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REDICO on 'right road?'

Developers propose 'less intense' project

BY LAURA COLVIN

Clarkston News Staff Writer

The proposal for a shopping center near I-75 and Dixie Highway-featuring Target, a large home improvement store and several restaurants-landed back in front of the Springfield Township Board of Trustees Thursday.

The plan for Springfield Marketplace was initially riddled with criticism, but developers returned with significant changes, including a reduction in size from 380,000 square feet to 320,000 square feet. The proposal also includes conceptual plans for a plaza, walking path, outdoor fireplace, and other community amenities.

"One thing we heard loud and clear from residents," said Southfield-based REDICO Vice President Ken Till, "was that the property development was too dense."

Reducing the development's size, he said, allowed adjustments to several points of contention.

For example, landscape architects were able to increase green space—trees, shrubs and other natural elements—from 11 percent to almost 30 percent. Zoning ordinances require a minimum of 10 percent green space.

A reduction in square footage also eases concerns of retail establishments shadowing arearesidential homeowners in neighboring condominiums felt the proposed buildings had an invasive feel.

The lopping off of 60,000 square feet, said Till, allows construction in the center of the

property, and also allows retention of the existing tree line between the properties.

A truck dock was relocated away from the residential area, as well.

Dixie Baptist Church currently owns the proposed building site, and REDICO—formally known as Real Estate Development and Investment Company—approached the township in August with plans to purchase the land.

Bob Gray, a 12-year resident of Softwater Condos, didn't hesitate to express displeasure of the original plan last fall.

"At the very first meeting we were all pretty emotional," he said, explaining that he and many of his neighbors felt the development was intrusive and unnecessary. "But many of those emotions are waning now. I know (REDICO) is not going to leave, no matter what. The township has told us that there will be retail going in there sooner or later."

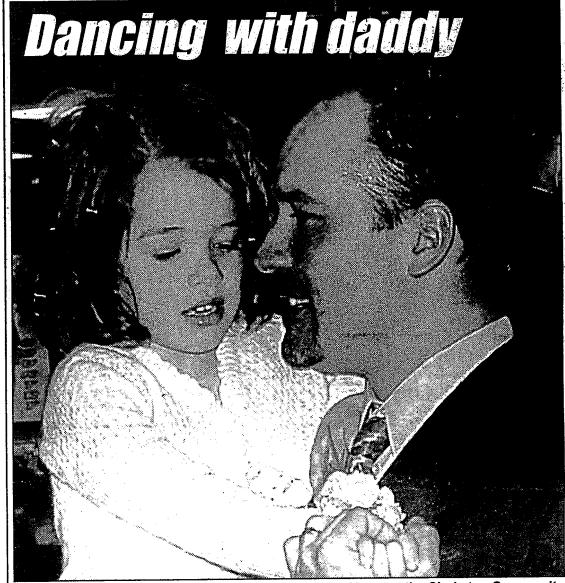
Gray, 66, said the original proposal put the development 82 feet from his condo; the new proposal, at 130 feet, gives him some breathing room.

"I've picked up some ground," he said.

Gray said he'd grown used to the privacy and open feel afforded by the open land, and often went out to hit a few golf balls or watch the kids play soccer and baseball.

"The church has a great opportunity to sell this property for a lot of money so they can expand, and I under-

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Jesse Moyet shares a dance with his daughter Kaley Moyet at the Clarkston Community Schools's Daddy Daughter Dance this past Saturday. See page 11A for a couple more photos from the dance. Photo by Phil Custodio

BY PHIL CUSTODIO

Clarkston News Editor

Tax increases succeed in increasing state aid. No raises for administration. Freeze in healthcare costs. A \$1 million windfall.

The Clarkston Board of Education at its Feb. 12 regular meeting reviewed these and other scenarios, some more likely than others, as it continued a budget process that won't end until the end of the school year.

They all have one thing in common – a bottom line dripping with red.

"No matter what we do, we're going to be in trouble," said Dr. Al Roberts, superintendent. "We're at the bone."

The board's goal is to bal- cent stepped pay increases for ance the budget by the 2010 school year, said board President Stephen Hyer.

No fix this year for school budget

To do that, the district must cut \$4 million from its budget this year, and another \$4 million next year. This would reduce the deficit between revenues and spending to about \$5.5 million, then to \$2.5 million the next year.

The difference would be made up out of the district's fund balance, its savings account. The balance as of January was \$9.6 million.

"The cuts will be very painful," Hyer said. "Money is really tight this year."

Scenarios were based on estimates that included 3.9 per-

union members, increases in retirement and health care costs, and pay increases for administrators of up to three percent.

Teacher salaries will be determined through contract negotiations, probably in April.

Administrator pay will be determined by the school board the 2006-2007 budget included a two-percent raise for administration staff.

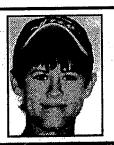
Cuts proposed at the Jan. 22 workshop, including layoffs of nine teaches and 11 support staff, might be voted on at the board's next budget workshop, set for 6 p.m., Monday, Feb. 26.

Board members will travel to Lansing on March 26 to meet Please see Budget, page A10

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Dylan Matheis lands a big fish, and a spot in a national tournament

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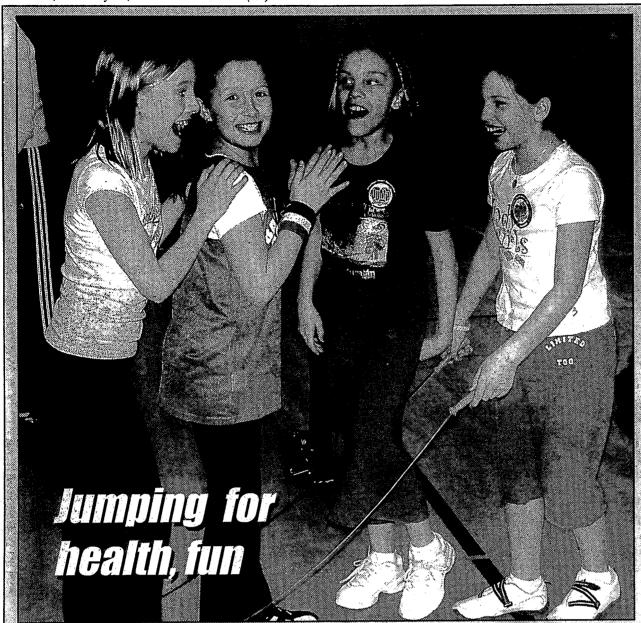
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Sports

Wolves stay on top in OAA

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From left, Amy Leuenhagen, Caryann Piazza, Elise Cameron, and Rebecca Didion work on their multiple jump roping technique at Independence Elementary School this past Saturday morning. Hundreds of students filled the gym and surrounding hallways for the Jump Rope for Heart fundraiser to raise money for the American Heart Association. *Photo by Phil Custodio*

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New air gear for fire department

The Independence Township Fire Department can breathe a little

The Township Board approved its purchase of a new air compressor. which firefighters use to fill air tanks used in their self-contained breathing

"It's a critical piece of equipment," said Fire Chief Steve Ronk at the Feb. 6 regular meeting.

The new Breathing Air Systems compressor, tanks, and related equipment cost \$50,921. It replaces two compressors, which were purchased in 1995 and 1997

The new system includes a cascade system of storage tanks. They will be mounted on a fire truck for refilling firefighters' air tanks at the scene, rather than having to return to the station to refill from the compres-

The department is looking to sell the old equipment, perhaps to a smaller department that doesn't have any compressor at all, Ronk said.

Reappointments

The Independence Township Board of Trustees reappointed Susan Aulgur, Henry Hogan, and Terry Haran to the township Board of Review. Board members serve two-year

The Township Board also renewed for two-year terms Fred Roeser, Mike Spillum, and David Lohmeier on the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission.

Contract still unresolved

A contract for Independence Township's American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees is still under negotiation.

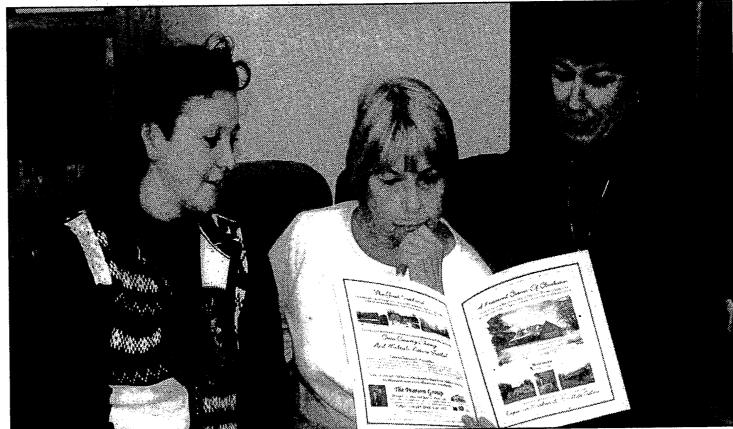
A revised commet for independence Township union members was discussed in closed session Feb. 6. and union members had a closed meeting on the course: Feb. 7.

A sentract, for 2006-2008, was forwarded to the township board this past November, but was turned down on Dec. 5. The contract affects employees working in the assessing, building, public works, parks and recreation, fire, and public safety departments.

Workshop cancelled

 An Independence Township budget workshop scheduled for yesterday was cancelled.

Check www.ClarkstonNews.com for updates.



Dorie Housel, middle, sits with real estate agents Robin Cutler, left, and Kay Pearson of Max Broock, reviewing her home on Perry Lake Road in northern Independence Township, which is on the market. Photo by Paul Kampe

tate of local housing bleak

COLVIN AND PAUL KAMPE

Clarkston News Staff Writers

The numbers are grim. Michigan is ranked fifth in the nation in foreclosures - affecting one in 56 homes. Detroit, where one of 23 homes are foreclosed, is number one in the coun-

Independence Township had 400 housing permit applications in 2005. In 2006, there were 80.

"Development is substantially down - it's definitely hurting," said township Supervisor David Wagner.

Robert Slade, of Slade Custom Homes in Goodrich, estimates new home sales are down 70 percent to 80 percent over the past five years.

Slade recently completed development of a subdivision off Andersonville Road north of Big Lake Road in Springfield Township, where a mere five homes have been built and sold on 53 lots.

Over the past decade, the township typically sees building permit activity for 125 to 140 new homes. In 2006, however, the number plummeted to 18—and that includes two reissues, meaning only 16 new houses went up last year.

"Michigan has got to be one of the slowest, if not the slowest home building areas in the country," said Slade in an interview last week. "Things seem to be going pretty well out in the Carolinas, and out west, places like Wyoming and Idaho. I hear those are good places for a homebuilder to be right now."

Three access points in the Clarkston area to I-75 keeps the area connected to what is happening in other areas, said Executive Director Penny Shanks, Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce.

"We're not an isolated community. We're not up north and Clarkston does not have a moat around it. Our economy is very much linked to a lot of things in

forward."

With the state's economic difficulties of recent years, the challenges facing the Clarkston area is not different from any other area of Michigan, said chamber President Stephen Hyer.

The layoffs affecting the automotive industry is having a negative impact in the community in regards to the real estate market, Hyer said.

"By and large, the auto companies are the largest employer and they're not hiring at this time, they're downsizing and that's why houses aren't selling," he said.

Whispers of a new state sales tax on service-oriented businesses would be a "catch-22," Hyer said, because of the work it would require of the businesses affected with the monies going for a critical service.

"Any more administrative type work as a small business is difficult. If all of a sudden you have to (compute) sales tax and you've never done that before, it's certainly a burden to figure it out, type it and file the paperwork," he said.

Slade admitted he's considered relocating, but likes Michigan, and, since most of his family lives in the area, he plans to stay.

"I stuck it out in the 80s," said Slade, who's been in business since 1979 and speculates that the housing market took a sharper dive in the early 80s. "I'll stick it out this time."

Others aren't as optimistic.

Driving through neighborhoods in Springfield Township and surrounding communities, township Supervisor Collin Walls said he notices more and more foreclosure notices hammered into front doors or taped to windows of area homes.

"The local economy is a disaster," said Walls, who was elected to his first term as supervisor 30 years ago.

"The construction market and the ing about it.

BY PHIL CUSTODIO, LAURA our surrounding communities as we move real estate market is a disaster. Basically, there isn't any market. The absence of new home starts is indicative of the economy."

> Unlike some Oakland County communities, Springfield Township still has ample room for new housing developments.

Often, as with the Slade Custom Homes development, the lots are already improved and just waiting for a buyer.

"Streets are in, utilities are in," said Walls. "It's not just like there's 40 acres waiting for some developer to come in and develop. If they haven't already, developers hanging on to those projects are going to go broke."

The market for existing homes is just as bleak, he said. Those few houses that are selling are selling for equal to or less than they did a year ago.

"But very little is selling," he said.

"You can read it everywhere - the middle class has shrunk, and unfortunately, we have a lot of working poor."

Walls recalls the real estate and construction industry hitting a slump in the early 80s, but believes the poor market conditions are mostly isolated in Michi-

"The economy's not that bad, nationwide," he said.

Municipal officials are struggling with the challenge of continuing to provide a reasonable level of service with ever-decreasing revenue sources, he said.

"We're like all the other municipalities, we're making it," said Clarkston City Manager Art Pappas. "But we've been cutting in a lot of ways as our state revenue sharing keeps inching down."

A few years ago, he said, the city was receiving about \$110,000 annually in state sales tax revenue sharing. Currently, the sum is around \$80,000.

Next week: What people are do-



From left are Jerry and Carolyn Hemphill, Lorenzo of Lorenzo's Italian Cuisine, and Sheila and Fred Ritter at Open Your Heart to Lighthouse. See page A20 for more pictures. Photo by Phil Custodio

Fun for a good cause

BY PHIL CUSTODIO

Clarkston News Editor

Hundreds of community activists and leaders put the "fun" in fund-raiser at Open Your Heart to Lighthouse this past Thursday night.

"It's a worthwhile cause," said Carolyn Hemphill. "We're delighted to

Carolyn and her husband, Jerry Hemphill, offered their Clarkston home for the fund-raiser for the second year in a row.

Dozens of volunteers, contributors, and sponsors stepped forward to help with the annual event, Lighthouse North's main fund-raiser of the year.

They planned for the past six months for the event, Carolyn said.

"All the food is donated - it's just wonderful," she said.

Guests enjoyed cocktails, entree samples prepared by local restaurateurs, and conversation, as they filled the rooms and hallways of the Hemphill home. A custom-home builder, Jerry built the house in 1998.

This time of year is a great time for a party and fund-raiser, said John Ziraldo, president and CEO of Lighthouse of Oakland County.

"People have cabin fever," Ziraldo said. "This is a great chance to meet with friends and neighbors."

