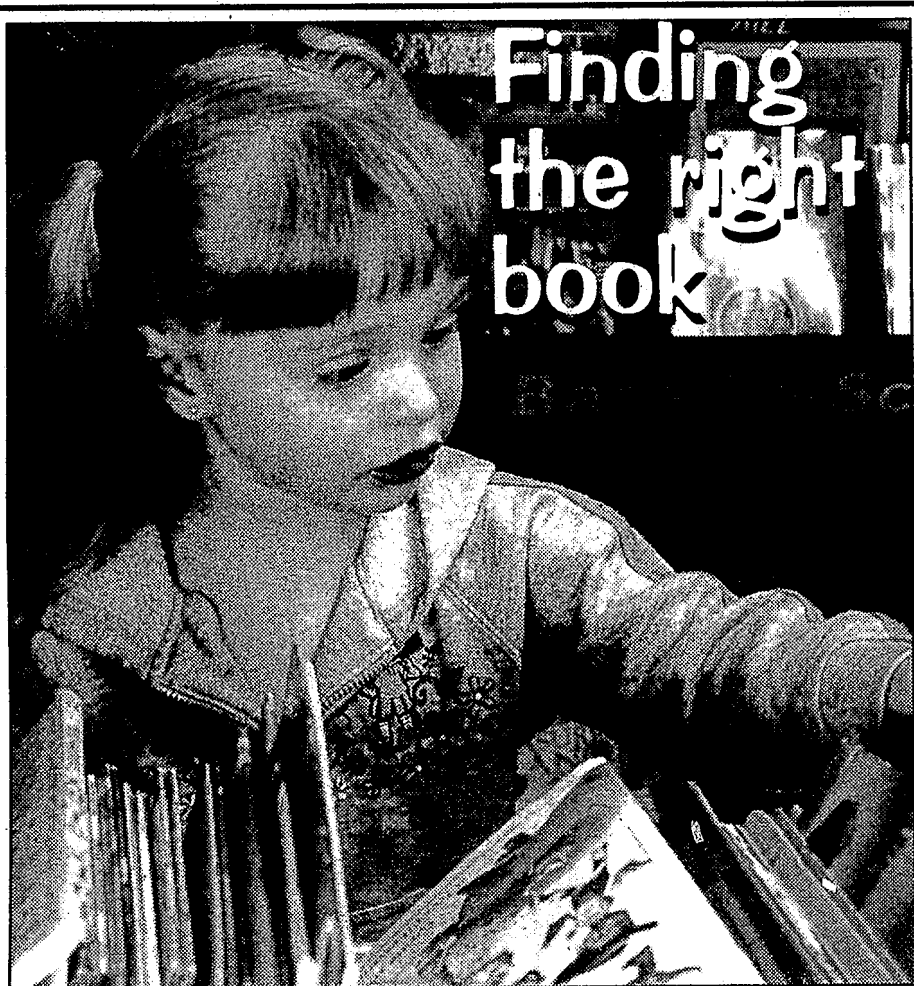


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Finding the right book

Paige Workman, 3, looks through a stack of books at the Independence Township Library book sale March 29. See page 1B for a feature about the Friends of the Library. Photo by Laura Colvin

Clarkston faces state consolidation mandate

But school district combines many services already

BY PHIL CUSTODIO
Clarkston News Editor

Gov. Jennifer Granholm promised financial incentives to school districts that consolidate services.

That's already a priority for Clarkston Community School, said Dr. Al Roberts, superintendent.

Clarkston is working with Oakland Intermediate School District and Oakland County Superintendents Association to share expenses in transportation, business, human resources, training, and technology, he said.

"It's becoming increasingly important given the fiscal and political situation," Roberts said.

Countywide programs include bus-driver training, purchase of school supplies, and professional training for teachers, administrators, and school board mem-

bers.

More extensive consolidation efforts would have to be considered carefully. In any consolidation effort, districts must balance savings against loss of local control, he said.

"If you save \$30,000 but 20 high school students drop out, is that a good investment? If you save \$100,000 but lose the confidence and support of the community as a result, is that a wise decision," he asked.

Considering consolidation of entire districts, Clarkston is too large, he said.

Clarkston district includes most of Independence and Springfield townships, and parts of White Lake and Waterford townships.

"There are districts that are so small that there is no chance they can benefit from economies of scale," Roberts said. "They can't offer a complete curriculum."

The Oakland County Superintendents Association, this year led by President Steven A. Gaynor, superintendent of Bloomfield Hills Schools, includes all 28 school districts in the county, plus the ISD.

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Vacant house stays for now, decision expected soon

BY KELLY L. REYNOLDS
Clarkston News Staff Writer

An eyesore that has been sitting on Sashabaw Road for the past four months will stay a few weeks more, causing residents to become worried about the image it creates for the township.

"For a community dedicated to keeping it's image up, it doesn't do much for the image of the community," said Independence Township resident Robert Jablonski. "It looks like a building you would see in downtown Detroit."

Jablonski has gone to the township building department with photos of the house to bring the eyesore to the attention of township officials.

"They said to me that something will be done with this house within the next two weeks and now it's been more than a month," he said.

The vacant home, which has been sitting on the lot for around four months, was to have been sold by Clarkston State Bank to the late L. Brooks Patterson, Jr., son of the Oakland County Executive.

"He (Patterson Jr.) had agreed to buy

it and he was going to do some things to get it fixed up because that's what his business did," said Dawn Horner, president and CEO of Clarkston State Bank. "Unfortunately, he was killed. After that, I had to wait to hear from his people as to if they still wanted it. When I heard they didn't, I pursued this other gentleman to see if he was interested in purchasing it."

Horner said everything has been and will continue to be taken care of, as frost laws are lifted and the house is able to be moved.

"We can't move it right now," she said. "We have a person interested in it, and if that pans out, this person will move it to a property in which they can renovate it. If that doesn't work out, we will move it so it can be demolished. But right now, we can't move the house at all."

Frost laws, which place weight restrictions on vehicles, are put in place in Michigan to protect the integrity of the roads.

According to the Road Commission for Oakland County, weight restrictions



The garage area of this vacant home on Sashabaw Road is filled with boards and metal pieces. Photo by Kelly L. Reynolds

for the county were lifted Wednesday, April 4 at 6 p.m.

"I just talked to the mover today and he said he couldn't move it yet," said Horner. "I also talked to the gentleman who is interested in it and he said it's looking good, but he will still have to wait a few weeks to move it to the new location because he'll need to put footings in the ground before it can be moved."

According to Eric Pendley, assistant building director for the township, the bank was contacted and told to put up fencing until it can be moved.

Since then, fencing has been put up and the building department has been monitoring the situation. According to Pendley, the land the home rests on will be incorporated into the McLaren Health Village expected in the area.

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Lauren Glowski, Rebecca Turner, Rachel Viera, Sam Dumais, Jefferson Richards, Keaton Mantz, Jessica Ming, David Rushlow earned PTA Reflections awards for their work in dance, photography, and film. Above is Clarkston Superintendent Al Roberts with the group at the April 2 school board meeting. Photo by Phil Custodio

Artistic students earn awards

Clarkston Board of Education honored eight students April 2 with PTA Reflections awards. Each year, the parent teacher group challenges students to create art that supports a specific theme. This year's theme was "My Favorite Place."

Award-winning students are:

Lauren Glowski, Clarkston Junior High, Award of Excellence and "Best of Theme" for dance;

Rebecca Turner, Sashabaw Middle School, Award of Excellence in dance;

Rachel Viera, Bailey Lake Elementary, Excellence Award for photography;

Sam Dumais, Clarkston High School, Merit Award in photography;

Jefferson Richards, Clarkston Junior High, Merit Award in photography;

Keaton Mantz, Sashabaw Middle School, Merit Award in film;

Jessica Ming, Sashabaw Middle School, Merit Award in film; and

David Rushlow, Springfield Plains Elementary, Merit Award in film.

The students were presented certificates and awards by the Board of Education.

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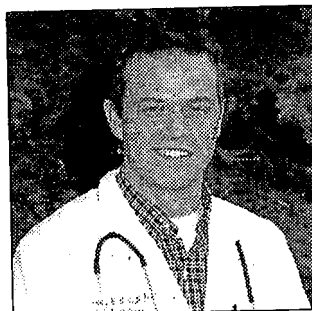
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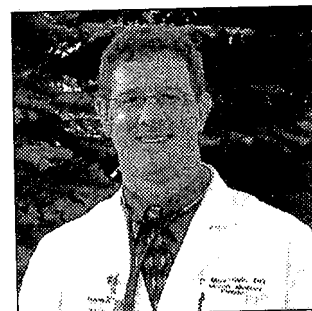
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The Second Front

Township takes a consolidation step

BY KELLY L. REYNOLDS

Clarkston News Staff Writer

The consolidation ball is now in Clarkston's court.

The Independence Township Board voted April 3 to study consolidating with the Village of the City of Clarkston.

But the study, which would be completed by Oakland County, also needs Clarkston's approval. It would look into costs, pros, and cons of consolidating the two, said Oakland

County Commissioner Tom Middleton.

The board approved the motion by a vote of 4-2.

"One benefit of this study is to look at the 10 percent administrative charge (that Independence Township charges Clarkston to share services) and see if it's fair and equitable to both communities," said Trustee Dan Kelly, who has been a major proponent and organizer of the consolidation effort.

However, Treasurer Jim Wenger expressed apprehension about push-

ing the application through so quickly.

"I have major concerns with the speed we're moving with this," he said. "The goals are admirable and I'm all for approving it but I think we should not be seen as big brother in this."

Wenger wanted to see the board take action with the study after Clarkston expressed its views on it.

Clerk Shelagh Vanderveen agreed with Wenger during the discussion.

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Briefly

Fire department replacing 'archaic' technology

The Board of Trustees voted April 3 to purchase software for the Independence Township Fire Department.

Currently, the fire department keeps all maps taped to the wall in the fire house, and the incident commander's vehicle houses a filing cabinet containing all of the pre-plans for buildings in the area, said firefighter Gary Sharp to the board.

Part of a firefighter's job is to create these pre-plan diagrams and maps to ease firefighting efforts, said Sharp.

The incident commander's vehicle is the only one with access to plans, and this cuts down on response time and the amount of knowledge available to each firefighter.

"This process have become very cumbersome and almost archaic," said Sharp.

The new software will take existing diagrams and store them electronically. The department will have 15 software licenses — one for each fire vehicle.

In addition to the pre-plan diagrams, the software can also store photos of each building, maps of the area, contact information and exit diagrams for each site.

"I think the whole department is very happy we'll be getting this," said Sharp. "We're excited about it and we're looking forward to getting it installed."

As part of the agreement between the fire department and Group One, manufacturer of Remote Access, each of the communities surrounding Independence Township will get one copy of the license and a limited amount of pre-plan information when assisting the township.

The total of the software purchase, including all of the licenses, was \$15,625. The amount was budgeted in the fire department's 2007 budget. The purchase was passed 6-0 by the board of trustees.

-Kelly L. Reynolds

School Art Gala slated April 24

Clarkston Community Schools will host an Art Gala at the administration building, Clarkston Road, 6-8 p.m. April 24.

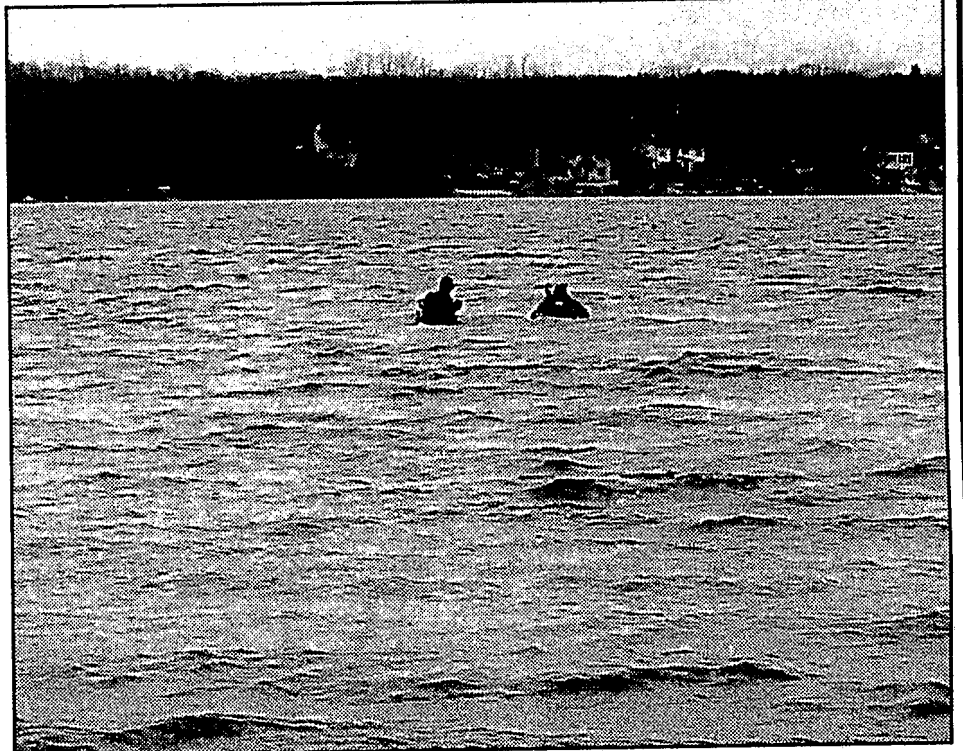
Art will be displayed from all elementaries in the district, Kindergarten through fifth grade.

For more information, call Marilyn Ormiston at 248-623-4506.



Divers in Deer Lake

Freezing temperatures this past Friday didn't keep these two SCUBA divers out of Deer Lake. The swimmers were collecting samples from the lake bottom. Photos by Phil Custodio



Local parks, programs spring to life

BY KELLY L. REYNOLDS

Clarkston News Staff Writer

With the weather warming up, it would be no surprise if the children are itching to go to the playground and the dog is begging for a long walk.

Many parks in the area offer great facilities for spring and summer enjoyment.

In downtown Clarkston, Depot Park, 375 Depot Rd., has a large playground, gazebo for rent, and is home to many summer concerts and events.

In Independence Township, Clintonwood Park, on Clarkston Road between M-15 and Sashabaw, has a picnic area, playground, tennis courts, sand volleyball, basketball courts, baseball fields, soccer fields, horseshoe pits, fitness trail, and pavilion that can be rented.

"Clintonwood Park is really the park that anyone would want," said Independence Township Parks and Recreation Director Mike Turk. "There are quite a few things in our parks to do. They are really, very well-kept."

Clintonwood Park is also home to the Clintonwood Spray Park, a 37,000-square-foot water facility open Memorial Day through Labor Day. Visit www.ClarkstonSprayPark.org for more information.

Deer Lake Beach on White Lake

Road is open Memorial Day through Labor Day. There is an admission charge with swimming and boat launch facilities. Lifeguards will be on duty starting in June.

Sashabaw Plains Township Park on Maybee Road includes a playground facility, pavilion, baseball fields and picnic areas.

Bay Court Park, on Andersonville Road between Dixie Highway and White Lake Road, is home to a large play area, pavilions, walking trail and beach with lifeguards. There is also a small banquet room for rent.

For more information about Independence Township parks, visit www.twp.independence.mi.us.

In Springfield Township, Mill Pond Park, located on Davisburg Road in downtown Davisburg, has outdoor tennis courts, basketball courts, sand volleyball, shuffleboard, beach with swim area, walking path, fishing pier, large playground area, restrooms, and outdoor pavilion with picnic tables and grills.

"There's just so much to tell about our parks," said Springfield Township Parks and Recreation Director Jennifer Tucker. "We have a pretty special place right here under our noses in Oakland County. A lot of our park land is really ecology-based because it's such a special place. We do all that we can to maintain these areas."

Shultz Park, on the corner of Dilley and Davisburg roads, is another park in Springfield. It is home to swingsets, baseball diamonds, and outdoor pavilion with tables and grills.

Green Lake Park, on corner of Northbay and Foster Roads, has a large playground area, grills, tables, and outdoor basketball and volleyball courts.

Shiawassee Basin Preserve, west of downtown Davisburg, with entrances off of Eaton and Davisburg Roads, has an outdoor pavilion with grills and tables, fishing ponds, baseball diamonds and soccer fields. Horses, mountain bikes and other high-impact activities are not permitted in the preserve.

"One of the things that makes us unique is not only are we a small town in Oakland County, but we do have a great amount of green space and we're preserving this for generations to come," said Tucker. "A lot of other places don't have this open space. In our parks, you really get to know everyone as your neighbors, whether you live here or not."

For more information about Springfield Township parks, visit www.springfield-twp.us.

In addition to the township parks, two Oakland County parks serve the area.

Independence Oaks, 9501 Sashabaw Rd., features picnicking, hiking, fishing, Please see Parks on page 13A

Wauldron brings auditor experience to school race

BY PHIL CUSTODIO
Clarkston News Editor

In January, Joseph Wauldron noticed only two candidates were running for two open seats on the Board of Education.

"I thought, I'll make it three, to make it interesting," he said.

Wauldron, a "young 65," is now one of four candidates on the ballot for the May 8 election.

Why should voters select him for school board?

"Because I'm good looking," he said.

Also, his expertise, as a retired auditor will help the district through ongoing budget problems, he said.

"I'm open minded. I have no agenda to bring to the board," he said. "I won't say, 'this is what we need to do.' I'll weigh the pros and cons of all issues."

If elected, he wants to meet with principals, teachers, and parents to find out their concerns and problems. Then he would bring them to the board for discussion, he said.

Wauldron moved to Independence Township two years ago with his wife, Beverly, to be closer to their daughter, Jill Leider. His grandchildren will soon be students in the Clarkston school system.

"That's why I got involved," Joe Wauldron said.

He moved here from Royal Oak, where he was active with schools and local government. He volunteered with the school budget committee in the 1980s and early 1990s and worked on issues such as bond issues and Proposal A.

"Homeowners wanted it because it would reduce their property taxes, but teachers and schools were against it because they would lose revenue," he said.

In Independence Township, he has been active with Clarkston Area Youth Association, Rotary Club, and his homeowners association.

Major issues facing Clarkston schools is the budget, he said.

"A half million dollar deficit - it will be hard to get rid of that," he said. "We need to reduce the cost of the buildings themselves within the school system."

Transferring the former South Sashabaw Elementary School building on Maybee Road to Independence Township, for use as an interim senior center, would be one way to do that, he said.

"The schools have that building on the books. That costs money," he said. "Why not sell or lease it to the township for a dollar, and have the senior center take it over?"

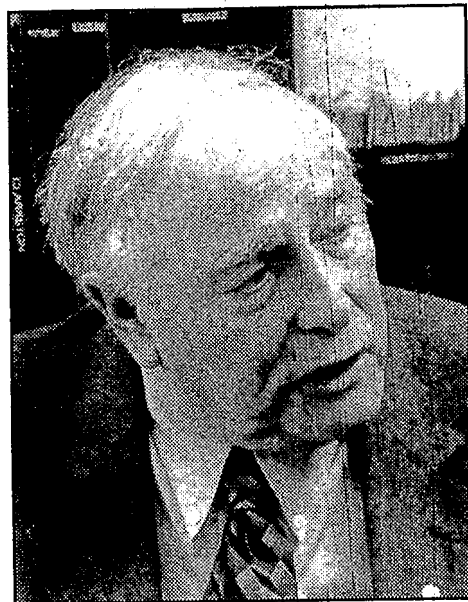
"That would get it off the books," he said.

Administration and teacher costs should be dealt with a contract negotiation time, currently ongoing, he said.

"The schools' biggest asset is the kids," he said. "Teachers I have talked to are very much into education. The kids are very well rounded in their education, and prepared to go on to college."

"I'd like to see them come back and support the community, start a business, raise a family."

Many problems with the district's budget are caused by decisions made at the



Joseph Wauldron, a retired auditor, is running for Clarkston Board of Education. Photo by Paul Kampe

national and state level. For one thing, the state is not using lottery revenue purely for schools, as it promised, he said.

"That money goes into the general fund," Wauldron said. "It's mixed in, so you don't know where it goes."

The sluggish economy has meant less state funding of schools, he said.

"It's the global economy, hurting the state of Michigan," he said.

"You can lobby all you want. You can only squeeze so much out of a turnip."

School officials can't make solid decisions until state budget issues are settled, he said.

"Once the state budget is balanced, we'll see what's left over - then we can squabble over it."

Consolidation of school services, suggested by Gov. Jennifer Granholm in her State of the State address, makes sense, as long as it doesn't mean combining school districts themselves.

"Parents would be upset, teachers would be upset," he said. "What would happen to the school buildings?"

Other ways to save money should be considered, he said.

With rising fuel costs, Clarkston is implementing a new busing program to reduce transportation costs. Elimination of the busing program is an idea that should also be considered, Wauldron said.

"School buses use a lot of fuel - it's a big expense," he said. "Could parents be forced to drive their students to school? It's a good question - it's a toss up."

Wauldron grew up in Detroit, attended Cooley High School and the University of Detroit, earning a degree in business administration.

He served in the U.S. Army from 1961-1964. He was almost deployed to Florida during the Cuban Missile Crisis of 1962. As part of the Army Reserves, he was called up during the Detroit Race Riots in 1967.

After the Army, he owned businesses in the interior-design and office-supply industries for about 20 years, then worked as an auditor until he retired in 2006.

Wauldron joins challengers Edward Pierz 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.

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Community loses booster and friend in Ray Davis, Sr.

By Don Rush

Youths who grew up in the Clarkston Area in the 1970s, '80s and '90s lost a friend and booster last week, with the passing of Raymond Charles Davis, Sr. Mr. Davis, who had been ill for about a year, died April 5, 2007, at the age of 69.

He was an advocate of youth sports in the community during his children's youth and beyond --



Mr. Davis

this despite being slowed down with advanced arthritis since he was 26 years old. His involvement with the Clarkston Chiefs Little League Football program, Independence Township Parks and Recreation Youth Baseball and Basketball and Adult Sports programs enriched countless lives in the community, including this writer.

"Clarkston athletics is gonna miss him," said Kurt Richardson. Richardson, a graduate of Clarkston High School himself and current head football coach, has known Davis since the 1970s, "since his boys were little."

At that time, Richardson was director for Independence Township's little league baseball program.

"Ray always had a team organized and was always involved. He's one of those guys that small communities like Clarkston can't appreciate enough. Even after his kids graduated he stayed involved with the boosters. After that, he still managed to stick his head in during football games and say, 'hello.' He was old school and I have a special place in my heart for old school."

Mr. Davis was born on Jan. 12, 1938, in Southfield, Michigan, one of five children of Thomas and Dorthea Davis. He received his honorable discharge as a sergeant for the U.S. Army, at Fort Sill, OK. After the service a friend set up a blind date for Mr. Davis and a woman named Katherine, who was from Gingellville. Rumor has it the date didn't go too well.

"But he was persistent and about 18 months later, we were married," Katherine said. They wed at St.

Michael's in Pontiac in 1961 and were devoted to each other for 45 years.

Together from their Waldon Road home in Independence Township, they raised three children, Raymond Jr., Ronald and Rhonda -- all graduates of Clarkston High School.

