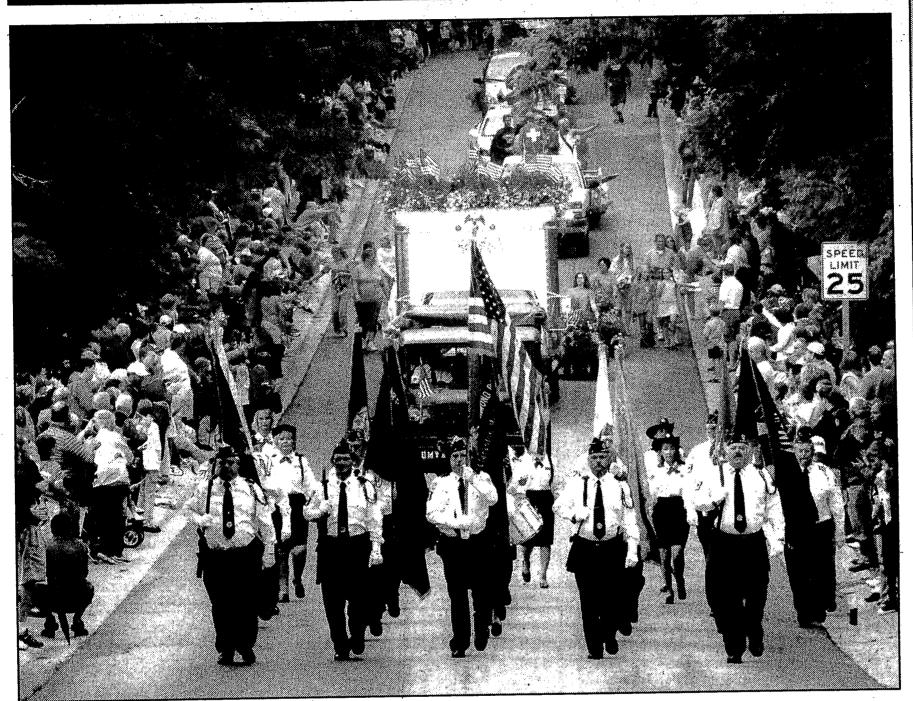


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Fun on the Fourth of July

Thousands lined the streets in downtown Clarkston to watch dozens of floats, trucks, bands, and performers march by in the Fourth of July parade.

Above, Clarkston area veterans of the American Legion lead things off, as floats trail behind them. At left, a young parade participant shares a handful of candy with those on the sidelines.

Rain fell early Wednesday, July 4, but held off for the parade itself.

See inside for more Fourth of July pictures.

Back on track

City approves feasability study

BYLAURA COLVIN

Clarkston News Staff Writer

It's time to step back and take a serious look at shared services, fees and the ways those fees are calculated.

That was the decision of the Clarkston City Council who voted 5-1 Monday to move ahead with a feasibility study proposed in April by Independence Township Trustee Dan Kelly.

Councilman Dan Colombo was absent from Monday's meeting, and Mayor Sharron Catallo cast the opposing vote.

"I just don't see what a huge change it would make," she said. "We're still going to have the same number of shared services."

But other members agreed that the outcome could help spur needed changes.

"We all agreed the current structure we're using for shared services is not fair," said Councilman Cory Johnston. "They may think they need more, we of course want less. But we all understand that basing it on a millage or a 10 percent fee doesn't reflect the cost, it changes as the tax base changes. It's a mess for them, it's a mess for us."

All references to consolidation were removed from the application by township trustees when members of Clarkston's council said such language was a deal-breaker. The study will focus collecting

The study will focus collecting data that will be used to improve the current service and fee arrangement.

"One of the arguments we had was that they're charging us for service based on millage, and we don't get a vote on that," said Council member Kristy Ottman. "They get to take the vote to their people, but we use the services much less (per capita)."

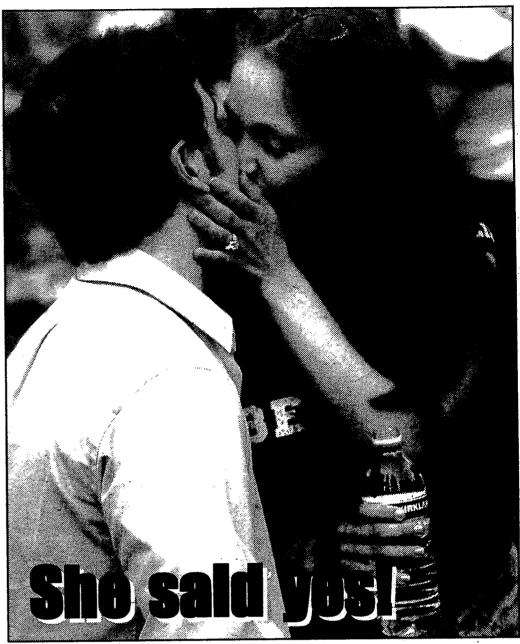
Members of the council had hoped to include Springfield Township and the Clarkston Community Schools in the study, but, said Ottman, the county had time constraints that would not permit such an expansion on the current application.



"I want to thank readers for voting us the number one tanning salon," said Joseph Donofrio, owner of Luxor Executive Tanning and Spa. "We'll continue to strive for perfection and customer satisfaction." The salon offers a family environment, friendly, knowledgable staff. and all highend, VHR, high-pressure equipment.

"We have the most luxurious tanning salon in Oakland County," Donofrio said.





