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Devoted to kids

Devereaux leaves legacy of dedication

BY PAUL KAMPE

Clarkston News Staff Writer

The Clarkston community and its schoolchildren lost a dedicated educator when Dr. Sharon Devereaux passed away April 10. Devereaux, the only principal Springfield Plains Elementary has known in its 12 years, fell ill last week with bacterial pneumonia, her family said. The news was a shock to the family, Sharon's brother Richard Devereaux said.

The funeral was at St. Daniel's Catholic Church Saturday, where friends, family and fellow educators said goodbye to a woman who spent decades in the Clarkston area and left a lasting impression on her students.

"There was an outpouring of community support," Richard said.

Devereaux joined Clarkston Community Schools in 1986 as principal of Andersonville Elementary after leading St. Benedict School in Highland Park.

Parents will remember her dedication to her students and teachers, as well as parent volunteers at the schools. Clarkston administrators were so impressed with Devereaux's interaction with students and parents at St. Benedict's, they had a difficult time asking her to join them, Devereaux's sister Margaret said.



Devereaux

"They hated to take her from that school because she was making a big difference there," Margaret said.

"She was gifted in teacher development and working with kids."

Leanne Moore, para-educator with the SPICE program at Clarkston Community Schools' Early Childhood Center, echoed those sentiments.

"It's going to be hard to replace somebody so dedicated. She knew everybody by name, she was dedicated to



Dr. Sharon Devereaux, shown with her dog Barney, Madison Beck, Meg Sielaff and another SPE student. Photo submitted

her staff. Those are some big shoes to fill," Moore said.

"She always talked about how proud she was of parent volunteers or staff at PTA meetings," Moore said.

"To see her feel such a sense of family with the school, it's so typical of the type of person she was."

Another connection Devereaux made with her students, Moore said, was bringing her Golden Retriever Barney along for the school's annual Fun Run.

Margaret said all the school kids knew and loved the canine and she remembered the children asking her who would take care of their canine friend after asking who would be in charge of the elementary.

Margaret remembered her sister also as a wonderful host and most recently recalled a get together the two of them organized for a family member.

"She did all the flowers, she loved that sort of thing."

Devereaux was close to her family and friends and supportive of her sister Margaret, and younger brother Richard, the siblings said.

Sharon was also a gardening enthusiast and she enjoyed reading and watercolors, Margaret said.

Richard and Sharon each had a love

of art. Richard recalled Sharon's unwavering support.

"She was gifted as an artist at a young age and I emulated that," Richard said. "She was a truly inspiring human being, a cut above."

Sharon Devereaux planned on retiring after the next school year and staying within the tight-knit community she loved, Margaret Devereaux said.

"She loved her home and community. She told me how, many times, she loved the small town and the people. It was very special to her," her sister remembered.

Moore remembered where and what she was doing when she learned of the principal's passing. The mother of two was copying family movies to DVD. Moore was transferring the video of her son Nicholas, now a student at Sashabaw Middle School, at his fifth grade graduation ceremony.

"There (Dr. Devereaux) was giving a speech and it seemed so ironic for them to be happening at the same time," Moore said.

Dr. Al Roberts, Clarkston Schools superintendent, said, "Sharon was a tireless advocate for children and an excep-

Please read Devereaux on 22A

Helping a friend

Fundraiser nets \$1,200 for man in need of new lungs

BY KELLY L. REYNOLDS

Clarkston News Staff Writer

A wally ball tournament for David Carpenter, who is in need of a double-lung transplant, raised more than \$1,200 this weekend.

The 1983 Clarkston High School graduate recently returned to Michigan after spending 12 years in Florida.

After several tests, doctors found Carpenter was suffering from non-specific interstitial pneumonia causing his lungs to look like a "snowstorm," Carpenter said.

The disease is said to be caused by the black mold found in Carpenter's Florida home.

Carpenter is currently living in Ann Arbor to be close to the University of Michigan, where his lung transplant would take place if one becomes available.

Carpenter currently has almost \$500,000 in medical bills and is hoping the wally ball tournament, along with other fundraising, will raise enough to cover the costs.

The wally ball extravaganza, which brought out about 40 participants, was last Saturday at the Waterford Hills Courts, where the courts and time were donated.

"It was a fantastic event," Carpenter said. "A lot of the people from the community came out. There were people who went to school with me, who heard about it and came in from out of state. It was good to see a lot of local people that I hadn't seen in a long time. It was a good time. Everyone had a lot of fun."

The next fundraiser - a spaghetti fundraiser with live music, a silent auction and raffles - will be held June 9 at Clarkston Eagles Aerie 3373.

For more information, call Steve Carpenter at 248-673-3282.

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Meet the Clarkston
girls' golf team

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Doing her part

Madison Echlin, 5, kindergartner at Clarkston Elementary, attended a talk about birds and habitat Saturday at the Springfield Township Civic Center, and took home this small tree to plant in her yard. Photo by Laura Colvin

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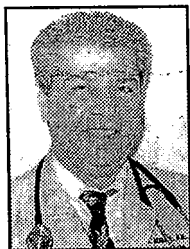
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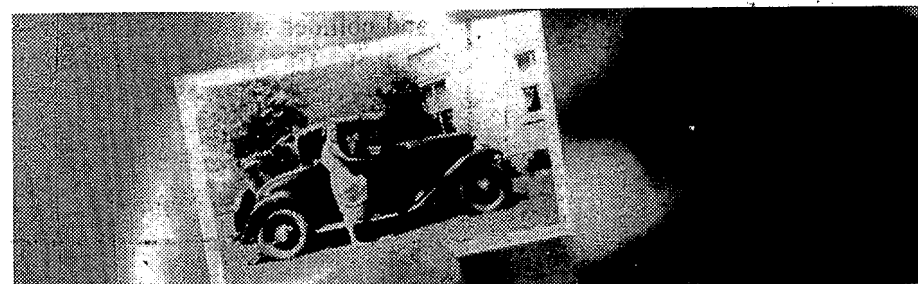
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The Second Front

Briefly

Clarkston Co-op Open House set for April 26

Gearing up for its 38th year, Clarkston Co-op will host its annual open house for parents and children at 7 p.m. Thursday, April 26.

The school has a long standing lease at the Clarkston United Methodist Church, 6600 Waldon Road.

It offers theme-based academic and active learning approach. It also offers a high adult to child ratio, with two certified teachers and two parent volunteers in the class at all times.

Programs are available for 2-year-olds with a parent/caregiver, as well as 3-4 year olds.

For more information, call 248-625-2368 or visit the co-op web site: www.clarkstoncoop.org.

Work set for Clarkston, Sashabaw

The Clarkston and Sashabaw road intersection is receiving \$2.25-million in work this spring and summer.

The project will widen and add left- and right-turn lanes in all directions and reduce a hill north of Sashabaw. The project should be complete by September, dependent upon right of way acquisition.

The Road Commission for Oakland County's 2007 road construction season includes more than \$38 million in road improvement projects, including \$8 million in road widenings.

Crossings close for maintenance

Railroad crossings on Andersonville Road will be closed temporarily this month for repair.

Road Commission for Oakland County will close the railroad crossing east of Farley Road in Springfield Township April 16-20. The detour route will be Farley Road to Foster Road to Edgar Road and vice versa.

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

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



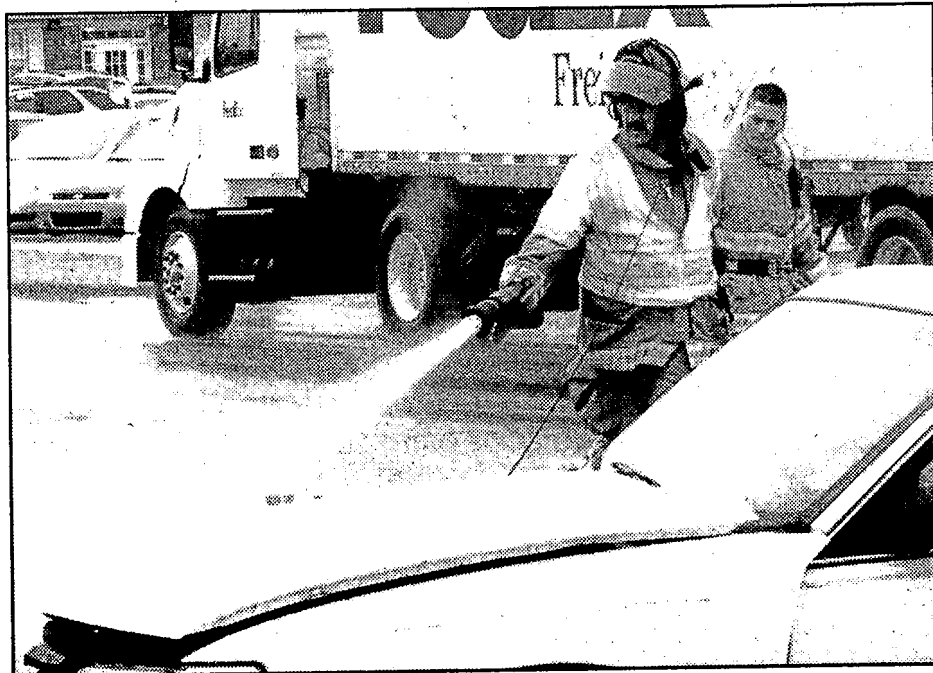
Smash up on M-15, Dixie

A three-car accident slowed traffic at the intersection of M-15 and Dixie Highway April 12.

Oakland County Sheriff's Deputy Steve Mallado said the accident appeared like one motorist attempted to "beat the light" turning left from southbound Dixie and collided with a northbound vehicle. The initial northbound vehicle struck the car ahead of it.

Mallado said victims sustained only minor injuries.

Photos by Paul Kampe



Committee: tell us your police stories

BY LAURA COLVIN
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Good, bad or indifferent, the Clarkston Police Committee wants to hear what the city's residents have to say about the police.

Are the taxpayers getting the service they want? What do they like about the Clarkston Police? What do they dislike? How can the city improve its police force?

The committee hopes to get answers to these questions and more at a public hearing scheduled for 7 p.m. Wed., April 25 at the Independence Township Fire Station, 6500 Citation Drive.

"We were charged with getting feedback from the citizens," said Charles Inabnit, who recently replaced former City Councilman Scott Meyland as the committee chair. "Obviously, there are people who are not happy with the police department, and there are people who are happy. You have to find a medium somewhere."

Before the city can find that medium, however, most council members want to hear from the city's residents, and have therefore charged the police services committee with gathering information and presenting the findings.

Although unavoidable personal and

work-related issues of one member slowed the committee's progress during the winter, the project is back in full swing.

Many of the city's residents and business owners are returning questionnaires received several weeks ago, and the committee is reading and documenting results.

"I'm rather pleased with the number of surveys we're getting back," Inabnit said. The council had received 113 replies by Monday.

"I think that's a very good response from the citizens."

The city council agreed in October to form a committee of appointed residents after a heated mayoral campaign, which Catallo won by 31 votes.

"The last election between Steve Wylie and Mayor (Sharron) Catallo wasn't just about the police department," Inabnit said. "But that's the political tone that was set. It was a close race and the issue needs to be looked at."

During his campaign, Wylie, who ran for mayor rather than seeking reelection to his council seat, publicly said the city should examine the possibility of disbanding the police department and seeking police service through the Oakland County Sheriff's Office.

The move, he said, would shave about \$100,000 from the city's annual budget and ultimately allow for a reduction in city taxes.

Catallo and supporters, however, contended that maintaining the police department was costly, but worthwhile.

"I want to hear from the residents," Inabnit said. "I want to hear their experiences, what they're happy about, not happy about, what they expect."

The committee will compile information and opinions gathered from residents and make a presentation to the city council in May. The decision to make changes or stay with the status quo will then be in the hands of the council.

E-mail the Clarkston Police Services Committee at Clarkstonpcs@yahoo.com.

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Incumbent Bomier brings experience to re-election bid

BY PHIL CUSTODIO
Clarkston News Editor

Incumbent Barry Bomier, Clarkston Board of Education vice president, offers his experience with Clarkston schools and military.

"There are few nobler causes than the education of young people," Bomier said.

"I bring a global view and local perspective. I consider it a continuation of service."

The oath of office is similar in both, he said.

Bomier served on the Clarkston Board of Education from 1994-1996, after being elected to fill the last two years of Trustee Joe Helpert's term. In 1994, he defeated candidate Karen Foyteck, who in turn defeated him in his 1996 reelection bid.

Both now serve on the school board. Bomier was appointed in 2004 to fill the seat vacated by Tony Miller, and elected in 2005 to a two-year term. This is his first campaign for a full, four-year term.

The main priority in his next term would be the budget – managing resources wisely for the education of children.

"The budget is the biggest by far," he said.

Statewide factors such as a declining tax base, increasing retirement and medical costs, and a sluggish economy means school districts, including Clarkston, must do with less, he said.

"Difficult decisions must be made," he said. "You want a board that's educated and up to speed, not just administrative knowledge, but also in the mechanics behind that."

Board members' responsibilities include providing guidance, direction and a plan to the superintendent and administration, which then implements them.

"We represent citizens and the children of this community," he said. "The legacy of a community is built on the education of its children."

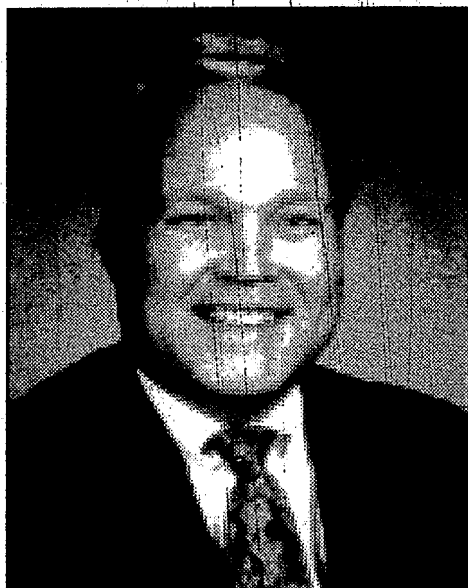
Board actions in which Bomier had a hand include transition to a trimester system this fall at Clarkston High School, a new transportation plan, and consolidation of services.

Trimesters will make scheduling classes easier and more efficient for students, who must meet new state requirements. The transportation plan will reschedule start and end times at elementary schools to make busing more efficient. In consolidation, several purchasing and personnel services have been combined with other districts at the county level, he said.

"I support consolidation issues wherever they make sense," Bomier said.

As a certified board member with National, Michigan, and Oakland County school board associations, he has met with state and national leaders about education issues.

"The school board is the first level of elected officials – we need to be very vocal with our state representatives," he said. "We need strong action at the state level to provide financial relief to



Barry Bomier, incumbent Clarkston Board of Education member, brings local and global experience with schools and military to his reelection campaign. Photo submitted

schools."

With the National School Board Association, he has met with members of U.S. Congress, he said.

"We met with Rep. Mike Rogers to discuss revisions to No Child Left Behind," he said.

"There was a small improvement, to reduce and realign unfunded mandates."

Bomier grew up in the Flint area, and graduated from Grand Blanc High School in 1969. He went to West Point

Military Academy and graduated in 1977 with a bachelor of science degree in engineering, with concentration in national security and public affairs. He earned a degree in history at University of Michigan-Flint in 2003, and has been pursuing a master's degree in telecommunications with University of Colorado.

As an army officer, he completed airborne and ranger training, served in Germany with the 8th U.S. Cavalry Regiment and in Washington D.C. with the Pentagon. He was public affairs officer for Gen. Norman Schwarzkopf during the Gulf War in 1991. He retired as a major in 1992 after 24 years.

Presently, he works as program manager for military products with Michelin North America in Troy, developing new tires for up-armored Humvees and other military vehicles.

His wife, Gae, is a special-education teacher at Clarkston Junior High School. They have two daughters, Courtney, a special-education teacher at Lake Orion High School, and Whitney, a junior at Michigan State University.

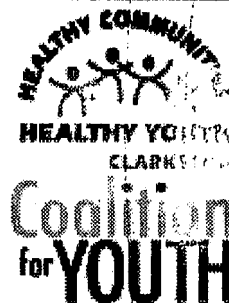
May's election will fill two seats on the board of education. Having four candidates is healthy for the community, Bomier said.

He supports candidate Cheryl McGinnis to join him on the board.

"She knows the issues and has a background in accounting – we need skills like that," Bomier said.

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

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Over the river

Plans again underway for Depot Park bridge

BY LAURA COLVIN
Clarkston News Staff Writer

The bridge is back, and if everything goes according to plan the structure will be erected in Depot Park by Labor Day.

The 40-foot steel and wood bridge will span the river separating the playground side of the park from the gazebo side, a project long on the wish-list of some residents.

Although the venture was started and stopped several times in recent years, one local woman is determined to see it happen this time.

"It's a safety point for children," said Gini Schultz, long-time Clarkston resident and owner of the Clarkston Country Store on Main Street. "It's important to have access from the gazebo to the playground area without going back toward the parking lot. The bridge will make Depot Park even more family-friendly."

Quick, safe access from one side of the park to the other, she said, becomes even more important during the park's heavy-use times, such as Concerts in the Park.

The 8-foot-wide bridge will be a simple, classic design, painted hunter green and projected to cost \$50,000—a

price tag about one-third the size of the stone bridge planned last year.

John Hennig Carpentry, LLC, will handle installation of the bridge.

"Actual placement shouldn't take any more than a week," said Hennig, an Independence Township resident, noting the bridge would arrive after being manufactured off-site.

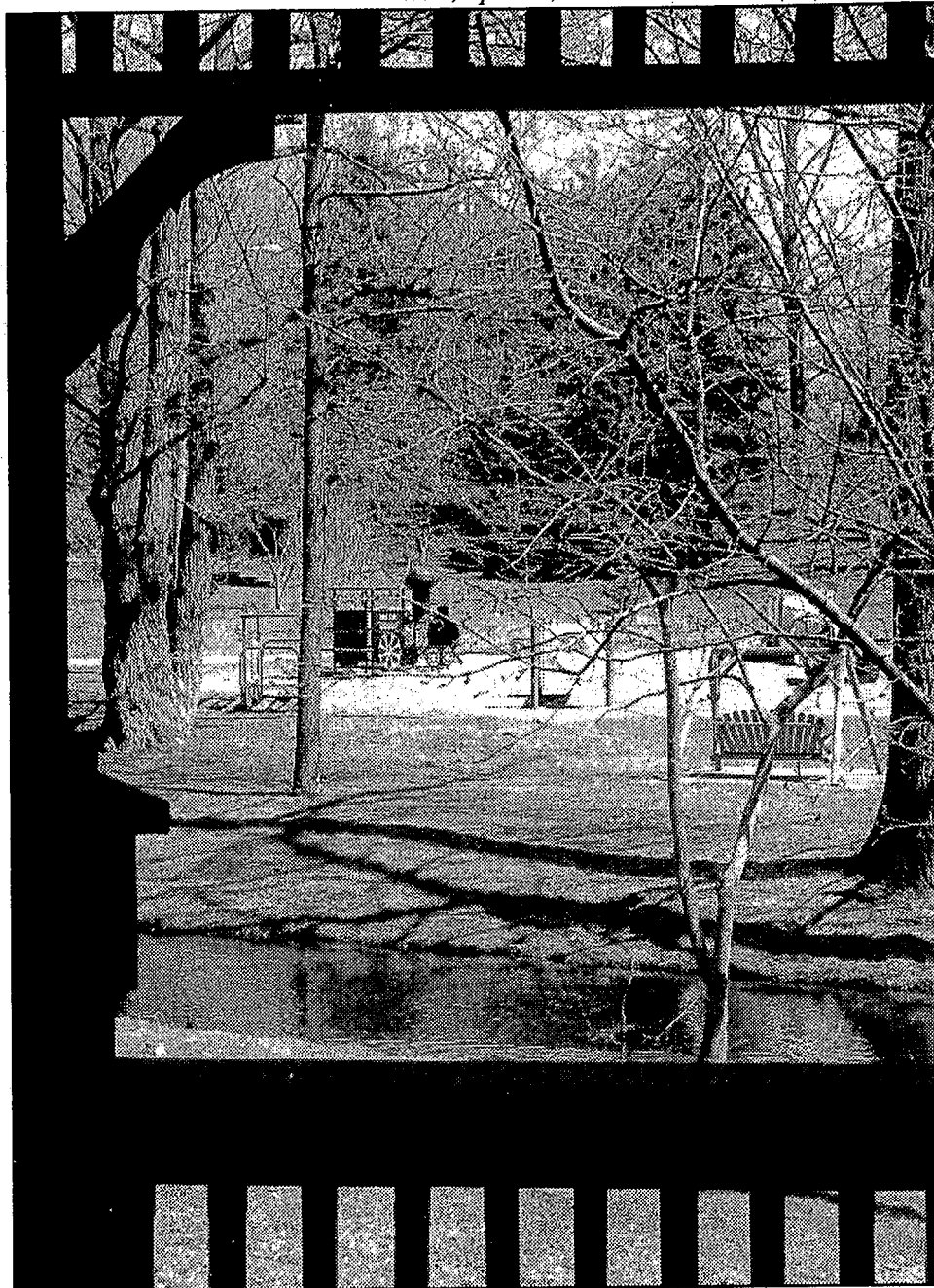
Schultz, who last week began soliciting donations to help fund the bridge, wants to see it up in time for the annual village Labor Day picnic, which will be celebrated this year in conjunction with Clarkston's 175th anniversary.

"I'm starting from scratch," said Schultz, noting all donations from previous bridge-building efforts were returned. "I started pounding the pavement Monday. I'm optimistic and excited to see this finally happen."

Anyone wishing to contribute to the Friends of Depot Park Bridge can make checks payable to city of the Village of Clarkston, Depot Park Bridge.

Donations may be sent to the Village of Clarkston, 375 Depot Road, Clarkston, MI 48346.

For more information contact Gini Schultz at 248-625-3122 or 248-625-3062.



The 40-foot-long by 8-foot-wide bridge will connect the gazebo side of Depot Park with the playground area. Photo by Laura Colvin

Andersonville earns Michigan Blue Ribbon

Andersonville Elementary has been named a 2006-2007 Michigan Blue Ribbon School.

After a year-long application process, the Clarkston school was to be formally recognized by members of the State Board of Education at the school April 17.

Andersonville was one of 23 elementary schools to be named for this award this year.

"The Blue Ribbon selection committee chose this school as meeting some very tough criteria in delivering quality education to students," said Kathleen N. Straus, president of State Board of Education. "This school, the teachers, students, parents, and community should be very proud of their accomplishment."

Established in 1982, the Michigan

Blue Ribbon Exemplary School Program recognizes schools that demonstrate a strong commitment to educational excellence and significant academic success over five years.

The Michigan Blue Ribbon is awarded to schools based on academic achievement, accreditation, school organization and culture, student focus and support, curriculum, quality teaching, and family and community partnerships with the school.

Winning schools must reflect and exhibit the many facets of a quality educational environment.

After the nomination was completed and sent to the state, a series of peer review committees make a preliminary selection of those schools they believe warrant a site verification visit.

The review committees and site visit

teams are composed of teachers and administrators from previously recognized Blue Ribbon Schools.

To ensure a fair and equal selection system, elementary and secondary schools compete separately on alternate years. Elementary schools were eligible to apply for the Blue Ribbon award this year.

"Michigan Blue Ribbon Schools are models of both excellence and equity," Strauss said. "To be recognized, a school must demonstrate a strong commitment to education excellence for all students."

Andersonville Elementary joins North Sashabaw Elementary, Springfield Plains Elementary, Sashabaw Middle School, Clarkston Middle School and Clarkston High School as winners of this award.

Parenting workshop set for tomorrow

Clarkston Area Youth Assistance will present a free parent enrichment program April 20 from 10-11:30 a.m. at St. Daniel's Church, 7010 Valley Park Drive.

"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 more than 30 years experience working with families and a talent for using humor in his program.

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Opinion

Global warnings valid, just hot air?

Throughout history, some have come forward to ring the bells of alarm, while others come forward to say all is well.

Global warming is the latest in a line including terrorism, population explosion, coming ice age, nuclear war, spread of communism, Hitler, witchcraft, divine retribution, plagues, Biblical flood, etc.

Some warnings turned out to be correct, others, not. Where does global warming fit in?

Hundreds of scientists have gotten together and agreed that it's happening, and that people in general, Americans in particular, are responsible.

Should I believe them?

I have, before. I went to college in the early 1990s. Then, the big cause of global warming was supposed to be CFCs, from hairspray and other aerosols.

Carbon flourcarbons were floating into the upper atmosphere, tearing apart ozone molecules, destroying the ozone layer, and letting in more ultraviolet radiation, heating the earth. CFCs were banned years ago. Shouldn't that have had at least some effect, as in "banning those CFCs really helped, but we're still in trouble," or something?

Now, the problem is CO₂, the gas we exhale with every breath. They want to reclassify carbon dioxide as a pollutant.

Too many leaders of the global-warming movement live in mansions and fly around on private jets. This makes as much sense as conservative leaders who preach family values while using drugs or sleeping around.

Rich liberals have been buying "offset credits," which are supposed to compensate for their output of carbon by paying someone else to conserve, or plant trees, or not build an energy plant.

If they really believed energy use threatens the planet, wouldn't they pay for all those things, then eliminate their output as well? I would take them more seriously if they did.

Conservation is and has been a great idea. It saves money. Saves the natural environment. It could also help out states like Michigan.

The Clarkston area has so many lakes, ponds, and streams, you can't take two steps without stepping into one.

But people have been leaving places like this to go to the southwest, where there is much less water. The transplanted easterners still want lush, green lawns, though, and they use a lot of their scarce water to get them.

They should just come home. We have water here, and trees, too.

Another April, another horrifying, mass shooting. This is a trend that needs to end.

Parents should consider taking their children to a local gun range. Not to shoot, but just to listen. Listen to rifles and pistols, from the parking lot at an outdoor range, from the lobby of an indoor one.

Then tell them, "this is what guns sound like. They sound like firecrackers and construction equipment, but notice how they're different."

Too many kids in these situations are standing around trying to figure out what that strange sound is, when they should running.

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the blank



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'Dear Editor' (letters from our readers)

Reporter should have checked officer

Dear Editor:

When I ran for Clarkston City Council in November, I was well aware of the problems within the police department.

While not a political being, I was still very much concerned about our police department and the city in which I have lived and paid taxes for the past 40 years. The situation described by Laura Colvin was not and is not one of the problems.

We became aware on Tuesday, April 10, of a column that Laura Colvin was printing in the April 11 edition, in regards to an officer sleeping while on duty ("Cops snooze, it's news," page 6A).

At that time, the identity of the officer was not known. On Wednesday, Chief Thompson identified the officer, had a conversation with him, and had him immediately returned to medical leave.

The officer in question had returned to work on Feb. 28, 2007, with a doctor's release. No one was aware that he was on a medication for high blood pressure, which causes drowsiness.

What bothers me so much is not the fact that this reporter wrote the column, but that she walked into an office through an unlocked door and the lights on to see an officer sleeping.

She said, "hello" and left, not knowing if he was truly asleep or was suffering a stroke, heart attack, seizure or other medical distress.

Why she did not contact the fire department or the city manager or try to verify his condition is completely beyond me. A Basic First Aid Course teaches you to check an unresponsive person and call for help.

Instead, this reporter left, to save this tidbit of information for some future column, possibly leaving this officer in peril.

Laura Colvin has done this officer a great disservice by not reporting this incident immediately and seeking medical assistance.

She was fully aware the police department had an officer out on a medical leave and he had just recently returned to work.

She abandoned a fellow human being when it was very possible that this person could have been in a serious medical situation, not just snoozing.

**William M. Rausch, police liaison
Clarkston City Council**

Ed.note: Upon her return to the office immediately following the incident in question, Laura Colvin called the officer to check on him. The officer answered the call.

Congratulations on high school musical

Dear Editor,

Weeks have passed, and I'm still enjoying the memory of the CHS production of "Sound of Music" in my mind and heart. It was just spectacular! Every aspect was so well attended to ... the lighting, the scenery, the costumes, the pit orchestra and chorus, the crew and cast, choreography, and acting ... everything.

The efficient artistic creation and use of sets and lighting was superb. Kudos to the stage and lighting crews. The costumes were so appropriate to each character and situation. What a great accomplishment to the costume committee. Beautiful work!

The pit orchestra, chorus and cast truly performed a wonderful "Sound of Music" - applause, applause, applause.

The genius of the clever, well executed choreography provided good, inventive, adorable routines that gave achievable success to the cast, and delight to the audience. Praises to the dance instructors and dancers.

The cast ... wow! What a strong, talented, group

of young people with great values, dancing and acting - all so very convincing (a goal of any performer). Bravo! Bravo!

This show "climbed every mountain" to reach a new height in high school musicals and in CHS theater history. It was just that good.

Every single person involved with the production deserves praise for the countless hours of work and dedication it takes to achieve this excellence.

The Clarkston community should be delighted and proud that our tax dollars are helping our schools and students to make the performing arts program grow and soar.

In my 35+ years of attending many, many high school (and other) musicals, this show ranks among my five very best productions I have had the pleasure to experience. My heart felt congratulations to everyone responsible in making the "Sound of Music" so very beautiful.

Joyfully submitted by a fan,

**Bev Territo
Clarkston**

Senior center project needs public's support

Dear Editor,

On Friday, April 20, 7:30 p.m., at the Clarkston Middle School located at 6595 Waldon Rd., the University of Michigan All Stars will play basketball against the Clarkston Schools Faculty.

This is a fundraiser for the Independence Township Senior Center. The cost is \$3 per person at the door and will include such U of M athletes as Dugan Fife, Dan Jokisch, Ann LeMire, Jimmy King, Tom Timmermann, Antoine Joubert, Mark Messner, Ron Kramer, Derrick Walker, Scott Kamieniecki, Phil Price and Doug Skene, just to name a few. Harold Krueger will coach this team.

This fundraiser and others the center will have in the months ahead need the support of our township residents, and it is looking forward to the day when they can

offer their services at a more useful facility.

In addition to supporting the center through fund raisers, etc. I urge all our citizens to write the Clarkston School Board and Superintendent Al Roberts and request that some of the \$6.5 million left over from the school bond fund be used to either build a new Senior Center on the South Sashabaw Elementary School property on Maybee Rd. or recondition the existing school to make it useable for all our citizens.

It will not develop any more taxes and will fulfill a dire need in our community.

The money is sitting there not being used. Let's put it to good use now.

**Bob Brown
Clarkston**

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

A Look Back

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

15 years ago - 1992

"Supreme Court showdown" Independence Township voted 6-1 to appeal their case against Clarkston cityhood to Michigan Supreme Court. Michigan Court of Appeals had upheld an earlier decision allowing the city charter to go forward. Clarkston residents voted Feb. 5, 1992, to become a city. Independence Township argued the state Township Act did not grant the right of villages to become cities. Trustee Daniel Travis was the only trustee voting to end legal proceedings against the village.

