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From left are Clarkston area U.S. Army recruiters Sgt. Matthew Harper, Sgt. Sal Lazzara, Sgt. James Bedford, Sgt. Kevin Donovan, Ssg. Aaron Stuckey, Sfc. Thomas Twigg, and Sfc. Nathan Singer, gathered for an open house this past Saturday. Photos by Phil Custodio

New neighbors come to town

BY PHIL CUSTODIO
Clarkston News Editor

A new tenant has taken up shop in the Northway Plaza on Dixie Highway and White Lake Road.

U.S. Army and Air Force recruiting offices are open for business, recently moved from Pontiac, and young men and women are signing up.

"I wanted to do something with my life," said Alyssa Hubbard of Pontiac, who will use her training in the Air Force to become a mechanic.

"I want to serve my country," said

Michael Cabic of Oxford, criminal justice student at University of Michigan in Dearborn.

Cabic, who is set for officer training, plans to make a career out of the military, he said.

"It's a good way to get training and serve my country," said Jeff Holzer of Highland, who will learn utility systems diagnostics - plumbing to civilians.

"I want to get an education, serve my country, and travel the world," said Derek Houle of White Lake.

Recruiting for the Air Force is Senior

Airman Johnathon Zolnai. Station manager of the Army side of the building is SFC Thomas Twigg.

Zolnai grew up in Holt. He worked as a firefighter and paramedic for three years before joining the Air Force in 2003.

He trained at Moody Air Force Base in Georgia with its Contingency Response Group, trained in base defense, emergency response, and other combat duties.

He served three tours in Iraq over the past four years, for a total of about two-and-a-half years.

"I loved it," he said. "It's a great country. We had all sorts of fun."

For young men and women joining or already in the military, the country is at war - Iraq is the place to go, he said.

"When you're in, you want to go there," he said. "I'd go back in a heartbeat."

Iraq was the ultimate test for his unit's base-security mission, he said.

"We aced the test," he said.

After three years with the unit, he was due for a transfer. He trained as a recruiter, and will now serve the Clarkston area until 2010.

Twigg enlisted in 1992 at the Burton recruiting station. He served in Germany for five years, then volunteered for recruiter training.

He served as a recruiter in Indiana, and recruiting station manager in Flint before opening the Independence Township station.

With the Internet, young people are more informed than ever, and know Army service might mean combat duty in Iraq or Afghanistan. But they are still signing up, Twigg said.

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From left are Air Force potential recruit Hani Shukur, recruit Jeff Holzer, Senior Airman Johnathon Zolnai, and recruit Derek Houle.

46 teachers laid off

BY PHIL CUSTODIO
Clarkston News Editor

Forty-six Clarkston teachers will soon receive lay-off notices - more than triple last year's pink-slip list.

Approved April 2, by a 6-1 vote of the Board of Education, the list includes 21 elementary and 25 secondary teachers.

Nine are new teachers who were featured in *The Clarkston News* this past fall.

The layoffs are not due to any sort of negative performance by the teachers - they are needed because of budget reductions of up to \$5.49 million. These cuts are needed because of drops in state funding and enrollment, increases in insurance and retirement costs, and other factors, said Superintendent Al Roberts.

"I can't think of anyone in the district who is happy we need to go through this process tonight," Roberts said.

"We don't want to lose anyone," said Linda Nester, executive director of human resources.

Some of them may be recalled later in the summer, Nester said.

Treasurer John Koval voted against the staff reductions.

"I have a philosophical disagreement with the way we do some of these cuts," Koval said.

Teacher contracts, typical of those throughout the state, require lay-off notices to be sent by April - if not, teachers are assured employment the following school year.

This results in teachers being laid off in the spring to provide the school board with fiscal flexibility, then some are rehired in the summer as "soft numbers," including state funding, enrollment, and negotiated employee salaries, become clearer.

Budget reduction lists approved by the board earlier this school year include staff lay-offs of about 25 full- and part-time employees, saving about \$1.3 million. Last year, 14 teachers were laid off. Seven were recalled.

"Every year, the same thing happens," Koval said. "I feel bad that every year, they have this to look forward to."

Easter services

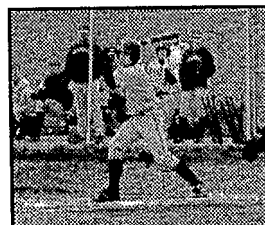
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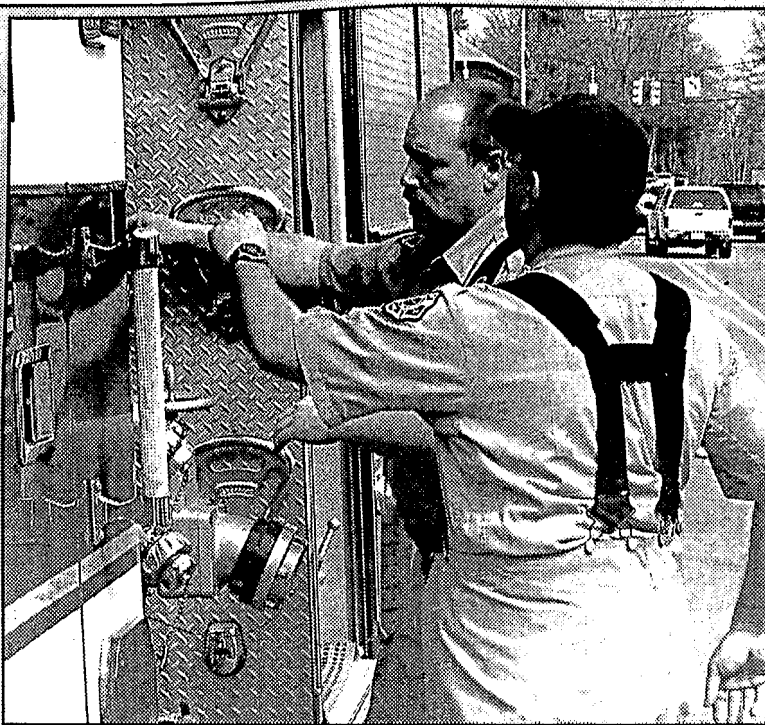
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Practice makes perfect

The sky was blue, but water still fell as the Independence Township Fire Department trained with their pumper truck at the Mill Pond March 26. At right, Walt Dixon, on-call firefighter with Independence Township Fire Department, performs engine training with Mike White, engineer/paramedic, in hat. Becoming a driver with the department requires years of experience and extensive engineer classes, such as this training.

Photo at right courtesy of ITFD.
Below, by Paul Kampe



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The Second Front

Briefly

Donations for Senior Party

The finance committee for the Clarkston High School Senior Party is seeking donations of any size from businesses and individuals.

The all-night, lock-in party is set for the night after graduation, May 30, to provide a fun time for seniors, while keeping them safe.

Make checks payable to: CHS Senior All Night Party. Collecting donations is Mike Weightman, 248-330-8987.

For more information, call party Chair Darlene Dupnack at 248-625-8771.

\$573,000 OK'd for computers

Clarkston Board of Education voted unanimously April 2 to approve purchase of 620 new HP/Compaq computers for the high school.

At a discounted price of \$900 each, plus 200 teacher-workstation adaptors at \$75 each, the total is \$573,000.

The 4-year-old Dell computers they will replace will be distributed to other schools in the district.

The purchase is a capital expense funded by the 2003 School Bond, of \$83.7 million. About \$6 million is left.

By state law, the borrowed money can only be used for capital expenses, not operating costs such as salaries.

Author signing set April 25

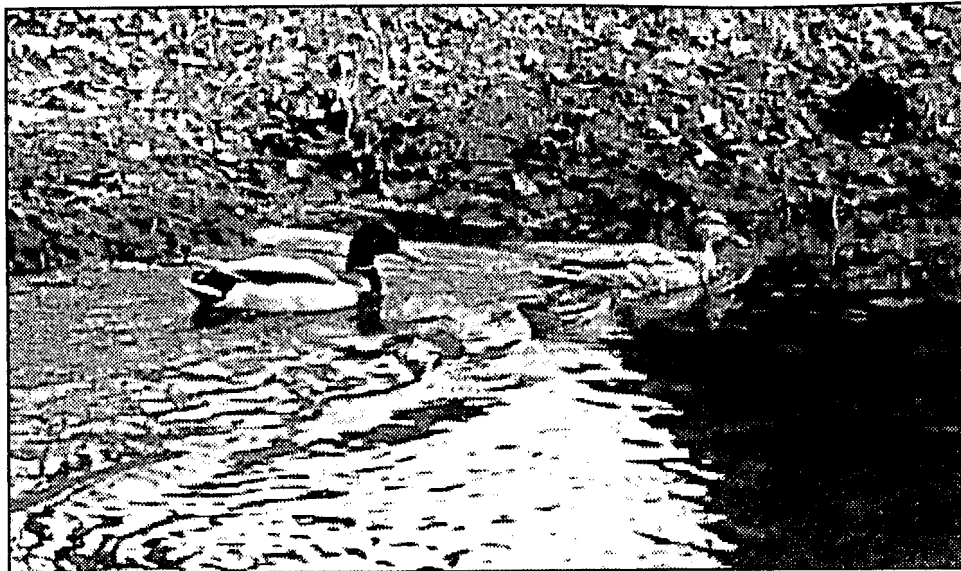
Spring Into Reading has invited authors Jerry Pallotta, Dan Greenburg, Gijsbert van Frankenhuyzen, and Rafe Martin to Independence Township.

SIR, a community committee of parents, teachers, media specialists, public librarians, and other community members, bring quality authors and illustrators to students and the public.

An author signing is set for 6-8 p.m., Wednesday, April 25, at the Independence Township Public Library, 6495 Clarkston Road. Books will be available for purchase, cash or checks only, and can be signed by the authors that night.

The committee is affiliated with Clarkston parent-teacher groups as well as the Clarkston Foundation.

For more information, call Sandy Gallivan, Clarkston Elementary at 248-623-5146 or Sharon Crain, Springfield Plains Elementary, at 248-623-3809.



Local parks are important to wildlife, such as these ducks. Photo by Phil Custodio

'Ecological showcase' planned for Depot Park

BY LAURA COLVIN
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Three University of Michigan grad students arrived in town last week to present Clarkston officials with a preliminary plan to transform Depot Park into an ecological showcase.

The plan included conceptual plans and ideas for projects like rain gardens, native plantings, stream bank stabilization, and green energy.

"We want to be able to show techniques in the park that people can use at their homes to help preserve the ecological integrity of the area," said Eric Bauer, who like his two partners in the project, is a Master's of Landscape Architecture candidate at the UM School of Natural Resources and Environment.

Low-impact development—ecologically sensitive design to minimize the impact of humans on the environment—is key in the concepts and ideas the group will develop over the summer and into the fall.

Bauer said the group intends to think in terms of integrating ecological design with aesthetics to make the park a pleasant and educational place for its many events and users.

"The perception of native plants is their messy order," he said. "So if we can work to improve the perception of order through edge treatments or thoughtful planting, we can make it palatable to a larger group of people."

Bauer, who has a background in economics and management, is a 2000 Clarkston High graduate.

"Everybody in Clarkston knows Depot Park," he said. "What I didn't know is the park includes all that wetland area down to Middle Lake near the cut through to Deer Lake."

The group is considering plans for a boardwalk through the 35-acre wetland to allow children and others to learn about the area while remaining safe—and clean, he said.

The group's objectives include, first, the production of a master plan illustrating possibilities and conceptual ideas for different areas in the park and around the village.

The students also plan to create a watershed handbook to educate residents about the effects, both positive and negative, humans can make on the environ-

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City struggles to resolve key police issues

BY LAURA COLVIN
Clarkston News Staff Writer

City officials say they're looking for community input as the Clarkston Police Department moves through transition sparked most recently by the firing of now former Police Chief Ernest Combs.

A survey asking residents what they like, don't like, and where they might like to see changes in the department arrived at city homes and businesses last week.

A public hearing is also scheduled for Wed., April 25, at the Independence Township Fire Station.

"We've had zero community input to our email address," said Chuck Inabnit, who replaced Scott Meyland as police committee chair. "We're hoping we'll get a little bit more with the survey and the public hearing."

Residents can Email the committee at clarkstonpsc@yahoo.com.

The city council approved creation of the police committee in October when controversy over the department's costs and services heated mayoral campaigns.

The committee first met Nov. 28, facing challenges along the way as some members felt undermined by council members and others.

Acting Police Chief Jim Thompson, for example, recently proposed reclaiming the department's midnight shift from the Oakland County Sheriff's department.

A switch, he said, would save the city about \$14,000 annually.

"I think it's a good idea," said Thompson. "I think it will please most of the citizens in town if we have a car here and they can call and actually talk to the Clarkston police officer on duty 24-hours a day."

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Sharp police work lands drug suspects in jail

BY LAURA COLVIN
Clarkston News Staff Writer

A deputy in Springfield Township was commended by her commanding sergeant after sharp instincts led to the arrest and arraignment of two suspected drug dealers recently.

Mark William Canter, 43, and Julie Ann Dennis, 30 both from the Gaylord, Mich. area, were arraigned in Oakland County after about 26 cocaine rocks—also known as crack—were discovered in the couple's possession.

"That's a lot of cocaine," said Sgt. Mark Gardner of the Oakland County Sheriff's Office Springfield Township substation. "(The deputy) took the time to look into a situation that just didn't seem right, and with her knowledge and experience on the job she could see that

the information (the couple) was giving just didn't add up, it wasn't jiving."

Deputy Dawn Mullins was patrolling Springfield Township around 1 a.m. Fri., March 23 when she spotted the couple sitting in a vehicle behind the Sunoco gas station at I-75 and East Holly Road.

Due to the close proximity to the freeway, and the nervous behavior of the individuals, Mullins radioed for back-up and proceeded to question the individuals, who gave conflicting reports about where they were coming from, and why they were carrying two-way radios in the vehicle.

Canter expressed a sudden, urgent need to use the restroom, and fearing the man wanted to dispose of something, deputies instructed him to step behind the garbage dumpster to relieve himself. Af-

terward, they located a black makeup bag containing two dozen crack rocks lodged inside several discarded tires behind the dumpster.

The couple was placed under arrest and transported to the Independence Township substation for interviews, where both Canter and Dennis admitted to a history of cocaine and heroin use.

"It was some good, proactive police work," said Gardner.

Canter told detectives he hadn't used any drugs in several hours, and might go into withdrawals.

Dennis told police she and Canter borrowed \$400 to purchase crack in Detroit, and also admitted that she buys the drug for \$10 per rock, then cuts each into two or three pieces, which she resells

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Pierz runs to serve community

BY PHIL CUSTODIO
Clarkston News Editor

Edward Pierz of Clarkston has always been interested in public service.

He's a member of Knights of Columbus and volunteers with community groups such as SCAMP, soup kitchens, and Key Club.

When he turned 18, he wanted to continue serving the public as an elected official, and considering his qualifications, the Clarkston Board of Education seems perfect.

"I am young and have a lot to learn, but I offer a new perspective on things," Pierz said.

"I think I can make a difference in the community."

Pierz, 18, is a senior at Orchard Lake St. Mary's, and attended Everest Academy in Clarkston. He has heard only good things about the Clarkston public school system.

"I'm impressed with how the Board of Education has been trying to keep basic services even with the budget concerns," he said. "Education is extremely important."

If elected to the board, goals would include expansion and reform of school technology.

"Computers are often used for entertainment purposes instead of education - that's not their intent," he said.

Consolidation of school services and programs, called for by Gov. Jennifer Granholm in her Feb. 6 State of the State Address, also needs serious consideration, he said.

"A lot of things can be consolidated," he said. "A unified Oakland County school bus system could save Clarkston a lot of money."

Students should be the priority, he said.

"It's a tough decision - people need to make a living, but this is about students and their welfare," he said.

Residents should vote for him because of his view on education, he said.

"I'm closer to the school system - I understand the mindset of students," he said. "I know what works and what doesn't work."



Edward Pierz is running for a seat on the Clarkston Board of Education.

See upcoming issues of
The Clarkston News and
www.ClarkstonNews.com
for profiles of candidates
for Clarkston Board of
Education, and the May 2
edition for election wrapup

He has served as class vice president last year and class representative the year before.

"I know the best way to utilize funds and how schools are run," he said.

Plans after graduation include classes at Michigan State University, perhaps in chemical engineering.

"Alternate energy - I've always been interested in that," he said.

He is also looking into the U.S. Coast Guard Academy.

"It's a great service - I'd love to help the country by doing drug interdictions and counter-terrorism," he said.

If successful in his campaign, he would commute from Michigan State in Lansing to perform his school board duties, he said.

His long-term goal is to settle in Clarkston, he said.

"It's a great town - it has a great small-town feel," he said.

Pierz joins challengers Joseph Wauldron and Cheryl McGinnis, and incumbent Barry Bomier in the campaign for two open seats on the Clarkston Board of Education. The election is set for May 8.

CAYA to recognize outstanding youth in the Clarkston community

Clarkston Area Youth Assistance will be recognizing the area's outstanding youth at its annual Youth Recognition Event to be held April 19 at 7 p.m. at Clarkston United Methodist Church.

Youth nominations were solicited from Clarkston-area schools, community organizations and individuals. The purpose of this event is to recognize youth who have made an outstanding contribution to an individual or an organization without compensation for their time. Nominees are selected based on voluntary services; paid services are ineligible.

All community members are invited to attend the event. Any questions, call the CAYA office at 248-625-9007.

With the help of volunteers, CAYA

tries to identify the needs of the community and implement programs that help school-aged children and their families. The organization is one of 26 in the county and is principally funded by the Oakland County Board of Commissioners and administered and sponsored by the Oakland County Circuit Court's family division. CAYA is sponsored locally by Clarkston Community Schools, the City of the Village of Clarkston, and the townships of Independence and Springfield.

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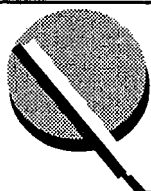
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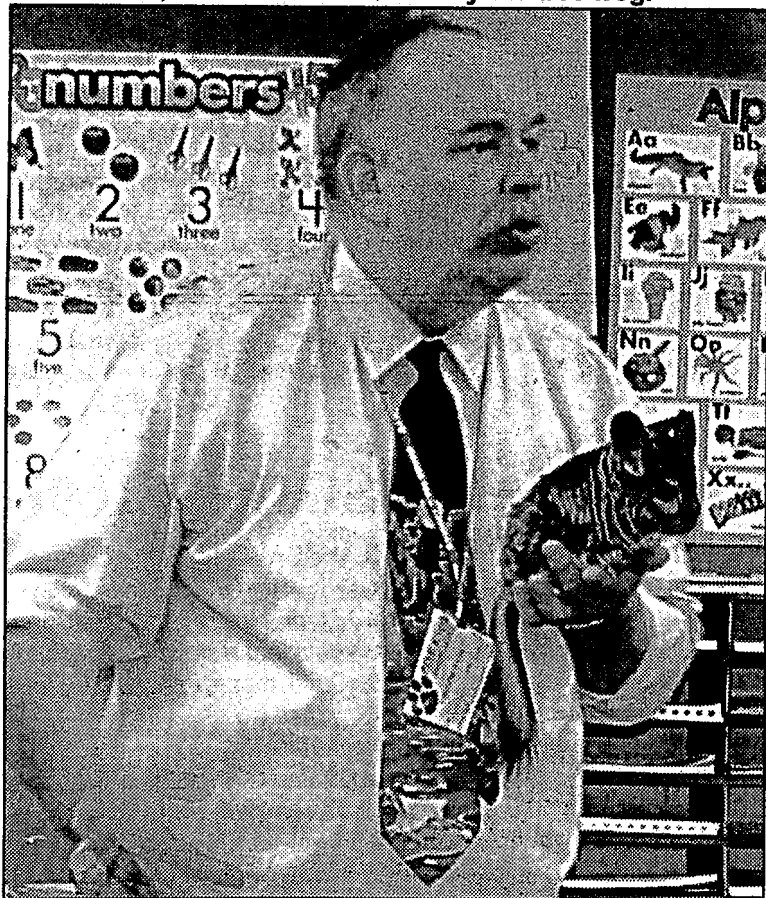
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Elise Daniel, face to face with Woody the tree frog.



Bailey Dula seems to be thrilled to be holding a bull python.



The Critter Guy, Paul McCormack of Adrian, with a chinchilla.

Crates of critters

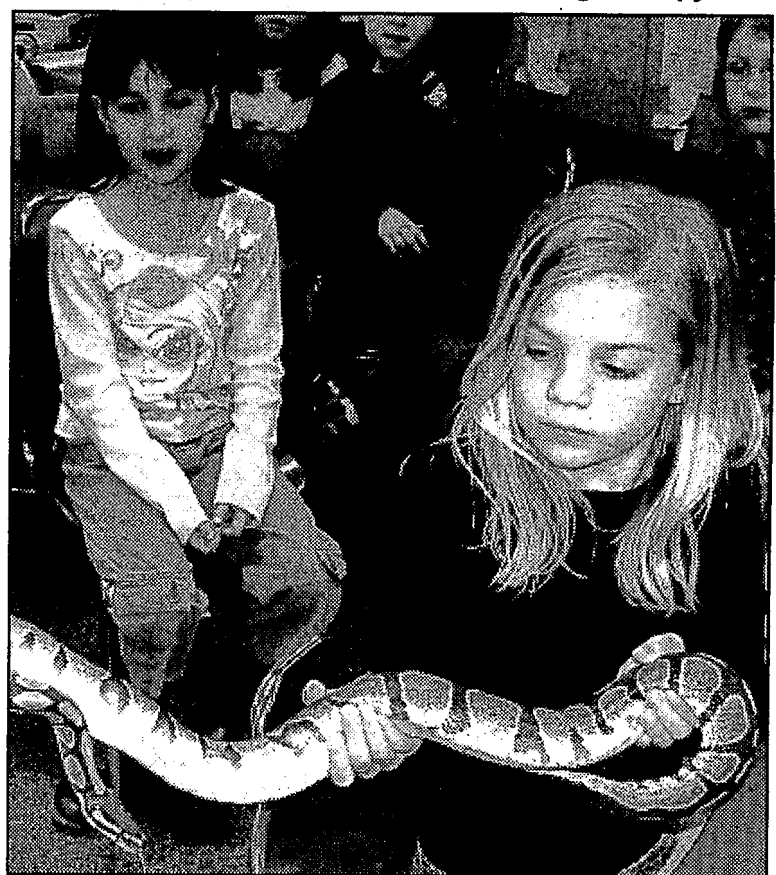
Pine Knob Elementary children got up close and personal Friday with snakes, birds, lizards, and a furry chinchilla.

Paul McCormack of Adrian presented Classroom Critters for students in their classrooms, including Megan Birkett's first-graders, providing each with opportunities to touch, hear, and smell a variety of animals.

Students didn't know what McCormack would pull out of his storage crates next - from a cooing dove to a blue tongued skank lizard named Chow Chow.

The program is aligned with Michigan science benchmarks, which call for hands-on learning and direct experiences.

Photo story by
Phil Custodio



Caitlin Dicker may be less thrilled than Dula.

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Opinion

CoPa like home this time of year

It's a special time of year. One that makes me shake. One that brings hope, which leads to many sleepless nights. One that makes my stomach queasy in anticipation. One that bring joy to me and millions of people around the world.

If you experience some of these symptoms, you may be a baseball addict. Yes, the Detroit Tigers came back into town Monday against the Toronto Blue Jays.

The night before, there was no sleep. The day of, I tied my shoes with shaking hands. Yes, I am a baseball addict, too.

Like Mitch Albom of the *Detroit Free Press* wrote in his column this week: "And here you are again, like a Weight Watcher salivating at chocolate, like an ex-smoker unwrapping a brand new pack."

Baseball is here again and with that brings back many new traditions and emotions. For example: The Seventh-Inning Stretch. Mario and Rod. Zoom-aya.

For those of you who know all about baseball addiction, you know that there are many emotions that accompany the "disease."

I'm not going to lie, I cried when entering the ballpark Monday. I shed a tear when they played a recap of last season on the scoreboard. I cheered until I went hoarse for our boys of summer. I felt joy when I saw those Olde English D's take the field.

However, baseball addiction doesn't stop with your home team. It's a league-wide, year-round addiction.

It keeps a person up at night listening to John Kruk on Baseball Tonight. It causes a person to watch the scoreboards across the league like it's their job. It causes a person to travel to places (such as Florida) just to get a glimpse, or a "fix."