While not enjoying the simpler things in life -- his family, friends, and love of the outdoors -- he supported

'He's one of those guys that small communities like Clarkston can't appreciate enough.'

— Kurt Richardson

his family by working 35 years at Fisher Body in Pontiac. He was a member of United Auto Workers Local #653. He was an avid outdoorsman and enjoyed hunting, fishing and golfing. He played numerous years in the Michigan Public Links Golf Association and served as secretary of numerous UAW golf leagues.

One of his favorite places to go was the family cabin in Millersburg -- between Onaway and Rogers City.

Mr. Davis is survived by his wife Katherine, their children, Raymond (Susan) Davis Jr., of Midland; Ronald (Michelle) Davis of Oxford; and Rhonda (Marshall) Wicks of Clarkston; grandchildren Madeline, Andrew, Sarah, Shelby, Seth, Trevor, Hunter and Spencer. Mr. Davis is also survived by brothers Thomas Davis (Donna) of New York, Kenneth Davis (Josie) of Ortonville and Norman Davis (Susan) of Clarkston.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a sister, Dorthea.

A funeral mass was this morning (Wednesday) at Our Lady of the Lakes Catholic Church in Waterford. Funeral arrangements were by Lewis E. Wint & Sons Funeral Home, Clarkston.

Financial gifts in memory of Raymond C. Davis may be directed to the Michigan Recreation and Park Association Foundation.

These gifts will continue Raymond's work with youth and adult recreation throughout Michigan. On-line guest book www.wintfuneralhome.com.



Maxwell Izydorek was one of 43 children who were screened during the Easter Egg Hunt.

Lions check kids' vision

Clarkston Area Lions conducted their first Kidsight vision screening during the Easter Egg Hunt March 31 in Clintonwood Park.

Children 1-5 years of age were screened using a Polaroid-type camera. Trained Lions Club members took the photos, then sent them to Children's Hospital for evaluation. Results are mailed directly to parents.

Preschool vision screening detects poor vision or risk factors, the earlier, the better. Photo screening helps identify: improperly aligned eyes, lazy, cross-eye; nearsightedness, farsightedness, anisometropia, and astigmatism;



Lions Chris Savage and Mike Mercier time the development of another picture. Photos submitted

and obstructions that interfere with the eye, such as cataracts, droopy eyelids.

Photo screenings are free. All costs related to the Kidsight program are donated by the Clarkston Area Lions as a service to the community.

"Our goal is to conduct a Kidsight photo screening at as many day care centers as possible," said Clarkston Area Lions Club President Mike Mercier.

Any day care facility interested in this free eye screening program can call Clarkston Area Lions by leaving a message at 248-975-6072.

City struggles with police issues

BY LAURA COLVIN

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Several members of the Clarkston City Council expressed concerns over why they were not informed about the outcome of a recent meeting, learning of a possible new option for police services only through outside sources.

The meeting in question took place when city officials and representatives from various groups sat down March 14 to discuss a tentative proposal to save Clarkston an estimated \$100,000 annually by dissolving its police department and subcontracting with Independence Township for services from the Oakland County Sheriff's Office.

Although the idea was not new, the plan took a fresh approach: a full time OCSO sergeant would be assigned to act as the de-facto police chief for Clarkston's 962 resident, half-square-mile area.

He or she would work a 40-hour week, and come with his or her own sheriff's car, to which city officials could add Clarkston markings and logos.

The remainder of the time, hypotheti-

cally the afternoon and midnight shift, would be patrolled by deputies in the same fashion as Independence Township.

Independence Township would bill the city about \$126,000 for the service, plus a 10 percent administrative fee of \$12,600.

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

Mayor Sharron Catallo, City Manager Art Pappas and Councilman Bill Rausch, the city's police liaison, attended the meeting. Other members of council reported hearing of the information only through reports published in *The Clarkston News*.

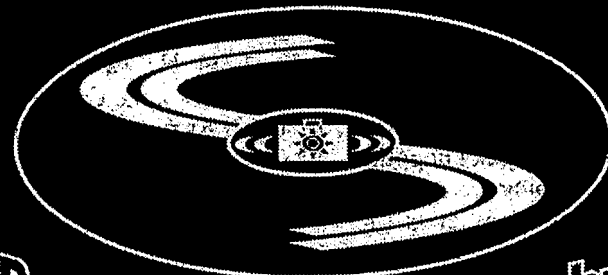
"I've been talking to residents, since this is a subject of concern for everyone," said Councilwoman Kristy Ottman, who asked members at Monday night's meeting to keep one another updated as they gather information. "I've been telling people my bone of contention (about policing through OSD) is that they can't dedicate a car in the village. And then I

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Opinion

Cops snooze, it's news

I walked into the Clarkston police station at 3 East Church last week and stopped dead in my tracks. Call it surprise, call it disbelief, picture a giant question mark over my head; I couldn't believe what I was seeing.

There, behind the counter, was a Clarkston police officer. Asleep. "Hello?"

I said it as casually as I could. Nothing.

Not only was the officer asleep, the officer was *sound asleep*.

For a brief second I considered speaking again, louder, or maybe reaching over and tapping the officer on the shoulder, but opted against it.

I was out of there.

I thought long and hard before deciding to write about it, but a napping cop in a department that usually only runs one officer on a shift, sometimes two, seemed noteworthy, if not newsworthy.

To make matters worse, the department is transitioning through changes sparked by the recent firing of the police chief. Everybody's watching.

Ernest Combs was fired March 5 in a move the city council said was a long time coming—they wanted the chief out mingling in the community.

The chief, they said, just wanted to hang around the station.

Apparently, he wasn't the only one.

A uniformed police officer asleep in the station—in plain view of anyone walking through the front door—does not look good.

In fact, it looks downright bad, especially as the department is planning to reclaim its midnight shift from the Oakland County Sheriff's Department in an effort to save money and reassure residents.

How reassured would residents feel, I wonder, if they had to wake the officer for help?

How much money would they city save, really, by paying a sleeping officer?

These are, of course, generalizations. I'm not suggesting this is something that happens all the time. It could be the first time ever.

But the city budgeted about \$239,000 to the police department last year, and spends a great deal of time and energy defending its reasons for maintaining that department.

Independence Township and the OCSD claim Clarkston could shave about \$100,000 from the budget—minus theoretical overtime and extra-service charges, says the city—by subcontracting with the township for full-time service by OCSD.

But Clarkston, for the most part, is not interested. Long-time residents remember a time when the city received what they call a "drive-thru" service by the sheriff's department, and it wasn't enough.

Clarkston has a major state highway running through its center, and a number of parades and large community functions that require extra policing.

But many in the city want to go a step further; they want police officers out on the street talking to people, officers who know which car belongs at which house, and officers who smile and wave.

They want Maybury, RFD.

But I wonder if they already have it—I think I remember an episode of two of the Andy Griffith show where Andy or Barney was kicked back having a nap in the station.

— Laura Colvin@aol.com

Out loud



Laura Colvin

'Dear Editor' (letters from our readers)

Many questions about consolidation

Dear Editor,

I have been following this pretty closely ("County to help with consolidation study," March 28 edition) since it directly affects where I live and what I do.

While I have a lot of questions about this proposed study, I am even more curious about the closing quotes in an article that appeared in another paper and attributed to Trustee Dunn.

"It's the board's job to lead the township when the state is in financial crisis" and "what's going too fast is jobs leaving Michigan."

These might both be true but seem highly inappropriate.

Isn't it the board's job to lead the township no

matter what the financial condition? How will this action in any way help the financial status of the State of Michigan? Will it stop jobs from leaving Michigan? Won't there be less jobs if services are consolidated? Isn't that the whole purpose of the study, to reduce duplication of jobs and services?

I know that's a lot of questions but the only jobs I see being added are the ones for the company doing the study, which also happens to the township's auditors.

Sure, the study may have a lot of benefits, but we first need to agree on what we are looking for, then go find the solution.

Cory Johnston
Clarkston City Council

Thanks for help with Band-aid drive

Dear Editor,

A heartfelt thank you to those who supported Beth Simsack with her recent Band-aid drive.

Beth delivered over 600 character Band-aid boxes to Mott Children's Hospital, University of Michigan!

The Band-aids were donated to several areas within the hospital: blood drawing station, pediatric oncology clinic, oncology floor, MRI area, and the brain tumor survivor clinic.

Thanks to all of you who donated, approx 18,000 children will be able to pick their own special band-aid while having to endure a blood draw or treat-

ment.

We were overwhelmed by the support and generosity of individuals and groups who encouraged the donations.

Also, thanks to the following collection points who promoted Beth's mission: GOB Gymnastics, Groveland Fire Department, Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Sherman Middle School, Patterson Elementary School and Sylvan Learning Center.

Thank you and God bless!

Mike & Jenni Simsack
Holly

Thanks for supporting Optimist Gala

Dear Editor,

On behalf of the Clarkston Area Optimist Club, we would like to thank the community for a fabulous "Optimist Gala Royale 007" on March 24 at Deer Lake Banquet Center.

Your generous donations and support will enable us to continue bringing out the best in Clarkston area kids through our Optimist youth groups in the schools, scholarships, music, law, essay, oratorical and sports

programs.

Two of our goals are to help build leadership skills and a sense of community spirit in our children and you all help make this possible.

Thanks also to Laura Colvin for attending our gala and writing a great story about our evening.

Kym Parks, committee co-chair
Rob Bondy, president
Clarkston Area Optimist Club

Write a Letter To The Editor . . .

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

CAYA recognizing outstanding youth

Clarkston Area Youth Assistance will be recognizing our area's outstanding youth at its annual Youth Recognition Event to be held on April 19 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 7 p.m. event. Any questions, call the Youth Assistance office at 248-625-9007.

With the help of volunteers, Clarkston Area Youth Assistance (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 - Family Division. CAYA is sponsored locally by Clarkston Community Schools, the City of the Village of Clarkston, and the Townships of Independence and Springfield.

CAYA offers family education programs, school presentations, a mentoring program, a yearly youth recognition event, summer camp, and skill building experiences for the youth in our community.

Faded Ink

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

"Low voter turnout dooms bond issue" The bond issue for a new elementary school suffered a sound defeat April 11, 1992, as only 20 percent of the Clarkston school district's registered voters went to the polls. It was defeated 2,516-1,621. The district had 21,000 registered voters. Superintendent Gary Haner said he was shocked by the outcome. The district would have to deal with overcrowding issues that would have been solved with a successful bond, he said.

"Clarkston plans to hire full-time police officer" The Village of Clarkston, which was due to become a city that July, planned to hire a police officer, and buy a police car and equipment for about \$80,000. Clarkston used to contract police protection with Independence Township for about \$61,693. The difference would be offset by traffic-ticket revenue, officials said.

"Builder gets chance at public safety complex" Independence Township Board tabled a proposal for a new fire station and Oakland County Sheriff's Department substation on Citation. DDA officials said the township should consider alternative sites for the project. Cost was estimated at \$1.2 million.

25 years ago - 1982

"Race track neighbors push for tighter controls" Independence Township Board fielded complaints from neighbors of the Waterford Hills Racing Association. Members of the auto racing club said they would respond to the complaints about noise, flying tires, and uncut grass.

"Dr. Bob' charts his retirement plan" Dr. Robert Buehrig was wrapping up 36 years of service to the Clarkston area as a doctor. He had served as a front-line medic in World War II, and moved to Clarkston in 1949. Retirement plans included travel and a lot of golf.

"Quick thinking 8-year-old dials '0' and saves his mom" Tony Morrow, 8 years old at the time, called the operator to report his mother Pat Morrow's collapse. She had suffered a severe reaction to an antibiotic. When she returned from the hospital, he and his 5-year-old sister, Gina, followed her around the house with pillows just in case.

50 years ago - 1957

"United Fund Board voted to unite with Pontiac U.F." Independence United Fund voted to join Pontiac instead of the Metropolitan Detroit organization. Board members said more township people worked in Pontiac.

"Skywatch perts" The son of a volunteer with Clarkston's Ground Observer Corps, an Air Force radar officer, said all sightings reported by the observer posts were checked. Interceptor planes were sent to investigate unscheduled flights, he said.

"Baptist church basement remodeled" An asphalt tile floor was installed in the basement of the First Baptist Church. The Adult Sunday School Class completed the project.

Bits and pieces from ye ol' (e) mail bag

Well, spring has sprung, and I hope everybody's Easter was merry and bright . . . I mean, white . . . would you believe, snow covered? Aw-heck. Dang blab it! I hope you all stayed warm and didn't have to shovel too much snow.

I save up reader e-mail and once in a while let you, the reader, write my column for me. No better time than now. First up is Clarkston-area thinker/ranter, Dave Cleveland.

Taxes are the American Way

- A car company can move its factories to Mexico and claim it's a free market.
- A toy company can out source to a Chinese subcontractor and claim it's a free market.
- A shoe company can produce its shoes in Southeast Asia and claim it's a free market.
- A major bank can incorporate in Bermuda to avoid taxes & claim it's a free market.
- We can buy HP Printers made in Mexico.
- We can buy shirts made in Bangladesh.
- We can purchase almost anything we want from 20 different countries, BUT heaven help the senior citizen who:

A. Dares to buy their prescription drugs from a Canadian pharmacy. That's called un-American! (Think the pharmaceutical companies don't have a powerful lobby?)

And B. Complains about having to pay income tax on their Social Security benefits, which has been true since 1995. The original FICA law promised that would never happen. Our seniors lose as much as 40 percent of their benefits because our government decided in 1995 (tie breaking vote in the Senate made by Al Gore by the way) they would tax Social Security benefit checks as income; a benefit, by the way, that has already been paid for with their (and our) tax dollars (FICA withholding tax and Payroll tax for employers). What a country!



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Only in America do we come up with the concept of taxing an already existing tax on the one group of people in our country who can least afford to have that done to them (the retired senior citizen).

Maybe these are issues that should come up in the next election instead of the other pie in the sky promises that are usually made.

Regards, Dave Cleveland

Up next, Carl from the Orion area . . .

Don,

Interesting column last week. When I was a lad at Shrine Grade School in Royal Oak, my parents used to tell the nuns, "You are an extension of us as parents when our son is in your classroom. If our son gets unruly during class, we give you full permission to administer whatever punishment that's necessary to straighten him out, just like we would do at home."

My wife is a preschool teacher and tells me parents today take any type of discipline or correction to their own children by a teacher as being some sort of personal slap in the face.

Parents will often come barging into the room with their boxing gloves on . . . ready to pick a defensive fight with whatever teacher had the unmitigated gall to discipline their children.

What a difference between the 1960's and now, heh?

Carl J.

And, finally I received an e-mail from Lisa to remind folks that this Saturday, from 3-6 p.m., is a wally ball fund-raiser for Dave Carpenter.

Carpenter, readers should remember is the 1983 Clarkston High School grad, who, after sucking down gobs of mold infested air, needs a double-lung transplant.

Terry Templeton, owner of Waterford Courts, 6110 Dixie Highway, is providing free wally ball court time as a fund-raiser. For \$10 wally-ballers can get their game up. There will be a 50/50 drawing. If you have any questions, call Waterford Courts at 248-623-9622.

Want to help Don write a column? Send your thoughts, via e-mails, to his royal laziness donrushmedon@charter.net.

In a weak moment I read something a PhD wrote

Everyone knows a person's interests change many times throughout life. We go so quickly from Kermit the frog to "our" body to having kids to career to graduations, weddings, etc.

Right now, my reading interests are health (depression/recession), golf course negotiations (I need more shots), anti-tax increases, vinegar uses and are Works cleaners better than Lysol?

I've had bouts of depression since Hazel died and all headlines referencing this affect get my attention, even if they are too long.

Long headlines are upsetting. However, even this one, "What we can learn from Beethoven about living well" got me into the article, but not until I checked the author's name and biography at the end.

The writer is Paul Pearsall. He has a PhD and is at the University of Hawaii. The sub-head says he thrived despite a devastating health problem, and you can, too.

Being a professor (publicly financed) at Manoa in Honolulu would probably have helped reduce my stress.

Headlines with nine words are way too long. Such long writings are like someone coming out of a movie and telling the ending for all to hear. Suspense and interest is slipping. Another suggestion: Don't read articles with question headlines. The writer obviously needs help.

But, the prof ended with five questions in an issue of Bottom Line Health.

1. Do you look for life's lessons when you experience crisis?
2. Does adversity make you stronger?
3. Do others seek you out--and seem strengthened by your presence--when they are suffering?
4. Do negative events make you grateful for what you have?
5. Do negative events broaden your understanding of meaning and purpose of life?

The more you answer "yes" the more likely you are to thrive in the face of adversity, he concludes.

As a general rule, I do not absorb anything written or said by PhDs. They spend all those years in an academic life, never meeting a payroll, never shooting pool and playing shuffleboard in a saloon, reading only tomes of boring stuff and avoiding we common folks. Besides, they all speak and write in monotonous.

So, to answer Dr. Pearsall's questions: 1) In a crisis I: 1. Cry, 2. Wet myself, 3. Order a copy of the *Porcupine Press* and look for off-color humor.

2) Adversity frightens me, to the point that any more diversity is likely to do things that send me club hunting - Alcoholics Anonymous club.

3) No one seeks me out when they are suffering. Word is out that I'm not comforting. Mental health (depression) sufferers better go directly to professionals, avoid amateurs and PhDs.

4) Do negative events make you grateful for what you have? What the hell kind of question is that? Be grateful for negative things? You out of your mind, doctor? If it's negative it's anti-positive, isn't it? Show me a person who can answer "yes" to number 4 and I'll show you a teacher at Manoa, Honolulu.

5) Negative events do not broaden my understanding of the meaning and purpose of life. Having been there, let me tell you negative events during periods of depression eliminate that meaning and purpose I think you're talking about.

In fact, negative events when hale and hearty don't give meaning and purpose to my life, ever. Give me positive every time and I'll show you purpose and meaning. No one ever wins at poker with a negative feeling. And, you can't win at life with that frame of mind, either.

PhD-less James A. Sherman is a graduate of a class D Michigan high school and a drop out of two colleges.

Jim's Jottings



Jim Sherman



From left, Maura McKenzie, Hannah Geisler, Codi Anderson, and Alena Siemen pack a box with macaroni and cheese.



Nicole Cattin, at left, and Jillian Ritchey pack some peanut butter.

Scouts help Lighthouse

Girl Scout Troop 1878, Independence Elementary, spent the past three weeks collecting food donations for Lighthouse North.

April 3, the scouts, with Troop Leader Nancy Ritchey, stopped by the Sashabaw Road food pantry to deliver boxes filled with cans, jars, and boxes of food.

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

Services.

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

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

For a "wish list" of requested donations or more information, call 248-620-6116.

Photo story by Phil Custodio



From left are Courtney Rosswurm, Maddie Arnold, Codi Anderson sitting behind Maddie, Nicole Cattin, Hannah Geisler, Jillian Ritchey, Maura McKenzie sitting in front of Jillian, and Alena Siemen.



Hannah Geisler sorts boxed items next to a pile of peanut butter jars.

Police and Fire

Independence Township

Mon., April 2 Deputies were dispatched to the 4900 block of Sundale on reports of a young person driving at high speed through the neighborhood. The young man was pulled over and reported to be "very polite and honest and admitted he was only 15 and did not have a drivers license." He was released to his stepfather with a citation to appear in juvenile court on charges of driving without a license, insurance and, proper plates.

A 42-year-old Independence Township woman fearing identity theft reported receiving a bill for \$960.71 from Direct TV, a service she claimed never to have subscribed to.

A 20-year-old woman with a felony warrant arrived at the Independence Township substation to turn herself in. She was transported to Oakland County Jail.

Tues., April 3 Deputies were dispatched when a caller reported a vehicle fire on Sashabaw Road and I-75. The driver of the 1993 Chevy Tahoe said he pulled over when the car began smoking, then erupted in flames.

A 37-year-old Pontiac man driving erratically in Independence Township was pulled over by deputies and transported to Oakland County jail after a LEIN check the man had two Friend of the Court warrants out of Oakland



Several Independence Township fire and EMS vehicles were dispatched to a home on Sashabaw Road this past weekend for a closet fire. No one was injured. Photo by Laura Colvin

County.

Wed., April 4 A 17-year-old teen was issued an appearance citation after he was caught stealing allergy medicine from an Independence Township grocery store. The youth's 13-year-old companion claimed he had no knowledge of the theft and was released to his mother. Both boys were asked not to return to the store.

An Independence Township woman reported her daughter, a student at Clarkston Junior High, left a cell phone in her locker and returned to find it missing.

A 36-year-old Mexican woman living in Pontiac was pulled over and transported to Oakland County Jail on a detainer to await immigration officials after she admitted she had no green card and was an illegal alien.

Thurs., April 5 A 43-year-old Independence Township woman called po-

lice after arriving home from work at 4 a.m. to discover burnt cigarettes and beer cans scattered around the home from a party thrown by her 17-year-old son. The son bit the mother's hand, and a fight ensued.

Springfield Township

Fri., March 30 A 46-year-old White Lake woman in the process of moving from her Springfield Township home called police after her former husband caused damage to the home. The 47-

year-old man was allegedly angry the home was in foreclosure.

Deputies were summoned to assist Michigan State Police after a trooper reported suspicious circumstances involving two men in the parking lot of an Independence Township grocery store. The deputies located the men inside the store and escorted them outside to pat the duo for weapons, discovering only a package of pilfered pepperoni. The store manager did not wish to press charges, but the men were connected with a home invasion in Rose Township and turned over to state troopers.

Sat., March 31 Police were called to an apartment on Dixie Highway after reports of a vehicle traveling northbound crossed the center and southbound lanes and collided with a row of mailboxes, knocking over nine. The car then traveled over a culvert and hit a telephone pole and a tree. Tenants told deputies they heard the crash around 4 a.m., but none looked to see what happened.

Mon., April 2 A 19-year-old Waterford woman reported two credit cards stolen from a purse left in her unlocked vehicle while she was working as part of a crew at a Springfield Township park.

Tues., April 3 A 31-year-old Springfield Township woman called police after her husband arrived in a drunken state at the home of her parents where she took the children for refuge after an argument.

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Too much abuse

Local, national initiatives to halt teen drinking

BY KELLY L. REYNOLDS
Clarkston News Staff Writer

This month, local, state and national proponents are teaming up for National Alcohol Awareness Month.

Pontiac Osteopathic Hospital Medical Center – Clarkston sees many cases of injuries due to alcohol use and abuse and says this month is designed to bring a realization of how alcohol can impact lives.

"I see a lot of accidents more into the summer months," said Emergency Room Staff Physician Dr. Michael Doyle. "Around graduation time and during the warmer months we get a lot of water skiing, jet skiing and boating accidents, along with a lot of burns from barbecuing."

According to Dr. Doyle, the largest percent of patients who come in with alcohol-related injuries are of the 18-24 age range.

"Generally we get a lot of younger people with binge drinking and injuries from that," he said.

Dr. Doyle, who is also a Clarkston resident, also said that many people don't realize the frequency of alcohol addiction in communities like Clarkston.

"It's a lot more here than people realize," he said. "People think it's a downtown or a city problem, and it's not."