"Four items featured in June 8 school election" Clarkston area voters had to choose two school board members from among three candidates, and decide on proposals for "Schools of choice," 19-mill tax renewal, and additional two mills in taxes. Tax level at the time was 38.83 mills. Schools of choice would allow elementary students to attend whichever school in the district they wished.

"Senior, 71, hosts cable-TV country music show" Clarkston resident William Harvey Breeding, stage name Arizona Weston, hosted a half-hour program on local television. He presented portraits of country-music stars, and performed music of his own as well.

25 years ago - 1982

"Building slumps in 1981, but future is bright, says Independence building director" Building starts dropped 50 percent from 1980-1981 - 38 permits were issued in '81. Reasons included high interest rates, financing, and concerns about the economy, officials said. Commercial development on Sashabaw Road was expected to act as a "magnet" for professional people.

"Springfield says 'no' to Independence expansion" Springfield Township Board turned down a request by Independence Township to annex 13.6 acres near Dixie Highway and I-75. The expansion would have been used as part of a proposed senior citizen village.

50 years ago - 1957

"A Dip in Time" at Albion College Clarkston area resident Dorothy McEvoy was set to perform in Albion's synchronized swim show. The show was to aquatically dramatize the history of the world, including cavemen, Egyptians, Roman soldiers, Indians, Spanish pirates, Russians, St. Patrick and the snakes, and Joan of Arc.

"Large crowd at 21 Club Dance" About 231 boys and girls attended the dance that weekend. During the evening, soft drinks and chips were served.

"The Village Weathervane" Five Clarkston students earned superior ratings at the Pontiac Science Fair. Projects included "Honey Processing," "Solar System," "Telegraph," "Processing of Wheat from Seedling to Bread," and "Prehistoric Skull Structure."

It's a bird, a plane, no it's Kid Toenail!

It is a parent's job to worry about their offspring. You worry about their friends.

You worry when they don't talk or walk as soon as other kids. You worry about the size of their head. Worry, worry, worry. Well, since little Sean Rush turned seven this past St. Patrick's Day, I have at least one more reason to worry.

The other evening as I was walking past his bedroom door, I noticed he was practicing good personal hygiene, or so I thought. He had just hopped out of the bath, had his jammies on and was sitting on his bed.

"Sean," says I, "I see you're filing down your nails. That's good. Sometimes when you clip them they're sharp, aren't they?"

He looked up at me, wide-eyed and with the, "oops, I'm caught" expression on his face. "Uhm," says he, looking around to see if there was anybody else, besides me nearby. "I'm making them sharp."

Making them sharp, thought I. I walked into his room, over to his bed and sat next to the mini-me. I must have had an odd expression, or one of concern on my face. (Though, I don't know why a parent would be worried about a seven-year-old, sharpening his toenails. Doesn't sound weird at all, does it?)

Then he whispered, "I am gonna make a sword out of them."

A sword of toe nails . . .

Then, with the metallic clink of nail clippers, he cut off the nail he had been working on. He picked the discarded nail piece off the floor, poked it into his cheek and nodded his head, "Sharp."

He then took his "sharp" toenail piece over to his dresser and then looked around to make sure only he and I were in/near/or around his room. Then he quickly put his hand with said nail in between some books. When his hand re-emerged it was empty. In between those books was the secret source of his power -- he had shown me his super secret nail cache.

"I'm saving them, then I am gonna make a sword out of them and then . . ." he went into a round-house-like karate kick and landed like something out of a Bruce Lee movie -- crouching, arms ready to chop, legs ready to pounce, " . . . I can fight bad guys."

He then announced his superhero name: "I am Kid

Toenail. Hi-ya!"

I suppose since I was the only other person in the world who shared his secret, he informed me I could be his butler adding, "What's a butler?"

I told him . . . but, I worry and I blame myself for his martial art delusions of grandeur. Somewhere softly, I can hear the late Scatman Scruthers' raspy voice singing a tune I know so well . . .

*Hong Kong Phooey, number one super guy.
Hong Kong Phooey, faster than the human eye.
He's got style, a groovy style,
and a car that just won't stop.*

*When the going gets tough, he's really rough,
with a Hong Kong Phooey chop (Hi-Ya!)
Hong Kong Phooey, number one super guy.
Hong Kong Phooey, faster than the human eye.
Hong Kong Phooey, he's fan-riffic (gong!)*

My head is hanging with shame. My shoulders, slack. I am soooooo guilty. I taught Sean the words to that song soon after he was able to speak in sentences. I, his very own father -- er, butler -- poisoned his mind with the lyrics from a 1970s television cartoon show. It was cute then.

Now all I can do is worry.

Compounding my woe, is the fact that his Royal Toenailness has learned to ride a two wheeled-bicycle. Just this past weekend he rode round and around, round and around our drive way. He'd get up early and instead of watching cartoons, got dressed and practiced riding. Circle upon circle, each time faster, leaning closer and closer to the cold, gray cement.

"Watch this, Dad!"

And he would take one hand off the handlebars.

"How's that? Watch this turn. I call this the 'glory turn.'" And he made a perilously (to parental vision) sharp turn.

"I love riding a two-wheeler, Dad. Thanks for showing me."

More guilt.

And, sometimes while he peddled his little legs, he'd sing. "I love riding a two-wheeler. It is fun. Look out now. Watch out town, I am riding a two-wheeler, look out for Sean Rush!"

On second thought, maybe I shouldn't worry. Maybe it's really you who should be concerned. Just remember, someday soon Kid Toenail could be coming to a neighborhood near you or asking to date your daughter.



don
rush
don't rush
me

Talking urinals aimed only at men - for now

The extent to which our governments will go to save our lives reached a goal never envisioned by the taxpaying public.

While many people haven't accepted being made to buckle up, and several fight forced-helmet wearing, and opposition is high on roll-over bars on garden tractors, few of us have been exposed to the advising urinal.

Jim's Jottings



Jim Sherman

This only applies to men -- until one of our governments force sellers of libations to supply a like facility for women.

Right now, to my knowledge, only New Mexico is supplying these lecturing, motion sensitive plastic devices.

Seems New Mexico has long had one of the highest rates of alcohol-related traffic deaths in the nation. So, Gov. Bill Richardson got the legislature to buy 500 talking urinal deodorizing cakes at \$21 each.

In N.M., men account for 78 percent of all driving under the influence related convictions.

The aim is to advise drunks at the last place they usually stop before getting behind the wheel. Now when that pre-car-starting urge happens, a guy hears in a woman's voice, "Hey, big guy. Having a few drinks? Think you had one too many? Then it's time to call a cab or call a sober friend for a ride home."

The message ends, "Remember, the future is in your hand!"

This takes 10 to 15 seconds. That state's spokesman said the bathroom is a perfect place to get the message across because, "guys don't chitchat with other guys. It's all business."

Similar talking cakes have been used in Colorado, Pennsylvania, Australia and Long Island for antidrug and DWI controls, said the developer, Healthquest Technologies, Inc.

As mentioned above, this discriminating against women, not being privileged to a conventional urinal, is bound to excite the inventive imagination of plumbers, etc.

The nation needs these for all adults and children, as not just a warning, but as a teaching tool and a reminder.

The husband's urinal can have a cake that says, "Remember, sweetie, to kiss your wife good morning."

The wife's, "Today is bridge day, tomorrow golf. Take-outs are healthy. You can launder later."

The kid's, "Did you do your homework, brush and floss?"

In reviewing this *Associated Press* article with our MSU senior grandson, Dan, he, like all those smarter-than-my-parents-and-grandparents, kids, thought he could top Gramps.

Then he told about this too-frequented bar in East Lansing where the urinal is a funnel. For a quarter it can be a challenge piece for those overburdened with studies students.

The piece weights output.

I'm sure the future medical students enter the game only to observe the affect heavy indulgence has on the bladder.

By now you've got the idea. Up and down the bar goes the challenge. "I bet my next trip will outweigh yours by 36 ounces!"

"Whimp! I'll do 40 without even pressing!"

Move forward now to when sensitized talking cakes are added. A mother's voice will say, "Son, if you'd put as much time into your studies as you do overfilling your bladder, you could graduate in four years instead of your current schedule of nine years. Please tell me you won the bet."

Earth Day 2007

Orgs, local people try to do their part

BY KELLY L. REYNOLDS
Clarkston News Staff Writer

"Every day to me is Earth Day," said Tammie Heazlit, an environmental activist. "But I think that it's very important for people to recognize the national day."

Many local, state and national organizations are putting on events this to commemorate Earth Day, which is April 22.

Upland Hills Ecological Awareness Center is holding the second annual Earth Day Expo at Oakland University Saturday, April 21 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. There will be a wide variety of events and information including, green and healthy product exhibits, alternative vehicle and renewable energy displays, earth-friendly music and entertainment, a healthy planet film festival, a kid's cor-

ner with activities and much more. The keynote address of the event, which is being held in the Oakland Center, will be delivered by Lt. Gov. John Cherry, who was named the 2005 Conservationist of the Year. For more information visit www.earthdayexpo.org or call 248-693-1021.

The Sierra Club is also hosting Earth Day events. The organization will be holding a four-mile run and two-mile walk April 21 at Kensington Metropark. Registration for the event is \$25. The walk begins at 10 a.m. with registration beginning at 9 a.m. For more information visit www.active.com.

Even though there are many events going on to recognize Earth Day, many activists and organizers think it's very important to recognize individual impacts on



Clarkston resident Tammie Heazlit tries to make her everyday life environmentally friendly.

the environment and to make efforts year-round to reduce those impacts.

"The bottom line is that this is the only planet we've got, and if we don't treat it right, ultimately it will turn on us," said Jerome Stevens, executive director of

Earth Share of Michigan. "A lot of people think they can't make a difference, but if one family of four would turn off the water while they were brushing their teeth, that would save 40 gallons of water each day."

Reduce your impact at home:

Replace frequently used light bulbs with compact fluorescent bulbs – reduce your carbon footprint by 450 pounds a year (see Bulbs below)

Keep your tires properly inflated and get better gas mileage – reduce your carbon footprint another 20 pounds for each gallon of gas saved

Run your dishwasher only when it's full

Make sure your printer paper is 100 percent post consumer recycled

Move your heater thermostat down two degrees in winter and up two degrees in the summer – reduce your carbon footprint by 2,000 pounds

Take shorter showers because showers account for 2/3 of all water heating costs

Use cold water to wash your clothes – reduce your carbon footprint by 500 pounds a year

Get active with your kids on earth day:

Plant a tree or enjoy nature – planting trees is an effective way to reduce greenhouse gases. Trees absorb the carbon dioxide and create oxygen for us to breathe. On Earth Day, venture to a park, fly a kite, ride a bicycle, clean up trash at a local stream or nature setting.

Make a tire swing – Have an old tire lying around? Objects that were destined for the garbage can be reused for entertainment.

Reduce, Reuse and Recycle – The three golden R's of Earth care. Demonstrate the creative side of ordinary objects. Make a recycled flowerpot. Cut off the bottom of a 2 liter soda bottle, decorate it and plant seeds. Tour each part of the house and talk about which products are recyclable or able to be reused.

Earth Day Reality Check:

177 billion – number of dollars U.S. consumers saved in 2005 because of improvements in automobile efficiency since 1973

550,000 – Number of trees saved if you recycled all the newspaper in the U.S. on one average Sunday

22,000 – Number of pounds of carbon dioxide (CO2) released by the average household each year

4,281 – Number of acres of rainforest lost every hour worldwide

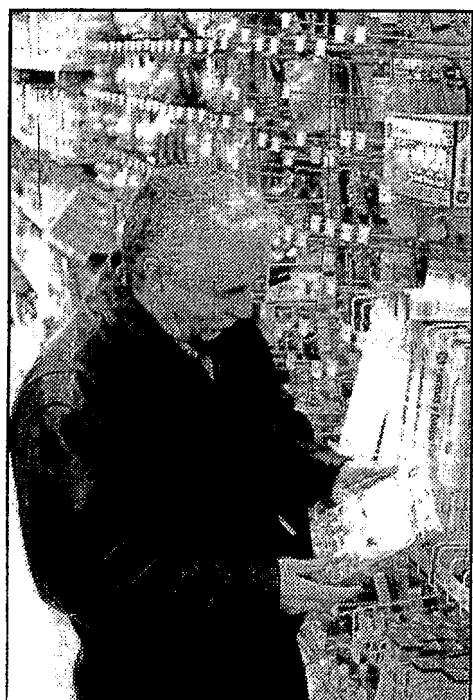
2020 – Year that Mt. Kilimanjaro's glaciers will be completely gone

9 – Percentage of species facing extinction because of global climate change

1 – Number of people it takes to start a change

—Courtesy of www.earthday.org

Consumers weigh fluorescent vs. incandescent



George Robertson looks at a pack of CFL's at the local ACE Hardware store. Robertson and his family have already put several CFL's in their home to reduce energy bills and to help the environment. Each time one of their traditional incandescent bulbs burn out, Robertson replaces it with a new CFL. Photo by Laura Colvin

BY KELLY L. REYNOLDS
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You may have seen those funny-looking swirly light bulbs in your local hardware store or gracing the isles of Wal-Mart. You may be wondering what they are and what makes them so special that they cost a few dollars more than the traditional incandescent light bulbs filling your home.

Those funny-looking swirly bulbs are called Compact Fluorescent Light bulbs, or CFL's. Not only do CFL's look different, but they also work differently and impact the environment differently, as well.

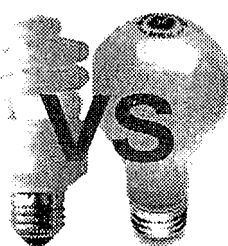
There was a time not too long ago that CFL's cost much more and gave off far less light. However, the CFL's currently on the market have decreased in cost tremendously and now give off the same amount of light as the traditional incandescent bulbs. CFL's also have different hues, so if one seems too harsh or the other is too dim, there is bound to be another that emits different light, says Aileen Gow, executive director of Urban Options, an East Lansing organization that

helps people save money and the environment through educational programs and practical alternatives.

CFL's emit less heat and energy than the traditional bulb, said Gow, which means using less energy and emitting less energy into the atmosphere. So while the cost may be a little higher initially, she said, it will more than pay for itself in the long-run with the energy savings and the long life, five to seven years, of the CFL.

Wal-Mart has launched a campaign to bring 100 million CFL's into American homes by the end of 2007. The initiative incorporates into the company's three key goals, said Kory Lundberg, Spokesperson for Wal-Mart. First, we want to be supplied by 100 percent renewable energy, create zero waste and sell products that sustain our resources and environment.

In order to reach this goal, Wal-Mart has created displays to increase the visibility of CFL's in its stores and also provides many hands-on demonstrations and educational displays about the benefits of CFL's.



CFL'S BY THE NUMBERS

If every American home replaced just one light bulb with a CFL, enough energy would be saved to light more than 2.5 million homes for a year and prevent greenhouse gases equivalent to the emissions of nearly 800,000 homes - EnergyStar.com

CFL's emit the same light as a classic light bulb, but use 75-80 percent less electricity

CFL's last anywhere from five to 10 years

Spending more money on a CFL initially doesn't mean CFL's cost more. With the energy savings and the amount of time these last, the CFL more than pays for itself.

The glass of the classic 60-watt incandescent light bulb heats to 300 degrees Celsius. CFL's, however, run on only 100 degrees, using less energy and emitting less heat.

Police and Fire

Independence Township

Fri., April 6 A 41-year-old man living in the 5500 block of Parview reported a 12-foot aluminum row boat valued at about \$600 stolen from the storage area at his apartment complex.

Deputies were seeking a warrant package on stalking charges, as well as malicious use of phones, after a 24-year-old Independence Township man repeatedly made threats and used vulgar language during a long series of calls to the grocery store where his former girlfriend is employed.

A maintenance person at an Independence Township apartment building reported a door to the main office kicked in over night.

Sat., April 7 A driver in the Dixie Highway and White Lake Road area flagged a patrolling deputy to report erratic driving by an approaching motorist. The highly intoxicated 17-year-old female driver of the car in question was arrested and jailed after becoming violent and verbally abusive when she was pulled over. The girl said she was rushing home to meet a midnight curfew so her mother would not lock her out of the house.

Mon., April 9 A 22-year-old man walked into the Independence Township substation seeking advice on child custody after his former girlfriend allegedly

abandoned the couple's 3-year-old son, saying she did not wish to care for the child any longer. The father was advised to contact Oakland County family court.

Police were dispatched to a gas station near Sashabaw Road and Maybee Road after the male driver of a newer model silver Grand Prix drove off without paying after he pumped \$14.11 in gasoline.

A 20-year-old man living in Independence Township was pulled over after deputies spotted him driving a car with expired Texas plates. The man, who had no driver's license, registration or insurance was transported to Oakland County Jail and turned over to immigration officials after admitting he was an illegal Mexican alien.

A homeowner living in the 7700 block of Fieldstone Ridge called police to report his home had been broken into while he was out of town. An unknown person made off with a laptop computer, iPod and miscellaneous items after smashing a basement window to gain access to the home.

Tues., April 10 A 28-year-old Independence Township man was arrested and jailed on a valid Friend of the Court warrant and probation violation.

A 40-year-old woman living in an apartment complex off Sashabaw Road called police to report an unknown person had been stealing from her DVD collection over a period of months. Someone had also installed spyware on her PC,

the woman said.

Deputies were seeking a warrants on several charges after a 29-year-old Pontiac man walked into the Independence Township home of a former girlfriend and allegedly made off with several thousand dollars in precious metals after physically assaulting the 28-year-old woman and grabbing her phone as she attempted to call 911.

Deputies were dispatched to the I-75 and Dixie Highway area after an angry motorist called to report a reckless driver who nearly caused an accident. The man admitted to deputies that he was driving "kind of crazy." The driver was issued a citation for reckless driving, and several passing motorists honked and gave "thumbs up" to the officer as he spoke with the man.

Deputies were dispatched to the 8600 block of Sashabaw after the parents of a 30-year-old man with a history of controllable medical conditions discovered their son deceased in his bed. The man had been at a local doctor's office for back pain the previous day, and was issued a prescription for pain medication, and 15 of the 60 pills were missing.

Wed., April 11 A 43-year-old man living in the 7900 block of Perry Lake Road called police after discovering a Sirius Satellite Radio stolen from the car's dash. A duffel bag containing clothing was also missing from the vehicle.

Deputies were dispatched to a hardware store on Dixie Highway after an

employee reported the theft of two large spools of heavy copper wire, valued at about \$120 each. The woman told police a young man pulled into the store's fire lane in a 4-door dark green Bonneville and caused a distraction while another young man ran from the store with the wire and jumped into the car.

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Man killed by train

A 37-year-old Waterford Township man was killed when he was hit by a train in Springfield Township Tues., April 10.

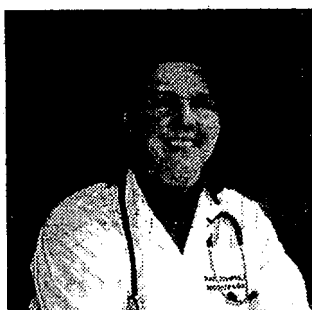
The incident was ruled a suicide, said Sgt. Mark Gardner of the Oakland County Sheriff's Office Springfield Township substation.

According to police reports, the conductor and engineer saw the man sitting on the tracks from about 30 yards off, but were unable to brake quickly enough.

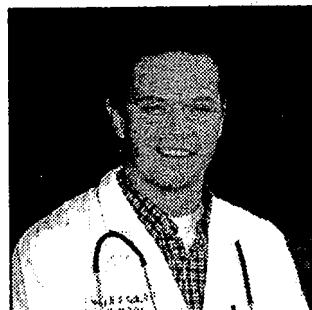
The train was traveling south at about 43 mph, enroute from Battle Creek to Pontiac at about 10:40 p.m. when it struck the man, who did not attempt to move as the train approached.

The incident occurred about one mile west of Eaton Road and a quarter-mile north of Davisburg Road.

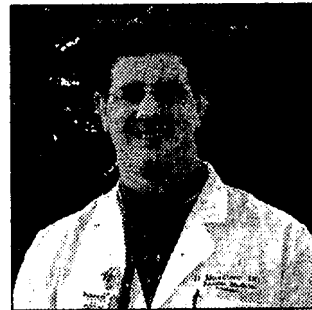
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Police

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Springfield Township

Sat., April 7 Deputies were seeking a warrant on possession of narcotics after crack cocaine and drug paraphernalia were discovered in a vehicle driven by a 36-year-old Southgate man and a 36-year-old Trenton woman. The woman had a bench warrant out of Trenton and both had a suspended license.

Sun., April 8 A 46-year-old Springfield Township woman was arrested and jailed on domestic violence charges after instigating a physical altercation which left red marks and small cuts on the neck of her 56-year-old husband, whom she married about a year ago.

Mon., April 9 A 52-year-old Davisburg woman living in an apartment complex on Big Lake Road reported the theft of pain medication from her refrigerator. The woman, who claimed her physician would not refill the prescription unless she made a police report, said she believes her drug-addicted former neighbors took the pills.

Deputies were dispatched to assist the fire department on a medical call after a 52-year old man replacing shingles on his garage in the 11800 block of Old Oaks Lane took a 12-foot fall from the ladder he was climbing. The man was bleeding from the head and complaining of extreme hip pain.

Tues., April 10 A 16-year-old youth visiting the home of a friend in the 5200 block of Hillsboro called police and reported an unknown person vandalized his car while he was inside watching television. Police observed four slashed tires, a smashed rear window, as well as a derogatory word spray painted on the vehicle, but also noted the young man several times changed his story about where and when the damage occurred.

Compiled by Laura Colvin

Back cookin'

221B Baker Street returns after winter break

BY PAUL KAMPE
Clarkston News Staff Writer

For a taste of Europe without the passport, just travel north on Dixie Highway to 221B Baker Street. The London-esque diner at 10063 Dixie Highway reopened in February after a lay-off in the fall.

Trini and Carmen's, a popular Mexican-themed restaurant, was to purchase the property, owned by 221B Baker Street's proprietors Fran and Ed Avey. The Aveys have owned the eatery for nearly a decade. The restaurant closed at the end of September when the deal was being worked out. They are hoping word of mouth and advertising can recoup past and new guests.

"I don't think many of my people know I'm open again. I've been calling my last year's reservation book and I've gotten through April in my phone calls," Fran Avey said.

"People have said, 'I'm so glad you're back open, I'm going to help spread the word.'"

The 1,300-square-foot, non-smoking restaurant was reopened and now has a new chef, Tyler Ballek. The Aveys employed their children, daughter Rachel Rivera and son Matthew Avey, as the original chefs.

"We wanted to start a family business. Our son and our daughter were our chefs for nine years," Fran said.

"They added their talent to everything, and were just remarkable at maintaining a real good reputation for food and their service up front."

Ensuring the restaurant is a family-run business, Ed is still taking care of any maintenance issues, while Fran works up front with the guests.

As visitors likely remember, 221B Baker Street is adorned with Sherlock Holmes memorabilia. The name of the restaurant, Holmes' apartment number, as well as food items, are based on the legendary detective novels.

"My husband was a fan of the clas-



The interior of 221B Baker Street is modeled after London, England, and features many Sherlock Holmes relics.

sics when he was growing up. He introduced me to Sherlock Holmes through books and movies. When we got the building, it looked like a little country pub over in England or Ireland," Fran said.

"Thus the English-pub motif with lace clothes.

"Many people who have visited said, 'Oh, this reminds me of a pub back home.'"

Fran described the menu as flavorful and diverse, and 221B Baker street is known for its chicken sauté dishes.

The Golden Pince Nez, or Lemon garlic chicken, leads the trio. The Five Orange Pippis (orange chicken) and the Study and Scarlet (Amaretto Chicken) with Traverse Bay cherries has almonds and spinach added to it.

She has high expectations for the End of the Islander crab cake entrée, which is soon to make the menu also.

The Aveys like to incorporate Michigan products into their menu, like the cherries. While Ballek is working out the kinks of the recipe, the restaurant is

likely to see the return of Mrs. Hudson's Meat Pie, a nine-inch pastie.

"Northern Michigan made pasties a household item.

"It's not on the menu and there are some people waiting for it to come back. I never realized how specific some recipes have to be."

The Aveys make 221B Baker Street available outside their regular hours for catering, Saturday tea once a month and special events.

Once, Fran recalled, the restaurant hosted a wedding rehearsal dinner in need of foreign food to accommodate the South American bride and her family.

"We searched everywhere and the web for Brazilian recipes and I finally came up with one from an old cookbook we have here," Fran Avey said.

"There wasn't a drop left."

221B Baker Street, 10063 Dixie Highway, is open from 4-10 p.m., Tues.-Sat. The restaurant can be reached at 248-922-9020.

Clarkston faculty to take on All Stars Friday for senior center

University of Michigan All Stars is set to take on the Clarkston Schools Faculty 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 20, at Clarkston Jr. High School, 6595 Waldon Road.

Admission is \$3 at the door.

Teachers interested in playing on the faculty team should call Lisa McCoy at 248-625-8223.

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A spring maintenance check is necessary in order to protect vehicles inside and out. Photo by Kelly L. Reynolds

Spring vehicle maintenance important part of car's life

BY KELLY L. REYNOLDS
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Spring has sprung and with the warmer weather comes a responsibility as a car owner to perform spring car maintenance.

From salt damage to potholes, the winter months can really do a number on vehicles.

Bob King, service manager at Clarkston Chrysler Jeep, says a vehicle should get inspected for suspension damage, and the spring is also a good time to look at tires, brakes, and air conditioning.

"You'll always get a pressure change in tires that relates to temperature," said King. "The cooler it is, the lower the pressure will be. When the weather gets warmer, you'll need to change the pressure."

King also recommends nitrogen tire inflation on any tire.

"This has been available for commercial tires and aircrafts for years," he said. "With the molecular structure, the nitrogen is less likely to leak out of the tire and you won't have pressure changes."

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A full interior and exterior detail, including shampooing and wash, is also beneficial to cars overall well-being because of the damage salt does to the underbody and the interior.

King also said that maintenance should be done periodically on all vehicles regardless of the season.

"If you don't, you risk having a breakdown, safety issues, increased rust and overall a reduced value of your vehicle," he said.

Spring maintenance can be done while you wait and appointments can be made for full detailing service, said King. For more information, call Clarkston Chrysler Jeep at 248-620-4200.

Summer camp set July 23-27

Clarkston Community Schools' Camp Invention program, a weeklong summer day experience for children entering grades 1-6, is set for July 23-27 at Sashabaw Middle School.

The program is designed to inspire creativity and inventive-thinking through loads of fun, hands-on activities.

Children will participate in five age-appropriate modules each day, which include:

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- Creating mind-boggling new games in the AMAZing Games module.

The Camp Invention program integrates science, mathematics, history, and the arts in an exciting environment conducive to learning.

This year the program is being held at Sashabaw Middle School.

Kara Lomazov, third-grade teacher at Independence Elementary, will be camp director, and Dennis Klenow, fifth-grade teacher at Independence, will be assistant director.

Local certified teachers will lead the five modules and curricula each day. Enthusiastic high school and college students will serve as counselors.

The program features a low staff-to-child ratio, with one staff member for every eight children.

Registration fee, \$199, includes snacks and T-shirt.

Register before May 31 to receive \$19 off the basic registration price. Call 800-968-4332. Registration is limited to 110 children. Visit www.campinvention.org or contact Kara Lomazov at: lomazokl@clarkston.k12.mi.us.

CAYA honoring youth tomorrow at church

Clarkston Area Youth Assistance will be recognizing our area's outstanding youth at its annual Youth Recognition Event to be held tomorrow, 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.

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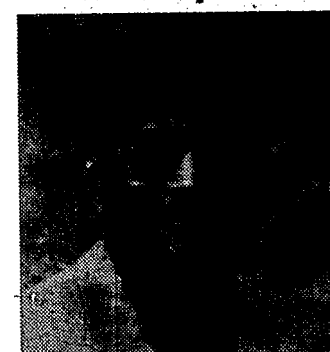
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Students learn how to adjust the chemistry of their pools, to make them chemically balanced. When balanced, the pool will be clear and clean, Bishop said.

"If the water doesn't look good, no one will want to go in it," he said. "We'll show you how to get clean, clear water so your family can enjoy it."

Pool School is set for 7 p.m., May 2, at the store, 5738 South Main Street. To register, call 248-625-0729, or e-mail them at bill@poolmartspas.com or poolmartinfo@poolmartspas.com.

Poolmart and Spas has several new styles of swimming pools this season. The store offers Doughboy above-ground, steel pools, as well as hot tubs, full line of chemical treatment products, and accessories.

Homeowners who want an in-ground pool should still come by, though — one of the latest trends is to dig a hole, place an above-ground pool inside, then fill around it. This provides an in-ground type pool at about half the cost of a concrete pool, he said.

In addition to retail products, Poolmart is equipped with a water analysis lab and diagnostic center.

