormwater Education Phase II per contract, not to exceed \$22,091.32
- Adopted Resolution authorizing road closure of Ridge Valley on October 21, 2006 for annual neighborhood picnic
- Authorized \$3,000.00 Contribution to Andersonville Cemetery Association for FY 2007
- Authorized the transfer of the SMART Municipal Credits to Independence Township
- Authorized expenditure of up to \$540.00 for attendance at the 2006 Michigan Association of Planning Conference in Detroit, October 11-14, 2006
- Received communications and placed on file.

PUBLIC HEARING:

- Dixie Baptist Church Special Land Use Request: Received oral and written comments

NEW BUSINESS:

- Tabled Dixie Baptist Church Special Land Use Request
- Springfield Marketplace: Provided Comments on Preliminary PUD Proposal
- Adopted Ordinance 16 Amendments
- Fire Station No. 1: Awarded bids to Professional Heating & Cooling for furnace and air conditioner replacement and to Diamond Concrete Overlays for apparatus room floor sealing
- Clarkston Chamber of Commerce Dues: Deferred to September 26, 2006 Special Meeting
- 2006 Building Department Fund and General Fund Amendments: Deferred to September 26, 2006 Special Meeting
- Capital and Cooperative Initiatives Revolving Fund Grant: Deferred to September 26, 2006 Special Meeting
- MTA Contribution Request: Deferred to September 26, 2006 Special Meeting

OLD BUSINESS:

- Fire Station No. 2 Expansion, Construction Management and Financing: Deferred to September 26, 2006 Special Meeting

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

ADJOURNED: 11:20 p.m.

NANCY STROLE, Clerk

Published 9-27-06

# PUBLIC NOTICE



Charter Township of Springfield

## REQUEST FOR SPECIAL LAND USE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Charter Township of Springfield has received a request for Special Land Use from Keith Patten, 9675 Northwest Court, Clarkston, MI 48346 for the following:

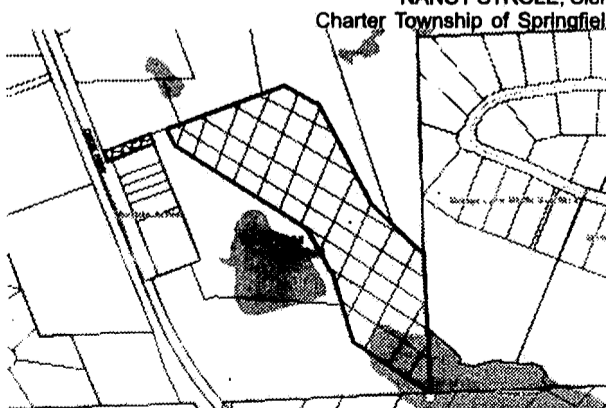
Development of a five-unit one-family residential development on approximately 17.38 acres, utilizing the Cluster Housing provisions of the Springfield Township Zoning Ordinance.

The property is located east of Dixie Hwy., south of Davisburg Rd. and north of Cobblestone Lane. P.I. #07-14-226-002 and P.I. #07-14-176-006.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that oral and written comments on the Special Land Use request will be received at a PUBLIC HEARING to be held at the Regular Meeting of the Springfield Township Board on Thursday, October 12, 2006, beginning at 7:30 p.m. at the Springfield Township Civic Center, 12000 Davisburg Rd., Davisburg, MI.

A copy of the concept plan and other information related to the request may be reviewed at the Township Clerk's Office, 12000 Davisburg Rd., Davisburg MI during regular business hours Monday through Friday. Written comments may be submitted to the Springfield Township Clerk, P.O. Box 1038, Davisburg, MI 48350 up until the time of the Public Hearing. Anyone needing a special accommodation should contact the Township Clerk's Office at least two (2) business days in advance of the Hearing. Tel. 248-846-6510.

NANCY STROLE, Clerk  
Charter Township of Springfield



Published 9-27-06

# PUBLIC NOTICE

## Because the People Want to Know INDEPENDENCE TWP. NOTICE OF CLOSE OF REGISTRATION FOR THE PRIMARY ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2006, FOR INDEPENDENCE TOWNSHIP

To the Qualified Electors of the Township of Independence, County of Oakland, State of Michigan.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE WILL BE OPEN:

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2006  
FROM 8:00 A.M. TO 5:00 P.M.**

**LAST DAY TO REGISTER**

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

REGISTRATIONS ARE ALSO TAKEN AT ANY SECRETARY OF STATE BRANCH OFFICE OR THE OAKLAND COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE.