Nicole Neff, 24, of Clarkston, shares a happy kiss with Christopher Shea, 28, of Grand Blanc, just moments after he proposed—on one knee—in front of hundreds at Friday's concert in Depot Park. The two met at Clarkston Medical Group. Congratulations!

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Briefly.

Bridge work set to start

Construction on Depot Park Bridge is set to begin Monday, July 23.

It will be delivered Wednesday, Aug. 1. Dedication will be 2 p.m., Sunday, Sept. 2. Contributions of \$50 or more, received by Wednesday, July 25, at Village Hall, 375 Depot Road, Clarkston, 48346, will receive recognition on the bridge plaque.

Donations are tax deductible, payable to Village of Clarkston DPB. Donations may also be made in honor or memory of a loved one. For more information, call 246-625-3122.

Garden Walk July 18

The Clarkston Garden Walk, featuring five unique Clarkston area gardens, will be held Wednesday, July 18.

The box luncheon and garden tour, sponsored by the Clarkston Farm and Garden Club and Clarkston Community Education, will feature artists, music, and boutique items at each garden. Lunch is available between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. The gardens are open noon to 6 p.m.

Start the tour at the Community Education Center on Waldon Road. Present your ticket to receive a map to the gardens. If not having lunch, proceed to the gardens. A Garden Club member will be at each site to greet visitors.

Tickets are \$22 for lunch and the garden tours, or \$20 for garden tours only. Tickets are available through Clarkston Community Education, 248-623-4555, at the Clarkston Country Store, 21 N. Main, and from Garden Club members.

Correction

In the article "Picture perfect - photos capture start of high school senior year." July 4 edition, comments from Winship Studios should have been attributed to Kevin Winship.

Ken Winship, Kevin's father, has 37 years experience with the studio, and has contracted with Clarkston High School for photography services for 36 years.



Elaine Hanes, middle, gives a sheet of paper for well-wishes to Joyce Catanzarite, right, and her granddaughter Ashley Flowers, at Friday's candle-light vigil for Andy and Lee Impola. *Photo by PhilCustodio*

Fireworks explosion has them questioning

BY PHIL CUSTODIO

Clarkston News Editor

As Andy and Lee Impola remain hospitalized, friends, neighbors, and coworkers got together Friday to sort through memories and feelings of the July 4 explosion

The brothers were seriously burned in an explosion and fire at Lancaster Lakes apartments, related to the construction of illegal fireworks, police said.

"Andy's my friend – he means a lot to me," said Elaine Hanes, co-worker who organized a candlelight vigil Friday evening.

"He means a lot to me," Hanes said.

Hanes said she resigned her landscaping job in response to the incident.

"I don't want to be associated with an irresponsible company," she said. "They have a duty to make this a safe environment for residents. They didn't."

Andy Impola has been with Lancaster Lakes' maintenance department for two years, said Leslie Chase, regional director for Lancaster Lakes.

Fireworks of any kind are not permitted on the apartment property, Chase said.

"Our biggest concern is him – the rest will go through the process," she said. "A garage can be rebuilt - our thoughts and prayers are with them."

Neighbors gathered to pray, sign posters with get-well messages, and share their thoughts and experiences of the Fourth of July fire.

"I thought it was a firework," said resident Ashley Flowers, who lives at Lancaster Lakes with her grandmother, Joyce Catanzarite

"I thought it was going to spread, like a domino effect," Flowers said. "I went running back to my apartment to get my son."

"I saw a major fire, explosion after explosion," Catanzarite said.

Andy Impola was set to enter the Air

Force Reserves on July 21, to work maintenance for a flight squadron, Hanes said.

"He told me that duty called – his family has a military background," she said.

Lancaster Lakes resident Daniel Dinkins said he was sitting at his kitchen table when the maintenance shed about 40 feet away exploded.

"When it went off, the blinds blew in, 'whoosh,'" said Dinkins, who lived at Lancaster Lakes for about seven months. "It sounded like a stick of dynamite going off in the dumpster."

He ran outside and helped the brothers escape from the fire.

"I only slept 35 minutes last night. It was all I could see. Unbelievable," he said.

About 50 residents converged on the scene immediately following the explosion. Some took photos with cell phones and cameras, but many rushed to bring blankets and towels to help extinguish the flames on Andy's clothes and body.

"There were fireworks in the shed bottle rockets were going off," he said.

"Thank God kids weren't riding their bikes," Catanzarite said.

Moving in this past May, this was their first Fourth of July at the apartments.

"It was very difficult." Catanzarite said.
"We didn't want to go see any fire-works," Flowers said.

Recipe for disaster

Explosive plans found in home

BY LAURA COLVIN

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Police found recipes for explosives written on scrap paper and notepads in the apartment—and memberships to pyromania clubs in the truck—of a 31-year-old man seriously injured in last week's explosion at an Independence Township apartment complex.

Andy Impola, 31, and Lee Marvin Impola, 32, were reportedly inside a maintenance building at Landcaster Lakes Apartments off Dixie Highway, just south of M-15 when the blast occurred around 4 p.m., Wed., July 4.

Both men, who authorities believe were making homemade fireworks, remain hospitalized.

One witness told police he heard a loud explosion, ran out of his apartment, and helped drag one of the Impolas, who are brothers, out of the building.

The man said the sound of the blast reminded him of an ordinance detonation from his military days.

Another large explosion, followed by several smaller blasts, ripped through the air moments later.

Police believe the men may have been taking orders for the explosives.