— By Phil Custodio



Jim Bishop, owner of Poolmart and Spas in Clarkston, will present Pool School May 2. Photo by Phil Custodio

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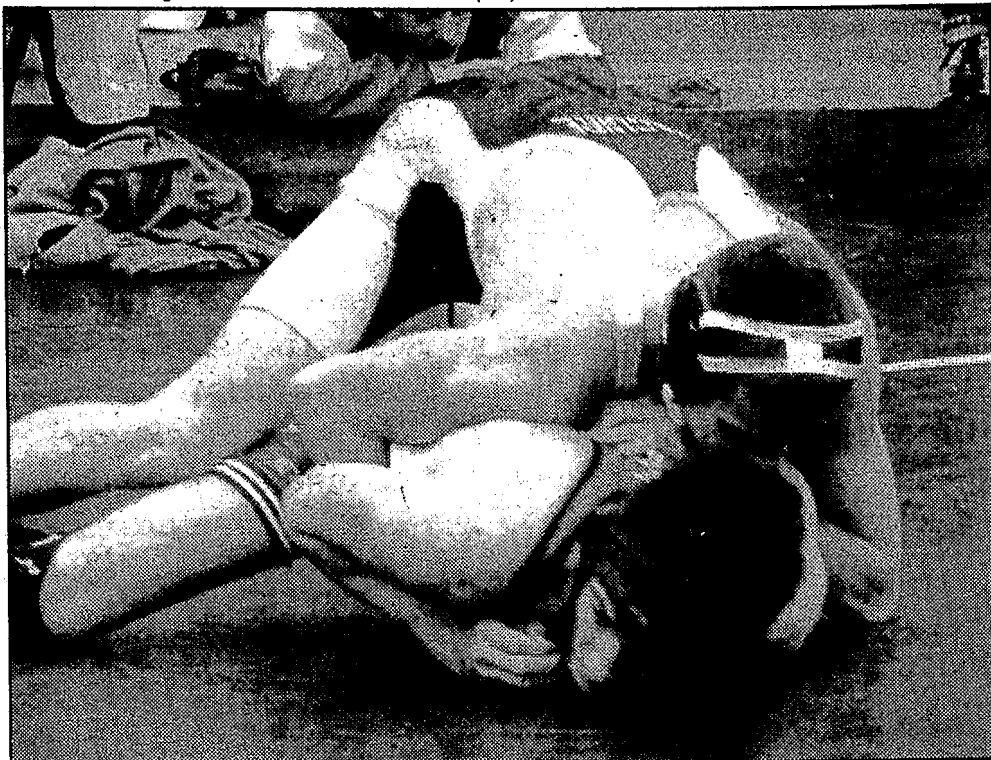
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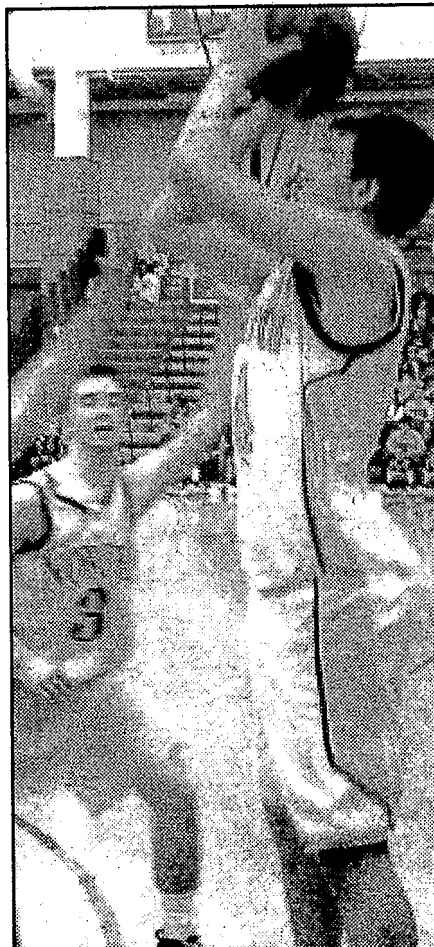
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Clarkston's Mike Maguire earned the school its first individual state wrestling championship since 2004. Below, wrestling coach Joe DeGain hands off the regional championship trophy. Photos by Paul Kampe



Dan Owens, above, averaged nearly 25 points per game for the Wolves in their 21-4 season, which reached the state quarterfinals. Owens is committed to play for Ashland University next year. Taylor Turner, at left, led the Wolves on the ice.

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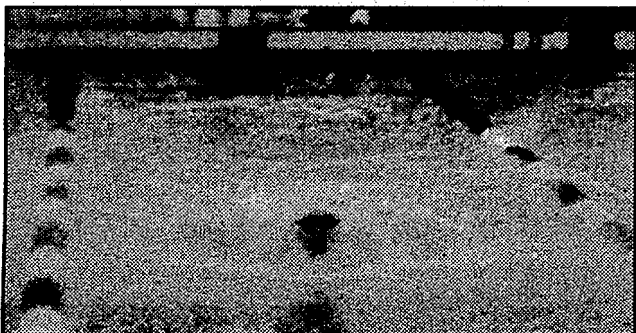
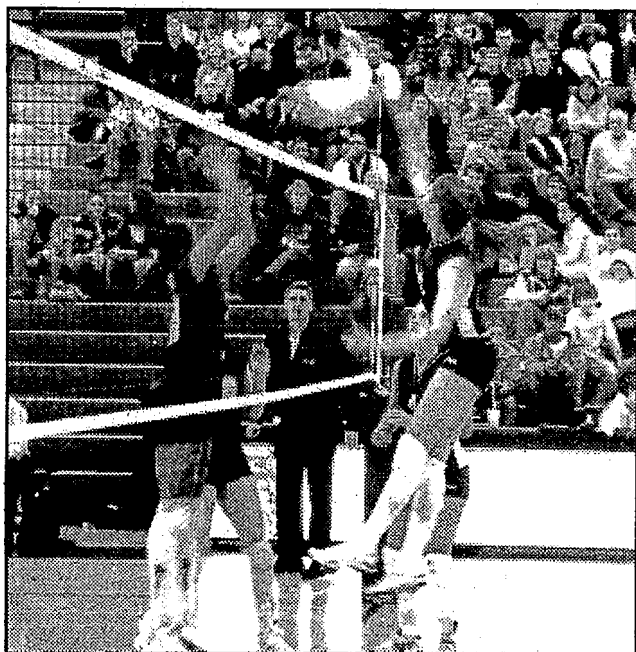
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Clockwise from left: Julie Gillespie and the Wolves had some high-flying times this season. Hannah Wolf was a state champion on the slopes and was part of a talent-laden girls' squad. Phil Voorheis swims in the 100-yard butterfly event. The talented young team will be back next season to accomplish more personal and team feats. Congratulations to all our Clarkston winter sports teams from *The Clarkston News* and our sponsors!

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Local volunteer leading effort to fight cancer

Sherry Schaffert of Clarkston is the auction chairperson for the Man & Woman of the Year committee, Michigan Chapter of The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society.

Schaffert became involved with the society after her father was diagnosed with a blood cancer. She has participated in many fundraising campaigns.

As auction chairperson, Schaffert recruits unique auction items from businesses throughout the area, for auction at the Grand Finale. Beginning with a Kickoff Celebration March 29, candidates are raising funds over 10 weeks to benefit the society.

Every dollar raised counts as one "vote." The male and female candidates with the most "votes" will be awarded the title of 2007 Man & Woman of the Year at a Grand Finale Celebration on Wednesday, June 6, at the Dearborn Inn.

Candidates compete in honor of the society's Boy & Girl of the Year, local children who are survivors of blood cancers.

For more information on how to donate items for the silent auction or to attend the event, contact Schaffert at 248-894-9202.

She also serves as the co-chairperson for the Team Recruitment Committee for Metro Detroit's Light The Night Walk.

Light The Night is an evening walk and fundraiser held annually in communities across the country. It commemorates lives touched by blood cancer, and support blood cancer research and patient services.

The evening is also a community celebration, with music, refreshments and family activities. This year's walk in Metro Detroit will be held on Friday, Sept. 28, at Memorial Park in Royal Oak.

Approximately 747,000 Americans are battling leukemia, lymphoma and myeloma. During the Light The Night Walk, family, friends, and teams of co-workers walk together in twilight holding illuminated balloons, to draw attention to the need to find cures and provide families with ongoing care and support.

"Leukemia, lymphoma and myeloma strike all ages," said Laura Dodd, director of special events of the society's Michigan Chapter. "Whether you're young or old, male or female, black or white - blood cancer doesn't discriminate. We are looking forward to another successful fundraising season and are grateful to the volunteers who are lending their support."

To volunteer, or for more information about Light The Night, contact the Michigan Chapter of The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society at 248-582-2900 or visit www.LLS.org.

Financial Workshop set today, tomorrow

"Senior Financial Survival" workshop is set for 4 p.m., April 18-19, at Mountain Jack's in Auburn Hills.

During the presentation, Daniel Krug, certified senior advisor with Daniel Krug & Associates, will focus on challenges facing retirees today, including how to protect assets from catastrophic illness and nursing homes; how to lower or eliminate taxes on social security, interest income and capital gains; ways retirees can increase their spendable income; how to avoid probate, trusts, lawsuits and legal issues; and how retirees can effectively benefit from market growth without risk and sheltering 401(k) and IRA savings.

The workshop will also include information on Medicaid, income tax updates, living wills and power of attorney.

The workshop is free and dinner will be provided, but seating is limited. Reservations are required and can be made by calling 800-810-2072, RSVP code 201097. Mountain Jack's is located at 1451 North Opdyke Road in Auburn Hills.




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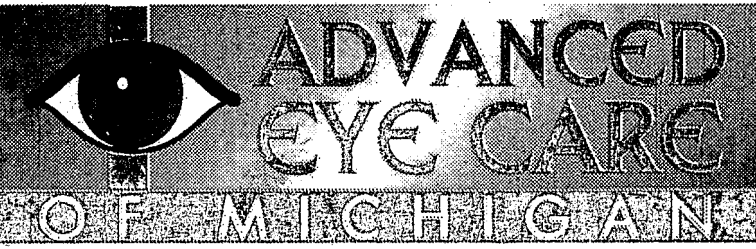
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Clarkston News Sports

Girls golf hits the links this week

BY PAUL KAMPE

Clarkston News Staff Writer

The Clarkston girls' golf team, after an eighth-place finish in the state look to make good on their last season, played in the spring. The golfers will be moving to the fall in 2007-'08, while the boys' golf team will move to the spring.

Coach Larry Sherrill will have a young team this year, anchored by third-year varsity players Ashley Blanc and fellow junior Minjoo Lee.

"I'm going to expect a lot. They have all the experience. They know what it's like...and they understand that. They're showing the girls' examples," Sherrill said.

"That's why it's going to be important for the other girls to come along quickly to make a strong team."

The team will be relying on Lee early on, Sherrill said, because beside her and Blanc, the remainder of the team is new to the varsity level. The 2006 Wolves team had six players on

the roster with at least one year of varsity experience.

"We have a lot of potential, but it depends on what we do in the next couple of weeks," Sherrill said during pre-season practice.

Last year's second-place OAA team made it to the state finals with a concentrated team effort, without a superstar. The same is needed this season, Sherrill said.

The girls got a late start because of less than favorable weather conditions.

"That's the problem with spring practices, but everyone is in the same boat," Sherrill said.

"You can only do so much, but we're fortunate to have a dome like (Mulligan's), because you can't duplicate any outdoor conditions."

The season switch, handed down by the Michigan High School Athletic Association two weeks ago, will be helpful to the girls, Sherrill said, but harmful to the boys.

"The level of play will go up



The Wolves are: Ashley Blanc, Minjoo Lee, Jessica Lazoen, Michelle Lee, Christine Seiple, Kelsie Thams, Andrea Henderson, Kelly Santo and Jenny Fuller. Photo by Paul Kampe

for the girls because serious players will be playing during the summer, but it will hurt the boys. It's tough to get (players) out on the courses (in the spring)."

The nearly year-and-a-half-long layoff for the boys could be

detrimental also, he said, but things should work themselves out.

"After we do it for 2-3 years, it won't be any big deal. It's just that first-year adjustment," Sherrill said.

Their first match was scheduled for Tuesday at Rochester. April 24, the girls will go to the Oakland County Tournament at Pontiac Country Club. Their first home meet at is April 26 at 3:20 p.m. at Oakhurst.

Athletes of the week

Gymnast duo from Clarkston does well at state competition

BY PAUL KAMPE

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Two young Clarkston gymnasts, 11-year-old fifth-graders Brian Lormier and Jonathan Pitts, from Gymnastic Training Center of Rochester, helped their level-six team to a second-place finish at the state finals in Cadillac, Mich., March 30.

Pitts, a student from Bailey Lake Elementary, tied for ninth place on the rings as part of his 14th overall finish in the state. In 2006, Pitts was the state champion in the event. Lormier, a Springfield Plains Elementary student, was runner-up in the pole vault and a top-25 finisher overall.

With high marks at the state event, both boys qualified for the regional finals, which include participants from Michigan, Ohio, Illinois, Indiana and Kentucky. That event was scheduled for this past weekend in Battle Creek.

Shawn Clement, who has coached Lormier since age 3 and Pitts since age 6, said the boys have bright futures ahead.

"If they both stick with it, they can compete collegiately," Clement said.

Fifty percent of graduating high school seniors from GTC continue after high school, Clement said.



Brian Lormier, at left, and Jonathan Pitts, right, both finished in the top 25 at the state finals in Cadillac two weeks ago. Both 11-year-old boys are from Clarkston and train at the Gymnastic Training Center in Rochester. Photos submitted

Assistant Coach Julie Maurer said Lormier is a determined student.

"He comes out swinging and won't stop until he gets it. He's really come a long way. He comes in and wants to get as good as the older kids. He works hard to accomplish his goal."

Pitts adjusted to the sport immediately, Maurer said. "He was a natural talent when he walked in the door. He's strong and athletic and he's got a good shape for the sport. When he walked in, he was just able to go," she said.

Dave Pitts, Jonathan's father, said the same.



"He seemed to like it quite a bit and he really took off," he said.

The rings are Jonathan's favorite of the six gymnastic events, his father said.

"It's his love of being airborne, he's very confident up there," Dave said.

As a child, Jonathan displayed his ability at home, to the surprise of his parents.

"At 4 or 5, he would spring backwards off the couch and flip backwards on the floor. We said, 'If he's going to do this, we should make sure he does it right.' He took to it like a natural," Dave said.

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A complete consolidation could save up to \$300,000 a year in property taxes for the entire community. That's \$300,000 every year or over a million dollars in less than four years.

In addition, the 10 percent surcharge to city residents would be eliminated, as well as the 10 percent surcharge on water fees.

Finally, the community would put itself first in line for additional revenue from the state under the governor's proposed state-shared revenue plan.

At this point, all that the township has proposed is to take advantage of Oakland County's program to conduct a "free" feasibility study. Under this program, the county will pay an independent auditor to review not only consolidation, but an examination of the current sharing of resources to determine whether greater efficiencies can be obtained.

The township's 10 percent surcharge would also be reviewed to determine if it is fair and equitable for both communities. There is no charge or obligation for the feasibility study.

While the focus has been on consolidation, the feasibility study would review and provide valuable data and insight into the issue of sharing resources.

I have said all along that the township has no power nor a willingness to force a consolidation on the city residents.

However, both entities have an obligation to review the current relationship of sharing our resources.

In my view, consolidation is nothing more than the far end of the shared resource spectrum. In other words, consolidation is another way to say we have 100 percent shared resources.

The free feasibility study will help both communities evaluate the most efficient and advantageous means to share our resources.

While I agree we should look into

sharing our resources, I believe government should be in the business of providing services, not selling them.

It is a slippery slope for one governmental entity to sell services to another. At some point, just as in business, you have to ask, is there a need for the middleman?

It is not at all clear that because city residents pay the same millage as township resident, even with the 10 percent surcharge, that they are paying the same amount as township taxpayers.

No service or program is fully funded by its designated millage.

As any business owner knows, every enterprise has start-up costs, long-term commitments, supervision costs, healthcare costs, and the legacy costs of post-retirement benefits.

When the township sells services, it assumes the risks and obligations of these costs, which the purchaser of the services does not necessarily incur. We have an obligation to make sure everyone is paying their fair share.

We need a professional review of whether "all" of these costs are being fairly shared by both communities.

Determining what to charge or what credit to give for a shared resource is always difficult, particularly when dealing with neighbors and friends.

As elected officials, however, we have an obligation to our taxpayers and the taxpayers of the future to make sure that they are paying only for the services they receive and not subsidizing or overpaying another entity.

This is true for both the township and city officials.

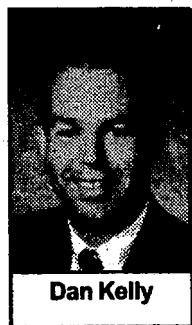
While consolidation and obtaining greater efficiencies are much talked about in government, it lacks foresight to simply say "not in my backyard."

Finally, no matter what we do, we must recognize the uniqueness, history, and independence of Clarkston.

The application to the county for the feasibility study, specifically requests that legal alternatives be examined to maintain the city's independence and still obtain the tax benefits.

A compromise may be available which will benefit both communities. It starts with the "free" feasibility study.

Dan Kelly is a trustee with the Independence Township Board.



Dan Kelly



Correction

Everest Academy student Alex Cousins, at left, was misidentified in the April 11 edition of *The Clarkston News*. Cousins stands with classmates Madeline Allard, Jackson Stowe, Kaitlin Boncore, Sarah Stafford and Emily Elcher. They all tied for first place in Everest's Catechism Contest April 4.

Lessons learned about U.S.

On a recent sunny afternoon in Washington D.C., my internship supervisor and I took a taxi to Capitol Hill for a meeting.

Along the way, an Ethiopian cab driver reminded a young intern from Clarkston, Michigan why the United States is a great country.

"There's no place like America," she began.

My supervisor responded, but I silently agreed, considering my surroundings as we sped toward our destination.

At that time, I had lived in the District of Columbia for little more than a month, so all the attractions of the city were still new to me.

Filled with ethnic diversity, Washing-

ton is truly a microcosm of the entire world. It's a tourist's dream.

Historic buildings and monuments commemorate a rich heritage and affirm a strong national pride. Foreign embassies house diplomats from countries across the globe.

Museums are detailed, streets are alive, and restaurants are satisfying.

My internal agreement with the cab driver's assertion was also influenced by several personal experiences.

As a member of a Calvin College group studying in the nation's capital, I had already toured famous sites like the Library of Congress, the U.S. Supreme Court, and the Pentagon. I watched President Bush board Marine One on the White House lawn one morning.

I also sat next to Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice in a church service and had spoken with actor Kiefer Sutherland, Jack Bauer of Fox's 24, at an indepen-

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Girls Rock University graduates first class

BY PAUL KAMPE

Clarkston News Staff Writer

For young girls hoping to take their basketball skills to school, Girls Rock University was there for them. The basketball school, coached by former high school and collegiate basketball player Jen Pieh, wrapped up its inaugural season two weeks ago.

The school is designed to offer a relaxed atmosphere for girls from fourth through eighth grade of all experience levels.

"We were trying to build their confidence so they could do something like AAU. It was more or less a fun thing for the girls. There is a lot of pressure at that age," Pieh said.

Pieh wanted to start the program so she could share the little things she picked up throughout her career and pass them along.

The group met for eight weeks. During their one-hour sessions at the Community Education gym, the girls worked on drills, strengthening, running plays and scrimmages.

At the beginning of the sessions, Pieh gave each student a card where she could list shot and long-term goals and what level they hoped to play.

"We wanted girls to set goals and build their confidence," Pieh said.

"I wanted them to build confidence so they don't drop the sport all together. When you get into high school, only so many girls make the team."

The relaxed atmosphere was great for the girls, but parents also appreciated Girls Rock U's easy-going nature. Compared to AAU and travel teams, the

girls didn't have to commute, there was no stress, and the financial commitment from parents was far less, Pieh said.

Cathy Starnes, mother of fourth grader Elizabeth, said her daughter really enjoyed the basketball school. Elizabeth had just begun to play the sport prior to Girls Rock U.

"She loved it and she gained a lot of skill. I saw a great improvement in the seven or eight weeks she was there. (Pieh) worked on very specific skills and the form. The girls learned some true basketball skills," Cathy said.

She appreciated the camp because of the way it was organized and structured,

"(Elizabeth) got very specific information about what to do and she followed that. It wasn't just the kids running around on the court. It was structured like a game should be," Cathy said.

The students got to rotate through all the positions on the court. While playing center, Elizabeth learned some tips for working in the post.

"Always be in the key and under the basket. That's the main thing," Elizabeth said.

"It was fun because you got to interact with all the other positions."

Pam Setter, whose fourth-grade daughter Gina played Girls Rock U, agreed with the Starnes.

"I hope they get this going as an official league in the area. (Pieh) got it together for those girls and I hope she can keep it together," Pam said.

In addition to learning basketball fundamentals, the girls learned team spirit, respect and teamwork,

she said.

Gina, who has played for four years, will be in much better condition to tryout for middle school and junior high school teams.

"It will make her more comfortable to try out, it gave her confidence," Pam said.

Pieh is already planning for next year, where she hopes to add inter-city competition with neighboring communities. She might also move the program to another season due to the decision by the Michigan High School Athletic Association to move girls' basketball from the fall to winter.



6 p.m. team, above, back row from left to right: Leah Bowles, Jessica Benedict, Sydney Scott, Katie Kemp, Elizabeth Starnes, Megan Hanselman, Alicia Curry, Coach Jen Pieh. Front row from left to right: Cassidy Irwin, Hannah LaCroix, Kaitlyn Gilbert, Ashley Irwin, Morgan Halligan, Alexis Martens, Krista Bowles. Absent from picture: Corrin Maniscalchi, Stefanie and Hannah Glise, Gwen Keller, Elliana Locher and Melanie Moore. Photos submitted.



7p.m. team, at left, back row from left to right: Coach Jen Pieh, Gracie Sementkowski, Mascot Alyssa Pieh, Brittney Welles, Kristie Haggadone, Alex Harrison, Katie Haggadone, Julie Goldberg, Susan Kennedy and Jacklyn Hensel. Front row from left to right: Alexis Yarnell, Briana Traver, Madison Wilson, Heather Davies, Katelyn Kuenzel, Sarah Betram, Ashley Skaggs and Gina Setter. Absent from photo: Stephanie Marani, Brianna Sholte, Karoline Holsbeke and Kristen Raue.

Girls track splits at tri-way, boys 0-2

BY PAUL KAMPE
Staff Writer

The Clarkston track teams kicked off their seasons with a tri-way meet at Clarkston April 3 with Rochester Adams and Lake Orion. The Highlanders defeated the boys 77-51 and escaped a much closer meet with the girls, 69-59. The boys lost to the Dragons also, 72-56, while the girls won decidedly, 90-37.

"It was a solid start to the season, we had some good times," Girls coach John Yorke said.

Against Adams, the Wolves forced the meet down to the last event, the 1600-meter relay. A team of Kristen Smith, Jenna Manilla, Alyssa Swindlehurst and Annie Castillo came up just 1.5 seconds short in the scorebook, but each member's time was a personal best for the season.

"They ran a pretty good time. They were happy because they competed and did everything they could to win," Yorke said.

Autumn Touchstone, a 2006 state qualifier, won the 100-meter high hurdles

(16.1) and the 300-meter low hurdles (48.4) against both opponents.

"Her 300-meter hurdles was a good start to the season," Yorke said.

"She and I are expecting more things this year. There will be meets where she'll stand out more."

The Wolves won 14 of 16 events against the Dragons, including a 5-foot-3-inch high jump by Manilla and a 16-foot-7-inch long jump from Stephanie Thorstad.

Against Lake Orion,

the boys took six events. Thomas Follis took 100-meter hurdles (16.6) and 300-meter hurdles (44.1), and Erik Thompson high-jumped 19-feet 10-3/4-inches to win their events. Matt Alexander (53.0) won the 400-meter dash. The Wolves' 3200-meter

relay team (8:34.7) of Phil Voorheis, Zachary Peers, Alexander and Nick LaMora took first, as did the 1600-meter relay team (3:34.0) with Alexander, LaMora, Kyle Rivenburgh and Giovan McDougal.

Thompson's long and Follis' high jump (5-feet 8-

inch) both bested Adams.

Both squads were set to travel to West Bloomfield Tuesday for another tri-meet.

Check online at www.clarkstonnews.com for the results or read the April 25 print edition of *The Clarkston News*.

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Delisi on the prowl

OLSM linebacker headed to Cincy

BY PAUL KAMPE

Clarkston News Staff Writer

In all the hoopla of early collegiate signings Feb. 7, Alex Delisi of Clarkston put his name in ink to play for the University of Cincinnati. In a large Oakland County crop of senior football recruits promising their athletic futures, Delisi was one of five to sign from his high school, Orchard Lake St. Mary's. Delisi is one of three players from George Porritt's notorious Eaglets program, destined for division I college football next fall.

"I've been working for a ride to college since eighth grade. That's been the goal and it happened," Delisi said.

Porritt immediately recognized Delisi's dedication to the game.

"He's a tough kid with a tremendous work ethic. He trains year-round in the weight room. He eats, sleeps and drinks football," Porritt said.

Delisi, a three-year starter for the Eaglets, had to be chased away from the weight room this season.

"There are certain kids with certain passions. After school, I know right where Alex is at Monday through Friday," Porritt said.

The 6-foot-2-inch, 220-pound linebacker earned All-state honors last season, which at 8-3, was considered mediocre for the Eaglets. In 2005, OLSM made their way through the playoffs to



Alex Delisi, of Clarkston, signs to play football for the University of Cincinnati in the fall. Photo submitted

the regional finals and an 11-1 season. The success led to increased pressure on the Eaglets, who returned many players from the previous season.

"Ninety-nine percent of football is mental and if you're distracted, you're not going to perform," Delisi said.

"Last season, a lot of kids were distracted with college and everything."

Delisi made 163 tackles last season, seven of them for sacks.

Delisi, who runs a 4.5-second 40-yard dash, will put his speed to use in the Big East Conference where the Bearcats play.

"It's known to be a very fast conference," Delisi said.

The concerted effort of incoming Bearcats head coach Brian Kelly, who left Central Michigan University in De-

cember to fill the vacancy created when Mark Dantonio took Michigan State's head coaching position, left an impression on Delisi.

"I was their number one recruit and when it comes to playing, that gave me the upper hand," he said.

Kelly said he recruited Delisi while with the Chippewas, but knew Delisi was more likely to go to a larger school eligible for the Bowl Championship Series at the end of the season.

"I thought it was going to be a stretch for us to get him. I thought he was going to be a Big 10 lock, I felt he had that kind of ability and we were excited to get him here," Kelly said.

The location, close enough for his parents Robert and Sandra to visit, coaches and facilities were key to Delisi's decision.

Big Ten schools Ohio State, MSU and Illinois as well as Washington were in the running for Delisi.

He is planning to pack on more muscle and get quicker to play at the inside linebacker position where Kelly has him slated, a slide over from middle linebacker at OLSM. Delisi is looking to drop one-tenth of a second off his 40-yard dash time and gain between 10-20 pounds for the position.

Kelly said Delisi's athleticism bodes well for the incoming freshman.

"Alex has the ability to play inside

and the athletic ability to play another defensive position," Kelly said.

"He's an athletic kid and he runs well. He's got some flexibility, he's not just a plug-in linebacker."

St. Mary's reputation for producing quality student athletes was another factor in the decision for Kelly, who has recruited about 10 players from OLSM during his time as a head coach.

"I'm well aware of the type of kid I'm getting," Kelly said.

"He has all the things I'm looking for."

Although he knew he had played his way into recruiting from big name schools, Delisi kept focus throughout the season.

"Some kids were crazy because a coach was going to be watching. I got into a zone, I didn't pay attention to it when the game started," Delisi said.

After beginning his gridiron career in sixth grade as a member of the Clarkston Chiefs in youth football, Delisi ventured to Marist Academy prior to OLSM. He played varsity football all four years of high school for the Eaglets.

Delisi said he respects Clarkston High School's football program, a team with a successful history of its own, but his dedication led him to pick Porritt's program.

"A lot of people wanted me to play for Clarkston, but you've got to do what's best for you. I thought St. Mary's offered me the best opportunity to earn a scholarship," Delisi said.

Delisi hopes to parlay his 3.8 GPA into a career in financial services as a money manager or financial planner.

For the time being, Delisi plans on weightlifting, finishing out his senior year of high school and then hitting campus.

Wolves' softball leads return to action with four pack of games

BY PAUL KAMPE

Clarkston News Staff Writer

With spring break out of the way, spring sports season is set to get into full swing, literally. Many sports got in at least one contest in a shortened two-week start of the season, and girls' golf joins the fold.

Softball: The girls took a 1-1 split with Utica Stevenson in their opener and have a tough schedule this week. The Wolves are going to need the rest they got over the break, facing four games in as many days this week, the third being a match with cross-town foe Lake Orion at 4 p.m. Wednesday.

"They're in good shape and I'm not worried about it. Break comes in handy for resting up before the end of the year," coach Don Peters said.

Tennis: The boys got one match in, a sound 8-0

win over Avondale, before one match was suspended mid-play and another cancelled all together because of the weather.

The Wolves visit Troy Athens Tuesday, Rochester on Thursday, Farmington April 24 and return home against Stoney Creek April 26.

Boys' and Girls' Track: Both groups were headed for their second tri-way meet Tuesday at West Bloomfield. Aside from Tuesday, their only action left this month is Saturday for the boys at the Birmingham Groves Invitational and both teams will go to the West Bloomfield Invitational April 28.

Baseball: The boys are 1-2 coming into this week. They visit Troy Wednesday at 4:30 p.m. and return to Clarkston for the Nathan Manuel Memorial Tournament Saturday morning.

Golf: The girls look to hit the links in stride with a trip to Rochester Tuesday.

The girls will take part in the Oakland County Tournament at the Pontiac Country Club April 24.

Soccer: The kickers are 0-3 and were scheduled to play Birmingham Groves Tuesday and Seaholm Thursday. Friday, the girls visit Waterford Mott (the game will be played at Pierce Middle School) at 7 p.m.

Boys' and girls' lacrosse: The boys play Troy Tuesday and visit St. Mary's Saturday at 1 p.m. The girls travel up to Grand Blanc Wednesday and don't play again until April 24 at Waterford. Check www.clarkstonnews.com for all the results.



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Clarkston intern learns lesson, new perspective about liberty

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dent film festival.

In light of these exciting events, there was no problem concurring with my Ethiopian escort that the United States is a wonderful country. But as she continued to speak, I quickly discovered that we did not agree for the same reasons.

I realized that for me, America was great because it offered the opportunity to marvel at large buildings and interact with government leaders and celebrities. But for my cab driver, America represented something more.

"I'm not forced to move around here. I can work. I don't have to worry about anything," she said energetically.

"There's no country like this one. None."

Listening to her comments, I was deeply impressed. Here was a woman — a Washington taxi driver from a foreign shore who had lost nearly all of her family — rejoicing in what many consider to be a lowly occupation.

The nature of her work does not lend itself well to forming deep, meaningful relationships, yet her love for this country was obvious, her thankfulness refreshing.

Long after my meeting on Capitol Hill had concluded, I thought about the driver's words. What is it about America that attracts people from everywhere?

It certainly is not the grandiose buildings and famous personalities, for the world is full of these.

The reason America is great — the reason there is "no country like it" — is because God has blessed this land with an unprecedented level of freedom. Most of us cannot relate to a homeland in which government tyranny, poverty, displacement, and oppression are the norms.

Unfortunately, such countries exist, and real people are suffering within them every day without hope of escape.

While America is by no means a perfect nation, the majority living inside her borders enjoy the freedom to participate

in the political process, work at a job, and settle in a private residence.

Such a general atmosphere of safety and justice attracts immigrants from around the globe and provides them with an opportunity to live a more peaceful, happy existence. This is what helps to make our country great.