THE NOVEMBER 7, 2006, GENERAL ELECTION WILL BE CONDUCTED IN ALL VOTING PRECINCTS OF INDEPENDENCE TOWNSHIP FOR THE PURPOSE OF NOMINATING CANDIDATES OF ALL PARTICIPATING PARTIES FOR THE FOLLOWING OFFICES:

- STATE** Governor and Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, Attorney General, Two Members of the State Board of Education, Two Members of the University of Michigan Board of Regents, Two Members of the Michigan State Board of Trustees, Two Members of the Wayne State University Board of Governors
- CONGRESSIONAL** United States Senator, Representative in Congress
- LEGISLATIVE COUNTY** State Senator, State Representative
- JUDICIAL** County Commissioner
- Two Justice of the Supreme Court (Incumbent Positions), Three Judges of the Court of Appeals - 2<sup>nd</sup> District (Incumbent Positions), Six Judges of the Circuit Court - 6<sup>th</sup> Circuit (Incumbent Positions), One Judge of the Probate Court (Incumbent Position)
- LOCAL** Two Members of the Oakland Community College Board of Trustees

AND FOR THE PURPOSE OF VOTING ON THE FOLLOWING PROPOSALS:

- STATE PROPOSAL 06-1**  
A PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT TO REQUIRE THAT MONEY HELD IN CONSERVATION AND RECREATION FUNDS CAN ONLY BE USED FOR THEIR INTENDED PURPOSES
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- STATE PROPOSAL 06-5**  
A LEGISLATIVE INITIATIVE TO ESTABLISH MANDATORY SCHOOL FUNDING LEVELS AND FOR THE PURPOSE OF VOTING ON THE FOLLOWING PROPOSALS:
- BOND PROPOSITION**  
TOWNSHIP ADULT ACTIVITY CENTER MILLAGE PROPOSITION
- Full text of the proposals may be obtained from:  
Shelagh VanderVeen  
Independence Township Clerk's Office  
90 North Main Street  
Clarkston, MI 48346  
(248) 625-5111

Published: 9/27/06

# PUBLIC NOTICE

## Because the People Want to Know INDEPENDENCE TWP. ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

The Independence Township Board of Appeals will meet Wednesday, October 18, 2006 at 7:30 pm at the Independence Township Library, 6495 Clarkston Road, Clarkston, MI 48346 to hear the following cases:

- Case#06-0035 Wiegand, John and Kathleen, Petitioners  
APPLICANT REQUESTS VARIANCE TO EFFECTUATE SPLITTING OF PROPERTY (LACKS ROAD FRONTAGE, WIDTH TO DEPTH RATIO)  
4640 Dora Lane, Outlot B, Also Part of Lot 8, R-1A  
Supervisor's Plat of Morgan Lake Sub  
08-25-476-031

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

Because the People Want to Know

## INDEPENDENCE TWP.

### SYNOPSIS

#### TAKEN BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE

Supervisor Wagner called the September 19, 2006, meeting to order at 7:30 p.m., at the Independence Township Library. Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Present: Rosso, VanderVeen, Wagner, Wenger, Dunn, Travis, Kelly  
Absent: None

There was a quorum.

- Opening Statements and Correspondence
- Approval of the Agenda, as amended
- Public Forum opened at 7:34 p.m., and closed at 7:37 p.m.
- Approval of the Consent Agenda:
  - Minutes of Regular Meeting of September 5, 2006
  - Accounts Payable Check Run in the amount of \$618,113.64
  - Purchase Orders in the amount of \$615,541.40
- Approved Second Reading and Adoption of a Text Amendment to Zoning Ordinance #83, Section 5.12, Site Plan Review, Subsection 4.b.1, Procedures for Submission and Review of Application
- Approved Second Reading and Adoption of an Ordinance Creating a Corridor Improvement Authority
- Truth in Taxation Hearing opened at 8:55 p.m., and closed at 8:59 p.m.
- Approved motion to approve 2006 Millage rates
- Approved First Readings of Text Amendments to Zoning Ordinance #83:
  - Section 5.04, Signs
  - Subsection 3, General conditions f.(3)
  - Subsection 8, Permitted temporary signs
  - Subsection 10, Special signs, c.
- Approved First Reading of Section 5.16, Outdoor storage, outdoor display and sales and seasonal sales.
- Approved First Reading of Article XXXII, Board of Appeals, Section 32.01, Meetings; minutes; quorum
- Approved motion to approve the waiver request from development design standard, Hills of Pine Knob, 14.99 acres, R-2 Zone, Royal St. George (West side) at Bristol Parke intersection, 08-22-400-008, 015, and 016
- Approved motion to table agreement with the City of Clarkston to operate and maintain the sanitary sewers owned by the City.
- Approved motion to purchase Integrated Library System.
- Approved motion to accept panel for CIA Board.
- Approved motion to table request for Holiday Light Show at DTE.
- Approved motion to adjourn regular meeting at 10:47 p.m.