POH also hold events throughout the year in which they bring the fatal vision goggles, which are goggles that simulate intoxication, in order to show just how impaired vision and coordination becomes once intoxicated.

The Oakland County Health Division also believes in the importance in raising awareness about alcohol abuse and addiction.

"Alcohol is the number one drug problem in Oakland County," said Kathleen Altman, Oakland County prevention coordinator. "People mistake the use of illegal drug as the biggest drug-use problem, but the use of alcohol use causes more devastation as far as broken families and lost work time. This is really our biggest drug problem and one we fail to recognize as such."

For National Alcohol Screening Day, held this year April 6, the OCHD used to bring in screeners to aid the public in alcohol addiction screening.

"We had screeners available to talk to people and give them resources, but many people were concerned with confidentiality," Altman said.

"Now, we direct them to go online so they can screen themselves."

Those who may be suffering from alcohol addiction can go to confidential Web site www.AlcoholScreening.org to screen themselves. The Web site then gives resources the person can use to get help with the addiction.

"We also have a PACE unit here in Oakland County, which stands for Prior Authorization and Central Evaluation," said Altman. "What this unit can do is help someone who has a problem or suspects they have a problem and wants to seek help."

The phone number for the PACE unit is 248-858-5200.

"They will give the person the names of licensed treatment programs in their area," Altman said.

OCHD also recognizes the need for alcohol use prevention in the young people of communities.

"The younger an individual starts to drink, they are four to five times as likely to develop severe alcohol problems as an adult," Altman said. "It's a community issue. The social norms surrounding alcohol is what we have to work at changing. If your community supports underage drinking and your alcohol vendors make alcohol available to teens and make the message that it's not that bad, then that's a problem. Drinking delays maturity. The teen is focused on alcohol and doesn't develop the social maturity they need to make it through. We are trying to change a social norm. That is why our emphasis as well as MCRUD's is focused on the younger crowd. We support MCRUD."

MCRUD, or Michigan Coalition to Reduce Underage Drinking, works to prevent underage drinking by working with adults to do their part, said Ken Dail of MCRUD.

"We're encouraging teens to reach out to adults so adults can do their part to prevent teen drinking," he said. "Teens can't use alcohol if an adult doesn't supply the alcohol."

For more information about MCRUD and events planned around Michigan, call 800-968-4968.

For more information about local events in April or for information about preventing teen drinking, contact the Clarkston Coalition for Youth by calling 248-922-3004 or visit them online at www.ClarkstonYouth.org.

Parenting workshop set Friday

Clarkston Area Youth Assistance will present a free Parent Enrichment program April 20 10-11:30 a.m. at St. Daniel Church in Clarkston.

"Healthy Parenting in an Indulgent World" will help parents build strong family ties, establish consistency, teach cooperation, and halt disrespectful behavior.

Parents will be challenged to examine their beliefs about over-indulgence — do you give too much stuff, over-schedule, smother, have lax rules?

The program will be facilitated by Sean Hogan-Downey, LMSW, LMFT, a parent educator with over 30 years experience working with families and a talent for injecting humor into parenting topics.

This program is free but does require registration by calling CAYA at 248-625-9007. Childcare is available for \$1 per child. Space is limited.

St. Daniel is located at 7010 Valley Park Drive at the corner of Holcomb and Miller in downtown Clarkston.

Schools consolidate special services

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The association, which was headed by Roberts last year, is also working with Oakland University to create an International Bachelaureate program. IP is similar to Advanced Placement programs, and provides internationally recognized two-year diplomas to high-school age students.

Earning certification to offer the program will take a couple years, Roberts said.

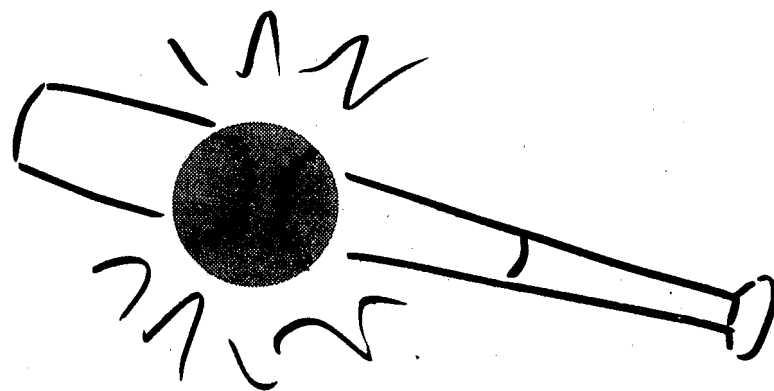
Clarkston also hosts Oakland Schools Technical Campus Northwest, which offers career-focused education in science, medical, building trades, automotive, education, service, and other industries.

It runs Autism Spectral Disorder and OSMTech programs, which accepts students from other districts. In these programs, costs are shared by participants, lowering costs to Clarkston, Roberts said.

Clarkston has also consolidated within the school district. The district reorganized grade levels: from elementary grades 1-5, middle school grades 6-8, and high school grades 9-12; to elementary 1-5, middle school 6-7, junior high 8-9, and high school 10-12.

Consolidating sixth-graders from Clarkston's seven elementary schools to one Sashabaw Middle School improved efficiency in staffing, supply, and busing, Roberts said.

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Discussions ongoing about police program

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read in the newspaper that they actually can dedicate a car in the village."

Catallo and Rausch, however, answered concerns by saying the proposal was merely a product of the group's brainstorming at the meeting.

"(OSCO) realizes they can't give us the kind of coverage we have," said Catallo. "It was a thought, and that was all it was, just a thought, that there might be a possibility we could work something that way. There were no proposals made."

Rausch echoed the sentiment, and saying he recalled that the idea didn't come up until after the meeting.

"It was an off-the-cuff remark," he said. "There was no offer."

Others in attendance, however, seemed to have given the topic a good deal of consideration beforehand.

"You can put him on a bike, have him walk the street or whatever you want to do," said OCSO Business Manager Dale Cunningham during the meeting. "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."

Speaking by phone several days after the March 14 meeting, Independence Township Supervisor David Wagner, who was in attendance to present the concept, said the idea was a thought-out suggestion based on knowledge of the city's police needs, and said the city could interview sergeants from a pool of candidates to choose a person with qualifications and personality traits appropriate for the city's special needs and wants.

He also said the plan would not cost Independence Township taxpayers anything.

"I've talked to members of the board and they don't have a problem with it at all," said Wagner. "The majority of them feel the same way I do; if there's some way we can benefit the village, we'll offer a suggestion, no matter what it is."

Wagner acknowledged the meeting did not go quite the way he envisioned, but felt the ideas were conveyed clearly.

"There were still a lot of questions left unanswered," he said, noting Clarkston officials fear exorbitant overtime fees. "We talked after the meeting about overtime, but even with the patrol (Independence Township has) on midnights, there have never been any charges, the sheriff's departments just absorbs them."

But Wagner said he didn't want to paint an unrealistic picture, either.

"There could be overtime charges, there's no doubt, but they are really limited," he said. "I can understand

the city wanting to have a grasp on it, but its not like a runaway train, otherwise we couldn't afford it, either."

Undersheriff Mike McCabe said Tuesday the OCSO would bill Independence Township \$122,731 should the proposed plan come to fruition.

While there was no written offer, McCabe confirmed discussing the cost and logistics of the proposal with Lt. Dale LaBair, commander of the OCSO Independence Township substation, who also attended the meeting, and Independence Supervisor Wagner, before the gathering took place.

"If they want a written proposal we'll be happy to provide that," said McCabe, noting, however, that Clarkston would facilitate the administrative side of the any plan through Independence Township.

McCabe, who will speak to the city's police committee next week, said he has difficulty understanding the origin of many published comments regarding the situation.

"I read all these negative comments about 'the sheriff won't do this and the sheriff won't do that,'" he

said. "I don't know where that's coming from. To me it's mind boggling."

The OCSO, he said, has been contracting out services for 50 years without a cancellation, but does offer a 90-day clause allowing cancellation of a contract.

"If someone isn't happy with our services, they can dump us," he said. "It's real simple."

But McCabe said he believed the cities and townships already policed by OCSO were the best testament to the service provided by the organization.

"We're very responsive," he said. "All you have to do is call and talk to any of the communities that currently contract our services and see what they have to say. I would encourage the City of the Village of Clarkston to do that."

Citing a wide spectrum of communities—Addison Township is much different than Rochester, and Royal Oak—McCabe said every OCSO contract is molded to fit the needs of the community.

The bottom line, he said, "is Clarkston would get outstanding service from us, and outstanding coverage."

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Spring Celebration Open House is set for 11 a.m.-3 p.m., April 21 - guided discovery hikes, creative nature crafts and fun activities for spring. Small fee for some crafts. 248-625-6640.

Ringing the Bell's

BY PAUL KAMPE

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Clarkston isn't always mentioned in the same breath as "world record," but the Clarkston Union helped change that April 5.

Bell's Brewing Company of Kalamazoo selected the site to host a record-breaking night. The brewer put 25 beer selections on tap for the masses to sample.

Patrons flocked to the restaurant, which is housed inside a renovated church building on Main Street, for "The Union rocks the Bell's."

"It's a well-known brewery and it's an honor to be chosen. When it comes to microbrewers, that's as big as it gets," Clarkston Union owner Curt Catallo said.

"It's unique to happen at the Union," Catallo said. "We've always had a great relationship with the brewery. They knew our crowd really appreciated that quality-crafted beer."

In 1995, while the church building was being renovated into what is now the Union, Bell's owner/founder Larry Bell toured the building and offered his advice.

"He walked through the sawdust, gave us his two cents and we were wise enough to listen," Catallo said.

The most popular beer selection for the night was Bell's Oberon followed by Bell's Expedition Ale.

"It was a great turnout. It definitely wasn't your typical Thursday night in Clarkston for sure," Catallo said.

Larry Bell even rang the Union's church bell, which remains from the renovation, for the first time since the restaurant opened in 1996. The bell had remained tucked away, but Catallo felt the event warranted its return.

Bar patron Trevor Taylor, 24, from Independence Township, heard about the event from a friend. Sampling Third Coast, he said, "It's pretty good, it's strong and smooth. I really enjoy it."



From left are Clarkston Union owner Curt Catallo, brewery owner Larry Bell and Union Chef Scott Laufer. Photo by Paul Kampe.

Elyse Horner, 22, a friend of Taylor, liked being a part of a special event. Horner said she typically visits the Union on a weekly basis.

"I feel like I'm part of record-breaking history," Horner said.

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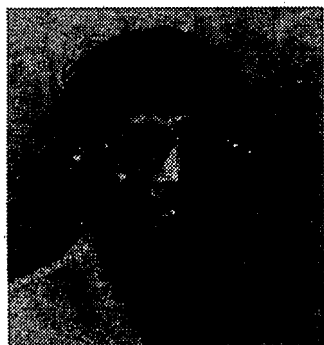
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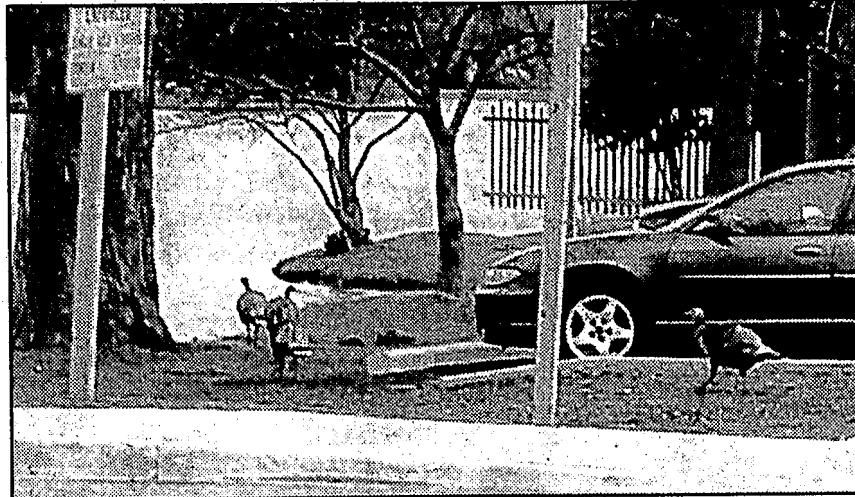
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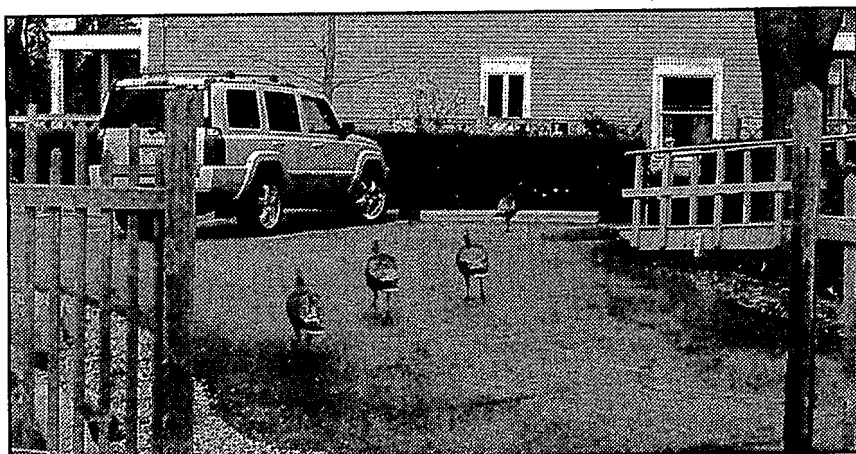
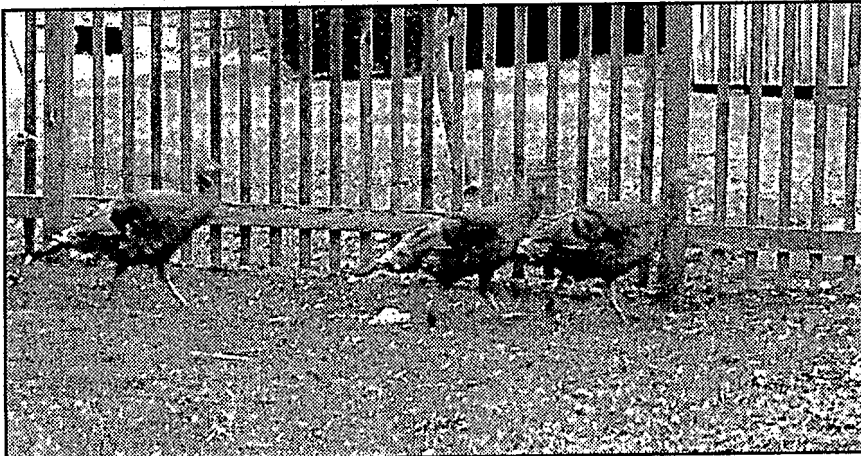
Turkeys on a trip

A small flock of wild turkeys took a stroll through downtown Clarkston last Wednesday, walking north from the direction of Depot Park, across Washington St., to the Mill Pond parking lot.



The turkeys, one jake and three hens, encounter a problem. A fence marking the north border of the parking lot extends out into the pond! Turkeys can't swim. They can fly, but apparently not in this kind of situation.

After a few minutes of milling about, the flock decides to walk up the fence line, hoping for a break. If not, things could get messy – busy M-15 lies directly in their path.



Fortunately, a break in the fence does exist, leading to Robert Kostin's parking lot to the north. The turkeys take a left, head back toward the pond, and continue their walk north.

Photo story by
Phil Custodio

Parks wrap-up

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swimming, nature study and youth group camping. Nearly 10 miles of marked nature and ski trails snake through Independence Oaks, also a 2.5-mile paved hike, bike, and blade pathway. Also available are a boat launch and seasonal rowboat, canoe, kayak, and paddleboat rentals on Crooked Lake.

The Lewis E. Wint Nature Center is also located in Independence Oaks. Vehicle permits are required to visit the park. For more information, visit www.oakgov.com/parksrec.

Springfield Oaks, at 12451 Andersonville Rd., is home to the annual Oakland County Fair. It also houses the historic Ellis Barn, which moved to the county park in 2005. It also features many special events and space for banquets, seminars and reunions.

City officials concerned

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"This is a wonderful idea," she said, "and the only thing we can do is learn from it. We need to look at this and chew on it and attend one of their council meetings. We need to give everyone a chance to weigh in and not give the sense we're trying to push anything on anyone."

Later, Vanderveen voted yes on the motion.

Trustee Charles Dunn disagreed with both Wenger and Vanderveen, saying that no matter what anyone else thinks, the board needed to decide if the proposal was a good idea or not.

"We need to make the statement," he said. "It's our job to please our township. The economy is in a state that action needs to be taken."

Dunn and Kelly both agreed that the feasibility study was needed to determine how much is being spent on shared services and could be saved.

Members of the Clarkston City Council have voiced concerns about consolidation and proceeding with the feasibility study.

"The township keeps saying 'it's free, so what?' but the money has to come from somewhere," said Clarkston City Councilman Cory Johnston. "Unless they know more than we do about the benefits of actually doing this study, I think the money could be better spent elsewhere."

Johnston was out of town and did not attend Tuesday's meeting, but echoed concerns voiced by Mayor Sharron Catallo at the March 26 council meeting, saying members of the council would like to see results from studies done in other communities for comparison.

"Maybe it would be better if a member of the township board and a member of the council sat down and came to an agreement," Johnston said, noting that he would like to see a reduction, rather than an increase, in the amount of animosity between the municipalities. "I've got nothing against doing the study, but I think it could backfire if it's not handled properly."

- Laura Colvin contributed to this report.

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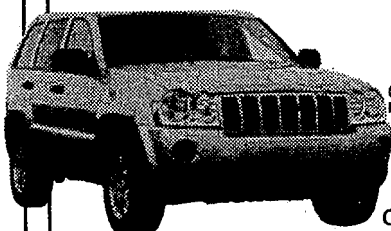
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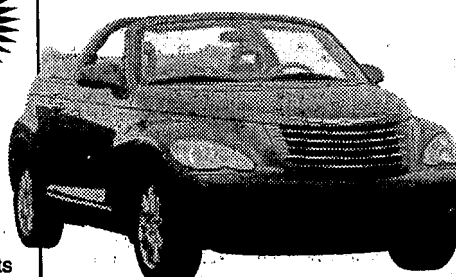
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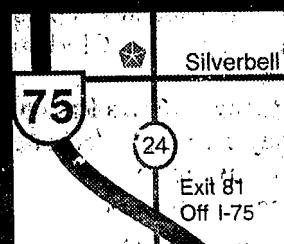
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Athletic equinox

Coaches: Clarkston will adjust to season re-alignment in time

BY PAUL KAMPE

Clarkston News Staff Writer

After nearly a decade of litigation and preparation, Clarkston's coaches said they and their athletes are prepared for a change in the wake of a judiciary decision made last week.

Starting in the 2007-'08 school year, girls basketball will move from the fall season to winter to coincide with boys basketball. Girls volleyball will move from winter to fall season. Boys golf and girls tennis moves from the fall to the spring. Girls golf and boys tennis will change from the spring and be played in the fall from now on, giving returning athletes what some coaches called an extended season because of the proximity of the end of spring sports season and beginning of fall season.

The Supreme Court of the United States decided it would not hear the case made by the Michigan High School Athletic Association to overturn a lower appellate court's decision in favor of the association's pursuer, Communities for Equity.

The move will align Michigan's athletic seasons with nearly all of the same programs throughout the nation.

Diane Madsen, co-founder of Communities for Equity, is one of two named plaintiffs in the case.

The group's lawsuit came after exhausting other methods to get female athletics on par with boys'.

"We didn't get resolution in any of those avenues and our school districts would tell us, 'we're not in control of these issues,'" Madsen said.

After filing suit in 1998, the only issue unresolved between the two sides prior to the 2001 beginning of the trial, were the disadvantageous seasons dealt to girls' sports by the MHSAA. The others, which dealt with various gender discriminations, Madsen said, were hashed out in a two-month span.

The case is more about equity and fairness than many believe, Madsen said.

"It made it sound as if this case was only about seasons and it was not."

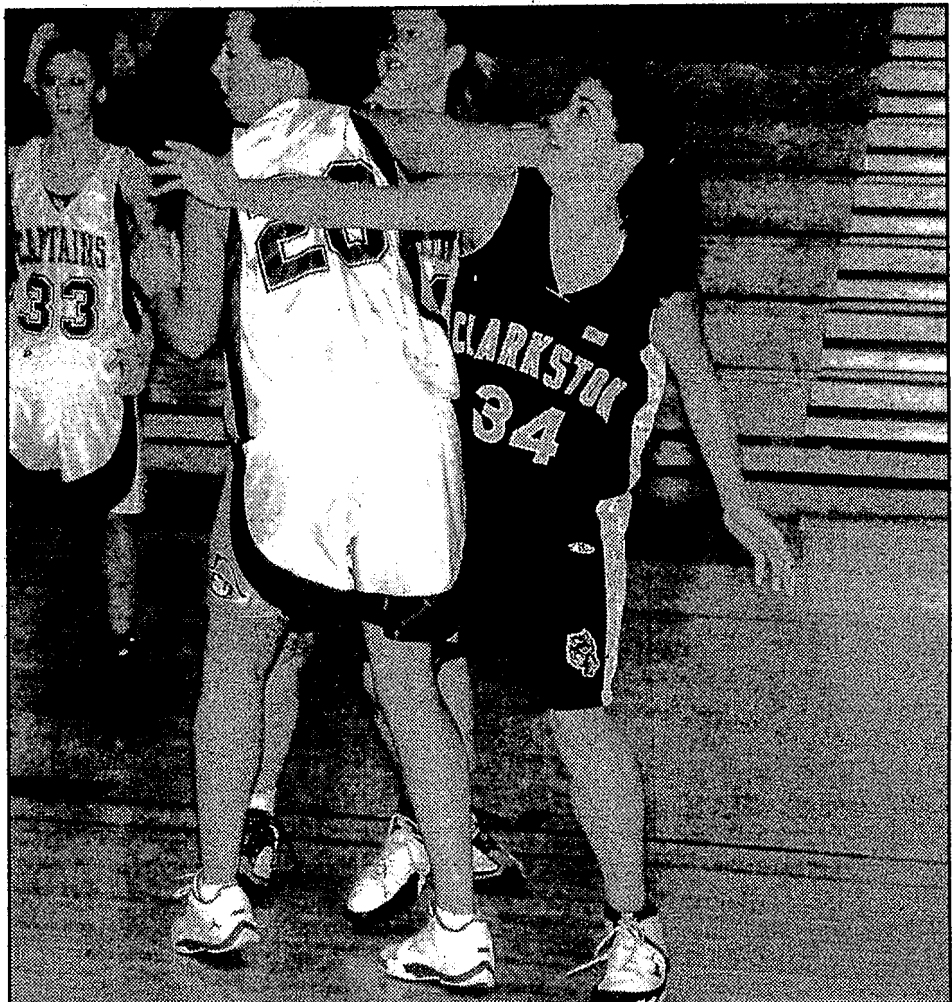
"This case is pure and simple. (It's) about discrimination. Period."