Local residents respond generously when asked for help, said Michelle Robinson of Lighthouse.

"The Clarkston area supports us really well," Robinson said. "Whatever we need, just seems to automatically come in - it's really nice."

With the recent cold weather, people in need are having trouble paying their heating bill, she said.

"A lot of people are in really desperate need," she said.

The Clarkston fund-raiser was started six years ago by Bill Clark, a Heart of Platinum sponsor along with his wife, Gwen Clark. It was hosted by Fred and Sheila Ritter for two years before

What is Lighthouse?

Lighthouse North, on Sashabaw Road, is part of the non-profit charitable organization Lighthouse Emergency Services.

Incorporated in 1972, it provides food, personal care items, and financial assistance to people in need. It depends on volunteer help, and private and corporate donations.

It opened its Clarkston branch in 1990, and moved into its current location in 2001.

For a "wish lift" of requested donations or more information, call Charlotte Jones at 248-920-6100 ext. 2204 or visit www.lighthouseoakland.com.

People in need? In Clarkston?

The Clarkston area is not immune to state and national economic troubles. Lighthouse representatives

"Even in Clarkston, more people need assistance than ever before." said John Ziraldo, president and CEO of Lighthouse of Oakland County.

In Clarkston, people think that everyone is doing OK," said Carolyn Parcha, host committee member, "But with the economy, more people are living on the edge. It's sad."

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the Hemphills took it on last year. It raised \$42,000 for Lighthouse last year, Parcha said.

Wild Game Dinner slated for Feb. 24

The Clarkston American Legion, Post 63, is holding its annual all-youcan-eat Wild Game Dinner on Saturday, Feb. 24.

Planned menu includes elk, wild boar, deer, catfish, walleye, salmon and turkey.

Tickets are \$15. Only 180 will be sold. They are available at Post 63, 8047 Ortonville Road (M-15) in Clarkston, half a mile north of I-75.

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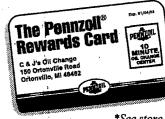
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Plan is improving, residents agree

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Gray checked out REDICO's other developments in the area and came away satisfied with what he found.

"I drove behind the buildings to see how noisy it was, how clean," he said. "They do keep it clean, I have to admit that. They're a good outfit; they have a good reputation."

Nevertheless, the inevitability of commercial development in his back yard prompted Gray to put the condo up for sale. With only four potential buyers coming through in six months, he's keeping an eye on the plan's progress.

In other changes, developers replaced plans for an underground water retention system with an above ground system, which includes stone trenches, leeching basins, and bio retention swales.

REDICO will also perform a photometric study, Till said, to ensure light trespass to residential neighborhoods is minimized, and the site will comply with township noise ordinances, as well.

Developers believe the project will bring numerous benefits to the community, including significant shopping, dining and gathering opportunities, as well as a substantial number of new jobs. REDICO estimates the creation of 670 new positions during the construction and design phases, as well as the ongoing operation of the retail development.

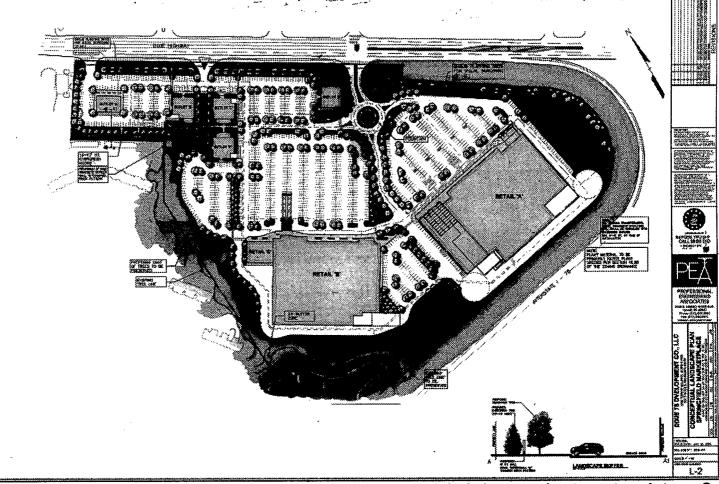
In addition, proponents of the plan argue that new business will help support existing business.

"It is our belief that this development will be positive for existing retailers," Till said. "The development will drive traffic to the area and allow individual retailers to find a niche and therefore benefit from the presence of Springfield Marketplace."

To back this up, he continued, REDICO and Lormax Stern are developing an economic impact study based on a format used by the Federal Reserve Board.

An increase in the tax base will bring additional revenue of approximately \$920,000 per year into township coffers.

"I know there's been a concern that the added services the township will have to provide will end up eating up a lot of that additional tax base," he said. "We'll include that in the economic study, as well."



The preliminary Springfield Marketplace plan on I-75 and Dixie Highway includes several restaurants and stores. See our website, www.ClarkstonNews.com, for a full size, color copy of this image. Picture provided

Although the board generally felt the plan had changed for the better and was moving in the right direction, several concerns remained.

Trustees agreed the impact on police, fire and ambulance has not yet been sufficiently addressed.

Springfield Township contracts with the Oakland County Sheriff's Office for police services, and Sgt. Mark Gardner of the OCSO Springfield substation estimated the need for at least two additional deputies and a second detective to ensure adequate service.

Board members, however, want to ensure the cost of additional services do not outweigh revenue generated by the

"I believe this plan is a significant improvement over the first plan we were shown, it's come a long way, and it could meet (our) criteria, but it doesn't yet," said Strole.

"If I had to vote tonight on this plan configuration, as if it was final now, I would have to vote no."

Strole also voiced concerns over the uncertainty of the establishments going into the development.

"We know one of the large buildings will be a Lowe's or a Home Depot; the other Target," she said. "But I have no idea what or who will occupy those other six buildings."

Although REDICO representatives said they had no executed leases, other than the two large anchor stores, the intent was for two or three restaurants, and a number of smaller retailers.

Township planner Carlisle Wortman Associates, Inc., questioned whether the length of the proposed boulevard section was sufficient. Most agreed it was not.

Additionally, the inevitable increase in traffic prompted trustees, one by one, to voice concerns over configuration of the proposed boulevard, entrance drives and traffic lights in relation to the development, as well as to neighboring busi-

"What is shown for a boulevard improvement is not sufficient and does not provide the public benefit needed," said absent Supervisor Collin Walls in a statement read by Clerk Nancy Strole. "We need a plan from I-75 to Harrington Funeral Home. Implementation of the plan and how it is phased and paid for cannot be properly determined with out a complete plan.'

REDICO, MDOT, RCOC, the township

and across-the-street neighbor Bordine's

Bordine's looks forward to working with REDICO, said Calvin Bordine, who was in attendance at Thursday's meeting, but would also like a say in the project's timing.

"Our business definitely suffered last time Dixie Highway was resurfaced," Bordine said. "With the nature of our business, it's make or break in May."

The board also asked that architecture and landscape design stay within the natural and uncomplicated feel of Springfield Township. Nothing extravagant or flashy belongs here, they said.

In other words, take the big box out of big box.

REDICO said it will work with the township during final site plan preparation to ensure conformance with township guidelines and standards.

The developer plans to submit all changes to the township planning. April 2007, with the hope of a positive response. It will then seek final site plan approval from the township board in May

If all goes according to plan, Phase I Planning, Walls added, should include of the development would open in Fall 2008, Phase II in Spring 2009.

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Opinion

Just a 'byte,' if you please

Fremember when the Commodore 64 was state of the art.

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Phil Custodio

memory, or 64,000 bytes, one byte being about enough to store one character of text.

My camera today has a chip that holds a gigabyte of memory, or 1,000,000,000, a billion, bytes, equal to about 15,625 Commodore 64s in memory.

Computer technology sure is growing fast.

I don't understand it, but my brother Dan does – he works with Intel in California.

He says terabyte chips, which holds 1,000 times more memory than my digital camera's

(1,000,000,000,000, a trillion, bytes) are almost here, and they're working on petra, or peta, byte chips. These would hold a thousand terabytes, million gigabytes, quadrillion bytes, AKA 1,000,000,000,000,000,000, or more than 15 billion Commodore 64s.

No matter how much memory these things will hold people will always fill them.

My wife got what seemed to be a state-of-theart iPod a couple months ago with a 2 gig chip, enough for 500 songs. They're advertising 80 gig iPods now some say they've already filled them with songs.

We will soon have iPods that hold 1,000 full-length novies.

The human brain is still being studied, but some figures I've seen range from about 10 trillion to 100 pentillion (a "one" followed by 20 zeros) bytes in memory, long-term, short-term, and procedural—about 10-100.000 petabytes.

Chip makers should be able to match that in a couple months.

Watched the Grammy's this past Sunday.

Despite, or because, of the controversy four years ago about lead singer Natalie Maines' negative comments against President Buch. The Dixie Chicks did very well.

Their "Not Ready to Make Nice" album won a bunch of awards, including Album of the Year Upon hearing of their victory and vindication, group members Maines, Martie Maguire, and Emily Robison got up, strode to the microphone, and ... made nice.

They thanked all their friends and supporters.
They said they were honored. They said they had no regrets:

The closest they came to not being nice was when Natalic quoted Nelson Muntz from the Simpsons, "haw haw!"

naw naw:

Not the height of angry thetoric.

I was a bit miffed in 2003 when Maines made her opinion known to a bunch of foreigners in England.

Others were more put out - they boycotted their music, destroyed CDs, made death threats.

The Chicks didn't deserve that, and they won me back with their "Nice" album.

They have the right to their opinions.

They're probably not even that strong — they're likely too busy with their music to worry about politics one way or the other.

Editorial: Beaumont not right for site

We expect Independence Township officials to protect residents next to the Beaumont property on M-15.

This property is not suitable for what they have planned.

Beaumont does great work at its Troy and Royal Oak hospitals, but a new medical center in a boxed-in, bar-graph shaped piece of land on M-15 near I-75? What are they thinking?

Neighbors are understandably up in arms. Into what they expected would be a quiet neighborhood could come a busy hospital.

About half of the 62.5 acre site, 32.2 acres, is zoned residential in the township Master Plan. Beaumont wants the township to rezone it as a Planned Unit Development, which would allow the mixed-use project.

The plan places a nursing home and assisted/independent living apartments in the residential areas, so it may meet the PUD legal definition, but not its spirit.

The idea behind a PUD is to create more of an old-fashioned neighborhood. Houses are mixed together with small businesses. People live, work, and shop in an open area with lots of trees and grass.

This site is too small for that.

Beaumont would have 2,554 parking spaces sprawled on surface lots and a four-tier parking garage. It would have more than 300,000 square feet of four-story hospital and office buildings.

The state Department of Community Health lists a surplus of more than 1,000 hospital beds in Macomb and Oakland counties.

This doesn't mean Beaumont would be denied a Certificate of Need for its proposed 192-bed hospital, even with McLaren seeking 200-300 beds a mile away on Sashabaw.

Denial by the township could be only a first step. The ongoing Orco situation has shown developers don't have to take "no" for an answer.

Be prepared for that.

Appeal to the state against changing the CON law or making exceptions.

Stick to the Master Plan, which calls for this area to be residential and research offices.

A well-equipped research facility could provide employment to highly-educated researchers, tax revenue for the township, new medicines to benefit society as well as Beaumont, and a quiet neighbor to local residents.

Don't let us down.

PMC

'Dear Editor' (letters from our readers)

Keep development to the south

Dear Editor,

I moved from crowded Warren eight years ago to Waterford Township because I like living in a country atmosphere.

With all the developing that has happened in this area, i.e. Great Lakes Crossing and Home Depot, I'm beginning to plan my next move north.

Maybe Beaumont should move south to Detroit.

The last time I checked there seemed to be plenty of

room. Maybe strike a deal with the mayor and knock down some buildings instead of clear cutting more land!

The Independence Township Board should be ashamed if they allow this within a residential area. The community needs to get behind Randy and Susan (Golab) to stop Beaumont now!

Daniel J. Smith Waterford Twp.

Project would not be good neighbor

Dear Editor,

Hopefully this won't be another case of a developer getting their way, by threatening and/or pursuing a lawsuit

Would it really be a terrible thing to just leave this wooded, wildlife inhabited property as is? Does every square inch of Southeast Michigan have to be slated for development?

This is my brother's home ("Neighbors team up to battle Beaumont," page 1A, Feb. 7). What, not long ago, was a quiet, rural neighborhood, is turning into a bustling metropolis. He and his family, along with neighbors, have lived there for years, long before Beaumont

decided to encroach on them.

They moved into the area, not intending on having a hospital campus next to them. His children will probably not even be able to play outside, due to the safety concerns, not to mention the increased noise and light pollution.

There is plenty of land in the City of Detroit that is available. Maybe this and many other developers could help revitalize Detroit by developing there.

Take back your community. It belongs to you, not the developers!

Robert Golab Ray Township

Thank you for Valentines for troops

Dear Editor,

A big thank you goes out to the boys and girls at North Sashabaw and Independence Elementary Schools who participated in making Valentines for our U.S. Soldiers.

The project was part of Operation Support our Troops. Both of your schools turned in hundreds of valentines.

The beautiful cards you made and the heartfelt notes that you wrote mean so much to the men and women of our armed forces in Iraq and Afghanistan. You participated in a wonderful activity that shows care and support of our soldiers.

Thanks, kids!

Sandy Kolano
Operation Support our Troops

Got something to say?

Write a letter to the editor at shermanpub@aol.com, attn: Clarkston News

A Leek Beek

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

15 years ago - 1992

"Villagers head to polls" Clarkston voters had approved the charter to make the village a city, but had to vote in a primary for village council. The general election was set for March 17, 1992. The winners would be in charge until the charter took effect later that year.

"Clarkston News Voters' Guide" Problems facing Clarkston listed by candidates for clerk and treasurer included division between Clarkston and Independence Township caused by the vote for cityhood; tax and fee increases; keeping downtown business healthy; and development and traffic through historic areas.

"MEAP scores remain steady" Clarkston students tallied scores similar to those achieved in science and reading during the 1991 MEAP test. The 1992 tests included a new math portion for fourth-, seventhand tenth-grade students.

25 years ago - 1982

"Task force offers public safety study" The Task Force on Public Safety in Independence Township recommended creation of a Commission of Public Safety. It would coordinate activity between the fire and police departments, as well as civilian volunteers. Volunteers would organize neighborhood watch groups.

"Board begins steps to close South Sashabaw" Clarkston School District needed to cut \$450,000. Closing the school would cut \$53,000. Other cuts would be made with lay-offs of two administrators, 22 teachers, and 11 support personnel. Superintendent Milford Mason recommended against selling South Sashabaw in case it's needed later.