Shelagh VanderVeen  
Township Clerk

Published: September 27, 2006

# PUBLIC NOTICE

Because the People Want to Know

## INDEPENDENCE TWP.

STATE OF MICHIGAN  
COUNTY OF OAKLAND  
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE  
ORDINANCE NO. 83

### ORDINANCE AMENDING CERTAIN ARTICLES OF ORDINANCE NO. 83

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:

- Conceptual and Final Site Plan Approval. The procedure for processing the site plan includes two (2) phases:
  - 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 variances requested by the Zoning Board of Appeals.
  - Unchanged.

#### Section II

If one or more repealed and/or amended sections, provisions, phrases, or words of this ordinance are declared to be invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such declaration shall not affect the validity of the remaining sections, provision, phrases, and words of this ordinance, which shall continue in full force and effect, and to this end, this ordinance is declared to be severable.

#### Section III

All proceedings pending and all rights and the liabilities existing, acquired or incurred at the time this ordinance takes effect are saved and may be consumed according to the law in force when they are commenced.

#### Section IV

This ordinance shall be effective upon publication in the manner prescribed by law.

#### Certification

It is certified that the revision to the Ordinance set forth above was duly adopted by the Township Board of the Charter Township of Independence at a meeting duly called and held on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2006.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE  
By: Shelagh VanderVeen, Clerk

Introduced: 7/5/06  
Adopted: 9/19/06  
Published: 7/12/06 and 9/27/06  
Effective: 10/5/06

# PUBLIC NOTICE

Because the People Want to Know

## INDEPENDENCE TWP.

STATE OF MICHIGAN  
COUNTY OF OAKLAND  
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE  
ORDINANCE NO. 83

### ORDINANCE AMENDING CERTAIN ARTICLES OF ORDINANCE NO. 83

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at its regular meeting on September 19, 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. 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, Sec. 5.04, Signs, Subsection 3, General conditions, f.(3) shall be amended as follows:

- Signs permitted in all districts without a permit.
  - Unchanged.
  - Unchanged.
  - Directional signs which indicate the direction of traffic flow on private property. Directional signs shall not exceed four (4) square feet in area and four (4) feet in height, shall contain no advertising, and may be illuminated.

#### Section II

Article V, General Provisions, Sec. 5.04, Signs, Subsection 8, shall be amended as follows:

- Permitted temporary signs. The following temporary signs shall be permitted in accordance with the regulations herein.
  - All permitted temporary signs, except real estate signs advertising the sale of a single family home, shall require a permit from the Director of Building and Planning. Banners meeting the requirements of this Ordinance may be considered temporary signs.
  - Permitted real estate:
    - One (1) nonilluminated sign used for advertising land or buildings for rent, lease, or sale shall be permitted in any district provided such signs are located on the property intended to be rented, leased, or sold. Such signs shall not exceed an area of sixteen (16) square feet per side and a height of four (4) feet in all single family residential districts, an area of thirty-two (32) square feet per side and a height of six (6) feet in all other districts. Real estate signs shall be removed upon the completion of sale or full rental or leasing of the property.
    - One (1) illuminated freestanding sign listing persons or firms connected with construction work being performed on a development project shall be permitted. Such signs shall not exceed thirty-two (32) square feet in area, a height of six (6) feet, and be removed upon the completion of construction.
    - A minimum of four (4) temporary flags per entrance on poles not to exceed ten (10) feet in height advertising residential developments during the sales or leasing period.

c. Permitted temporary signs in all commercial, office, and industrial districts:

- All portable temporary signs shall be free-standing, contain no moving parts, and shall not be affixed to any structure intended for another purpose, including but not limited to, utility poles and trees.
- Only one (1) portable temporary sign shall be permitted per premises. In the case of multi-tenant buildings and/or premises, each tenant shall be permitted one (1) portable temporary sign provided such sign is located in an area not to exceed fifteen (15) feet from the entry to the tenant space.
- A portable temporary sign shall not exceed four (4) feet in height.
- A portable temporary sign shall not exceed sixteen (16) square feet per side in area.
- A portable temporary sign shall have a setback of fifteen (15) feet from a public right-of-way.
- A portable temporary sign shall not be located within a public road right-of-way. A portable temporary sign located at the intersection of two roads shall not obstruct the clear vision of vehicular traffic on adjacent roadways or pedestrians using Township safety paths and/or other pedestrian walkways.
- A portable temporary sign may be permitted for up to a fourteen (14) day period, not to exceed two (2) times per year. However, the Director of Building and Planning may permit one (1) additional fourteen (14) day period for a new business, as part of its start-up or grand opening phase, to display a portable temporary sign in all districts.

d. Permitted temporary signs for civic, charitable, and/or non-profit activities:

- Temporary signs may be erected or displayed no more than ten (10) days prior to the event and must be removed within forty-eight (48) hours after the event.
- A temporary sign, such as a banner, that extends across a public road right-of-way may require a permit from the Road Commission for Oakland County.
- A civic, charitable, and/or non-profit organization which holds a number of events throughout the calendar year, may apply for an annual temporary sign permit in accordance with the following provisions:
  - Such organization shall provide a list of their

events and the date(s) of each event.

b. Provided such organization has been in compliance with the provisions of this Ordinance, it shall be allowed to apply for a renewal of its temporary sign permit on an annual basis by supplying the Township with a list of their events and the dates of those events for that calendar year.

c. An annual permit shall limit the display of a temporary sign to no more than six (6) times per year.

#### Section III

Article V General Provisions, Section 5.04, Subsection 10. Special signs, shall be amended as follows:

- Unchanged.
- Unchanged.
- Menu board. Two (2) menu boards for a drive-in or drive-through restaurant shall be permitted in addition to other signs permitted under these regulations, provided such signs do not exceed a total of forty-eight (48) square feet in area or six (6) feet in height from finished grade.
- Unchanged.

#### Section IV

Article V, General Provisions, Section 5.16, shall be amended as follows:

Section 5.16. Outdoor storage outdoor display, and sales and seasonal sales.

1. The outdoor storage of goods and materials in all districts shall be prohibited unless otherwise specifically permitted herein. Where permitted, the standards set forth in Section 5.18.6 shall be met.

2. Outdoor display and sales.
 a. An outdoor display shall be considered as an accessory use to the principal use conducted on the premises solely within the C-1, C-2, and C-3 Districts.

b. The exterior of the premises shall be kept clean, orderly and maintained.

c. The Township shall not be held liable or responsible for any type of damage, theft or personal injury that may occur as a result of an outdoor display.

d. In the administration of these provisions, the Building Director shall be permitted to refer a request to the Planning Commission for review and approval where site conditions may create difficulty in adherence to the standards contained herein.

e. The location of outdoor display shall meet all required setbacks.

f. An outdoor display shall not occupy or obstruct the use of any fire lane, off-street parking or landscaped area required to meet the standards of this Zoning Ordinance.

g. Outdoor sale and display areas that abut residentially zoned or used property shall be screened in accordance with Section 5.13.

3. Seasonal Sales. The outside sale of seasonal items such as Christmas trees, flowers and plants, pumpkins and other such seasonal items, and the sale of any other merchandise by persons other than the owner or tenant of the premises, shall require a permit from the Building Director subject to the following standards and conditions:

a. Seasonal sales may be located within any required side or rear yard and shall be no closer to a public road right-of-way than the required front yard setback or existing building, whichever is less. Where outdoor displays abut residentially zoned property, landscape screening in accordance with Section 5.13 shall also be provided.

b. Seasonal sales shall not occupy or obstruct the use of any fire lane, required off-street parking or landscaped area required to meet the requirements of this Zoning Ordinance.

c. Ingress and egress shall be provided in a manner so as not to create a traffic hazard or nuisance.

d. Such sales shall be permitted for a period not to exceed thirty (30) days.

e. Upon discontinuance of the seasonal use, any temporary structure shall be removed.