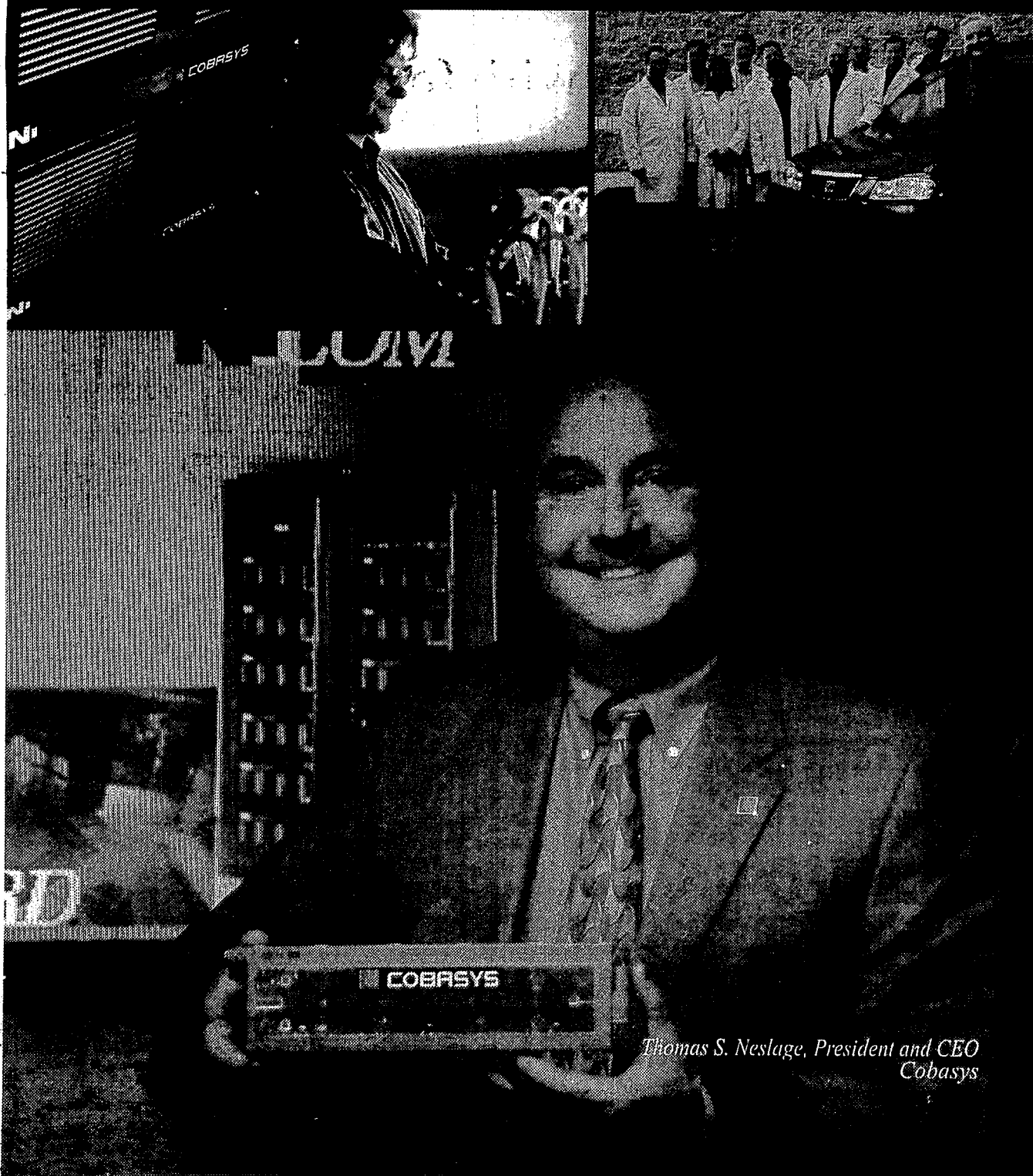
My cab driver taught me that the blessings of liberty are graces for which we should all be thankful, and the benefits of justice are advantages we should never take for granted.

Nate Knapper is from Clarkston. The Calvin College junior is interning this semester in Washington, D.C.

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Time to rescue environment is now

It's hard to ignore the fervor these days about Global Climatic Change.

Having reached irreversible level of impact, an urgency to respond is building momentum. It's always more difficult to respond to large scientific impacts of humanity on the spin of a dime.

Time marches in the environmental universe to a different pace than what we are accustomed to placing notice towards. In terms of geologic movement, earth changes, the overall trend is to be slow but dramatic.

However, this clearly is not a rule as it is the very opposite that does grab our attention, the dramatic yet "sudden" earth events.

Sudden in terms of geologic time, that is.

Even Global Change is not new. I personally own a science text book from the 70s that speaks of it as looming somewhere off in the future, its arrival depending on how and if humanity would take it seriously and implement protections ahead of time.

Alas, we did not and now we must respond as if in climatic cardiac arrest. This cannot be ignored one moment longer.

We are at a similar point in needing to respond to water quality issues.

There seems to be this idea out there that we'll forever be able to trust that turning on a faucet means water that is safe and completely healthy for you to consume on a regular basis.

And that is remarkable because there are already components of water quality issues that are showing up in our community health ailments.

I have to chuckle when I see the up-roar over "keyholing" and supposed concerns over water quality impact because what impact there is, is minimal relative to the impact of storm water run off and storm sewer overflows.

Not to mention pharmaceuticals in the water and the things that are showing up in wildlife population as a result of hormones, antibiotics, and a cocktail of pharmacopeia that we flush away, never to be thought of again.

There are laws in place intended to create protections from much of these, and were they implemented in the manner in which they were intended, they would actually be quite effective.

However, the programs that are most effective require a budget and utilize a storm water tax. The idea of increasing taxes is generally ill received and so in the

times of budget trimming government, essential programs are cut to a functional oblivion.

The only way to address this in a meaningful way is through outreach and education, another component that is actually mandated by law but typically is not done with much efficiency and so has little meaningful impact.

It's nice to put signs along the highway stating that this is the Clinton River Watershed, Ours to Protect, and it does have its value.

But in order for a program to be effective, not only does it require a budget, but it requires planning and addressing of issues with efficacy.

It needs to generate a change of attitude at a large scale and therefore shift larger societal behaviors through understanding of what the impacts are and how to eliminate them, reduce them, and mitigate them at the source.

Financially, this is wise because then the cost of address becomes that of the responsible party.

This could be a reasoning in claiming the validity of a storm water tax, that it is to place the cost of addressing the impact that each of us has on a watershed as and within our community, back on us.

This is much more cost effective both in terms of short term cycles and long term plan implementation.

It's cheaper both in the bottom dollar line of reasoning that a smaller, more contained pollutant trend is easier to control and mitigate than one that has spread and continued to increase in concentration. So it's about thinking simultaneously about the larger whole and our input into that, individually and collectively.

There has been an increase in addressing the individual component and there are some excellent programs and organizations in the area that do indeed make a difference at this level.

They are limited to what they can accomplish at a larger more societal scale, however.

There needs to be a larger collective shift in society in order for the changes that really will make a difference to become widespread.

There needs to be a shift in the collective perception in order to support environmentally supportive government based programs that can negate human impact to the degree necessary for us to avoid the same level of urgency that we are facing in climate change.

Water quality needs to be everyone's concern. And it needs to be a concern today.

It stands to reason that if I actually believe what I say, that I must also shift

my own behavior and be a bigger part of the solution than I currently am.

I do embrace the concept that outreach and education is essential in the shift that I am claiming needs to take place.

I grew up in Clarkston and remember it affectionately in its less congested state. Having lived in different geographic regions over the years and then returning home, I can see mistakes that are being made locally that other communities have already dealt with elsewhere.

Tried and true effective approaches exist and the information on these are readily available for any municipal entity to tap into should they seek it out.

There is the stirring of activities that support this direction, such as in the riparian and native plant gardens planned for the Depot Park.

But a larger vision needs to be adopted regarding environmental impact from the manner of community expansion. We are at a critical juncture within our community, given the proposed and seemingly inevitable construction of the McLaren project.

This is the type of development that will shift the character of the community for time eternal, to put it frankly.

And it will do so on many levels.

I'm equally distressed about the flagrant nature of this and how it's the 800 pound gorilla in the room that nobody is discussing.

This should be of a much larger concern to the citizens and is deserving of closer debate and scrutinizing of the rationale to proceed.

So with the intent of being part of something bigger than myself and getting that hundredth monkey to wash his fruit, I have asked *The Clarkston News* to allow me to write a series of articles in lieu of education and outreach regarding the impact of urbanization on a watershed and how to avoid and reduce impacts.

I believe that if I can convince my community that water quality should be of serious concern to them, that they will in turn demand more from the officials who are delegated the responsibility of implementing more effective programs that are already supported by legal requirements.

This can only happen through widespread perceptual shifts within society.

My hope is that my intent to make a difference, can be part of those seemingly inconsequential ripples that collectively influence outcomes.

At the very least, I have to give it a try.

I hope you all enjoy this series and I welcome questions for discussion.

Tammie Heazlit is an environmental scientist and planner, and resident of Clarkston.

Environmental corner



Tammie Heazlit

Devereaux dedicated life to education

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ceptional administrator. Her passion, integrity, knowledge and commitment made her special to those of us who had the privilege of working with her.

"She often provided me with advice on critical issues and she served as a role model to faculty and staff alike," Roberts said.

Theresa Adriaens, whose daughter Megan attends Springfield Plains, said Devereaux's dedication will be missed.

"Dr. Devereaux was a dedicated principal and educator who cared deeply about the staff and students at Springfield Plains. She demonstrated her dedication by attending all the school's extracurricular activities. She will be greatly missed," Adriaens said.

Devereaux earned her bachelor's degree in education from Sienna Heights University in 1970, her master's from Oakland University in teaching in 1978 and her Ph.D. from Michigan State University in educational administration in 1987.

The American Cancer Society is one of the recipients of donations in Devereaux's memory. She was a survivor of breast cancer in 1993, her sister said.

Memorials can also be made to Capuchin Soup Kitchen, Clarkston SCAMP and the Clarkston Foundation.

Donations needed for Senior Party

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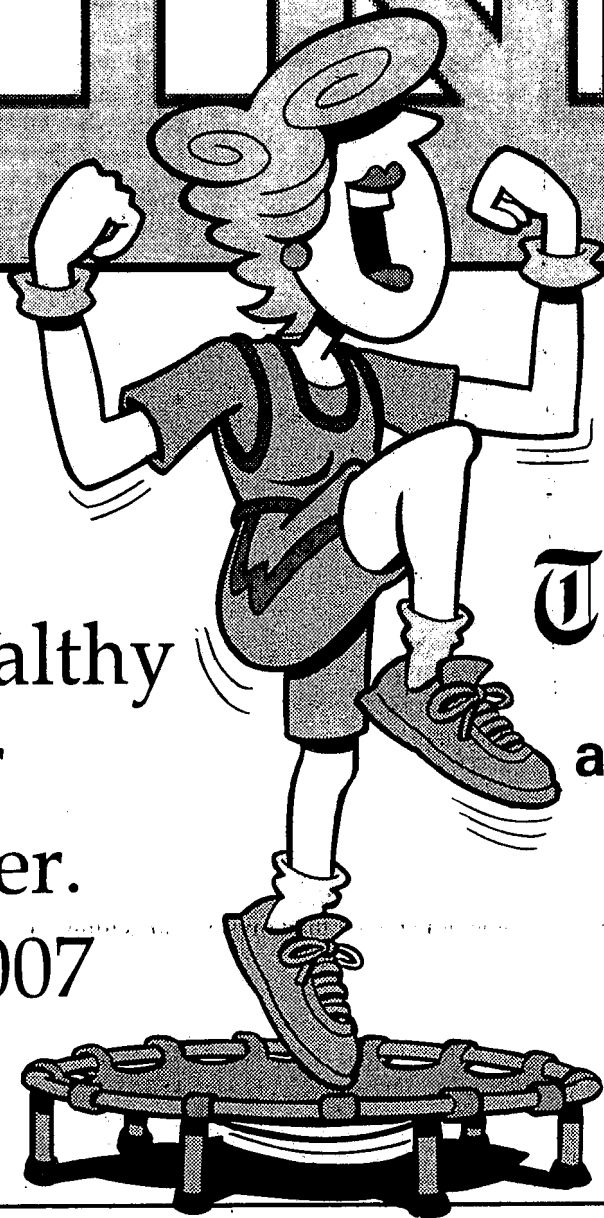
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"At this time of year, with the ground thawing, we typically see the most potholes on the paved roads, and the gravel roads become the roughest," said RCOC Managing Director Brent Bair.

The department will alert Road Commission staff of the problem area, Bair said.

"Even if the reported problem is not on a Road Commission road, we'll provide contact information for the appropriate agency with jurisdiction and share the information," he said.

In the case of gravel roads, RCOC cannot always immediately improve the situation.

"Unfortunately, at this time of year, there sometimes isn't much we can do to improve some gravel roads, especially those in low-lying areas. Until the ground completely thaws and the water has somewhere to drain, there is little we can do to stabilize the roads."

Bair said RCOC is putting down new gravel on the worst unpaved roads, but this is a costly and very labor-intensive activity, so it can only be done on limited basis.

Used book sale set 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.

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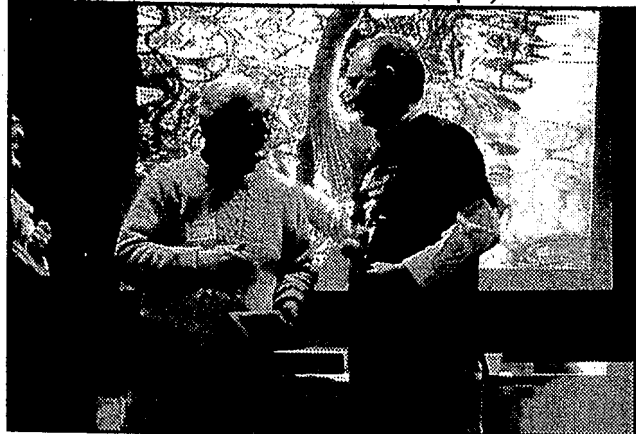
Art Gala set for April 24

Clarkston Community Schools will host an Art Gala at the administration building, 6389 Clarkston Road, 6-8 p.m. April 24.

Art will be displayed from all elementaries in the district, Kindergarten through fifth grade. The gala will feature different styles of art and different mediums such as drawings, paintings, printings, sculptures, and collages.

It is not a competition, but a sampling of children's art and represents the meaning of art for children.

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Tom Stone, left, with NOHLC President Jim Pistilli, was honored with the Thomas K. Bullen Award at Saturday's annual spring meeting.

A lifetime of conservation

BY LAURA COLVIN
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Longtime Clarkston resident Tom Stone was honored Saturday for three decades of effort, advocacy and commitment to local conservation efforts.

Stone and his wife Arlene became involved with the North Oakland Headwaters Land Conservancy when they moved into the area about 30 years ago.

Saturday, he received the NOHLC's Thomas K. Bullen award for outstanding support and service spanning all three decades, including 25 years on the board of directors.

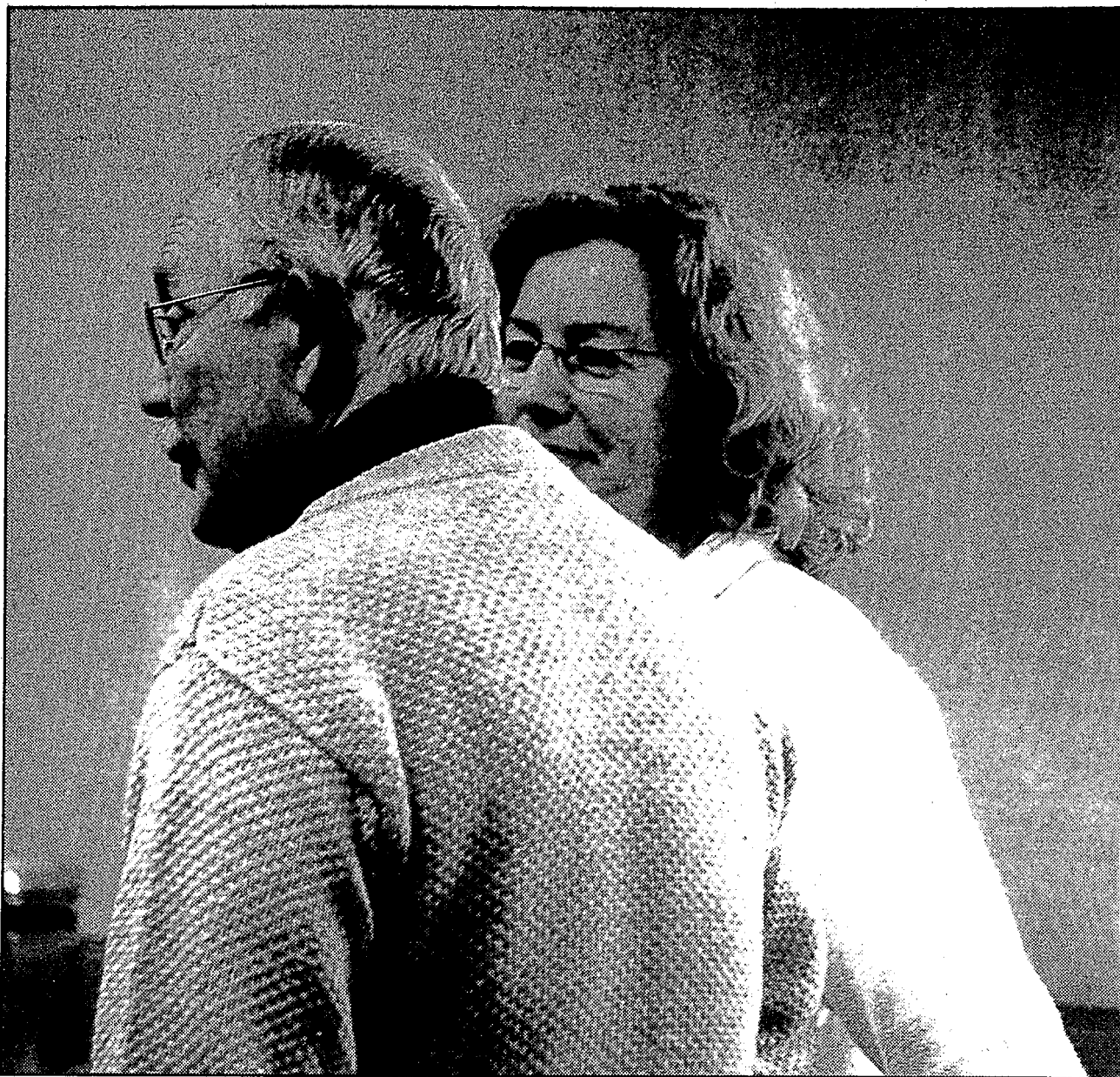
"I'm surprised and pleased," said Stone, who did not know he had been selected as this year's award recipient. "Years ago, I drafted the proposal for the Thomas K. Bullen Award—I don't know anyone who worked harder than him, and he needed to be remembered for that."

Many describe Bullen as a visionary who saw a need and established the Independence Land Conservancy, one of the first such organizations in Michigan.

During his years of service, Stone helped expand the group's reach across six surrounding townships and hence, change its name to reflect the growth.

It was just such work that prompted the NOHLC to recognize Stone for his energetic contributions to the cause.

"The standards he helped set attracted the support of local elected officials, developers, volunteers, and members," said current NOHLC President Jim Pistilli



Tom and Arlene Stone are lifetime members of the North Oakland Headwaters Land Conservancy. Photos by Laura Colvin

during Saturday's presentation. "This legacy is one of the most valuable assets NOHLC treasures and benefits from today."

Stone, he said, wrote regular newspaper articles, and made repeated visits and personal appeals to potential supporters.

Because of these efforts, Pistilli said, Stone built a statewide awareness of the organization and brought the group a great deal of recognition.

As a leader, he held the office of treasurer about three years, served as president another 10 years, and encouraged others to do the same.

"He poured the energy generated by his passionate commitment to conservation into recruiting mem-

bers and volunteers to serve on the board of directors," Pistilli said. "Then he mentored them, helping them succeed and establishing a legacy of success for leadership in NOHLC."

But for the Stones, both Tom and Arlene, the effort was about championing a cause close to home, a cause they believed in.

"We chose it as one of two groups (Arlene and I) would become life members with," Stone said. "It fit our interest and commitment to the community. We moved into this community because of its character—the historical character, but also the environmental character—the open spaces, the water—and we felt that quality of life was important to sustain."

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It is also much more difficult and costly, (time and funds), to get new customers versus retaining your current base.

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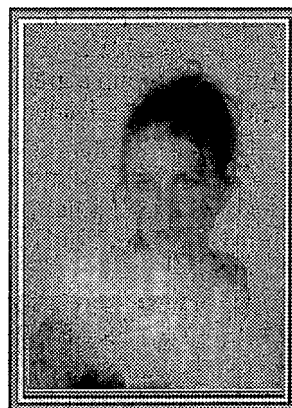


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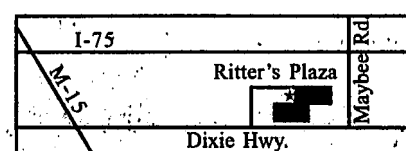
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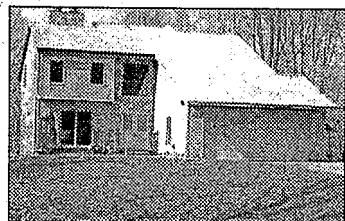
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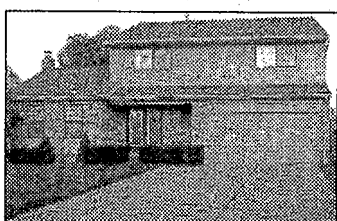
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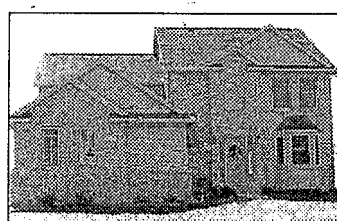
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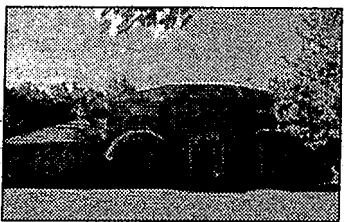
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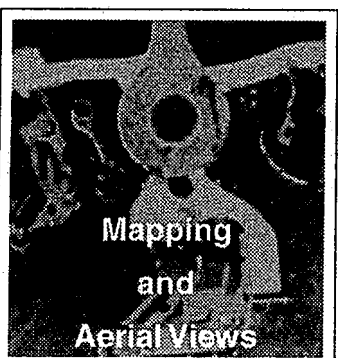
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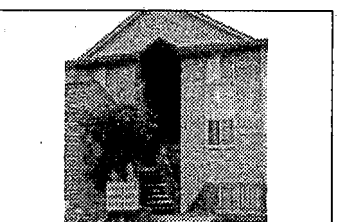
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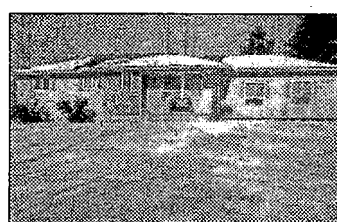
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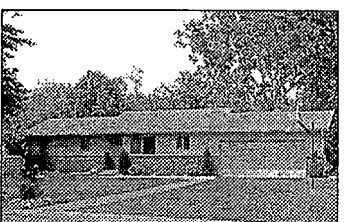
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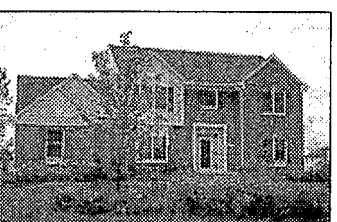
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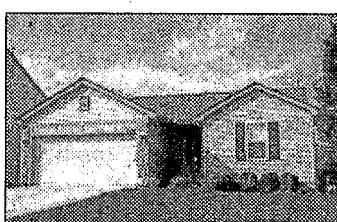
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A real "Must See". Professional landscaping is Beautiful. Lg. deck, brick paver patio & walkways, Huge pond in backyard. Inside is as great as the outside! 4BD/3.5BA, fin. walkout LL, 3 car.gar. (CN21DUR) \$344,900 248-620-7200



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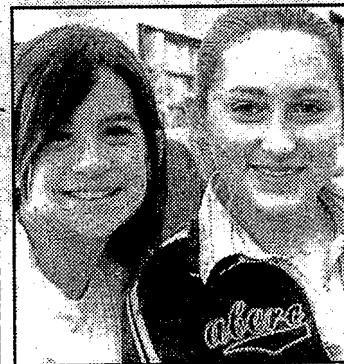
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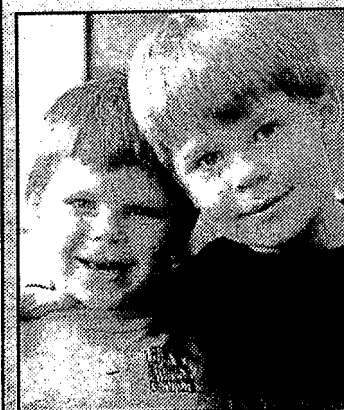
"I learned to ride my bike in Depot Park, and learned about birds in Springfield."
 - Madsion Echlin, 5 (with help from Mom, Kim)



"We went to Arkansas to visit our uncle, and got to see our new baby cousin from Texas."
 - Morgan (5) and Spencer (8) Stringer



"Went shopping for new clothes, saw a movie and hung out with friends."
 - Samantha Gross (12), left, and Danica Harris (13)



"Having fun in Florida. We went fishing and saw dolphins. And Space Mountain!"
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The Clarkston News'

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

A full plate

Monica Denis takes on co-op, engineering, robotics team

BY PHIL CUSTODIO
 Clarkston News Editor

When Monica Denis was a student at Notre Dame Preparatory High School, she found she was good at math and science.

Aptitudes like this point to a career in engineering, a fact her mother Denise Denis, General Motors employee, knows well.

"My mom pushed me into it," Monica said. "It was a good fit."

Now an engineering student at Kettering University in Flint, she is president of Society of Women Engineers and Student Alumni Council, and works on campus as a resident assistant. She plans to pursue a master's degree in business administration after graduation.

"I like to be booked solid — that's the way I am," she said.

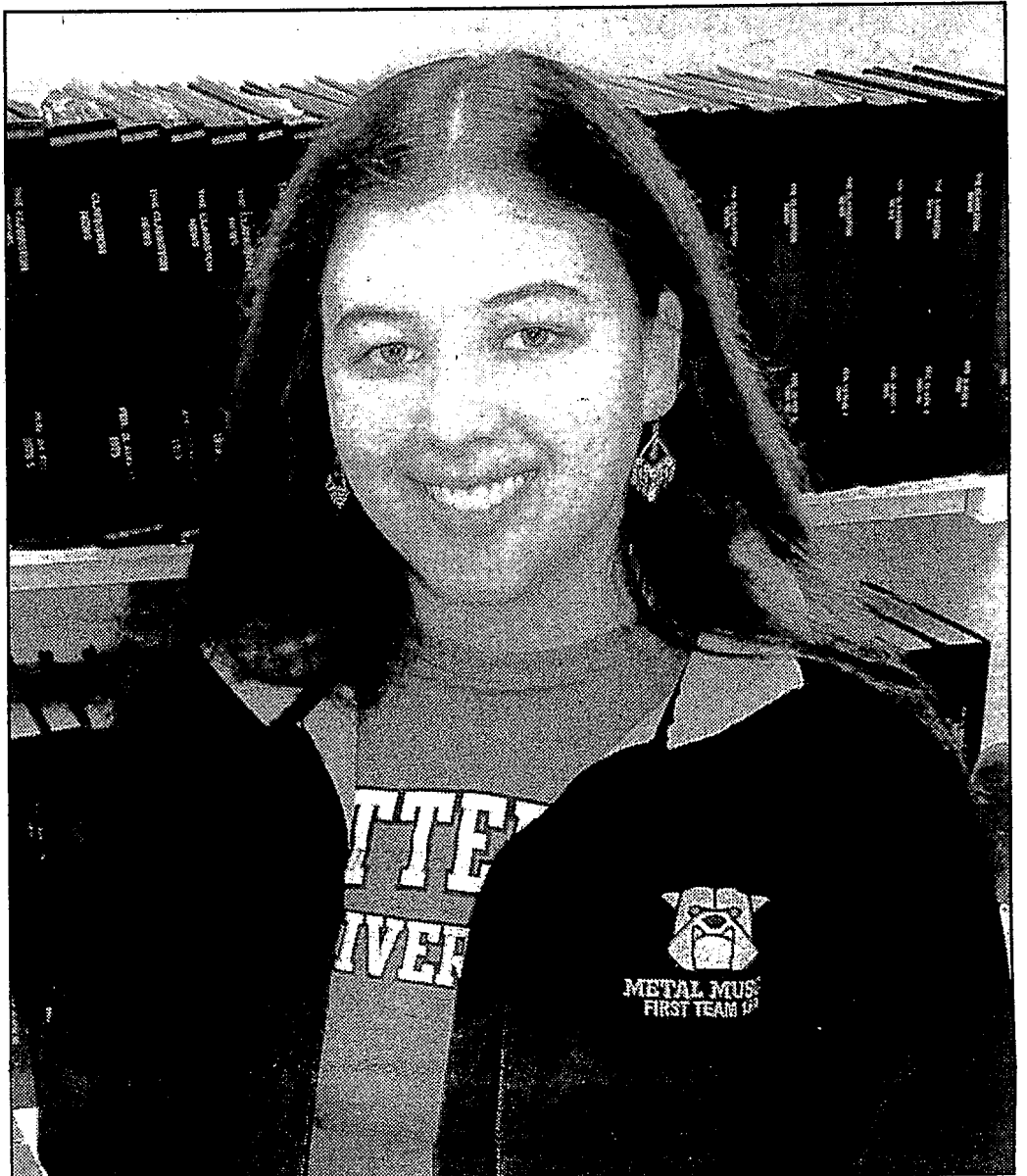
The daughter of Denise and Dave Denis, she has two brothers, Chris and Nick. Monica became interested in FIRST Robotics engineering competition when she saw what her older brother Nick was doing with the program.

As a member of Truck Town Thunder team in Pontiac, he was helping to build and operate robots in competition. She joined when she was a sophomore at Notre Dame.

"It was a lot of fun," she said. "A lot of crunch time at the end."

In her three years with the high school team, they built robots that threw soccer balls, stacked boxes, and performed other tasks. Monica Denis constructed parts for the robots and worked with the pit crew during competitions.

She learned so much from her experiences with the FIRST team, she started her own at Kettering. The team Metal Muscle, sponsored by automotive and



Monica Denis of Clarkston is earning a double major in engineering at Kettering University. Photo by Phil Custodio

technology companies across the state, including GM, has 22 members from six high schools.

"It's going well," Denis said. "It's a lot of fun and a lot of work."

One of the best parts of the team is bringing students from different schools together, providing a chance to form friendships they might not have had before, she said.

She chose Kettering for its size and engineering programs.

"It's an engineering school that's small, like my high school — I like small schools," she said.

Denis, who is set to graduate next year, earned an Education Foundation Directors Scholarship from Society of Manufacturing Engineers. She is majoring in both mechanical and industrial engineering.

"I don't want to limit myself," she said.

Kettering's co-op program was the biggest draw for her. Students alternate class instruction with work in the field. Every other semester, she works at General Motors Powertrain plant in Toledo.