"It's easy to make things that go bang," said Lt. Dale LaBair, commander of the Oakland County Sheriff's Office Independence Township substation, who was on the scene shortly after the explosion. "But those who manufacture these devices legitimately do it under the strictest conditions. Anyone else is always pushing their luck."

An employee of the apartment complex told investigators the building contained gasoline, propane tanks, paint, oils, an oxy-acetylene torch with tank, and weed killer.

"It's just plain lucky no innocent people got hurt," said LaBair. "There's a lot of pedestrian traffic in that area, kids on bikes. It was just lucky."

Andy Impola is employed as a Landcaster Lakes maintenance person, and also lives in the complex.

Lee Impola is a Burton resident.

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Local 4Her wins state honors

BY PHIL CUSTODIO

Clarkston News Editor

Chelsea Rawe of Springfield Township is keeping busy this week at the Oakland County Fair.

A member of 4H SCRUBS, Students Committed to Research and Understanding of Biological Science, 4H K-9 Tail Waggers, and 4H Livestock Club, she has several projects on exhibit at the same time: a quiz bowl game, with a hour's worth of science questions, another featuring her trained therapy dog, Chloe, and others demonstrating her skills with growing cherry tomatoes, knitting, and refinishing a 100-year-old table.

"It's kind of crazy, but a lot of fun," Rawe said.

The daughter of Steve and Jean Rawe, Chelsea has been with 4H for five years. During that time, she has learned veterinary skills such as x-rays, genetics, blood typing, rehabilitation, vaccinations and sutures. She put her medical skills to use a couple years ago when a neighbor's chicken was injured.

"I sutured the chicken – it's still alive today," said Chelsea, proudly. "We needed an anesthetic, so I used Baby Orajel."

In recognition of her work, she was presented the first-place Veterinary Science Award, one of the highest honors in 4H, at the June 21 State Awards Celebration.

"It's quite an honor," said Sue Stapleton, 4H regional coordinator for Oakland County. "She really worked hard for that."

To earn the award, she spent two years to create a project book, listing and explaining years of projects in science, sewing, cooking, crafts, and photography, community service, and leadership experiences.

"Everything related to 4H," Chelsea said. "I've always wanted to be a vet or a doctor. Science always caught my interest."

"It's quite a complicated process, like a college process," said Jean.

"It's a great program for kids. They get all these experiences early. It helps them sort through their career paths."

The project, which also earned Chelsea a \$2,000 college scholarship to Michigan State University, will help her when applying to colleges. Medical students serving as expert advisors for 4H always recommend keeping extensive records, Jean said.

"Advice is always, 'write everything down," she said.

One of the most interesting learning experiences for Chelsea was the dissection of a sheep's brain – sparking an interest in neurosurgery.

"It really interested me," Chelsea said. "What's amazing is what we don't know about the brain."

The county fair runs through July 15 at Springfield Oaks County Park, 12451 Andersonville Road. Formore information, call 248-634-8830.



Music brings meaning, joy to singer Beth Stalker

BY TREVOR KEISER

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Beth Stalker took the stage at Friday's Concert in the Park.

"I love to sing. It's a joy," said Stalker, who started singing at 3 years old. She released her first album four years ago, entitled "Jesus Loves Me." She was known as "Little Liz" when she was younger.

"My first name was Elizabeth, but I got teased a lot about my name growing up," said Stalker. "So after junior high, I changed my name to Beth."

Stalker continued to sing throughout high school in musicals and choir; she also formed a Christian folk band with a couple of friends. After high school, the band was unable to continue, and it was at this point that Stalker was introduced to Jazz and became a lover of Jazz vocal styles.

Some of Stalker's musical inspirations

include: Eva Cassidy, Patty Griffin, Ella Fitzgerald and Jennifer Knapp.

In 2004 Beth released her album "Here with You." The recording took more than a year, she said.

"It was originally just supposed to be a demo cd." she said. "However, during the process of writing and recording we (my songwriter Allan Goetz and I) just kept writ-

In return the "demo" turned into an 11 track disc, which also landed Stalker 6 awards at the Detroit Music Awards in April 2005.

'It's awesome when we won the awards," said Stalker I didn't expect to take home any, winning six out of seven awards was definitely one of the best nights for sure."

In 2005 Stalker also released her first Jazz album that she recorded with the Cliff Monear Trio entitled: "Hallelujah I Love Him So."

Stalker who used to play quite a bit at the Clarkston Café said that she always enjoys coming to Clarkston to perform.

"Clarkston Café is probably the best group of people we've performed for, they are very supportive, we made a lot of friends from there," Stalker noted. "Clarkston is the best crowd we've ever played, for sure.

Stalker always enjoys performing con-

"The biggest thing is I have people that are paying attention, an engaged audience that cares about what you're doing. Having my friends and family there supporting me, and having a live band behind me is always exciting, instead of just me and my guitar," said Stalker.

Her favorite songs to perform for concerts include "Black Horse and The Cherry Tree" by KT Tunstall, and the love song that she wrote for her husband Noel "I can't imagine."

"I always make him come up on stage when I sing it," she noted.

When not in the studio or on stage Stalker enjoys spending time with her 1 year old daughter, Chloe. She also enjoys surfing the internet and drawing.

"If I was not into music I would have done something in the arts," said Stalker. "I love to paint and to draw."

Stalker is currently in the process of writing new songs for a new album. It will be a Christian Rock album similar to her "Here with You" album. All of her songs have a spiritual context to them, and they all deal with life's situations.

"I write about the feelings that I went through to get to that point," Stalker said.