#### Section V

Article XXXII, Board of Appeals, Section 32.02, Meetings; minutes; quorum, shall be amended as follows:

#### Section 32.02. Meetings; minutes; quorum.

The Chairman of the Board of Appeals shall direct the Director of Building and Planning to schedule one (1) regular meeting per month in accordance with a pre-published calendar provided there is business to conduct. In addition, the Board of Appeals shall hold such special meetings as necessary to expeditiously rule on appeals brought before it. All special meetings shall be held at the call of the Chairman of the Board of Appeals and notice posted in conformance with the Open Meeting Act. All meetings of the Board of Appeals shall be open to the public. The Board of Appeals shall keep minutes of its proceedings, showing the vote of each member on each question, or if absent or failing to vote, indicating such fact, and shall keep records of its findings, proceedings at hearings, and other official actions, all of which shall be immediately filed in the office of the Township Clerk and shall be a public record. The Township shall post said minutes as required by the Open Meetings Act. The Township Board of Appeals shall not conduct business unless a majority of the members of the Board are present.

#### Section VI

If one or more repealed and/or amended, sections, provisions, phrases, or words of this ordinance are declared to be invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such declaration shall not affect the validity of the remaining sections, provision, phrases, and words of this ordinance, which shall continue in full force and effect, and to this end, this ordinance is declared to be severable.

#### Section VII

All proceedings pending and all rights and the liabilities existing, acquired or incurred at the time this ordinance takes effect are saved and may be consumed according to the law in force when they are commenced.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE  
BY: SHELAGH VANDERVEEN, CLERK

Published: 9/27/06

Bleeding Text

# Fun run

## Runners and walkers alike show support for SCAMP

BY PAUL KAMPE

Clarkston News Staff Writer

An abundance of bananas and bottled water greeted runners and walkers alike at the end of the Clarence Catalo Oktoberfest 5K Run for SCAMP on the misty morning of Sept. 23.

The sixth annual event gave participants the option of running or walking the route, which started and ended at the Clarkston Community Schools' administration building on Clarkston Road.

An estimated 120 people participated in the event, which raises \$5,000 each year for the SCAMP program.

"That is pretty good for about an hour," said Donna

Clancy, executive director of SCAMP Funding Corporation, about the event, which was completed by most participants in that amount of time.

The run is one of five annual fund raisers for the program. Entrants pay an admission fee of \$15 or \$20, depending on when they register.

"The whole community supports SCAMP, it's a win-win-win for everybody," Clancy said emphatically.

Typically, the event is held in August, but organizers wanted to take advantage of the cooler fall temperatures that come with September, and to coincide with the Clarkston Union's annual Oktoberfest celebration.

"This is much better weather," Clancy said. The weather on the morning of the run was like that of much of the week prior, chilly and cloudy.

The run is usually based at Clarkston High School, but due to scheduling conflicts, the event was moved.

John Parke of Howell took part in the run for the first time. He was looking for a 5-kilometer run for a "reality check."

"I wish more charities had runs like this - it's great," he said. "This was a good turnout."

Friends Kathy Kopec of Clarkston and Jessica

Magnatta of Lake Orion ran the race, and said they would both run the event again, rain or shine.

"To me, one of the most important things is every cent of my \$15 is going to SCAMP," Magnatta said.

"I knew of it (SCAMP) - so when I saw they were offering a 5K, I thought it would be a good cause," Kopec said.

Kendall Kotcher, 12, from Clarkston, was the only girl to finish the race in the 19-and-under category.

"It's awesome," she said of her accomplishment.

"It felt really good, I was so proud of her," said her mother, Suzanne Zale.

"It's a great charity and it's fun," said Zale, a past volunteer for the race.

This year's run had nearly 40 volunteers, including Jerry McKeon, in his fifth year of helping out.

"We are really happy, everything went great," McKeon said.

A lot of planning goes into the run, including two months of intense preparation leading up to it, but it is over relatively quickly.

"We're already planning next year's (event)," McKeon said.

### PUBLIC NOTICE

Because the People Want to Know  
**INDEPENDENCE TWP.**

STATE OF MICHIGAN  
COUNTY OF OAKLAND  
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE  
ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

#### CREATION OF CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY

An ordinance creating a Corridor Improvement Authority and identifying the applicable Development Area, pursuant to the authority granted by Act 280 of the Public Acts of 2005 of the State of Michigan.