It causes a person to root for anyone besides the Yankees or White Sox. It causes a person to get to the park an hour before the gates open.

But for all of you who know what I'm talking about, that's all worth it.

It's worth all of the money, time and stress of five long months without baseball to walk into the park and see it in its glory for the first time of the season.

It's worth it to smell the freshly-cut grass and see Bondo warm up for the game. It's worth it to beat people up for home-run balls hit during batting practice. It's worth it to hug Paws.

And for those of you who are wondering how long I've been addicted to baseball, I just have one word: birth.

I blame my mother. She gave birth to me while she was watching the Tigers during the 1984 season. She frequently tells people the story of when I was 4-years-old sitting in the Tigers Stadium bleachers looking through binoculars naming Sparky, Gibby, Tram and Whitt while all the muscle-bound 30-something guys around me couldn't name the starting shortstop.

If you can identify with what I'm saying, you know baseball addiction didn't start with the 2006 season, like many wannabes claim. It started with your first breaths.

Reynolds' Rap



Kelly Reynolds

'Dear Editor' (letters from our readers)

Declaring independence from township

Dear Editor,

Wow, what an eye opener for the City of Clarkston!

According to Dan Kelly, Clarkston has absolutely nothing to offer Independence and we are merely a parasite that piggy-backs services. Consolidation, I might add was Mr. Kelly's idea, not one that was ever considered by Clarkston.

First - At your township meeting, we noticed people spoke and stood, giving their place of residence, listing addresses clearly in the township, but every one of them said they lived in Clarkston. Get an identity!

Second - Your library has its roots in Clarkston. Our city manager's wife as well as other city residents donate a lot of time and effort on that establishment. Our mayor has even endowed that library in generous fashion. Our small city of 900 pays over \$30,000 a year for library services. I'd be willing to bet we could buy every book checked out by city residents with what we pay in a year. You forget that since you take state and federal dollars, anyone can walk in and use that library. Independence isn't the only library and other nearby communities would welcome our dollars.

Third - Your fire department evolved from the city and its talented residents. We believe our city has low impact on its services. Our city has adequate fire hydrants and great water pressure, that's something you can't claim in your rural areas. Let's figure it out per call, we think you get great benefit.

Fourth - Water & Sewer - By your sewer

employee's own admission, our system is in great shape. By the way, Independence's waste flows through our city and a smelly pump station sits within our borders to move it. We also want to add that the township tainted many city wells with its pollution, forcing our home as well as others to take township water.

Fifth - We pay to use your park system. I can't remember charging your residents to visit ours. Depot Park is heavily used by your residents. They are welcomed for free, by the residents of Clarkston, who maintain it with their tax dollars.

Sixth - Our Beach - If you really want to stop the biggest key-holer in the township, let's remove all the motor boats that the township allows through our part of Deer Lake. Pollution, zebra mussel threat and the ability of a deer to actually access that lake may hinge on the city reclaiming that property at the end of your \$1 a year lease.

Seventh - Independence Twp. Hall - Maybe you should actually be in the township. As a city resident, I underwrite its existence as it pays no taxes and needs patrolling by Clarkston Police.

Eighth - Parades - Make your own Main Street - As Mr. Kelly stated, there's strength in numbers. Your great numbers of residents would be much more able to shoulder the costs involved in staging all those events, from DPW to police protection.

Mr. Kelly maintains we exist because of the township. We maintain we exist in spite of the township.

Steve & Teresa Coventry
City of Clarkston

No reason to consider consolidation

Dear Editor,

To Trustee Daniel Kelly who wants to merge the City of the Village of Clarkston and Independence Township: "If it's not broken, why fix it?"

I am a single senior citizen who lives on Holcomb St. in the city. I moved from Independence Township 30 years ago for the amenities the city offered; amenities such as sidewalks for my walks, clear roads on snowy days and a visible police force.

I have a moderate income, but what you are offering in savings of taxes would not be worth what I would give up for that.

Your excuse for starting this is already in place and has been for many years. We pay to use all the resources you mentioned and, in turn, we host many events

free and furnish Deer Lake Beach for \$1 per year.

We welcome, with open arms, people that come to the city to park and walk here, just as I did years ago. Depot Park is used for events that involve a lot of traffic going past my home, and though inconvenient, I welcome that also.

That is part of living in the city.

As far as saying you live in Clarkston, if you have a ZIP code that says Clarkston, you do live in Clarkston, whether it is the township or the city.

That is not a problem either.

We are all free to say what we want and aren't we blessed we live in a country where we can do that?

Joyce Little
City of the Village of Clarkston

School/senior center would be wise use of money

Dear Editor,

The Clarkston School Board has a problem - what to do with \$6.5 million left over from a 2003 school bond issue.

According to *The Clarkston News*, the money left over from the \$83.7 million borrowed from the state, along with \$4.5 million interest earned, cannot be used for anything but capital improvements.

Capital improvements means that it must be used to improve buildings, equipment or almost anything other than actual operating expenses.

Clarkston Schools owns the former South Sasabaw Elementary School that has recently been suggested as a possible sight for the Independence Senior Center. The school building has been vacant for about

two years.

Unfortunately it is in such disrepair that an "extreme makeover" is needed to get it into a usable condition.

The center does not have the money to make repairs. I would suggest that some of this \$6.5 million be donated by the school board to be used to recondition the school.

I can't think of a better usage of tax payer money than performing this worthwhile deed for the citizens of Clarkston and Independence Township. It would probably be the best use of these funds than any other need at this time.

Bob Brown
Clarkston

Write a letter to the editor!

shermanpub@aol.com, attn: Clarkston News

A Look Back

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

15 years ago - 1992

"Vote Saturday" Voters were set to go to the polls to decide a bond issue for a new Clarkston elementary school. The bond would have been for \$7.95 million, to fund a school at Holcomb and Bridge Lake (site of the future Springfield Plains Elementary). The district had five elementary school at the time.

"Perot's campaign hits Clarkston" Campaigners for H. Ross Perot's presidential bid were collecting petition signatures to get him on the ballot. They collected more than 200 signatures in three hours that weekend on Dixie Highway.

"Sketch shows crowded grounds at 'new' CHS" A composite drawing of a renovated Clarkston High School was unveiled by school administration to mixed reviews. Officials said the drawing was made for discussion purposes. Opponents said it would be too expensive.

25 years ago - 1982

"Schools officially lay off 33 teachers" Citing declining enrollment, planned program cuts, and reductions in state aid, the Clarkston Board of Educa-

tion approved layoff notices for 33 teachers. The action was the second step in the district's efforts to trim more than \$500,000 in expenses for the coming year and maintain a budget of \$13.8 million.

"District payless payday looms" Due to a drop in tax revenue, Clarkston Community Schools' payroll was short about \$1.2 million short. Unless the state could help out, June would have to include a payless payday, officials said.

"Department heads may get \$1,200 yearly raises" Independence Township Board members proposed raises for department heads, and non-union, full-time employees.

"Independence board adopts 1982-83 budget" The \$1.2 million general fund included about \$165,000 in cuts. Eliminated were community promotions, part-time help, and miscellaneous costs.

50 years ago - 1957

"CHS graduate honored recently" Sue Shanks, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie T. Shanks of Detroit, formerly of Clarkston, was named "Student Nurse of the Year" in Newton, Mass.

"Duane Hursfall elected supervisor" Following 21 years of service to Independence Township as supervisor, Floyd Andrews was replaced by Duane Hursfall. Andrews received 511 votes to Hursfall's 860.

"PTA tonight at Pine Knob" The new Pine Knob School PTA was organized - officers were elected and bylaws approved.

"First Baptist Church Sunday School expands" A healthy increase in attendance forced an expansion of Sunday School at the church. The Sunday School average that March was 155 students.

Self-absorbed, egomaniac: the all-American kid

I guess I really am a cranky white guy -- wife Jen, tells me so, reminding too, that I am old. (So I got that going for me . . .) Being a Cowg (Cranky old, white guy) I get a little wiggled out when thrown in with a bunch of teenagers.

My "Spidy" senses really start to tingle when that bunch of teens consists primarily of loud, obnoxious and rude boys. I don't know why teenaged lads cause this reaction in my psyche, I wasn't always old, cranky or white. I have always been a guy and -- gulp -- was once loud, obnoxious and rude. So, in effect, the loud, obnoxious and rude are my brothers.

But, I still don't like 'em.

Jen says I don't like any kids, only my own. And, she adds, that since they are only nine and seven respectively, they are fast approaching the age where I won't like them, either. Interesting hypothesis, Babe. (Note to Shamus and Sean: Boys, regardless of your age, I'll still love you. Just, don't be too unpleasant, please . . .)

Thinking about it, when I was of youngster status, I liked old-timers more than my peers. I got my first real newspaper job in the eighth grade. Five days a week (that's all they printed) I used to deliver the *Oakland Press*. Unfortunately for my customers on Dubuque and Marconi (I can still remember some of the names -- the Bernards, Zubaliks, Slaughterys and Moraleses . . .) the first folks on my route were old folks. Mrs. Fritch was first -- she was old and worked in the kitchen at Bailey Lake Elementary. Second was Mr. & Mrs. Arnold. They'd wait for me on the front porch of their Greenview/Clarkston Road brick ranch. This usually involved pie, milk and gratuitous stories of looking for sarsaparilla roots by Walters Lake, mining in Indiana and trying to drive on Clarkston Road in the spring when it was still gravel. The Arnolds and the Fritches were old, but not as old as Mr. Bassett. He was ancient, and always needed his driveway shoveled, his grass cut or lawn raked. Mr. VanHorn was next and usually had some manual labor needs, which, for a price, I met.

The *Oakland Press* at that time was an afternoon paper. It was an evening paper (darktime paper) for the



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customers at the end of my route. This is probably a good time to apologize to those customers. Sorry.)

Now that I am older and closer to old-timer age, I still can relate to them easier than the younger generation. I am not an age-bigot, but it was with interest I read an on-line article by Victoria Clayton, headlined:

Are we raising a nation of little egomaniacs? Debate erupts over whether kids get too much praise or not enough.

Seems there's a backlash a-brewing in the pointy-headed world of academe concerning the self-esteem movement. The self-esteem movement, you may recall, started in the 1980s. In short, teachers and parents told their young'uns that they were special. The adults bent over backwards to make sure no kid felt bad. In sports, there were no winners and losers, just ribbons for all participants. In the classroom, this led to 90 percent of the kids making the honor roll.

Honor rolls were once reserved for those who worked hard and got good grades -- a status symbol, if you will, that unfortunately made those who didn't get good grades feel bad about themselves. And kids were once taught there were winners and losers and just because you didn't win doesn't make you a loser -- that you can't always win, but you can give it your best effort.

The article states this movement has lead to "today's onslaught of unreal, narcissistic kids" who tend to lack warmth, can be dishonest and angry failures as adults. "When you're raised to think you're great at everything, it can be a devastating blow when success turns elusive."

While Shamus and Sean are great, special wonders of the world, they shouldn't walk around with overinflated egos. I believe Jen and I have been described as, and I quote, "the meanest parents in the world," more than once by both lads.

I guess I don't buy hook, line and sinker, the whole argument that you risk making your child a self-absorbed idiot, if you tell 'em they're special. Come one, we all know, kids are born knowing the world revolves around them and that it is our job to fill them in on reality -- the earth revolves around the sun and in fact it is the universe that revolves around them, not the world.

Or, something like that.

Send comments to Cowg: dontrushmedon@charter.net

Mostly about golf, some thoughts on life

Harvey Penick is probably the most well known golf instructor in the history of the U.S. game.

But in reading either of his books, *Red or Green*, he gives advice that applies very well in classrooms or home.

Like: "It's not what the teacher says, but what the student hears that matters."

And: "All people like to be important. Criticism from a teacher can kill a pupil's ambition to improve. Be anxious to praise and slow to fault-find."

Jim's Jottings



Jim Sherman

Now for a bit from another side of golf: "The difference between golf and government is that in golf you can't improve your lie." - George Deukmejian

"May thy ball lie in green pastures and not in still waters." - Ben Hogan

"Golf is a game invented by the same people who think music comes out of a bagpipe." - Lee Travino

Penick golf instruction: God made what is called the lifeline in the right palm of a human being for very special reason . . . it fits exactly perfectly against the left thumb in the perfect golf grip.

Another Penick tip: When you are trying to decide which club to hit, the first one that comes to mind is the right one. Let us suppose your instinct tells you to pull a 5-iron. But you throw up some grass to get the wind and you check the yardage again, then you overrule your instinct. You change to a 4 or 6. Now you are no longer sure. You'll probably ease up on the 4-iron or really bear down on the 6-iron. The result is liable to be a poor shot.

Bishop Sheen: "Man blames fate for all other accidents, but feels personally responsible when he makes a hole-in-one."

The Rev. Billy Graham: "The only time my prayers are never answered is playing golf."

Pete Dye: "The ardent golfer would play Mount Everest if somebody would put a flag stick on top."

Harvey Penick - In golf (JAS-and in life) your strengths and weaknesses will always be there. If you could improve your weaknesses, you would improve your game. The irony is that people prefer to practice their strengths.

Penick believed the only way to play golf was by the rules. He wrote, "Call me old-fashioned or starchy or whatever you will, but two things in the world I just can't grow accustomed to are a man and woman living together without being married and taking a mulligan at golf."

Advice from the "fringe."

On a par four, if your ball is on the fringe of the green in two strokes and you require three more strokes to get the ball into the hole, you might as well have whiffed your tee shot.

The penalty is the same -- the loss of one stroke. If you whiffed your tee shot, you would be embarrassed.

But if you take three from the fringe, you are apt to say, "Well, that's just my game."

You should feel that you can get down in two from the fringe every time. Practice it. There's no use throwing away all those strokes.

Penick, the teacher, guide:

Try to talk plain.

Life consists of a lot of minor annoyances and few matters of real consequence.

Finish one job before starting another.

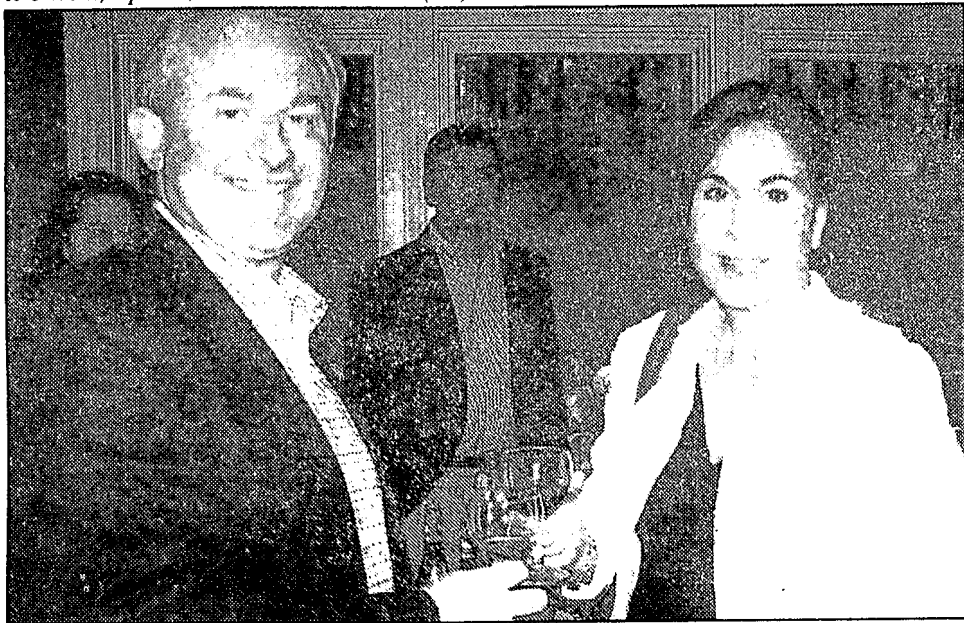
Be brave if you lose and meek if you win.

The best way to get pupils to do something is to get them to want to do it. Try to make the other person happy about doing something you suggest.

There are no winter or summer rules in golf. In the game of golf the ball is played as you find it.

Buddy Hackett: "I'm hitting the woods just great, but having a terrible time getting out of them!"

Arnold Palmer: "I don't say my golf game is bad, but if I grew tomatoes they'd come up sliced."



Bob and Becky Keagy enjoy samples of Michigan wine growers' finest at the Rotary Club Wine Tasting. Photos by Phil Custodio



Lucie and Dan Matthies presented their Chateau Fontaine wines at the Rotary Club's Wine Tasting March 27 at Oakhurst.

Rotary highlights Michigan wine growers at fundraiser

BY PHIL CUSTODIO
Clarkston News Editor

The Clarkston Rotary Club's Wine Tasting fundraisers provide a great chance to get together with a couple hundred friends for a good cause.

They're also a great way to support a growing Michigan industry.

"Michigan wines are fabulous — they're growing good grapes, and that makes a good wine," said Rotarian Rich Harrison at the March 27 Wine Tasting at Oakhurst Golf and Country Club. "Growers from California are coming to Michigan."

The western coast of Michigan, especially Leelanau and Old Mission peninsulas, offer an excellent environment for growing grapes, he said.

"People have been supporting their Michigan wineries," he said.

Rotary's spring wine tasting features Michigan wine makers. Many of the growers themselves drove down from their vineyards along Lake Michigan just to be at the event.

"It's one of the best in Michigan," Harrison said. "It's a first-class event."

Dan and Lucie Matthies of Chateau Fontaine winery make a cherry wine that is popular with connoisseurs as well as chefs, who use it in recipes such as duck breast with cherry wine reduction.

"People really enjoy it," said Dan

Matthies. "It's a blend of three different types of cherry, sweet and fruity."

L. Mawby Vineyards of Suttons Bay presented its sparkling wines, including the award-winning Talisman.

"Talisman was named one of the top 40 wines in the U.S. by Vintners (magazine)," said Don Hartwig, Mawby Vineyards.

This was the sixth Clarkston Rotary wine tasting for Hartwig, spring as well as fall events at Bordine's Nursery.

"It's nice to present our wines to people outside our normal distribution (in southeast Michigan)," Hartwig said. "This is a good venue. People are interested in wine — they're respectful and knowledgeable."

Clarkston Rotary Club meets Mondays at 6:30 p.m. at Deer Lake Athletic Club, 6167 White Lake Road. Projects include SCAMP picnic in July, Labor Day Parade, Goodfellow newspaper sales and Shoes for Kids in December, and decorating downtown for Christmas.

The spring and fall wine tastings, which feature local restaurants, are the group's main fundraisers, collecting from \$5,000-10,000 each for its projects.

"The wine tastings have been successful for us," said Rotarian Joel DeLong. "It speaks well of the community that it helps support our programs."

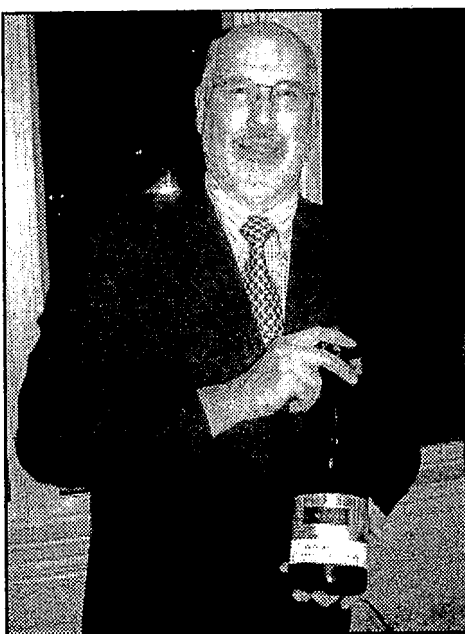
Facts about Michigan wine

- Lake Michigan's "lake effect" protects vines with snow in winter, retards bud break in spring helping avoid frost damage, and extends growing seasons by up to four weeks.

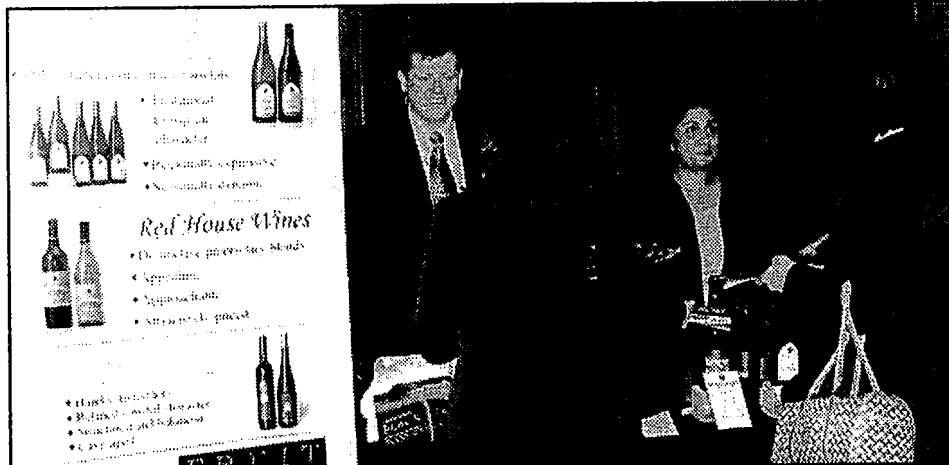
- 13,500 acres of vineyards make Michigan the fourth largest grape-growing state. Vineyard area has increased 24 percent since 1997.

- 45 commercial wineries produce more than 300,000 cases of wine annually, making the state 13th in wine production. The vast majority of production is from Michigan-grown grapes.

- \$790 million, wine industry's contribution to Michigan's economy each year. It's 50 wineries won more than 600 medals in 2006 from national and international wine competitions.



Don Hartwig of L. Mawby Vineyards presents a bottle of their award-winning Talisman.



Kristin Karam discusses wines offered by Black Star Farms, along with Rotarian Jason Webster.

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Independence Township

Mon., March 26 A 16-year-old boy reported his yellow Red Line BMX bicycle stolen after leaving it unlocked outside a grocery store near Sashabaw Road and Maybee Road. The bike is valued at about \$250.

The manager at a home for autistic individuals reported that a white mountain bike was stolen from outside the home.

An association member claimed an unknown person defaced the wooden swimming dock at the Cranberry Lake association beach with black spray paint.

A 55-year-old man in the process of being evicted from his home in the 5000 block of Old Cove claimed he returned to the house before the final eviction date to find a lock box on the door and a number of valuable electronic items missing from inside.

When a 25-year-old Independence Township man with a permit to carry a concealed weapon was pulled over for driving a vehicle with illegally tinted windows deputies confiscated the man's weapon and several magazines after finding the man driving while intoxicated and in possession of marijuana. He was issued tickets for possession of marijuana, as well as for possessing a weapon while intoxicated. A report was sent to the CCW board.

The district manager of a sandwich shop located in the 6600 block of Dixie Highway claimed a 19-year-old employee and her boyfriend embezzled \$700 in cash from the store. The manager claimed money was missing from the weekend deposits, and said surveillance tapes showed the couple acting suspicious.

Wed., March 28 The parents of an 18-year-old Independence Township man called police claiming their son, who suffers from a heroin addiction, was possibly suicidal and left in the family car without permission. The couple called back later to inform deputies the son and the car had returned intact.

Thurs., March 28 A 42-year-old Flint man was arrested and jailed during a traffic stop when it was revealed he had a valid Friend of the Court warrant out of Genesee County.

Thurs., March 29 A 50-year-old man filed a police report claiming he was attending his father's funeral when he was assaulted by a 30-year-old nephew. The man claimed his nephew elbowed him in the ribs as he walked through the lobby of the Clarkston funeral home. The man has a past/expired PPO against the nephew, who reportedly has a history of violence against family members.

A 28-year-old man living in the 4700 block of White Lake Road was arrested and jailed when deputies recognized the man, who was outside working on his car, as an individual with a valid Friend of the Court warrant out of Oakland County.

A 26-year-old Auburn Hills man driving in the dark with no headlights was issued an appearance citation after deputies pulled him over and found marijuana residue and open intoxicants in the vehicle.

A 23-year-old male driving with obstructed vision and no license plate received a ticket for possession of marijuana after the vehicle was pulled over. A 19-year-old female traveling with the man received a ticket for underage consumption of alcohol.

Springfield Township

Wed., March 21 Deputies were dispatched to the 9700 block of Dixie Highway for a report of damage to a privacy fence surrounding a water treatment facility. Two six-foot panels were lying on the ground and a third was damaged.