A focal point in the wake of the final verdict in the case has been the notion that the lawsuit centered around a lack of scholarships available for female athletes.

"That's one of the many harms caused, but it's no more important than any of the other issues," Madsen said.

The MHSAA was found in violation of not only Title IX, but civil rights law and the protections afforded by the 14th amendment to the United States Constitution.

Madsen said the case has likely made more people aware of Title IX and hopefully raised awareness to civil rights violations. Female athletes were put in a place where they had been treated as



Girls' basketball will be in the winter, the same season as boys', beginning next school year. A change in seasons was in order after the Supreme Court of the United States declined to hear the MHSAA's case last week.

Photo by Paul Kampe

second-class citizens, given the leftovers from the male seasons, Madsen said.

"It's sad that the discrimination is so accepted. Sometimes you have to change in order to be fair," she said.

Title IX, passed in 1972, was created to increase opportunities for females, athletically and academically, by forbidding discrimination based on sex in any feder-

ally-funded activity.

Madsen said the next step is to ensure compliance measures are being made fair and equitable including support services and scheduling.

Jon Johnson, communications director for the MHSAA, said schools ap

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Athlete of the week

Giannaris leads Clarkston offense with 11 goals in 5 games early on this season

BY PAUL KAMPE

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Mid-fielder Stephen Giannaris is anchoring the offense of a team on the cusp of an explosion. The three-year Clarkston varsity lacrosse player is an important part of the Wolves 2-3 record accrued leading up to the spring break.

So far, Giannaris has scored 11 goals and thrown two assists as well as fielding nine ground balls.

"At this point in the season, he is our most productive midfielder. He is the key shooter on our man-up (power-play) situations," Clarkston coach Brian Kaminskas said.

"We look to Steve for leadership and direction for our younger players. He is a dedicated player and one we are lucky to have this year."

Giannaris could easily lead teammates to the weight room, since he has been traveling a well-beaten path for months leading up to this season.

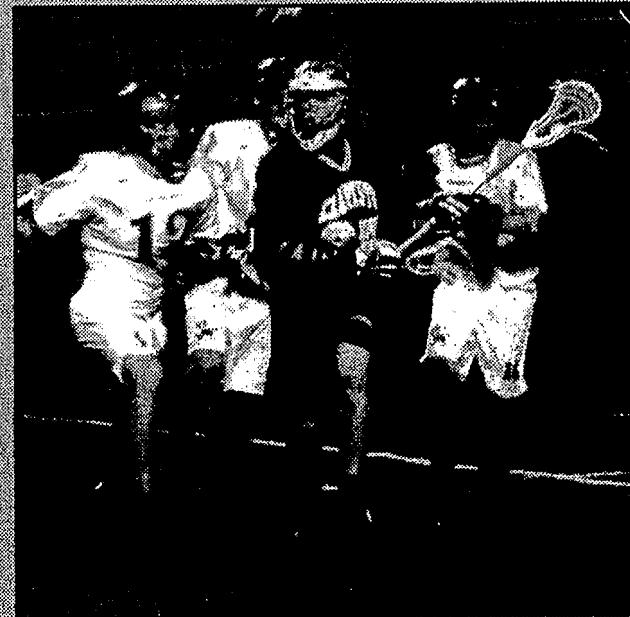
"His work ethic and dedication off the field is some-

thing the younger players can learn from. He's been in the weight room three days a week since October and running more than three miles a day," Kaminskas said.

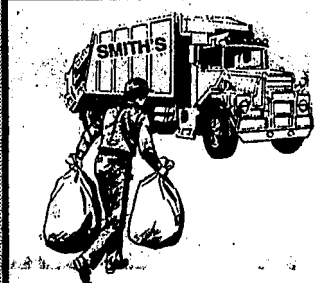
Giannaris has made a smooth transition from a backup role on the team in 2006 to an offensive force this year.

"I expect him to continue to lead the offense and teach the younger guys (the) things we do and leave his footprint to follow," Kaminskas said.

The boys come off the break to take on Troy at home Tuesday at 8 p.m. Port Huron visits April 20 at 6:30 p.m.



Stephen Giannaris has stepped up to become one of Clarkston's biggest threats on the offensive side of the ball. Photo by Paul Kampe



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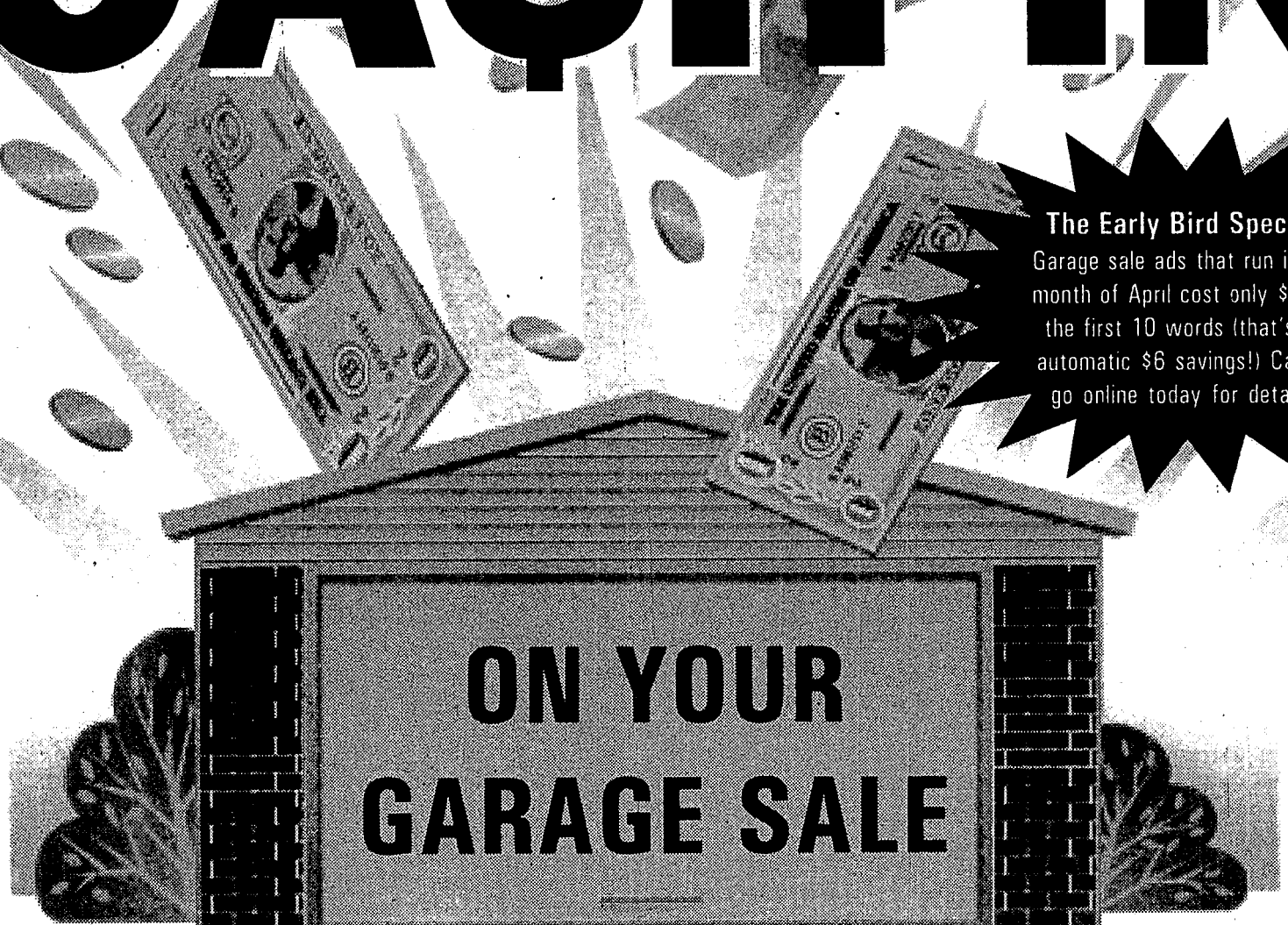
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Coaches will adapt, students left with decisions to make

peared satisfied with the seasonal alignment created in the 1970's.

"If schools had expressed dissatisfaction, there's a process they could have used to (facilitate change)," he said.

The MHSAA routinely surveys member schools, Johnson said, finding results regularly in the 80 percent approval rating. Despite the findings, he said the organization must obey the court's wishes.

"Now we must play with the hand we were dealt. Schools must step up and continue to maximize the quantity and quality (of athletics) for the kids," Johnson said.

Clarkston Athletic Director Dan Fife said there may be scheduling conflicts when boys and girls basketball play in the winter, but the school's biggest difficulty could be arranging game officials. With the change, many referees could be officiating 3-4 nights per week, he said.

"We've planned on it for two different years, everyone's ready for it," Fife said.

"The state told us to prepare for it and it kept getting kicked around the courts."

The costs associated with the events should remain the same as the current format, Fife said.

Fife said multi-sport commitments by athletes may need to be changed due to the new alignment.

"For kids, its going to be an issue because they need to make decisions," Fife said.

"There are kids out there who are going to have to make tough decisions."

The student-athletes are not the only ones the ruling affects. Clarkston girls basketball coach Tim Wasilk became the coach of the boys junior varsity basketball team prior the boys' hoops season in November.

Wasilk said he will stay with the girls' team, for his third season with the group.

"When you coach two sports, there's benefits to both (and) I had to decide," Wasilk said.

The winter season could get much more intense, Wasilk said.

"It's going to bring a lot of excitement throughout the season."

"Other states have proven successful with that (format)."

The change may allow members of the girls' basketball team to play for Kelly Avenall's varsity volleyball team in the fall. Previously, volleyball gave way to AAU hoops in the winter, which will now be home to just basketball.

"We may see a lot of girls who play for me, playing volleyball," Wasilk said.

"That might be a plus for both programs."

Both Wasilk and Avenall disagreed with the notion that CFE's lawsuit was necessary to get more attention paid to athletes by college recruiters.

"If a player is good enough to play in college, they will get noticed," Wasilk said.

"(Coaches) will make time to come watch you play."

"I really don't think our seasons had any bearing on scholarships," Avenall seconded.

"I don't think it's ever been said that Michigan lacks in getting volleyball scholarships."

Avenall said she is taking the change in stride. One positive is the extra time leading up to the season where she can work with players.

Clarkston boys golf coach Mark Wiegand said the golf season, from which his team's returning players will have nearly 16 months recess, will need much adjustment. Typically, the boys begin their season with a running start from summer tournaments and invitationals. The team also has relationships with area courses for scheduling practices and matches. Also, Wiegand said, more course time is available for the boys in the fall because that time of year is less favorable for the course's clientele.

Wiegand's major concern, he said, is the impact on the team's collegiate prospects.

"Their senior season will not exist," he said.

"Those decisions will be made prior to their senior season."

Conversely, Clarkston boys tennis coach Charles Claus will switch from a spring season ripe with unpredictable weather to a more desirable fall slot on the courts. Clarkston's summer vacation will serve as the only stoppage in the Wolves play leading into the fall.

"We're at the beginning of an eight-match season. I'll be treating it as one extended season instead of two separate ones," Claus said.

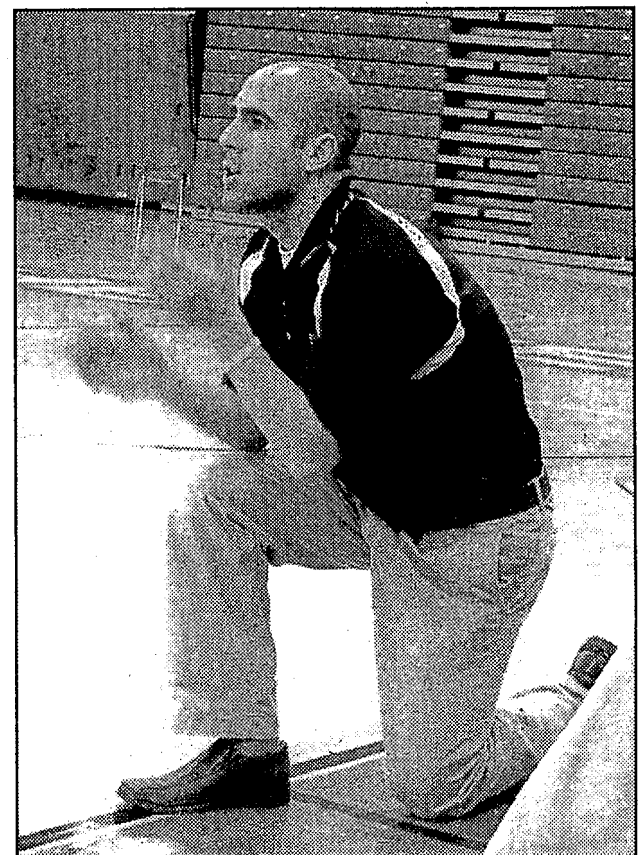
The boys, used to spending time hitting at Deer Lake Athletic Club during unfavorable weather, will reap the benefits of outdoor play both in the quantity the school's courts can hold and more realistic hitting conditions, which cannot be simulated indoors, Claus said.

For all the decision's amenities, the switch will inconvenience more people than it will help, Claus said.

The boys' tennis squad has members who will be

'(Scholarships are) one of the many harms caused, but it's no more important than any of the other issues.'

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Clarkston girls basketball coach Tim Wasilk will no longer be able to coach boys junior varsity basketball due to a scheduling conflict caused by the MHSAA's season re-alignment. Photo by Paul Kampe

forced to pick between the courts and soccer or football in fall, at smaller programs in the state where dual-sport coaching is more common, well-qualified coaches will be forced to leave programs. Female tennis players will be in the same college recruiting boat as their male golf counterparts, he said.

"They would have to have already made college decisions by (season's beginning). Those kids are going to have to fall back on past works," Claus said.



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Breaking down the change

Boys' season changes:

- golf from fall to spring
- tennis from spring to fall.

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- basketball moves from fall to winter
- volleyball moves from winter to fall
- tennis from fall to spring
- golf from spring to fall.

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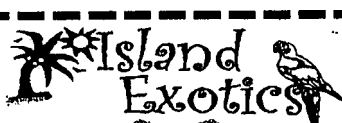
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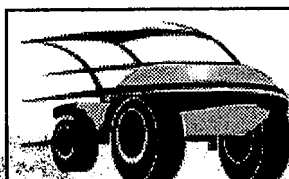
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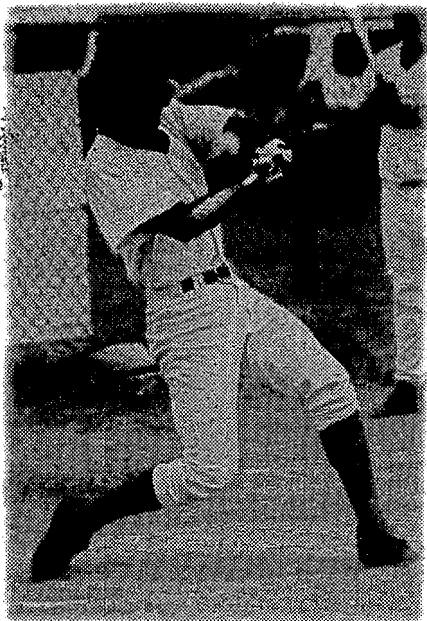


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Boys tennis looks to burst bubble

BY PAUL KAMPE

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Clarkston's boys' tennis squad is hoping to be a shoo-in for the state championship meet after falling one point shy in 2006.

Fourth-year coach Charles Claus plans to build on the team chemistry established with the core components of this year's team, including seniors Chris Graczyk and Zachary Kerr.

"I know all my guys and it's going to be a fun season," Claus said.

"We've got a lot of experience and that bodes well for us."

Graczyk and Kerr are the projected No. 1 and 2 flights in singles play.

"They get a lot out of their athleticism and they both work extremely hard on their game year-round. They get everything they can out of their athletic talent," Claus said.

With a youthful looking set of doubles teams, Claus expects past talents to be replicated.

"Our doubles are traditionally strong," he said.

"We tend to have a very deep lineup and not a lot of separation between the top and the bottom."

In addition to Claus's guidance, the boys have girls singles state champion Nicole Janek (2005, '06) and state placer/teammate Darryl Ann Trout managing the team with Emilia Allen.

"(They) have won state titles and that's something the guys can look up to," Claus said.

The Wolves defeated Waterford Kettering "convincingly" in a pre-season scrimmage, which Claus took as a positive sign heading into the season.

After their return from spring break, the boys travel to Troy Athens April 17. They play at Rochester April 19. Read A22 of this week's paper for the results of the season-opener. Look for the results all season Online at www.ClarkstonNews.com or the print edition of *The Clarkston News*.



The Wolves are: Derek Boatman, James Chun, Adam Drews, Jason Dutcher, Scott Dutcher, Erik Ejups, Chris Graczyk, Matthew Graczyk, Zachary Kerr, Brett McMillen, Charles Smith and Andrew Tigue. Team managers are: Nicole Janek, Daryl Ann Trout and Emilia Allen. Photo provided by Visual Sports Network

Cross X'ers lead way for girls' track

BY PAUL KAMPE

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Similar to the cross country team that proceeded him, Clarkston girls track coach John Yorke expects another young squad this spring. Led by returning distance runners and cross x-ers Jenna Leach, Kristen Smith and Tiffany Kincaid, the Wolves hope to repeat their success from 2006 as OAA, county and regional champions.

"We're going to be young, but we should be pretty successful this year," Yorke said.

Leach will have a strong presence on the squad, as she did in the fall.

"She's crucial to everybody as far as leadership," Yorke said. "We're very young behind her."

In addition to the distance runners, the Wolves also return state qualifiers in Autumn Touchstone (hurdles/sprints), Stephanie Thorstad (high-jump/sprint), Jenna Manilla (high-jump/middle distance) and Taylor Radamacher (high jump).

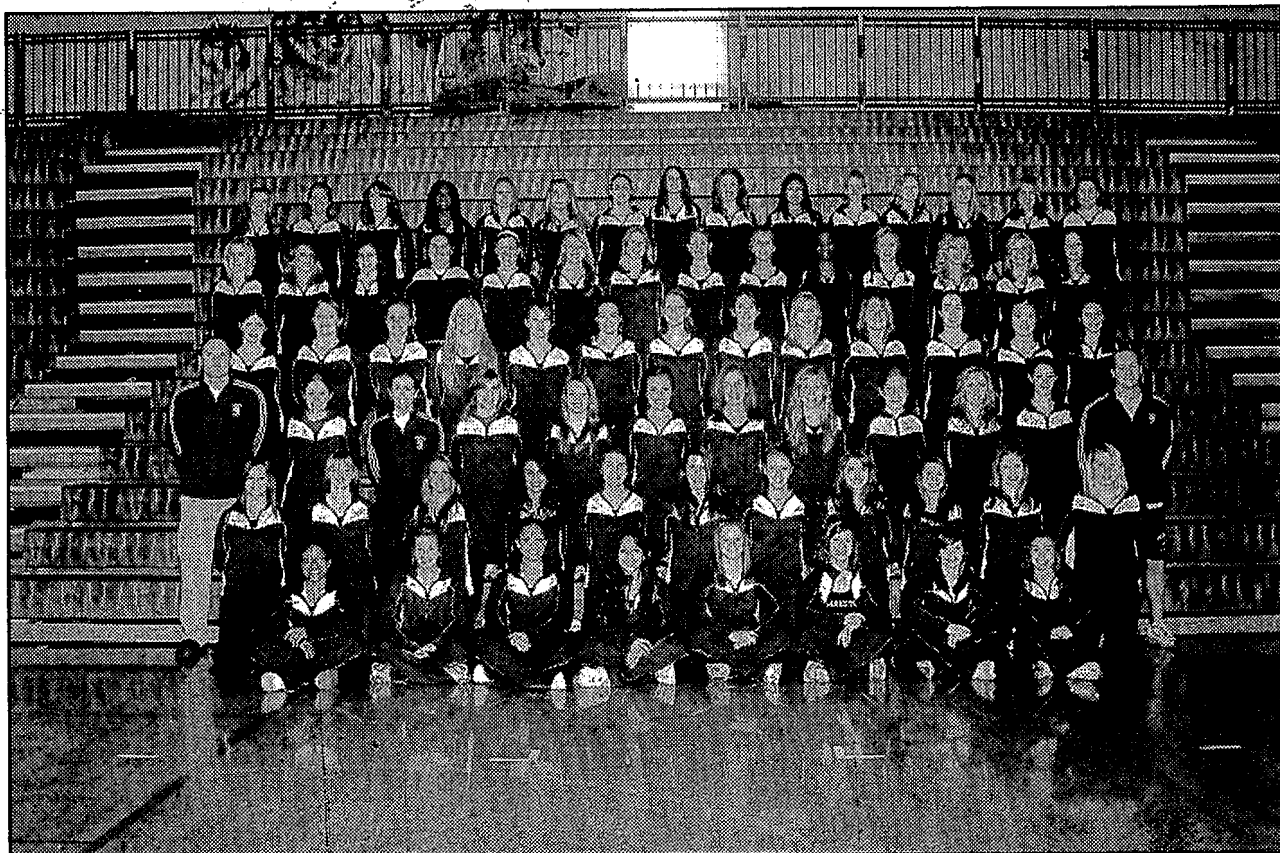
The hotbed of talent from Clarkston's cross country program, which produced three consecutive state championships from 2003-'05, is quite a boon for the spring season.

"It gives you a lot of talent to choose from," Yorke said.

Yorke is uncertain about the team's status in their conference this year due to a consistently challenging OAA.

"It can be anyone's league this year. The whole league is pretty balanced, I don't think anyone has an idea yet."

The girls took a good first step in the right direction getting a split with Rochester Adams and Lake Orion in an OAA I season opener at Clarkston April 3. Look for the results of that and every girls' track meet this season at www.clarkstonnews.com.