The Charter Township of Independence Hereby Ordains:

##### Sec. 1. Creation of an Authority.

The Independence Township Corridor Improvement Authority (the "Authority") is hereby created and established pursuant to the provisions of Act No. 280 of the Public Acts of 2005 as amended ("the act").

##### Sec. 2. Duration of effectiveness of the Authority.

The Authority shall be dissolved at such time as the authority has completed the purposes for which it was organized, as determined by the township board.

##### Sec. 3. Governing board of the Authority.

The Authority shall be under the supervision and control of a board (the "Authority Board") consisting of the supervisor of the Charter Township of Independence and not less than 5 or more than 9 members appointed by the supervisor in accordance with Section 8 of the Act, and subject to the approval of the township board. Not less than one member of the Authority Board shall be a resident of the development area or an area within 1/4 mile of any part of the development area and not less than a majority of the members shall be persons having an ownership or business interest in property located within the development area. The members of the Authority Board shall hold office and the Authority Board shall conduct itself in accordance with the terms and conditions of the act. The Board shall elect a chairperson from its members.

##### Sec. 4. Powers and duties of the Authority.

The Authority shall have the powers and duties as provided for in the act, except that the Authority shall not have power to:

(1) Borrow money and issue bonds or notes without the approval of the township board.

##### Sec. 5. Development Area.

The boundaries of the Development Area within and with respect to which the Authority shall exercise its powers are hereby designated by the description set forth on Exhibit A on file in the office of the township clerk and made a part of this ordinance by reference. This designation is subject to alteration or amendment as the township board may deem appropriate in the future, subject to limitations provided by law.

##### Sec. 6. By-laws and rules of the Authority.

The Authority shall adopt by-laws governing its procedures and rules regarding the holding of its meetings, all in accordance with section 8(3), and other applicable provisions in the act and any other applicable statute. The Authority shall immediately forward a copy of its proposed by-laws and rules to the township board in care of the township clerk. Such by-laws and rules shall be subject to the approval of the township board.

##### Sec. 7. Savings Clause.

All proceedings pending, all rights and liabilities existing, acquired or incurred pursuant to any other applicable Township ordinances, at the time this Ordinance takes effect, are saved and may be consummated according to the laws in force when they are commenced.

##### Sec. 8. Severability.

Should any section, subsection, clause or phrase of this Ordinance be declared by the courts to be invalid, the same shall not affect the validity of the Ordinance as a whole or any part thereof, other than the part so declared invalid.

##### Sec. 9. Ordinance Conflict.

Nothing in this Ordinance shall be interpreted to conflict with present or future state statutes on the same subject matter; conflicting provisions of this Ordinance shall be abrogated to, but only to, the extent of the conflict. Moreover, the provisions of this Ordinance shall be construed, if possible, to be consistent with relevant state regulations and statutes.

##### Sec. 10. Effective Date.

This Ordinance shall become effective upon publication as provided by law. Made and passed by the Board of the Charter Township of Independence on the 19th day of September, 2006

Yeas: 5

Nays: 2

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# Millstream

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some of that," Lowe said. "I feel like I've done my job if there's one person in the audience that I can spark their imagination. That's all it takes, a little spark."

Lowe founded his own production company, Fantasy E Fex, as well as being the president of the Detroit Puppeteers Guild, the largest guild in the Americas, and running the Oakland County parks' Puppet Mobile for the past 16 years.

So his work keeps him very busy. Most recently, Lowe completed work as "Rusty," a golden doodle, on a pilot for a new children's show called "Aunt Molly and Friends," which he said he hopes will debut in October.

When he's not behind stage performing, Lowe is usually working on the next big project. Some people might not realize just how much goes into a single show.

"They don't understand until they want to get into it professionally," he said. "You're not only a puppeteer, if you're doing shows you're a script writer, a sculptor, a lighting director, a director... there are so many tasks and so many things to do it takes a lot before the audience sees the show."

With all he has learned from his years of experience, Lowe continues to network with others and bring newcomers into the craft.