50 years ago - 1957

"Primary election Monday, February 18" Independence Township was set for its first primary election. It was the first time the Democrats put up candidates in the township.

"March on polio quite successful" Marchers collected \$841.88 in the Mothers March on Polio. Organizers said they were happy with the results.

"Skywatch perts" The Clarkston Ground Observation post credited its first multi-motor plane sighting to Mrs. Huttenlocher, and its first jet plane sighting to Mrs. Hubbard. The total number of planes sighted and reported so far was 82.

Jim Sherman

we visited the Philippines four

I was 19 when we headed through the mine-infested Yellow Sea to Taku at the mouth of the Hwang Ho river in China. The muddy Hwang Ho. When our mine

spotters saw a floating mine our gunners would shoot

On this trip, we had the 32nd C.B.'s and their equipment. Their destination was Tientsin. We had

country, I remember going into the "Brooklyn Cafe" for a hamburger. The owner looked like I thought

Nine countries owned tracts of land in Tientsin at that time. They have since given the land to China. The city of nearly 3 million is 85 miles southeast of Peking, the capitol city of seven million. President

Tientsin became a center of trade when the em-

I recall Tientsin having good streets and modern

Laiso recall trying to live up to the American sailor

There were a great many people who spoke

And I remember it being a friendly place. In particular, people spoke to us on the streets, waved and

the river, in which people lived. Sampans, funks and barges were often home to many Chinese.

We victorious, boisterous, callous, prosperous and unthinking American sailors treated the river people like, well, I am not proud to say, river people. We'd take a bite of an apple and toss the core into the

These Chinese had very long poles with small

Another picture that stays in my mind is that of a man standing behind an uncovered garbage truck as it backed toward the river and dumped its load. The man would stand still and sort edibles or what-

The most touching memory, even for we youths, happened as we started away from the dock. A small boat pulled along side. A woman held up her child and said, "Two dolla, Peeze!"

Stuff to think of on Valentine's Day

don

rush

don't rush

Ah, February. Groundhogs, ice, snow and hearts of trician Bill Hyder sent me a link to a website that calcured. Valentine's Day. To all, tell the ones you love that you love. And, if you really want to spice up your Valentine's conversations, here are some topics to discuss.

Taxation Without Representation

Nothing can get your blood boiling like good lovin' and talk about that which the government usurps from

us -- taxes. Now that our governor and our federal folks are putting forth their budget proposals, Clarkston's Henry W. has an idea.

And while shrinkage might not be a good topic of discussion on or around Valentine's Day, it is a fact of life -shrinkage happens to everything except government expenditures (which comes from taxing). Henry called me recently.

"Don; everybody in government is looking for new things to tax. I have an idea."

He proceeded quite simply it is time to tax political contributions. He thinks these types of contributions should be

taxed at a rate of 10 percent. The money raised, he explained, goes into a trust fund for primary education.

"A win-win situation for everybody -- we get more taxes and we help the children," Henry said.

Romantic Interludes Out-of-Doors

It is the middle of February, but you and your loved one can still snuggle up next to the crackling fireplace, on that bearskin rug and dream of hot summer nights. And, if the conversation starts to wane, throw this into the

'Honey, I love you crickets chirping?"

If Honey says, yes, you're in! Impress Honey with this information. Crickets are sensitive to changes in air temperature, and chirp at faster rates as the temperature rises. It is possible to use the chirps of the male snowy tree cricket, common throughout the United States, to gauge temperature.

The formula for this is to count the number of chirps in 15 seconds and add 39 to calculate the temperature (degrees Fahrenheit.) If there are 30 chirps in 15 seconds, the temperature should be about 69 degrees F. This formula is said to be accurate within one degree. A variation is to count the chirps in 13 seconds, and add 40.

My dear wife Jennie found that information for me. (Happy VD, Honey -- er that's Valentine's Day, Honey . . nothing the doctor should know about.)

After your stirring conversation about crickets, you could start chirping about age.

Birthday Calendars Are Sexy

While birthday suits are sexy by nature's design, laughter and good times are also found amorous. Oxford elec-

lates stuff based on your birthday. Make your loved-one smile by going to the site before the bear-rug and instead of poetry, recite fun stuff about them.

For example, when I typed in my birthdate I found out this information:

Don's date of conception was on or about 4 May 1962, which was a Friday. You were born on a Friday under the astrological sign Aquarius. Your Life path number is 9.

Anyone, what is a life path number?

I also learned the Julian calendar date of my birth is 2438054.5. My birthday falls into the Chinese year beginning 1963 and ending 1964. I was born in the Chinese year of the Rabbit. My Native American Zodiac sign is Otter; my plant is Fern. I was born in the Egyptian month of Parmuthy, the fourth month of the season of Poret (Emergence - Fertile soil).

There's lots more stuff there, too. When I went to the site I found I was 1,390,127,272 seconds old. Guys, don't share that information with your best gals, it'll take the wind of the your romantic sails. The website address is: www.paulsadowski.com/birthday.asp

And to wrap of a stimulating evening of conversation you can bring up Mother Nature.

Insect sex

In January, I told of Mom Nature's conspiracy to rid the earth of men, titled "Virgin dragon prepares to give birth." The afforementioned dear wife Jen sent me an email last week, which further corroborates my theory.

From the MSNBC.com story, "Male-killing bacteria widespread in insects."

"A germ that kills males triggers a vicious cycle of increasing female promiscuity and male s tion in a species of butterfly, scientists report. Male-killing bacteria known as Wolbachia are extremely widespread in insects, found in more than one-fifth of species. The germs can turn males to females and cause infected females to reproduce without males.

"Scientists had assumed these bacteria would profoundly alter the natural mating patterns of their hosts, but only had scant evidence of what these changes would entail in the wild. The researchers expected the fewer male butterflies there were, the less sex females likely would have. Surprisingly, female promiscuity actually

"Greater numbers of female partners leads to fatigue in males. They start producing smaller sperm packages.

. Unfortunately, the female butterflies instinctively know that the packages are smaller and that their chances of having been sufficiently impregnated after mating are lower than usual. This just makes them more rampant."

One way or another, men's time on this planet is limited. So, now armed with all this info you can have a wonderful romantic time, anytime.

War prompts vets' memories

Japan surrendered to the U.S. August 14, 1945 (August 15 to those of us in the Far East at the time). Japanese forces in China surrendered Sep-

September 1, we left the Philippines for Yokohama with a load of Marine occupation forces. By then I'd been in the Navy less than 13 months. I remember a Marine telling me he'd spent more time at sea than I had.

Jim's **Jottings**

times, always picking up troops for delivery to Japan three times, and China once.

Our ship was the USS

Woodford AKA 86. The AKA was

for Amphibious Cargo Assault.

Why the "K" I don't know. Dur-

ing our three months in the Far East

to anchor a couple miles from shore because the Gulf of Pohai was so shallow. Smaller boats got us to the city. The dates were November 4-17, 1945. At the time Tientsin was an "international" city, inhabited to some extent by people deported from

their own country or by those who had rejected their Brooklyners would look, quasi-mobster.

Nixon went there in 1972.

perors refused to allow foreign businessmen to live in Peking. They settled in Tientsin, helped it grow into an important center of foreign trade and did business with Peking.

facilities -- at least the hotel did where we stayed while there on an overnight pass.

reputation . . . we raced rickshaws, tipped too much (according to the Marines), drank Russian brandy and bartered for cameras. The war was over and we were finally allowed to take pictures. We also shopped for bright satin robes with large dragons spitting flames.

'American," Getting directions was easy.

nodded as we sailors "did" the town. But, what I remember most about China were the poor. There were numerous boats floating on

nets they'd use to scoop up our rejects. It was great sport for we 19-year-olds.

ever as the garbage flowed around him.





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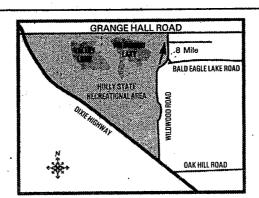








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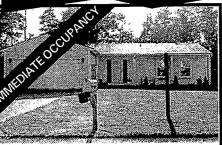
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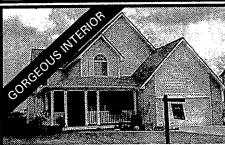
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Independence Township

Thurs., Feb. 1 An Independence Township woman in the process of divorce made a police report after she was assaulted when she went to her husband's home to check on her step-son and the family pets. The man, however, stated that his wife came over to take his belongings without permission.

Fri., Feb. 2 A 19-year old Independence Township woman called police after she was assaulted in an incident concerning her 2-year-old nephew, whom she believed was being abused by the new girlfriend of the boy's father. When confronted, the new girlfriend jumped from a moving vehicle and attacked the woman.

Sat., Feb. 3 Deputies were called to assist fire personnel after a 34-year-old Lake Orion man fell from his snowboard at a local ski resort and suffered injuries to his head, neck and lower back.

During a separate incident, a 17-yearold Independence Township youth was hospitalized after he was knocked unconscious in a fall from his snowboard.

A homeowner in the 5500 block of Larkin Lane reported that his garage entry door had been broken into and a 2006 Honda motorcycle stolen while he was away. The bike is valued at about

\$7,000

Sun., Feb. 4 An Independence Township couple called police after a homeless employee they allowed to stay in their home over the weekend took the keys and drove off in the family van. He later returned, and was arrested on charges of driving while intoxicated and unlawfully driving away an automobile.

Mon., Feb 5 Deputies filed a petition with juvenile court after a 16-year-old Bloomfield Hills youth became verbally abusive with the manager of a local ski resort after he discovered the boy was skiing with a counterfeit season snow pass

Tues., Feb. 6 The owner of a building on Washington Street in the Village of Clarkston called police after receiving an open door alert from his alarm company around 5 a.m. Upon arrival, the man discovered the door to the basement and the furnace room open, with pry marks. Nothing seemed out of place, and the owner was not immediately able to identify anything missing.

A 17-year-old Independence Township man who said he "wanted a buzz" was issued an appearance citation after he was caught attempting to steal two bottles of cough medicine from a grocery store on Sashabaw and Waldon Road.

An Oakland County Sheriff's patrol car was damaged slightly when it went off the track while in neutral at a car wash on Dixie Highway.

Deputies were seeking a warrant on

domestic violence charges against a 49year-old Independence Township father after arriving on the scene of a call to find the man's 15-year-old son with a swollen and bleeding face.

Wed., Feb. 7 A 23-year old Independence Township man was arrested and jailed when deputies found him in possession of marijuana and drug paraphernalia, a violation of his probation terms.

The owner of a business on Sashabaw reported that someone cleanly cut several parts from the exhaust system of a company vehicle overnight.

An Independence Township man reported receiving a notice from a collection agency stating he owed \$369.95 for a cellular phone he never owned. The address listed on the fraudulent account was from a home he lived in five years ago.

An Independence Township man called police after discovering the rear window of his car smashed out and a stereo valued at \$1,200 missing from the dashboard.

Springfield Township

Tues., Jan 30 A business owner on Dixie Highway reported two snowmobiles, a riding lawn tractor and a covered trailer stolen from a padlocked,

fenced area behind the building during the night.

Tues., Feb. 6 Remnants of a Polaris Indy snowmobile were found cut in small pieces with a powerful saw and dumped on the side of the road. The engine, transmission, belt, skis and VIN were missing

A 50-year-old Springfield Township man was arrested and jailed on charges of assault and battery after he became highly intoxicated and assaulted his 47-year-old wife in their home in the 10000 block of Gibbs.

A neighbor called police to report that a young man living in the home next door was repeatedly firing a gun from the backyard. Upon arrival, deputies discovered a bait pile and motion sensor in the yard.

Wed., Feb. 7 A deputy on patrol in Springfield Township found a small plastic baggie containing a bracelet of polished stones and beads. The jewelry was thought to have some value.

A 48-year-old woman reported receiving harassing phone calls in which a 12-year-old schoolmate of the woman's daughter either made "demon voices" or hung up when she answered. The girl apologized and promised to stop when confronted by deputies.

Sat., Feb 10 An 18-year-old man was arrested and jailed on charges of domestic assault after becoming intoxicated and assaulting the father of his girlfriend in the home where all three reside.

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Even superstars make mistakes

By Ernie Harwell



In baseball there is an old saying that if you get three hits out of 10 times at bat, you're a big league star. A guy who in his whole career makes seven mistakes out of 10 is considered a superstar.

I think we all have to remember that we all make mistakes. We just have to accept them, hitch up our britches, pull

up our socks and go ahead and get to the next project.

A perfectionist really has a tough time in life, because we're all human and we're all going to fall short once in a while. If we just realize that, we can save ourselves a lot of worry and stress that can affect our mental and physical health.

That doesn't mean we don't try to do our best. But if we accept that we can't always be perfect, we can keep our feet on the ground and our heads up. We won't always get a hit, but we can keep on swinging.

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

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

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Reliving the past

BY PHIL CUSTODIO Clarkston News Editor

The past returns at the 11th annual Early American Living History Show this weekend at Springfield Oaks County Park.

Hosted by the Chief Pontiac Trail Boy Scouts, the show will feature Michigan reenactment groups from the Civil War, Revolutionary War, and French and Indian War eras.

Southeast Michigan was a key, strategic position in the French and Indian War of the 1750s, said James Schultz, history buff and owner of the Country Store on Main Street.

"The British were very strong in Michigan, and the British wanted it," Schultz said.

He will portray an 18th-century doctor, com-

plete with uniform and medical gear, including scalpels, bleeder tools and basin, and quills. Despite the primitive medical technology of the time, he promises his exhibit won't be too explicit.

"I like to educate people, not gross them out," he said.

He portrays a doctor instead of a soldier because he said he's a "terrible shot" with a musket. Other reenactors will demonstrate musketry and other military gear.

Schultz has been a reenactor for the past eight years.

"I went to the show and on a lark decided to get into it," he said.

The show will be from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 17, and from 10 a.m.- Pontiac Trail at 248-338-0035.



James Schultz displays his historic medical gear at last year's Living History Show. File photo

Early American Living History show

10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sat., Feb. 17 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Sun., Feb. 18

Oakland Co. 4-H building Springfield Oaks County Park Davisburg, Springfield Twp.

\$3 for age 12 and over free for under age 12.

All proceeds benefit the youth programs supported by the Chief Pontiac Trail Clinton Valley council, BSA.

4 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 18. The park is located off Andersonville Road in Davisburg.

For more information, call Chief

School cuts vote may be Feb. 26

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with Gov. Jennifer Granholm for her Education Summit.

"It's a chance to gain some insight into the state government, to solidify our budget projections," Hyer said.

The budget will be difficult to complete until the state resolves its funding issues, said board Secretary Ronald Sullivan.

"It's hard to find answers until we get the final answer from the state," Sullivan

The scenarios were presented to give board members perspective into the prob-

lem, Roberts said.