Fri., March 23 A 17-year-old youth and his father called police to report that the teen's "Final Fantasy" character had been compromised after someone hacked into his online account and changed the member password and credit card information used for member access.

Mon., March 26 Deputies were seeking a warrant against a 30-year-old Waterford female after she entered the apartment of an acquaintance without

permission and was found to have illegal prescription and street drugs, as well as drug paraphernalia, in her possession.

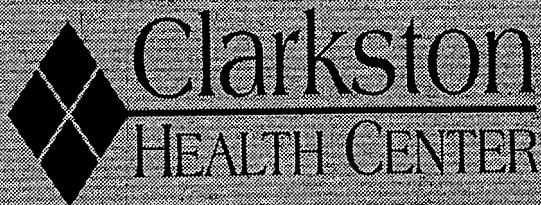
Tues., March 27 A 43-year-old Springfield Township man called police claiming six "Mexican males" to whom he owed money were pounding on the front door. The man claimed the group ran off after he told them he was armed with a tire iron and calling 911. However, police arrested the tire-iron wielder after a LEIN check revealed a valid Friend of the Court warrant out of Lapeer County.

A 37-year-old Springfield Township female living in the block of 7200 Blue Water called police to report that an unknown person had thrown a rock and broke her glass patio table during the night. The woman called police on fighting neighbors the previous week and feared the damage came as retaliation.

A 30-year-old Davisburg man was arrested and jailed after he was spotted parked in a dark area and questioned for suspicious activity. The man told deputies he was 21-years-old, but the man's true identity and age were discovered and he was transported to Oakland County Jail and held on three misdemeanor warrants as well as a Friend of the Court warrant out of Genesee County.

Fri., March 30 A 32-year-old Highland Park man was arrested and jailed during a traffic stop when it was discovered he had traffic and Friend of the Court warrants out of Oakland County.

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View life from a new perspective

By Ernie Harwell

I try to keep up a daily routine of physical exercise by walking every day and jumping rope. It's always good to get the old heart pumping, and exercise is something everyone should do.

I also think it's a good idea to keep yourself mentally healthy and that means making an effort to gain new perspectives on life. One of the best ways to do that is to

mingle with people can contribute greatly to an older person's attitude, just as I think older people can have a positive influences on younger folks.

Sometimes in an older generation, we have a tendency to look down our nose and talk about the good old days and things aren't like they used to be.

And younger people tend to dismiss my generation's ideas as "old fashioned."

I'd like to see people of all ages take opportunities to connect with each other and understand each other's point of view. If you're at church or a social gatherings, spend some time getting to know people of all ages once in awhile.

It may mean getting out of your comfort zone, but the reward is a healthier attitude and it's well worth the effort.

And please remember to take care of your health before it's longgggg 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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A fair exchange

Exchange students experience life in America with Clarkston family

BY PHIL CUSTODIO

Clarkston News Editor

To show off the United States to exchange students Rico Selinger and Yuika Yanagisawa, host parents Kim Miller and Joe Rutha took them to places like Niagara Falls in New York and Universal Studios in Florida.

Perhaps just as impressive to their guests was their own house.

"It's way bigger - I love all the space," said Selinger, 16, whose family lives in an apartment in Germany.

"Everything in Japan is so close, stacked up - it's house-house-house," said Yanagisawa, 17, citizen of Japan. "Here, everything is so wide open."

Selinger and Yanagisawa are spending the school year in America as part of the Youth For Understanding program. They live with Miller and Rutha at their home in Clarkston and attend classes at Clarkston High School.

They have learned much about the differences and similarities since they arrived in August.

Among the biggest difference is transportation. Both Germany and Japan have well-used public transportation systems. Drivers licenses are not issued until people are 18 years old.

"You don't need a car before you're 18 (in Japan) - you take the train and

bus everywhere," Yanagisawa said. "Here, teens drive anywhere they want."

In Germany drivers younger than 18 are rightly not allowed to drive - autobahns have no speed limit, Selinger said.

"Traffic is harder," said Selinger, who would still prefer to drive at age 16.

Not in America, though - YFU specifically prohibits exchange students from obtaining American drivers' licenses, he said.

School is more difficult in their home countries, they said.

High school students in Germany take nine classes at a time, staying in school about nine hours a day, while students in Japan take 11 classes at a time.

"I love classes here - they're way easier," Selinger said.

"I take weight lifting. They don't offer that in Germany."

Students in America are permitted more choice, Yanagisawa said.

"In Japan, they tell you what to take," she said.

Differences between the people here and at home aren't as great, Selinger said.

"Teens are all the same - we do the same stuff," he said.



Exchange students Yuika Yanagisawa and Rico Selinger have lived with their host mom Kim Miller, as well as her husband Joe Rutha and daughter Sommer Lee, in Clarkston this school year. Photo by Phil Custodio

Miller and Rutha decided to become hosts because of their daughter, Nikki, who was an exchange student herself, in Japan.

"I'm loving it - it's been quite an experience," Miller said.

"It was a wonderful experience for her."

The experience has benefitted both hosts and students, she said.

"It's amazing to see these things from a fresh perspective, through new eyes," she said. "It's fun, very rewarding."

Selinger joined the program to improve his English, the most important

language in business worldwide, he said.

"There's more opportunity in America," said Selinger, who is considering electrical engineering and perhaps a life in America after high school graduation.

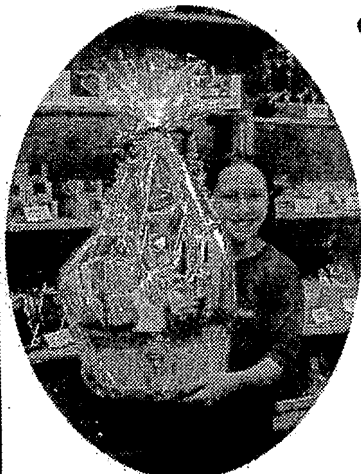
Yanagisawa, who wants to become a translator, also signed up to work on her English.

"I thought it would help," she said.

For more information about hosting YFU international students, call Field Director Barbara Kilkka at 248-932-0811.

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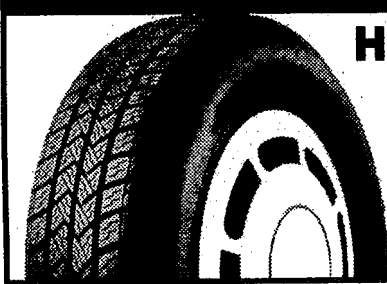
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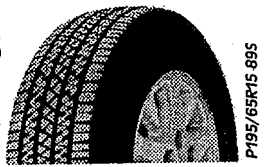
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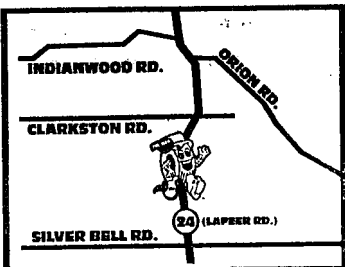
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Clarkston News Sports

Out of time at Rochester Adams

Highlanders win on walk-off homer

BY PAUL KAMPE

Clarkston News Staff Writer

As horns sounded in Rochester Friday evening, it wasn't from rush hour traffic. Rather, many Rochester Adams fans had retreated to their cars in the parking lot overlooking the baseball diamond to root for their home team Highlanders on a chilly afternoon.

The car-dwellers had much to honk about when Matt Petrusa hit an inside fastball off Nicholas Shamoun for a walk-off three-run homerun in the Highlanders' 9-8 come from behind win in the season opener for both clubs.

Clarkston scored two runs in the top of the eighth inning after Adams tied the game with a five-run sixth inning. Mike Gansser earned two of his three RBI's with a double in the inning.

In the eighth, Eric Ogg walked and stole second base, as he did in his first at bat of the contest, and scored on Josh Hall's single. Hall later scored on a wild pitch to put Clarkston up 8-6.

Adams' Jake Wilson led off the bottom half of the eighth with a single and Gansser reached base on a fielding error, putting two on for Petrusa's blast.

"I thought it went foul. I turned on it really early," Petrusa said.

"I thought since I usually hook the ball left that it was going foul, but it stayed in the park.



Josh Hall's 3 for 4 day from the plate and 3 RBI's weren't enough for Clarkston in a 9-8 extra-innings loss in Friday's season-opener at Rochester Adams. Hall, the team's starting pitcher, fanned six batters. Photo by Paul Kampe

"It was one of the greatest feelings in my life. I haven't done that in 10 years, it felt like."

Hall, Clarkston's starting pitcher, threw five innings, allowing one run and striking out six Highlanders. He had a great day from the plate also, batting 3/4 with two doubles and 3 RBI's.

"It was nice to see (Hall) pitch. He deserved to win. He deserved better than what he got. Relief pitchers didn't come in and do what they needed to do and defensively, our outfield was terrible," Clarkston coach Phil Price said.

"We can't give teams so many extra outs every inning. We give them four or five outs every inning.

"We're going to struggle defensively. A lot of kids don't understand the game and they're going to learn as we go."

Like the Wolves, Adams hasn't had much time outside to play this season.

"We've got a lot of little things to go over. You work on the basics inside, but there's only so much you can simulate. To come out and roll the balls out and teach as we go, I was happy with their

effort," Highlanders coach Chuck Van Robays said.

After losing nine seniors from his 2006 team, Van Robays said Adams is still in good shape thanks to his returning players.

"We have a good core that has been here and we have some good young kids here too," he said.

Clarkston returns home after three season-opening road games to play Birmingham Groves Wednesday for a double-header. The game begins at 4 p.m.

Athletes of the week

Clarkston powerlifters take first state championship at Muskegon High

BY PAUL KAMPE

Clarkston News Staff Writer

The Clarkston High School Powerlifting team got over its third-place hump at the state championships at Muskegon High School March 17. The sixth-year program won its first state championship by squeezing out a 73-point performance to defeat their hosts by three points.

The Wolves had 11 top-10 finishers, including three individual state champions: Aaron Sharp (155 pound weight class), Jimmy Popp (181) and Casey Dresselhouse (207). Devere Enoch took second place in the super heavyweight division and Aaron Elson (123) and Adam Sharp (145) both earned fourth place.

Tyler Boston (114) took fifth place and Jon Wright (275) placed sixth.

Billy Gooden (155), Xavier Delossantos (165) and Chad Blackstone (194) also placed for Clarkston.

"The message to the team this year was to be dedicated and intense and to demonstrate mental toughness," Clarkston coach Chad Looper said.

"The entire team showed a great amount of men-

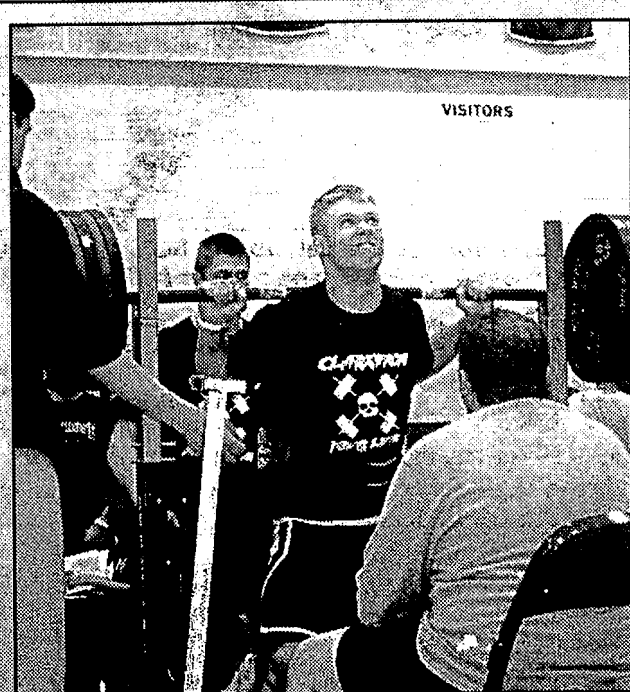
tal toughness by overcoming some difficult circumstances during the meet. It was truly a total team effort."

The team's youth was an initial cause for concern for Looper.

"I wasn't sure how they would perform," he said. "At midseason, I got some confidence about how they would perform."

The boys were able to execute all season long and carried that poise to the finals with their 18 qualifiers.

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Chad Blackstone, above, earned eighth place in the 194 pound category. Photo provided



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Wolves look to Ogg, Hall and Howard on the baseball diamond

BY PAUL KAMPE

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Clarkston's baseball team lost some of its top players after a district championship 21-13 season in 2006, but coach Phil Price is confident in the Wolves' returning starters and its younger players.

"We're going to be scrappy and I like what I see so far. The kids are working hard and I think we're going to be able to compete with anybody," Price said.

Clarkston will miss the services of Mike Kittle who now plays for the University of Michigan as well as Steve Vanderheyden, Dave Brelinski and Steve McIssac from the district champion squad of a year ago.

Josh Hall, who recently signed to play for Kalamazoo Valley Community College, will be the team's ace on the mound, Price said.

"He's a small guy, but he can throw hard. He has control and he's a complete pitcher, not just a thrower."

Hall is one of many versatile players on the team, and will be an everyday player when he is off the mound.

"We've got a lot of kids who can do a lot of different things for us," Price said.

"We're going to have guys rotating to a lot of different positions because we have a lot more athletes pitching."

The Wolves left-handed pitching should keep opponents off guard, Price said. Clarkston brings four southpaws with (juniors) Kyle Topham, Joel Lange,



Clarkston's Eric Ogg will set the table for the Wolves as the leadoff hitter. Photo by Paul Kampe

Brian Phillips and senior Josh Lawrence.

"Hopefully that will help us control base-runners. You don't see a lot of lefties in high school," Price said.

Drew Howard, another college signee (St. Clair Community College), is expected to continue his solid play at first base and providing some pop in the batting order, Price said.

Eric Ogg, another return player, should lead the Wolves offensively.

"He makes things happen with his legs. He could

get walked, steal two bases and score on a ground ball," Price said.

Colton Tweed, beginning his third season this year, will start behind the plate and Joey Preston is expected to challenge for the No. 1 spot behind the senior.

The Wolves' home opener is Wednesday against Birmingham Groves at 4 p.m. Check www.highschoolsports.net for Clarkston's schedule and stay posted with *The Clarkston News* for the latest results throughout the season.



Mickayla Meola pushes the ball up the field for Clarkston's girls' lacrosse team in their season home-opener. Photo by Paul Kampe

Girls' lacrosse learning early on

BY PAUL KAMPE

Clarkston News Staff Writer

March 29 is a day that will go down in Clarkston High School history. The

night saw the first varsity girls lacrosse game take place at the football stadium and the Wolves tried their hardest to make the inaugural match a victorious

won, but came up short, in a 13-11 loss to Flint Carman Ainsworth.

After an early 4-1 deficit, the Cavaliers fought back to pull within one goal, 8-7 at halftime behind six goals from Alissa Shaver.

Brooke Reardon scored the first goal of the game at 24:22 of the first half, which was matched less than 20 seconds later by Shaver. Clarkston got three more unanswered goals before the Cavaliers came to life and closed the half with momentum swinging their way.

"The second half was back and forth," Clarkston coach Steve Reardon said.

In the loss, Reardon saw the girls play their most cohesive lacrosse of the young season.

"That was the first time they all played like a team. Our girls played as one unit," he said.

"When you score 11 goals, that's a lot. It showed we're coming together."

The Wolves' passing on offense was a big factor in their play, which Reardon said was a complete turnaround from their game March 27 against Grosse

Pointe North.

The Wolves suffered a 16-2 loss at the hands of the Norsemen in a game, which narrowly slipped under severe storm conditions that cancelled a Clarkston soccer game at Lake Orion. The storms weren't the only factor working against the Wolves; several team members are involved with a spring play at the school.

"With the girls we had, we did a good job. They hung in there and gutted it out," Reardon said.

"We've got a good group of girls with good attitudes that will persevere."

"They (Grosse Pointe North) had a little more endurance because of experience."

The Norsemen's efficiency at winning face-offs and then distributing the ball to the offense, caught the Wolves out of position defensively, Reardon said.

"Those are things we're just learning...you have to adjust to how your opponent is playing."

The girls pick up play March 18 at Grand Blanc with a 7:45 p.m. start.

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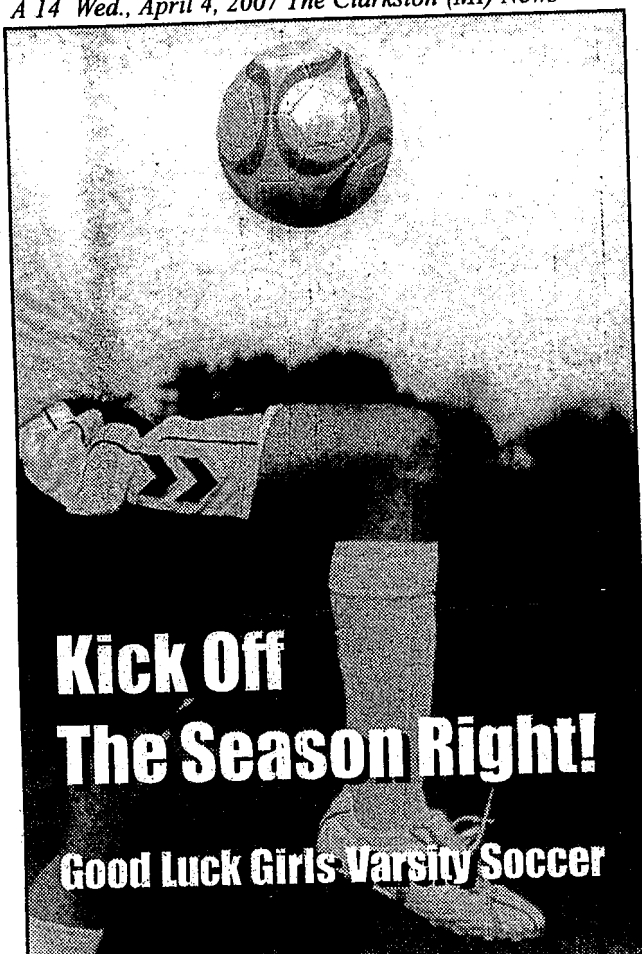
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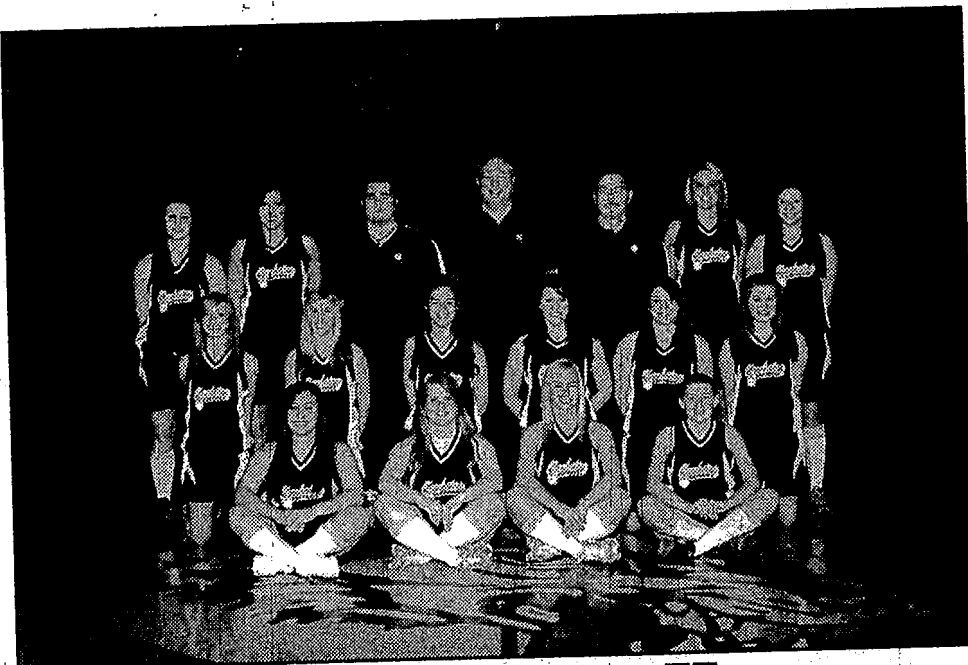
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Clarkston girls' soccer begins '07

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The Wolves are: Kelly Anderson, Bailee Braunreuther, Ashley Brook Chadwell, Monique Guerrero, Taylor Hasselbach, Jennifer Jochum, Megan Moehlig, Caitlin Morris, Jessica Palace, Katie Smith, Shantel Uballe, Lindsey Upchurch, Kara Wandrie and Kaitlyn Woodard. Photo courtesy of Visual Sports Network



Solid D will lead softball team

BY PAUL KAMPE

Clarkston News Staff Writer

A loss in the first round of the district playoffs in 2006 left a sour aftertaste for a 24-13 Clarkston softball team.

Third-place in the OAA I a year ago, the Wolves return leaders Caitlin Morris (SS), Katie Smith (RF), Kara Wandrie (2B) and fellow third-year starter Lindsey Upchurch (CF).

Coach Don Peters expects leadership out of Morris, a senior.

"She's an excellent fielder and a good hitter and I hope she does all those things for us," Peters said.

Smith should continue to be a force on the top of the batting order and equally aggressive on the base path, Peters said.

Wandrie is strong on the defensive side, Peters said, and her range makes her a threat to opposing hitters.

"She has great range and has a great sense of the game, where she should be and what she should be

doing," he said.

Upchurch will help the Wolves' infield with a strong arm from centerfield, Peters said.

"She gets a real good jump on-the ball and has a very strong arm.

"(Our) defense is strong. We have several returning starters and we have a lot of athletic girls in athletic positions."

The team isn't quite settled from the mound where senior Megan Moehlig is the team's only returning pitcher. A pre-season scrimmage last weekend was to give Peters more insight into the Wolves' pitching picture.

The girls only have one game on the docket prior to their spring break exit. The Wolves were set to take on Utica Stevenson in a double-header at Clarkston Tuesday. Look to our Web site, www.clarkstonnews.com for the results of that and every game this season. Clarkston has four games in as many nights when they return after the break.



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Inabnit, however, reiterated a previous request.

"Like I said at the last meeting, I'd like any decision regarding the police to wait until we submit our report," he said, adding the committee plans to present findings and make recommendations to the council in late May.

Councilman Bill Rausch, however, was "very much in favor of the third shift," and pressed council for a quick decision on bringing back the midnight shift.

"I'm an impatient guy," said Rausch. "This police committee report was supposed to be done the first of April, now it's the first of June."

The council voted 6-1 to wait for the police committee report before making a decision on the midnight shift. Rausch held the sole opposing vote.

"We gave our word to the police committee to wait for their recommendations before we made any changes," said City Councilwoman Kristy Ottman. "And the whole point of having the committee was to hear from the residents."

Other council members had similar thoughts. Most were generally in favor of reinstating the midnight shift—even- tually.

"The idea sounds good, but it all seems a little strange," said Councilman Jim Brueck. "Here we are, all of a sudden this is a better idea...I don't know what the total story is and I'm in no mood to be pressed into a decision."

Meanwhile, city officials attended a recent meeting with Independence Township Supervisor David Wagner, Oakland County Commissioner Tom Middleton and representatives of the Oakland County Sheriff's Department to discuss a new police proposal.

The township and the sheriff's office offered Clarkston officials a plan that

would allow the city to save an estimated \$100,000 by dissolving its police department and returning to services by OCSD through a subcontract with the township.

Although the idea was hardly new, the plan took a fresh approach, proposing to assign a full-time sergeant to act as Clarkston's de-facto police chief.

"You can put him on a bike, have him walk the street or whatever you want to do," said OCSD Business Manager Dale Cunningham. "We'll give you 40 hours of service from a sergeant, and the Independence Township deputies will patrol and respond to calls as usual on the afternoon and midnight shifts."

The sergeant would come with an Oakland County Sheriff's patrol car, which the city could choose to mark with its name and logo.

The plan would cost the city about \$126,000 annually, plus a 10 percent administrative fee.

Clarkston's 2006-2007 police budget totaled \$239,361, with \$31,700 allocated to Independence Township for midnight shift police services by OCSD.

Independence Township paid about \$3.7 million to the OCSD last year.

The city has not declined the proposal, but seemed unlikely to accept it, citing concerns about overtime charges, extra fees and service not aligned with the city's wants and needs.

Still, the city has yet to begin the search for a permanent police chief to replace Combs.

"We did receive one resume, and I hear there's one on the way," said Clarkston City Manager Art Pappas. "We haven't advertised for the position."

Meanwhile, the city is facing the threat of yet another financial strain as talks over dispatch service continue without resolution.