The Wolves are: Olivia Allen, Liz Arnold, Heather Barron, Emily Beatte, Rachel Blenc, Lauren Bogart, Stephane Bollini, Ashley Braun, Sarah Canniff, Stephanie Carlson, Lauren Carroll, Annie Castillo, Kelsey Chewins, Ashlee Chumbler, Jennifer Cooke, Kristen Cross, Becca Culver, Lauren Culiver, Katie DeVault, Andrea Diemert, Cassandra Dobbins, Amanda Driscoll, Maddy Dunn, Micky Forsten, Lauren Frank, Taylor Frank, Amber Fullmer, Stefani Galik, Angela Haight, Amanda Harget, Victory Henney, Lauren Horner, Shelly Isenbarg, Dana Johns, Caley Kenney, Tiffany Kincaid, Courtney Kristman, Johanna Kupe, Whitney Laderoute, Jessica Laroque, Brooke Lazar, Jenna Leach, Jenna Manilla, Samantha Mee, Emily Meissnest, Lexi Nickalaou, Ali Olsen-Beever, Li Quan, Shelby Raber, Taylor Rademacher, Devon Rehn, Adriane Reinalt, Rachel Ryeson, Katelyn Schermerhorn, Samantha Seasword, Tiffany Settlemore, Shelby Sharrette, Kristen Smith, Morgan Smith, Ashley Smokoska, Allison Spinweber, Alywssa Swindlehurst, Missy Tharpe, Stephanie Thorstad, Autumn Touchstone, Jamie Towns, Lacie Turnbull, Megan Valley, Angelina Vasquez, Caitlin Warzybok, Sherly Williams, Alicia Young and Alana Zeilinski. Photo courtesy of Visual Sports Network

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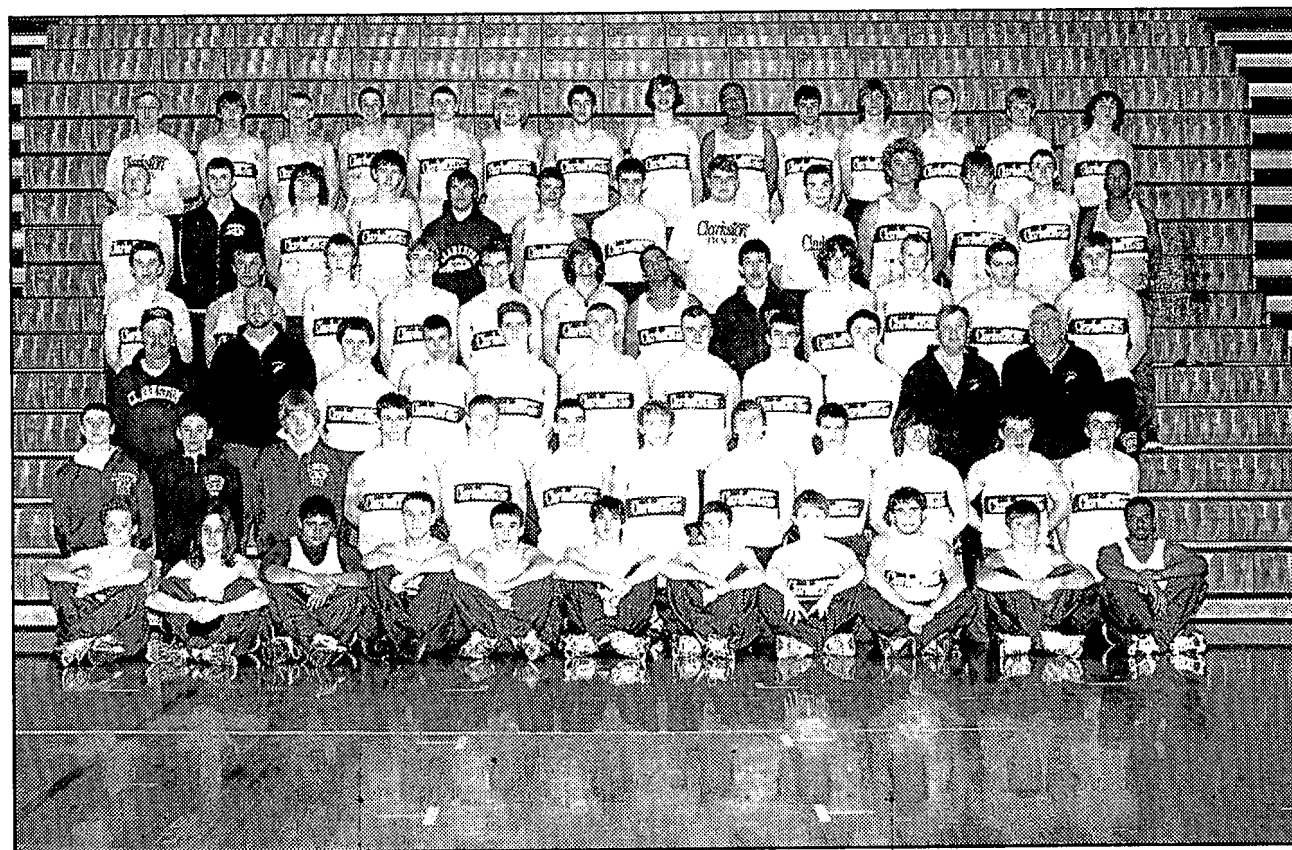
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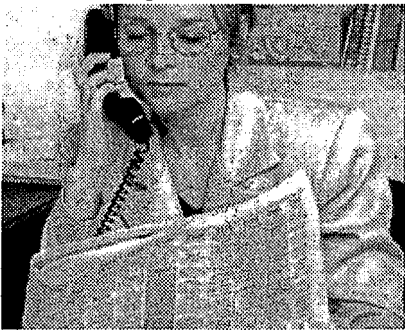
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Boys' track to pick up pace set by '06 team



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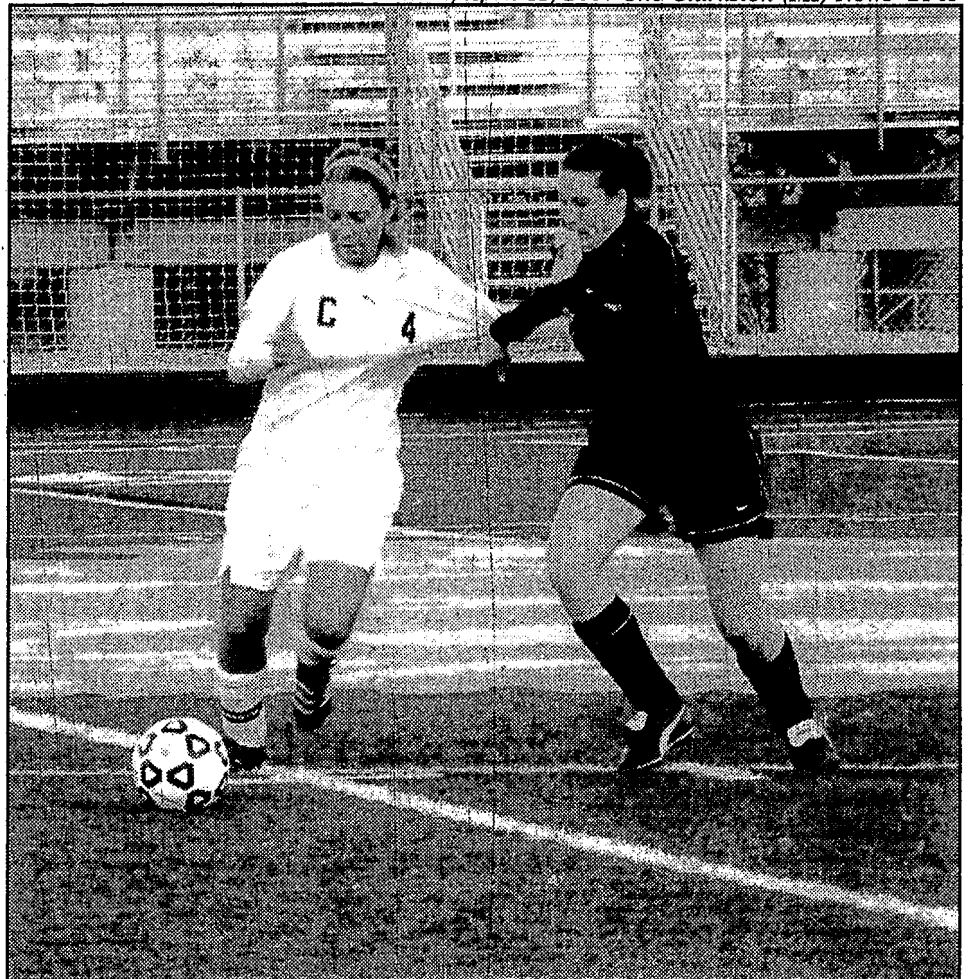
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Forward Brittany Davis fights for the ball in Clarkston's 2-0 loss to Royal Oak April 2. Through the season's first three games, the Wolves have generated only one goal on offense. Photo by Paul Kampe

Kickers winless at spring break

BY PAUL KAMPE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

They say when it rains, it pours. Clarkston's girls' soccer coach Sarah Smith is ready for that downpour after Clarkston suffered its second shutout loss in three games to fall to 0-3 on the season after losing to Royal Oak April 2 at Clarkston.

The Wolves were out-shot by the Ravens and managed only two shots themselves in the 2-0 loss. Royal Oak (1-0-2) struck first near the end of the first half at 1:47, when Caitlin West took a pass from Amber Nolan and beat Wolves' netminder Beth Parks in the upper left corner for a 1-0 lead. The Ravens added another late in the second half with 9:36 left in the game, this time Nolan kept the score for herself.

"She's just physically fit, being able to hold off some of those players," Ravens coach Cam Millar said.

"She's holding off players larger than her and she's still able to make the play. She came into the season the best I've seen her in a long time (physically). She's a very skilled player and a very aggressive attacker.

"Every year she gets better. Better touches, better speed and this is the best (physical shape) I've seen her, being able to hold off players all over her back and still get the ball across.

Millar was upbeat after the win, but acknowledged the team's shortcomings.

"We played very well. We have some getting to know each other to do, but they held the ball very well. We got a lot of opportunities, but we have to work on finishing," she said.

Clarkston coach Sarah Smith said the Wolves cannot continue to play the game with the same lack of offense as they did

against the Ravens. With the blanking against the Ravens, the offense was responsible for only one goal in three games.

"Offensively, we need to work on taking care of the ball and taking some shots. Tonight, we didn't take very many shots. We can't score unless we shoot," Smith said.

"(The) offense needs to get the job done and they're not doing that right now, they're not scoring goals and they're not shooting the ball."

Smith said the problem could be a team looking for too much detail on the attack.

"My girls look for the perfect shot. All my offensive players have good shots and they just need to take them and not worry so much about finding the perfect shot. We're working on their confidence and shooting the ball," she said.

Julie Warner and Caitlin Smith played strong games due to their precision and patience.

"Defensively we were tough, we've made some improvements. (Caitlin) Smith and (Julie) Warner really stepped up for us on defense and kept us in the game," Sarah Smith said.

The Wolves' homestand was cut short against Rochester Adams Wednesday due to inclement weather. Smith said the Wolves were working to be a more cohesive unit against the Highlanders.

"Right now, we're working on working together as a team and not having it be separate offense and defense and trusting our teammates, knowing how to play together," Smith said.

"We're going to have to pick up the intensity and aggressiveness and take care of the ball."

Tennis drops Avondale in opener, 8-0

BY PAUL KAMPE
Staff Writer

Clarkston's boys tennis team took an 8-0 sweep in its season opener against Auburn Hills Avondale April 2.

Chris Graczyk (6-3, 6-1), Zach Kerr (3-6, 6-3, 6-4), Brett McMillen (6-1, 7-4) and Eric Ejups (6-1, 4-6, 6-0) took victories on the singles side.

Derek Boatman and Jason Dutcher, as well as Adam Drews and Chuck Smith won 6-0 and 6-1 for the Wolves' doubles team. Scott Dutcher and Matthew Graczyk won 6-3, 6-3, and James Chun and A.J. Tighe posted a 6-4, 6-4 win.

"It was a decent match," Clarkston coach Charles Claus said.

"We had some battles, it wasn't a walk-off. It exposed some things we need to work on, which is what you hope for in a first match."

Claus said service consistency and volleying will need improvement.

"It was good to get the kids in competition and for the rookie, it was nice to get their first victories out of the way."

The Wolves' biggest adjustment, Claus said, was adjusting to the outdoor conditions of the courts after spending a great deal of time indoors during the preseason.

"Some of the kids want to hit the same as they do indoors. Because of the wind, it took a while for some of them to get into

a rhythm."

The team is in the midst of a week-and-a-half spring break. Their two contests after their opener versus the Yellow Jackets were postponed due to weather conditions.

"The break isn't anyone's favorite. It's very tough to work this hard, get one match in and take 10 days off and then come back here and have the bulk of your league matches. It's an inconvenience that all the schools deal with," Claus said.

After their return, the boys travel to Troy Athens April 17 and then to Rochester April 19. Look for the results online at www.clarkstonnews.com or the print edition of *The Clarkston News*.



Chris Graczyk won 6-3, 6-1 in Clarkston's opener against Auburn Hills Avondale. Two subsequent games were called off for weather and the Wolves will begin their play in OAA II after spring break. Photo by Paul Kampe



Freshman Bailee Braunreuther and the Wolves won the first of two games, 8-3, and dropped the second 13-2 last week. Photo by Ashley Igrison

Wolves earn dual splits on respective diamonds

BY PAUL KAMPE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Getting in one more contest before the spring break led to the same results for Clarkston's baseball and softball squads: a doubleheader split.

On April 2, the boys took a 20-5 win in the first game of a twin bill with Waterford Mott, before dropping the second game 8-3.

In the game-one win, the boys scored their 20 runs off 10 hits, including a home run hit by Joel Lange and two-RBI games from Lange and Richie Woods.

Clarkston (1-2) read a different story in the second game. Lange, the hero in the first set, was tagged for nine Corsairs' hits in the second.

"Our kids didn't come out to play the second game. They came out flat and made too many mistakes," Clarkston baseball coach Phil Price said.

"That's part of our inexperience. (Experience) is going to come as we play more games."

The Wolves' defense needs to get stronger to support Clarkston pitchers, Price said.

"Our pitchers are trying to compensate for our fielders. (Pitchers) aren't throwing strikes, but (field-

ers) aren't fielding the ball behind them. But it's only the third game of the season."

On the girls' diamond April 3, the Wolves won game one of their doubleheader versus Utica Stevenson 8-3 and lost the second contest 13-3 to open the season.

Taylor Hasselbach batted 4/7, knocking in four RBI's, and hitting a homerun and a triple in the win. Megan Moehlig held Stevenson to two runs for the Wolves.

"She kept the ball down and forced them to hit the ball on the ground," Clarkston coach Don Peters said. "The first game was great, the second game, we just didn't play well. We tried to overcompensate. The first game, they played great defense, and they turned a true double play. That's pretty tough to do in high school."

"I don't like losing, but I look at the first 10 games for feedback for what needs improvement. You need to get some games in to see what you're all about," Peters said.

Monique Guerrero hit two doubles on the day and Peters expects many more.

"She's turning into a nice line-drive hitter for us. She's a really focused hitter up there for us."

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From left are grades 3-5 second-place winner Elizabeth Allard, Mary Allard and Marci Ricklick, both tied for first place, and third-place winner Mary Jo Allen.



From left are grades 1-2 winners Alex Makuch, Madeline Allard, Jackson Stowe, Kaitlin Boncore, Sarah Stafford and Emily Eicher, all tied for first place. They answered all standard and supplementary questions correctly.

Lots of learning at Everest

After a month-long social studies project on Egypt, first-grade students at Everest Academy of Clarkston recently presented "First Grade Goes to Egypt."

Also, Everest Academy students competed April 4 in the Catechism Contest. Competitions were held for students grades 1-2 and girls grades 3-5.

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Kamran Nallamotheu, as a snake charmer.



From left, Simon Fenske and Nathan Ervin portray guards to the pyramids.

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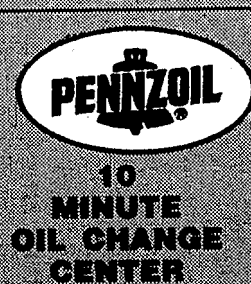
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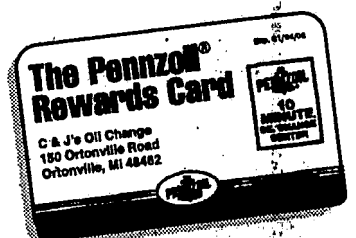
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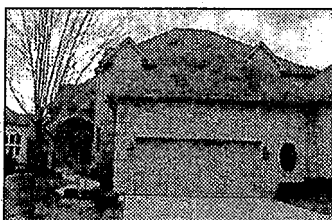
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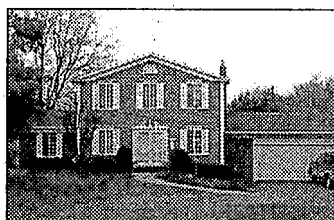


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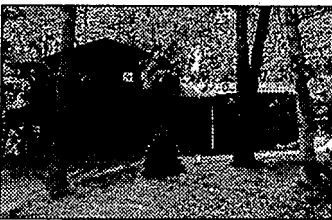
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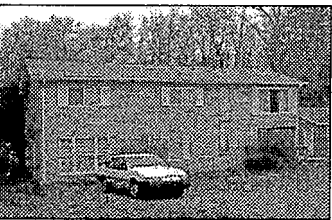
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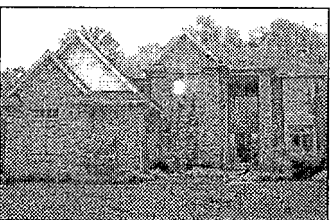
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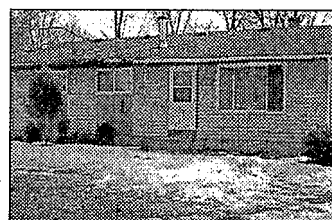
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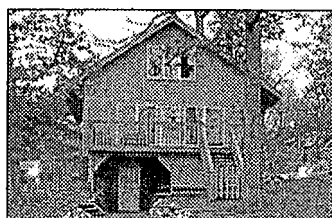
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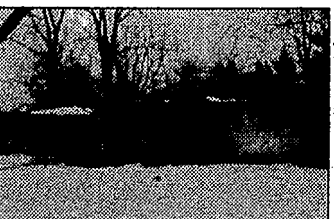
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What friends are for

Volunteer's hard work and good humor keep library going strong

BY LAURA COLVIN
 Clarkston News Staff Writer

Mary Jean Baker is everything one might hope for in a friend—she's energetic, optimistic, dedicated, cheerful, and, well, friendly.

As proof, almost everyone at Independence Township Public Library, where Baker serves countless hours as Friends of the Library president, is happy to vouch for her.

"MJ is very popular with the staff," said Library Director Julie Meredith, referring to Baker by the nickname just about everyone uses. "She's so bubbly and upbeat, like a breath of fresh air in the library. We're very fortunate and blessed to have her."

As president of the Friends group, said Meredith, Baker and her team raise money for equipment and materials that make the library a modern, well-appointed place for Clarkston-area residents to work, play and learn.

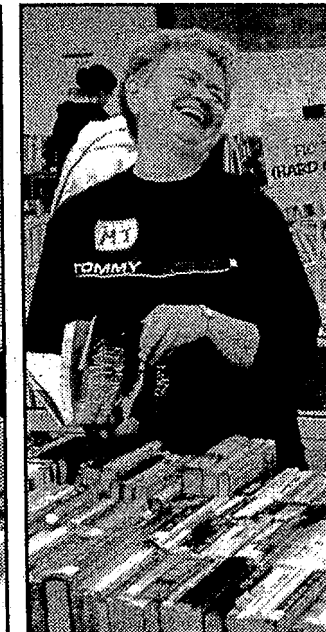
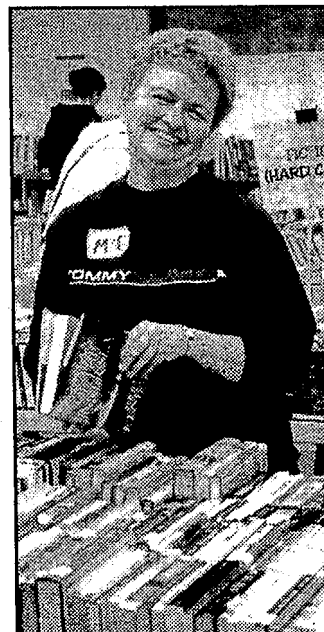
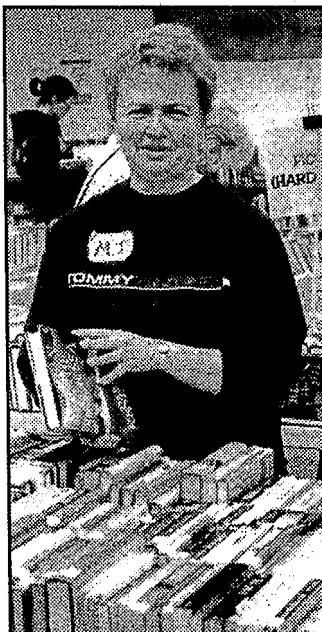
"She's absolutely indispensable," said Meredith. "She's here early in the morning, works lots of hours and helps with anything we need help with, big or small."

Over the past year, Friends of the Library paid to install wireless computer access, purchased two new bike racks, eight new computers and two early literacy computer stations equipped with 25 educational children's games. They also remodeled the teen lounge, bought a large-format poster printer and helped fund the library's online catalogue.

"The Friends raise a great deal of money for added value services we might not otherwise have," Meredith said. "They're an amazing group of people who work so well together."

Baker joined Friends of the Library about five years ago, when she retired from a 30-year tenure in the accounting department at Chrysler Financial.

"I think the greatest gift is to give," she said, sitting down to talk for a few rare minutes during last week's record-breaking used-book sale. "It gives me



As president of Independence Township's Friends of the Library, Mary Jean Baker volunteers long hours, lots of laughs, and, of course, her friendship. Photos by Laura Colvin

health and happiness, and fulfillment, to help others."

The sale, which occurs each spring and fall at the library, raised a new high of \$10,692 last week, most of which goes directly into the library enhancement coffers.

"It's an achievement to buy things for the library and see things improving," said Baker. "All the books are donated from people who live in the area, so it's a great community effort."

It seems reasonable to assume that most people who volunteer at a library enjoy reading, and Baker is no exception, counting authors such as Janet Evanovich, Nora Roberts, Debbie Macomber and Linda Lael Miller.

What does she like about romance novels?

"Oh, happy endings," she said. "I don't want anybody to be hurt. And I don't like mysteries; they scare me. I read at night."

Baker also loves a good concert—think Neil Diamond, Phil Collins, Rod Stewart—and has as a motorcycle, a

Yamaha 180cc, which she calls "more of a scooter."

"I don't have any tattoos or leather bras, though" she said with a laugh.

But when it comes to the work she does at the library, Baker contends she takes away as much or more as she gives.

"The friendship is the best part," she said. "You get involved in people's lives. There's an openness between us. We share ideas, sadness and happiness, like a family."

Those friends, she said, are an important part of her life that would be missed sitting home.

And it's not just other members of the Friends organization Baker connects with. The book sale, for example, draws many of the same customers back again and again.

"Some of the regulars we know by name now," Baker said. "The first day we open we have a lady who either makes muffins or cookies because she knows how hungry we are."

It's a feeling of community, she said.

Please see Volunteers on page 10B

Friends to host parking lot sale

Friends of the Independence Township Library will host local merchants offering a wide variety of goods and services during the annual parking lot sale Sunday, June 3.

Parking spots are still available at \$10 each, with rental proceeds supporting Friends of the Library.

"The parking lot sale isn't a big money maker for the friends," said the organization's president, Mary Jean Baker. "But a lot of people join our group then. The see we're not a cliché, we're just people looking for friendship and we want to help our library."

Several area restaurants and businesses have spots reserved to show off samples of graduation cakes and other seasonal fare, while a massage therapist will have a spot to demonstrate her techniques. Others use the opportunity sell autos, boats or motorcycles, while some to raise money for breast cancer. Some residents simply plan to clean out the house and have a "garage sale" in the lot.

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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.

Clarkston Community Women's Club, 7 p.m., April 19, Independence Twp. Library, 6495 Clarkston Rd. Tea party with refreshments. TEA J'S from Milford will talk about different teas and how to serve. Reservation required. Call 248-623-9462 by April 16.