There, she rotates departments, work-

ing with industrial and plant engineering departments. Responsibilities so far included creating standard operations sheets for transmission sub assembly and main assembly lines, documenting plant and process engineering, and laying out tornado escape routes. She also mapped out points on a Zeiss ultra-accurate measuring machine.

"I want to be able to improve the efficiency of the company," she said. "Whether it is through shortening standard time on a specific machine, rotating operators to produce the most production per hour, creating the most efficient layout for machinery locations or making sure operations are within ergonomic windows."

Her co-op experiences with GM should provide a key advantage after graduation, when it comes time to look for a job.

She hopes to turn it into a career with GM, perhaps starting in Toledo but hopefully moving north so that she can return to the Clarkston area.

"I have family here — I'm a very family oriented person," she said.

"This is where I grew up. I like it here."



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Around Town

Clarkston Community Women's Club, 7 p.m., April 19, Independence Township 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.

Acrylic Landscape Painting, 1 p.m., April 19, May 17, June 21, July 19, and Aug. 16. For beginning and intermediate levels. Materials included. \$23 for each two hour class. Independence Township Senior Center, 6000 Clarkston Road. 248-625-8231.

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 Township Library, 12000 Davisburg Rd. 248-846-6550.

Needle Work Nights, 6:30 p.m., Tuesdays, April 24, May 29, June 26, July 24. Springfield Township 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 Township 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 Township 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.

Club Bookworm, April 26, 10-11 a.m. \$1 drop-in fee. Independence Township Senior Center, 6000 Clarkston Road. 248-625-8231.

Mother's Day Tea, 2-4 p.m., May 2. Planned by English volunteer Catherine Reeve. Dress up or come as you are. \$6. Independence Township Senior Center Carriage House, 6000 Clarkston Road. Call Kathy at 248-625-8231.

Improve Employee Productivity seminar, 7:30-9 a.m., May 2, Colombiere Center, 9075 Big Lake Road. \$15 each, groups of three or more. Call Ron DeLorme, 248-396-5031.

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." Spring-

field 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 Township 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 www.wintfuneralhome.com.

Blooms and Brunch, 10:30 a.m., May 4. Bring some extra perennials to share with old and new friends. Amateur and master gardeners welcome. \$7. Independence Township Senior Center, 6000 Clarkston Road. 248-625-8231.

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 support 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 Township 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 minibus 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.

Softball for Players 55+, practices on Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, weather permitting. League games start in May. 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.

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.

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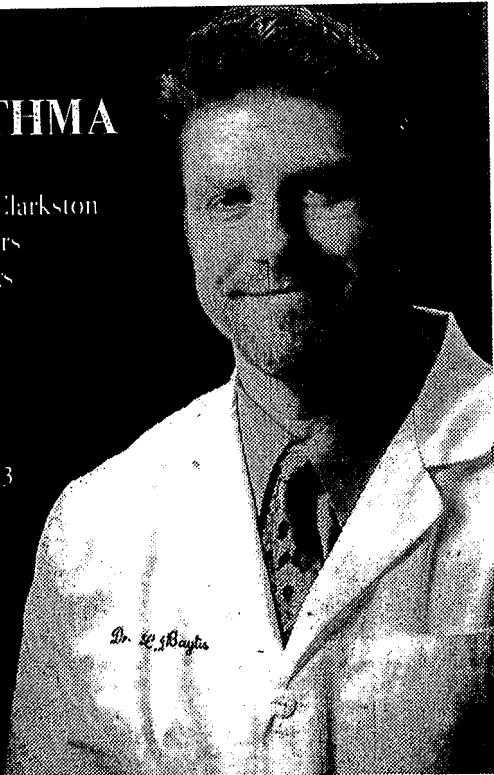
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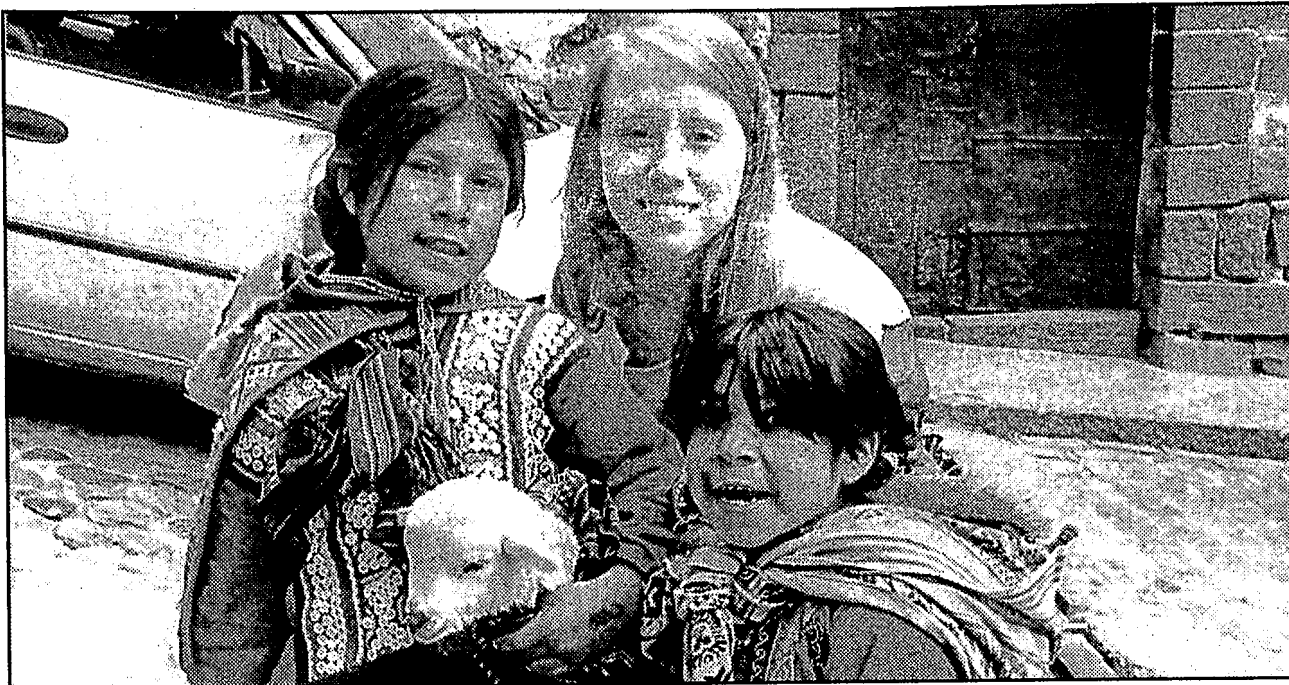
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Trip to Peru puts life in perspective

BY PHIL CUSTODIO

Clarkston News Editor

After a month in Peru, Ashley VanderWeel of Springfield Township missed a few things in America.

One was her boyfriend, Andrew Vargas. Another, "water I can drink," she said.

Homelessness, street violence, industrial pollution, traffic — all presented danger to life and limb.

But she's planning a return trip to South America, though next time accompanied by her boyfriend.

"It was quite an experience," VanderWeel said.

During her trip this past February and March, as a volunteer with Maximo Nivel, she hiked through rain forests, toured ancient ruins, and lived with a family in a mud hut on an island in Lake Titikaka.

"I wanted to do a volunteer program," said VanderWeel, a registered dietician and student at Wayne State University.

"We're sheltered in the United States. We take things for granted here. They didn't have running water. There's not enough housing. Children live on the street — it made me appreciate what we have here."

She volunteered at a hospital for children in Cusco, Peru, teaching staff about hygiene and safety.

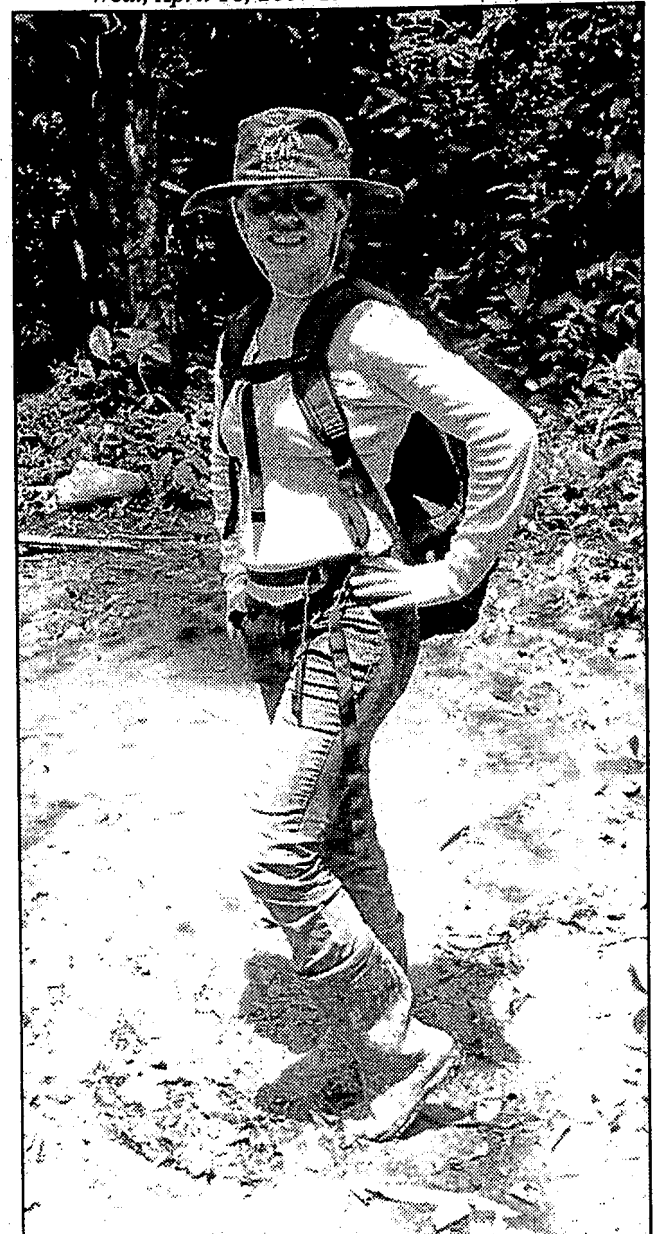
She helped care for about 25 patients, newborn to about 25 years old, all with mental or physical disabilities.

She is set to graduate from Wayne State in May, and plans to pursue her Ph.D. in genetics or nutritional biochemistry, and a career in alternative medicine.

During her trip, people native to the rain forest taught her about medicinal uses of plants, she said.

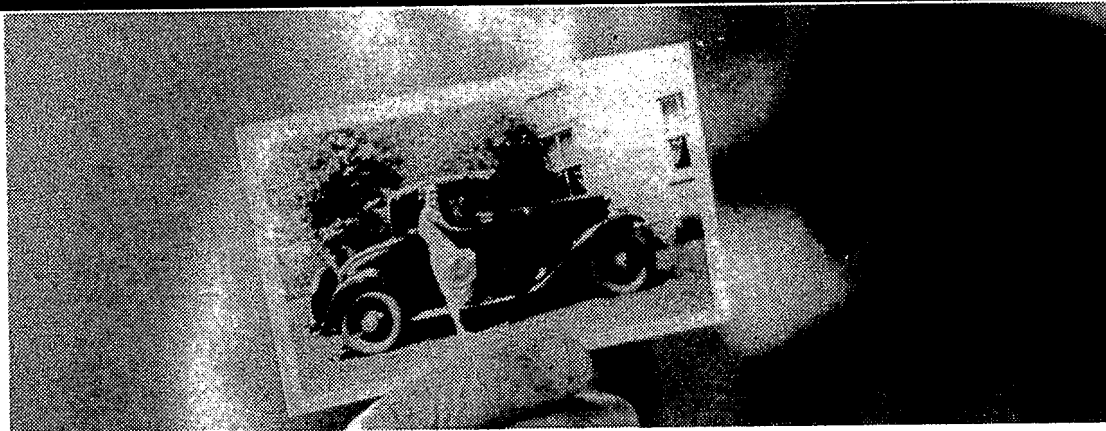
They also showed her how to make jewelry from seeds and prepared for her a local delicacy — guinea pig.

"It was greasy, tasted like fried chicken," she said.



During her volunteer trip to Peru, Ashley VanderWeel had opportunities to visit with local people, such as these children at top left, and hike the rain forest, above. Photos submitted

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Start your day in a healthy way

By Ernie Harwell

Read anything about nutrition and one main point you'll see over and over again is the importance of a healthy breakfast, especially for children. Now I have to admit that during my time in the Marines, I wasn't big on breakfast. I hated to get in line for chow, so I'd get me a cup of coffee and a cigarette, and that was breakfast. Certainly not what you'd call nutritious. I've learned, though, that a well-balanced breakfast is a way of starting the day right by giving your bodies and our minds the fuel they need. And breakfast doesn't have to be elaborate or expensive.

Foods like oatmeal, some fruit and skim milk can provide a healthy start to the day without a lot of time and effort. A good breakfast will boost your metabolism. You'll find that you're more alert and energetic, and you won't need a sugary "pick-me-up" from a vending machine.

And remember, 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



Jason and Jennifer

Clarkston grad to wed

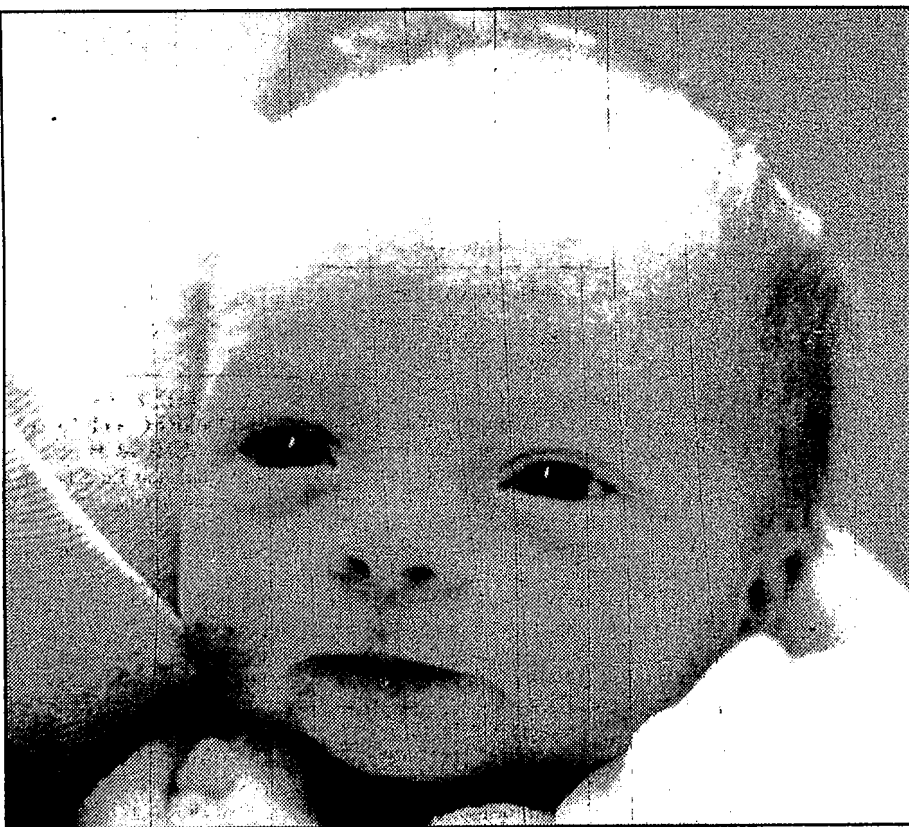
Jennifer McChesney, daughter of Dr. David and Rebecca McChesney of Clarkston, announces her engagement to Jason Brown, son of Greg and Maxine Brown of Durango, Colo.

The bride-to-be is a 1991 graduate of Clarkston High School and 1995

graduate of Miami University.

The future groom is a 1990 graduate of Durango High School and 1998 graduate of Utah State.

A May wedding is planned in Lehi, Utah. Both currently live in Utah and will continue to reside there.



Lemieux family welcomes Paul

Ken and Marcie (Powers) Lemieux, of Clarkston, are pleased to announce the birth of their son Paul Benjamin.

Paul was born on March 24 at William Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak. He weighed four pounds, six ounces,

and was 18 inches long.

Paul was welcomed home by his twin big sisters Annelise and Lucienne, age 2. His grandparents are Richard and Ruth Powers of Goodrich, and Arnie and Paula Lemieux of Farmington Hills.

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Religion

Christ provides way to overcome differences

The Bible tells us that when God first created man he was created as a solitary figure.

Man was given the job of taking dominion and populating the planet. It seems as if almost as an afterthought of His original plan that God said, "It is not good that man should be alone, I will make a helper suitable for him."

The helper God made was then taken from the side of Adam and from him God made woman or "man with a womb." She was called Eve which means *life giver*.

Now not only was man given a helper but some functions such as procreation could only happen with the joining of the two together.

It is interesting from the original text that the word helper means *someone who stands opposite of someone*.

This new person would not just be a helper but in many ways was the opposite.

With this pairing even things they could do alone would now be better with two. Unfortunately, the extension of the word opposite is opposition. What many times could be help may only appear to be opposition.

Without understanding and communication this union could be a disaster, hence the birth of the battle of the sexes.

The battle of the sexes is handled the same way most battles and wars are fought.

Differing people are threatened by the differences of others so they seek to repress and control one another as a means of harmony.

Unfortunately, this mindset forgets the need we all have for one another, especially those who are different than us. The Bible not only teaches the need for harmonious interchange in the family but also in greater society.

In the church the interchange of abilities is known as body ministry. The scriptures tell us that when we become a part of the body of Christ that we are given differing gifts and abilities. We are likened to a human body.

The word says, "Because the eye is not an ear does that mean it does not have value? Can the foot say because he is not a hand he has no value?"

Looking at the human body we can see that each part has a function that can only be useful when it takes on a different shape and is allowed to have a different function. The ability of the body to function in all the ways necessary for the fullness of life is through an intricate communication system.

Through communication the entire body is able to function in various ways with different parts each doing what it has been designed.

Wouldn't it be wonderful if we could manage that harmony in our world?

If every person could give value to the contributions of others while at the same time seeing the significance of their own individual contribution. We would not only need to communicate more effectively but we would also need to see our value from a different perspective.

We would need to see our value from our ability to

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Spiritual Matters



Pastor Loren Covarrubias

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 Web site, www.calvaryinfo.org.

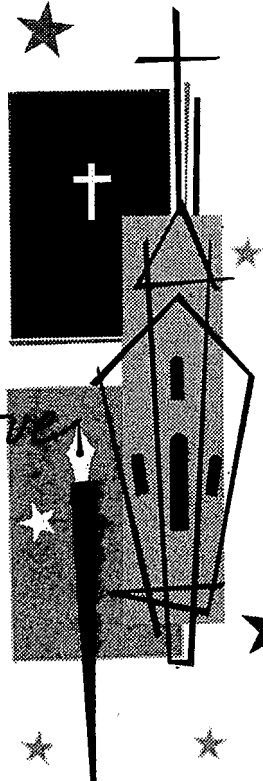
Congo Dinner, 6:15 p.m., April 28, St. Daniel Catholic Church, 7010 Valley Park Drive. Purchase tickets in advance, \$25 donation to help fund orphanage in the Congo, Africa. Call Barb at 248-620-1718.

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.

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In our churches...

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Bethany North, Catholic organization providing peer support to all faiths dealing with divorce or separation. General meeting, 7:30 p.m., fourth Monday of the month, St. Daniel Catholic Church, 7010 Valley Park, Cushing Center All denominations welcome call Marianne at 248-807-0041. Meet & Greet, 6 p.m., April 25, Deer Lake Athletic Club, Clarkston, call John, 248-625-0569. Dance, 8-12 p.m., May 5, Cushing Center. Proper attire. \$10, includes beverages & snacks.

Peace Unity Church of Clarkston will offer "Teach Us To Pray," the first in a series of classes for 2007. Tuesday evenings, 7 p.m., at the McLoskeys home, 590 Crestmoor Circle, Oxford. Reverend Mathew E. Long will facilitate the class. Who, What, When, Where, Why and How of Prayer and Meditation, including: Silent Unity Prayer Method, Prayer Treatments for Healing Harmony and Abundance, Treasure Mapping, and the Master Mind Principle. All are welcome. Call 248-891-4365 or e-mail peace.unity@sbcglobal.net.

Moms in Touch, community group,

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

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

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

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

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

Project Healthy Living May 3

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

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

Health screening tests include:

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- 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.

Spiritual Matters

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contribute to something greater than ourself and not see our value as our ability to stand out from the rest.

Jesus Christ is our example. He taught us to see the greatest achievement one can have is to lay down your life for someone else.

He died in order that we could live.

He suffered so we could be healed. He taught us to see the value of others. When you are able to see the value of other people it is not long before they will see the value in you.

The Bible calls this real love.

It is not only what you need to give but it is really what you are looking for!

Loren Covarrubias is pastor of Mt. Zion Temple.

SUNDAY Brunch

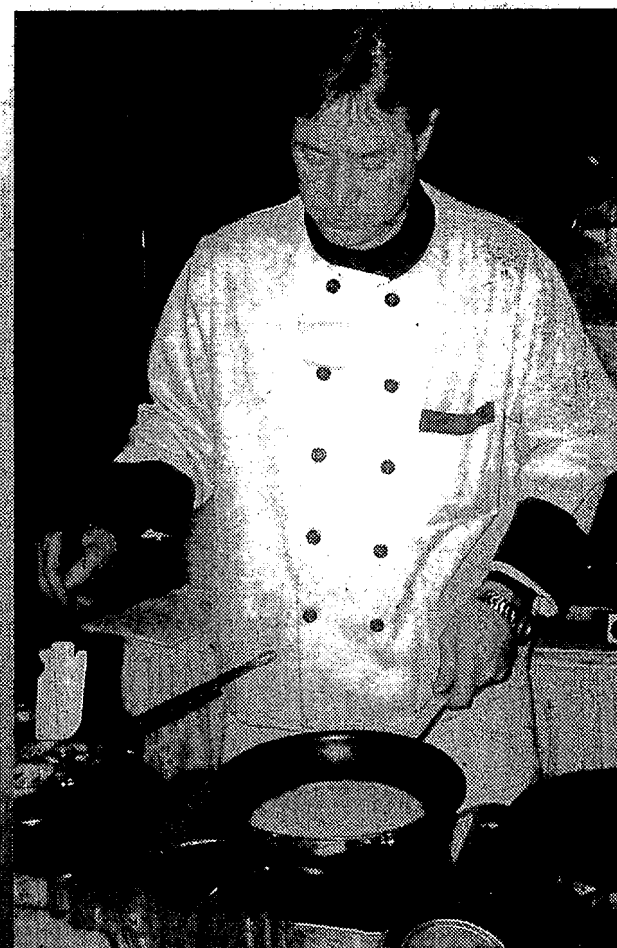
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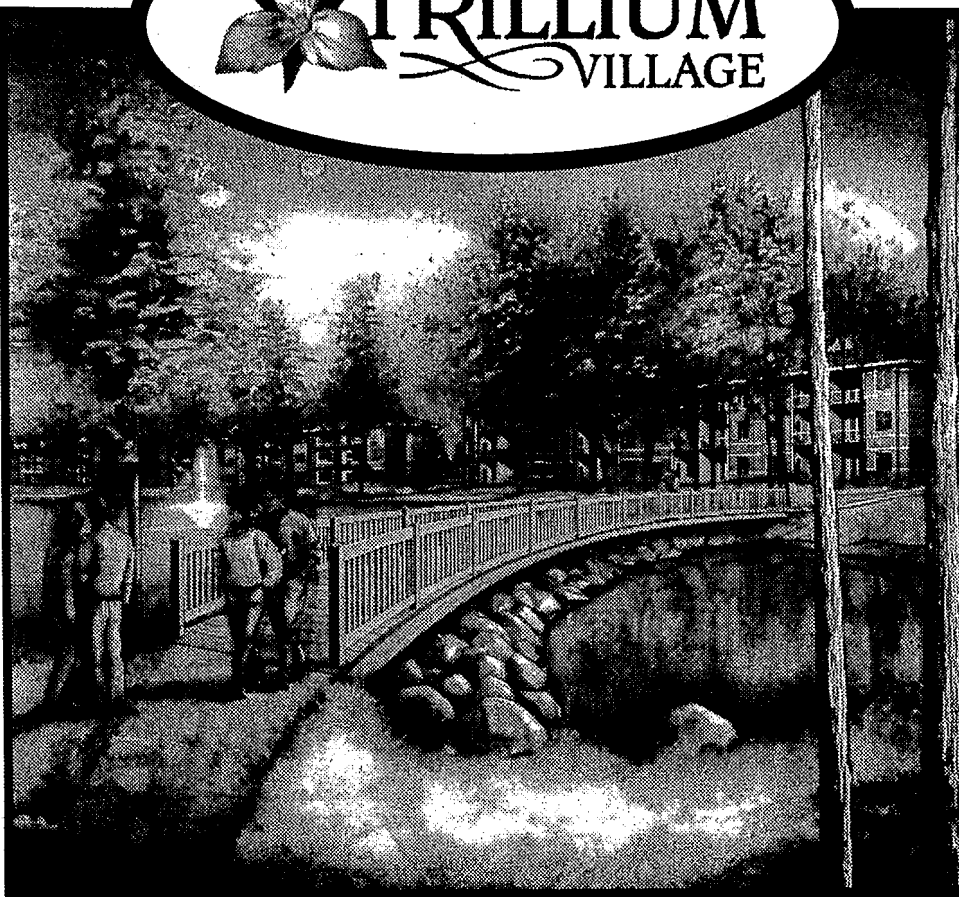
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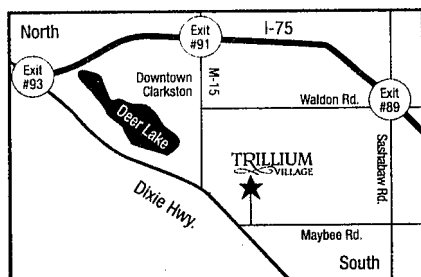
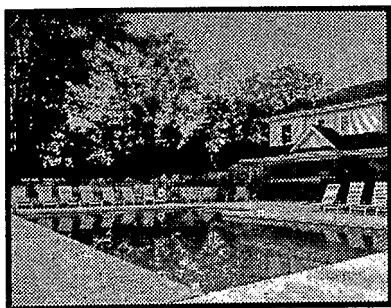


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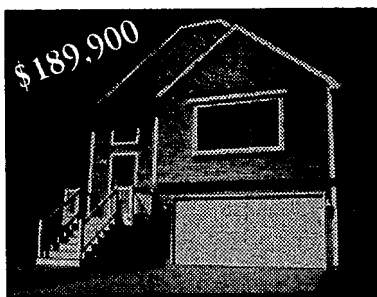


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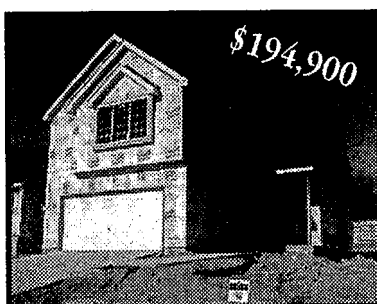
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Conservation group celebrates 35 years

BY LAURA COLVIN
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Renowned naturalist and author Kay Charter shared expertise and love of birds with local residents Saturday as the North Oakland Headwaters Land Conservancy celebrated its 35th birthday.

The NOHLC is a non-profit organization that works to encourage good land stewardship and ensure scenic areas, wetlands and wildlife habitats in North Oakland County are protected into the future.

"It was the best spring meeting we've had in years," said Katie Armstrong, NOHLC executive director. "Kay Charter's message was not only well-delivered, but it was a nice balance of birds and habitat combined, which paints a larger view of how it all relates to life on the planet. It fit right in with the conservancy's message."

Founded in 1972, the organization was originally called the Independence Land Conservancy. As efforts of its members increased and awareness grew, the geographic focus of the group increased.

In 1998, the organization formally changed its name to The North Oakland Headwaters Land Conservancy, as properties contiguous to the Clinton, Shiawassee, Huron and Flint rivers became areas of interest.

"People who moved out here 15 or 20 years ago from more urban areas came for the natural open spaces," said Armstrong. "They came out here for that lack of urban closeness."

Many area residents, she said, are interested and invested in protecting the local ecology.

In addition to Kay Charter's talk on attracting migrating birds, a number of related local organizations were on hand to hand out literature and speak with attendees.

"I heard about this from a friend," said City of the Village of Clarkston resident Kim Harrison. "We're making some changes in our yard, and the way we do things. We really learned a lot here today."

Harrison attended with daughter Madison, 5, who took home one of the many free, small trees to plant in her yard.

"If you get people excited about growing native plants," said Trish Hennig of American Roots, who set up a display at Saturday's event, "and they see the reasons for growing them, then the next question is 'OK, where can I get them?'"

Until recently, she said, local growers and propagators were almost nonexistent.

Recently certified by MNPPA - Michigan Native Plant Producer's Association, Hennig sells native plants grown on the 10-acre Brandon Township plot she and her husband John purchased when they moved from Clarkston in 1994.

It was a project, she said, that grew from her own experiences as a gardener.

"I wanted to have all the lovely cottage gardens around the house," said Hennig, who also belongs to the Clarkston Watershed Group and holds the title of advanced master gardener. "But as I got farther out, I didn't want to do anything to harm the natural environment because I knew the wildlife was dependent on the roots, berries, seeds, nectar and such for food."