"The negotiations aren't going real smooth," said Mayor Sharron Catallo.

Local patriotism strong, recruiter says

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"The World War II generation is called the greatest generation — this generation is right up there with them," he said.

"It's a 100 percent volunteer force. It's an awesome achievement and responsibility for this generation."

Air Force recruitment has been steady — the War on Terror doesn't seem to have affected it much, Zolnai said.

"The Air Force focuses on education — it gives college credit for every bit of training," he said.

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The Clarkston area has been very supportive, Twigg said.

"A lady bought our meal," he said. "(Patriotism) is very evident in this area — people shake our hands and thank us for our service."

Recruitment area of responsibility includes Clarkston, Independence and Springfield townships, Ortonville, Pontiac, Troy, Rochester, Milford, Highland, and Farmington.

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Group has plan for park

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ment.

"It's important storm water stays on site," said UM student Susie Mattke-Robinson. "We are at the headwaters of the Clinton River, so it's important water is cleaned here so we're not affecting things further down the line."

Mattke-Robinson said the group would like to expand on projects such as the current rain garden, and also hopes to include proactive plans in the proposal.

"The current millrace has the potential for erosion," Mattke-Robinson said. "So we'd be interested in utilizing methods like vegetative plants and boulders for restoration and stream bank stabilization."

Other concepts presented included green energy, green walls and green parking.

"As we look to the parking lot where the farmer's market takes place, we see the asphalt breaking down," said the group's third partner Stephen Layton. "It will need to be fixed in the next few years, and a green parking alternative would filter some of the storm water as opposed to just pouring into the millrace and down into our wetland."

The group also presented ideas on water conservation.

"We're going to think about rain barrels in the park as a demonstration," Layton said. "It's a great technology people can use to water vegetables or plants. It's really easy and it helps conserve water."

The group, while not short on ideas, is receptive to outside input.

"We're considering having a community design workshop in September," said Bauer. "The watershed group has a great following of a lot of creative people and if we can get the word out we come up with some neat ideas for the park."

The group hopes to have a final presentation to the Watershed group by

December.

Meanwhile, the Clarkston Watershed Group hopes a master plan for Depot Park will promote community awareness and interest, and therefore help to secure funding.

"What we expect is a plan we can use as a master footprint," said group founder and co-chair Jim Brueck, who is also a city council member. "It could be multiple year project, but it's something we can use as a foundation."

The illustration of ideas and concepts he said, brings the project to life in the eyes of funding organizations.

This year, the group was awarded a \$400 grant from the Oakland Native Partnership Initiative, in partnership with Wild Ones, to fund planting between the parking lot and Lower Millpond at Main and Washington.

"Wild Ones provided most of the funding and really got us started last year with the funding for the Depot Park Rain Garden," said Watershed Group co-chair Cory Johnston, who, like Brueck, sits on the Clarkston City Council.

Wild Ones is a Wisconsin-based not-for-profit organization promoting environmentally sound landscaping practices to preserve biodiversity through preservation, restoration and establishment of native plant communities.

An additional grant of \$700 from the Wildflower Association of Michigan will be used for plants in the Depot Park Children's Garden.

The group has also applied for the 5-Star grant from the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation.

Finally, the group hopes to win support from The Hometown Helper. Residents can support efforts of the Watershed Group by logging on to myhometownhelper.com to add comments and lend encouragement. Judges award grants based on a project's merit and its impact—and support—within the community. Projects are considered every month through May 2007, with funds awarded until June 15.

Suspects face drug-dealer charges

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for \$10. The man and woman were both on probation for previous possession charges.

An employee at the Sunoco station gave the police a report stating the couple

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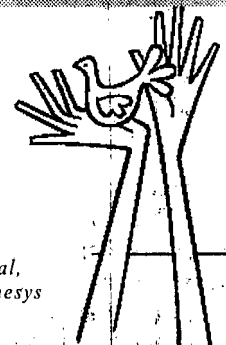
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Annetta Crosby, wife of the late Alvin Crosby, has been writing poetry since she was a girl. Now, her daughter-in-law Dixie Crosby has picked up the poetry pen.

"Dixie found out I was writing poetry for a book to pass on to the kids," Annetta said. "She wrote some poetry - it's fantastic."

Dixie met Annetta's son Alvin A. Crosby II at West Jefferson Hospital in Louisiana. She worked in the administration offices of the hospital, while Alvin worked in its Hyperbarics facility.

A graduate of the College of Oceaneering in Los Angeles, he also worked as a commercial diver, and served in the U.S. Navy for six years.

He was born and raised in Clarkston, and graduated Clarkston High School in 1991.

Dixie has two children from a previous marriage, Alan and Holly Snow. She and Alvin married on Oct. 25, 2003, and are making their home in Abita Springs, La.

They have two children, Jace Arthur Crosby, born early due to Hurricane Katrina on June 09, 2005, and Rylee Alise Crosby, born a month early on June 20, 2006.

"Dixie is now a stay-at-home wife and mother, and is a talented woman with many crafts, making anything out of wood, or wreaths, whatever she puts her mind to," Annetta said. "She wrote two poems for me and, as you can see, is quite deep about her thoughts and subjects."

Holly, 11, also discovered a love of poetry. Dixie and Holly both wrote poems in honor of Alvin and Annetta.

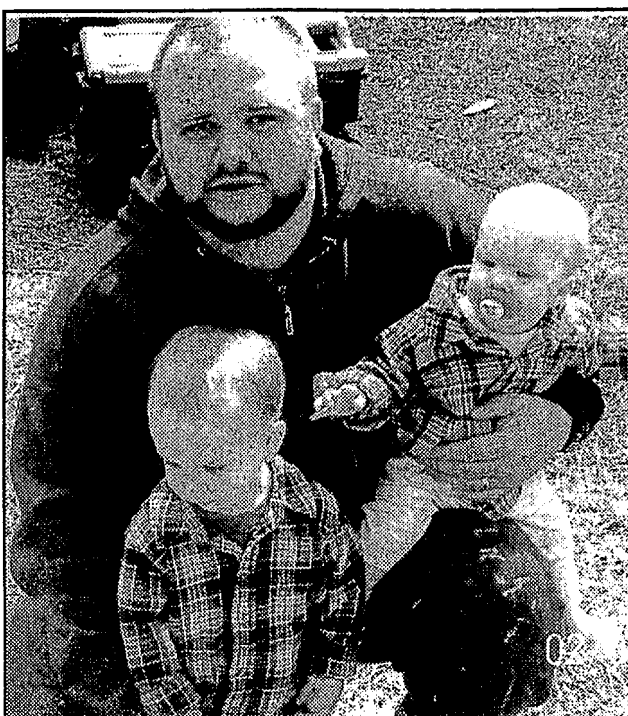
"(Kisses to the Wind) is exactly how it happened," Annetta said.

Annetta learned poetry from her father, who used to play word games with her.

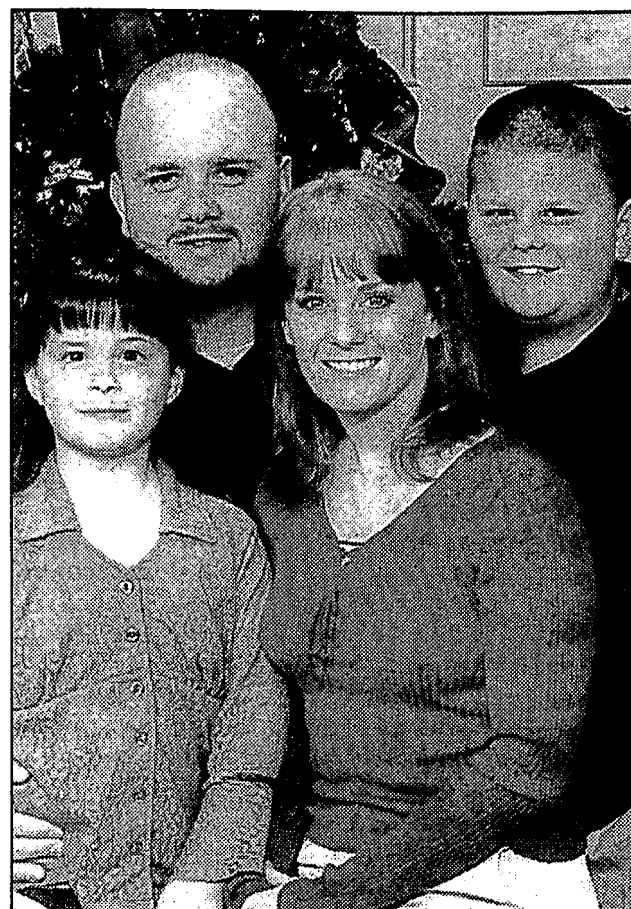
Alvin has two sisters, Laureen and Lisa, twins who graduated from CHS in 1994.

Laureen has been married since 1998 to Curt Bellomy and lives in Belleview, Fla. Lisa has been married since 2001 to Matt Newmarch and is living in Holly with their 3 children, Tyler, Kristeen, and Kayla.

- Phil Custodio



Alvin A. Crosby II with his and Dixie's children, Jace Arthur Crosby and Rylee Alise Crosby.



The next generation of Crosby poets, Dixie Crosby, in middle, and her daughter Holly Snow, at left, along with her husband Alvin A. Crosby II and her son Allen Snow. Photos provided

This is Holly on how I feel
Maybe too young to seem so real

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This is Holly on how I feel
Not too young to be so real

Poem written by granddaughter Holly
March 19, 2007

The winter days are approaching us
And there she is again
Standing at his graveside
Blowing kisses to the wind

She brought him red carnations
Or roses, as he'd say
To put them on his tombstone
One for each and every day

She says out loud she misses him
And how the days have been
And standing there alone
Blowing kisses to the wind

She knows not what the years will bring
But how she feels today
A painful void inside her heart
That never goes away

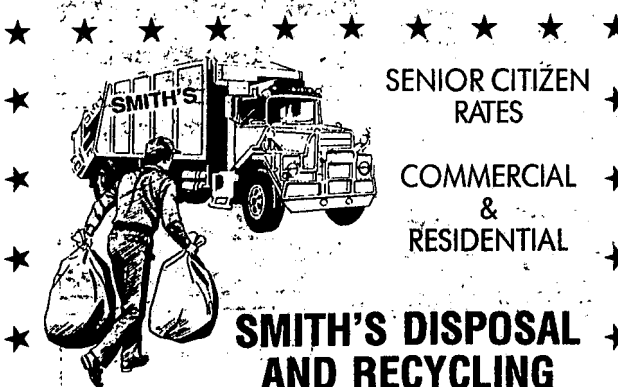
And as she turns to say good bye
She tells him once again
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- Kisses to the Wind
Dixie Crosby, Nov. 28, 2006

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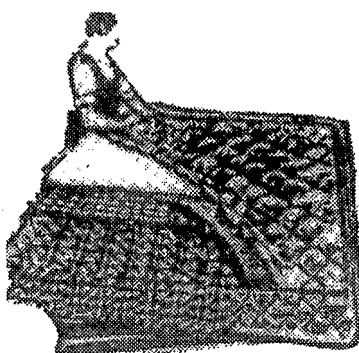
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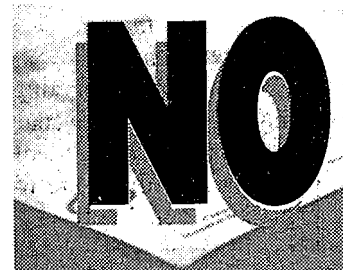
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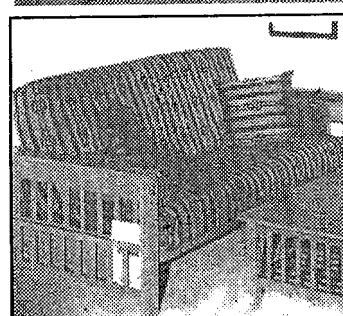
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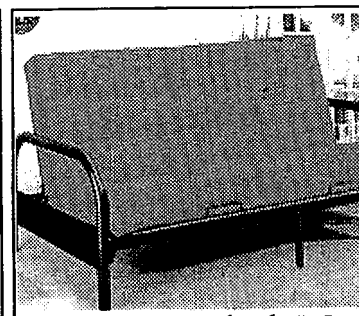
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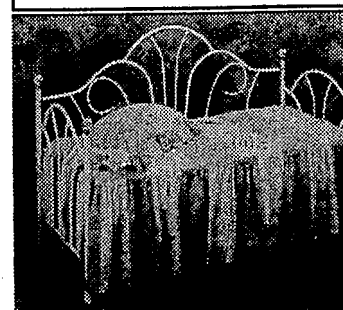
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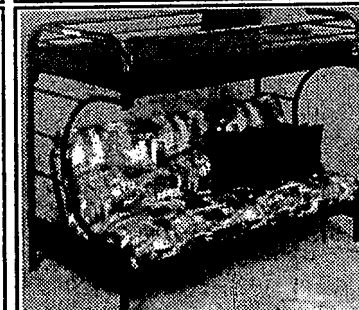
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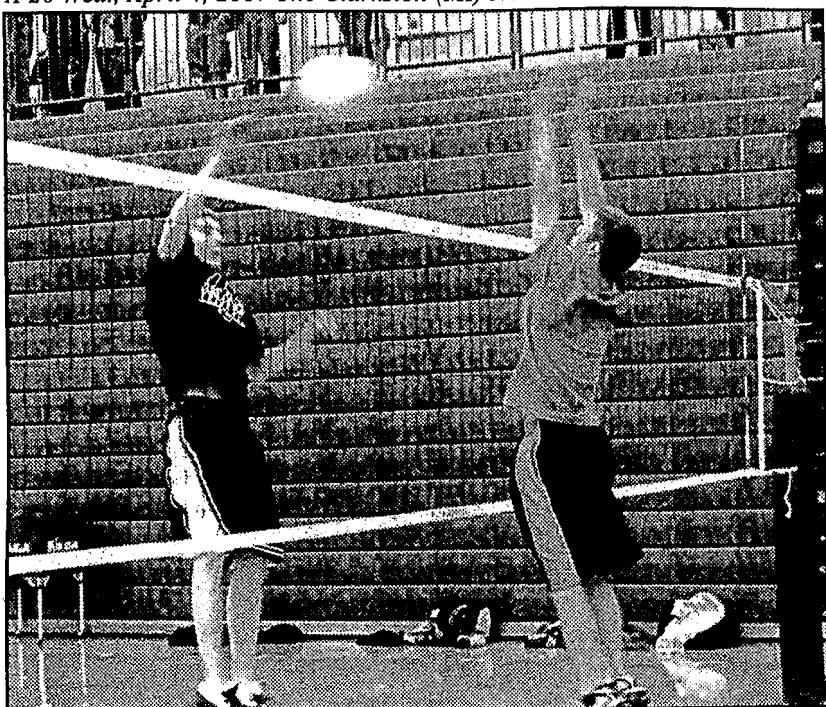


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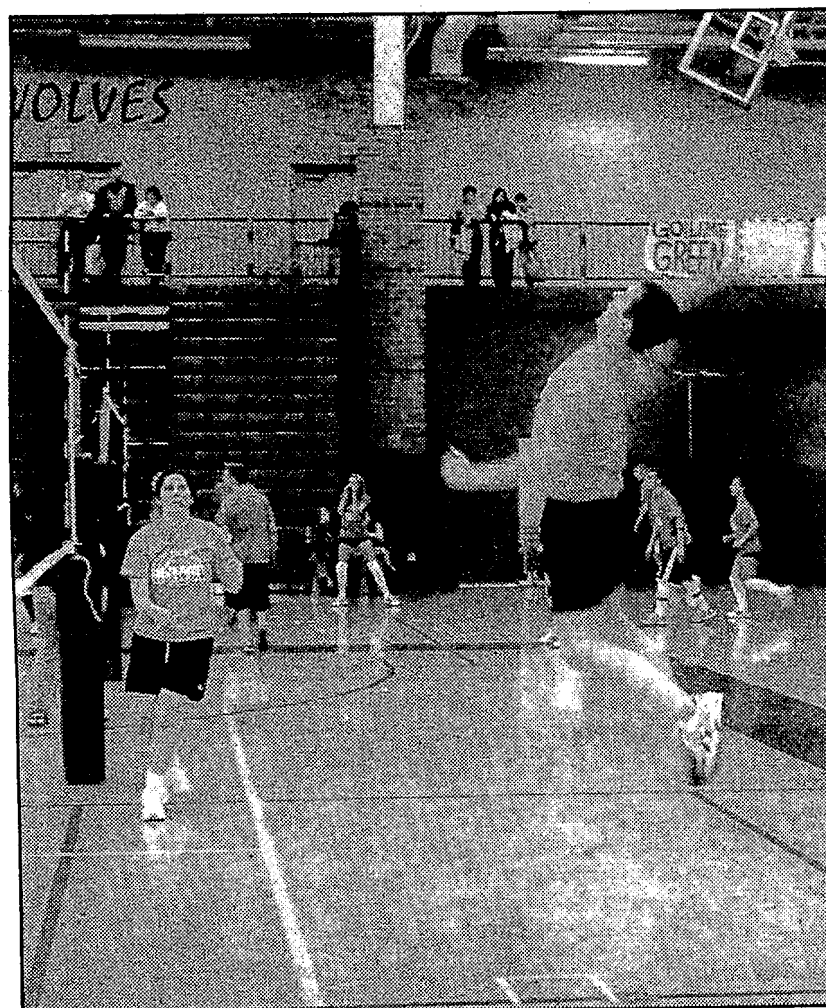
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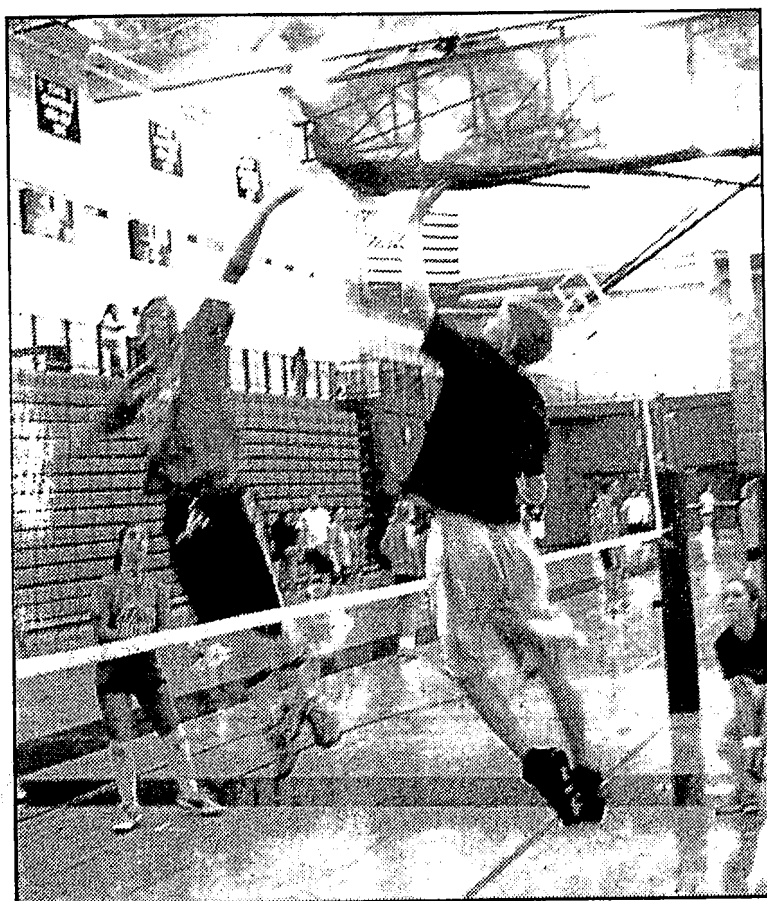
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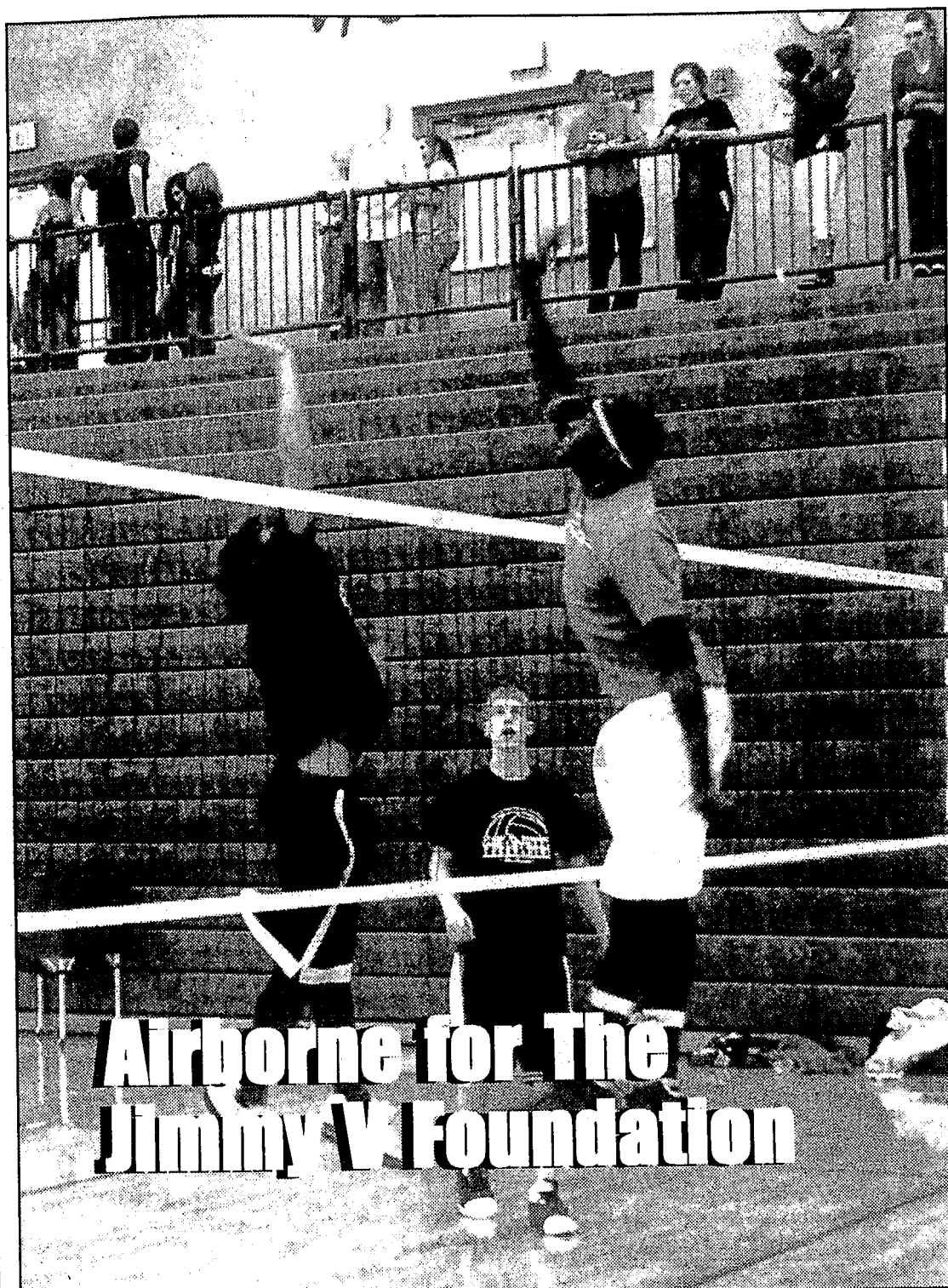
Brandon Pokley works on his baby hook shot for next basketball season at the Staff versus Student Volleyball Tournament.