For more information about Beth or upcheck coming concerts www.BethStalker.com



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A column by Trevor Keiser

Value of Life

Every single day millions of babies are born, and millions of people die.

Rather it be car accidents, fatal diseases, murder, or even suicides.

Due to circumstances that occured this past weekend, this hit a little closer to home than I would like.



Because of the situation that took place, I gave much thought to this life that we have.

Once again, I am reminded that life is a precious gift from God and it should never be taken for granted.

There are friends, family, and people we don't know who are reaching out for a bit of hope, but often times we become to consumed in our own lives that we don't take the time to help someone else out.

Obviously we cannot always stop death, but sometimes we can prolong it or at least make it a little easier for the one on their death bed.

It's amazing the joy that a simple card, or bouquet of flowers can bring that cancer patient in the hospital.

Or how a hug and a shoulder to cry on can relieve some of the pressure for the parents whose son was killed by a drunk driver.

How about having compassion for the one who sits alone at lunch time.

Life can be hard and full of trials, but those trials can be lifted slightly if we are willing to go a little farther to help someone else in need. If we are not afraid to get a little dirt on us.

Having a true friend or family member to call upon when life seems to be too overwhelming is always a bless-

I am thankful to all those who have reached out their hands to help me, and all those who lifted me up on prayer when I needed a little extra strength to make it through my day or

I am asking you to please think about the preciousness of life that we have been given, and to take the time to grab ahold of others in need.

Giving hope to someone elses life is one of the greatest blessings we can recieve. Until next time. God bless!

The Clarkston News

Don't abuse tax surplus

It's painfully obvious that tax relief for Independence Township taxpayers will not be coming from the township administrators now holding office.

Thanks to their decisions, our property

tax bills are now guaranteed to increase well into the future.

As a taxpayer, I have to wonder what my property tax bill

would be if the township was collecting only the taxes needed to support essential public services and not collecting tax surpluses to build projects that we have never supported.

Like it or not, we do not want to fund a new township hall or a new senior center with OUR property tax dollars.

Why is that so hard for this adminis-

tration to understand?

If township officials ever hope to gain an ounce of respect from the people who pay their wages, they should reconsider funding these projects with our surplus tax dollars.

Returning surplus tax dollars to taxpayers with its sincere apologies would be a good place to start.

Because of the actions of the board, passage of any future millage is already in jeopardy.

Stealing from taxpayers to fund these projects is another example of why taxpayers do not trust or support proposals brought forth by Independence Township

> Mike Powell Independence Township

Letters to the editor

Thanks for helping teacher

Dear Editor,

We are very fortunate to live in a community where local businesses truly support educators and community members.

Recently, our staff was informed that two of our beloved teachers, Barb Huey and Karen Gonzales, were transferred to another building. We wanted to give them a send off befitting all of the years of service, talents, and extra effort they have given the students and staff at North Sashabaw Elementary.

Mesquite Creek/Andiamos, a local business, assisted us in accomplishing this goal.

We would like to thank Tony and the staff at Mesquite Creek/Andiamos for preparing a wonderful luncheon for our send-off.

They graciously gave us a "teacher friendly" price and the use of their elegant banquet room. Both the service and food were

Thanks again to Tony and Mesquite Creek for helping us to honor two dedicated teach-

Jill Santola, Natalie Vanas, and Katie Kersjes North Sashabaw Elementary

Congratulations for parade

Clarkston is a fantastic community!

Accolades to Peggy North and her fantastic parade crews at Independence Township Fire Department. The parade was wonderful.

Cheers to Mike Turk and Kelly Hyer. What a great day, fireworks, and evening of events,

so enjoyed by the throngs!

The Village DPW crew under Bob Pursley left the street immaculate.

We are blessed to be a part of this community of sharing and caring individuals.

James and Gini Schultz Clarkston

Got something to say?

Write a letter to the editor at ClarktonNews@gmail.com. attn: Clarkston News

A Look Back

From The CNews archives

15 years ago - 1992

"Family faces more time in court" Five young men charged with conspiracy to distribute drugs at Clarkston High School faced preliminary examination. They were charged with seven-year felo-

"City, township fail to approve districtwide library. The new Clarkston City Council disagreed with Independence Township about library services. Funding of a proposed district library was a trouble spot.

"Fifth-grade busing put to rest at N. Sashabaw" The school board voted not to bus North Sashabaw students to Pine Knob Elementary. The change would have helped equalize class sizes. Other changes were put in place to compensate.

25 years ago - 1982

"School board recalls four Clarkston teachers" Four laid-off teachers were called back, an action prompted in part by two resignations

"Council eyes handicap parking on Main Street" A Clarkston official called for at least two more handicap parking spaces downtown. The council was expected to consider it.

50 years ago - 1957

"Crowd in Clarkston on July Fourth" A large crowd was in Clarkston to enjoy the celebration sponsored by the Township Firefighters, including parade, fireworks, and dance.

"Andersonville 4-H Club" The Flying Fingers held an all-day meeting. Much sewing and knitting were accomplished.

The voice of a free people

Letters to the Editor should deal with issues affecting our community. They not only criticize, but also praise. Where they point out problems, so too should they offer suggestions.

The Clarkston News reserves the right to edit for accuracy, brevity, or clarity. Maximum of 300 words. Letters must include the full name of the writer, home address and daytime telephone number (which will not be published). Anonymous letters will not be published. For consideration for each Wednesday's edition, the deadline is noon the Monday before (earlier is better!). Submission does not guarantee publication.

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and Dan who?