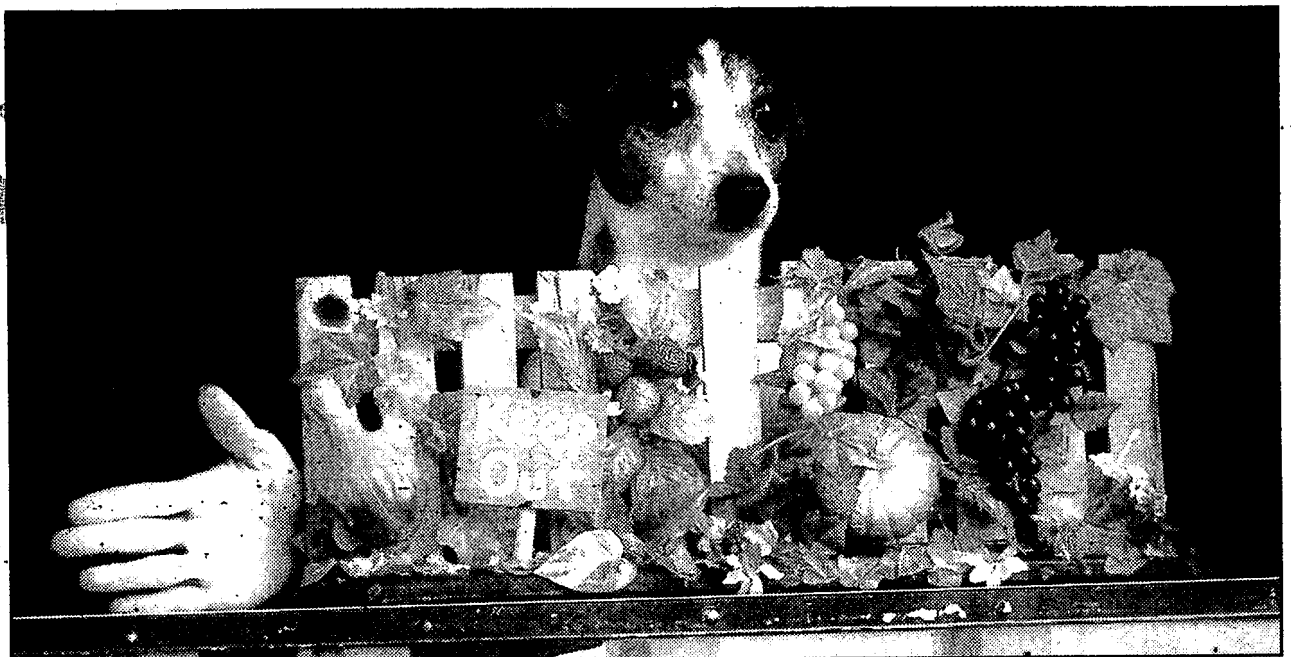
"I'm always open to teach the craft to people who are willing to learn," he said. "I call myself an entertainer first and foremost, but I like to educate kids about the arts."

"To me, success is doing what you love. It doesn't matter how much money you have as long as you're happy."

For more information on Lowe and his production company, visit [www.fantasye-fexpuppets.com](http://www.fantasye-fexpuppets.com).

## Melow

Not all has been going well for Lowe, however. His troupe of puppeteers lost a valuable member and Lowe lost a member of his family a few weeks ago



Melow, Lowe's Jack Russel terrier, became an active participant in several performances, with Lowe acting as his hands. Photo provided

when Melow, Lowe's Jack Russel Terrier, died after being hit by a car.

Lowe recalled how Melow would accompany him back to his workshop and spend hours with him while he worked on his puppets. Melow even had his own cat puppet to play with while Lowe worked.

"I brought him with me to a few shows and I noticed he would sit in the corner and watch the shows," Lowe said.

So after some training, Melow was able to become an active part of the show. The dog would sit up on stage facing the audience while another puppeteer would provide hands for his performance. Lowe said the kids loved to see Melow on stage and he loved them right back.

"Boy he was something," Lowe said. "Just the greatest dog."

But a few weeks ago, Melow was hit by a car directly in front of Lowe's home on Sashabaw Road. Lowe said the driver drove off immediately.

"He didn't have a chance. I was bringing him in the car... and he just saw a puppy across the street and did what dogs do," Lowe said.

"It's a pretty lonely workshop right now. It's taken me a while to get back out here and get busy on my work... he was part of my family."

Lowe said he was saddened and frustrated by the event, and when he ran to help Melow, the first thing he noticed was a group of young children standing nearby.

"Afterwards, I was thinking, 'that could have been a child.' I understand it's a road and you have to be careful but... it's residential here, it's not 55 or 60 mph here, it starts up there," he said, gesturing toward the Sashabaw corridor.