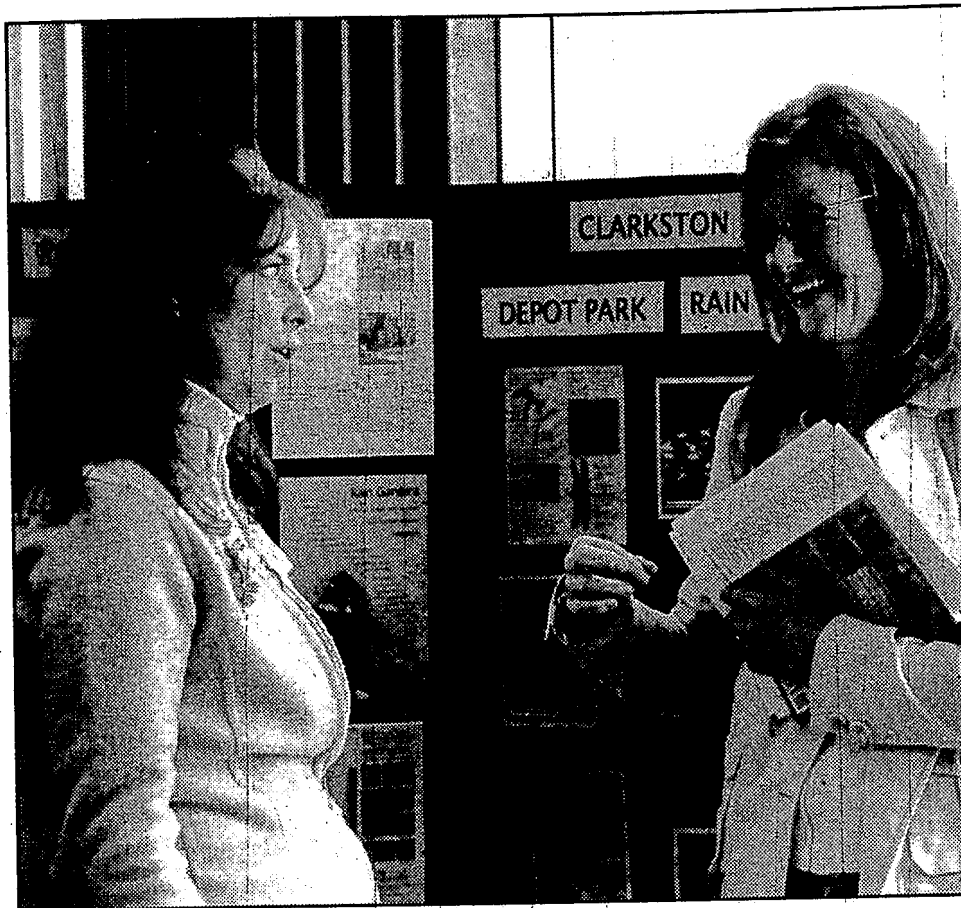
In addition to American Roots, native plants can also be purchased from Oakland Wildflower Farm in Ortonville.

For more information, call American roots at 248-627-8525 or Email Americanrootsnat@aol.com.

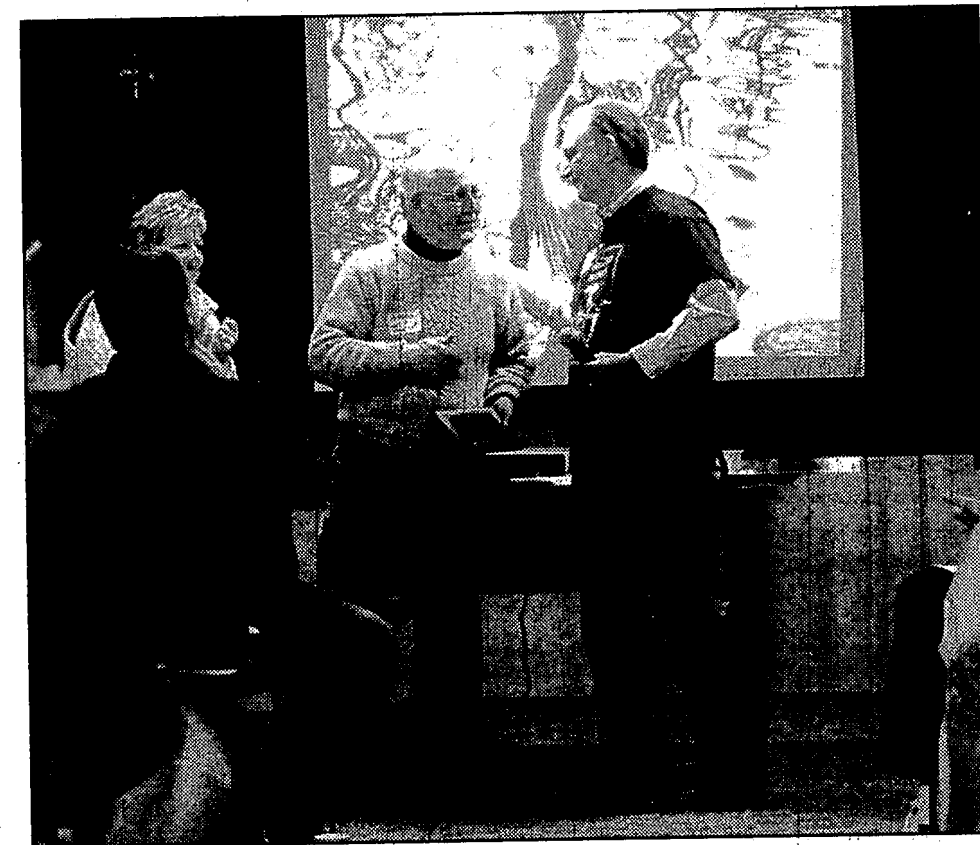
Call Oakland Wildflower Farm at 248-969-6904 or Email oaklandwildflowerfarm@gmail.com

Upcoming NOHLC events include "Looking for Early Birds" with leader Fred Townsend April 28, 8 a.m. at the Parks at Stonewood.

And, "Mother's Day with Mother Nature's Migrating Birds" with leader Jeff Kingery, May 13, 4 p.m. Springfield Township Civic Center. For more information on either walk, call NOHLC at 248-846-6547.

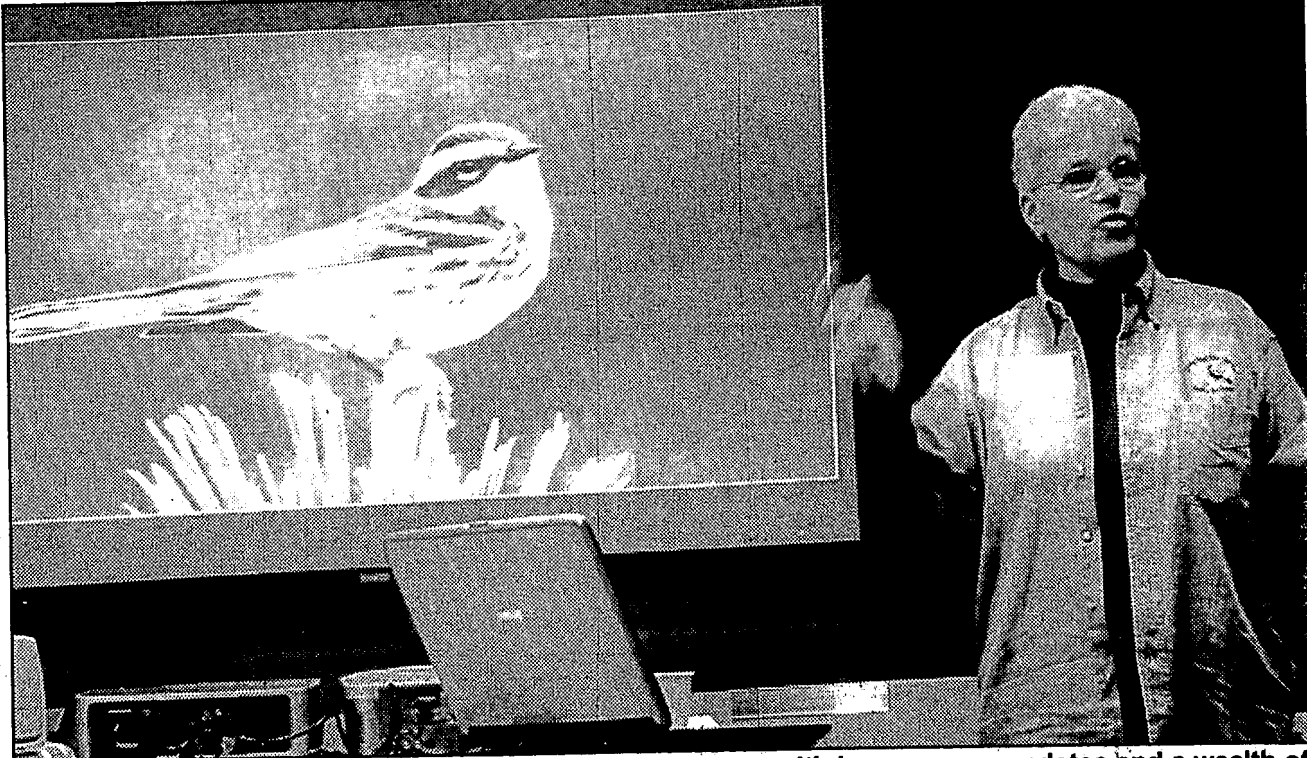


Trish Hennig of American Roots, a company specializing in growing and propagating native plants, talks with Lori Leighton of the Oakland Land Conservancy, a NOHLC neighbor group.



Clarkston resident Tom Stone took home an award for long-term commitment to the NOHLC.

Springfield Township Clerk Nancy Strole, who also serves as a NOHLC board member, distributed an interactive Native Plants CD, which is available through the township anytime. Call 248-846-6510 or Email clerk@springfield-twp.us.



Guest speaker Kay Charter presented interested observers with humorous anecdotes and a wealth of information on birds and habitat.

Obituary

Charna Manojlovich

Charna Manojlovich of Clarkston, formerly of St. Clair Shores, passed away on April 9 at the age of 87.

She was preceded in death by her husband Cedomir and her son Milan. She was the mother-in-law of Beth Manojlovich; grandmother of Jay and Katy; sister of Pauline Subotich of St. Clair Shores. Also survived by many loving nieces and nephews and their families.

Prayer Service Wednesday, April 11, 7 p.m. at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston, where friends may visit Wednesday 3-5 and 7-9 p.m.



Funeral Mass Thursday 10:30 a.m. at the St. Steven Decanski Serbian Orthodox Church, 14235 11 mile Rd., northwest corner of I696 and Bunert Rd. in Warren.

Interment Forest Lawn Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Clarkston Senior Center or the American Cancer Society. Online guest book www.wintfuneralhome.com.

Nanette Archer Giles

Nanette Archer Giles, formerly of Ohio, passed away in Las Vegas on March 30 at the age of 57.

She was a graduate of Clarkston High School and Michigan State University. She recently retired from General Motors in Mansfield, Ohio.

She is survived by her parents Joan and Ken Miller of Auburn, Mich., and Laughlin, Nev., and many aunts, uncles, and cousins. She is

preceded in death by her sister Caroline J. Wessenberg and her brother Barton William Giles.

Memorial services were held Thursday, April 5. Interment Boulder City Cemetery, Nev.

Memorials may be made to Make-A-Wish Foundation of Nevada, 3885 S. Decatur Blvd., Ste. 100, Las Vegas, Nev., 89103. Condolences can be sent to dissney1@aol.com.

Leona H. Deuman

Leona H. Deuman of Clarkston, formerly of Waterford, passed away April 10 at the age of 82.

She was preceded in death by her husband William. She was the loving mother of Debbie (Rick) Land of Oakland Twp. and Denise (Tom) Szczepkowski of Springfield Twp.; grandmother of Meagan (Kris) Keat, Nathan (Lisa) Land, Colin Land, Billy Steiner and Chelsea Steiner; sister of Margaret Bell, Pauline Sparr, Marian Snider, Archie Piche, Bill Piche, and Al Piche. Mrs. Deuman was preceded in death by her siblings Tom Piche, Frank Piche, Irene Deuman and Bernice Maleport. She was the dear



friend of Bev Laundra.

Funeral Service 10 a.m. Thursday, April 12, at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston, where friends may visit

Wednesday 3-5 and 7-9 p.m. Interment Christian Memorial Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to St. Daniel Catholic Community Christian Service.

On line guestbook www.wintfuneralhome.com.

Gertrude M. Srock

Gertrude M. Srock, of Clarkston, passed away peacefully April 13 at the age of 89.

She was preceded in death by her husband Ralph. She was the loving mother of Marie Ferri, Carol (Dale) Pomeroy, Larry (Lois) Srock and Sharon (Dennis) Haiser; grandmother of 12; great grandmother of 22; sister of Carl Zinke, Ed Zinke and Roland



Zinke.

Funeral service was April 16 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston. Interment Lakeview Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to St. Stephen Lutheran Church. Online, www.wintfuneralhome.com.

Chad London

Chad London of Metamora passed away suddenly April 13 at the age of 32.

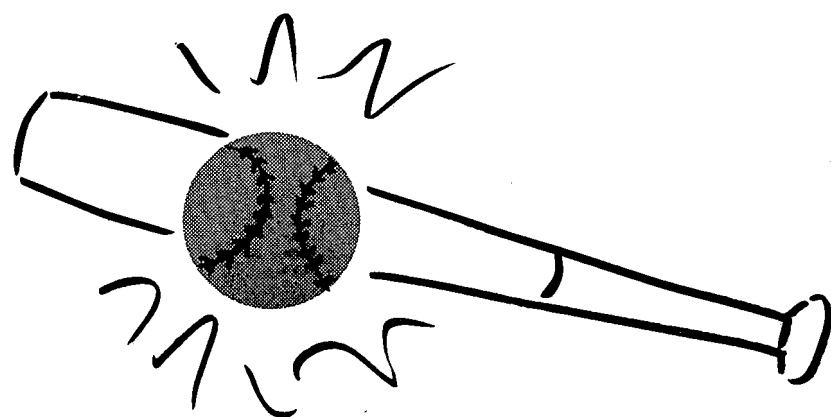
He was the beloved husband of Julie Ann; loving father of Blake and Luke; dear son of Ginny Norvell of Clarkston and Jack (Sherry) London of Rochester; grandson of Lillian Norvell of Waterford; and the late Ralph T. Norvell, Bernice Marshall, and Sam London, and son-in-law of Brenda and Larry Durkin of Attica.

Mr. London was employed by Durkin and Company Contractors,

Inc., and was a member of Camp 24 Hunting & Fishing Club in Curran.

Funeral service Thursday, April 19, 11 a.m., St. Clements of Rome Catholic Church in Romeo. Interment Guardian Angel Cemetery. Friends may call at the Lake Orion Chapel, Sparks-Griffin Funeral Home, 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, and 2-5 and 7-9 p.m. Wednesday.

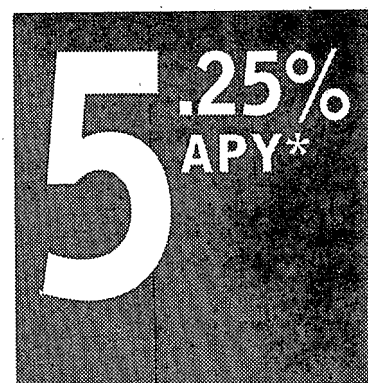
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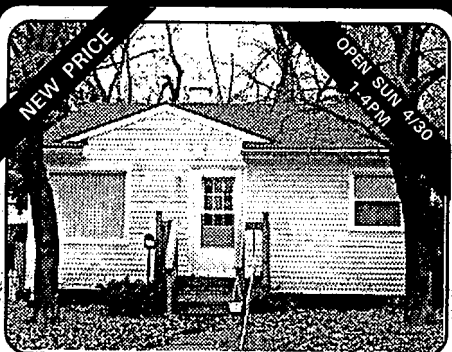
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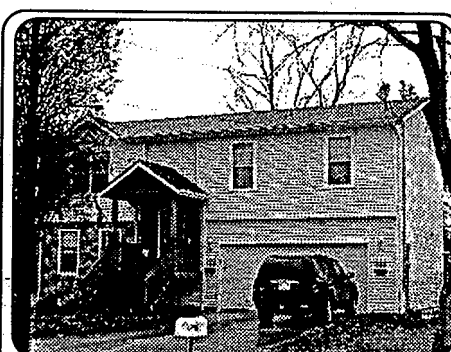
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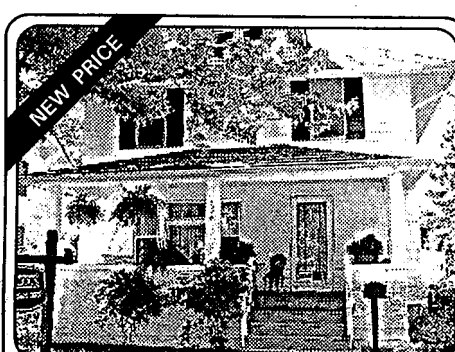
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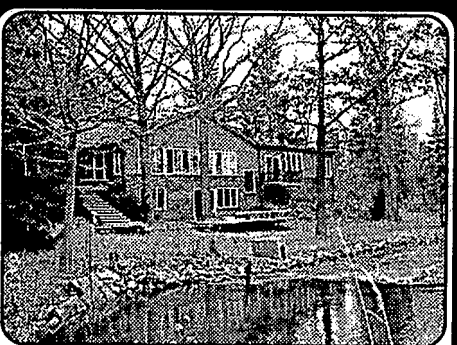
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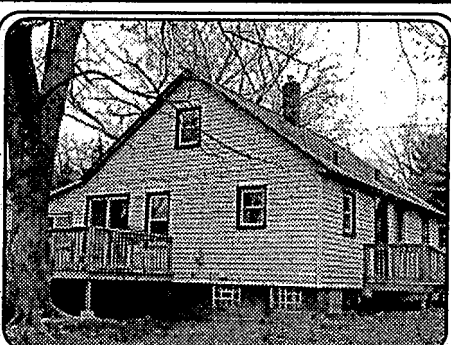
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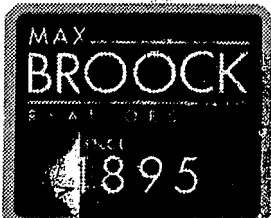


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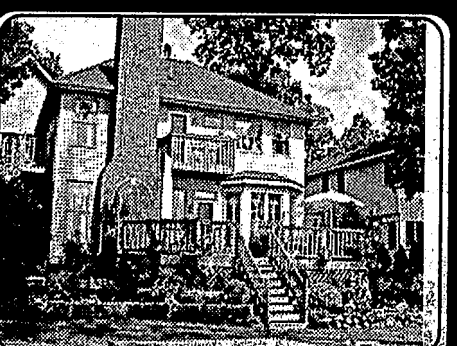
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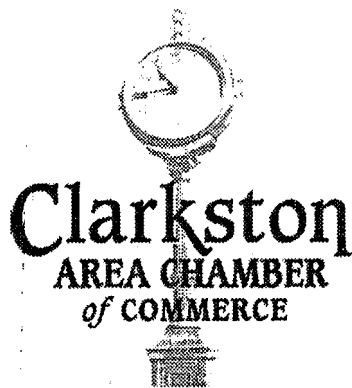
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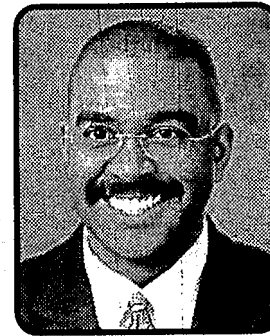
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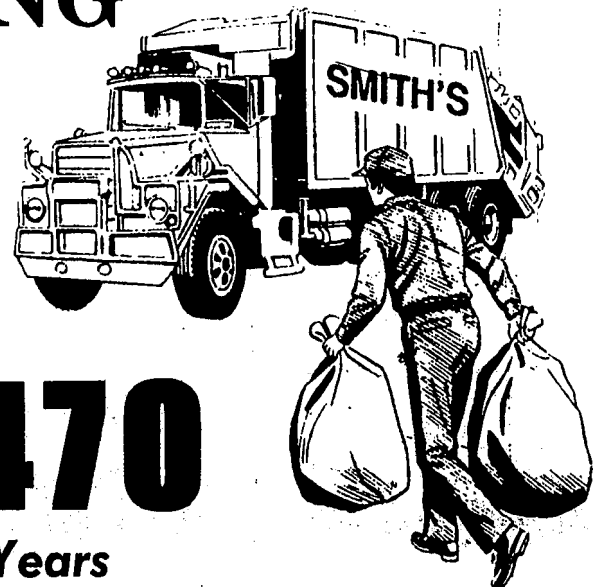
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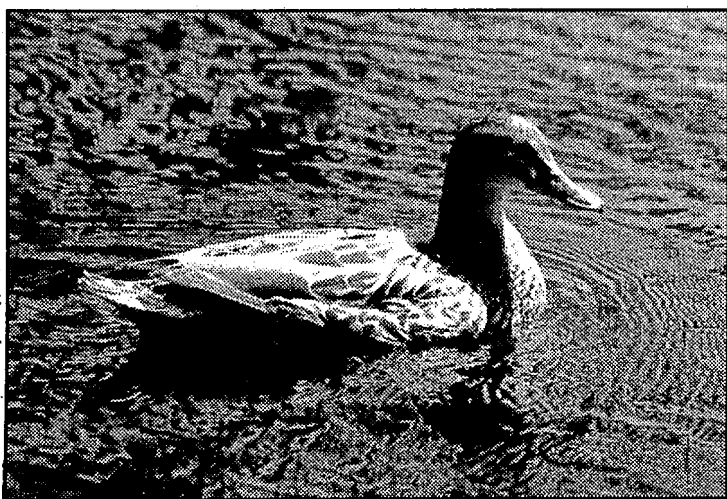
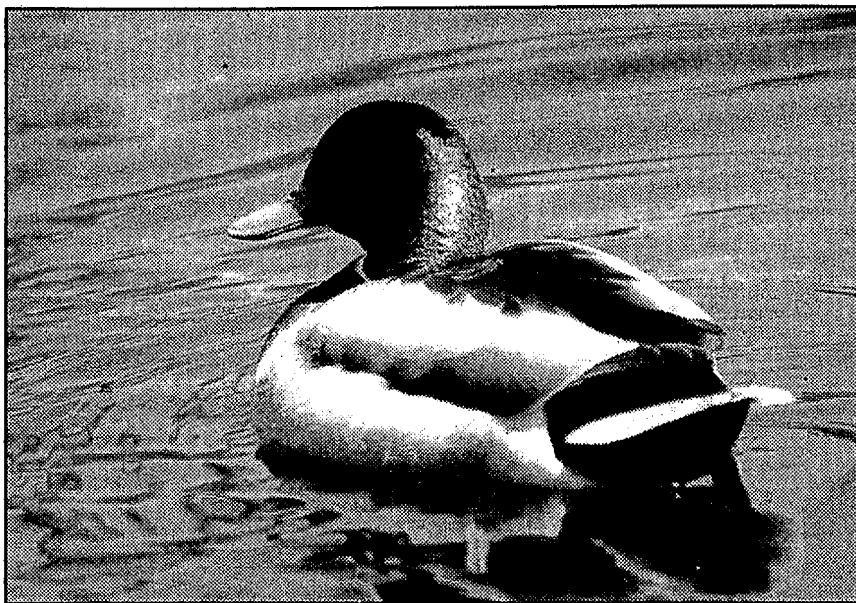
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Spring returned this past weekend, with some decent weather replacing the snow and gray skies of last week. Now, local waterfowl can get down to the business of springtime. Here, a gander checks out a lady duck on Mill Run in Depot Park, downtown Clarkston.

Crosshill Preschool enrollment open

Crosshill Community Preschool, 803 Broadway, Davisburg, is accepting enrollment for the 2007-2008 school year.

Located in the Davisburg United Methodist Church, the school offers classes for children 3-5, and a mom-and-tot class for 2-year-olds. For more information, call 248-634-2673.

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PUBLIC NOTICE PUBLIC ACCURACY TEST FRIDAY, APRIL 20, 2007

The City of the Village of Clarkston announces a Public Accuracy Testing of the computer program on Friday, April 20, 2007, at 10:30 a.m. for the May 8, 2005, School Election.

This testing will be held at the City Hall, 375 Depot Road, Clarkston, Michigan.

Artemus M. Pappas, Clerk
City of the Village of Clarkston

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POLICE COMMITTEE PUBLIC HEARING

A PUBLIC HEARING WILL BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25, 2007, 7:00 P.M. IN THE TRAINING ROOM OF FIRE HALL NO. 1, 6500 CITATION DRIVE.

THE PURPOSE OF THIS PUBLIC HEARING IS TO RECEIVE INPUT FROM THE RESIDENTS OF THE CITY OF CLARKSTON REGARDING THE CITY'S POLICE DEPARTMENT AND TO HEAR COMMENTS FROM THE POLICE COMMITTEE ON ITS FINDINGS TO DATE.

PUBLIC NOTICE



Charter Township of Springfield

SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING APRIL 12, 2007 SYNOPSIS

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

PUBLIC COMMENT:

CONSENT AGENDA:

- Approved Minutes: February 27, Special Meeting and March 8, 2007, Regular Meeting with bills and additional disbursements of \$191,524.87
- Accepted March 2007 Treasurer's Report
- Received February 2007 Reports: Building, Electrical, Plumbing, Mechanical and Fire
- Authorized payment of bills as presented, total \$28,822.45
- Discontinued contributing a portion of Cable Franchise Fee to Fire Fund, per 2007 adopted budget
- Received and accepted 2006 Audit Report
- Authorized agreement with Pfeiffer, Hanniford & Palka for auditing services for fiscal years 2007, 2008 & 2009 at \$19,300.00 per year
- Dust Control: Approved contracting with RCOC for public roads @ 26¢/lineal foot for five applications and with Road Maintenance for private roads @ 36¢/lineal foot for four applications
- Received and supported Oakland County Proclamation in observance of April as Fair Housing Month
- MICTA Spring Conference: Authorized attendance up to 2 people @ \$199.00 registration fee plus mileage (no meals or lodging)
- Receipt and Acceptance of letter from William Champion, resigning from the Planning Commission
- Received communications and placed on file.

PUBLIC HEARING:

OLD BUSINESS:

- Cable Fund PEG Use: Discussed Access Policy revisions, Operating Procedures, and Equipment upgrades and programming
- Fire Station #2 Expansion: Adopted Resolution authorizing Installation Purchase Contract; approved Construction Management Contract; reviewed budget; approved Committee appointments and responsibilities

NEW BUSINESS:

- First Reading, Ordinance #27, Subdivision Control: Authorized Second Reading conditioned on agreed revisions
- Dangerous Building: 7637 Stonevalley Bluff; 07-13-453-004 - Set May 10, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. for hearing on Order & Findings of Hearing Officer
- Road Abandonment Petition, Portion of Morning Drive, Lots 5-16: authorized objecting to abandonment unless additional Township-recommended conditions are met.
- Approved Deficit Elimination Plan for Building Fund
- Adopted Resolution regarding 2007 West Nile Virus Program Participation
- Discussed Meeting request by Detroit Regional Mass Transit CEO
- CDBG Program: Reduced FY 2007 allocations by 12% due to Funding cuts

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

ADJOURNED: 9:35 p.m.

NANCY STROLE, Clerk

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PUBLIC NOTICE



Charter Township of Springfield

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN NOTICE OF PUBLIC TEST

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a Public Test of the ballots to be used in the Tuesday, May 8, 2007 school election has been scheduled for **MONDAY, APRIL 30, 2007 at 1:30 p.m.** in the **Springfield Township Clerk's office**, 12000 Davisburg Road. Prerecorded test ballots for the Holly, Clarkston and Brandon school districts within Springfield Township will be processed on the M100 election equipment. The public is welcome to attend.

Joe Rozell, Director of Elections
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MINUTES

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

APRIL 9, 2007

Meeting called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Mayor Catallo followed by the pledge of allegiance.

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

Absent: None.

Minutes of March 27, 2007, accepted as presented.

Bills in the amount of \$285,113.35 approved for payment.

Ottman reported that she had read in the paper that Oakland County would furnish a car in the City if the City were to contract with the Oakland County Sheriff coverage. Members who were present at the meeting with the Oakland County Sheriff stated that this was not a proposal but just an idea.

Gawronski reported that the Planning Commission has read through the Master Plan with revisions as needed. Also, the review of placement of the playhouse in Depot Park was put on hold until after the raffle.

Brueck reported that the Clarkston Watershed Group will meet on Wednesday, April 11, at 7:00 p.m. in the City Hall.

Johnston asked Pappas about the 2007 - 2008 budget preparations. Pappas is working on this. The budget hearing should take place at the first meeting in June and the final budget adopted at the second meeting. The Finance Committee will have a meeting scheduled as soon as budget worksheets are completed.

Arrangements have been made to attach a trailer hitch to one of the police vehicles; however, the traffic trailer will not be operational until June as it requires some solar energy.

D.P.W. Supervisor Pursley reviewed a report on the lift machine usage. He further reported that the picnic tables have been stained and placed in the park. Pursley stated that several delineators on Miller Road had been knocked down. Council directed Pursley to determine if there was any other method of maintaining a visual barrier between Miller Road and the sidewalk.

Moved That the D.P.W. investigate alternatives for barriers on Miller Road between the street and sidewalk.

Pursley will ask for a line item in the budget for maintaining the storage area. Once the present materials are removed, the D.P.W. will attempt to keep this area cleaned out on a regular basis.

Ginny Schultz reported that she has started a fund raiser for the proposed bridge in Depot Park. She is expecting the permit applications on Wednesday, April 11, and checks have been given to the City Manager to pass along to Hubbell, Roth and Clark for the required applications.

Correspondence from the Clarkston Community Historical Society (copy on file) regarding Art in the Village and the Farmers Market was discussed. The Historical Society asked that the City Council maintain its original stipulation that the Farmers Market not be held on the week end of the Art in the Village. Discussion followed wherein Johnston considered the Farmers Market an outside sales for Clarkston Mills and it is on private property. City Attorney Ryan stated that even if an event such as the Farmers Market is held on private property, it requires City approval for the use issue.

Tom Stone stated that this was a safety issue with too many things at one time in the same locale.

Steve Arkwright speaking for the Historical Society stated that in the past the City Council had stipulated that the Farmers Market would not occur during the Art in the Village week end. Arkwright stated that ten thousand people come to Art in the Village which is now in its thirtieth year. Funds raised by this event total seventy percent of the total budget for the Historical Society which in turn funds local projects. There are also other groups that use this event for fund raising according to Arkwright. Arkwright further stated that one hundred crafters come in with u-haul trailers and campers to use this time for setting up their booths.

Ottman stated that this should be a non-issue as it was agreed not to have the Farmers Market on the week end of Art in the Village. Toni Brown stated that the Historical Society wanted to know the City's feelings before meeting with the Farmers Market representatives.

Resolved That the City Council adopt the Policies and Procedures Manual as presented.

Reported that Township Trustee Dan Kelly would be at the April 23 City Council meeting to discuss the feasibility study as proposed by the County for shared services between municipalities.

Resolved that the City Council is open to all manners of feasibility studies short of consolidation of governments.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
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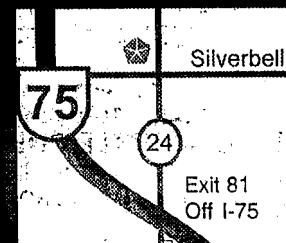
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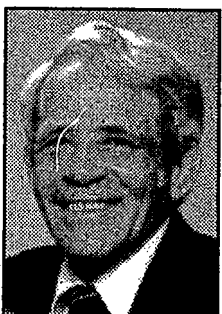
Anthony Guzzo

Anthony Guzzo of Clarkston passed away on April 15.

He was the husband of Marilyn; brother in law of John and Sally McKay and Beverly Mikels; also survived by many nieces, nephews, and friends who are like family.

Mr. Guzzo served in the U.S. Marines during WWII. He owned and operated G&W Engineering, Pontiac.

Funeral service Thursday, April



19, 10 a.m. at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston, where friends may visit Wednesday 3-5 and 7-9 p.m. Interment Lakeview Cemetery. Online guest book www.wintfuneralhome.com.