Teachers, administrators, read what they're saying

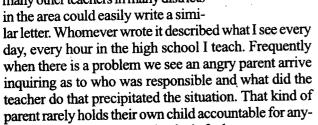
types out there. Parents, teachers, administrators, school board members -- nobody wanted to get involved in an educational dialogue, once opened by a local teacher. Which, I guess, is why she wrote in the

Time passed and some did write. I have yet to hear from school administrators, board members or students.

I hope you will get involved. Following are parts from two letters I received. I will post full length let- Rush Me ters (minus names), plus others in the on-line version for Don't Rush

So, as promised last week, here is Teacher Dialogue, Part 3.

I am a teacher in the (blank) school district. Although I didn't write the letter you published, I and a column by many other teachers in many districts Don Rush



thing, it's always somebody else's fault. parent and often makes the teacher the fall guy, citing poor class control and management of that student and the situation. The parent generally negotiates with the administrator for a lesser punishment, and sometimes there is little done to the student after the parent is done "negotiating".

I see children come dressed poorly, exposing way too much, and when challenged will often launch into a tirade and become more disruptive. An example says it all. Several years ago I stopped a girl in the hall wearing a numbered jersey with the caption "Porn Star" above the number. I asked her if her mother had seen it when she left for school and she replied, "My mother bought it for me." She had a fit when told she would have to go home and change.

I could go on and on, but the point is that letter you to them from hawkers of school products and services." published describes the situation in almost every high school in almost every district. I have talked to many colleagues across the area and they all have similar tales to tell. I have an opinion that this will prevail until

I was starting to worry and fret about you reader- strong building leadership is present but most schools lack such leadership.

As for the teacher who wrote it, it may be she/he fears retribution from building or district leaders for voicing such an opinion/observation about the "cli-

Don, I was beyond amused reading your column on little Johnny did to deserve it.

From what I can see, teachers today are ill prepared and unmotivated. My kids have had teachers who pretty much sit at their desks and play games on the computer or chat on a cell after passing out an assignment. I've had the experience of a teacher complaining IN FRONT OF a class that she didn't WANT to teach that particular class next year. What's a kid supposed to make of that? Or a parent?

I'll admit that there are many parents who do not send their child properly outfitted or prepared and really don't care. But teachers today are also very poor examples, they have a horrible work ethic and dress

And I'd have to say, administrators are overpaid Generally the building administration backs that layabouts. I know that for sure, because I worked for (blank) public school district and got to attend many of their meetings. All of these principals and superintendents pulling up in BMWs, Caddys, Mercedes . . having a nice breakfast spread of smoked salmon and cream cheese, playfully chatting about their latest acquisitions while the meeting is in progress about some issue that SHOULD be of importance.

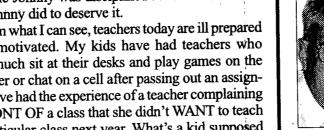
And afterward?

Not back to the office, but to the golf course or shopping or the salon! I went to the National Title I conference, a few years back, a place to learn all kinds of things about teaching and funding Title I schools. I saw teachers and administrators there attending FEW if ANY sessions because they were too busy sightseeing and boozing it up at the MANY parties available

Administrators, board members and students, what say you?

E-mail Rush at dontrushmedon@charter.net

teachers and education. As a parent, I can tell you that the teacher of today is not nearly as good as the teacher of yesterday. It's not all their fault, because many of the ways they had back then to keep order in the classroom have pretty much been taken away. Administrators fold like a deck of cards anytime a parent gets upset about how little Johnny was disciplined . . . no matter what



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Jim's

Jottings

Jim Sherman

to appoint a committee to study the thinking of that 14 percent.

Congress has a 14 percent approval

That shows a need for Congress

Another report states that House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, a professed advocate of a full-time legislature, has scheduled 20 weeks off for members, and the workdays will be

Tuesday through Thursday.

I couldn't have made this up. ---0---

An old-timer remembers playing "King of the Hill" on a pile of gravel left on a vacant construction site. When we got hurt, Mom pulled out a bottle of 48-cent Mercurochrome and then we got our butts spanked."

Now it's a trip to the emergency room, followed by a 10-day dose of an \$89 bottle of antibiotics, and then Mom calls the attorney to sue the contractor for leaving a horribly vicious pile of gravel where it was such an invitation to disaster. ---0---

Competitive eating isn't a sport. It's one of the seven deadly sins. However, ESPN recently televised the U.S. Open of Competitive Eating, perhaps because watching those athletes at the poker table was just too exciting.

What's next, competitive wind breaking? Oh, wait, they're already doing that on way too many shows.

- - - 0 - - -Even in the newspaper business, awkward putting-together-ofwords occurs. They are especially noticeable in headlines. They're so big. Like:

"Juvenile Court to Try Shooting Defendant" (See if that works better than a fair trial.)

"New Study of Obesity Looks for Larger Test Group" (Weren't they fat enough?)

"Typhoon Rips Through Cem- three great physicians."

I see where some survey shows 'etery; Hundreds Dead" (No kidding!)

"Panda Mating Fails; Veterinarian Takes Over" (What?)

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Hey, you grocery shoppers! Have you noticed how many new names meat marketers have added to steak descriptions?

For years I've managed with tbone, Porterhouse, sirloin and hamburger steak. Maybe a dozen years ago Delmonicos gained a presence.

Here's a list of steaks I've seen in the counters lately: Flat Iron steak, rib eye, Texas broil, beef tritip, chuck eye, eye-of-the-round, eye steak, strip (which looks like New York Strip) and tip sizzler.