"We'll do our best to continue to operate in a way that would have as little impact as possible on youngsters," he said.

It could require many years before the state recovers economically. Before that happens, the school district may be required to borrow to make ends meet, Roberts said.

"We will do what is best for students, even if it means we have to borrow," he

The board meets at the district Administration Building on Clarkston Road. For more information, call 248-623-5400.

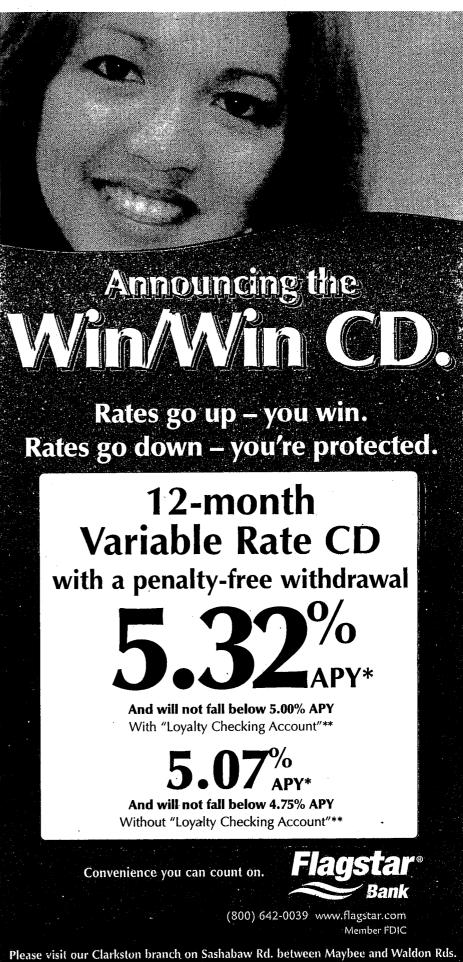
Nominations needed for awards

Nominations are being accepted for the 22nd Annual Clarkston Community Awards.

Categories are: Citizen of the Year, Young Person of the Year, Business Person of the Year, Adult-Youth Volunteer, Community Preservation,

Community Beautification, Community Enhancement and Community Collaboration.

Nominations forms are available at the Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce office, 5856 S. Main St. Deadline is March 30.

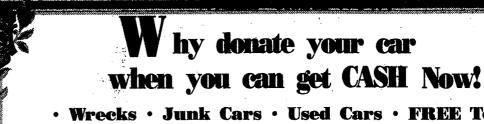


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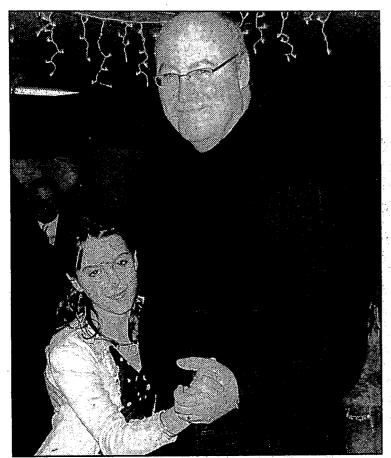
February activitiés at Indian Springs Metropark in Springfield Township include:

Jewels of the Night, 7 p.m., Feb. 16. Print winter constellations on T-shirts, roast marshmallows, find the stars. \$2; Critter Chemistry, 1 p.m., Feb. 20. How animals use chemistry to communicate, find food, and defend themselves. \$2; Lab-tabulous - Science Experiments for Kids, 1 p.m., Feb. 24. \$2; and Maple sugaring, weekends March 3-31, by appointment only. Tapping trees, boiling sap, hearing the history of maple sugaring. \$2.800-477-3192.



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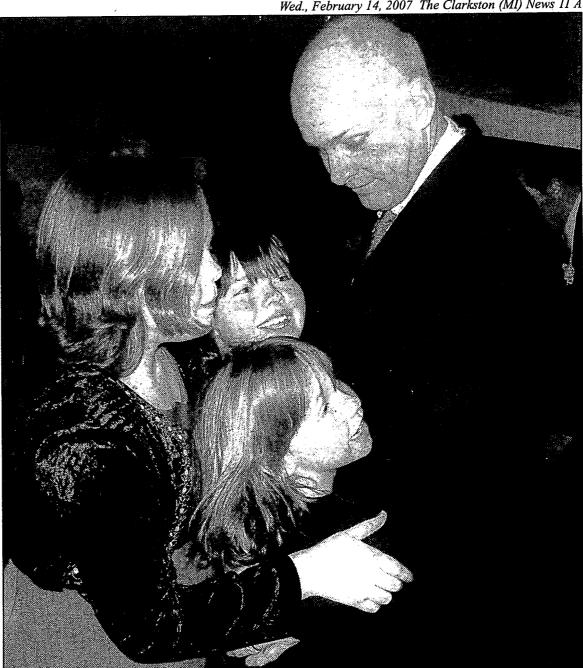
Valentine's Day dance with dad

their daughters attended Clarkston Community Schools' Daddy Daughter Dance this past Saturday at Clarkston Junior High School.

So many purchased tickets

About 800 fathers and that a waiting list was used, and the event was split in two grades 4-6 and 7-9.

> The dance, hosted by about 15 volunteer moms, is traditionally held the Saturday before Valentine's Day.



Martin Cates enjoys a Valentine's Day tradition with his daughters, Caroline, Courtney, and Emily. Photos by Phil Custodio



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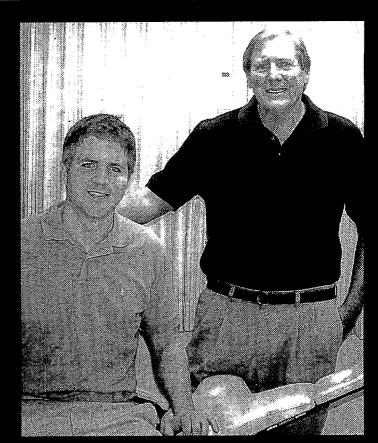
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Clarkston News

Wolves take all comers

Clarkston puts stamp on OAA season

BY PAUL KAMPE Staff Writer

Clarkston continued its intra-conference dominance on Friday, taking its second consecutive Oakland Activities Association tournament, beating rival, host, and runner-up Lake Orion by nearly 100 points.

The Wolves (232 points) won their sixth OAA tournament in seven years and pulled out another big win over the Dragons (134 points) who took second at the Oakland County tournament behind Clarkston.

The win gives Clarkston the outright league championship after having an undefeated conference record in dual meets, 7-0, this season. The Dragons finished in second place overall, followed by third place OAA tourney finishers Troy Athens.

Clarkston had eight first-place finishers at the tournament, including county champions Mike Maguire (119 pounds), Bryant Craft (160) and Adam Lauzun (171).

Alex Popp (125), Tyler Schneider (135), Frank Sade (140) and Layne Upcott (215) took first place also.

"We wrestled real well. It was an exciting day and a good end to the season," Wolves coach Joe DeGain said.

"Now they just need to keep their ball rolling for the districts."

DeGain was impressed by Sade's victory over county champion Nick Kaczanowski from Rochester in the 140pound finals. Craft was also impressive in his victory over Allen Sigler of Lake Orion, whom he lost to during the dual meet season. Craft won a 4-2 decision in double overtime.

"He was able to get in his shots finally (in overtime). He was able to get deep in on (Sigler's) legs," DeGain said.

Erik Butterfield took second at 145 pounds after starting the day as the fourth seed in that weight.'

"He overcame a lot of guys to wrestle well and end up taking second," DeGain said.

"We have a lot of guys, (he) is one of them who just gets better every time he steps out there,' he added.

Newcomer Derek Booker took fourth place at 130 pounds and Tommy Ellsworth (189), Colton Tweed (152), and Steve Cooper (275) all took second place.

Lake Orion coach Doug Kline was proud of his team's second place finish.

"Our goal is always to win the league title," he

"The team is very pleased with our overall second place finish. With all the injuries this team has overcome this year, I felt that our young guys stepped up and perfromed admirably."

The Dragons had two OAA champions in Jake Varilek (152) and A.J. Pratt (130).

"I was extremely pleased with Varilek's win against Colton Tweed, who is one of the best 152pounders in the state," Kline said.

"This sets Jake up for a state tournament run."

"A.J. has been plagued with injuries over the last year and it was gratifying to see him win a championship," he

Staff Writer Colin Baumgartner contributed to this report



Three Clarkston athletes signed letters of intent to play collegiate athletics on Monday. Ryan Breen, left, and Bren Bergquist, center, will play football for Penn State and Hillsdale. Josh Hall, right, will play baseball at Kalamazoo Valley Community College. Photo by Paul Kampe

Signing day triple-play

BY PAUL KAMPE

Clarkston News Staff Writer

In the past week, Clarkston High School has seen four of its finest athletes promise their collegiate athletic careers.

On Monday, Ryan Breen and Bren Bergquist, both members of the Wolves' 10-2 team of 2006, signed to play football for Penn State University and Hillsdale College respectively. Also, Josh Hall became the second Clarkston baseball player to put his intentions in writing, sealing his letter of intent with Kalamazoo Valley Community College, after Drew Howard signed with St. Clair Community College on Feb. 7.

Bergquist, a 6-foot 6-inch tight end on the offensive side of the ball and outside linebacker on defense, strengthened up the Wolves' passing game by making himself a presence, said Wolves coach Kurt Richardson.

"He had a great year for us. He

opened up our passing game, people had to honor him, which a lot of times they don't do with tight ends. He became a better blocker and he played a lot of defense for us," Richardson said.

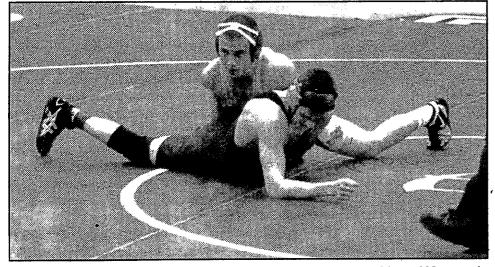
Bergquist worked hard to develop the mechanics of a great football player, he said.

"When he got to us, he was a big kid who had to learn to play the game. He got by when he was younger because he was so much bigger than everyone else. He's become more physical every year and he's an outstanding receiver," Richardson said.

'The biggest difference I've noticed is that he has improved his foot-speed. He's going to have a great career at Hillsdale. He's a borderline division I/II kid, so he's a good catch for them."

Bergquist is one of three tight er recruited by the Chargers who finished 5-5 in 2006 in the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference.

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Clarkston's Mike Maguire, above, added an OAA championship at 119 pounds to his list of accomplishments this season, which includes a county championship at 125 pounds. Photo by Colin Baumgartner





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Next round

Clarkston wins first of second set of 12-4 lead in the first quarter. The Chiefs failed to make a run at league matches

BY PAUL KAMPE

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Some say it's hard to duplicate an original. That was the case when Clarkston met Pontiac Central on Friday.

The Wolves squeaked a two-point win at Pontiac in early January and the Chiefs were looking to take it back on the Wolves' floor.

But Central would have a tough time of it minus a key ingredient from the first game. Drew Hopkins, who scored 16 points in the prior meeting were unable to play and the Chiefs fell in a blowout 79-58.

Hopkins was unavailable for coach Albrey Tipton who was forced to substitute several players in his place. Like Coca-Cola, nothing beats the real thing.

"In the first half, guys were put in situations they wouldn't normally be in, so we'll be alright if we make the adjustment," Tipton said.

Clarkston ensured its status as a true contender for the Oakland Activities Association I championship with the win, leaving Pontiac Northern as the only team to fall to the Wolves within the conference.

The win brings the Wolves (12-2) to 5-1 in the OAA

while the Chiefs (8-7) fell to 3-4.

Dan Owens kept up his teamleading scoring, taking a seat on the bench late in the fourth quarter after a 32-point performance.

The Wolves jumped out to a Clarkston in the second as Owens exploded for 14 points, 12 of which from behind the three-point arc. Owens made his first four consecutive attempts behind the arc and finished 6/7 shooting three pointers on the night, which was his new season-high.

Clarkston held onto a 17-0 run dating to the first quarter before Dameon Abram made two free throws at 4:17. Clarkston outscored Central 24-10 in the quar-

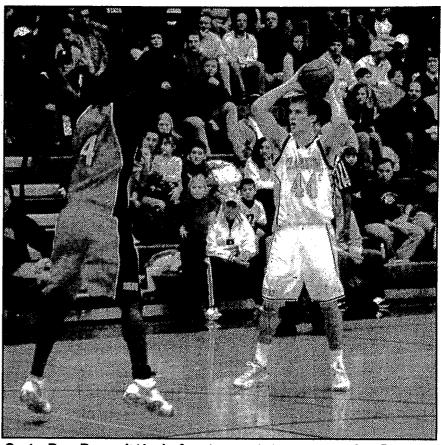
Abram led the Chiefs with 26 points, including 13 in the third quarter, Central's best, when they showed life in the third after going to halftime trailing by 22 points, 36-14.

"We were playing good defense. We were communicating and getting good help. We had Abram where he knew if he went left there was pressure and if he went right there was pressure," Clarkston coach Dan Fife said.

"(We were) trying to deny him the ball and making him catch it at places he was uncomfortable at, 25 feet

University, a division II school from the Great Lakes

Intercollegiate Athletic Conference. Owens said the



Center Bren Bergquist looks for a teammate to pass to against Pontiac Central on Feb. 9. Photo by Paul Kampe

instead of 15 feet, that's the deal with kids like that, because once they get it into their hands, they're going to make plays."

Fife attributed Kevin Badgley's coverage to helping shut down Abrams.

"He made him earn it, he shot a lot of free-throws."

Twelve of Abram's points came from the charitystripe.

The Chiefs looked to force Clarkston errors by employing a backcourt press in the third quarter. The Wolves' lead on Friday was insurmountable, reaching 24 points early in the third quarter.

"We didn't play it as aggressively as we normally do. We were kind of in shock because of how far behind we were. Once they got past (that), in the second half, we did a lot better," Tipton said.

Owens said the Wolves are starting to fire on al.

"We've been practicing really the last couple of weeks and things have been working really well for us and we came out with a lot of energy tonight. We were ready to play and it showed," he said.

"We knew how important this game was and that's why we came out playing so strong early and took then out early," he added.

Tipton was happy with the way his team did no quit after encountering a large deficit.

"We played hard until the end. We played hard ir the second half, we didn't give up or put our heads down which would have been really embarrassing, we kept playing hard," Tipton said.

Keyontay Rodgers added 13 points and Martez Terrence had nine points for the Chiefs.

Badgley scored 13 points, seven rebounds and two blocks, and Bren Bergquist had eight points, nine rebounds, and three assists for Clarkston.