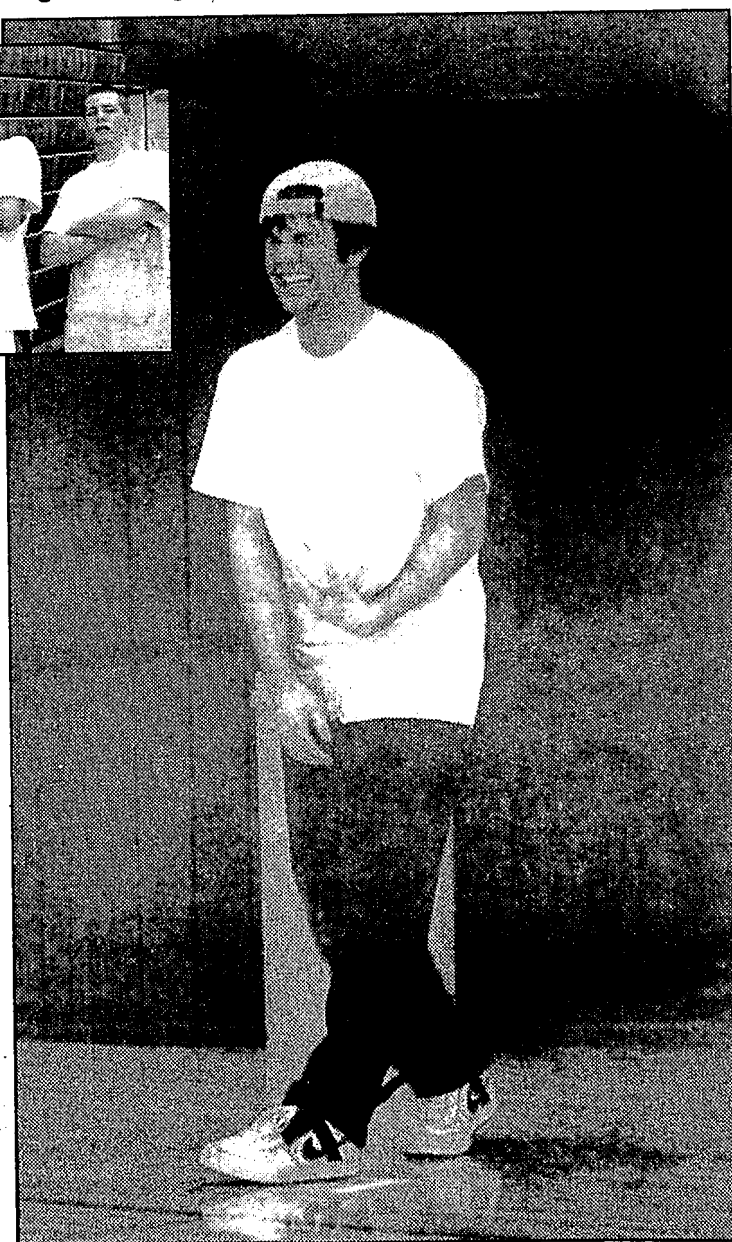
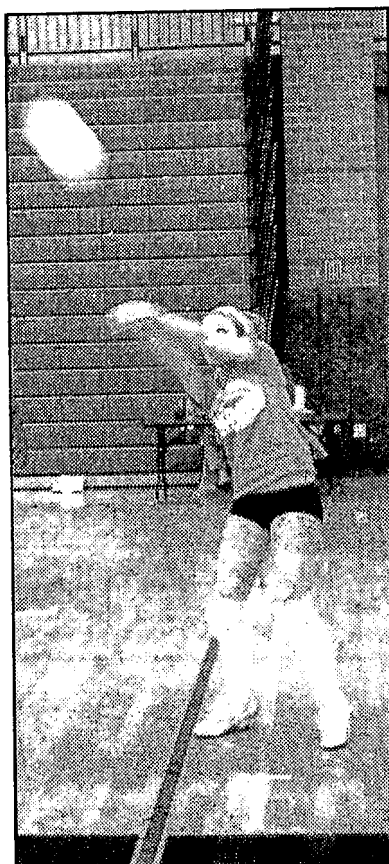
Team orange, above, were the eventual winners of the tournament after several kills from their big hitter.



Students and staff raised money for The V Foundation. Read the story on page B14.



Oliver Kupe soars for the block against the gray team.

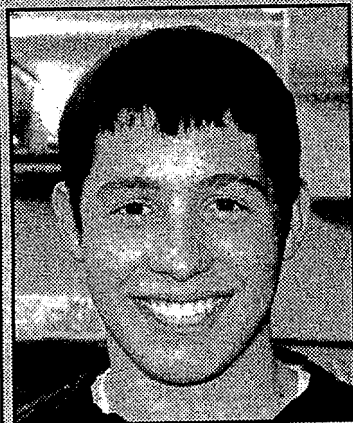


Left: the blue team returns serve. At right, Cort Freeman doesn't take the competition too seriously, posing with teammates Matt Calvano, Eric Holliday and Chris Burkhart, Inset.

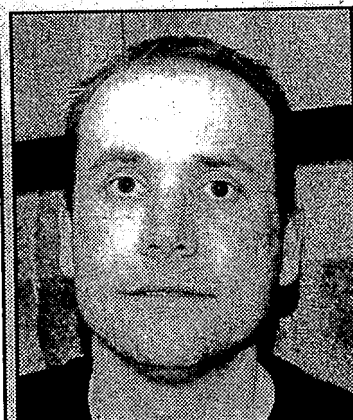
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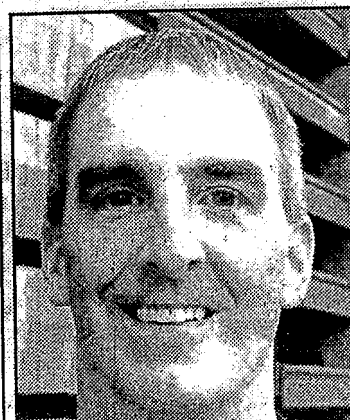
"Lacrosse because it's the fastest."
 — Trevor Raleigh



"I like to fish. I like nature and being outside and it's relaxing."
 — Caleb Barr



"Golf (because) it's a chance to be outside and get recreation."
 — Glenn Gualtieri



"Baseball (because) it's the American pastime."
 — Chris Turner

By Paul Kampe

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Party of seven

*Kupe family brings
science, leadership
to Clarkston area*

BY PAUL KAMPE

Clarkston News Staff Writer

What a long, but educational journey it's been for the Kupe family. After the family's beginnings in Africa and expansion in Germany, the family is putting down roots in the Clarkston area.

The family patriarch, Dr. Joachim Kupe, moved to Michigan with his wife, Dr. Anne-Marie Kupe, from Germany 10 years ago. The family has lived in the Clarkston area since 1999, when Joachim transferred from Delphi's Grand Rapids location to an office in Flint.

The transition to Clarkston was an easy one, the couple said.

"Clarkston made us feel like family," Anne-Marie said.

"It's really a caring community.

"I feel like I was born here and you don't have that everywhere."

"You have a feeling of belonging," Joachim seconded.

Joachim is the chief engineer for fuel cells and reformers. His career has been aimed at reducing vehicular fuel consumption, including an ignition system he created. The system, still going through refining, is called a "lean burn," which alters the air/fuel mixture used in ignition.

Joachim was hired by General Motors in Luxembourg after college and has been with the company for almost 20 years.

The couple studied at Aachen University, a technical school in Germany, starting in 1974, after traveling there to study. The Kupes met as high school freshmen while growing up in the African nation of Congo.

While studying in Germany, the family's first child, Carla, was born in 1980. Joachim, studying mechanical engineering, and Anne-Marie, studying biological science, were able to continue with their work while raising their first child with patience and some help from available resources.

"It was challenging, but not stressful," Anne-Marie said.

The public transportation and day care programs were very helpful, she said.

"As young person, you don't feel the way you do now, it was manageable and fun."



The Kupe family top left to right: Oliver, Carla and Laura. Bottom row: Dr. Joachim Kupe, Dr. Anne-Marie Kupe, Isabella and Johanna. Photo submitted

Joachim received his master's degree in electrical engineering in 1982 and from there began work on his Ph.D. Under a different university structure, Joachim was a professor at the institution while working on his thesis. Anne-Marie majored in biology and obtained her master's degree in microbiology. Her Ph.D. became official in 2002 after the couple flew to Germany so she could defend her thesis over a weekend trip.

Anne-Marie was a professor at Oakland University, where she taught general biology, medical parasitology, and human anatomy from 2002-'05.

She is in the process of transcribing her findings of her independent research into nutrition, cancer and other microbiology-related topics for publication in peer-reviewed journals. She would love to return to the podium in the future.

"That's my passion, doing research and communicating that to my students," she said.

"I like passing my research on to future generations.

"In teaching... you meet all types of students and I see how I bring encouragement to them."

Joachim plans to continue progressing vehicles to a more environmentally safe standard.

"The fact I can contribute to, and enhance vehicle development while making it more environmentally compliant, that's a big drive on my part," he said.

"We have to be stealth in keeping the environment God gave us, for future generations.

"I'm trying to be a good steward of what (God) has given us and making sure future generations enjoy the same privileges."

Like many Clarkston families who emi-

grated from surrounding areas, the Kupes heard about the area's school system, a significant factor taken into consideration when moving. With one child already in college, the family had three more children to think about going through the educational system.

"The school system is very, very good and we're very proud of that," Anne-Marie said.

"They're in advanced classes that prepare them well for college.

"I like the cooperation between the teachers and parents."

Carla is now a second-year law student at Loyola University in Chicago and second daughter Laura graduated from Clarkston High School in 2006. She currently attends the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor. Oliver, 17, and Johanna, 15, attend CHS and are just as active as their older sisters were in their high school days.

Laura was the president of the student council, a member of National Honor Society and also a track star. Oliver, a junior, maintains a GPA near 4.0 while continuing to be a standout soccer prospect and a crucial member of Clarkston's basketball team. Sophomore Johanna plays volleyball and runs track while belting out "The Star-spangled Banner" from time to time at sporting events. A violinist in the school orchestra, Johanna sings at the family's church, St. Daniel's in Clarkston.

The family puts academics higher than any athletic accomplishments, an idea Oliver learned from his older sisters. Also a member of the National Honor Society, he said he tries to emulate Laura's work ethic.

"She's had the biggest academic influence on me. She was an excellent student. I use the same study and work habits as

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Around Town

Widowed Support Group meeting, sponsored by Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, 7 p.m., April 5, at Independence Township Senior Center, 6000 Clarkston Road. Topic: "Why We Grieve the Way We Do." Facilitated by Bereavement Counselor Alicia Brown. Free. Walk-ins welcome. 248-625-5231.

Teen Flashlight Egg Hunt, April 5, 8-10 p.m. Ages 10-18. \$7. Mill Pond Park in Davisburg. Bring a flashlight and basket. Rain or shine. Pre-registration with Springfield Township Parks & Recreation, 248-634-0412.

Morning Book Discussion Group, Middlesex by Jeffrey Eugenides, 10-11:30 a.m., April 5, Independence Township Library, 6495 Clarkston Road. 248-625-2212.

Easter Egg Hunt, April 6, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., ages 4 and younger; 2-4 p.m., ages 5-12. Mill Pond Park in Davisburg. Pictures with the Easter bunny, \$3. Moonwalk courtesy of Southern Lakes Parks and Recreation. Socks needed for Moonwalk. Bring Easter basket. Rain or shine. Residents: \$5. Non-Residents: \$7. Call Springfield Township Parks & Recreation at 248-634-0412 to preregister.

Bunco, 1 p.m., April 9, May 14, June 11. \$3. Independence Township Senior Center, 6000 Clarkston Road. 248-625-8231.

Softball for Players 55+, Coffee & Donuts Meeting, 9 a.m., April 9. Starts season. Independence Township Senior Center, 6000 Clarkston Road. 248-625-8231.

Family Board Game Mania, 6:30-8:00 p.m., April 10, May 15, June 19. Springfield Twp Library, 12000 Davisburg Rd. 248-846-6550.

History of Clarkston Churches, with Charlotte

Maybee, 12:30 p.m., April 11, Clarkston Free Methodist Church, 5482 Winell. Sashabaw Plains Chapter of DAR. Free and open to the public. Potluck lunch. 248-922-1717.

Line Dancing, beginners 1-2:30 p.m., intermediate/advanced 3-4:30 p.m., Thursdays starting April 12, Clarkston United Methodist Church, 6600 Waldon Road. For those 50+, country, Spanish salsa, cha-cha rhythms with Rosemary Hall. Purchase punch cards at the Independence Township senior center at \$10 for 5 classes.

Wallyball Fundraiser for Dave Carpenter, 1983 graduate of Clarkston High School in need of a lung transplant due to a rare disease. April 14, 3-6 p.m., Davisburg. Thursday, April 26, 6-9 p.m. 10-year-olds and older. Residents: \$30. Non-residents: \$35. Call Springfield Township Parks & Recreation at 248-634-0412.

Living With Lovely Laverder, with Karen Price. Registration required by April 20. April 28, 10 a.m.-noon, Hart Community Center, 495 Broadway in downtown Davisburg. Residents: \$32. Non-residents: \$37. Ages 12 and older. Call Springfield Township Parks & Recreation at 248-634-0412.

"Healthy Parenting in an Indulgent World," Parent Enrichment program, Clarkston Area Youth Assistance, April 20 10-11:30 a.m. at St. Daniel Church, 7010 Valley Park Drive. Facilitated by Sean Hogan-Downey, parent educator. Register at 248-625-9007.

Clarkston Connects Expo 2007, 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m., April 21, Clarkston High School, 6093 Flemings Lake Road. Clarkston Coalition for Youth presents ex-

hibits by local clubs, organizations, and businesses for youth, adults, and seniors. 248-922-3004.

"Pizza & Pages" Book Club for teens, 11:30 a.m., Saturdays, April 21, May 12. Springfield Twp Library, 12000 Davisburg Rd. 248-846-6550.

Needle Work Nights, 6:30 p.m., Tuesdays, April 24, May 29, June 26, July 24. Springfield Twp Library, 12000 Davisburg Rd. 248-846-6550.

AARP Driver Safety Program, 1-5:30 p.m., April 25-26. For drivers aged 50+. \$10. Check or money order payable to AARP, at Independence Twp. Senior Center, 6000 Clarkston Rd. 248-625-8231.

Fundraiser, 5-8 p.m., April 25, Pete's Coney Island II, 6160 Dixie Highway. Benefits middle school youth of Waterford Community Church, to attend a week long, 200 mile road bike trip in the Upper Peninsula. Call Pastor Jon Richey, 248-623-6310, or Jill Matthews, 248-673-3880.

Used Book/Bake Sale, Friends Of The Springfield Twp. Library. 10 a.m.-8 p.m. April 26; 10 a.m.-6 p.m. April 27; 10 a.m.-noon April 28. Springfield Twp Library, 12000 Davisburg Rd. 248-846-6550.

Drums Alive Golden Beats, 9:15-10:15 a.m., Wednesdays, May 2-June 6. Free Demo, April 24, 10:45 a.m. in Carriage House in Clintonwood Park. Independence Township Senior Center, 6000 Clarkston Road. 248-625-8231.

Movie & Munchies For Adults, 1:30 p.m., every fourth Thursday. Free movie and snacks. April 26: "Man of the Year," Robin Williams. May 24:

"Pursuit of Happyness." Springfield Twp Library, 12000 Davisburg Rd. 248-846-6550.

Beginning Computer Classes. Two sessions each day, 1-2 p.m. or 6:30-7:30 p.m. "Computer & Mouse Basics," April 30. "Email Basics," May 2. "Surfing the Internet," May 7. "Beginning Microsoft Word," May 9. Springfield Township Library, 12000 Davisburg Rd. 248-846-6550.

Author Presentation: Michigan Illustrator Nick van Frankenhuyzen. 6:30 p.m., May 1. All ages are welcome. Springfield Twp Library, 12000 Davisburg Rd. 248-846-6550.

Ducks Unlimited Banquet, 5-11 p.m., May 2, Deer Lake Athletic Club, 6167 White Lake Rd. Attendance prizes, live auction, silent auction. \$80 individual, \$135 couple. 248-623-6802.

Project Healthy Living, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. May 3. Free and low cost screenings, services, and exams. Clarkston Health Center, 5625 Water Tower Place. Call 248-620-4290, or check www.projecthealthyliving.org.

Support Group, recently widowed, all ages, 7 p.m., May 3, Senior Center in Clintonwood Park on Clarkston Road. Topic: "How Men and Women Grieve Differently." Bereavement Counselor Alicia Brown. Walk-ins welcome. Free. Call Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home at 248-625-5231, or email www.wintfuneralhome.com.

"Mature Mulligans" non-league golf, Heather Highlands, 11450 E. Holly Road, 7:30-8:30 a.m., Wednesdays, starting May 9. \$12 residents/\$15 non-residents, payable at Independence Township Senior Center, 6000 Clarkston Road. \$8 greens fee.

248-625-8231.

The Sisters of Swing, The Story of the Andrews Sisters, 11 a.m.-5 p.m., May 17, Meadowbrook Theatre. Residents \$45/Non-residents \$48. The tribute features more than 20 toe-tapping favorites like "Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy" and "Don't Sit Under the Apple Tree." Lunch before the show at O'Malleys. Senior mini-bus from senior center, 6000 Clarkston Rd. 248-625-8231.

Parking lot sale, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., June 3. Bring tables, shelves, or sell from vehicle. \$10/ parking space - benefits library. Independence Township Library, 6495 Clarkston Rd. 248-625-2212.

Mini-League, golf, six-week sessions, start June 5 and July 17. **Shepherd's Hollow, 9085 Big lake Road. Tuesdays, 7-8 a.m.** \$160 per session, payable at Independence Township Senior Center, 6000 Clarkston Road. 248-625-8231. Deadline to sign up, May 18.

Morning Book Discussion Group, 10-11:30 a.m., June 15. **Middlesex** by Jeffrey Eugenides, a story about the middle ground between male and female, Greek and American, past and present. Independence Township Library, 6495 Clarkston Road. 248-625-2212.

Clarkston High School Class of 1987 is planning its **20-year reunion** on Sept. 1, at the Paint Creek Country Club. We are looking for all graduates. Contact Melissa Ronk at Bogey9@comcast.net for more information.

"Cut Ups" Quilting Club, Mondays at 9:30 a.m. Independence Township Senior Center, 6000 Clarkston Road. Call 248-625-8231.

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Clarkston area churches' Easter Sunday services

If you're looking for a service to attend this Easter, look no further. *The Clarkston News* assembled a list of all the Easter services in the area. Happy Easter!

Assembly of God
Bridgewood Church, 6765 Rattalee Lk. Rd., 248-625-1344
 Good Friday: service from noon to 1 p.m.
 Easter Sunday: service at 10 a.m. ***

Baptist
Dixie Baptist, 8585 Dixie Hwy., 248-625-2311
 Easter Sunday: 9:30 a.m. adult bible study; 10:30 a.m. service
First Baptist Church of Clarkston, 5972 Paramus, 248-625-3380
 Easter Sunday: Breakfast at 9:15 a.m., no charge, open to public; 10:30 a.m. service
Maranatha Baptist, 5790 Flemings Lake, 248-625-2700
 Easter Sunday: Breakfast at 9 a.m., open to public; 10:30 a.m. service
Oakland Woods Baptist, 5628 Maybee, 248-625-7557
 Good Friday: 7 p.m. service
 Holy Saturday: Easter Egg Hunt 1 p.m.
 Easter Sunday: 7:30 a.m. service; 8:30 a.m. breakfast, open to public; 10 a.m. service ***

Catholic
St. Daniels, 7010 Valley Park, 248-625-4580
 Holy Thursday: 7 p.m. service with adoration until midnight
 Good Friday - Stations of the Cross at 12:15 p.m.; Service at 1 p.m.
 Holy Saturday: Blessing of Food at noon;
 Easter Vigil at 8 p.m.
 Easter Sunday: Services at 7:30 a.m., 9 a.m.

and 11 a.m. ***
Congregational
1st Congregational Church of N. Clarkston, 5449 Clarkston Rd., 248-394-0200
 Maundy Thursday: 7 p.m. dinner and worship
 Friday: Tenebrae Service at noon with personal mediation and prayer from noon to 3 p.m.
 Easter Sunday: 9 a.m. service with brass and bells, 11 a.m. family worship service ***

Lutheran
Calvary Evangelical, 6805 Bluegrass, 248-625-3288
 Maundy Thursday: Service at 7 p.m.
 Good Friday: 5:15 p.m. cross walk through town with service following at 7 p.m.
 Church is open for prayer 8 a.m.-10 p.m.
 Friday
 Saturday: 7 p.m. Easter Vigil
 Easter Sunday: Services at 8:15 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m.
St. Trinity, 7925 Sashabaw Rd., 248-625-4644
 Maundy Thursday: Services at 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. with communion
 Good Friday: Services at 1 p.m. and 8 p.m.
 Saturday- Easter Vigil with communion at 6 p.m.
 Easter Sunday- 7 a.m. breakfast; Easter Celebration from 8-10:30 a.m.; Services at 9 and 11 a.m. with communion ***

Methodist
Clarkston Free Methodist, 5482 Winell, 248-623-1224
 Good Friday - Service at 3 p.m. at church

Easter Sunday: Service at 10 a.m. at Clarkston Junior High School
Clarkston United Methodist Church, 6600 Waldon Rd., 248-625-1611
 Thursday: Service at 7:15 p.m.
 Friday: Services at noon and 7:30 p.m.
 Easter Sunday: Services at 9 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. ***

Missionary
First Missionary, 4832 Clintonville Rd., 248-674-3186
 Good Friday: Service at noon,
 Saturday: Easter Egg Hunt at 10 a.m.
 Easter Sunday: 9 a.m. breakfast with 10:30

a.m. Easter worship ***
Non-Denominational
Clarkston Community, 6300 Clarkston Rd., 248-625-1323
 Maundy Thursday: 6:30 p.m. foot washing with 7:15 communion
 Friday: Service at noon
 Easter Sunday: Services at 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m.
Mt. Zion, 4900 Maybee Rd., 248-391-6166
 Friday: Service at 1 p.m.
 Easter Sunday: Services at 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11:15 a.m.

- Kelly Reynolds

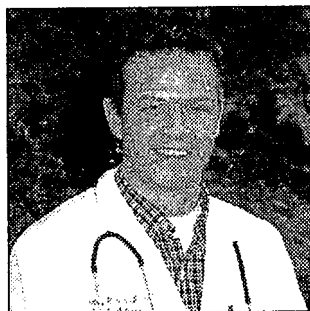


Brothers Jacob and Drew Roeser hunted for Easter eggs and other treats, with the help of the Easter Bunny, this past Saturday morning at Deer Lake Athletic Club's egg hunt. Photo by Phil Custodio

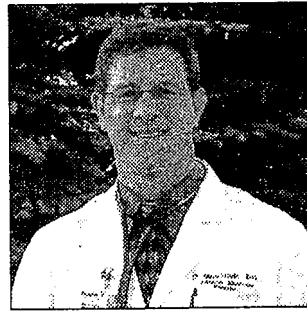
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Milestones



Jessica Caruso with her science project, three battery-powered cars. She tested the strength and speed of three types of drive. Photo by Phil Custodio

Clarkston girl wins third in Science Fair at Kettering U

BY PHIL CUSTODIO
Clarkston News Editor

Deciding what her science fair project would be about, Jessica Caruso of Clarkston went with what the area is known for – cars.

"I thought that would be really cool," said Caruso, fourth-grader at Everest Academy. "I learned a lot about how cars work."

She took her work to the Flint Area Science Fair at Kettering University March 16. She won Third Place in the Elementary Division, out of more than 150 contestants, receiving a certificate and \$250 bond.

Caruso went to the science fair with classmates Monica Toohey, fifth place, Mary Grace Schmid, sixth place, and Jessie Reichenbach, high honorable mention. The girls all wore their uniforms for the award ceremony.

"I was proud of them," said Enrico A. Caruso, Jessica's father.

Jessica's project measured speed and strength of three battery-powered cars, driven by propeller, belt, and worm gearing.

Her hypothesis was the belt-drive car would be fastest; worm-drive, strongest.

Results, after several trials, was the worm-drive car was strongest and fastest.

"It went the straightest," she said. Enrico helped his daughter with the project, but, as an immigration lawyer



Jessica Caruso, with her brother Ross Caruso, holds her science fair certificate. Photo submitted

unfamiliar with automotive engineering, learned right alongside her.

"I had fun doing the father-daughter thing, but I learned as much as she did," he said.

The science fair included display of all projects, and also interviews of contestants by three judges, who asked questions to assess their level of comprehension.

"I was nervous," Jessica said.

Afterwards, contestants took to the stage and were presented their awards in descending order. Jessica stood as the group shrank from over 100 to 35 finalists, then to the top three.

"It was very exciting," Enrico said.

The project took a lot of work, but Jessica is going for the win next year, perhaps with an environmental theme, they said.

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Religion

Easter — how do we know it really happened?

Did you know that the word Easter appears nowhere in the Bible?