Living With Lovely Lavender, 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 exhibits 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.

Benefit dinner for Clarkston Junior High School Vocal Music Department, 4-8 p.m., May 8. CHJS Choir members will perform hits from the '50s and '60s and will work for tips to raise funds to sup-

port their program. Pete's Coney Island II, 6160 Dixie Highway. 248-623-4300.

"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.

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

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

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.

BNI, Clarkston-Waterford 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 or www.ClarkstonLions.com.

Avalon Hospice, a nonprofit Medicare certified hospice program in Oakland County, needs volunteers. Training is available evening and daytime. Each of five training sessions lasts 2-3 hours. They can be conducted one-on-one with a trainer, to meet your schedule. Call Mara at 248-722-1474.

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

SMILE OF THE MONTH

Elizabeth Abel



Elizabeth is a Sophomore at Clarkston High School. In her spare time she enjoys traveling, shopping and going to the movies with her friends. She is on the Junior Varsity Ski team and also plays soccer. Congratulations on a great smile Elizabeth.

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First-grader Sydney VanBuskirk, holding a stuffed kangaroo, watches Selena the alpaca, another animal from around the world.

Surprise visitor

Teachers at Bailey Lake Elementary School dressed up as various animals for their students, more than 500, this past Wednesday in the culmination of March Reading Month.

They performed the picture book "Is Your Mother a Llama?"

After the skit, students were surprised by a visit from a llama-like animal, Selena the alpaca, with

her owner Annette Smith of Eclipse Alpaca, Oxford.

They were secretly invited by the school Read-to-Me Committee, said Laura Cadreau, media specialist for Bailey Lake.

A committee member suggested inviting a llama, to go along with the teachers' skit, and another remembered Smith's alpaca ranch. Smith brought Selena over in her

minivan for the visit free of charge.

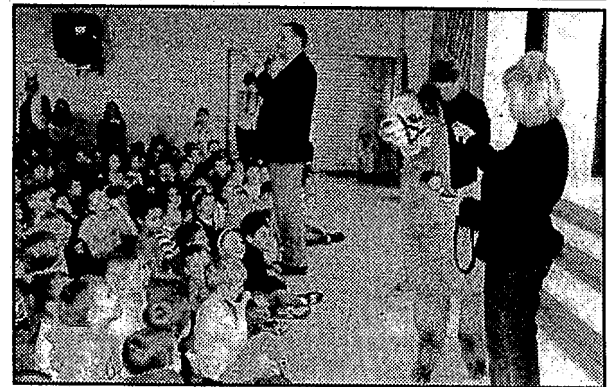
"It was very nice of her to do that," Cadreau said.

During March, students recorded the number of minutes they spent reading. All together, students recorded 291,700 minutes, said Principal Glenn Gualtieri at the assembly.

"That's absolutely outstanding," Gualtieri said.

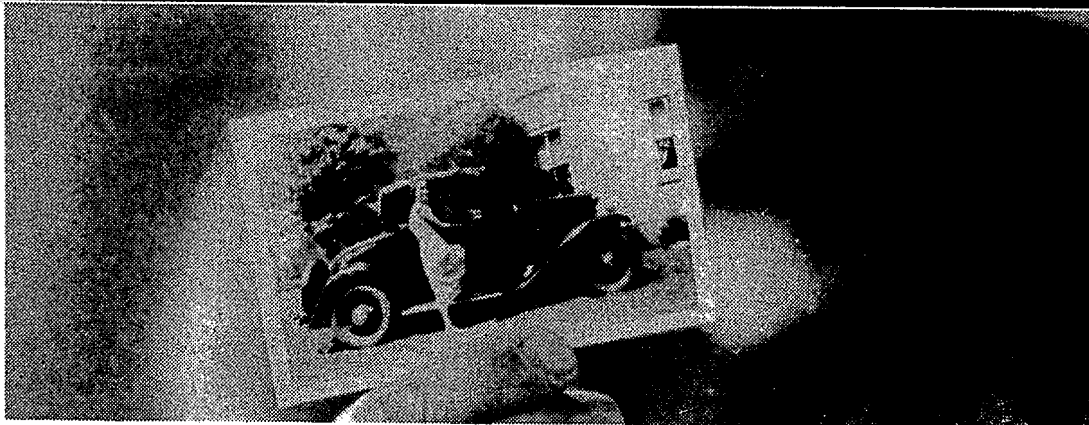


Selena the alpaca surveys an audience of more than 500 Bailey Lake Elementary students. The children were excited to see their visitor, but were quiet enough to keep her calm. Photos by Phil Custodio



Principal Glenn Gualtieri talks about alpacas, with Selena and her owner Annette Smith.

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Health and fitness are a matter of choice

By Ernie Harwell



When it comes to health, there are many factors involved. Some we can't control. Genetics certainly plays a part. I've been blessed with good genes and good health. But it's important to remember just how much of our lives we can control to stay healthy and fit, and then just decide to do what's best for ourselves.

It all comes down to a matter of choices.

We can choose to eat junk foods, or we can choose healthy foods, lean meats, fish, fresh fruits and vegetables. I happen to like okra, but that's my choice. When buying prepared foods, read the labels and choose foods that are low in sodium and saturated fats. Instead of watching television, we can go for a walk and breathe some fresh air to work our heart and lungs.

We can choose to stay up late or we can choose to get the right amount of sleep. Soon those choices become routine and one healthy choice will lead to another.

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

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

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Milestones

In our country's service...



Nick Whitney

Nick Whitney, 2006 graduate of Clarkston Renaissance High School, has recently been promoted to private first class in the U.S. Army.

Whitney began his Army career right after graduation, completed basic

and airborne training in November. He is currently serving in Iraq with the 82nd Airborne Division.

He is the son of Sandy and Douglas Whitney of Davisburg, and brother of Mike and Jess Whitney.

Got a Milestone to share?

You can drop them off at our downtown office at 5 S. Main St. or e-mail them to shermanpub@aol.com, attn: Clarkston News Milestones.



From left, Sandra DeRemer of Waterford, chairman of the Pontiac Oakland Symphony Board, Mary Graybiel of Clarkston, symphony board member, and Rita Marcero of Waterford, board president, with some of the gems and jewelry to be auctioned at their All That Glitters fundraiser. Photo by Phil Custodio

Symphony to hold fundraiser

Pontiac Oakland Symphony's All That Glitters fundraiser is set for 6:30 p.m. April 28 at Lafayette Grande, One Lafayette Street in Pontiac.

It will include silent and live auctions, with Tom Krimble as auctioneer. Items include gems, East African jewelry, one night each at the Grand Hotel on Mackinac Island and Soaring Eagle Hotel in Mt. Pleasant, and breakfast for eight and lunch for 16 prepared by Fran Ander-

son at her home on Silver Lake.

Board member Mary Graybiel of Clarkston is preparing a book about the history of the symphony. Graybiel, 92, has been with the symphony for about 40 years. The band performs throughout the area, including Clarkston High School.

Tickets are \$75, which includes a \$40 tax deductible donation. For tickets, call board President Rita Marcero at 248-673-6992.

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Religion

Easter brings message of healing

Why celebrate Easter?

Why should we celebrate Easter?

Because it's tradition? Because it's a good family time? Or, simply, because of the resurrection of Christ?

Let's consider the question from the context of our own day and age. Is there really something more to the celebration of Easter than just habit?

To answer that, a quick survey of the cultural landscape is in order.

For the past several centuries the Western world has been in the grip of what has been known as modernity. When we speak of modernity, we are not speaking of the latest technologies and trends, but a way of looking at the world.

With modernity, God was locked in the basement. His existence was not entirely denied, but He was only hauled out for certain occasions.

According to modernity, God was not really needed to bring about a better world. Man could do it himself. It was believed that by his own industry and intelligence man could bring about an era of peace and prosperity without divine help.

By the end of the last century – a century that brought us countless wars, economic shenanigans, and the sexual revolution – modernity's arrogance was being called into question. Modernity had failed to give us the nirvana it promised.

This has led to our present age, which has been called postmodernity.

Spiritual Matters



Pastor David Bostrom

With postmodernity, there's a wariness of the propaganda and power grabs that were such a selfish part of modernity. There's also a realization that locking God in the basement may not have been a good idea, so there's a renewed interest in spirituality.

But postmodernity offers more of a critique than anything constructive. Life is to be approached as a smorgasbord, with each one creating his or her own reality. Because postmodernity's prevailing mood is suspicious and cynical, it does little to deliver us from the alienation and selfishness created by modernity.

It's into this environment that the message of Christ and His resurrection bring reason for celebration.

Postmodernity will never provide a satisfying answer to modernity because, like its predecessor, it lacks love. But Christ answers modernity's selfishness by His self-denying love on the cross.

Moreover, by His resurrection He shows that He can't be kept in the basement. He is Lord of all, and has been raised from the dead to bring about a new creation.

Why, then, should we celebrate Easter? Not just because Jesus secured the forgiveness of sins (Rom.4:25). Not just because the resurrection assures us of life after death (1 Cor.15).

But because through His new life from the grave Christ brings the healing and hope of a new creation, and we participate in that renewal as we live by faith in Him (2 Cor.5:17).

Pass the ham, and praise the Lord!

E-mail Pastor David Bostrom, Seed for the Harvest Ministries, at dbostrom@centurytel.net.

In our churches...

Parenting classes, videotape-based series, 6 p.m. Sundays, April 22-June 17. Topics: raising positive kids in a negative world, helping children reach their full potential, God's process in teaching obedience, and discipline. Bible-based study for parents of children of all ages. Seymour Lake United Methodist Church, 3050 Sashabaw Rd. 248-628-4763.

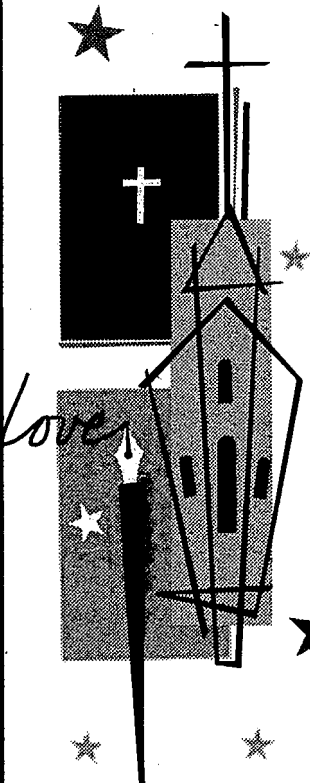
FEAST will resume at Calvary Lutheran Church, April 18, continues through May 23. All are welcome. Catered dinner at 6:10 p.m., followed by worship and Praise, then small groups for all ages, adjourning at 8:30 p.m. 6805 Bluegrass Drive in Clarkston, at the SW corner of I-75 and M-15. For more info, 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. Call Marianne at 248-807-0041 or Paul 248-625-9563. Also, April birthday celebration, 7 p.m., April 11, Red Knapp's, Dixie and M15. Meet & Greet, April 25, 6 p.m., Deer Lake Athletic Club, Clarkston, call John at 248-625-0569.

Fish fry, United Methodist Men, 5-7 p.m., May 5. Adults, \$8. Children 5-12, \$5. Children 4 and under, \$1. Davisburg United Methodist Church, 803 Broadway. 248-634-3373.

Every Friday evening at 6 p.m., Calvary Evangelical Lutheran Church is offering "Celebrate Recovery." Please see In Our Churches, page 10B

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& 11:15 am service
Adult Sunday School: 10:10 am



Clarkston United Methodist Church Children's Choir and Youth Choir, with Director Sharon Thomas, recently performed "Joseph: From the Pit to the Palace." Photo provided

Choirs perform Joseph musical

Clarkston United Methodist Church Children's Choir presented the Spring Musical "Joseph: From the Pit to the Palace" March 18.

The musical, by Jimmy Travis Getzen and Gail Getzen, was directed and choreographed by Sharon Thomas, director of music and worship. Children grades 2-5 sang and danced while retelling the Joseph story.

Five band members pro-

vided music while a dozen Youth Choir members joined in, using "Stomp"-like percussion on garbage cans, wooden pieces, pots, pans, and coffee cans.

Many of the Youth Choir members also play instruments, so additional parts were added, such as violin, bass, saxophone, and Boomwhackers, which are tuned plastic tubes.

The choirs began rehearsals shortly before Christmas.

After many hours of learning songs and dance steps, memorizing lines, and fine-tuning, the musical was presented at both Clarkston UMC morning worship services, said Cathy Peterson, church communications director.

"The performance full of music and song was not only entertaining for all ages, but included a wonderful message of forgiveness," Peterson said.

Tax workshop April 17-19

Daniel Krug & Associates of Clarkston is hosting a three-day "Senior Financial Survival" workshop April 17-19 at Mountain Jacks in Auburn Hills.

Information will include how to increase benefits from market growth without risk, best choices for boomers, IRA's, long-term care insurance, wills, and trusts, and pension and 401(k) rollovers.

"Most people know that they can contribute \$4,000 to their IRA," Krug said. "What many don't know is that those 50 years and older can accelerate their contributions up to \$5,000."

A couple can then remove up to \$10,000 from their taxable income, he said.

"That could drop you into a lower bracket - from 25 percent to 15 percent," he said.

Conversely, auto workers accepting buyouts of up to \$140,000 can find themselves in a higher bracket, with taxes of up to 30 percent of their in-

come, he said.

"They get clobbered, and they don't know why," he said.

Pre-planning can help avoid that, he said.

"We'll demonstrate pre-planning to eliminate as much future tax as possible," he said.

They'll also discuss available tax credits, such as energy credits for window replacement and telephone credits for long-distance calling.

Focus of the workshop is on seniors 60 and up. Workshop and dinner are free. They offer workshops for seniors about once a month April through November.

"They help educate people to better understand what they need to do to make their money work for them," Krug said.

It also provides potential customers a way to "test drive" their services, he said.

For more information, call 248-394-0423.

- Phil Custodio

Used book sale April 26-28

The Friends of the Springfield Township Library will hold a Spring Used Book/Bake Sale Thursday, April 26, 10 a.m.-8 p.m.; Friday, April 27, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.; and Saturday, April 28, 10 a.m.-noon.

The library support group is also accepting gently used do-

nations, with the exception of textbooks, encyclopedias, Reader's Digest condensed, and magazines. Donations, accepted at the library's Circulation Desk, are tax deductible.

For more information, call the library, 12000 Davisburg Road, 248-846-6550.

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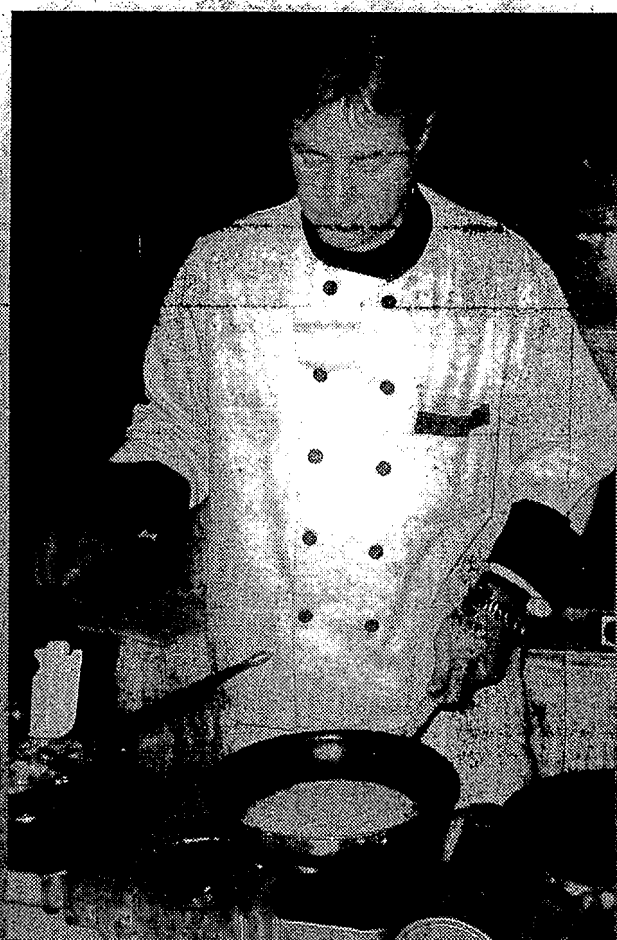
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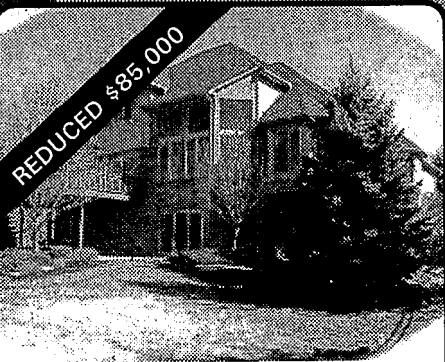
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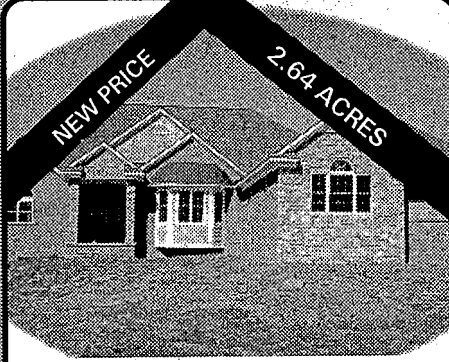
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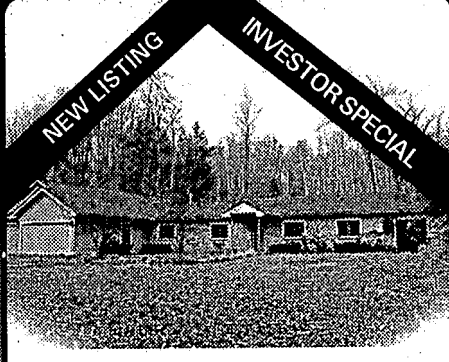
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NEW PRICE
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NEW PRICE **2.64 ACRES**
Granite, ceramic, vaulted ceilings, and Andersen windows highlight this brand new 2,700 sq. ft. ranch w/a daylight basement. 3-car garage, 2.64 scenic acres, and outbuildings allowed. **\$375,000 87-NEL**



NEW LISTING **INVESTOR SPECIAL**
Unique "earth house" found amid 10.36 wooded acres w/a north Oakland County address. 4 bedrooms, 3 full baths, vaulted ceilings, kitchen w/snack bar, and a 3-car garage. **\$328,900 12-SHA**



NEW PRICE **1.8 ACRES**
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A harmonious blend of home, land, and water. 4 bedroom, 2.2 bath traditional extended over 3/4 acre site and boasting a first floor master, granite kitchen, and a 3-car garage. **\$275,000 11-OLD**



NEW LISTING
4-bedroom Pulte pleaser presents a vaulted master, fire lit great room, neutral island kitchen, hardwood floors, tiered decking, walkout plumbed for 3rd bath, and pond views. **\$215,000 55-DEE**



NEW LISTING
Dreamy Lake Orion quad boasts a sleek maple kitchen, vaulted great room w/Pergo, fire lit family room, 2 full baths, loads of mechanical updates, and a roomy fenced-in yard. **\$189,900 38-WES**



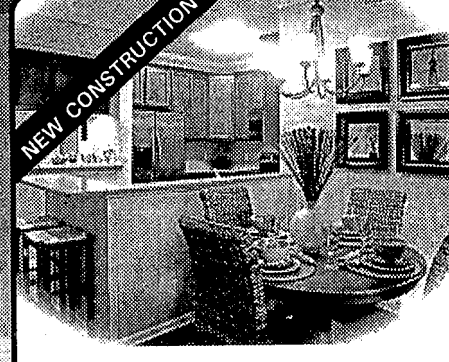
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NEW CONSTRUCTION
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Knights of Columbus members Jack Will, above, and Geoff Wright, right, collect donations to help people who are mentally impaired. Photos by Paul Kampe

Knights raise \$15,000

Clarkston Knights of Columbus raised more than \$15,000 in this year's "Tootsie Roll" drive March 30-31 to help the mentally impaired in the community.

Clarkston Knights of Columbus, a Catholic men's organization, also raises funds with Wednesday and Sunday night Bingo, Friday night Fish Fry, special dinners, and Vegas Nights.

A "Sock Hop" featuring Erv and the Bone Daddies' will play favorite '50s, '60s and '70s rock 'n roll music on April 28. Call for ticket info, 248-625-3772.

Plans this year include a \$10,000 raffle drawing in June, Friday night specialty dinners throughout the summer, Annual Pig Roast in August and Vegas Night in September.



Cosmetology academy offers schooling, full-service salon

BY KELLY L. REYNOLDS
Clarkston News Staff Writer

A new cosmetology school offers Clarkston and Waterford-area residents a chance at cosmetology certification and a full-service salon with discount prices.

Marketti Academy of Cosmetology opened March 13 and welcomes the public into its salon where senior students perform services under the supervision of one of the four instructors.

Currently with 13 students, Marketti offers hair, nail, facial, esthetic, waxing and manicuring services to clients, said Allison Murphy, co-owner of Marketti.

The school also hosts birthday parties, where the birthday person can get a manicure and updo, and they also have many wedding parties come in prior to the wedding for many services.

In order to be accepted to the academy, potential students must write an essay and then make an appointment to come into the school to file an application. The applicant must be 17-years-old and either be in high school or have a high school diploma or GED.

"We really, truly care about our students," said Murphy. "We want to have great stylists come out of here. We offer a scholarship program, which is very

unique. There are different levels to attain the next level of scholarship with each level giving more money toward tuition."

Murphy said they want the students to be able to talk the talk of a stylist, sell products, book appointments and do add-on sales.

"We're really making stylists here," she said. "They'll know all of these things, and it'll make them a lot more marketable."

In addition to teaching potential stylists, Murphy and Tawny Marketti-Pearson, the other co-owner, say it is very important for the academy to continue education and stay up on the latest technologies.

"We have all of the modern equipment and we're constantly learning and teaching the latest techniques," Murphy said. "We're constantly getting trained. Continuing education is important for us and anyone to keep fresh on the latest things."

It generally takes one to two years to get a diploma in cosmetology, said Murphy. Esthetics runs about four to eight months and manicurists will go for about three-and-a-half to seven months, she said.

"We also have small class sizes, which is a plus," said Murphy. "We also offer day and night classes."

When the student graduates, they get



Owners Tawny Marketti-Pearson and Allison Murphy opened Marketti Academy of Cosmetology on March 13. Photo by Kelly L. Reynolds

a diploma from the academy and then must apply at the state level for a license.

In addition to the academy and the services provided, Marketti is also involved in the community.

"If our students and employees want to wear jeans to work on a Friday, they donate one dollar and that goes to take

care of needy families in the winter," said Murphy.

The salon also sells Design Essentials and Redken products.

For more information about Marketti Academy of Cosmetology, call 248-618-6394 or visit their Web site at www.marketticosmetology.com.