Clarkston will face North Farmington at CHS on Thursday. The Wolves made quick work of the Raiders 52-35 on Jan. 19.

Fife likes the Wolves' chances heading into the second round of OAA matches.

"We're still in the hunt. We just have to take care of our game and let everyone else take care of themselves," he said.



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Athlete of the week

Owens eclipses previous high

BY PAUL KAMPE

Dan Owens

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Dan Owens went above and beyond his 19-point early signing would allow him to focus more on the season average on Friday, scoring 32 points in season at hand and winning a state championship. With Clarkston's 79-58 win over Pontiac Central. Owens' the Wolves out to a 12-2 start, 5-1 in the Oakland Acprevious high was 28 points, scored against Flint Carman tivities Association, they look poised for another long Ainsworth in December.

"I just came out on fire today," Owens said after

"I was just feeling it tonight," he added.

Owens led the Wolves to an excellent night shooting from the floor, including his second quarter stretch of 4/4 from three-point range. He had 14 points in the quarter and added two more three pointers in the third quarter. He left midway through the fourth quarter to an ovation from the home fans whose cheers grew louder as the announcer reported Owens' game-high

"He got a lot of good looks tonight and our kids are starting to recognize where he's at. He shot the ball very well," Fife said.

Fife was pleased with Owens' ability to diversify his bag of scoring tricks.

"He got to the free throw line, that's something I've been after him about," Fife said.

him to do."

Fife ranks Owens' Kampe range on the floor with any player he has ever coached. "He's allowed to shoot

NBA three-pointers and that is not often the case in high school. He's an outstanding shooter and he's really worked on his game to become more than a shooter,"

The 17-year-old Owens signed a letter of intent in November to play for Roger Lyons' program at Ashland



"That's what I want Owens launches his patented three-point shot against Pontiac Central last month. Photo by Paul

Racing to the finish

Skiers expected to place well at regionals

BY PAUL KAMPE

Clarkston News Staff Writer

After a quick ski race season, both Clarkston's boys and girls teams advanced to the regional playoffs Thursday at Pine Knob. On Feb. 7, the boys finished in fourth place with 141 points behind Rochester (81), Pontiac Notre Dame Prep (100.5) and Waterford (104) at the divisional races.

The girls finished in first place with 43 points in front of the Fighting Irish (52) and Rochester Adams (158).

The girls tied Notre Dame at 23 points in the slalom, but came back to win the giant slalom 20-29. Hannah Wolf (first), Trishia Peters (fourth), Kelly Peters (seventh) and Erica Halsey (eighth) all finished in the top ten.

Assistant Coach Thom Halsey likes the girls' chances at the regionals.

"Our girls are certainly prepared," he said.

"The girls should do well, they're so deep. If one falters, there is someone behind her."

Coach Mike Foyteck agreed on the girls' chances.

"They're very competitive and have the drive and desire to do well in competition," Foyteck said.

"They're fired up for the regionals." The boys took fourth (66) in the sla-

lom and fifth in the giant slalom (75), only four points behind the Fighting Irish. Eric Weiland (45.82) finished second in the slalom and Tyler Kenerson (45.77) finished in ninth place. Weiland later took second in the giant slalom at 38.64. Chris Bland took 13th at 40.14.

"The boys skied really well. It was a better race than we've seen through the season," Foyteck said.

"It's the best they've skied together this season," he added.

Foyteck hopes the boys finish in one of the top three places, which would qualify them for the state finals.

Foyteck likes the way Weiland has been able to bounce back after a shaky start.

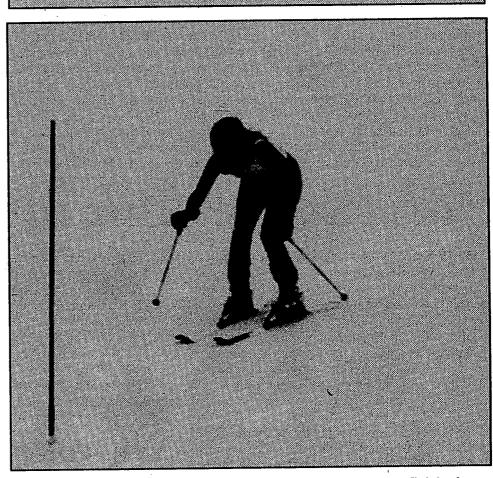
"He's been skiing really well the last two weeks. (He had) a couple off-kilter races at the start, (but) he's really coming back. It's a good time to peak," Foyteck said.

Keeping the girls grounded with the season's success has been on Foyteck's agenda.

"I tell them to go gate by gate. If you take care of yourself on the hill, everything else will take care of itself."

Halsey said the Wolves' biggest competition at the regionals will come from Brother Rice, who finished in third place in the state last season.

Check our Web site for the results of Monday's OAA skiing tournament at www.clarkstonnews.com



Kelly Peters races down the hill at Pine Knob on Feb. 7. Peters finished seventh in the slalom and glant slalom and the girls took first place overall. Photo by Paul Kampe

Wolves split at hockey showcase

Clarkston beats Utica Eisenhower, then defeated by Northville

BY PAUL KAMPE

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Clarkston skated in the High School Hockey Weekend Showcase at Kennedy Ice Arena in Trenton, hoping to build on the team's moderate success in its non-league schedule this season.

The 32-team tournament featured all division I teams ranked in the top 10 by the Associated Press, 18 state-ranked teams in all.

The Wolves (6-11-3) blanked Utica Eisenhower 3-0 on Friday, the Wolves' second win over the Eagles this season.

Garrett Knappe had 22 saves for his second shutout win, fifth overall, of the season. Clarkston outshot Eisenhower 38-22.

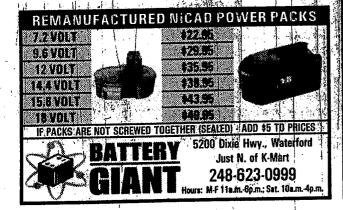
"We were defensively responsible and we got the puck on net," Clarkston coach Bryan Krygier said.

"When our shots on goal go up, an increase in the percentage of those shots going in the net is likely, and that's what happened."

Adam Frank and Chris Salo scored for Clarkston, and Jeremy Voelker had a power-play goal for the Wolves.

Their second game on Saturday was not as kind, as they fell to Northville 4-0, allowing three power-play goals and a shorthanded goal.

Krygier was impressed by the Mustangs' forwards.



"They move the puck well and they can shoot well, their guys can fire the puck," he said.

The Wolves' troubles came in their own end, Krygier said.

"We couldn't get it out of our zone. We broke down defensively," he said.

The Mustangs out-shot Clarkston 25-12 on the night.

This was the Wolves' sixth year in the tournament, one Krygier feels gains all the players excellent attention from scouts.

"It exposes them to our level of play, so they can see they don't always have to go to minors (for recruits)," he said.

"It good to see some of the best teams in the state you wouldn't normally see," he added.



Wolves win one for the seniors

BY PAUL KAMPE

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Facing Waterford Mott was no cup of cappuccino, but the Wolves took their 3-0 win over the Corsairs as a quick pickme-up prior to the Oakland Activities Association tournament days later.

Clarkston used Senior Night as their platform for a 25-6, 25-12, 25-17 win in straight sets over the winless Corsairs from OAA II. The relaxed atmosphere of the night and the competition allowed for a larger rotation by the Wolves.

"It's nice to win in three and get ev-

coach Kelly Avenall said.

"It was really spread out in the way they played and that's good," she added.

Katelyn Coates, Juliann Gillespie and Lindsay Sawyer each had five kills. Sawyer also had three blocks to her credit.

"She forces others to hit over and around her and in between her if they can. She's definitely a presence even if she doesn't always tally up those stats," Avenall said.

After a blowout first game, the Corsairs got within seven points at 17-10, but erybody in, It gives us confidence going Emily Parkin's seven straight service

into the league tournament," Clarkston points and a long Mott serve gave Clarkston the second game. Parkin recorded three aces during the match.

The Corsairs (0-23) made more out of the third game, but the Wolves (15-11-2) pulled away after taking a 9-8 lead. Unforced Corsairs errors leading to easy Clarkston points aided the Wolves as they took over the game.

"The first game was a warm up and we got better as the games went on and it's too bad it couldn't have lasted longer," Corsairs coach Jennifer Roethlisberger

Mott changed things around a bit, re-

grouping the offensive attack in the middle was one element of the transfor-

"They're switching as to where they went to hit when they're in the front," Roethlisberger said.

"They are all really happy and they feel like this is a lot better."

One of those hitters, Heather Marks had three kills, four aces and four digs.

Clarkston also had time to work on different offensive sets Sawyer and Gillespie have been perfecting in recent practices.

Clarkston faces Lake Orion in Dragon Country on Feb. 22 and they will go to Brandon on Feb. 26. Clarkston is also taking part in the Bloomfield Hills Andover Invitational on Feb. 24.

Wolves take fifth in league tournament

BY PAUL KAMPE

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Clarkston took its 4-5 league record this season into the Oakland Activities Association tournament on Saturday at Farmington High School hoping to come out better off in the league than when they went in.

This year's event is the first to weigh the nine teams place in the double-elimination tournament as 50 percent of their final standing in the league. Each team's regular-season league score is also given a 50 percent value.

The Wolves entered the day as the fourth seeded team and finished in a tie for fifth place with Bloomfield Hills Lahser. Troy was the favorite to win the tournament and the Colts did so, followed by Rochester Adams, Farmington, and Birmingham Groves.

Clarkston lost to Groves in their first game, 8-25 and 23-25.

Clarkston coach Kelly Avenall said the team's passing was the downfall against Falcons.

"They weren't communicating very well and (Groves) aced us three or four times. That doesn't usually happen to us," she said.

"Even when they were giving us free balls, we weren't able to get them up to the setter," Avenall

"We had to go to the outside hitter a lot and they (defensively) tend to camp out and block a lot."

The Wolves were unable to get middle hitter Juliann Gillespie, a huge offensive factor for Clarkston this season, involved in the play, Avenall said.

The Wolves picked it up in the second game, dropping Troy Athens 25-23 in both sets.

"That was our best hitting of the day," Avenall said.

"We had a little better ball control and passing the ball was a little bit better."

The Wolves fell to Adams in their third game, 16-25 and 20-25.

"The second game was closer, we had some really good rallies," Avenall said.

"Defensively, they were a little bit stronger than we were. They were getting to everything and digging it up. As hitters we were getting frustrated trying to find some holes in their defense and we weren't able to find any."

Amanda Byrd had 29 digs and Gillespie finished with 11 kills, five aces and five blocks.

The final OAA standings have not yet been determined due to a makeup game still to be played between Troy and Farmington Hills Harrison.

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Directors will need to be notified of plans to attend the makeup date. Both original tryout times will be 1-4 Players from all over Oakland County are welcome p.m., with a registration and mandatory parent meeting at 12:30 p.m.

The makeup time will be 7:30-9:30 p.m., with a reg-













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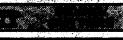
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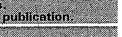




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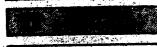
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The Wolves' Adam Frank skates in ahead of the Corsairs' defense. Clarkston beat their OAA foes 5-2 on Feb. 7. Photo by Paul Kampe

Icers win third straight league contest 5-2 over Waterford Mott

BY PAUL KAMPE Staff Writer

All Clarkston can do after an 8-0 shellacking from Orchard Lake St. Mary's in a non-league match is put the game behind them. After allowing two power-play goals to the Eaglets, the Wolves scored two of their own in a 5-2 win over their hockey cross-town rival, Waterford Mott on Feb. 7 at Lakeland Ice Arena.

The Corsairs (10-9-1) have now lost two straight following a six-game winning streak, while five games.

The Wolves (5-10-3) could not have done it without a strong showing from goaltender Garrett fourth victory of the season after turning away 37 of the Corsairs' 39 shots.

The Corsairs out-shot Clarkston 39-17.

he came up big for us," Krygier said.

"If we're going to get out-shot, we need to be within one goal or even going into the third and that's what happened

The Wolves held a 3-Clarkston is 3-2 in its past 2 lead going into the final frame and Knappe stopped Tim Greiser on two good scoring opportu-

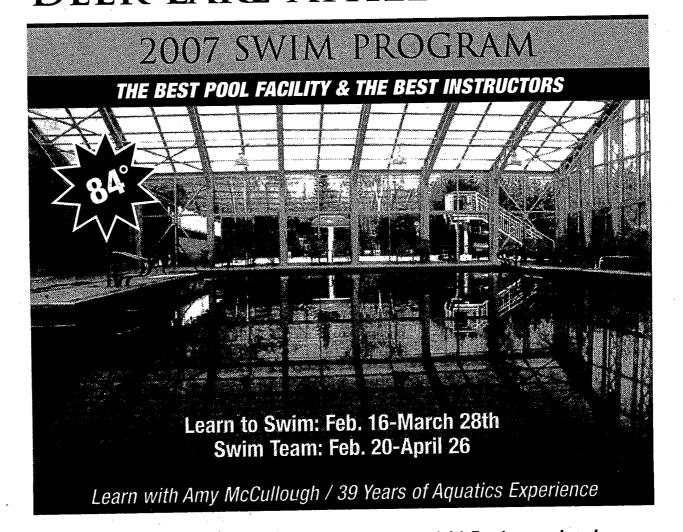
After the Corsairs Knappe, who earned his pulled Waack with 1:20 remaining, Clarkston got empty net goals from Adam Frank and Jeremy Voelker.

Voelker had two goals "We got out-shot and on the night, the first coming at 5:36 of the first pe-Wolves coach Bryan riod to give Clarkston a 2-0 lead.

Corsairs coach Marty White emphasized that Mott needs to capitalize and make the knock out punch.

"We definitely outshot them, but we just didn't finish. We didn't execute and we didn't pick the rebounds," up

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3 Wolves commit

Bergquist was initially looking into other schools in the GLIAC, but decided on Hillsdale after a visit.

"Hillsdale was the best fit. I knew it when I went there that I wanted to be a Charger."

Breen verbally agreed with PSU in June after visiting a camp there. The Nittany Lions were not the only Big Ten school showing interest in the strong-legged kicker. The University of Michigan, Michigan State University and Ohio State University were also bidding for his commitment.

"It was pretty cool having letters coming in day after day from different schools. It was kind of overwhelming," Breen said.

"They were showing a lot of interest and I really liked the campus and everything about the program," he added.

Oftentimes during the Wolves' season, Breen pinned opponents deep in their own territory, notching 32 touchbacks for the year and 84 in his career.

Richardson said Breen's kicking helped Clarkston's defense immensely.

"We played on short fields all the time because he was kicking it into their end-zone and they're starting on the 20yard line and we were holding them," Richardson said.