We may talk about Easter season, Easter Sunday, Easter outfits and even Easter rabbits—but the term is from German and Old English—not from the Bible. (The word "Easter" does in appear in Acts 12:4 in the King James Version, but it is a mistranslation. The Greek word is "Passover.")

Easter was originally a pagan festival honoring Eostre, a Teutonic goddess of light and spring. At the time of the vernal equinox (the day in the spring when the sun crosses the equator and day and night are of equal length), sacrifices were offered in her honor.

As early as the eighth century, the word was used to designate the annual Christian celebration of the resurrection of Christ. Because the church decided to celebrate Easter on the first Sunday following the first full moon in the spring, Easter can fall anywhere between March 22 and April 25.

The fact is, when the New Testament writers talked about what we call Easter they referred to it as the Passover. The basic New Testament claim is that Jesus was crucified during the Jewish celebration of Passover and rose from the dead on that Sunday.

What a claim! Could it be true? Many skeptics call it myth and legend. I believe it really happened.

Here are a handful of reasons.

First, the disciples claimed to see Jesus alive and

well after his crucifixion. Were they liars? Possibly, but read on.

Second, the disciples changed dramatically all of a sudden. What brought about that change? When Jesus was crucified, the apostles were understandably fearful. They hid from the authorities. They were discouraged and depressed. Three days later they became bold and optimistic. How could they change like that?

Third, within weeks of the crucifixion, thousands of Jews began to abandon their sacred traditions. They changed their day of worship from the Sabbath (Saturday) to Sunday. They stopped offering animal sacrifices at the Temple. They would have needed a powerful reason to change their cherished traditions!

What really clinches it for me is this.

The disciples were willing to die for their claims. Sure, lots of people of other faiths have died for their claims too. But there's a big difference. The apostles were in a position to know if they were telling the truth or not.

People may die for something they believe to be true, but nobody knowingly and willingly dies for a lie.

The apostles said, "We saw Jesus alive and well after his crucifixion!" And they were willing to die for that claim.

Did it really happen?

Yep.

It makes the most sense of the evidence. But it still takes a step of faith. The Good News is that if we take that step of faith and ask Jesus into our lives, he can change us like he changed the disciples.

Greg Henneman is pastor of Clarkston Community Church.

Spiritual Matters



Pastor Greg Henneman

In our churches...

Spring Revival, April 4, 6:15 p.m., Teen Emphasis Night; April 5-6, 7 p.m., service. Special Revival Speaker, J. Mark Kittrell, nationally known and respected evangelist from Reidville, S.C. First Baptist Church of Clarkston, 5972 Paramus. 248-625-3380.

Labyrinth, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. and 5-9 p.m., April 6, Clarkston United Methodist Church, 6600 Waldon Road. Ancient Christian tradition which provides time for quiet reflection in the presence of God. 248-625-1611.

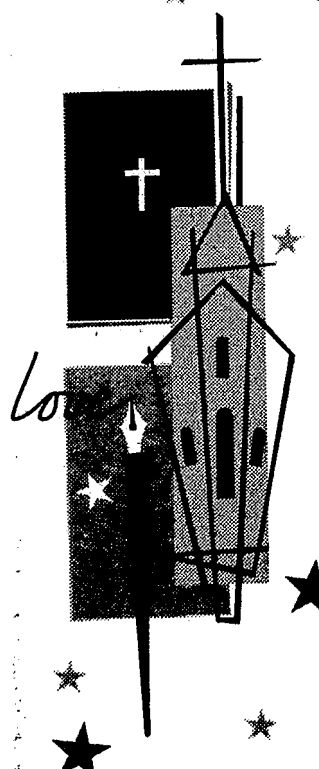
"CrossWalk," April 6, beginning 5 p.m. at the RiteAid at M-15 and Dixie. The walk through town, with retelling of Jesus' death and resurrection, ends at Calvary Lutheran Church, 6805 Bluegrass Drive, at 7 p.m., with the cross being carried into the sanctuary for Good Friday worship. 248-625-3288.

FEAST will resume at Calvary Lutheran Church, April 18, continues through May 23rd. All are welcome. Catered dinner at 6:10 p.m., followed by worship and Praise, then small groups for all ages, adjourning at 8:30 p.m. 6805 Bluegrass Drive in Clarkston, at the SW corner of I-75 and M-15. For more info, call the church at 248-625-3288, or visit our website, www.calvaryinfo.org.

Bethany North Oakland, Catholic organization providing peer support to all faiths dealing with divorce or separation, general meeting fourth Monday of the month, 7:30 p.m., Cushing Center, St. Daniel Catholic Church, 7010 Valley Park in Clarkston. Also, April birthday celebration, 7 p.m., April 11, Red Knapp's, Dixie and M15. Call Marianne at 248-807-0041 or Paul 248-625-9563.

Please see In Our Churches, page 12B

CHURCH DIRECTORY



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:
9:00 am, 10:10 am
& 11:15 am service
Adult Sunday School: 10:10 am

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"Lutheran Church - 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

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(248) 625-2311
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Springfield Christian Academy
& Children's Ark Preschool
Pastor: J. Todd Vanaman
Sun: 10:00 am Sunday School
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11:00 am Worship Service
6:00 pm Worship Service
Wed: 6:45 pm AWANA
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P.O. Box 837
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peace.unity@sbcglobal.net
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207 E. Maple Street
Holly, MI. 48442
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website: <http://www.hollypc.org>
Rev. Dr. Herb Swanson
Summer Hours for
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Worship Service 10:30am
Childcare Provided

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8:15 am (traditional worship)
9:30 am (blended worship)
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Clarkston, MI 48348
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www.northoakschurch.org
Pastor Steve I. Brown

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www.firstcongregationalchurch.org

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(248) 625-3380
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& Adult Bible Fellowship
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5:00 pm Choir Practice
6:00 pm Evening Service
Mon: 6:30 pm Awana
Wed: 10:00 am
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Bible Study

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Wed., 9:30 am & 7 pm
Sept thru June
www.clarkstonepiscopal.org
248-625-2325

ST. DANIEL CATHOLIC CHURCH

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am
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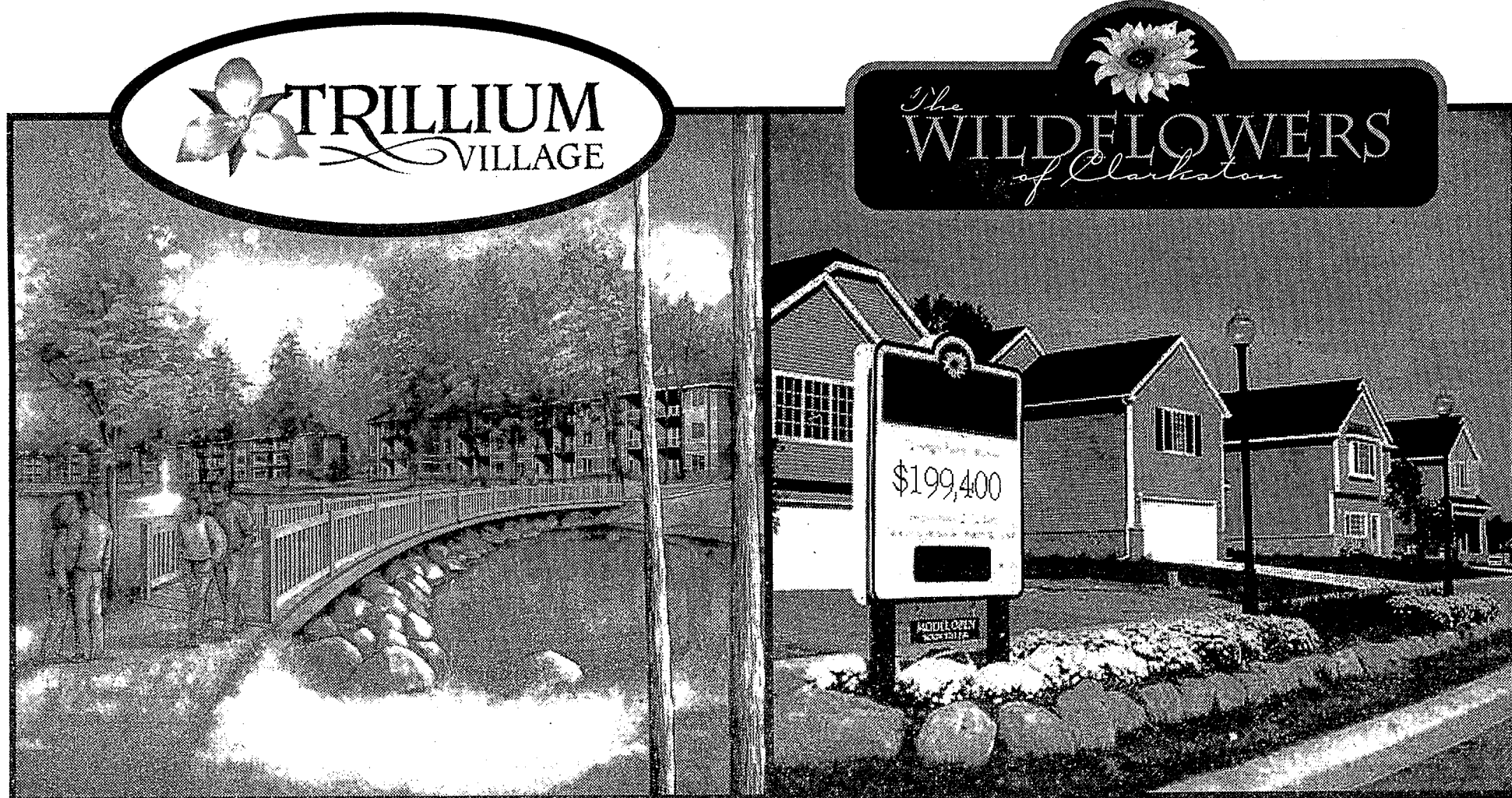
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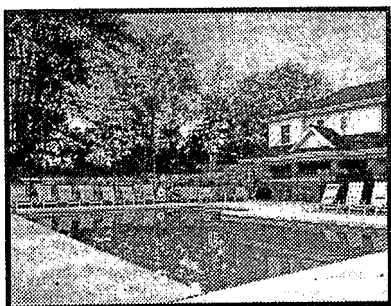
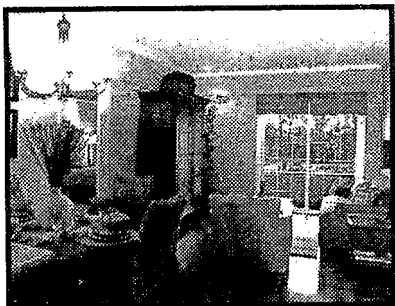
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Anderson, Dan Whiting
Sunday: Worship
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School of Discipleship 11:00 am
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Wednesday: Children's Ministries
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Sunday: Youth Ministries
5:00-7:00 pm
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6765 Rattalee Lake Road
Clarkston, 48348
(248) 625-1344
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Morning Worship Service
Exploration Station -
Children's Ministry
5pm Evening Worship Service
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Children's Ministry
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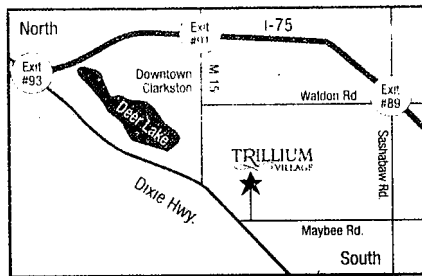


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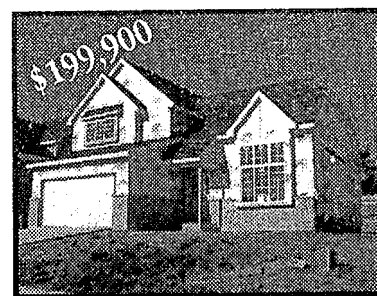
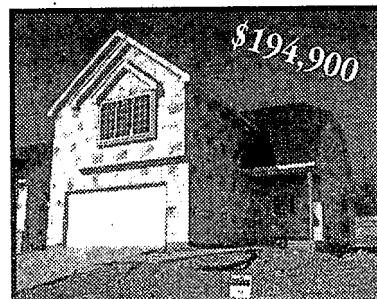
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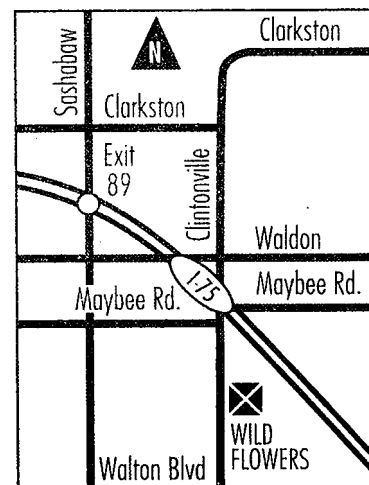
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Friends open karate, weight-training studio

BY PAUL KAMPE

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Decades of experience and know-how have merged into Master Bill's Karate and Better Bodies at 5907 Dixie Highway inside Independence Commons.

Master Bill Snyder, who has about 50 years of experience, heads the martial arts center. Snyder has opened martial arts facilities around the United States and the world. The Independence Township location is his second in Oakland County. He is a 10th degree black belt and a member of the United States Martial Arts Hall of Fame. His students practice Snyder's phung-hwa-do.

"It means the way of the peaceful spirit," he said.

The form, which Snyder developed more than a decade ago, is a combination of several martial arts.

"A lot of styles only have you kicking and punching and your blocks and forms, those things. With ours, we have a mixture of a lifetime's worth of exposure to all the martial arts. I brought that into this and that's incorporated into everything we do. That's why it's unique. We bring in the kickboxing and boxing and it's the people that have been around me throughout my career," he said.

That career began as a child in Seoul, South Korea, and has become Snyder's life.

Terry Bruce, a professional weightlifter and personal trainer, runs the Better Bodies center next door. After a nearly four-year friendship, the two men saw the opportunity to share an office.

"We became good friends and we

share the same faith," Snyder said.

"We always talked about how nice it would be to have a karate school and a weight-training (facility) together one day. And somehow that dream became a reality.

"(We) always dreamed of being able to have a facility where we could start with you, for your health, nutrition, alternative sources of therapy and healing as well as training full-fledged warriors for combat.

"I want these (students) to be prepared mentally, physically and spiritually. We want to produce good people out here in these streets."

Snyder opened his studio in the 1,800-square-foot center in January and ensures the preservation of martial arts tradition with only the best instruction for his students.

"If they're not qualified and certified to teach, then they shouldn't be teaching out on your floor. Either I or one of my certified black belts teach."

Better Bodies, which opened adjacently last May, offers a relaxed atmosphere to use their machines, free weights, and exercise equipment, and also nutritional and dietary advice.

"Everyone that comes to me gets a one-on-one training session for about an



Terry Bruce and Bill Snyder recently opened Master Bill's Karate and Better Bodies. Photo by Paul Kampe

hour. We do cardio and weight training and we discuss proper eating," Bruce said.

"We just want a place where people can feel comfortable coming in, regardless of their beliefs."

Better Bodies' puts comfort at a premium. Bruce recollects his experience over the years watching clubs push certain members away.

"(Gyms) are not always the best atmosphere for a wide-range of people," Bruce said.

"There's no compromise in the gyms for the clientele, so what happens is eventually they...drive a certain clientele out."

Bruce, a California native, moved to Michigan seven years ago. He has more than a decade experience as a nutrition store owner/manager, health club owner/manager and personal trainer.

"I wanted to own my own studio because I wanted something I could do my

way where I feel comfortable...without having to compromise my beliefs," Bruce said.

"I wanted to offer a more well-rounded program than what was being offered at the studio I was at.

"I like to deal with the whole aspect of fitness from helping (clients) with their eating plans, helping with cardiovascular and then the weight-training part."

"Once (clients) are healthier and more physically fit, that spreads out not only how they feel about themselves, but everyone who comes in contact with them," Bruce said.

Bruce has plenty of experience with weight lifting. He has been competitively power-lifting for 15 years. Bruce has set several records and won many competitions from several different weight-lifting authorities.

His services are offered at an affordable rate, he said.

Snyder said the two services can help reduce crime through preparation.

"We want to help the community. With crime and things as bad as they are today, a lot of these things could be deterred if people know how to defend themselves," Snyder said.

The crime prevention is one way the studio is aimed at being family friendly and preserving families.

"We're just a family-oriented school, that's all we care about is kids," Snyder said.

Master Bill's Karate and Better Bodies is located at 5907 Dixie Highway. For Master Bill's Karate, call 248-875-9787 and for Better Bodies call 248-563-2268.



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Ahdi Dasuqill, Lil' People 2 assistant director, reads to a group of eager children.



Hey! The Cat in the Hat came for a visit, and she looks just like Emily Morris!



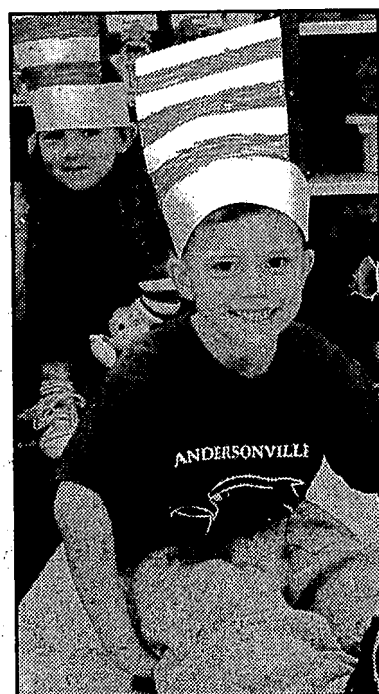
Logan McGivern was eager to help sweep up runaway cake crumbs



Emily Glaser stopped for a quick smile.



Nicholas LaCroix wanted a look at the camera and ended up in *The Clarkston News*.



Ike Yeloushan shows his ready smile.

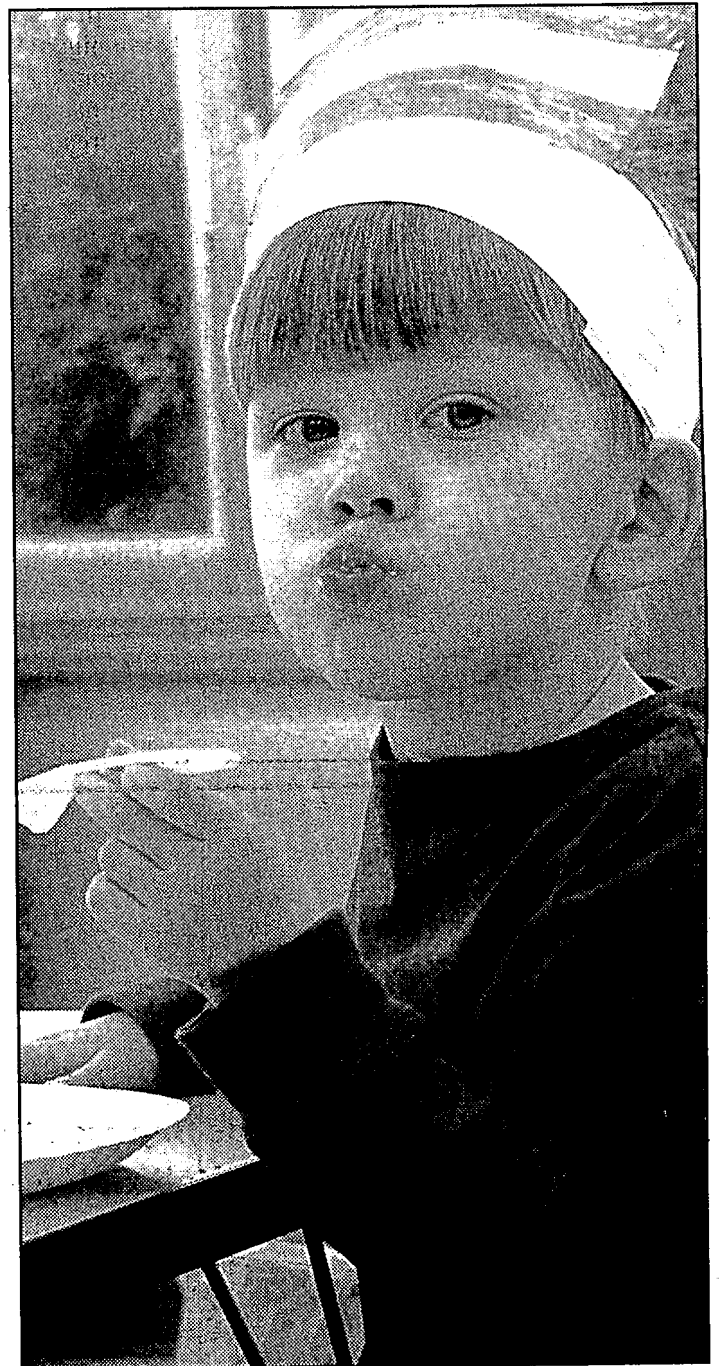
Happy Birthday, Dr. Seuss!

During the month of March, 52 children in the pre-K classes at Lil' People's Place 2 in Independence Township read a combined 1,536 Dr. Seuss books in honor of the famous author's birthday.

The month wrapped up March 30 with cake, punch, activities and a viewing of "The Cat in the Hat" movie. Green eggs and ham, however, were not available.

Dr. Seuss was born Theodor Geisel in Springfield, Massachusetts, on March 2, 1904.

Photos by Laura Colvin



Cameron DeMerse thought the cake was yummy.



For a group who just finished with cake and punch, these kids sure could say "cheeeeeeeeeesee!"

Obituary

Arthur Kelley Jr.

Arthur John Kelley Jr., lifelong resident of Clarkston, died March 21 at 80 years of age.

He was the beloved husband of Melva for 57 years; loving father of Debbie Kelley and Shiela (Mike) Turk; dearest grandfather of Michael (Lisa) Turk, Addison Turk, and Brooke (Jay) Turk; great grandfather of Jenna, Katie, and Logan Turk.

He was preceded in death by parents Arthur Sr. and Estella Kelley, brothers and sisters Myrtle Perry, Mae Jones, Asa Kelley, R.D. Kelley, Doris Inman, Lee Kelley, and Whitey Kelley.

Survived by sister-in-law Margaret Kelley, and several nieces and nephews.

Mr. Kelley retired from the U.S. Postal Service and served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge #60 F&AM and American Legion Post #63.

He enjoyed going to his cabin, but most of all, loved spending time with his grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Memorial service was March 24 at Coats funeral home. Interment was at Great Lakes National Cemetery March 26. Memorial contributions may be made to American heart or kidney association, or American Cancer Society.

Daniel Addis

Daniel Addis passed away peacefully in his sleep March 3.

His favorite opera arias were playing softly in the room. His family and little dog were at his side. Mr. Addis was born Dec. 14, 1920, in Clarkston, the only child of Margaret Hammond and Leroy Addis. Dan's childhood friends included the children of his sister, Ruth Liebler and brother, William Dunston.

Mr. Addis's relatives were among the first settlers in the Territory of Michigan. He traced his roots back to Simon Addis who served in the Revolutionary War. As a boy, Dan scooped ice cream in the store built by his father on the corner of Main and Washington streets in downtown Clarkston, now the Olde Village Cafe.

The family home at 44 E. Washington is still occupied by a cousin, Carol Walter, and Dan's childhood growth is marked on a doorjamb in the home.

A Hammond ancestor laid the cornerstone for the First Methodist Church in Clarkston. From the time that Mr. Addis was a small boy, his mother took him by the hand to sing in that same church. Classical hymns remained music that he loved, along with the opera favorites that he was

allowed to play on his mother's wind-up phonograph.

No surprise that he majored in music and made a career of teaching music in the Waterford school system.

For many years, his singing was shared with the Clarkston community at the Memorial Day services at Lakeview Cemetery, at the weddings of friends, and in his role as King Caspar in performances of "Amahl and the Night Visitors."

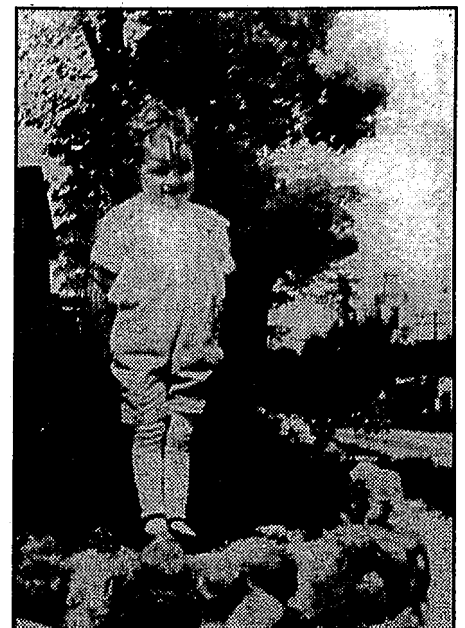
With such loving parents, Dan had a spirit and a personality that made him an ideal teacher. No child was ever turned away from singing so school performances were large and enthusiastic.