Lowe said he wants to turn what happened to Melow into a positive and is hoping neighbors will join him in trying to get better speed limits in the area.

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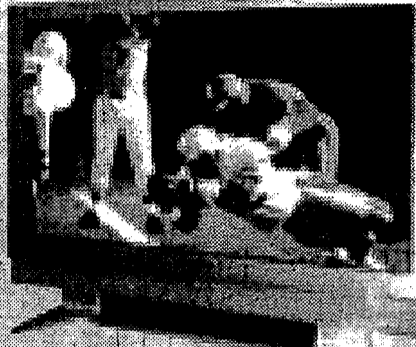
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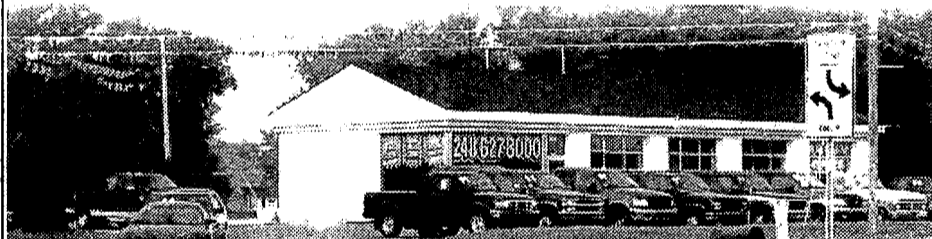
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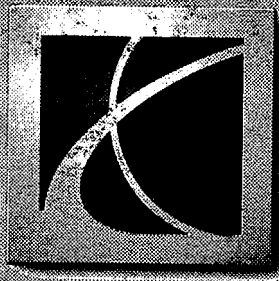
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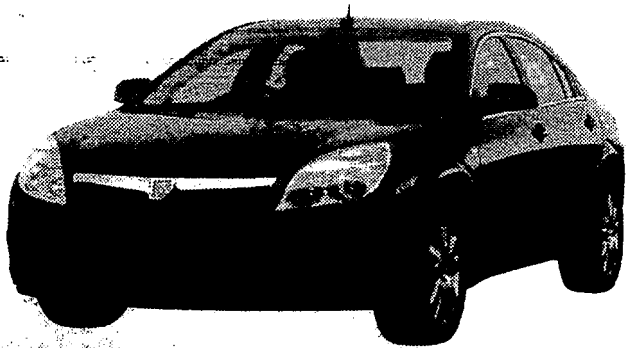
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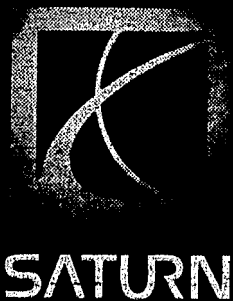
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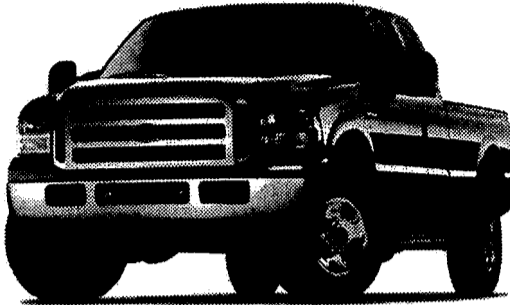
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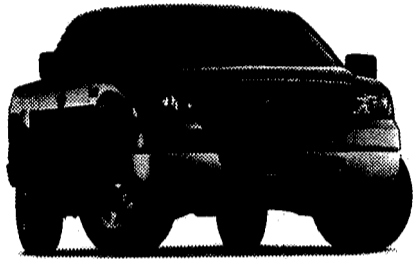
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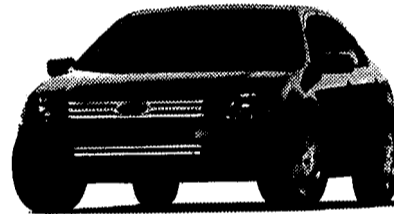
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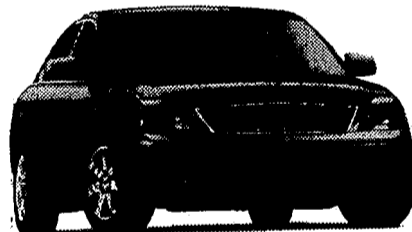


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