"He was huge for us and that's something you don't always see in getting field position."

Breen relishes the ability to make such an impact on the game with his kicking.

"I like being a weapon, especially in the kicking game. I know special teams is a big part of football and I like to be able to prove I was one of the best and I could make the other team start at the 20-yard line every time," he said.

Hall, who played right field for the Wolves last season in their run to the regional finals, was approached by the coach of the KVCC program after attending a baseball camp at Western Michigan University.

After a visit to the school, Hall said the recently-renovated facilities looked nice and he was encouraged by the success of the baseball team.

Hall is expected to pitch for the Wolves this season as well as splitting time at short-stop.

Hall and Bergquist each would like to get their degrees in business, while Breen is looking to go into elementary education.

In the meantime, Bergquist and Breen, also teammates on Clarkston's basketball team, have the end of their regular season fast approaching and a likely strong run in the state playoffs.



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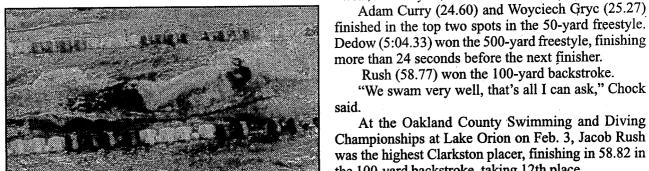
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Jacob Rush finished second at the Oakland County meet on Feb. 3 in the 100-yard backstroke. Photo by Paul Kampe

Swimmers go to county meet

BY PAUL KAMPE

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Days after the county meet in Lake Orion, the Dragons took a 101-85 win at Clarkston on Feb. 9. Greg Dedow (1:54.63) and Jacob Rush (1:58.69) finished first and second in the 200-yard freestyle.

Rush (58.77) won the 100-yard backstroke. "We swam very well, that's all I can ask," Chock

Wed., February 14, 2007 The Clarkston (MI) News 19 A Adam Curry (24.60) and Woyciech Gryc (25.27)

At the Oakland County Swimming and Diving Championships at Lake Orion on Feb. 3, Jacob Rush was the highest Clarkston placer, finishing in 58.82 in the 100-yard backstroke, taking 12th place.

"He's pretty excited about that, it was a surprise," Chock said.

Bobby Nelson took 14th (2:09.69) in the 200-yard individual medley and Phil Voorheis dropped three seconds off his qualifying time in the event, finishing at 2:11.46.

Voorheis broke the one-minute barrier in the 100yard butterfly (59.58) taking 24th place.

"It took the county meet for him to break it. It's a mental barrier sometimes," Chock said.

Dedow took 17th place (5:06.12) in the 500-yard

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Carolyn Hemphill, at right, enjoys a brief break with volunteer Van DeVogelaere.



Rick Nini talks to Jim Macielak of Infinite Spirits in the reception room, decorated with an ice sculpture.

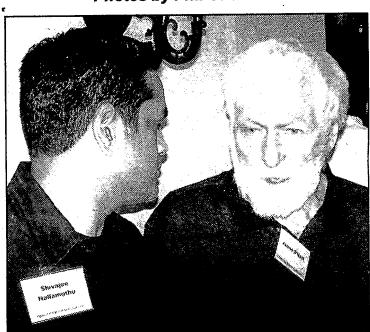


Tom and Tami Lowrie co-chaired the fund-raiser along with the Hemphills.

Friends raise funds for Lighthouse North

Hundreds of Clarkston friends and neighbors gathered for the Open Your House for Lighthouse fund-raiser this past Thursday night. Jerry and Carolyn Hemphill donated the use of their home for the event. See story on page 4A.

Photos by Phil Custodio



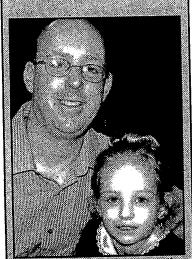
Dr. Shivajee Nallamothu greets Dr. James O'Neill.



From left are Open Your Heart hosts Laura Covintree, Dawn Horner, Fred and Sheila Ritter, Bill and Gwen Clark, Tami and Tom Lowrie, Carolyn and Jerry Hemphill, Megan O'Neill-Nini and Rick Nini, and Carolyn Parcha.

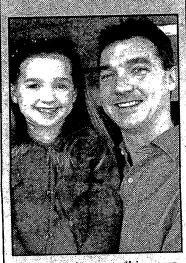
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A big catch

Clarkston boy to compete in national fishing tournament

BY PAUL KAMPE

Clarkston News Staff Writer

When most teenagers hit the mall, they head for the shops, restaurants, or theater. When 13-year-old Dylan Matheis of Independence Township visits Great Lakes Crossing, however, he's there for the Bass Pro Shop.

That's because Matheis has begun quite a career of his own as an outdoor sportsman, most notably fishing.

Growing up on Lake Oakland in the township, Dylan has fished the waters for years, which came in handy for a fall fishing tournament he entered with the Michigan Junior Bass Federation held on his home lake.

"It was pretty cool because I knew all the spots," Matheis said.

"I had been fishing there almost every day during the summer and I knew where all the fish were."

Dylan took first place at the tournament in the 11-14 age group, and his prize is a trip to the Junior Bassmaster World Championship in Birmingham, Ala., on Feb. 18.

During the first day of the tournament, held on Feb. 15, Matheis will get to fish with a professional.

Even if the pro is not a household name, it doesn't matter, Matheis said.

"If he's a pro, he's got to be good."

Dylan's mother Kristin said her son is taking the success in stride.

"He just enjoys this and he's very honest with his feelings," she said.

"It's nice to watch your child excel at something they really enjoy."

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Despite his years of experience, Matheis said he never contemplated fishing competitively until last year.

"I'm probably going to fish in a league for a long time."

To prepare for the big event, Matheis said he has been stocking up on the necessities at Bass Pro.

The Matheis family has spent many hours and large sums of money on their outdoor needs over the years.

"Cabela's and Bass Pro are in business because of my husband and his family," Kristin joked.

The years of shopping at Bass Pro have not been lost on Dylan.

"If you told me the product you needed, I could go in there and get it five seconds. I know where everything is," he remarked.

"He knows where everything is and how to use everything. It's amazing when you go in there," Kristin said.

Matheis said he longs for the day when he can visit the Cabela's store in Dundee.

"I would do anything to go to that place. They

have that huge thing in the middle with all the animals in it and guns all the way around," he said.

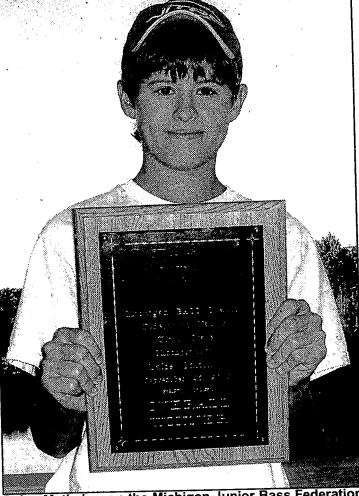
Matheis is a committed eighth-grader at Clarkston Junior High School, and scored a 104 percent on his hunter's safety final exam at age 11.

He always makes sure his schoolwork is taken care of before heading out for outdoor sports with the family.

"Every time hunting and fishing come up, I try and get my homework done. I don't like sitting at home and just letting the guys go. If that stuff comes up, I just put my mind to it and get it done," Matheis said.

He sometimes practices at the Oakland County Sportsmen's Club in Independence Township, and the family belongs to Hunters Creek in Metamora.

His father, John, got him into fishing when Dylan was much more involved with hunting. Dylan said he enjoys the competitive nature of the sport, similar to hockey, which he has been



Dylan Matheis won the Michigan Junior Bass Federation last year, earning him a spot at the Junior Bassmaster World Championship in Alabama on Sunday. *Photo submitted*

playing since he was 3-years-old.

The Matheis men enjoy outdoor sporting year-round.

"We're outdoors all the time, it doesn't matter what we're doing," Dylan said.

"We fish and hunt every weekend," he added. "Anything he likes to do, I like to do and (vice-versa)."

Dylan Matheis also lends a hand in the summer at his grandfather's store, Hank's Ultimate Fly Fishing, in Orion Township. His grandpa sometimes pays him in fishing poles. He caught a 30-pound salmon in Manistee last year with a rod he earned.

"I caught five that day, (but) that one took me a long time."

A well-spoken teenager, he has been described as an old soul, his mother Kristin said.

Matheis has been fishing as long as his young memory can recall.

"I've been fishing since I was a baby," he joked.

"I have no idea (how), I can't remember that long ago. I have a bunch of pictures of me when I was a tiny kid and I grew up on a lake, so that's what I did every day," Matheis said.

He is also learning quite a bit about the state's natural features as he travels with his family around the Great Lake State. On a trip to the Upper Peninsula last year, he recalled the sight-seeing.

"I love it," he said. "I got to see every little town, Copper Harbor, Lewiston, everywhere. We stopped at a lot of rivers."

The one that didn't get away

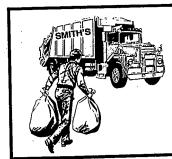
Dylan Matheis had been fishing his home lake, Lake Oakland, for the entire summer leading up to the Michigan Junior Bass Federation fall tournament.

His victory in the state finals of his league almost did not happen. Nearing the finishing time of a late-season match, he had not secured the winning fish.

"We were just about to go back to the

launch and we were fishing on this little dropoff I like to fish and that was our last spot and I was mad because this is my home lake and I just screwed it all up, and all of a sudden I hooked into this giant 16-inch fish and landed it and I had to pull it up into the boat," Matheis remembered.

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Club Bookworm, 10-11 a.m., Feb. 22, Senior Center, 6000 Clarkston Rd. Feb. book: "A Lesson Before Dying" by Ernest Gaines. Copies available after Feb. 1. Call 248-625-8231 ext. 14.

Simulcast on the crisis of childhood obesity, 7:15-8:45 p.m., Feb. 22, Calvary Lutheran Church. Dr. Walt Larimore will also present a clinically proven, step-by-step lifestyle change program designed for the whole family. 6805 Bluegrass Drive, SW corner of I-75 and M-15. 248-625-3288.

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Wild Game Dinner, 6 p.m., Feb. 24, Liberty Banquet Center on Maybee Rd. \$35 per ticket, sold in advance by calling the Clarkston Free Methodist Church at 248-623-1224. Guest Speaker - Jeff Totten, Chapel Leader for the Detroit Tigers. Door prizes to be given away.

Health Talk, 1 p.m., Feb. 26. Penny Brown, RN, Oakland County. Independence Township Senior Center, 6000 Clarkston Road. 248-625-8231.

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'Pride and Prejudice'

Michele Ankoviak of Clarkston, at right, and Lena Al-Manooti of Bloomfield Hills perform a scene in the Oakland Theatre Guild production of "Pride and Prejudice." The show runs weekends from Feb. 16-25 at the Starlight Theater, 315 N. Telegraph. Showtimes are 7:30 p.m. on Feb. 16, 17, 22, and 23; 2 p.m. on Feb. 18 and 25; and 4 p.m. on Feb. 24. Tickets are \$14 for adults, \$12 for seniors and \$10 for students. Call 248-335-1788.

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Benefit dinner, Muscular Dystrophy Association, 4-9 p.m., March 13, Pete's Coney

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Pizza & Pages Book Club, 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., March 17. "Body of Christopher Creed," by Carol Plum-Ucci. Springfield Twp. Library, 12000 Davisburg Road. 734-281-3830.

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Tai Chi, 11 a.m.-noon, Mondays, through Jan 15, St. Dan's Cushing Center. John Marchewitz studied in China and has been teaching the Wu Style T'ai Chi Ch'uan form for 12 years. Eight classes for \$36. Next session Jan 22-March 26 - nine classes for \$40.50.

Volleyball Practices, 9:30-11:30 a.m. Mondays at Colombiere on Big Lake Road, and 9-11 a.m., Thursdays at St. Trinity Lutheran Church on Sashabaw Road. League games Tuesdays at the Warren Community Center. Call 248-625-8231 and leave name and phone number.

BNI, Clarkston-Waterford Chapter, 7 a.m., Tuesdays, Oakland County Board of Realtors office. Formore information, call Cheryl Bean at 248-625-7550.

Income Tax Preparation Assistance Program for Seniors, 9 a.m.-noon, Tuesdays, Avalon Hospice, a nonprofit through April 10. Carriage House, 6000 Clarkston Road. Call 248-625-8231 to make ap-

SMILE OF THE MONTH Stefani Galik



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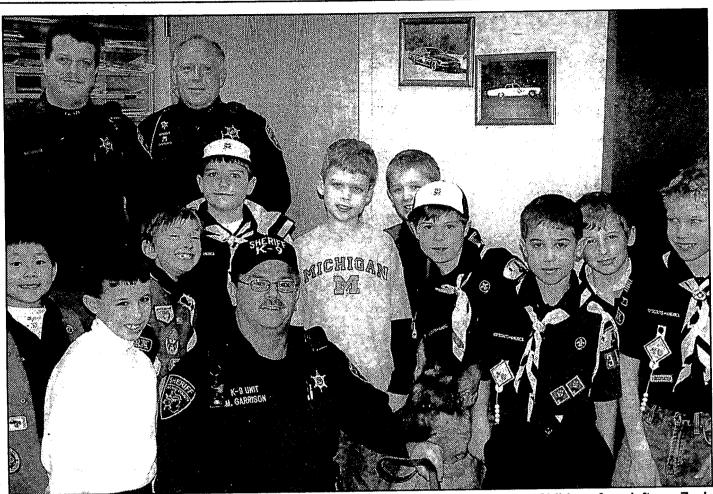
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Scouts learn about police work

Bailey Lake Cub Scouts Pack 341, Den 7, and their families visited the Oakland County Sheriff's Office on Citation Drive in Clarkston on Tuesday, Jan.

They learned how to help with crime prevention in their home, stay safe, and help the police in an emergency.

They also received a visit from Deputy Garrison and his dog Bodi from the K-9 unit. He explained what Bodi does for Oakland County.

Country singers at Carrick concert

Carrick's House Concerts hosts the Ginn Sisters of Austin, Texas, and Chris Buhalis of Ann Arbor at 4 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 18.

Doors open at 3 p.m. for pizza and mingling: Donation of \$10 includes pizza, snacks and coffee or water.

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Tiffani sings lead, plays guitar and writes the songs while Brit sings harmonies and plays melodica and flute.

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Milestones

Students achieve success

Christine Marie Witkowski of Clarkston was named to the Dean's List at Northwestern University in Illi-

She is the daughter of Mike Witkowski and Kathleen Smith of Clarkston.

Brad Gale was named to the Dean's List at Michigan State University for fall semester.

He is a 2006 graduate of Clarkston High School, and a student in the Lyman-Briggs School of Science and Math.