As adults, many of those former students wrote to him with great affection.

Dan and Virginia moved to Bellingham, Wash., in the early 1980's and his life there had many associations that gave him pleasure: the Community Food Co-op where the staff voted him customer of the year, the Whatcom County Library system, where he was a board member, and the Bookmobile, which kept him supplied with the many books he read each week.

Also dear to his heart was the Bellingham Music Club, many of whose talented and knowledgeable members visited him often during the weeks he was at home under hospice care.

Mr. Addis had a great loving and friendly spirit. In Clarkston and Bellingham, he loved his neighbors, and helped make the whole community a delightful, civilized place to live. No matter where he went Dan inspired friend-



Daniel Addis as a small child, standing on the wall of a house near the corner of Main Street and Waldon Road. The view is looking north on Main Street. Photo provided

ship.

He learned everyone's name, and treated all with respect and humor.

His family, his fortunate wife, Virginia, his beloved son Daniel and daughter Ruth (children of his marriage to the late Leda Miller of Clarkston), his beloved granddaughters Anlyn and Kelly Addis, and his many stepchildren and grandchildren were enriched by having him in their lives.

The wonderful memories we have of Dan will bring us joy and comfort forever.

Obituaries are updated as we get them on our website, www.ClarkstonNews.com

We have an immediate need for someone who can lead a choir, lead congregational worship, play an instrument, and coordinate the music ministries at

Oakland Woods Baptist Church.

If interested, contact Bob Galey, (248) 625-7557.



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Sunday	Son Rise Service (Contemporary)	9:30 a.m.
	Sunday School- All Age	9:30 & 11:00 a.m.
	Hour of Praise (Blended Worship)	11:00 a.m.
	Evening Worship Service (Traditional)	6:00 p.m.
Wednesday	Bible Study- All Ages	7:00 p.m.
	Teens P.H.A.T. Wed., 1st Wed. of Month	7:00 p.m.
	Royal Ambassadors (boys 1 st -6 th grades)	7:00 p.m.
	Pioneer Club (Coed 2 nd -5 th & 1 st -6 th Girls)	7:00 p.m.

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Easter Sunday Schedule

Sun Rise Service

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Breakfast

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Combined Worship Service

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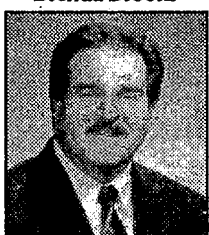
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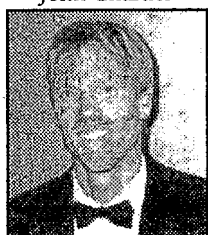
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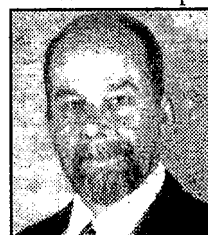
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Clarkston House Beautiful. 4 bedroom, 3.5 bath. Large 1st floor master suite. Finished LL walkout.

DO575 PVRM \$365,900 - \$389,876



Village of Holly. 3 bedroom, 1 bath. Ranch w/many updates. Close to beach, parks, school.

FA327 \$119,900



Quality built ranch. 3 bedroom, 1.5 bath. Finished basement. Oversized garage.

HA743 \$210,000



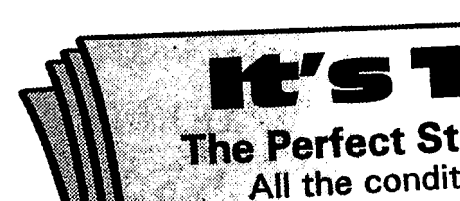
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Waterford new build. 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath. Almost 2000 Sq. ft. Extra deep basement.

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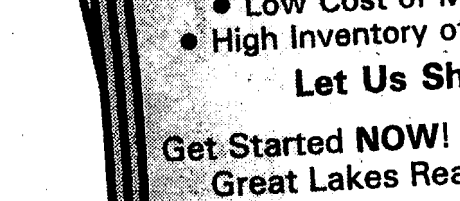


Waterford lake front. 4 bedroom. 2 bath. Large 70 x 200 lot. Walkout basement.

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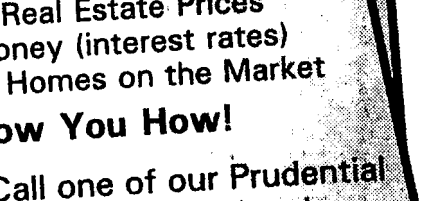
Desirable ranch. 3 bedroom, 2 bath. Finished basement. Lots of updates.

OV608 \$189,900



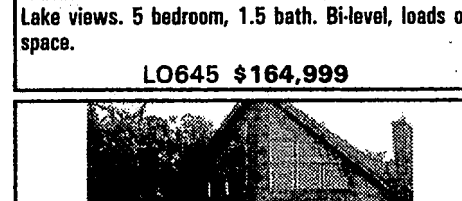
Warm and inviting. 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath. Colonial. Wooded lot on cul-de-sac.

RA600 \$294,777



Clarkston Bluffs. 3 bedroom, 3 bath. Ranch immaculate ranch condo.

RI669 \$249,900



Clarkston Bluffs. 3 bedroom, 3.5 bath. 3 story with basement. Barely lived in.

SC660 \$239,900



Holly Township. 4 bedroom, 2.5 bath. Master suite w/ double closet & full bath. Daylight basement.

VA336 \$184,500



Clarkston schools. 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath. Partially finished walkout. Lake privileges on Big Lake.

WA110 \$331,500



Waterford new construction. 3 bedroom, 2.5 bath. Master suite w/luxury bath. 1600 sq. ft., 2 car garage.

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Obituary

Michael E. Luchenbach

Michael E. Luchenbach of Clarkston; passed away unexpectedly March 29 at the age of 65.

He was the husband of Carole for 41 years; father of Steve (Nancy) of White Lake, Heather (Don) McClellan of Holly; Papa of Andrew & Kayla and Alexandria and Hanna; brother of Candy (Darrell) Lovell of Ala. and the late Lana Appleton; brother-in-law of Dr. Duane (LouAnn) Schroeder of Deckerville.

Mr. Luchenbach retired from the General Motors Orion Plant after 32 years. He was Clarkston Jaycee presi-



dent 1975-1976 and was elected J.C.I. senator. He also enjoyed cruises with his Mopar Club and traveling with family.

Funeral service was Monday at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston. Interment All Saints Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Michigan Heart Association.

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March 29, 1977 - March 25, 2005



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And we continue to miss you more that words can say.
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Each and every day we hold you in our thoughts,
we treasure you in our memories,
and we keep you safe within our hearts.
Our love forever, Mom and Dad

Project Healthy Living set May 3

Clarkston Health Center and Sunrise Assisted Living present the 2007 Project Healthy Living 10 a.m.-2 p.m. May 3.

Free screenings include blood pressure, body composition, hearing, vision, glaucoma, podiatry exams, Osteopathic Manipulative Therapy evaluations and pulmonary function.

Free counseling services will be available for diabetes, nutrition, medication and dental health.

Health screening tests include:

- 22-profile blood panel, \$40. Four-hour fasting is recommended for this test, as glucose will be affected by a non-fasting state. Do not take any unnecessary medications.
- Prostate Specific Antigen blood test for men, \$25;
- CA 125 ovarian cancer antigen blood test for women, \$25;
- Colorectal cancer screening kits, \$8;
- H-pylori blood test for ulcers, \$15;

• Cardio CRP blood test, which may indicate the chances of heart attack or stroke, \$25; and

• Iron blood test, \$5.

Mammograms will be offered for \$70 due at the time of the exam. Pre-registration is required and appointments can be made by calling 248-620-4222.

Other fee-based exams not requiring pre-registration include: Bone density screening, \$25; ankle brachial index stroke screening, \$35; and carotid artery stroke screening, \$35.

Clarkston Health Center is located at 5625 Water Tower Place in Clarkston off of Dixie Highway, north of White Lake Road, next to the blue water tower.

For more information, call Marie Bristow, 248-620-4290, or go online to www.projecthealthyliving.org. Clarkston Health Center is a partnership between Genesys Health System and POH Medical Center.

VNA offers HPV vaccine

Visiting Nurse Association of Southeast Michigan offers Gardasil vaccination against HPV.

Appointment are available Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., at it's Oak

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Easter Sunday Mass Times
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Clarkston United Methodist Church
6600 Waldon Rd., Clarkston
(248) 625-1611
Maundy Thursday Dinner & Worship
6:30 / 7:15 pm
Good Friday Services - Noon & 7:30 pm
Easter Celebration Services
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HOLY WEEK SERVICES
Maundy Thursday, April 5th - 1:00 pm & 7:00 pm Service
Good Friday, April 6th - 1:00 pm & 8:00 pm Service
Easter Vigil, April 7th - 8:00 pm Service
Easter Sunday, April 8th - 7:00 am Sunrise Service,
9:00 am & 11:00 am Easter Services
Easter Breakfast - 8:00 am - 10:30 am

Calvary Lutheran Church
6805 Bluegrass Dr. Clarkston, MI
(248) 625-3288
Good Friday, April 6th • 7:00 pm
Easter Sunday, April 8th Celebrations
8:15 am (Traditional), 9:30 am (Blended), 11:00 am (Contemporary)
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Church of the Resurrection Anglican - Episcopal
6490 Clarkston Rd., Clarkston
(248) 625-2325
April 5th, Maundy Thursday Eucharist & Foot Washing at 7:00 pm
April 6th, Good Friday Liturgy at Noon & at 7:00 pm
April 7th, The Great Easter Vigil at 7:00 pm Eucharist with Baptisms
April 8th, The Great Feast of Easter at 8:00 am & 10:00 am Eucharist with Baptisms

CLARKSTON COMMUNITY CHURCH
6300 Clarkston Road, Clarkston
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Good Friday Service - 12:00 noon
Easter Sunday Services
9:30 am & 11:00 am
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Kupe family strong in faith

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her, it obviously worked for her. I try to mirror her in that way."

One can only imagine the standards for 3-year-old Isabella, currently a day care attendee. The youngest Kupe came as a surprise to her family and she's "a really big light in our lives," Oliver said.

Isabella makes the trip with her parents, who make sure to attend their kids' athletic contests, no matter what sport or season. It's a matter of prioritizing family before other interests, Joachim said.

"It's a good feeling, it makes me want to play harder," Oliver said. "It's a big deal for my parents to be at my games."

The Kupes, members of St. Daniel's for eight years, channel their faith into everyday life.

"All we have and all we are comes from God. We look to him to lead us and

everything we do is based on giving him the glory," Joachim said.

"It's our duty to do our best with (our) gifts, by doing so, we give him the glory."

"That's God's call for me, to contribute to healing humankind from diseases," Anne-Marie said.

"I feel I have to contribute by using my talent and intelligence for human (progress)."

The Kupes raise money to send to the Thello orphanage in Congo and the family does volunteer work with St. Dan's.

For the past two years, Anne-Marie has been on the Board of Directors at Lourde's Nursing home in Waterford.

Keeping track of every day in the family could be an occupation in itself.

"It's an act of balance and time management. We do whatever possible to employ it," Joachim said.

In Our Churches

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Every Friday evening at 6 p.m., Calvary Evangelical Lutheran Church is offering "Celebrate Recovery." Simple meal, praise and worship, and group discussion. 6805 Bluegrass Drive. 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. Who, What, When, Where, Why and How of Prayer and Meditation. All welcome. Call 248-891-4365 or e-mail 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 6 p.m., worship 6:50 p.m. and classes for all ages 7:15-8:30 p.m. Free nursery. 6805 Bluegrass Drive. 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.

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

Around Town

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Chapter, 7 a.m., Tuesdays, Oakland County Board of Realtors office. For more information, call Cheryl Bean at 248-625-7550.

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

Clarkston Area Lions Club meets on the second and fourth Thursday of every month, 6:30-8 p.m. The Lions meet in the Carriage House, next to the Senior Center, in Clintonwood Park. Visitors welcome. Call 248-802-8603, www.ClarkstonLions.com.

Avalon Hospice, a nonprofit Medicare certified hospice program in Oakland County,

needs volunteers. Each of five training sessions lasts 2-3 hours. Call Mara at 248-722-1474.

Samaritan Care Hospice seeks volunteers to spend time with terminally ill patients and their families. Companionship and emotional support to patients, 2-3 hours per week. Volunteers 18 or older with reliable transportation. Call Chris Kokenos at 800-397-9360.

Visiting Nurse Association of Southeast Michigan's **hospice program** needs compassionate volunteers. 2-4 hours per week, companionship, write a memoir, provide respite or provide office support. Free 18-hour comprehensive training program over a three-day period. Next training session, April 14, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. 25900 Greenfield Road, Suite 600. Registration is required. Call 800-882-5720, ext 836.



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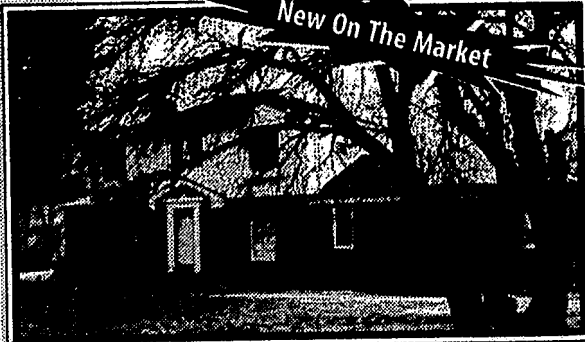
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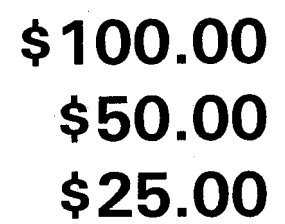


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Vball for a V cause

Staff vs. students raises money for cancer research

BY PAUL KAMPE

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Most volleyball matches are played to earn a victory, but at Clarkston High School March 28, teams of students and staff from throughout the district worked to raise money for cancer research.

The fourth annual Staff versus Student Volleyball Tournament, teamed with district-wide Show Your Spirit Day nearly two weeks earlier, raised \$4,200 for The V Foundation.

The foundation, created in 1993 and named for former men's college basketball coach Jim Valvano, has raised more than \$60 million in funds for cancer research, according to the foundation.

This year's tournament featured a cancer memorial wall along the east side of the gym, with remembrances of family members lost to cancer.

Aaron Dobson, advisor of the CHS LEAD program, which along with the Blue and Gold Clubs from CHS and Clarkston Junior High School sponsored the event, said the wall brought home the reality of the

disease.

"It's a way for us to show how cancer touches all of us and we need to unite as a community to battle this."

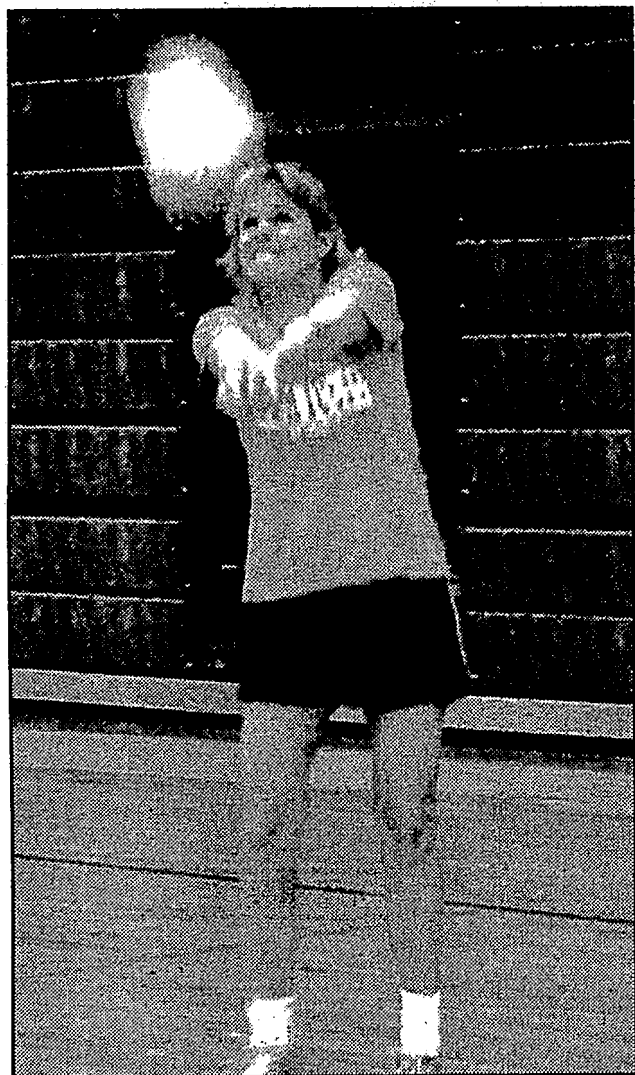
LEAD helped include students with "spirit" day. Students were allowed to wear their favorite team's apparel at school in exchange for donations to the foundation.

Additionally, the group arranged the viewing of Valvano's emotional March 1993 address at the first ESPY Awards ceremony, just months before cancer claimed his life.

In the nearly 10-minute speech, Valvano, a recipient of the Arthur Ashe Courage and Humanity Award, announced the creation of the foundation in cooperation with ESPN.

"It was really inspirational in the respect that it shows us that we need to fight (cancer)," Dobson said.

"We want them to know everyone who battles cancer is a hero."



Clarkston girls' volleyball coach and Clarkston Junior High School teacher Kelly Avenall makes a dig for the champion Team Orange. The event, combined with "Spirit Day," raised more than \$4,000 for The V Foundation. Photo by Paul Kampe

Railroad crossings to close for repairs

Railroad crossings on Andersonville Road will be closed temporarily this month for repair, according to the Road Commission for Oakland County.

The railroad crossing east of Farley Road in Springfield Township will be closed April 16-20. The detour route will be Farley Road to Foster Road to Edgar Road and vice versa.

The crossing just west of Clement Road in Independence Township will close April 23-27. The detour route will be White Lake Road to Dixie Highway.

This is the second year CN railroad has improved a number of crossings in Oakland County.

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF OAKLAND NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST INFORMAL APPOINTMENT OF PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE FILE NO:

Estate of Richard Lee Sellers. Date of birth: 1/22/75
To David L. Sellers, whose whereabouts is unknown; your interests may be barred or affected by the following.

I intend to request the informal appointment of Bonnie L. St. Cyr as personal representative of the estate. This notice is being served upon those persons with a prior or equal right to an appointment. The court will not act upon my application until 14 days after the date this notice was mailed or until 7 days after this notice was personally served.

The actions you may take include:
• Upon paying a filing fee, filing a petition for formal proceedings to appoint a personal representative.

• Upon paying a filing fee, filing an application for informal appointment of yourself as personal representative provided you have a higher priority to be appointed.
• Contacting an attorney for assistance in representing you in any proceeding you wish to file in the court.

The court will not be able to provide you with any legal advice in completing or filing the forms.
NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Richard Lee Sellers, who lived at 1017 Etowah, Royal Oak, Michigan, died 9/4/06.

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

3/29/07
Bonnie L. St. Cyr
1017 Etowah
Royal Oak, MI 48067
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ROBERT G. ISGRIGG, JR. P-24924
2745 Pontiac Lake Road
Waterford, Michigan 48328
(248) 682-8800

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF OAKLAND NOTICE TO CREDITORS Decedent's Estate FILE NO:1

Estate of Michael Allan McElhone, Decedent. Date of birth: 3/29/1950

TO ALL CREDITORS:
NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Michael Allan McElhone, who lived at AV Del Pulpo 5412 Mazatlan, Michigan died March 5, 2007.

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

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ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS SPECIAL MEETING

The Independence Township Board of Appeals will meet on Wednesday, April 25, 2007 at 7:30 PM at The Independence Township Hall, Supervisor's Office, 90 N. Main St., Clarkston, MI 48346 to hear the following case:

Case #07-0014 Rouse, Patrick and Michelle, Petitioner
APPLICANT REQUESTS FRONT YARD SETBACK VARIANCE OF 2'6" AND SIDE YARD SETBACK VARIANCE OF 6" (HOME RELOCATED AND PLACED ON NEW FOUNDATION)
5365 Sunnyside Dr., West 100' of Lot 59, R-1A Sunshine Acres
08-35-176-020

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

Respectfully submitted,
Shelagh VanderVeen, Clerk

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

"We're teaching our students to be altruistic on a national level."

In its inception, the volleyball tournament's purpose was to raise school spirit. In its sophomore year, the tourney raised money for a local family battling cancer. Last year the decision was made that the money raised would go to a national organization, which was more encompassing for everyone, Dobson said.

The tournament featured eight teams of students and eight more with teachers in head-to-head matches. Team orange, with CJHS faculty, won the tournament which saw the first team of members from the Clarkston Community Schools' Board of Education.

Superintendent Al Roberts said it was the members' pleasure to take part in the fundraiser.

"All of us felt the cause was great (as well as) the teacher organization and leadership. We wanted to support them. They put it together and that was the least we could do," Roberts said.

For pictures of the night's event, see page A20.

Visit <http://www.youtube.com> to view the speech and <http://www.jimmyv.org> for more information.

PUBLIC NOTICE

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SUMMARY

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

MARCH 27, 2007

Meeting called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Mayor Catallo.

Roll. Present: Catallo, Brueck, Colombo, Gawronski, Johnston, Ottman, Rausch.

Absent: None.

Moved That the Special Meeting Minutes of March 5, 2007, be approved as presented.

Moved That the Minutes of March 13, 2007, be approved as presented.

Moved That the Agenda be approved as presented.

Johnston reported on the Landscaping for Lakes and Streams seminar held on Monday, March 26, in conjunction with Independence Township.

Thompson reported that Officer Kitzen will be attending a refresher course in TASER use so that he can begin to conduct classes. Mayor Catallo advised that the tornado siren will be tested on Wednesday, March 28.

Pappas reported that he will begin drafting the 2008 budget worksheets in order for the Finance Committee to begin work on next year's budget.

Pappas advised Council that the Farmers Market had originally agreed not to operate during Art in the Village; however, Johnston stated this was for the first year only. This was to be discussed at the next Council meeting.

Brueck introduced Susie Matke-Robinson, Eric Bauer, and Stephen Layton who were contacted by Colleen Schmidt to develop a program for a Depot Park watershed program in conjunction with their Master's programs. A watershed handbook will be created to compliment the park and will provide a resource for the community. The project's timeline was reviewed. Topics included retention ponds, detention ponds, rain barrels, green energy, green walls, green streets, green parking, and green roofs.

John Hennig and Gary Tressel reviewed the bridge plans for the Depot Park Bridge.

Chuck Inabnit reported that there was a Police Committee meeting on March 21 where a survey was finalized. A public hearing is scheduled for April 25 at the Independence Township Fire State No. 1 at 7:00 p.m.

Moved That the City Council hold the decision of adding a third shift until recommendations by the Police Committee are received. Resolved That the City Council authorize the purchase of two computers for the Police Department pending availability of funds in the 2007 budget.

Mr. Middleton advised that he has discussed the dispatch contract with the Oakland County Sheriff Department. This matter will be revisited by the Oakland County Board of Commissioners at the May 1 meeting and the present contract is extended until June 1, 2007. Mr. Middleton stated that he is still working on the dispatch contract terms.

Mr. Middleton had furnished the City with the application form for a feasibility study on shared services between municipalities. Oakland County requires both entities to submit the application if such a study is desired. The purpose of this study would be to determine if sharing resources is beneficial to two or more units of government.

Colombo discussed the Clarkston area and the community spirit that prevails, and he stated that the City does provide services for the greater Clarkston area.

Mayor Catallo stated that she was disappointed in the way the Township Board presented the idea of the consolidation of the Township and City at a Township meeting without consulting City officials.

Tom Stone reported that the Governor provided the incentive for shared services; however, to put this into action requires cooperation with the legislature. Stone stated that to save the purported eight to nine hundred tax dollars per house in a comparison of services the township provides, there would be no saving.

Johnston thanked Colleen Schmidt for all her work in helping the City with its watershed projects along with other Township residents who have helped with the Depot Park projects, including Trish and John Hennig.

Meeting adjourned at 8:48.