Lois B. DeLongchamp

Lois B. DeLongchamp, formerly of Clarkson, passed away at the Jupiter Medical Center on April 9 at the age of 90.

A 30-year-plus resident of the Little Club in Tequesta, she was preceded in death by her husband, Paul.

Mrs. DeLongchamp leaves behind three children, Diane, David, and

Daniel, plus numerous grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces, and nephews. The family wishes to thank all of her friends for their continued support.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to the Little Club Library Fund, 9601 SE Little Club Way North, Tequesta, Fla., 33469.

Jack Alan Bertram

Jack Alan Bertram "Big Jack" died unexpectedly at his Clarkston home at age 30.

He was the beloved son of Jack and Azel Bertram.

Mr. Bertram was born July 29, 1976, in Pontiac and graduated from Clarkston High School.

He held an associates degree from Oakland Community College, and was currently attending The University of Michigan-Flint with graduation near.

Mr. Bertram became very active in the theatre department, and was gifted at set design and backstage tasks like lighting and sound.

He did play a part once, but felt he was better suited for behind the scenes talent.

Mr. Bertram loved hunting, music, and children.



He was very diverse, and did everything from working as a bouncer at Mr. B's to writing beautiful poetry.

His family is terribly saddened by his loss at such a young age. He is survived by his dear brother Jason of Grand Rapids.

He was the special nephew of Jeffery (Tasha) Green, and their sons Liam and Keegan were his best buddies. His ten uncles and three aunts will all miss him.

The funeral service was held Friday, April 15, at Harrington Funeral Home. Interment will take place at Elmwood Cemetery in Onaway, Mich.

Special Financial Focus

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Consider Combination of 401(k) and Roth IRA

Your 401(k) plan is unquestionably a great vehicle for building retirement savings. You typically fund your plan with pre-tax dollars, so your contributions can lower your annual taxable income. Plus, your earnings grow on a tax-deferred basis. So, you should always put in as much as you can afford to your 401(k), right? Not necessarily.

Why? Because you may be able to get more "mileage" out of your retirement plan dollars by putting some of them into a Roth IRA. As you may know, Roth IRA earnings have the potential to grow tax-free, provided you've held your account at least five years and you don't start taking withdrawals until you reach age 59 1/2. Furthermore, when you invest in a 401(k) or a similar plan (such as a 403(b) or 457 plan), you may be required to take minimum distributions when you reach 70 1/2, but you can let your Roth IRA keep growing until you decide when to take withdrawals.

Do you have to choose?

Clearly, both a Roth IRA and a 401(k) offer significant advantages to you as you build funds for retirement. And, fortunately, you don't have to choose one of these vehicles over the other. So, how should you divvy up your contributions?

Here's one suggestion: Put as much as necessary into your 401(k) to earn your employer's matching contribution, if one is offered. Then, fully fund your Roth IRA. If you "max out" on your Roth IRA, and you still can afford to set aside more funds for retirement, increase your 401(k) salary deferral. (In 2006, you can put up to \$4,000 into a Roth IRA, or \$5,000 if you are 50 or older. You can also defer up to \$15,000 to your 401(k), or \$20,000 if you are 50 or older.)

Of course, this strategy may not be applicable if your income is too high to contribute to a Roth IRA. If you are a single filer, you can put in the full amount to your Roth IRA if your modified adjusted gross income (AGI) is less than \$95,000 per year, and you can make partial contributions if you earn between \$95,000 and \$110,000. If you are married, and filing jointly, you can contribute the maximum to your Roth IRA if your AGI is less than \$150,000 per year; you can make partial contributions if your AGI is between \$150,000 and \$160,000.

Keep diversification in mind

If you can contribute to both a Roth IRA and a 401(k), you'll need to carefully choose the investments that make up these respective retirement plans. You won't want to "duplicate" your holdings by choosing virtually identical investments in your Roth IRA and 401(k). Instead, seek to diversify as much as possible. For example, if your 401(k) is made up mostly of aggressive growth vehicles, you may want to fund your Roth IRA with somewhat more conservative investments. Your individual asset allocation should depend on your risk tolerance, long-term goals and time horizon. Just keep in mind that your Roth IRA and 401(k) are two pieces of a bigger picture.

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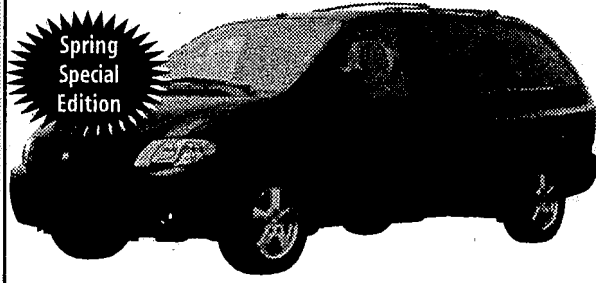
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Employee Choice	\$169*	\$4,795*	\$18,873*
Everyone Qualifies	\$219*	\$6,395*	\$20,873*

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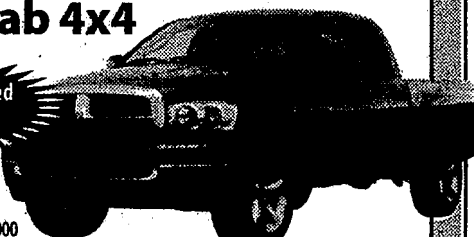
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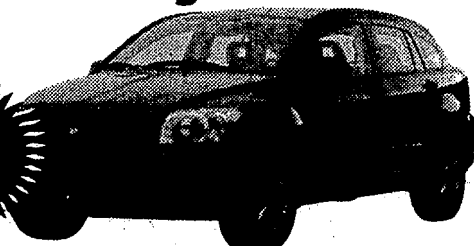
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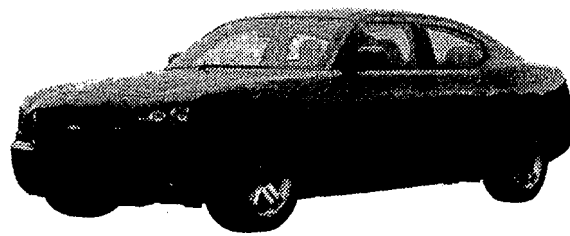
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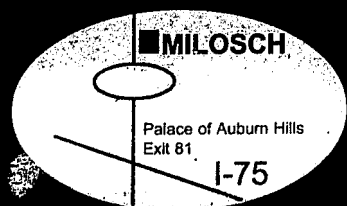
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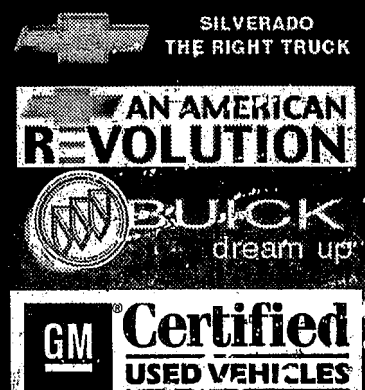
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AUCTION SATURDAY
May 5, 2007, 4 p.m.
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3080 Adventure Ln., Oxford
For Following Units:
Unit #85 Rebecca DeLuca: Stove, kids toys, large variety of duct work, vents, misc. items. Unit #218 Mary Cross: Variety house items. Unit #262 Sandra Hamilton: Bed, chairs, stove. Unit #156 Billie Jo Kaatz: Cabinets, TV, dressers, kitchen items, dining table, snow thrower, misc. household. Units #s 88, 89, 91 Neva Sisson: Large variety house items.
"CASH SALE"

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
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110 GARAGE SALE

MOM TO MOM Sale, Dryden Wesleyan Church, 5274 Dryden Rd. Saturday, April 21st, 9:30am-1pm. 810-798-2808. IILX19-1

HUGE GARAGE SALE in upscale neighborhood. Indoor and patio furniture. Lego sets. Dishes and housewares, lawn tractor and equipment. Bunk beds and crib. April 19th 12noon-6pm, April 20th 9am-5pm, April 21st 8am-2pm. 766 West Ridge Court, Lake Orion (Oakland Ridge Estates, off Silver Bell). IILX18-2

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

Mom2Mom Sale

Buy gently used children's clothes, toys, furniture & gear
Sat. 4-21-07 at CERC, 455 E. Scripps Rd., Lake Orion 9am-Noon
Adm \$1; Benefits OAYA & CERC
Call Kelli, OAYA, 248-693-6878
54 Seller Tables
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CLARKSTON ESTATE Sale at 10345 Ortonville Rd. Thursday, Friday and Saturday, 9-6, no early birds. IICX40-1

MOVING SALE: lots of everything, leather sofa, stereo tv, Maytag washer, display case. Thurs.-Fri., April 19-20, 9am-3pm. 1111 Brown Rd., Orion, near Sam's Club. IILX19-1

ROCHESTER FIRST Congregational Church Rummage Sale, 1315 N. Pine (2 blocks south of Tienken Rd. and 1 block west of Rochester Rd.), Great bargains! Visit our Royal Rummage Room Friday, April 27, 9am-5pm. Early Birds admitted at 8:30am for \$1. Saturday, April 28, 9am-1pm, \$3 a brown bag, large items 1/2 price.

MOVING SALE FRIDAY, Saturday April 20, 21, 10am-4pm. 622 Bay Pointe Dr., Oxford. 248-396-4426. Furniture, rugs, jewelry, washer/dryer, kitchen items, knick knacks, some antiques, childrens stuff, miscellaneous. IILX19-1

SATURDAY, APRIL 28, 9am-4pm. 345 Ball St., Ortonville. Table rentals available. 248-627-6447. IILX35-

HUGE GARAGE Sale- Air conditioners, luggage, air hockey table, Casio keyboard, April 19-20, 9am-4pm. 10159 Gibbs Rd., Clarkston (at Dixie & Oakhill). IICX40-1

RELAY FOR LIFE benefit garage sale, April 19-20, 9am-5pm at 100 Pontiac St., Oxford. Household goods, toys, sports equipment, gazing balls, and other homemade goods. Proceeds to Oxford's Relay, Team Sole Sisters. IILX19-1

HUGE 3 FAMILY garage sale, 6506 East Church St., Clarkston, April 19-21, 9am-5pm. Tons of stuff, including Blg & Tall. IICX40-1

FINAL GARAGE and Retirement Sale.

April 5-29, for 25 straight days 10am-6pm. Everything the wife didn't nail down goes! Houseware and office items, Fax, phones, file cabinets, desks and more. 1968-84 and 2006 Detroit Tigers collection with certified autographs. Hunting and hardware items. Muzzle loading rifles, pistols and shotguns with muzzle loading hardware and Mountain Man Period dress items- fox hat, deerskin trousers, sash and much more. Duck and goose decoys and decoy collectables. Wildlife wall mounts (duck, 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, helmet), plus much more. 6916 Tappan Dr., Clarkston 48346 (near Dixie Hwy. & White Lake Rd.), call on 248-882-1506. IICX38-4

BRAND NEW LADIES clothes, wholesale price or less. From dresses, summer 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

MOVING/ GARAGE SALE April 19, 20, 21 8am-6pm. 371 S. Baldwin, Oxford. Coke memorabilia, chests, rec room neon signs, records, slot machine, baker's rack, workout equipment, pictures and much more. IILX19-1

BARN SALE

We have been cleaning again, and have a barn full of "stuff". Something for everybody. Some antiques, and some "good" antique bottles. Wood-working tools. Rain or shine, doesn't matter- it's all inside. Thursday, April 29; Friday, April 20; and Saturday, April 21, 2007. 8am-6pm. 2990 Lakeville Rd., Oxford, at the corner of Hosner.
LX19-1

Huge Church Rummage Sale

April 26-28, Thursday & Friday
9am-4pm

All sorts of good stuff for all ages!
Bargain clothing basement.
Saturday clearance 9am-noon.
Immanuel United Church of Christ,
one block behind Oxford Starbucks
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MOM 2 MOM SALE- This Saturday, April 21st, 9am-3pm at Bridgewood Church, 6765 Rattalee Lake Rd., Clarkston. \$1 admission. Strollers welcome. 248-625-1344 IILX19-1

RUMMAGE SALE
Paint Creek Methodist Church
4420 Collins Rd., off Orion Rd. by
Paint Creek Cider Mill. (Goodson)
Friday April 20,
9 a.m.- 6 p.m.
Saturday April 21, \$2 bag day,
9 a.m.- noon
LX19-1

110 GARAGE SALE

MOVING SALE- Everything has to go, including mobile home! Liftchair, wheelchair, medical equipment, bedroom set, collectibles and misc. household goods. Spring Grove Mobile Home Park, Dixie Hwy., north of I-75, before Oakhill Rd. 17291 Roberts Dr., Davisburg, MI, April 19-22 and 26-29. IILX40-1

1 Day Yard Sale

Saturday, April 21, 9:30am-4pm at North Oakland Dental Group Office, 830 S. Lapeer, Oxford. Lots of good stuff, and all proceeds will go to the Relay For Life Cancer Drive. Any questions, call 248-628-9557. If rain, sale will be postponed one week to April 28th. LX29-1dhf

MULTI-FAMILY GARAGE Sale. Saturday only! April 21st, 8am-2pm. Furniture, miscellaneous & many used once baby items. 948 McClellan, Lake Orion. IILX19-1

GARAGE SALE Davisburg. Too many treasures, too little space. 19th-21st, 9am, 3300 Wildberry Lane (Davisburg & Ormond), follow signs. IILX40-1

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2001 CHEVY TAHOE LS- 4x4, 5.3L, power windows, power locks, A/C, leather, new tires, pewter, 110,000 miles, very clean, \$12,500 obo. 248-227-2387. IILX23-4nn

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1994 GMC 4WD 1500 pickup, 350 automatic, loaded, 118,000 miles, ab- high cap, bedliner, minor rust, \$4200 obo, 248-625-2106. IILX23-12nn

2002 4x4 Chevy Blazer LS, new Michelin tires, new brakes & rotors, still under extended warranty, \$9000. 248-627-5607. IILX18-8nn

1995 SUBURBAN 4 wheel drive, 130k miles, motor 85k miles, new trans, runs great body and interior good, \$3,600 obo. 248-670-6809 IILX23-12nn

1995 FORD BRONCO- 4x4, 302, over \$2000 in new parts, 3" lift, 33" tires, runs good, 116,000 miles, \$3500 obo, 248-421-6608. IILX19-4nn

CHEVY TRUCK, 98,000 miles, 2002. Automatic, V-6, long bed, bed liner, regular cab, \$5,600 obo, 586-382-0155, 248-765-7935. IILX15-8nn

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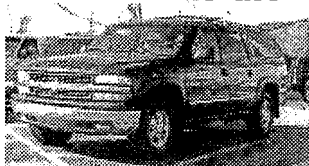


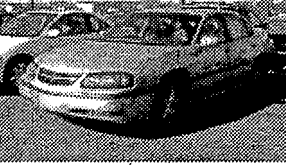
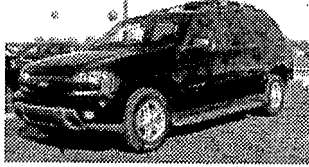

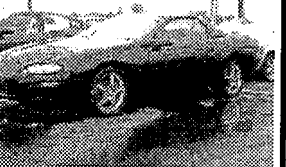
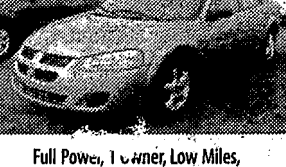
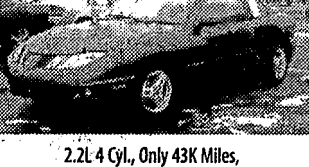
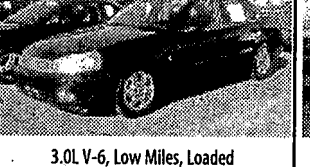
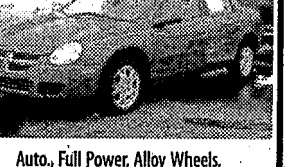
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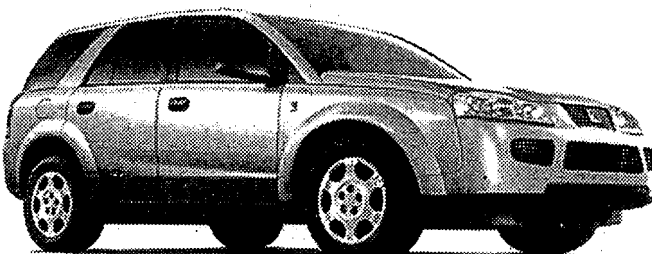
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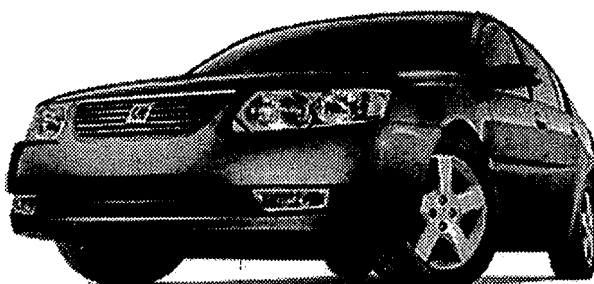
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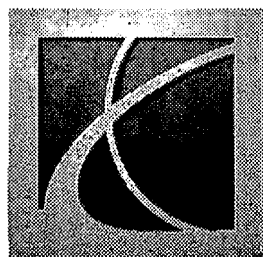
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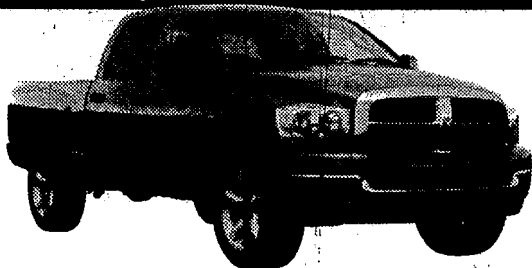
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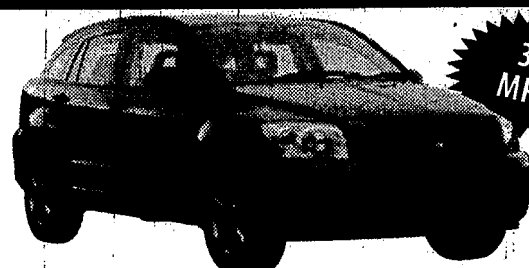
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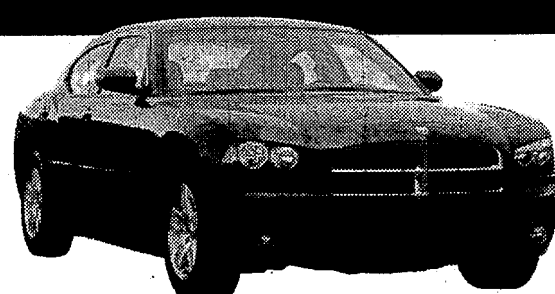
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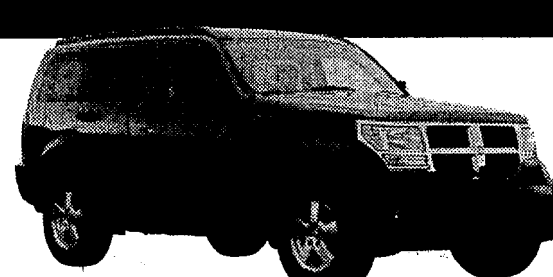
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- CD
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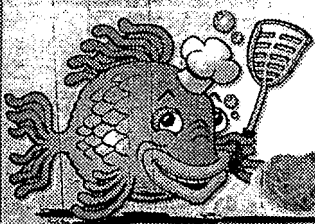
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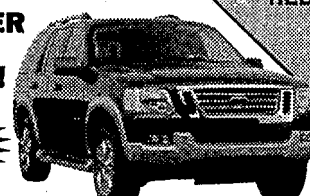
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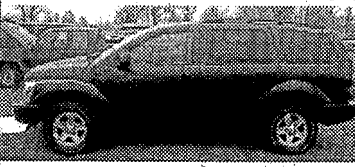




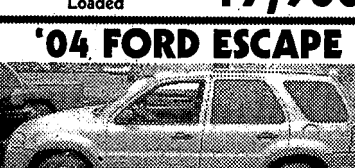
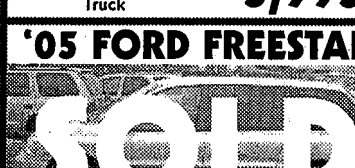



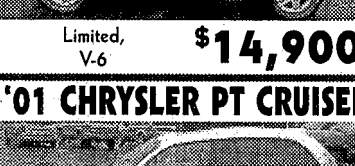
















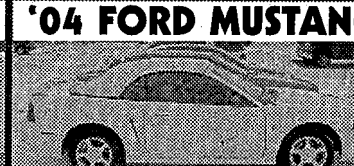
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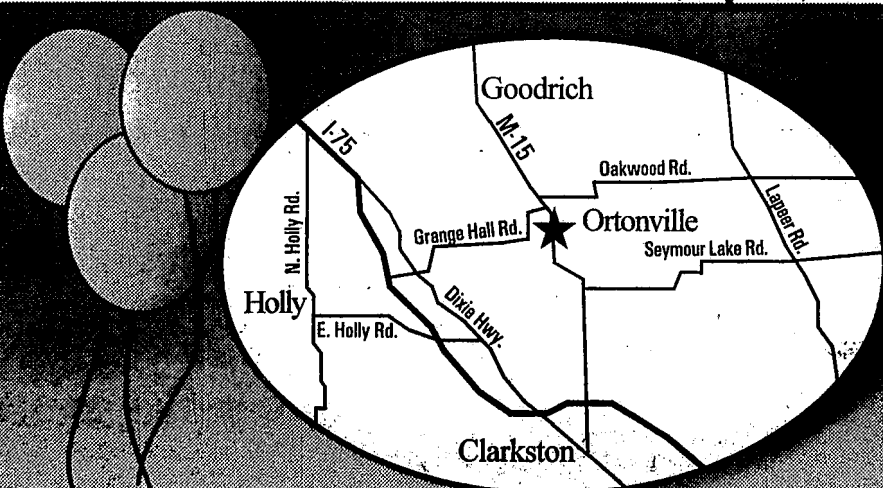
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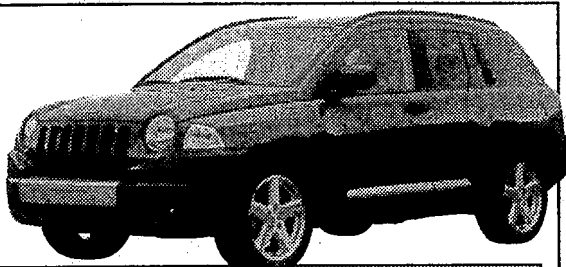
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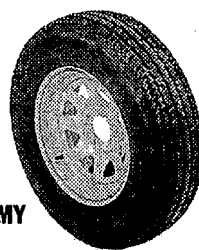
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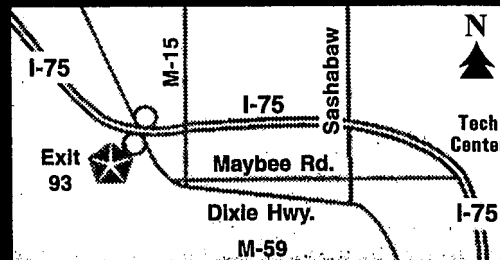
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Bordine Nursery gears up for spring

By Kelly Reynolds

Despite recent snowy weather, spring is here – time to get the garden ready for a new year.

Bordine Nursery is ready for the season, with everything needed for a full, colorful, healthy garden right here in Clarkston.

Karl Kassmann, garden store manager at Bordine's, said some of their big sellers so far this spring have been their new liquid repellent for deer, mole and vole.

"Pansies have also been really hot so far," he said.

Since many local lake associations have changed regulations to allow only phosphorus-free fertilizers, Bordine's now carries Scott's phosphorus-free fertilizer and a new four-step fertilizer program.

Bordine Nursery recommends mid-April as the time to apply step one of the four-step program. The fertilizer should be applied now and twice more at four- to six-week intervals.

Bordine Nursery, 8600 Dixie Highway, and its Web site www.Bordine.com offer more information, tips, and hints on all sorts of plants, such as these questions and answers on spring gardening:

Q: Can I plant my Pansies now?

A: Pansies look gorgeous when planted in the garden right now. They are extremely cold tolerant and even during spells of very cold temperatures they will

thrive. If the flowers get nipped by a frost, don't worry. The plant is still healthy and you will see new flowers within a couple days.

Q: When are all your perennials, trees and shrubs going to be available?

A: Our perennial and tree and shrub departments have a large selection of plant material to choose from already and are receiving shipments daily of new plant

material. If you are interested in a specific plant give us a call and we can let you know if it is available. If it isn't available yet we can let you know when it should be arriving or even give you a call when it comes in.

Q: When can I start to fertilize my plants?

A: Mid-April is time to apply Step 1 of your four step lawn program, which is a

fertilizer plus pre-emergent crabgrass control. Newly emerging perennials can be fertilized right now with Bordine Better Blooms Perennial Fertilizer. Apply now and twice more at 4-6 week intervals. Holly-tone is an excellent fertilizer to apply to trees and shrubs at this time of year. Applying Holly-tone now and then the Bordine Nursery Better Trees

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A Bordine Nursery Purple Person cares for the spring-time flowers and plants.



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and Shrubs Fertilizer 6 weeks later is the perfect combination.

Q: Is it too early to plant perennials?

A: It is not too early to plant most perennials, however any perennials that have not been acclimated to cold temperatures should not be planted until this occurs. If temperatures are forecasted to drop below 35F at night make sure to cover your flowering perennials to protect those gorgeous blooms from frost damage.

Q: When do I cut my perennial grasses back?

A: April is the best time to cut back perennial grasses. Cut them back to 4 inches above the ground and they will grow to full maturity by the end of the season.

Q: How do I prune back my Clematis and when?

A: Clematis bloom on either new or old wood, depending on the variety. In spring wait for new growth to begin. Note whether the majority of shoots are coming from the ground or from the old vines. If from the ground, these varieties bloom from NEW WOOD and should be pruned 6-12 inches from the ground in April. If the new growth appears on the previous season's vines, these varieties bloom on OLD WOOD. Prune as needed shortly after blooming.

Q: Is it too early to plant trees and shrubs?

A: You can definitely plant trees and shrubs right now. However, if temperatures are forecasted to drop below 35F at night make sure to cover any that are in flower to protect those gorgeous blooms from frost damage.

Q: When can I start pruning my shrubs



The nursery is also home to many hanging baskets.

and roses?

A: When to prune your shrubs depends on the variety. Spring flowering shrubs should not be pruned until right after they are done flowering. Pruning spring flowering shrubs right now will actually cut off this year's flowers resulting in no flowers. However, fall flowering shrubs can be pruned right now. Roses can also be pruned right now. See Rose Care Sheet for more detailed information on

how to prune roses.

Q: When do I cut my butterfly bush back and by how much?

A: April is an excellent time to cut back butterfly bush. They should be cut back to 12-18 inches from the ground.

Q: When do I uncover my roses?

A: Ideally roses should have been uncovered Mid-March, so if they are still covered make sure to uncover them immediately.

Spring Expo this weekend

The Purple People at Bordine Nursery, 8600 Dixie Highway, have been busy preparing for the Spring Expo, set for this weekend, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., April 21-22.

The expo features indoor and outdoor displays and activities. Seminars will include:

Saturday, April 21

- 10 a.m., The Secrets to a Great Looking Lawn, with Ashton Ritchie, agronomist with The Scotts Company;
- 11 a.m., Water Gardens;
- 12 p.m., Critter Control;
- 1 p.m., New Varieties for 2007;
- 2 p.m., Creative Container;

Sunday, April 22

- 11 a.m., New Perennial Picks and Partners for Season Long Color with Nancy Szerlag, garden columnist with *The Detroit News*;
- 12 p.m., Pruning;
- 1 p.m., Natural Gardening;
- 2 p.m., How to Plant;
- 3 p.m., Container Gardens.

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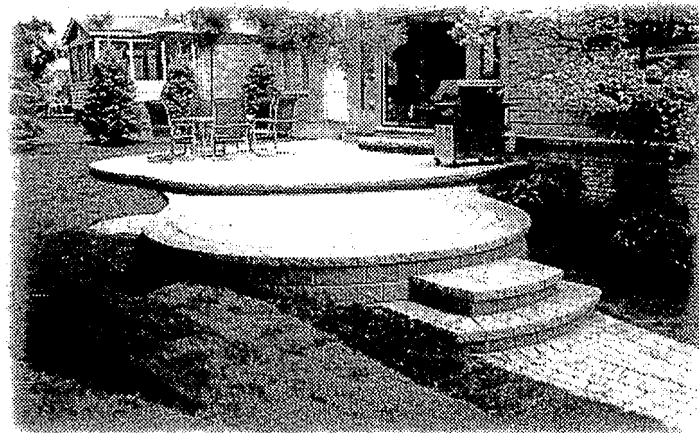
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Saving trees before an insect attack

(NAPSI)-Homeowners who care about their trees may want to protect them from the insects that are making waves across the country, killing millions of gorgeous trees.

- The emerald ash borer has killed 20 million ash trees across the Midwest. Iowa is now threatened and the insect has entered Maryland.

- A small aphidlike insect, the hemlock woolly adelgid, has killed millions of Eastern hemlock trees in at least 11 Eastern states from North Carolina to southern New England.

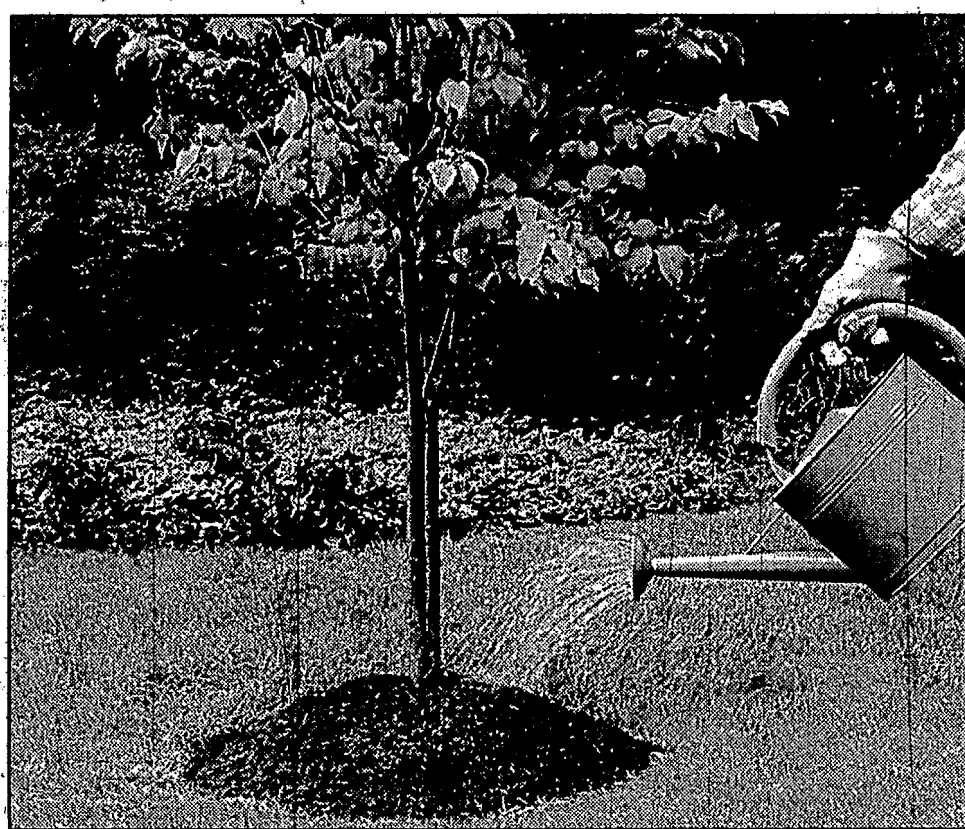
- Japanese beetles still cost the plant industry hundreds of millions of dollars each year, eating tree and shrub leaves and grass roots. Infestations are reported in Eastern states and as far west as Iowa and Missouri.