Many, I think, should come with a grading: Tough, really tough, semitough, tenderer than semi-tough, some call it tough and tender. - - 0 - -

I was watching the Masters Golf Tournament with grandson Dan, the 21-year-old Master in his own mind, and I commented about the appearance of the younger professional golfers.

Their shirts were too tight, sleeves too short, the unsightly growth on their chins and lips and hair unkempt.

Dan said, "They are probably over-groomed. They have on designer shirts, pants and shoes, their hair, wherever it is, is styled and you're too old to even understand styling and to know what's in and what's out."

From now on, when anyone asks me about him I'm responding, "Dan

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I never watched a first-run Seinfeld show. But now the re-runs fit in one of my open-time slots, between Vanna (Wheel of Fortune) and baseball, football, basketball hockey or any of the CSI shows, I watch. It's a funny show, as they say, about nothing. Which, sometimes, is the description of baseball, football, basketball and the CSI shows.

Nature, time and patience are

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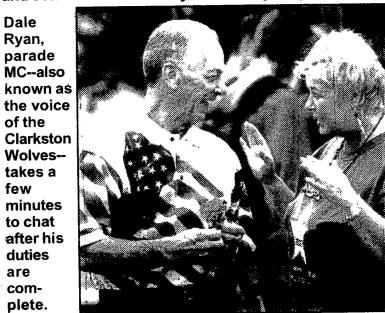
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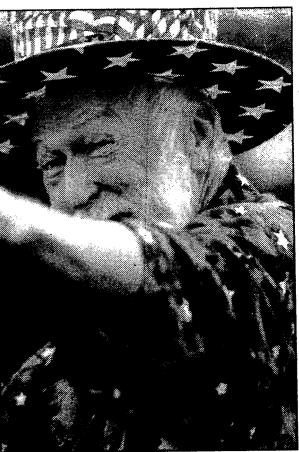
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Independence Twp.

Thurs., June 28 A 19-year-old Independence Township resident living in the 6400 block of Almond Lane reported that an unknown person entered his unlocked vehicle overnight and stole an iPod and tuner.

A 21-year-old Independence Township woman living in the 2500 block of Mann Road called police after her former boyfriend and the father of her two-year-old daughter arrived and assaulted and threatened her when she wouldn't allow the man to take the child in his car without a safety seat.

Deputies were dispatched to the 6600 block of Squirrel Hill Court after a truck in the driveway caught fire for unknown rea-

A 17-year-old Independence Township man was arrested and jailed after he was pulled over on a traffic violation and discovered to have a felony warrant for armed

Fri., June 29 a 46-year-old Independence Township resident living in the 4900 block of Whipple Lake called police after discovering someone had kicked in his garage door and stole three golf clubs from his golf bag. Nothing else appeared to be missing.

A woman living in the 6800 block of Intermezzo Drive called police after noticing jewelry valued at around \$3,300 was missing from a box in her bedroom. Police found no signs of forced entry.

Reports from Clarkston Police, Oakland County Sheriff Deputies and Independence Township Fire Department

A business owner in the 6500 block of Dixie Highway called police after discovering someone had cut a hole in a chain link fence and stole a power washer out of a padlocked utility trailer.

Sat., June 30 A 17-year-old Pontiac woman was arrested and transported to Children's Village after deputies found her intoxicated and walking along Andersonville Road and found she had an escape warrant from the facility.

Mon., July 1 A man living in the 8700 block of Pine Knob Road called police after discovering someone had stolen two motorcycles from a barn on his property.

An Independence Township woman filed a police report after seeing a man dressed like a security officer or police man (in a blue uniform with badge) lurking in the bushes and touching himself inappropriately while she kayaked on Deer Lake.

A 50-year-old Independence Township man was arrested and jailed after deputies discovered him drunk and passed out behind the wheel of his car in a parking lot on Dixie Highway.

Sun., July 1 A caretaker called police after a 31-year-old man with Down's Syndrome

walked away from the group home she was staffing in the 6400 block of Church Street. The man was later found walking south on Clintonville Road between Mann and Maybee.

Tues., July 4 Deputies were dispatched to the 9900 block of Allen Road and discovered the resident of a home standing in the street with a fire poker. The man, who appeared jittery and had blood running from his nose, asked police to check the home because he believed several individuals whom he did not know were inside. Police found no one in the home, but did cite the man for possession of narcotics when they discovered cocaine and marijuana, which the man admitted he'd been using.

Fri., July 6 A nanny at a home in the 6900 block of Hubbard Hills called police after her employer's ex-husband showed up and began shouting obscenities and pounding on doors in the home.

The owner of a construction company called police after somebone broke into a trailer near Sashabaw Road and I-75 and stole a generator, air compressor and other items.

Sun., July 8 A Tennessee woman called police after someone smashed out her car

window and stole her purse while she dined in a restaurant on Dixie Highway.

Deputies were dispatched to a construction site on Sashabaw Road near Maybee Road when a contractor discovered extensive damage to masonry work on the building. The names Jamie, Kurt and Shawn were written with caulk.

Springfield Twp.

Mon., June 25 A man living in the 6200 block of Hillsboro called police after discovering someone had entered his unlocked vehicle overnight and stole speakers and other stereo equipment.

Tues., June 26 A business owner in the 8000 block of Big Lake Road called police after someone broke into his padlocked parking lot and stole scrap metal valued at around \$700.