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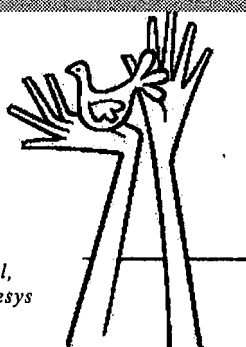
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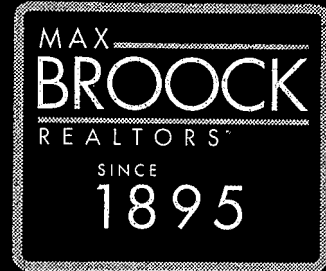
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3208 ALLEN RD., ORTONVILLE

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Call Brad Newman, 313-938-4754



6464 ALMOND, CLARKSTON

Custom ranch, open floor plan w/vaulted ceiling. 3 bedrooms, 2.5 baths, wics, finished basement w/bar, maple kitchen, fireplace, & great room. Immediate occupancy. \$275,000 MLS#26203723

Call Jamie, 248-933-7083



5865 KINGS ARMS, WATERFORD

Enjoy a cup of coffee on your deck, watching all the wildlife. Beautiful 4BD, 2BA, full fin w/o, newer Pergo/carpet. Perfect home. Located in the desirable Williamsburg Sub w/sidewalks. \$167,000 MLS#27014448

Call Alex, 248-431-7620



3551 MARIE MEADOWS, WHITE LAKE

New Construction in White Lake on just under an acre w/4 bedrooms & 3 car garage! Master suite w/priv bath, large kitchen w/granite counters & breakfast nook, hwd flrs, ceramic baths, great room w/FP, wraparound covered porch & more! Immediate occupancy! \$299,900 MLS#27036845 Dir: Ormond Rd to E on Jackson Blvd to S on Marie Meadows

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5114 MIDDLEBORO, GRAND BLANC

Sprawling ranch with new roof, windows, gutters, alarm, and freshly painted. This smoke free home has alot to offer with 3 BD, HWVF, 1.5 BA and full bsmt. Nice landscaped yard with many perennials, patio off family room, large mature trees. Priced to sell @ \$159,900 MLS#27021609

Call Andrea, 248-6884-2994



930 OAKWOOD RD., ORTONVILLE

Excellent 4 bedroom colonial near downtown, shopping, churches, and schools. Fin walk-out basement features additional bedroom, rec room, gas fp, & lots of storage. Att 2-car garage & 2nd garage/pole barn. Gorgeous landscaping, covered front porch, pool w/ multi-tiered decking all on over an acre. Neutral décor and great colors! \$209,900 MLS#27021056

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769 ROBINANN, WATERFORD

Solid brick ranch with great features. Full bsmt, hwd flr in LR and 3 BD. Huge part fncd bckyd, with mature trees. Home in great shape and waiting for you. Appls included make this a great package and the price makes it a great buy! Easy to show. Contact APPT CTR for all showings. \$138,500 MLS#26204771

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27754 PARK COURT, MADISON HEIGHTS

CHARMER. Three bedrooms, one-and-a-half bath Ranch. Updates include new siding, gutters, bath and flooring. Partially finished basement. Large backyard. Walk to schools and park. A must see! (54PAR) \$134,900

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3009 MAPLE CREEK, RICHFIELD

NEW CONSTRUCTION. Immediate occupancy! This ranch has neutral décor, maple stained cabinetry, upscale interior doors and ceramic entry. Central air, dining room, great room & 1st flr laundry. Unfinished, daylight basement. New driveway. (09MAP) \$151,900

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Angela Batten
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2313 HUNT CLUB, BLOOMFIELD HILLS

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Obituary

Barbara J. Thayer

Barbara J. Thayer of Clarkston passed away on April 5 at the age of 70.

She was the beloved wife of Mike for 49 years; mother of Jeff of East Tawas, Michele (Steve) Wilson of Clarkston, Greg (Melissa) of Oxford, Kurt of Pontiac and Brett of Sparta; grandma of Adam and April Wilson, Brett Thayer, Karly and Hayley Thayer; sister of Shirley Vroom; sister in law of Pat Lowry; preceded in death by her parents Albert and Josephine DeConinck.

Mrs. Thayer was a member of the Jaycettes, Clarkston Women's Club and W.B.C.C.I. She was a homemaker and former dispatcher for the Independence



Twp. Fire Department, and later worked in the lab/medical records dept of Pontiac General Hospital.

Funeral Service was April 10 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son

Funeral Home, Clarkston. Interment Lakeview Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the American Diabetes Assoc. or the Independence Township Library. Online, www.wintfuneralhome.com.

A.L. Valentine

A.L. Valentine, 84, Davisburg businessman and long-time resident of Clarkston, died on March 18.

He was born in Detroit and grew up in Royal Oak. He was a master sergeant with the 102 Infantry Regiment during World War II.

After leaving the service in 1946, Mr. Valentine purchased two trucks and began his career in Royal Oak as a truck driver. In 1949, he went on to own and operate a slag pit, which led to mining gravel in 1952 in Oxford, where he and his family resided for 3 1/2 years before moving to Clarkston.

In 1952, he formed Oxford Mining Company, which was moved to Holly then finally to Andersonville Road in Davisburg until 1990.

Mr. Valentine developed an indus-

trial site in Davisburg and the Ellis Creek Estates subdivision in Clarkston.

Retiring briefly, he designed and built a concrete crushing plant and started Davisburg Sand and Gravel Hauling.

He was preceded in death by his wonderful wife Joyce (Phillips); brothers Peter and Rudolf Valentini; and nephews Gene and Frank Macri. He is survived by his daughter, Suzanne, and nephew George Gardiner of Clarkston; nephew Rudy Valentini of Dearborn Heights; and his 95-year-old sister Giulia Macri of Arizona and their families.

Funeral arrangements and private service handled by Harrington Funeral Home of Clarkston.

Obituaries are updated as we get them on the Web, www.ClarkstonNews.com

Volunteer found a home helping library

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that continues long after the tables are folded and the books are boxed up and put away for the next sale.

"You see people in the grocery store, or the bank that say hello, and that's nice," she said. "Clarkston is a wonderful place for that fellowship."

And then, of course, there are the other Friends volunteers, who Baker describes with words like hardworking, committed and sincere.

Of about 230 Friends of the Library, she said, about 30 are consistently active in the sale and other events.

"One lady loves to sort cookbooks," she said. "Another loves to do sewing books, and another always sorts fiction. Everyone helps in their own way."

And that, says Baker, is where fellow Friend Mitch Heber comes in.

"He's a great help and a wonderful (booksale) co-chair," she said, noting she and Heber look at things differently and therefore complement one another well. "We bounce ideas off each other and try new things. We work well together."

Heber got involved with Friends after retiring from Volkswagen, where he worked in engineering, in the service department and finally as an editor of technical materials. Like Baker, he doesn't miss feeling like a big business "cog." He did, however, miss the interaction with other like-minded individuals, which is why he became involved with friends and became friends with Baker.

"She's friendlier and easier to talk to than most people you run into," he said. "I like that."

Heber was involved with Friends and helped out with the book sales before Baker came aboard, but back then, he stuck to cleaning up after the sale.

"She's the sparkplug of the Friends," he said. "She's such an outgoing person, always on the move. You can't help but say yes to MJ."

When Baker isn't at the library, he said, she's thinking about the library.

"She's always on the look out for display racks at grocery stores and garage sales," he said. "If they need to be fixed, she gets Graham to do it."

Graham, Baker's husband, is the group's "Mr. Fix it."

Other Friends marvel at the time Baker puts into her volunteer efforts.

"She's a wonderful lady," said Friend Don Nisbett.

"I'm surprised she doesn't have a cot here. You might say she's found a home in the library."

"Her enthusiasm and dedication are contagious," said another Friend, who wanted to be identified only as Mary. "And she never loses her temper. I think if the roof fell in, she'd just laugh that little laugh of hers and start cleaning it up."

Anyone wishing to donate books CDs, DVDs, videos or other appropriate materials to the Independence Township Friends of the Library Book Sale can drop them off at the Independence Public Library, 6495 Clarkston Road.

Children's books are always in high demand, and cookbooks, history, and hobby and craft books sell quickly, as well. Call 248-625-2212, or visit www.indelib.org for more information.

In Our Churches

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ery. This is a Christ-centered recovery program to help people overcome life's hurts, bad habits and hang ups. 6805 Bluegrass Drive. Call 248-625-3288.

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**, 6 p.m., 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. 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. 7010 Valley Park Drive. Call 248-625-1750.



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Diplomacy aside, everyone has their favorites, and we want to know who yours are. We're asking readers to fill us in on their area favorites, from dining and entertainment establishments, to food and local services. To add your votes to this year's poll, just fill out the form below and send it to us postmarked by May 12, 2007. ***To thank you for your participation, your name will automatically be entered into a random drawing to win one of three prizes:***

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***Good luck and
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Project Healthy Living slated for 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.

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SYNOPSIS

TAKEN BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE

Clerk VanderVeen called the April 3, 2007, meeting to order at 7:36 p.m., at the Independence Township Library.

Pledge of Allegiance

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

Absent: Wagner

There was a quorum.

1. Opening Statements and Correspondence
2. Approval of the Agenda, as amended with removing item #7
3. Public Forum opened at 7:39 p.m. and closed at 7:40 p.m.
4. Approval of the Consent Agenda:
Minutes of March 27, 2007
5. Approved motion for 5% contribution for road paving project on Simler and Phalen Court
6. Approved motion to table 2007 Road Chloride Program
7. Approved motion to hire Jeffery Teal at \$14.96 per hour, effective April 9, 2007 for DPW
8. Approved motion to purchase mower at a price not to exceed \$9,000
9. Approved motion to authorize Fire Department to sell Special Response Vehicle to Brandon Township for \$125,000
10. Approved motion to start construction of ambulances, waive bid process and transfer money from fund balance
11. Approved motion to purchase software at a price not to exceed \$37,157 with an annual maintenance fee of \$4,650
12. Approved motion to purchase 2007 Ford Expedition EL for Fire Department
13. Approved motion to approve draft application to County's Capital and Cooperative Initiative's Revolving Fund
14. Approved motion to approve Minutes of March 20, 2007 with corrections
15. Approved motion to approve purchase orders and accounts payable check run
16. Approved motion to adjourn regular meeting at 9:55 p.m.

Shelagh VanderVeen
Township Clerk

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ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

The Independence Township Board of Appeals will meet on Wednesday, May 2, 2007 at 7:30 PM at the Independence Township Library, 6495 Clarkston Road, Clarkston, MI 48346 to hear the following cases:

Case #07-0007 Slocum, Bret, Petitioner
(Tabled March 7, 2007)
APPLICANT REQUESTS 5' REAR YARD SETBACK VARIANCE AND 5' SIDE YARD SETBACK VARIANCE FOR RELOCATION OF EXISTING ACCESSORY STRUCTURE NON-CONFORMING STRUCTURE
8702 Mohican Dr., Lots 14-17, R-1A
Thendara Park Country Club
08-12-352-036

Case #07-0015 Raymond, Joel, Petitioner
APPLICANT REQUESTS 29' SETBACK VARIANCE FROM FUTURE ROAD RIGHT OF WAY, 32' SIDE YARD VARIANCE PLUS PLACEMENT IN FRONT YARD FOR DETACHED GARAGE
9779 Ortonville Rd., Part of Lot 4, R-1R
Supervisor's Plat No. 10
08-05-300-055

Case #07-0016 Stawara, Jerome and Kathleen, Petitioner
APPLICANT REQUESTS REAR YARD SETBACK VARIANCE OF 23' TO CONSTRUCT ADDITION ON NON-CONFORMING STRUCTURE
8204 Stickney Rd., 3.01 Acres, R-1R
08-11-401-007

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

- 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.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Independence Township Planning Commission, Oakland County, Michigan, will hold a Public Hearing on:

Thursday, April 26, 2007 at 7:30 p.m.

At Independence Township Library, 6495 Clarkston Road, Clarkston, Michigan, 48346 to consider the following:

FILE PC #2007-006

Earl Daup Signs LTD, Petitioner

REQUESTS SPECIAL LAND USE APPROVAL

Kroger - Additional Wall Sign

Sec. 5.04., 5.a., (1)

Special Land Use Request: Additional Wall Sign for Drive Thru Pharmacy

Parcel Identification Number: 08-32-201-010

Common Description: 6625 Dixie Highway
Clarkston Oaks
9.01 Acres, C-3

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90 NORTH MAIN STREET P.O. BOX 69
CLARKSTON, MI 48347-0069

WWW.TWP.INDEPENDENCE.MI.US

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING
AGENDA**

Date and Time: April 17, 2007, at 7:30 p.m.
Place: Independence Township Library
6495 Clarkston Road, Clarkston, MI 48346

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call
4. Opening Statements and Correspondence
5. Approval of Agenda
6. Public Forum - Individuals in the audience have the opportunity to address the Township Board on an issue that is not on the agenda, limiting their comments to not more than three minutes.
7. Consent Agenda:
 - a. Approval of Minutes of April 3, 2007
 - b. Approval of Purchase Orders
 - c. Approval of Accounts Payable Check Run
 - d. Approval to Purchase a Township Server
 - e. West Nile Reimbursement Resolution

Unfinished Business

1. Reorganization
2. Approval of 2007 Road Chloride Program
- New Business
 1. Bid Award Spring Clean-up/Household Hazardous Waste
 2. First Reading, Resolution to establish a policy regarding Township Financial Contributions to Special Assessments Road Projects

The Charter Township of Independence will provide necessary, reasonable auxiliary aids and services to individuals with disabilities at a public hearing/meeting upon advance notice in writing or by calling the Township Clerk's Office at (248) 625-8111.

House concert set for April 15

Carrick House Concert in Clarkston will host Canadian Folk Rock/Americana Duo The Laws, with special guests Detroit string band and alt bluegrassers The Salt Miners.

The Laws are an Americana/roots duo from Ontario, Canada. The husband and wife team have recently recorded their fifth CD of original music in Nashville and continue to tour non-stop throughout Canada, U.S. and Australia.

Their rootsy style is an acoustic mix of Texas twang, Canadian country, bluegrass, folk and pop. The Laws' live show features their trademark "tight-as-a-glove" harmony singing, John's expert picking on guitar and mandolin and Michele's solid bass and acoustic guitar accompaniment

The concert is set for 4 p.m., Sunday April 15. Admission is a \$12 donation, and includes pizza, snacks, coffee and bottled water. People can also bring a snack to share or beverages.

Seating is limited seating.

Call or e-mail for address and directions to this concert in Clarkston, Craig and Nicki Carrick at 248-394-0113 or carrickhome1@netscape.net.

The Carricks' house concerts provide guests with up close and personal experiences with the music and a chance to mingle with other musically minded people.

The series is dedicated to providing the best in Americana and roots music with national and local acts performing original music.

Bring a ticket stub from Trinity House in Livonia or White Crow Conservatory for \$2 off admission.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Because the People Want to Know
INDEPENDENCE TWP.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Accuracy Test

The Charter Township of Independence announces a Public Accuracy testing of the computer program for the Election on May 8, 2007.

The testing will be held on April 25, 2007, at 2:00 p.m. at the Independence Township Supervisor's Office, 90 N. Main Street, Clarkston, MI.

Shelagh VanderVeen, Clerk

Published: 4/11/07

Charter Township of Independence

PUBLIC NOTICE

Because the People Want to Know
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Independence Township Planning Commission, Oakland County, Michigan, will hold a Public Hearing on:
Thursday, April 26, 2007 at 7:30 p.m.

At the Independence Township Library, 6495 Clarkston Road, Clarkston Michigan, 48346, to consider the following:

FILE PC #2006-002

Becker Properties Development, LLC, Petitioner
**REZONING REQUEST AND CONCEPTUAL SITE PLAN
APPROVAL**

FOR BALLY CARRIG PUD

From: R-1B (Suburban Residential)

R-1R (Rural Residential)

To: PUD (Planned Unit Development)

Intended Use: Single Family Residential Homes

Parcel Identification Numbers: 08-15-351-002 (5879 Clarkston Rd.), 08-15-351-003 (5863 Clarkston Rd.), and 08-15-351-004 (5855 Clarkston Rd.)

Common Description: Supervisor's Plat No. 5, Lots 1, 2, & 3, Approximately 15.36 Acres, South of Clarkston Road, West of Sashabaw Road

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

Shelagh VanderVeen, Clerk

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Minivan Madness

GOOD

2007 Dodge Grand Caravan SXT

Stow
'N Go
Seats



Tire Pressure Monitoring • V-6
Stk. #27637 • MSRP \$29,005

	LEASE	1 - Pay	BUY
DCX Employee w/ Lease Loyalty	\$119*	\$3,395*	\$16,417*
Employee Choice	\$159*	\$4,395*	\$18,417*
Everyone Qualifies	\$209*	\$5,995*	\$20,417*

GREAT

2007 Dodge Grand Caravan SXT



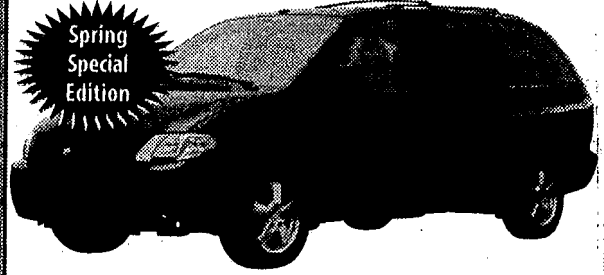
Power Liftgate, 6 Disc CD/DVD Changer, Rear Seat Video System
Stk. #27312 • MSRP \$30,535

	LEASE	1 - Pay	BUY
DCX Employee w/ Lease Loyalty	\$129*	\$3,795*	\$16,873*
Employee Choice	\$169*	\$4,795*	\$18,873*
Everyone Qualifies	\$219*	\$6,395*	\$20,873*

GRAND

2007 Dodge Grand Caravan SXT

Spring
Special
Edition

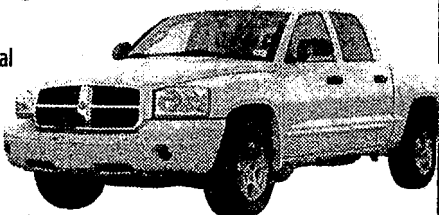


Spring Special Edition • Heather Leather Seats • DVD Player
Stk. #27415 • MSRP \$32,105

	LEASE	1 - Pay	BUY
DCX Employee w/ Lease Loyalty	\$149*	\$3,995*	\$19,690*
Employee Choice	\$189*	\$4,995*	\$21,690*
Everyone Qualifies	\$229*	\$6,695*	\$23,690*

2007 Dodge Dakota ST Quad Cab 4x4

Anti-Spin Differential
Rear Axle,
3.7 Liter Magnum
V-6 Engine
Stk. #27295
MSRP \$26,720



	LEASE	1 - Pay	BUY
DCX Employee w/ Lease Loyalty	\$129*	\$3,593*	\$17,626*
Employee Choice	\$169*	\$4,593*	\$19,995*
Everyone Qualifies	\$219*	\$6,995*	\$21,675*

2007 Dodge Ram 1500 SLT Quad Cab 4x4

Bedliner Included
Posi-Traction

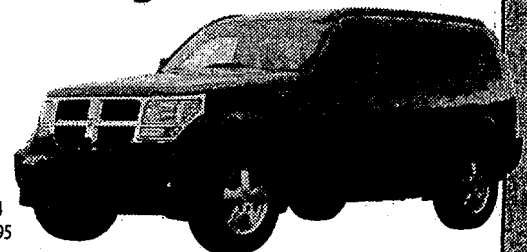
Bucket Seats
Trailer Tow Group
Stk. #27146 • MSRP \$35,000



	LEASE	1 - Pay	BUY
DCX Employee w/ Lease Loyalty	\$139*	\$3,495*	\$19,995*
Employee Choice	\$179*	\$4,495*	\$21,495*
Everyone Qualifies	\$229*	\$5,995*	\$22,995*

2007 Dodge Nitro SXT 4x4

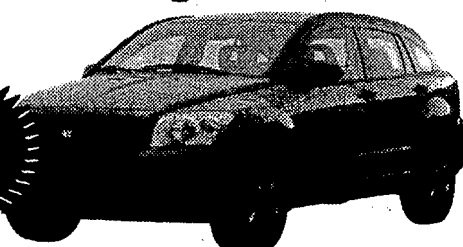
Stk. #27364
MSRP \$22,395



	LEASE	1 - Pay	BUY
DCX Employee w/ Lease Loyalty	\$189*	\$4,995*	\$17,547*
Employee Choice	\$229*	\$5,995*	\$19,997*
Everyone Qualifies	\$279*	\$6,695*	\$21,677*

2007 Dodge Caliber

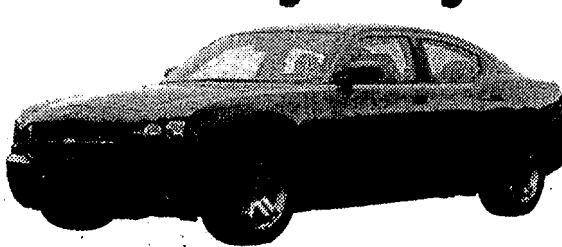
Air
with Chill
Zone



Air with Chill Zone • Speed Control
Stk. #27646 • MSRP \$16,715

	Lease Payments	BUY
DCX Employee	\$149*	\$13,995*
Everyone Qualifies	\$189*	\$14,995*

2007 Dodge Charger



Bucket Seats • 2.7L V-6 DOHC 24 Valve MPI Engine
Stk. #27505 • MSRP \$21,575

	Lease Payments	BUY
DCX Employee	\$209*	\$16,547*
Everyone Qualifies	\$259*	\$17,597*

2007 Dodge Durango SLT 4x4

Passenger
Seating



Stk. #27318
MSRP \$32,675

	Lease Payments	BUY
DCX Employee w/ Lease Loyalty	\$269*	\$20,705*
Employee Choice	\$309*	\$22,705*
Everyone Qualifies	\$369*	\$24,705*

Test drive required. Individual payments quoted in person only. Please call to schedule an appointment. In Stock units only. All rebates to dealer. Vehicle shown not actual vehicle. Lease and retail deals include all available rebates and incentives, including DCX Employee Discount and Lease Loyalty. All deals plus sales tax, destination fee, license plate fee, and title fee. Lease calculated at 10,500 miles per year. Lease calculated at 24 or 27 months. Monthly lease and retail payments calculated with \$995 due at delivery. Subject to credit approval with A-tier credit programs subject to change without notice. 2 year oil changes includes 8 oil change coupons valid at any Dodge dealer. Offer expires 4-18-07

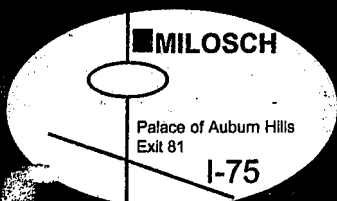
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800-634-9618

www.miloschdodge.com

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Check the top left corner of each classified to check for additional online pictures and/or maps.

★ = Map ☺ = Image

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 www.lakeorionreview.com
 www.clarkstonnews.com

Antiques & Collectibles	150	In Memoriam	2400
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

DEADLINES:

Regular classified ads Monday at 12 noon preceding publication, Semi-display advertising Monday at noon. Cancellation Deadline: Monday noon.