Respectfully submitted,
Artemus M. Pappas

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EASTER SUNDAY

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 ANTIQUE FIREARMS WANTED: Winchester, Colts, Browning. Top dollar paid. 248-628-7086. ILLX17-
 WANTED: OLD PONTOON Trailer, round tube frame, scissor type. 248-693-9080 ILLX17-2
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**Cars & Trucks
 WANTED**

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LZ16-4dht
 JUNK CARS- Hauled away free. Will buy repairables. Bob Rondo, 248-310-2687. ILLZ16-4
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CHERRY, OAK, seasoned, \$75. Mixed hardwood \$50. Delivery plus stacked extra, 248-379-6782. ILLX1-tfc
 SEASONED QUALITY hardwood, cut and split, delivery available, 248-627-6316. ILLX30-4c

060 MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS

GRINNELL BROS. spinet piano, good condition, \$800. Kawai console piano, mint condition, \$2000. 248-628-6418. ILLX17-2
 15" SUBS ProCalibers, excellent bass, \$80 each, or \$150 obo. Also JBL amp for sale, 248-425-6314. ILLX17-2
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070 TUTORING/ LESSONS

ADULT DRAWING and watercolor classes. Call 248-892-9645, or visit watercolorworksart.com/classes. ILLX32-3
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LZ17-4

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LX15-9f

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LZ16-6

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 20 Ton \$289 delivered
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090 AUCTIONS

Notice is hereby given that on 4/20/07 at 9:30am, the following will be sold by competitive bidding at Orion Self Storage, 1745 Waldon Road, Lake Orion, MI 48369:

UNIT # 141, KEVIN R. CURRIE, household appliances, misc. sm. appliances, TV/ electronics, toys, power tools, recreation equip., other misc. items. UNIT #C39 DON ZALE, household appliances, misc. sm. appliances, household furnishings, other misc. items. UNIT #G5 JOSEPH BROWN, household furnishings, household goods, boxes/ bags, hand tools, recreation equip., other misc. items. UNIT #K14 KATHRYN SARKISIAN, misc. sm. appliances, household furnishings, boxes/ bags, office equip.

AUCTION SATURDAY

April 14, 2007, 4 p.m.
 Stow-Away Storage
 3060 Adventure Ln., Oxford

For Following Units:
 Unit #32, Robert Messenger: Large tool boxes, stereo, end/ coffee tables, box of vinyl 45's, large jewelry box, misc. household, clothes. Unit #56, Alan Scott: Entertainment center, rocking chair, micro stand, book shelf.

"CASH SALE"

LX16-2

EXPRESS MINI STORAGE, 2121 Lapeer Rd., Oxford, announces the sale of Unit #6 & 37 leased by Cynthia Davis- car & car parts. Unit #123 leased by Brianne Worrell- couch, dresser, table, misc. boxes. Unit #307 leased by Hilary Meunier- TV, microwave, bed, misc. boxes. Each unit will be sold as a whole. Cash sale only. April 27, 2007, 10am-5pm, 248-628-0004. ILLX17-2c

100 FREE

FREE BANTAM Roosters- colorful variety. Some hens. 8am-8pm only, 248-625-2986. ILLX38-1f
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FREE FRIGIDAIRE REFRIGERATOR, 50 years old. Great for drinks. 248-693-8053. ILLX17-1f
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110 GARAGE SALE

GARAGE/ MOVING Sale. 1208 Yale, Oxford (M-24/W.Draher), March 29, April 5, 12 & 19, 10am-3pm. ILLX16-2

MOVING SALE

Everything has to go!

**Running Pontoon
 \$1000 obo**

April 6-7, from 10-6
 5716 Silver Birch
 located E. of Hadley
 off Fox Lake Rd.
 Follow Signs.

ZX33-1

FINAL GARAGE and Retirement Sale. April 5-29, for 25 straight days 10am-6pm. Everything the wife didn't nail down goes! Houseware and office items, Fax, phones, file cabinets, desks and more. 1968-84 and 2006 Detroit Tigers collection with certified autographs. Hunting and hardware items. Muzzle loading rifles, pistols and shotguns with muzzle loading hardware and Mountain Man Period dress items: fox hat, deerskin trousers, sash and much more. Duck and goose decoys and decoy collectables. Wildlife wall mounts (duck, goose, fish, deer, caribou), and an 8-sided glass table with a male female wood duck in a puddle with acorns. Wildlife pictures including a signed oil painting by Alaskan artist, Donna Mason of the Northern Lights. Archery items and fishing with a 16hp Johnson, 8hp Mercury, 13.8hp Mercury, 14ft. Duracraft aluminum boat and Karavan trailer, a 16ft. Sportspal square back canoe, camping items, plus a 31ft. motor home (1993, low mileage), and a 4x4 1997 Yamaha 350 Big Bear (low mileage with snowplow, tire chains, new spare tire, electric winch, handlebar warmers and guards, helmet), plus much more. 6916 Tappan Dr., Clarkston 48346 (near Dixie Hwy. & White Lake Rd.), call on 248-892-1506. ILLX38-4

Antiques & Collectibles	150	In Memorium	400
Appliance	160	Lawn & Garden	080
Auctions	090	Livestock	210
Auto Parts	240	Lost & Found	190
Bus. Opportunities	330	Manufactured Homes	320
Card of Thanks	380	Musical Instrument	060
Cars	250	Notices	390
Child Care	340	Personals	370
Computers	140	Pets	200
Craft Shows	120	Produce	040
Farm Equipment	230	Real Estate	310
Firewood	050	Rec. Equipment	180
Free	100	Rec. Vehicles	280
Garage Sales	110	Rentals	290
General	170	Services	410
Greetings	020	Trucks	270
Help Wanted	360	Tutoring/Lessons	070
Holiday Items	010	Vans	260
Horses	220	Wanted	030
Household	130	Wanted To Rent	300
		Work Wanted	350

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Historic Treasures
 in Downtown Lake Orion
 Restorations by Dave Ricketts
 Come & Browse
 Tues.- Sat. 12-7pm
 20-1/2 E. Front St.
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RX16-5

160 APPLIANCES

KENMORE REFRIGERATOR, side by side, water & ice, Bisque. \$350. Excellent condition. 248-628-7304. ILLX17-2
 SIDE-BY-SIDE REFRIGERATOR, frost free, white, \$150. 248-391-6993 ILLX17-2

FRIGIDAIRE UPRIGHT FREEZER. Work great. \$100. 248-627-8298. ILLX17-2

WHIRLPOOL ELECTRIC range. New, never used. White. \$175. 248-627-5033 or 248-467-4910. ILLX33-2

WASHER & GAS dryer, runs well, \$100 takes both, 248-693-6308. ILLX17-2

KENMORE REFRIGERATOR 21cf, white, bottom freezer. Excellent condition. \$200. Call 248-693-9081. ILLX16-2

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DOUBLE & SINGLE ROLLS

Assorted Colors
 Lake Orion Review
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1000 + 8X7X2 RED and gray brick pavers, slightly used. You haul. \$400. Call after 4pm. 248-628-4919. IILX17-2

1970 BUICK- 2 door, 455 motor, \$2500. Buggy Challenge arcade game, \$300. 1997 Dodge Ram truck, needs work, \$1000. 1996 Bombardier Jetski, 2 seater, \$1000. Fiberglass Sun Dolphin 2 seater boat, with trailer, \$400. 248-884-5813. IILX16-2

BOVIFLEX POWER Pro with leg extension. Great condition. \$800. 248-568-7551. IILX16-2

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SHOREMASTER BOAT hoist, vertical lift with canopy, model 40986, 4,000 pound capacity, (paid \$4,500) \$2,000. 248-620-7118 IILX16-2

POWER GUARD Generator- 10hp Briggs, 5500 watt, \$275 obo. Runs good, 248-563-8553. IILX17-2

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RAINBOW PLAY SET- like new, \$2000 firm. 588-484-6555. IILX17-2

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1994 F150 4x4, \$3500. 1997 SeaDoo, new motor, \$3000. 1985 BMW 735i, \$500. 1987 Mustang LX, \$500. 1974 Pontoon, \$700. 248-882-6674. IILX16-2

30x48 STEEL Pole Barn, 10ft. walls, 2 years old, 2 slider doors, must take down and move. Asking \$4000. 248-942-5900. IILX16-2

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WOODCHIPPER, Troy-Bilt, 12hp Tomahawk Pro, heavy duty, (4" dia. limb), hardly used, garage kept. \$550. 248-620-7118 IILX16-2

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 • 2006 Case Backhoe 580 SUP, comes with grading bucket, 2 frost teeth, \$80,000.
 • 2005 Case 70XT Steer Loader with 72" low bucket, back up alarm, etc., \$23,000 obo.
 • 2002 Case Skid Steer 70XT with 72" low bucket, back up alarm, etc., \$17,000 obo.
 • 1998 1845C Skid Steer with 72" low profile bucket, alarm, etc. \$12,000 obo.
 • 2005 Econoline Trailer, 23ft. dual axles and dual tires, \$8500 obo.
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Weather Permitting - No Detours!
 We're at 2960 M-24
 10 minutes north of Oxford
 Just ahead of Sutton Rd.
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 The course is \$7 each
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 Discounts Before Noon
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 Lessons Available
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NEW RABBIT HUTCHES \$50, medium doghouse \$45, large \$55, extra large \$65. Fiberglass cap \$200. 248-673-1436. IILX16-2

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COMMERCIAL SINGER 111W155 sewing machine, \$400. Water softener, good condition, used 1 year, \$200. 248-431-7621. IILX16-2

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 THINK SPRING! GOLF Balls with experience by the dozen or 6 dozen \$24.00, or 5 dozen \$25.00. Call 248-693-4105. IILX11-dhtf

2005 SUNLINE 20FT trailer, loaded, rarely used, sleeps 4, stored inside, \$13,900. 248-628-5585 IILX16-2

BOAT HOIST 4,000 pound capacity, \$2400. Checkmate 1977, 16ft, 150hp, fast, 810-441-7368 IILX16-2

TRUCK CAMPER- Fleetwood, 9ft., fully self contained, clean, \$3900 obo, 248-620-6249. IILX16-2

COBRA II Pitching Machine- throws to 100 mph, assorted pitches, includes softball attachments, L screen, dimple balls, 60"Lx10"Wx10"H netted batting cage, \$1000 firm, 248-391-6684. IILX16-2

1997 TERRY 30G travel trailer, sleeps 8, super slide, bunks and queen bed, fiberglass, unusual floor plan, lots of extras, must see, \$9,500. 248-922-2833 IILX16-2

1997 SPORTSMEN 25th Anniversary Edition, 30ft. bunkhouse travel trailer, great condition, clean, non-smoker, \$9800. 248-628-5239. IILX17-2

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2 HUFFY BIKES- 1 men's 18 speed trail bike and 1 women's speed Cruiser. Both excellent condition, \$35 each, or \$60/ both. 248-627-3768 after 5pm. IILX16-2

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TWO FERRETS with cage, \$80. Call 248-420-0247. IILX17-2

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POMERANIANS, AKC, \$500 and up. 810-724-2709, www.WonderfulWorldOfPoms.Net IILX17-2

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BICHON FRISE PUPS AKC. \$600 each. 248-236-4272. IILX16-2

LAB PUPS- chocolate, AKC/ OFA, ready April 3rd, \$500. 586-752-6568. IILX16-2

YELLOW LAB stud service. Magnum is a beautiful blond male Labrador with papers and great health. Extremely friendly and fit. Looking for a girlfriend. His fee is \$300. Big Country Kennels, 248-431-3410. IILX17-1

BLACK MALE Brussels Griffon, monkey faced, adorable, \$500. Black & tan Chihuahua male, housebroken, cute, \$300. 810-664-0383. IILX17-2

210 LIVESTOCK
 5 LAYER HEATED bird brooder. Best offer. 248-969-2652. IILX17-2

220 HORSES
 HORSESHOEING, ALL BREEDS & corrective shoeing. 25 years experience. Bob Decker. Cell 313-320-7505. IILX16-4

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 FORD 9N TRACTOR- 3pt. hitch, hydraulic 12 volt system, has lights, runs great, comes with back blade, \$2400. 248-830-9307. IILX16-2

FORD TRACTOR REPAIR. All types. Done by state certified mechanic. 248-628-1135. IILX17-2

WANTED- FARM & Garden tractors, running or not. 248-625-3429.

FORD 4000 WITH Ford front loader, 3 point Ford 901 heavy duty posthole digger with 10" & 12" augers, back blade and 22' trailer to haul it all on. \$7,500. 248-693-7272. IILX17-2

MANURE SPREADER \$650. Ford 2000 with p/s \$2,850. Others. 248-625-3429. IILX14-4

HARDIE ORCHARD SPRAYER and crate. 248-620-2093. 5640 Clarkston Road. IILX16-2

FORD 9N \$1650. 8N \$1950. Ferguson TO30 \$1850. Others. 248-625-3429. IILX16-4

FARMALL A TRACTOR, good condition, \$1800. 248-814-8564 IILX16-2

240 AUTO PARTS
 CHRYSLER 2.5 engine & transmission. 47,000 original miles, \$250. 248-625-8426. IILX16-2

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1994 PONTIAC GRAND Am, power locks, power windows, air, \$1400. 248-236-9592 or 248-891-6306. IILX16-2

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2003 MITSUBISHI ECLIPSE Convertible, good condition, 49,900 miles, \$14,000 obo, 248-814-4000. IILX16-2

2004 CHEVY AVEO- 5 door, automatic, tilt steering, power brakes and steering, CD, 26,700 miles, \$6300. Call 248-413-9465. IILX23-12nn

1997 DODGE STRATUS ES, black, 110,000 miles, runs & looks good, \$3000 obo, 248-628-8162. IILX17-4nn

1977 GRAND PRIX hot rod, red exterior. Has air scoop, side pipes, quad headers, 400 engine, automatic, sun roof, mag wheels. Needs work, not running. Good project car. \$750. 248-765-2603. IILX16-4nn

2000 HONDA CIVIC Si- V-Tech, 4 cylinder, 5 speed, 103,000 miles, very clean & fast, pearl blue, sunroof, alarm, aluminum rims, good gas mileage, fast & furious, \$6500 obo, 248-250-1092. IILX16-2

OUT OF STATE rust free cars, \$3500 and below, at Best Buy Car Co., Imlay City & Lapeer, 810-724-0095 or 810-667-9008. IILX14-4

2002 CHRYSLER CONCORD Limited, 42,000 miles. White with gray leather interior, fully loaded, nonsmoker. Super clean, drives great. \$9,800. 248-693-0356. IILX16-4nn

1997 JAGUAR XJ6 LS, loaded including heated seats, leather, CD, custom wheels, stored winters, black on black, 98,000 miles, \$7200. 248-931-4052. IILX16-12nn

2001 INTREPID, LOADED. Navy blue, tinted windows. \$6,600. 248-690-7056. IILX17-2

2002 CHEVY MONTE Carlo SS, loaded with all options, 98,000 highway miles, new brakes, close to "new" condition, \$9750 obo, 248-561-7509. IILX27-12nn

UNEXPECTED MEDICAL. Must liquidate immediately. 1996 GM extended cab, well maintained. 2003 Saturn wagon, no kids, like new. 1976 Chrysler, cream puff, like new. 1988 Caprice, 65,000 miles, V8, runs perfect. 1979 Chevy 3/4, fresh 454, 2 wheel drive. All worth a look. Any reasonable offer. 248-802-8068 anytime. Please leave message. IILX16-2

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2002 FORD TAURUS SES, maroon, sunroof, loaded. 62,000 miles, AM/FM/Cassette/CD changer. Nice car. \$5,995. 248-391-1055. IILX16-2

1999 SATURN SL2, 4 cylinder, 124,000 miles. Good condition. \$1,500. 248-393-3278. IILX17-2

260 VANS
 2000 GMC EXPLORER- HiTop Conversion van, leather 6 captain chairs and sofa. Heavy duty towing, 22,000 miles, stored winters, 248-431-7506. IILX17-2

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1996 FORD E150 Club Wagon, 351 V8, 7 passenger, 135,000 miles, engine & transmission good, front & rear heat & A/C, good work or recreational vehicle. \$2600. 248-393-8034. IILX16-4nn

270 TRUCKS
 1994 TOYOTA EXTENDED cab pickup, 4x4, 6 cylinder, 98,000 miles, 5 speed, air, oversized tires & wheels. Very clean, runs great. \$6,000 obo. Will trade for "??". 248-625-6815 or 248-917-2405. IILX24nn

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'95 Mercury Sable



1 Owner, Super Clean, Low Miles, Powder Blue

\$2,995

'03 Jeep Wrangler Sahara



4.0 V-6, Auto., Fully Loaded, Hard and Soft Top, Sienna Red

\$18,955

'02 Ford Focus SE



4 Door, Full Power, CD, Red

\$5,955

'06 Ford Mustang Convertible



6 Cyl., Full Power, Low Miles, White with Black Top

\$20,995

'03 Ford Focus SE



4 Door, Auto., Full Power, CD, Low Miles, Red

\$9,955

'03 Chevy TrailBlazer LT



Extended Length, Leather, V-6, Super Clean, Black

\$13,955

'04 Saturn Ion Redline Edition



5 Speed Manual, Super Charged, Recaro Leather Seats, Power Sunroof, Black

\$11,965

'04 Pontiac Grand Am GT



V-6, Full Power, Power Sunroof, Tinted Windows, Chrome Wheels, Fusion Orange

\$10,955

'04 Dodge Stratus SXT



Full Power, 1 Owner, Low Miles, Almond

\$9,855

'04 Ford Mustang Convertible



V-6, Leather, Only 16K Miles, Chrome Wheels, Burgundy w/Black Top

\$16,965

'04 Chevy Tahoe LT 4x4



5.3 V-8, Bose Audio System, Leather, 3rd Row Seat, Polo Green

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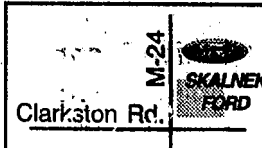
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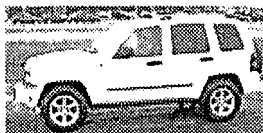


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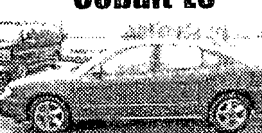
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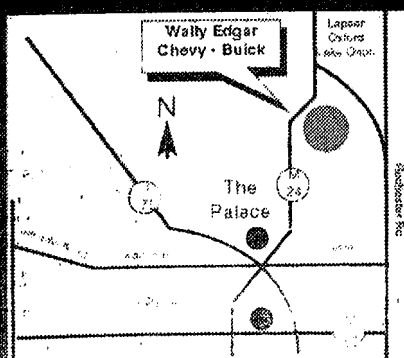
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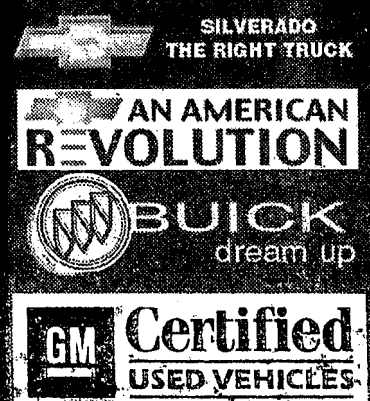
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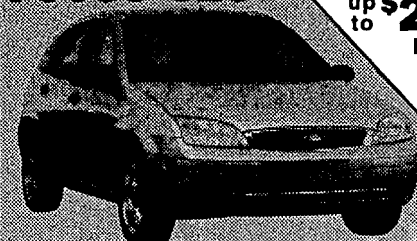


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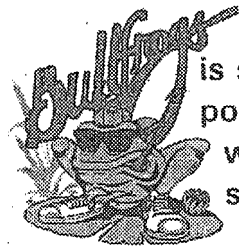


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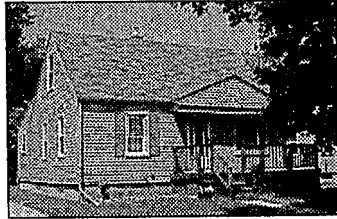
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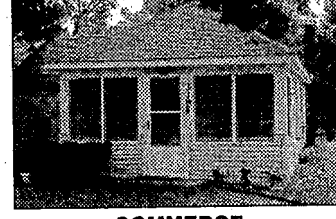
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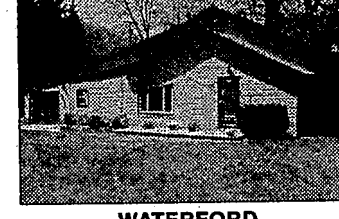
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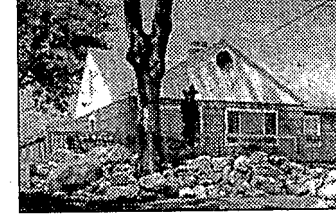
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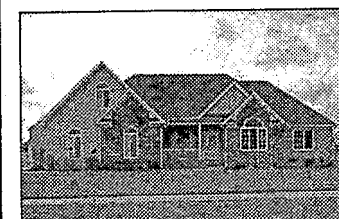
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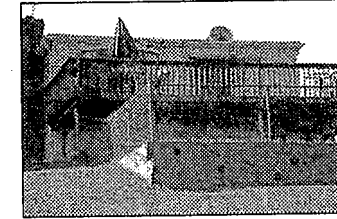
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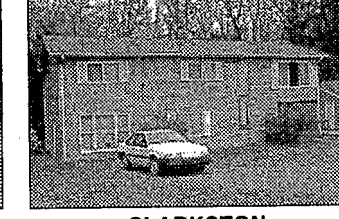
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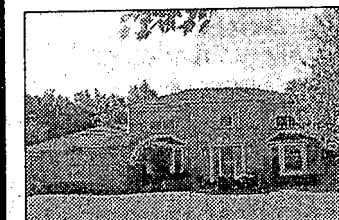
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Immaculate canal front ranch w/ rowboat access to all-sports Greens Lake! 3BR/1.5BA, partly fin. walkout LL, 2 car att.gar, storage galore, pool table stays! Open floor plan & terrific views. (CN35PAU) \$249,877 248.620.7200



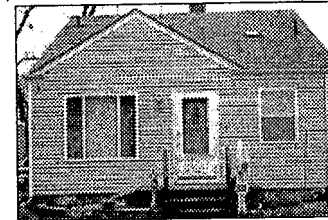
CLARKSTON

This delightful home is situated right across the street from Lk. Oakland with an awesome view! 4BR, 2BA, 2 car gar. Sits on 3 lots w/wooded area & huge pond. Circle drive, covered porch, more! (CN40EDG) \$185,000 248.620.7200



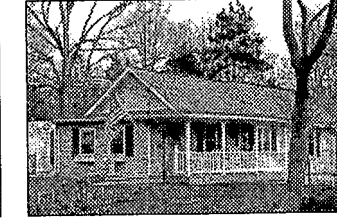
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Beautiful Deerwood home w/4BR, 2.5BA, partly fin. daylite bsmt, 2 car attached garage. Large GRw/brick frplc has doorwall leading to deck overlooking private backyard. Beautifully landscaped! (CN41CAR) \$299,900 248.620.7200



PONTIAC

3BR, basement, 1.5 car garage. Newer carpet, windows, vinyl siding, more. Completely remodeled BA, partly fin. bsmt, C/A, security alarm, back yard w/privacy fence. Stainless appliances included. (CN66TEN) \$119,900 248.620.7200



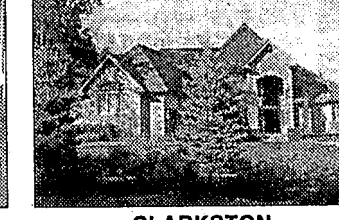
CLARKSTON

Vintage cottage in the village offers 3BR, sunken DR & the grace of yesteryear! Relax on the covered porch or enjoy the private patio w/ large fenced yard. Appliances & Home Warranty inc. (Q61CHU) \$234,800 248.620.7200



WATERFORD

A rare find! 2BD/2BA ground level condo w/open flr plan. Oversized kit, cabinets galore, DR, daylite bsmt plumbed for BA. FFL, deck, garage, all appliances. (CN14HAR) \$148,900 248.620.7200



CLARKSTON

Custom home on the 17th green of the gated Bluffs of Pine Knob. Gorgeous! Circle drive, paver walkways, retaining stones, incredible brick/composite deck. 4BD/3.5BA, walkout LL, 3+ car garage, tons more! (CN60SAI) \$549,900 248.620.7200

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