Sat., June 30 Deputies were dispatched to the 1700 block of Canterbury Circle after a man began swinging a baseball bat at another man who came to repossess his vehicle. The assailant was gone when police arrived, and the car was removed from

Wed., July 4 Police were investigating fraudulent use of a credit card after a man discovered someone had attempted to use his account to purchase video games online and have them shipped to Dayton,

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BYPHILCUSTODIO

Clarkston News Editor

Filmmaker and promoter Norman Pardo has had a busy retirement in Independence Township.

Since moving to the area last year, Pardo helped design his custom house, cast and started filming a horror movie, and is in post-production of a video series starring O.J. Simpson.

His newest project: developing a new talent-search show for television and the internet.

"Now I just want to do something good," he said. "My goal is to create something good for this area, for the people, and create a new business. I'm very excited about it."

He and his wife, Jill, moved to the Clarkston area from Florida for his "retirement" - he took public his company, Charys Holdings, also known as Spiderboy International, then sold it.

Their entire house is designed and built, by local builder Jeff Harrell, with the movie in mind.

It is equipped with eight embedded cameras.

One room has a vault door and 17-inch concrete walls, serving as a panic-room-style set, and also safeguarding valuable video equipment.

Windows are the biggest available, with no curtains – the better to film scary scenes from outside. The kitchen has no ceiling - the better to film overhead shots.

"The lighting is perfect in every room of the house," Pardo said.

A trail through his five acres of lakefront property was set up with park benches and lanterns for outdoor shots calling for park-like set-

He describes the movie as a cross

between films "Panic Room," "Saw," and "When a Stranger Calls."

"It's a girls' slumber party gone wrong," he said.

Filming is underway, set to wrap within two months. He is still casting the film, looking for "anyone who wants to be in a horror movie," he said. "I still need some of the female

Why the title?

"Keeps keep coming up to me and telling me, 'I got skills,'" he said. "They do have skills, and I want to put them out there and market them to 33 million people."

The show will be set up as a multi-round tournament, pitting the talent of various cities against each other, Detroit vs. Atlanta, Los Angeles vs. Las Vegas, Chicago vs. Trenton, etc.

People watch the videos posted on www.Igotskills.tv and vote. Winning cities advance through the brackets until two are left. They will compete in the Super Soul of Talent Contest, "like the Super Bowl," Pardo said.

He hopes to launch the show around October, a very short time by TV-production standards.

"I'm getting the upload site ready," he said.

He is also looking for four hosts, people who can introduce segments and serve as expert judges.

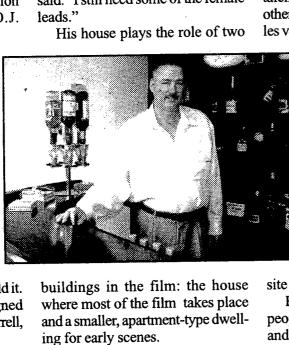
Jill has family in Oakland County. Both said they love the Clarkston area, with the small shops of downtown and mega stores just down the

'We go downtown about every other day for breakfast," Norman said. "It's a very friendly downtown area, very nice."

He's interested in helping out in community events, such as Christmas and Fourth of July parades, he said.

"I have light sets, studio equipment, night vision cameras (for recording the evening Holiday Lights Parade)," he said.

For more information, call Pardo at 239-218-8750.



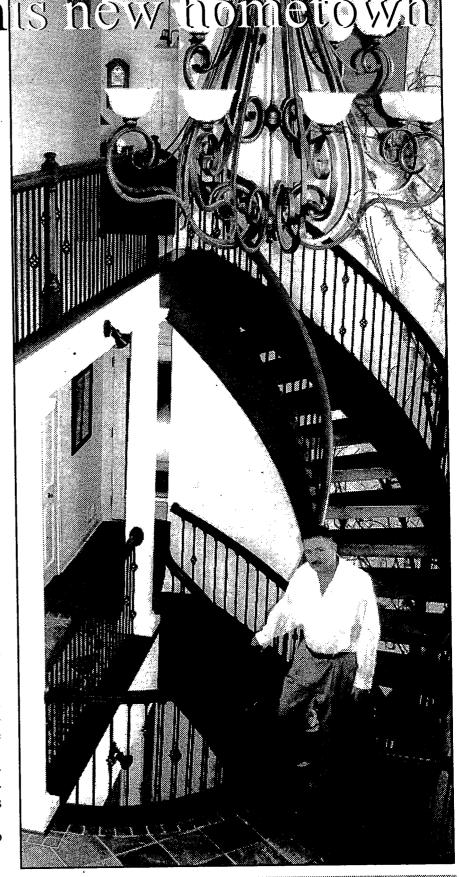
"They're totally different, like another house," he said.

His talent show, "I Got Skills," was picked up by Colours TV, a multicultural network available on satellite and cable.

All types of talent or skills are welcome, music, magic, ventriloquism, anything.

"Whatever you have, bring it," Pardo said. "I want the talent of the

The show's concept evolved from his idea for "The D," which would have featured talent of Detroit residents. Efforts to seek cooperation from the Detroit mayor's office were unsuccessful, so Pardo decided to broaden the scope.





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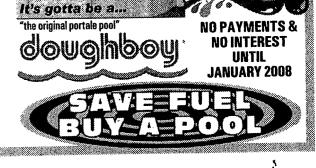


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The Herron family, from left, Brad, Kathy, Nick, Matt, and, seated, Mike.

Fundraiser for Herron family set for July 20

BY PHIL CUSTODIO

Clarkston News Editor

A fundraiser for the Herron family of Clarkston is set for 6 p.m.-midnight Friday, July 20, at Knights of Columbus, 5660 Maybee Road.