Cary Marie Henneman and Brenton John Place, both of Anderson University in Indiana. Clarkston, were named to the Dean's List for the 2006 spring semester at earn a 3.5/4.0 GPA.



Christine Marie Witkowski

To make the list, students must

Business news

chairman of Clarkston Financial Corporation, the holding company for Clarkston State Bank.

Rogers, 67, has been a director of Clarkston State Bank since its inception in 1999. He follows Edwin L. Adler as bank chairman.

Adler retired from active, daily involvement with the Bank Board, but remains chairman and CEO of the holding company, a title he has held since the bank's founding.

Rogers is executive director of Automation Alley and the deputy county executive for Oakland County, where he oversees strategic planning and ongoing activities.

Kenneth Rogers is the new County's community and economic development, where he was responsible for the planning and development division and the community development division.

He was also one of the founders of Oakland County's Economic Development Corporation, served as a memberof the governor's conference on small business, and was president of the Oakland County Chamber of Commerce.

He also served as a director for St. Joseph Mercy Hospital of Pontiac and the United Way of Oakland County.

He holds a Bachelor of Science degree in public administration and an honorary Doctor of Public Service de-He was director of Oakland gree from Central Michigan University.

Got a Milestone to share?

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Groups offer joint scholarships

Four local health-care businesses will Clarkston Rotary. award four \$1,000 scholarships to Clarkston area high school students pursuing a career in the Health Sciences

The Clarkston Health Care Professional Joint Scholarship is facilitated through the Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce.

Scholarships include:

- Devin Werner O'Neill Memorial Scholarship, Clarkston Medical Group;
- Roeser Dental Associates; • Munk & Associates Orthodontic
- Specialists; and • Michigan Center for Orthopedic

Surgery, Shivajee Nallamothu, D.O., and Edward J. Lis, Jr., D.O.

Five area service organizations are also working together to offer local scholarships.

The Joint Scholarship cooperative undertaking includes Clarkston Area Optimists Club, Clarkston Farm and Garden the chamber office. Deadline is March Club, Clarkston Foundation, and the 1. For information, call 248-625-8055.

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

The joint application form represents a pool of more than \$17,000 available through 17-19 individual scholarships, one scholarship award per student from each organization.

Scholarship applications are available at the Chamber of Commerce, 5856 S. Main St.; Clarkston High School Counseling office, 6093 Flemings Lake Rd.; and the Independence Township Library, 6495 Clarkston Rd., and online at www.Clarkston.org.

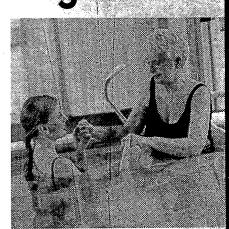
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Religion

Make Valentine's a happy day!

woman who went to a lawyer.

She said, "I want to get a divorce.

"I really hate my husband, and I want to hurt him. Give me some advice. I want to get his gold.

I want to give him the shaft. I want to hurt him everyway I can."

The attorney said, "All right, here's what you do. For the next three months while we're going through the divorce proceedings, don't criticize your husband.

"Only speak kind words to him. Build him up. Every time he does something nice, commend him for it. Tell him what a great guy he is, and do that for three months.

"After he thinks that he has your confidence and love, hit him with the news and it will hurt him good."

The woman thought, "Perfect! I can play that game!"

So she complimented her husband for everything he did.

For three months she told him what a great man he was. Eventually the lawyer called the

He said, "I haven't heard from you in a while.

You may have heard the story about a Come to my office today and we can sign the final papers."

She replied, "What? I don't want a divorce anymore! We're planning a second honeymoon!"

I believe that when a marriage crumbles, often it's because we've forgotten how to compliment and build each other up.

Let's face it, most men want to be treated like a knight in shining armor. Most women want to be treated like a princess.

What happens over time is that we end up treating each other like Fred and Wilma

I love it when my wife compliments me and makes me feel like I'm the strongest and handsomest guy in the world. (Yes, handsomest is a

I know I'm not, but it still makes me feel good! My wife loves it when I treat her like a princess. And yes, she is a princess!

So don't sit around and hope that Valentine's Day will be a happy day.

Make it happen!

"Clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, patience...forgive as the Lord forgave you. And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity." (Colossians 3:12-14)

Greg Henneman is pastor of Clarkston Community Church, 6300 Clarkston Road, 248-625-1323.

In our churches...

Labyrinth, prayer and reflection, Ash Wednesday, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. and 5-9 p.m., Clarkston United Methodist Church, 6600 Waldon Road. 248-625-1611.

Prayer for Couples, a 6-week series that begins Feb. 17, Saturdays, 6:30-8:30 p.m. For details go to www.coupleprayer.org or call 248-625-1750. Babysitting available. St Daniel Catholic Church, 7010 Valley Park.

"Learn to Speak Peace" workshop, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., Feb. 18. With Rich Chakrin, a state trained mediator who teaches for Wayne Sate University's Center for Peace and Conflict Studies. Hosted by Peace Unity at Sashabaw Presbyterian, 5300 Maybee Rd. 248-891-4365.

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.

Peace Unity Church of Clarkston will offer "Teach Us To Pray," the first in a series of classes for 2007. Tuesday evenings, 7 p.m., at the McLoskeys home, 590 Crestmoor Circle, Oxford. Reverend Mathew E. Long will facilitate the class. Who, What, When, Where, Why and How of Prayer and Meditation, in-

Please see In Our Churches, page 6B



Spiritual

Pastor Greg Henneman

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CLARKSTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

6600 Waldon Road. Clarkston 248-625-1611 Website:clarkstonumc.org Sunday Worship: 9:00 am & 11:15 am Sunday Connection Service: 6:00 pm Fellowship Time: 10:00 am & 12:15 pm Nursery available for both services Children's Sunday School:

ST, TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH "Lutheran Church -

9:00 am, 10:10 am, 11:15 am

& 6:00 pm service

Adult Sunday School: 10:10 am

Missouri Synod", 7925 Sashabaw Road (1/4 mile N. of DTE Music Theater) Clarkston, MI 48348 (248) 625-4644 Worship: Sun. 8:15 am & 11:00 am Sat. 6:00 pm Sunday School 9:45 am Preschool: 3-4 years old Preschool: 620-6154

6765 Rattalee Lake Road Clarkston, 48348 DIXIE BAPTIST CHURCH (248)625-1344 8585 Dixie Highwy, Services: Sunday 10:00am Clarkston, MI Morning Worship Service (248) 625-2311 Exploration Station website: www.dixiebaptist.org Children's Ministry Home of 5pm Evening Worship Service Springfield Christian Academy Studio 7/S.C.O.R.E.-& Children's Ark Preschool Children Ministry Pastor: J. Todd Vanaman Wed. 6:45pm Fit For Life Sun: 10:00 am Sunday School Adult Life Ministry & Adult Bible Fellowship c.r.a.v.e.-Student Life Ministry 11:00 am Worship Service Ozone - Children's Life Ministry 6:00 pm Worship Service Nurture Center/Wonderland Wed: 6:45 pm AWANA available for all services 7:00 pm Teen Meetings A Church For Life & Adult Bible Study www.bridgewoodchurch.com

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Evangelical Presbyterian Church Sunday Worship 10:30 am New Location 9600 Ortonville Rd. (M-15) Clarkston, MI 48348 (2 miles north of I-75; church entrance is on Hadley Rd.) (248) 922-3515 www. northoakschurch.org Pastor Steve I. Brown

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CONGREGATIONAL **CHURCH**

5449 Clarkston Rd., Clarkston (248) 394-0200 Rev. Martin Hall Sunday Worship:10:00 a.m. Children's Sunday School 10:00 am Dream Keepers Youth Group Wednesday 6:30 pm

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH **OF CLARKSTON**

5972 Paramus, Clarkston, MI (248) 625-3380 Located 2 blks. N. of Dixie Hwy. (E.of M-15) Pastor: Russ Reetsma Sun: 9:15 am Sunday School & Adult Bible Fellowship 10:30 am Worship Service 5:00 pm Choir Practice 6:00 pm Evening Service Món: 6:30 pm Awana Wed: 10:00 am Morning Prayer Partners 7:00 pm Prayer Meeting & Bible Study

THE EPISCOPAL CHURCHOFTHE

RESURRECTION 6490 Clarkston Rd., Clarkston Fr. Don Duford, D. Min., LPC Sunday 8 am & 10 am Holy Eucharist Sunday School 9:55 am Nursery Provided
David Hottel - Music Minister Dina Edwards - Director of Children's Ministry Charlie Dean - Youth Ministry
Laura Compton -Director of Lay Ministry Bible Study -Wed., 9:30 am & 7 pm Sept thru June www.clarkstonepiscopal.org

248-625-2325

ST. DANIEL CATHOLIC CHURCH

7010 Valley Park Dr., Clarkston (W. of M-15, S. of I-75) 625-4580 Rev. Christopher Maus Saturday Mass: 5:00 pm Sunday Masses: 7:30, 9:00 & 11:00 am Nursery Available: 9:00 & 11:00 Religious Education: 625-1750 Mother's Group, RCIA, Scripture Study, Youth Group

SASHABAW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 5300 Maybee Road, Clarkston Worship 10:30 am

Nursery Provided Phone (248) 673-3101

CLARKSTONFREE **METHODIST CHURCH**

5482 Winell-Clarkston (corner of Maybee & Winell) 248-623-1224 Service 9:00 • 10:30 www.ClarkstonFMC.org Wednesday 7 pm Youth & Adult Ministry

CLARKSTON **COMMUNITY CHURCH** 6300 Clarkston Road Clarkston (248) 625-1323

Home of Clarkston Christian School Pastors: Greg Henneman, Bonita Laudeman Kevin Kuehne, Michael Anderson, Dan Whiting Sunday: Worship 9:30 & 11:00 am School of Discipleship 11:00 am Nursery Care at all services Wednesday: Children's Ministries 5:30-8:00 pm Sunday: Youth Ministries 5:00-7:00 pm www.clarkstoncchurch.com

Leigh Alfred Gentges

Leigh Alfred Gentges, age 87 of Clarkston, died peacefully at home on Feb. 3.

Mr. Gentges was preceded in death by Ruth (Yager), his first wife of 40 years, brother George Gentges, and sister Kathryn Snell.



He was the beloved husband of Patricia; loving father of Chris

(Gordon) Behn, David (Pam) Gentges, Linda Christopher, Rick (Sue) Gentges, Gary (Laura) Gentges, Scott (Tammy) Bruske and Craig Bruske; cherished grandfather of Brad, Kyle, Andrew, Phillip Gentges, Jon Christopher, Michael (Emily) Gentges-Sliwinski, Kelli and Brett Bruske; great grandfather of Isabella and Rebecca Gentges-Sliwinski; dear brother of Dorothy (Johnny) Dushane, Gene (Sue) Gentges, Jack (Shirley) Gentges: and also survived by many nieces and nephews.

Mr. Gentges was a decorated veteran of the Coast Guard and served in the South Pacific during World War II. He spent his entire career with GMC Truck where he held a variety of management positions. When he retired in 1981, he was the Director of Labor Rela-

Mr. Gentges was a devoted husband, and loving father/grandfather and will be missed by all. He was an ardent sportsman and loved to golf, fish and hunt. For many years he went on annual fishing trips to Canada with the same group of friends and he hunted yearly in the UP and out-of-state, with his sons, brothers, nephews and friends.

He enjoyed these activities until he was in his early 80's. He also loved to travel and he and his wife Patt enjoyed trips all over the world with the Nomads Travel Club. His favorite trip was to East Africa, on a camera

Mr. Gentges was a lifetime member of the Pontiac/ Waterford Elks Club and was an avid participant in club activities for many years.

Special thanks to caregivers, Jackie Christian, Phu Thi Mahaffey, and Rhonda Roteman, for taking such good care of him.

The family asks that donations in his memory be made to the Cranbrook Hospice or any organization of your choice.

A Memorial Service will be held on Friday, March 16, at 11 a.m., at the First Congregational Church, 5449 Clarkston Road, where friends may visit10 a.m. until time of service.

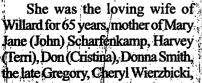
Funeral arrangements entrusted to the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston.

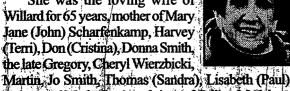
Online guest book

http:// www.wintfuneralhome.com.

Ann Marie Smith

Ann Marie Smith of Clarkston passed away on Feb. 4 at the age of





Geisert and Mark (Sara), and sister of Callista Madalene She was preceded in death by her siblings John,

Gerald, Mary Magdalene, Adrian J., Patricia, Mary Marguerite, Dennis, Vincent and The Honorable Craigen J. Oster. Funeral Mass was Feb. 7, at St. Daniel Catholic Church, Clarkston. Rosary and visitation was Feb. 6 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston. Interment All Saints Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Capuchin Soup Kitchen. On line guestbook located at www.wintfuneralhome.com.

In Our Churches —

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cluding: Silent Unity Prayer Method, Prayer Treatments for Healing Harmony and Abundance, Treasure Mapping, and the Master Mind Principle. All are welcome. Call 248-891-4365 or email peace.unity@sbcglobal.net.

Moms in Touch, community group, meeting and prayers for local schools, Fridays, 9-10 a.m., Clarkston Community Church. 248-625-1323.

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.

Scripture Study, Mondays, 7 p.m. study of Book of Isaiah. 248-625-1750. \$10 for materials. St. Daniel Catholic Church, 7010 Valley Park Drive.

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.

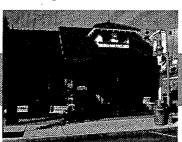
St. Daniel Catholic Church holds Rainbows meetings on Thursdays from 7-8 p.m. in the Cushing Center. Rainbows is an outreach program for children and adults dealing with change in their lives due to death, divorce or other significant loss. St. Daniel Catholic Church is located at 7010 Valley Park Drive. Call 248-625-1750.



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Winter snow and ice call for increased caution

By Phil Custodio

With snowfall and colder temperatures finally arriving this season, skiers and snowboarders want to hit the slopes. One person they should try to avoid professionally, however, is Dr. Shivajee Nallamothu.

Nallamothu, a Doctor of Orthopedics, is the one who would have to fix their leg, knee, or other broken bones resulting from careless injuries.

"I see a lot of kids with wrist fractures," he said. "They fall with their arms outstretched."

Worldwide, doctors treat about 100,000 wrist fractures among snowboarders per year. To avoid breaks, snowboarders should wear wrist braces or guards, as well as a helmet to avoid more serious head injuries.

Braces should be worn in all extreme sports, including skate boarding and rollerblading.

"They should be wearing helmets too

they fall fast and hard," Nallamothu

During this time of year, even normal walking can be risky, for people of all ages.