CORRECTIONS:

Liability for any error may not exceed the cost of the space occupied by such an error. Correction deadline: Monday noon.

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday through Friday 8-5
 Oxford - Saturday 9-Noon
 248-628-4801 • FAX: 248-628-9750
 Email: shermanpub@aol.com
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020 GREETINGS



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 DEADLINE
 Monday at Noon
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3rd ANNUAL COMMUNITY EXPO 2007

ORION AREA
 CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
 Wednesday, May 9th, 2007
 4:00pm-8:00pm
 Lake Orion High School
 Reserve your table today

(248)693-6300

oacc@msn.com

LX10-tdh

CANCER SURVIVORS
 and CARE-GIVERS are needed to
 participate and be honored at the
 American Cancer Society 2007
 Oxford Relay For Life
 Call

248-628-5827 or 248-483-4306
 for details

RX18-2dh

030 WANTED

WANTED: REPAIRABLE JET skis, pin-
 ball, small trailers, cars & trucks. 248-
 978-5728. IILX17-2

ANTIQUE FIREARMS WANTED:
 Winchester, Colts, Browning. Top
 dollar paid. 248-628-7086. IILX17-2

WANTED TO BORROW: 30 bales of
 straw for use as decoration during
 the American Cancer Society 2007
 Relay For Life at the Oxford High
 School athletic field on May 19-20.
 Call 248-628-5827 or 248-736-
 8562. IILX18-2dh

WANTED: OLD PONTOON Trailer,
 round tube frame, scissor type. 248-
 693-9080 IILX17-2

COMPUTER TUTORING wanted.
 Please leave message, thanks, 248-
 391-2260. IILX18-2

JUNK

**Cars & Trucks
 WANTED**

248-670-0089

LZ16-4dhf

JUNK CARS- Hauled away free. Will
 buy repairables. Bob Rondo, 248-
 310-2687. IILX17-4

BUYING GOLD IN Any form: jewelry,
 coins, watches running or not. Also
 buying old coins and bank notes. 810-
 358-0813. IILX17-2

CASH PAID for junk cars and trucks,
 810-656-2993. IILX32-4

WANTED: CARS, Trucks needing re-
 pair or high miles. \$1000-\$5000.
 810-724-7647 or 810-338-7770.
 IILX18-4

JUNK CARS WANTED. Cash for your
 junk car or truck. Free towing, 248-
 670-7417. IILX17-2

040 PRODUCE

FREEZER BEEF- grain fed Hereford, 1/
 4's and 1/2's, 810-678-3019.
 IILX18-2

BLACK ANGUS freezer beef. 1/4's
 and 1/2's. hormone free, corn fed.
 Lean and tender. Taking orders daily,
 989-635-3243. IILX37-4

LARGE SQUARE hay bales, \$4.00.
 Bagged pine shavings \$4.30. For sale
 at Amberway Stables. Open Wednes-
 day & Thursday 11-7, Saturday 11-
 5. 248-627-4233. IILX34-1

1st & 2nd CUTTING Hay and straw
 for sale. 248-431-1934 IILX17-2

1ST CUT HAY- \$3.50 bale. Corn cob
 or shell, 50lb., \$4.00. 248-628-
 1670. IILX18-4

060 MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS

FOR SALE: EPI. Alley Cat \$275.
 Washburn J9 \$300. Dean Resophonic
 \$200. 248-693-1426. IILX18-2

GRINNELL BROS. spinet piano, good
 condition, \$600. Kawai console pi-
 ano, mint condition, \$2000. 248-
 628-5418. IILX17-2

15" SUBS ProCalibers, excellent
 bass, \$80 each, or \$150 obo. Also
 JBL amp for sale, 248-425-6314.
 IILX17-2

ANTIQUE UPRIGHT Piano, dark wood,
 bench included, \$250. 248-394-
 0812 IILX17-2

070 TUTORING/ LESSONS

MUSIC LESSONS in your home. All
 wind instruments, piano/ piano tun-
 ing. 810-614-1572. IILX18-3

DRUM LESSONS. Any age, any style.
 For information call 248-935-8364.
 IILX38-4

080 LAWN & GARDEN

ROBERTS TREE FARM

OAKLAND COUNTY'S
 LARGEST GROWER OF TREES
 Colorado Spruce, Assortment of
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LZ17-4

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 38" mower deck, mulcher. Like new,
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 922-2755. IILX17-2

GREENS MOWER- Honda 2ft. cut,
 with catcher, \$375. 248-628-1670.
 IILX18-2

SCAG TIGER CUB mower, 48" deck,
 Kawasaki engine. \$4,900. 248-693-
 7549. IILX18-2

JOHN DEERE TRACTOR with plow
 and other attachments, runs good,
 \$1,000. 248-678-2964 IILX18-2

DOWNTOWN LAKE ORION ANNUAL

**Flower Fair
 and
 Home & Garden
 Marketplace**
 Sat, May 19- Sun, May 20
 Interested vendors or sponsors call
248-693-9742
 or www.downtownlakeorion.org

LX15-9f

RECONDITIONED Lawn Tractors,
 starting at \$450, 810-217-6391.
 IILX34-2

SPRUCE TREES

Delivery & Planting Available

CLEMENS TREE FARM, INC.
 Lapeer, Michigan

810-664-0225

LZ16-6

72" RIDING BOB-CAT front mower,
 diesel. \$1,800. 248-969-0395.
 IILX18-2

CRAFTSMAN RIDING LAWN mower,
 12 horse, 38" cut. Very nice condi-
 tion. New battery. \$375. 248-701-
 0088. IILX17-2

2 YEAR OLD pull behind mower deck.
 Works great; seller moved and has
 no use for it. \$600. Call Ed, 248-
 830-0435. IILX34-2

MOWER- 52" walk behind, Kohler
 14hp engine, runs good, \$800. 248-
 627-2051. IILX34-2

Gravel, Topsoil, Bark

21AA Road Gravel
 20 Ton \$289 delivered
 up to 10 miles.
 Smaller & larger loads available
 RICK PHILLIPS
 LANDSCAPE SUPPLY
 248-628-9777

LX17-2

090 AUCTIONS

SALE OF DEFAULT UNITS
 Saturday, April 25, 2007,
 10am, Lake Orion Self Storage
 Center Inc., 180 W. Church St.,
 Lake Orion, MI 48362, 100 yards
 East of Lapeer Rd. (M-24)

248-814-8140
 Unit #40014- Holly Griffith: Kid's
 bikes, dirt bike, gas stove, asst. totes,
 drums, asst. household goods and
 more!

LX18-2

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, micro-
 wave, bed, misc. boxes. Each unit
 will be sold as a whole. Cash sale
 only. April 27, 2007, 10am-5pm,
 248-628-0004. IILX17-2c

100 FREE

FREE SCRAP METAL pick-up: Cars,
 trucks, machinery, etc. 248-884-
 5813. IILX18-1

FREE KID'S Wooden Swing Set with
 slide, ladder and fort. You disas-
 semble/haul. E-mail: JohnnyRocket@
 Ameritech.net. IILX18-1

FREE COUCH and loveseat, blue, nice,
 248-236-0936. IILX18-1f

110 GARAGE SALE

ESTATE SALE- Everything must go!
 Tools, tack, furniture, equipment,
 more. April 14-15 & 21-22, 10am-
 4pm. 5763 Mothers Way, Ortonville
 (Davison Lake Rd./Sinroll). IILX18-2

BRAND NEW LADIES clothes, whole-
 sale price or less. Prom dresses, sum-
 mer clothing, etc. April 12,13,14,
 9am-5pm. April 19,20 10am-3pm.
 21st 9am-6pm. 806 Harry Paul Drive
 (off Clarkston Rd.), Lake Orion.
 IILX39-2

LIQUIDATION SALE- Print and Copy
 Express. Office furniture, fixtures,
 shelving, equipment, supplies, every-
 thing must go! April 12-13, 9am-5pm.
 203 John St., Holly (entrance on
 Sherman St.) IILX34-1

GARAGE SALE- Tools, household,
 furniture. April 13-14, 9am-5pm. 916
 S. Long Lake Blvd., Lake Orion (Bunny
 Run sub). IILX18-1

MOVING, MUST SELL leather sofa &
 loveseat, mirror hall tree, high back
 chairs, several chests. 779 Kern Rd.,
 Lake Orion (near Orion Rd.), Satur-
 day, April 14, 10am-3pm, 248-431-
 4322. IILX17-2

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 trou-
 sers, sash and much more. Duck and
 goose decoys and decoy collectables.
 Wildlife wall mounts (duck, geese,
 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 15hp Johnson, 6hp
 Mercury, 3.9hp Mercury, 14ft.
 Duracraft aluminum boat and Karavan
 trailer, a 16ft. Sportsal square back
 canoe, camping items, plus a 31ft.
 motor home (1983, 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, hel-
 met), plus much more. 6916 Tappan
 Dr., Clarkston 48346 (near Dixie Hwy.
 & White Lake Rd.), call on 248-882-
 1506. IILX38-4

HUGE GARAGE SALE in upscale
 neighborhood. Indoor and patio furni-
 ture. Lego sets. Dishes and
 housewares, lawn tractor and equip-
 ment. Bunk beds and crib. April 19th
 12noon-5pm, April 20th 9am-5pm,
 April 21st 8am-2pm. 768 West Ridge
 Court, Lake Orion (Oakland Ridge Es-
 tates; off Silver Bell). IILX18-2

CAMERA/BOOK/Figurine collections,
 framed prints, ping pong table, wood
 furniture, filing cabinets, ice hockey
 equipment, drum set, skis, 1995 VW,
 tires, rims, 2 stacked complete gyms,
 treadmill, StairStepper. Saturday- Sun-
 day, April 14-15, 9am-5pm. 3169
 Indian Lake Rd., Oxford (off M-24).
 IILX18-1

NEW LAPTOP

17 inch WXGA Screen
 HP Intel Duo-Core 1.73 GHZ
 Centrino, DVD burner,
 512 MB RAM, 80GB hard drive,
 Remote control and more. \$799
 Call Bernie at B&N Computers
 248-814-8633

RX16-4

COMPUTER PROBLEMS? Microsoft
 certified technician. Free loaner avail-
 able. John 248-892-5667
 (Clarkston). IILX15-4

150 ANTIQUES & COLLECTIBLES

ATTENTION:

WE HAVE GREAT
 GARDEN, PORCH, PATIO
 & POOL GOODS
 ...including wicker, country
 furniture, home decor and vintage
 garden items, plus aisle after aisle
 of top quality antiques & col-
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SHOP EVERY DAY, 10am-5pm.
 Fresh goods arrive daily.
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 vice Organization, Church or School
 group need a fund raising idea? Call
 Don Rush at 628-4801, 8-5 week-
 days. IILX9-dhtf

YE OLDE STUFF & ANTIQUES

Historic Treasures
 in Downtown Lake Orion
 Restorations by Dave Ricketts
 Come & Browse
 Tues.- Sat. 12-7pm
 20-1/2 E. Front St.
 248-693-6724

RX18-5

PLAYBOY MAGAZINE: 35yr collec-
 tion, 1969 thru 2004, good condi-
 tion. 586-707-4413 IILX39-2

160 APPLIANCES

SIDE-BY-SIDE REFRIGERATOR, frost
 free, white, \$150. 248-391-6993
 IILX17-2

KENMORE REFRIGERATOR, side by
 side, water & ice, Bisque. \$350. Ex-
 cellent condition. 248-628-7304.
 IILX17-2

WASHER & GAS dryer, runs well,
 \$100 takes both, 248-693-6308.
 IILX17-2

WHITE WHIRLPOOL Dishwasher- 5
 years old, runs great, works great,
 \$75 obo, 248-396-5862. IILX17-2

FRIGIDAIRE UPRIGHT- FREEZER.
 Work great. \$100. 248-627-8298.
 IILX17-2

WASHER, DRYER, STOVE & refrig-
 erator for sale. Call 248-634-6927.
 IILX39-2

WHIRLPOOL ELECTRIC range. New,
 never used. White. \$175. 248-627-
 5033 or 248-467-4910. IILX33-2

170 GENERAL

ROLLED TICKETS

DOUBLE & SINGLE ROLLS
 Assorted Colors
 Lake Orion Review
 Oxford Leader
 Clarkston News

LX8-ff

THOUSANDS OF OTHER PEOPLE are
 reading this want ad, just like you
 are... BUY and SELL in ads like this.
 We'll help you with wording. 248-
 628-4801 IILX9-dhtf

GET YOUR ROLLED TICKETS at the
 Lake Orion Review, 30 N. Broadway,
 Lake Orion; Oxford Leader, 666 S.
 Lapeer Rd., Oxford or at the Clarkston
 News, 5 S. Main, Clarkston. Single
 rolls \$6.00, double rolls \$9.50. as-
 sorted colors. IILX9-dhtf

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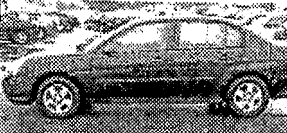

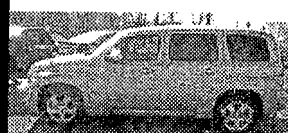


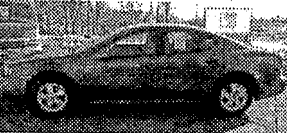

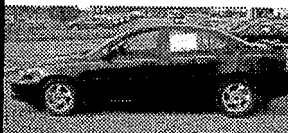
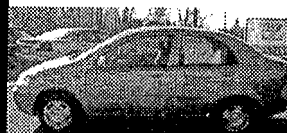


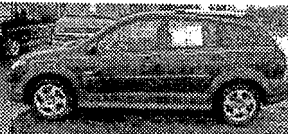
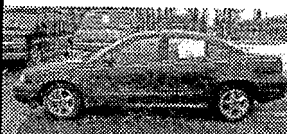





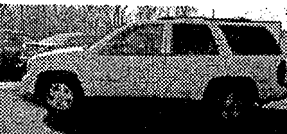


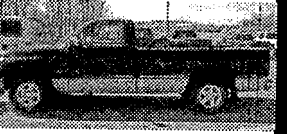







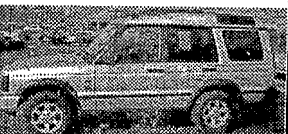
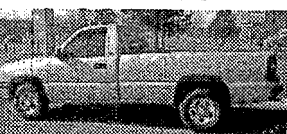
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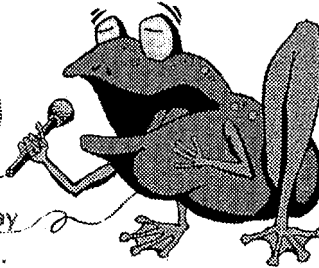
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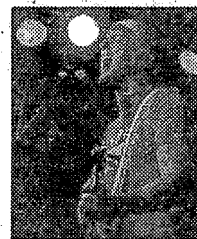
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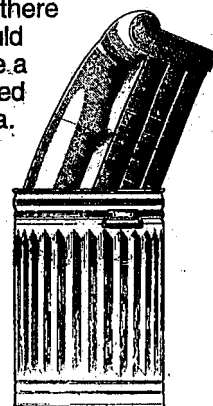
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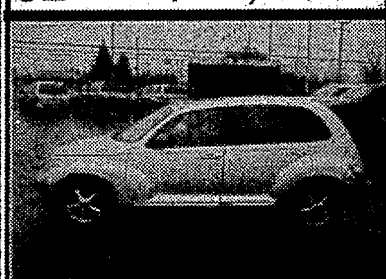

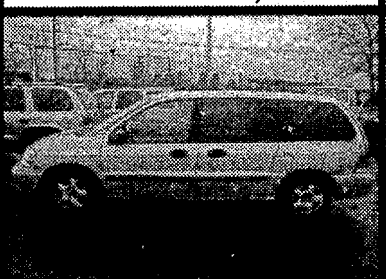
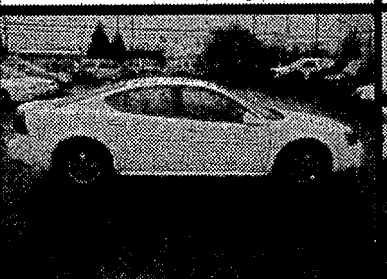
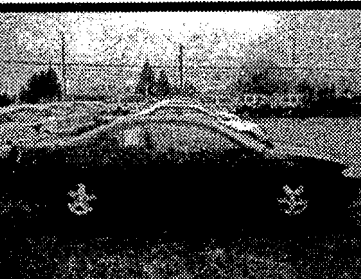
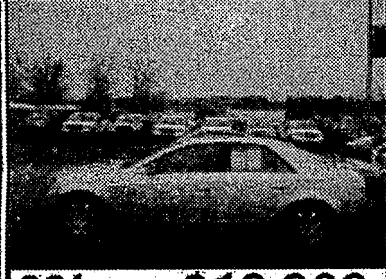
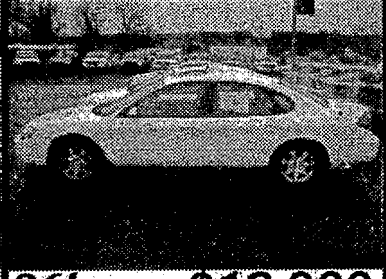
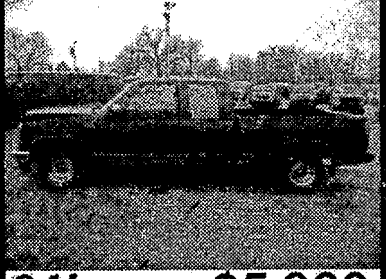


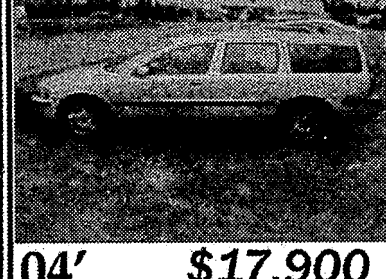
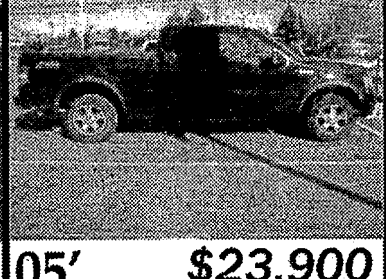
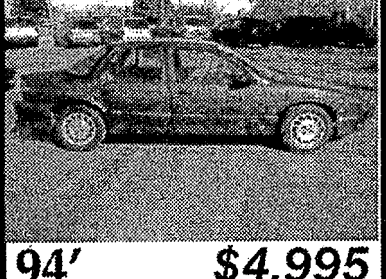
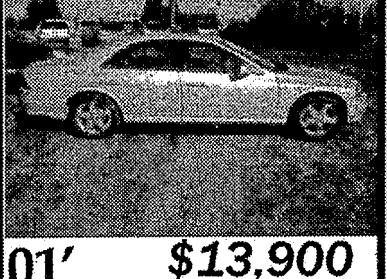

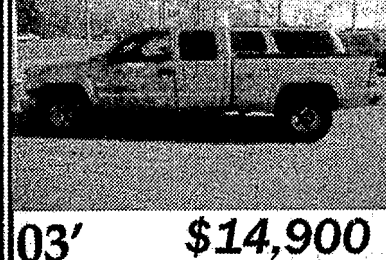
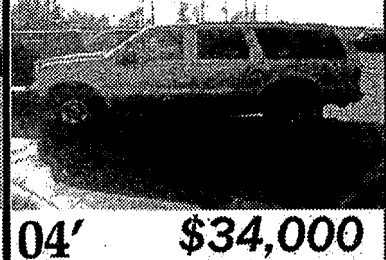
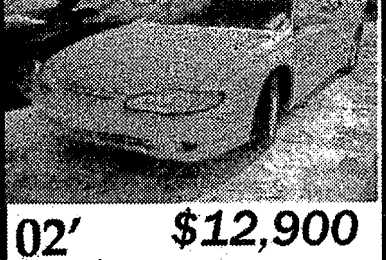


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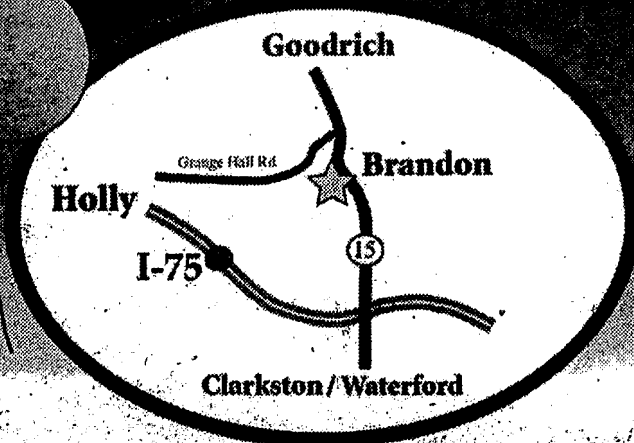
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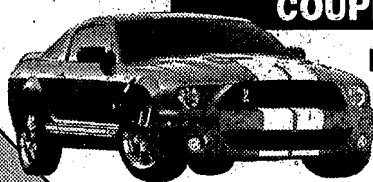


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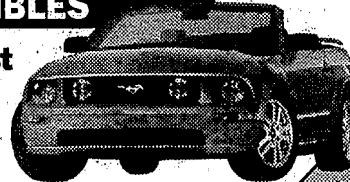
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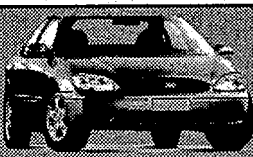
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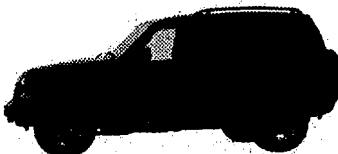


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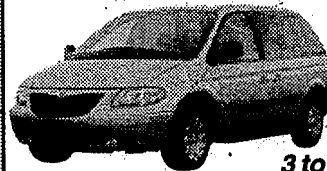
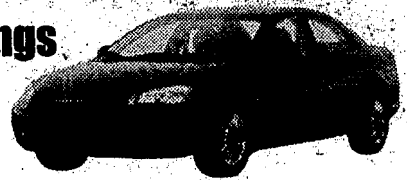
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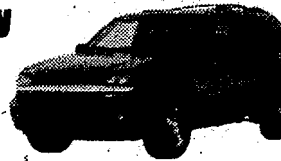
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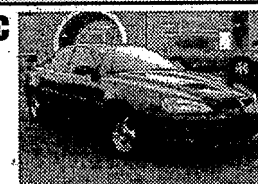
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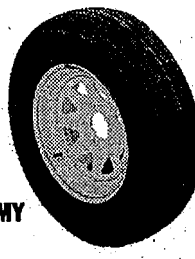
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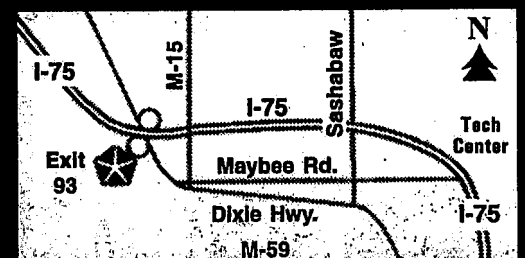
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