"It can cost hundreds of dollars to cut down just one tree that's destroyed by insects," said Lance Walheim, Bayer Advance Garden Expert and co-author of "Landscaping for Dummies." "Prevention will save you a lot of money in the long run."

To help fight the spread of all dangerous tree-eating insects, consider the following tips:

- Learn to identify tree-eating insects. Do Internet research, contact a tree or shrub expert at your local nursery or call an agricultural extension agent in your area so you know what to look for.

- Examine trees regularly. Signs of trouble include dead or dying limbs, poorly colored or eaten leaves, a thinning canopy or a trunk and main scaffold branches oozing plant sap.



Get rid of tree-eating insects with treatment solutions.

- Take preventive measures. Bayer Advanced offers two solutions for your consideration: 12 Month Tree & Shrub Insect Control and 12 Month Tree & Shrub Protect & Feed—both contain Merit and are no-spray, preventive solutions.

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Feed around the base of the tree.

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Avoiding biggest lawn blunders

(NAPSI)-Experts say anyone can grow a healthy, green lawn by learning the basics and avoiding the five most common lawn care mistakes.

Trey Rogers, Ph.D., professor of turfgrass science at Michigan State University, recommends avoiding these common lawn care mistakes:

- A dull lawn mower blade. Have your lawn mower blade professionally sharpened once a year. A dull blade chops the grass rather than making a clean cut.

- Cutting the grass too short. Don't try to achieve the look of a putting green in your yard. Follow the one-third rule: Cut only one-third of the grass blade in any single mowing.

- Watering at the wrong time. Don't water the lawn during the heat of the day because the water will evaporate before it sinks in. Early-morning watering is best. Watering the lawn at night can encourage mold and mildew.

- Applying too much or too little fertilizer. Too much fertilizer can burn the lawn or cause it to grow too rapidly, adding to your mowing time. Skipping the fertilizer deprives your lawn of a nutrition boost that helps it grow strong and stay healthy. Follow all package directions.

- Battling weeds at the wrong time. Broad-leaf weeds such as dandelions are most easily managed by applying a "postemergent" herbicide in fall. Grassy weeds like crabgrass can be killed in spring with a "pre-emergent" herbicide.

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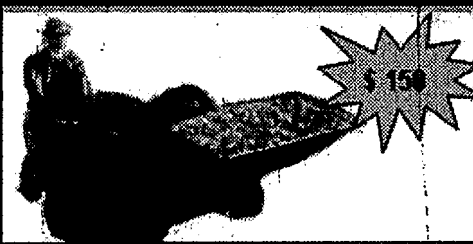
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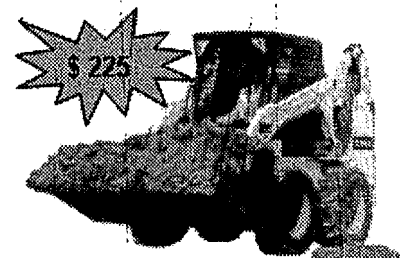
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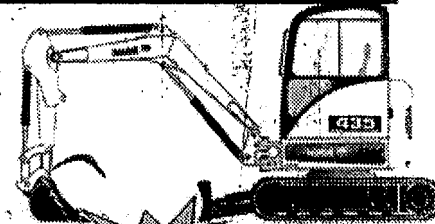
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Getting big color in small gardens

(NAPSI)-Small lots provide an unusual challenge to home landscapers: creating a colorful and vibrant landscape in a small space so that it appears larger than it actually is, without looking crowded or overgrown.

Smaller lots demand bright, multihued flowers, shrubs and bushes to balance the impressive scale of the home; yet traditional varieties of garden plants often grow too large for modern yards. Fortunately, plant breeders have developed many new varieties of plants that will stay small and compact, yet add months of color in very little space.

One fresh option for home landscapers is a new breed of butterfly bush. Known for its fragrant flowers that attract hordes of butterflies, the new English Butterfly series is a compact alternative to the older varieties, which can grow up to 8 feet high and several feet across. This scaled-down model grows only 4 to 5 feet tall yet still attracts butterflies of all kinds.

Hydrangeas, another traditional favorite, also have a tendency to take over smaller spaces. The Cityline hydrangea series developed in Europe, where small plots are the norm, grows only 3 feet tall. Four new varieties have the color of old favorites such as Pink Beauty, but require less than half the space.

Homeowners who want to use native plants in smaller gardens should look at the dwarf Itca Little Henry, which reaches just 3 feet in height, has fragrant summer flowers and vibrant or-

ange fall foliage. Ninebark, another popular native plant, has also been tamed. While older ninebark varieties often grew to 10 feet, the more compact Summer Wine variety grows only 6 feet tall and has rich purple foliage for summer-long color. Better yet, Summer Wine ninebark is a disease-resistant alternative to the overly popular, purple-leafed sand cherry.

Of all the new "scaled-down" varieties, Weigela is perhaps the most exciting.

Old-fashioned Weigela, a long-time staple of grandma's country garden, has endeared itself to generations of gardeners with its adaptable nature and stunning spring flower display. But today's homeowners are reluctant to give up 5 to 7 feet of space for a plant that has little visual appeal after its spring flowers are gone.

The new generation of Weigela offers nostalgic homeowners colorful spring flowers and foliage in a smaller space.

Fine Wine, a more compact selection of the breakthrough purple Weigela Wine & Roses, matures to just 2 feet in height. Its sister plant Midnight Wine is even smaller-just 10 to 12 inches tall. Compare these smaller sizes to the original Wine & Roses, which may get up to 5 feet tall; yet all three have rich purple foliage and pink flowers.

The most stunning new Weigela variety is My Monet. At just 12 to 18 inches in height, this compact charmer fits into



An excellent choice for screening, Fine Line buckthorn, left, is narrow and extremely cold-hardy. If a garden space is limited, My Monet Weigela, right, provides maximum color with minimal effort.



a garden or patio container. It brightens gardens long after its rosy pink spring flowers have bloomed, as its unique green and white variegated foliage often blushes pink as the season progresses. If garden space is extremely limited, My Monet still provides with maximum color with minimal effort.

Although many new varieties have been selected to grow shorter, there are also new varieties of plants with narrower widths. Homeowners looking for an easy way to add some privacy to the backyard should take a look at Castle

Spire and Castle Wall holly.

These narrow, upright plants will form an attractive living wall along the property line and need only a few feet of growing space. Another excellent choice for screening is Fine Line buckthorn; it's also quite narrow and extremely cold-hardy, too.

It's easy to put colossal color into today's smaller spaces-without planting oversized varieties.

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Home style expert saves time, gets job done

(NAPSI)-Let's face it, while many of us love a tidy home, actually cleaning the house can be a dreaded chore that's all too easy to put off.

After all, with so many other things on our to-do lists these days, there just aren't enough hours in the day to get everything done.

In fact, according to a recent survey of American households conducted by New Best Ever Bounty paper towels and Synovate, Inc., more than 68 percent of Americans feel they just don't have enough time to keep their home as clean as they would like.

To help Americans make cleaning less time consuming, Katie Brown, often hailed as "the doyenne of domesticity for Generation X," has created tips and tricks to get your home in tip-top shape.

A home style expert, Brown believes her tips can actually make cleaning fun.

"For many of us, cleaning seems like such a hassle," says Brown. "Believe it or not, there are ways to make this dreaded task more enjoyable."

An easy way to stay ahead of the cleaning curve is to use the tools that instantly help you to be more efficient and effective."

Brown says one of her all-time favorite timesaving tips is to get the whole family involved with spring cleaning and get the job done even quicker.

"The beauty of having everyone help clean your home is that the job will be done much faster and more ef-

ficiently," says Brown. "And talk about efficiency, here's a little secret you may not know: One sheet of Bounty keeps working through multiple spring cleaning tasks-just rinse, wring, reopen and then toss in the garbage when you're done. No more cleanup after your cleanup."

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A novel way to make cleaning fun, says Brown, is to put on a favorite soundtrack while cleaning and "sing 'n clean!" Or make a contest to see who can help clean the most with one sheet of Bounty.

Brown also offers these quick tips to help take the chore out of cleaning:

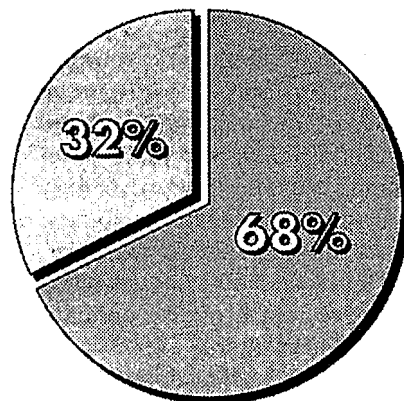
- Clean your home the most effective and efficient way and then celebrate the outcome!

- Dress in your favorite, comfy "cleaning uniform."

- Have snacks and refreshments ready for you and your little helpers-everyone can use an energy boost!

- When you're finished cleaning, give yourself a little reward.

Speaking of ways to take the dread out of chores, to encourage people to tackle cleaning with enthusiasm and make the most of tidying time, Bounty



68% of Americans feel they don't have enough time to keep their homes clean.

and Katie Brown have teamed up for the One Sheet Challenge.

Log on to OneSheetChallenge.com and share your story of using one sheet of Bounty to tackle a tough task in your home for a chance to win a complete kitchen makeover, a shopping spree of energy-efficient appliances or a year's supply of New Best Ever Bounty.

The One Sheet Challenge runs now through June 30, 2007. Winners will be announced on OneSheetChallenge.com and notified by mail.

For more of Brown's fun secrets for cleaning with Bounty and details on the contest, log on to onesheetchallenge.com or quickerpickerupper.com.

Helping to make wishes come true

(NAPSI)-Purchasing a new system to heat or cool your home could have some heartwarming results.

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Five steps to a beautiful garden

(NAPSI)-OK, you've seen all the garden magazines, and you've been to your friend's house with the garden that says "Wow!"

Now you want to try your hand at designing one that's an extension of your personality.

"Like your wardrobe, your garden is uniquely yours," says Bayer Advance Garden Expert Lance Walheim, co-author of "Landscaping for Dummies." "Don't be afraid to choose colors and textures that show off your personality."

Of course, a great garden takes planning:

- Work with what you already have- If a large tree is already part of your landscape, make it a part of your new garden design by layering. Plant smaller trees next to it, then shorter shrubs next to those. Fill in with plants and flowers that grow lower to the ground for a balanced look.

- Keep your good looks growing all year-Choose plants and shrubs that provide more than one season of color. By using a combination of flowers, fruit and foliage, as well as interesting barks, your garden's beauty will appear different each season. Azaleas can show off bright blooms from early April through July. Hawthorns flower in mid-spring, and have orange-to-red leaves in the fall and berries in winter. Summer-blooming crape myrtles have shiny, peeling bark and orange-red color in autumn.

- Looks good, tastes great- Many



Following a few tips to help you create the perfect garden.

fruit and nut trees have fragrant flowers, gorgeous foliage and delicious fruit. The textures and colors of many vegetables make them ideal for planting with flowers. Low-growing berries work well as ground covers.

- Don't forget about fragrance-A variety of scents will add an extra dimension to your garden. Fragrances evoke emotional responses, and certain scents will set specific moods. Put strongly

scented plants-citrus trees, gardenias or roses-toward the center of the garden and lightly fragrant ones-like paper whites, lilies of the valley or scented geraniums-closest to pathways or edges.

- Protect against pests- Snails and slugs are among the most frustrating and destructive garden pests. They'll consume almost anything with fruit, flowers or foliage before you even know they're there.

Creating an outdoor sanctuary

(NAPSI)-Be it a small urban terrace or a palatial deck, it's fun to turn an outside space into your own private sanctuary.

To help, lifestyle expert, HGTV personality and best-selling author Susie Coelho, who has a home collection on QVC, offers some tips:

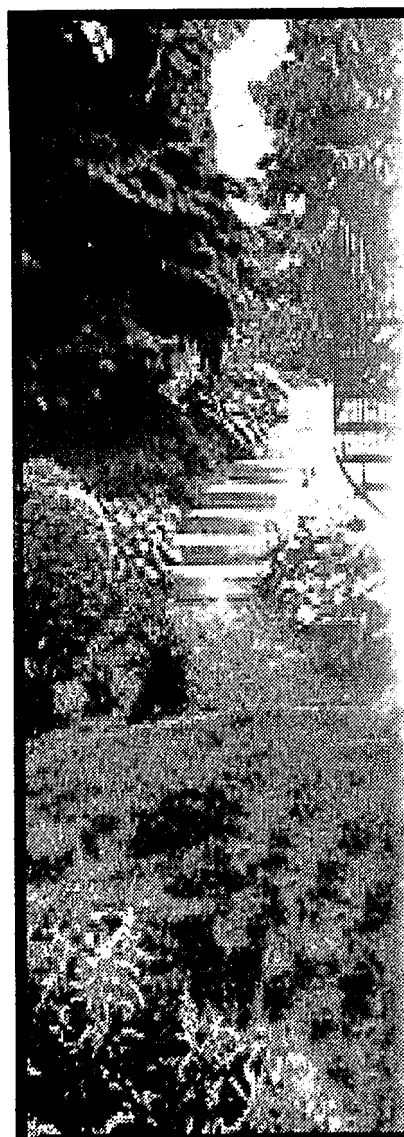
- Re-create the comfort of an indoor retreat by using outdoor rugs, decorative outdoor pillows and colorful umbrellas. Stretch your dollar further by getting reversible pillows that have a print on one side and a solid on the other.

- Surround yourself with votives, sconces and candles. Hanging lanterns adds a colorful and festive touch.

- Adding the sound of running water with a water feature can turn any outdoor space into a peaceful sanctuary. Wall art pieces can add a great European feel to even the smallest of spaces.

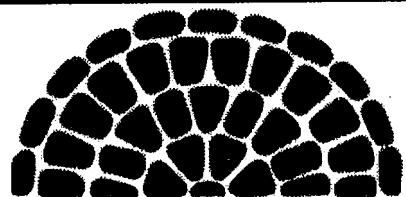
- Create a fun and entertaining area with all the amenities. Fire pits are the chic version of sitting around the campfire. Add a bar, outdoor grill, plenty of seating and mood lighting with lanterns and votives to liven up the party.

- If you have the space, create an outdoor room with a portable pavilion. Fill it with all the comforts of home, like you would a living or dining room area. Add candles, magazines, throw pillows and lanterns. Drape an inexpensive gauze fabric over an umbrella or arch for a romantic feel.



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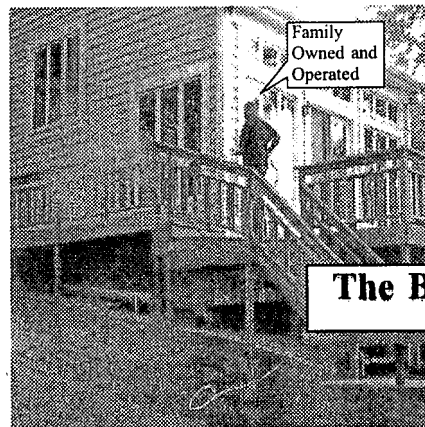
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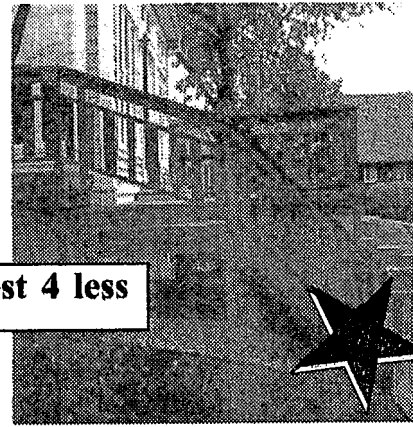
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Avoid pests when spring cleaning

(NAPSI)-As you thaw out from winter and nature springs back to life with warm sunlight and blossoming flowers, you'll likely pack away your scarves and heavy coats for the year. Changes in temperature prompt many to begin cleaning and preparing themselves for the warmer months ahead.

It's important to remember that pests will be readying themselves for the warm weather, too. You can expect to see an increase in spiders, ants, centipedes, pantry pests such as Indian meal moths, and stinging pests such as bees and wasps as the temperature increases. These pests usually thrive in temperatures above 60 degrees.

"When cleaning, you have a great opportunity to prevent pest problems before they occur," says Orkin, Inc. entomologist Ron Harrison, Ph.D. "Pests that have been dormant during the cold months can become more active with increased temperatures, and homeowners can take many steps while cleaning to guard against infestations."

Warm-weather pests are more than just a nuisance, as they present potential health risks for you and your family. Stinging insects such as bees and wasps pose a risk for humans through toxic reactions to their venom and through allergic reactions. Spiders, such as the black widow and brown recluse, possess poisonous glands that can cause skin irritation, nerve damage and infection. Pantry pests carry harmful bacteria that can contaminate food.



Warmer weather means the return of flying insects such as bees, which can be dangerous to those who are allergic.

Welcoming in the sunshine doesn't have to mean welcoming in pests, too. Take the following steps while cleaning to help prevent problems in and around your home:

- Seal interior and exterior cracks in and around your home.
- Keep ventilation systems clear and running.
- Vacuum regularly. You can use a vacuum to remove spiders and their webs as well as other pests and debris.

- Clean pantries and closets thoroughly, picking up excess food and removing any products that have been sitting on shelves for several months. Keep all food containers and nonperishables tightly sealed.
- Pick up pet food at night. Don't feed pets outdoors.
- Wipe down all counters, wash dirty dishes and remove trash daily to avoid accumulation of any remnants of food that may lure pests. Your crumbs can be a feast to hungry pests.

Protect your home from termites

(NAPSI)-Termites could be eating you out of house and home and you might not even know it.

The good news: There is no reason why homeowners themselves can't kill termites. The destructive pests live in about 100 percent humidity, so a wet spring coupled with a damp, low-lying side of the house could spell trouble.

Spring is a great time to treat for termites as swarm season moves south to north through the country.

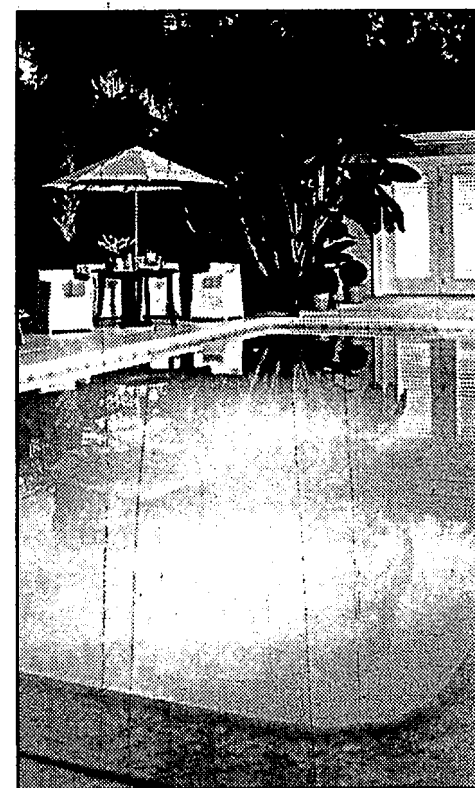
There are some measures you can take to prevent or tackle termites around your home right now. These help make your home less conducive to termites:

- Fix plumbing and roof leaks.
- Divert water at least 18 inches away from your house with properly functioning downspouts, gutters and splash blocks. Also, check your irrigation system so it doesn't spray the sides of your home.
- Move firewood at least 10 feet away from the foundation of your home.
- Don't let mulch or soil touch siding on your home. Better yet, keep it about a foot away.
- Prevent wood from touching the ground outside, except if the wood is pressure-treated.
- Seal foundation cracks to help prevent moisture from entering your home.
- Hire a professional to conduct a thorough annual termite inspection.

Six steps to open your pool

(NAPSI)-Pool owners often think pool care can be a complicated job. Luckily, experts offer these six simple steps for opening your pool this season.

1. Drain the water off the cover and away from the swimming pool. Clean cover and store in a clean, dry place away from sunlight.
2. Ensure the pump, filter and skimmer basket are in good working order. Clean the filter with a chemical cleaner specifically designed for swimming pool filters.
 - For DE filters, make sure the filter grids are in good shape.
 - For cartridge filters, make sure there are no holes in the filter media, especially in or on the pleats and at the top and bottom.
 - For sand filters, replace your filter sand every three to five years. Make sure only to use the proper grade of material for swimming pool sand filters.
3. Fill the pool to the proper level. Circulate water for 24 to 48 hours.
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And don't forget to open your pools now. Pool openings should begin when overnight temperatures remain above freezing and day time temperatures remain above 60 degrees.

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Don't let pests pester your lawn

(NAPSI)-You seed, feed, water and mow to keep your yard looking the best it can be. But if you're not careful, your hard work and efforts could all be for naught.

"Insects can damage your lawn before you know they're there," says Bayer Advance garden expert Lance Walheim, co-author of "Lawn Care for Dummies."

There are hundreds of pests that can lurk in your lawn. Some insects attack from the grass blades, while others feed on the grass roots below. Here are some pests that can do the most damage:

- **Sod Webworms**-These surface insects feed on the roots, stems and grass. Damage is worse in late summer. You may notice webbing on grass blades or circular brown patches on your lawn.

- **Armyworms**-Armyworms feed on grass blades, causing circular or irregular dead spots. A bad infestation can strip a lawn of foliage in a matter of days.

- **Chinch Bugs**-The chinch bug is the most destructive pest of St. Augustine grass lawns. Consumers spend more than \$50 million a year trying to control these surface feeders. Signs of infestation include small, round patches of brownish-yellowish grass. If left uncontrolled, large areas of the lawn may die.

- **White Grubs**-The larvae of certain beetles, grubs are the most notorious.



Hundreds of pests lurk in your lawn. Some attack from the grass blades, while others feed on grass roots.

In the spring, they live in the top few inches of soil, eating the roots of lawn grasses. In early summer, grubs develop into adult beetles and some, like the Japanese beetle, can damage roses, trees and other plants in your yard.

- **Mole Crickets**-The #1 lawn pest on the Gulf Coast is a double threat. Some mole crickets eat grass roots, but

most feed on organisms in the soil. As they forage for food they uproot your lawn, turning it yellow before it dies.

Remember to routinely water and aerate your lawn-a healthy, vigorous lawn has fewer problems.

Always plant grasses that are resistant to bugs and are appropriate for your climate.

Foot pain ruining your golf swing?

(NAPSI)-The next time you head to your favorite golf course, make sure your feet are in shape before approaching the tee box.

The American College of Foot and Ankle Surgeons (ACFAS) says your big toe, heel and ball of your foot are the spots most likely to cause pain that can ruin your golf swing. But pain relief is possible and frequently does not require surgery.

The three most common foot conditions that can be the barrier to a perfect golf swing are neuromas, arthritis and heel pain.

Neuromas are nerves that become thickened, enlarged and painful because they've been compressed or irritated.

Arthritis can cause pain in the joint of your big toe that makes it difficult to follow through.

Heel pain typically results from an inflammation of the band of tissue that extends from your heel to the ball of your foot.

Foot pain is not normal. With the treatment options available to your foot and ankle surgeon, a pain-free golf swing is clearly in view. When your feet aren't in top condition, your golf swing won't be either.

For reliable information on painful foot and ankle conditions or to locate a foot and ankle surgeon nearby, visit the ACFAS Web site FootPhysicians.com.

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Get Ready To Barbecue

(NAPSI)-A noun, an adjective, a verb, an exclamation-chances are you will be using the word "barbecue" in the coming months.

According to the Hearth, Patio & Barbecue Association, Northeasterners are the biggest barbecuers in the nation, followed by the North Central, Southern, then Western parts of the country. The following tips will show you that, with the help of the Internet, creating an excellent barbecue setting on a budget can be possible no matter where you live.

Map Out Your Ideal Barbecue Setting

Avoid overbuying items by taking time to map out your backyard. Yahoo! online shopping guru Tom Tsao notes that drawing places for chairs, lanterns, fire pits and other fun accessories will help you select items that complement each other to form a cohesive backyard barbecue-and avoid spending money on items that you'll tumble over on your way to the grill.

Find The Best Price

Deciding which features matter will help you to choose the right grill from among thousands and ensure its use for years to come. Use an online comparison shopping site to view grills side by side and compare brands, size, fuel and pricing. You'll be able to easily find a grill that is perfect for your backyard, your budget and your needs.

An insider's tip is to check out Yahoo! Shopping's Bargains & Sales Center, which lets you view and purchase grills that have been specially

marked down. With the convenience of online shipping, it's easy to research and purchase your ideal grill online, leaving the heavy lifting and delivery to someone else.

The Best Deals Often Come To Those Who Wait

Seasonal decorations, seat cushions, wind chimes-accessories like these can add much ambiance to your backyard. Purchasing these items at the end of the season can be the key to securing the best deals. For example, consider purchasing the ultimate American Flag place mats after Independence Day or, in the spring, pick out a heat lamp that will allow you to extend your backyard barbecues throughout the fall's cooler evenings.

Running On Empty

The type of fuel your grill uses can affect the amount you'll ultimately spend to enjoy barbecues. According to Tom Tsao, "Charcoal grills are a traditional, convenient choice, but pellet grills are another alternative to gas grills, especially as gas prices remain high. Additionally, pellet grills are energy efficient, clean burning and flavor infusing."

Tight On Space?

You don't need a big backyard to plan a great barbecue. Consider a portable grill-it won't occupy much space and can be easily stored away when not in use. Indoor minigrills can be excellent picks for those wanting a more chic barbecue device that goes with kitchen décor.

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Spring Spruce-up

Use spring to get your home shipshape for summer

(NAPSI)-Warmer spring temperatures naturally make most homeowners think about the summer season ahead. This spring, don't just think about it. Use the milder weather to get your property in tip-top shape so you can relax once the sunny days arrive.

"Spring is the perfect time to tackle the little fix-up projects you don't want to hassle with when the weather's nice," says home improvement expert Jim Rocchetta. "Plus, you'll have your home looking great before you and your friends head outside for those backyard get-togethers."

Start with the deck or patio. Clean weathered deck boards with a biodegradable deck cleaner. Replace worn boards. Check railings for looseness or wear, and repair them if needed. Then ensure that your deck looks great all summer by protecting it from mildew and water damage with a high-quality finish and preservative.

Once the deck is done, Rocchetta suggests inspecting the exterior of your home for signs of mold or mildew growing on wood, vinyl or aluminum siding. There are many effective and easy-to-use EPA-registered products for killing mildew, cleaning away the discoloration and protecting surfaces from future

growth.

While you're checking the outside of your house for mildew, also be on the lookout for cracks or holes in siding or foundation walls. Repair the damage now before it gets worse.

Even though you aren't using them yet, don't forget about your air conditioners. Check for leaks, clean the filters and have necessary service performed before the mercury rises.

"A quick check of your home's insulation and window seals is another good way to keep your air-conditioning units operating at peak efficiency," says Rocchetta.

This spring, check the drainage around your home. When spring showers arrive, take advantage of the opportunity to inspect gutters and drainage tiles. A visual inspection on a rainy day will quickly reveal problems.

Finally, spring is a great time to gear up for big summer projects by taking a quick inventory of your toolbox, Rocchetta suggests. Do you have a good hammer, tape measure, wire cutters and a utility knife? How about screwdrivers and wrenches? You'll need them in various sizes and shapes for different applications. Do you have plenty of electrical tape, screws, nails and wood glue? Are



Spring is a good time to fix up your deck.

your drills and saws in good working order? "Do-it-yourselfers should also make sure they have a good first-aid kit handy,"

Rocchetta adds with a grin.

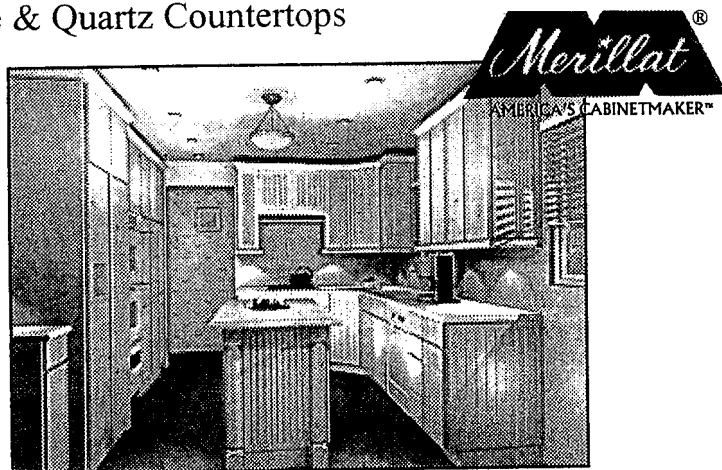
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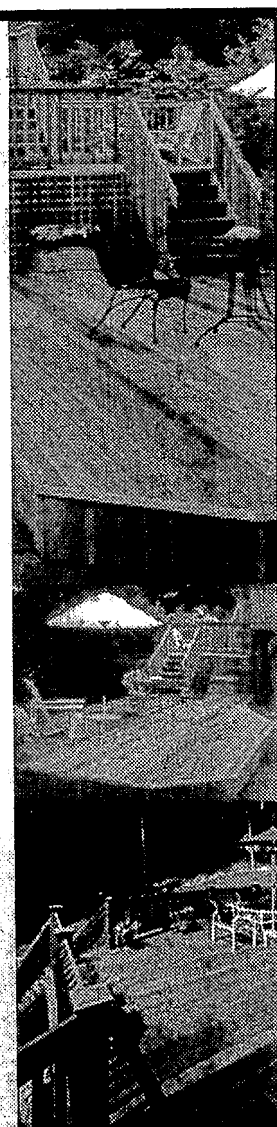
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