"Black ice," he said. "Falls cause horrible injuries."

Falling forward causes injuries to wrists, but falling backwards can be

"You fall on your elbows – that causes devastating injuries," he said.

To treat such injuries requires braces and casts, and sometimes actual surgery, with implanted pins and plates. Reha-

bilitation can last for months, and serious injuries can result in lifetime disability.

To avoid these types of injuries, the doctor recommends taking your time – put on a good set of shoes or boots, turn on the lights, watch for ice, and walk carefully, even if only going out to get the newspaper or bring in the trash can.

"Take your time and look where you're going," he said. "Buy salt, and salt every exit."

If the driveway is covered in ice, walk on the snow.

"The big thing is to turn on the lights

it will help you see the ice and avoid
those areas," he said.

Businessmen and women should wear rubber-soled shoes when walking outside, and carry their dress shoes and high heels until they get inside.

"If you're in a hurry, you're asking for trouble," he said.

Dr. Nallamothu office is located at 6310 North Sashabaw, 248-620-2325.

Other tips on the snow include:

• Ride in style: The safest way to ride a sled is to sit in a forward-facing position. To decrease the chance of injury, avoid sledding downhill headfirst.

• Think with your head when choosing a sled: Avoid sleds that are made out of thin plastic sheets. They can be pierced by sharp objects that may be buried in the sledding path. The safest sleds are equipped with runners and a steering mechanism.

• Protect your head: Children 12 years and younger should wear helmets



Dr. Shivajee Nallamothu demonstrates how he would bind a wrist injury, with the assistance of Jenny Phu, a third-year medical student from Touro University - California. *Photo by Phil Custodio*

when sledding, skiing or snowboarding to prevent head injuries. The most serious sledding injuries and most common skiing injuries result from collisions with fixed objects such as rocks or trees. Wearing a helmet can help reduce the seriousness of these injuries.

• Fall like a pro: Learning how to fall is just as important as learning how to ski or snowboard. Whenever possible, skiers and snowboarders should fall forward or sideways instead of backward to decrease the chance of a serious

knee injury

• Use the buddy system: Never participate in cold weather sports alone. Always select a partner and be sure to stay together when playing outdoors.

• Watch the terrain: Skiers and snowboarders should keep a lookout for icy patches and be prepared to make adjustments for ice, deep-powder snow and wet snow while on the slope. As snow gets packed down and turns firm, skiing and snowboarding becomes more difficult and faster.



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

FILE NO: 200703080399-DE Estate of FRENCHIE RAY DUNIVAN DECEASED Date of birth: 10/17/1942

TO ALL CREDITORS;
NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, FRENCHIE RAY DUNIVAN, DE-CEASED, who lived at 1693 Elsmere Street, Waterford, Michigan died September 6, 2006

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Mary D. Kelley, named per sonal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 1200 N. Telegraph Rd., Pontiac, Michigan 48341 0449 and the named/proposed personal repre-sentative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

Mary D. Kelley 228 W. Faimount

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE

BOARD OF REVIEW

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD

meet at the Springfield Township Civic Center, 12000 Davisburg

Road, Davisburg, Michigan for the purpose of hearing appeals for

on properties may be reviewed with the assessing staff prior to

this meeting. Anyone wishing to appeal the assessment or classi-

fication before the Board of Review must make an appointment in

advance. Appointments may be made Monday - Friday between

8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. by phoning the Assessing office at 248-

Tentative Equalization Ratio: Tentative Equalization Factor:

Real:

Review at Charter Township of Springfield, 12000 Davisburg

Road, Davisburg, Michigan 48350. All letters must be received

Review meeting should contact the Assessor's Office at least two

PUBLIC NOTICE

Because the People Want to Know

INDEPENDENCE TWP.

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Wednesday, March 7, 2007 at 7:30 PM at the Independence Town-

ship Library, 6495 Clarkston Road, Clarkston, MI 48346 to hear the

Able Mobile Housing, Petitioner

(DUE TO FIRE DAMAGE)

Slocum, Bret, Petitioner

Sunshine Acres

08-35-126-017

08-12-352-036

08-36-151-008

Hearing. For further information call (248) 625-8111.

Township Building Department (248) 625-8111

(ALREADY EXISTS)

The Independence Township Board of Appeals will meet on

5425 Cecelia Ann Ave., Lot 51, R-1A

STRUCTURE (ALREADY EXISTS)

Thendara Park Country Club

8702 Mohican Dr., Lots 14-17, R-1A

Fox Creek Associates, L.P., Petitioner

4855 Fox Creek Dr., Building 9, R-2

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN THAT THE ABOVE REQUESTS

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Zoning Board of Appeals c/o the Independence Township Building

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APPLICANT REQUEST VARIANCE TO ALLOW

TWO TEMPORARY BANNERS ON BUILDING

The Village of Fox Creek Apartment Develop-

Respectfully submitted.

Shelagh VanderVeen, Clerk

(2) business days prior to the meeting at 248-846-6530.

The Charter Township of Springfield Board of Review will

Any questions regarding the value or classification placed

The Board of Review meetings are scheduled as follows:

*9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

(*Organizational meeting ONLY)

Vicki L. Sievers, CMAE III

2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

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the year 2007 assessments.

Tuesday, March 6, 2007:

Wednesday, March 7, 2007:

Monday, March 12, 2007:

Tuesday, March 13, 2007:

before 4:30 p.m., Tuesday, March 13th, 2007.

846-6530

Real: 50%

Personal: 50%

Publish 2/14, 2/21, 2/28

following cases:

Case #07-0007

Case #07-0008

Roger J. Retford

Roger J. Retford of Sterling Heights, formerly of Oxford, passed away on his birthday, Feb. 4, at the age of 78.

He was preceded in death by his wife Georgia. He was the loving father of Tim (Camille) of Clarkston, Mark of Oxford, Kim (Eric) Herdell of Sterling Heights, and Kelly Fugitt of White Lake; grandpa of Rosemary, Steven, David, Marcus, Joshua, Tyler, Dylan, Bryan, and Noah; brother of Earl of Idaho, Tom of Ohio and Bill of Owendale.



Mr. Retford retired from Pontiac Motors. Funeral Service Thursday 10 a.m. at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston, where

friends may visit Wednesday 3-9 p.m.

Interment Christian Memorial Cemetery, Rochester Hills. Online, www.wintfuneralhome.com

PUBLIC NOTICE Because the People Want to Know

INDEPENDENCE TWP. **BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING**

AGENDA

Date and Time: February 20, 2007, at 7:30 p.m. Independence Township Library 6495 Clarkston Road, Clarkston, MI 48346

Call to Order

2. Pledge of Allegiance Roll Call

Opening Statements and Correspondence

Approval of Agenda

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 January 16, 2007 and February 6, 2007

Approval of Purchase Orders

c. Approval of Accounts Payable Check Run

New Business

 First Reading, Planned Unit Development, McLaren Health Care Corporation, Greg Lane, Petitioner, McLaren Health Care Village at Clarkston, Bow Pointe Drive, East of Sashabaw Road, 78 acres, IOP and OS-2 Zone, 08-27-251-003, 08-27-276-002. 08-27-276-004, 08-27-251-004, 08-27-251-009, 08-27-251-008, 08-27-251-005, 08-27-252-001, 08-27-252-003, and 08-27-252-004

2. Investment Report

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 necesreasonable 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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INDEPENDENCE TWP. **SYNOPSIS**

TAKEN BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE Supervisor Wagner called the February 6, 2007, meeting to order at 7:30 p.m., at the Independence Township Library.

Pledge of Allegiance Roll Call: Present: Rosso, Wenger, Travis, Kelly, Wagner, Dunn

Absent: VanderVeen There was a quorum.

1. Approved motion to appoint Dan Travis as acting Secretary.

Opening Statements and Correspondence

3. Approval of the Agenda, as amended

4. Public Forum

5. Approval of the Consent Agenda:

a. Approval of Minutes of Special Meeting dated January 9, b. Accounts Payable Check Run

c. Purchase Orders

6. Minutes of previous meeting to be reviewed and approved at next meeting.

7. Approve I motion to hire Carrie Millen-Erbe as a full-time Engi-...amedic within the organizational structure of the Fire ment, subject to her successfully passing a physical exam.

😁 to appoint Susan Aulgur, Henry Hr yan and 8. Approved and Board of Review for an additional two-year Terry Haran to term per Be∵ € r's memo.

9. Approved n. 🛷 authorize the Fire Department to enter into an agreement with Breathing Air Systems for the purchase and installation of equipment for a price not to exceed

10. Tabled policy issues on Cell Phone and Electronic Communication and Internet Use Policy.

11. Approved motion to re-appoint Fred Roeser, Mike Spillum and David Lohmeier to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commis-

12. Approved motion to enter into Closed Session at 8:16 p.m.

13. Approved motion to adjourn regular meeting at 9:35 p.m. Shelagh VanderVeen **Township Clerk**

Published: 2/14/07

Susan G. Natwick

Susan G. "Sue" Natwick of Clarkston, formerly of Pine River, Minn., passed away suddenly on Feb. 10 at the age of

She was preceded in death by her husband Ted; beloved sister of Laura (the late Troy)Grogan; like a second



mother to nieces and nephews: Troy Aubrey (Lori) Grogan of Clinton Twp., Clark (Jacki) Grogan of Waterford, Suzanne (Charles) Tobey of Ortonville; like a grandmother to her great nieces and nephews: Angela (Randy) Bushong, Sarah Grogan, James Biondo, Daniel Pontzio, Nycole (Todd) Garza, Aaron (Kelly) Blackmer, Andrea (Carlisle) Nelson, Angela (Tom) Hawke, Shannon Tobey, Jon (Jocelyn) Mielke. Also survived by several great great nieces and nephews.

Mrs. Natwick was a piano teacher and spiritual mother to many in Pine River.

Funeral service Tuesday at 12:30 p.m. at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston, where friends may visit Monday 3-5 and 7-9 p.m.

Interment Pine Ridge Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Centerpointe Christian Church, Waterford. On line guest www.wintfuneralhome.com.

Brenda Carol Medlock

Brenda Carol Medlock of Davisburg passed away on Feb. 8 at the age of 53.

She was the loving wife of Bobby; beloved mother of Stacey Rambow of Davisburg; daughter of Jean (Bud) Jenks of Waterford; sister of Laura (Mark) Thompson, Jim (Denise) Cole and Bob Cole.



Funeral service was Sunday, Feb. 11, at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston.

Memorials may be made to American Cancer Online guest book Society. www.wintfuneralhome.com.

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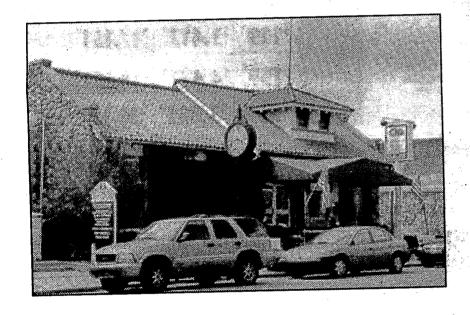
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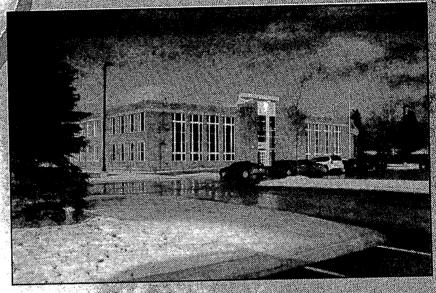
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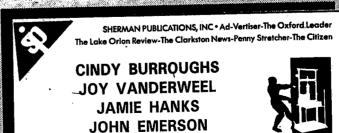


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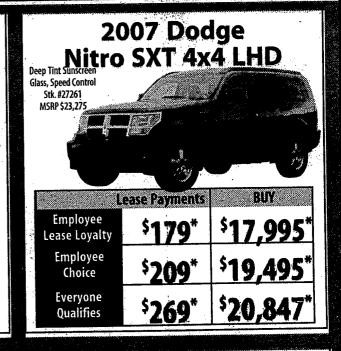


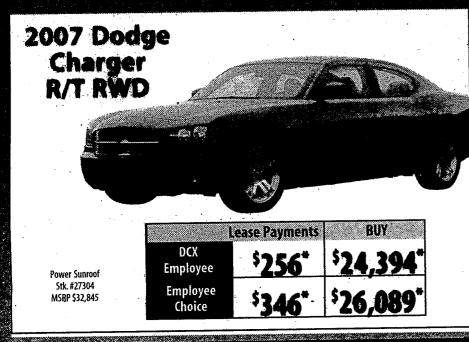
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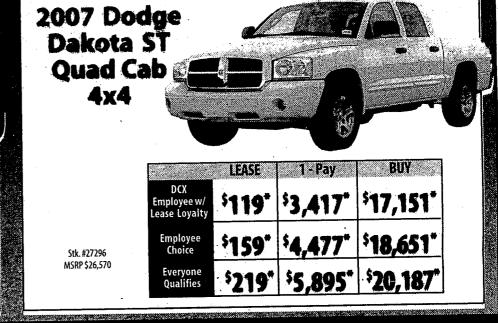
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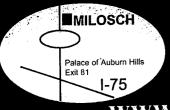






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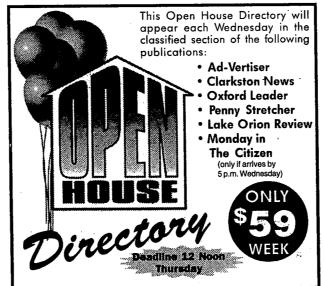
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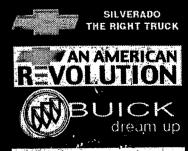


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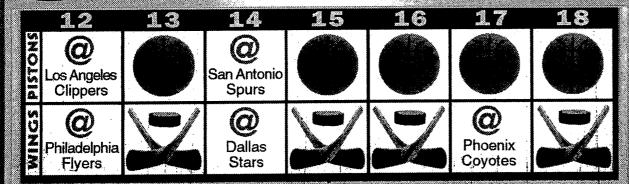
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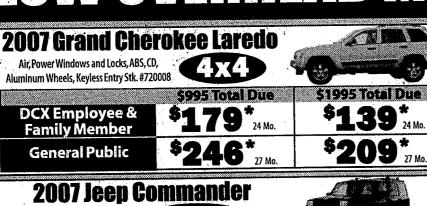
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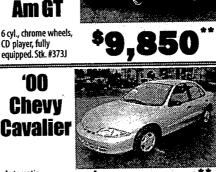
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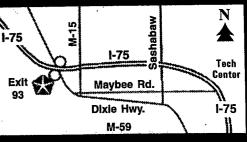
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