Mike Herron, 1976 graduate of Clarkston High School, was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer in October of 2004. It was considered inoperable at the time.

"They said it was terminal - there wasn't much hope," he said.

The tumor wasn't large at first, but its location close to vital arteries caused complications. Three months of chemotherapy shrunk it to the point where a doctor was willing to risk whipple surgery, rerouting the digestive system around the tumor.

The treatment worked, until last August

"A CAT scan showed the tumor had spread to my liver," he said.

An experimental laparoscope procedure failed, and chemotherapy directly on the tumor caused an infection that caused a fever lasting six weeks, through February and March.

The infection is gone now, but more

bad news awaited – the tumor returned, larger and spreading.

Because of his illness, he had to leave his job at Wint Funeral Home, nine years as family service director, losing insurance benefits. They spent their retirement savings. The family has been approved for government help, but it won't kick in until October.

"We're relying on family and friends – we just need to get to October," he said.

His wife, Kathy. provides nursing care for her husband at home. His five brothers and sister are organizing the fundraiser, with help from the Knights of Columbus and others.

"There has been an outpouring of support from people I don't know who just came forward," he said. "It's just fantastic. I thank everyone for that. I wish I could do more for them."

The event will include hot and cold hors d'oeuvres buffet, entertainment, cash bar, and silent auction, and raffle for a 42-inch LCD TV, and a 50/50 raffle. Tickets are \$15. All proceeds go to the Herron family. For more information, call the Herrons at 248-625-7856.



Jill Vidlund, Gefory Mink, and Cathe Williams thank their customiers for three years of support.

Citizens Bank thanks local community

BY TREVOR KEISER

Clarkston News Staff Writer

On Friday June 29 Citizens Bank held an open house gala at the branch in Springfield Township off of Dixie Hwy to say thank you to the local residents and businesses for three years of support.

"This is the least we can do to show our appreciation for the tremendous support by the businesses and residents of northern Oakland County," said Gregory Mink, vice president and branch manager for Citizens Bank. "Citizens Bank is dedicated to serving this area and plans to be here for years to come."

Festivities included chances to win \$100 gas cards, gift certificates to area merchants, a clown, face painting, refreshments, ice cream and popcorn.

"The kids really enjoyed the clown (Bubbles)," said Jill Vidlund. "She was a big

There was also a piggy bank in which kids try to guess how much money was in-

side

Mink said the best part was watching the kid's guess and the different dollar amounts they came up with.

Also opening new accounts and making new clients was a success. According to Mink they had easily 125-200 people show up for the event.

"It's a beautiful day we could not have asked for a better turnout," he said.

Car Company Saturn also brought out their new car line including the new "Sky Turbo." They were offering free test drives. "House of Trailers" also showed up in which one of the public will win one of their trailers. Both companies' are clients of the bank.

The day was a great success for Citizens Bank.

"It was great all the way around, kids, clown, ice cream, customers and clients really enjoyed it," said coordinator of the event Cathe Williams.

"Seeing everyone happy and smiling is the best part."



Treasure I

BY TREVOR KEISER

Clarkston News Staff Writer

A couple of weeks ago on June 16, a group of treasure hunters were on the front lawn of the Independence Township Hall hoping to find lost treasure with the use of metal detectors.

As many know the Township hall is a place of history. The first building there was the Union School built around 1840, and then the current brick building was built as a schoolhouse around 1910.

This event was sponsored by Clarkston Community Historical Society.

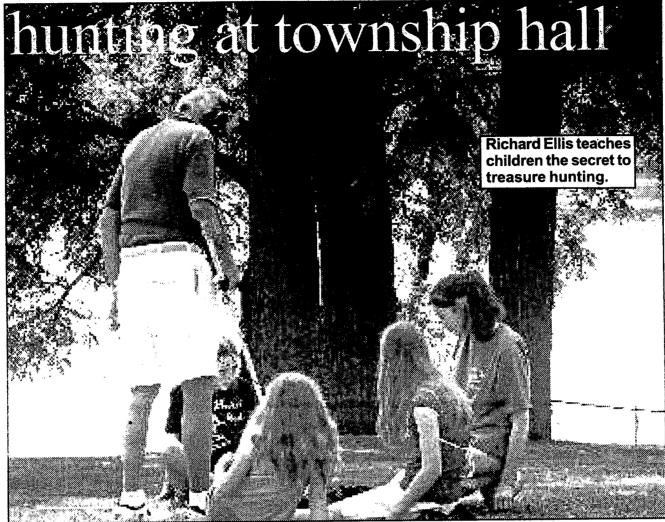
"It was a great learning experience for everyone, no big treasure was found, but square nails and other period items did surface and the kids had a great time," said Toni Smith

Kids and parents from the Historical Society and also the Independence Township Library Teen Group showed up to help dig whenever the detectors found something.

Richard Ellis had gotten the idea to do some treasure hunting there about a year or so ago and talked to a member of the historical society about doing some treasure hunting on the Township lawn, and said that whatever was found would be given to the Historical Society. Both the CCHS and the Township approved the idea.

"My mother and her brothers and sisters went to high school there back in the 20's I thought that it would be a good place maybe to find some old coins," said Ellis.

Ellis has been treasure hunting from the 60's to mid 80's, but mostly in water he said, but thought that this would be a good opportunity



to dig up a little history.

"I thought it was a good experience overall. I think the children really enjoyed it. The kids said that they learned a lot about the process of treasure hunting and they learned about the history of the building of course," noted Ellis. "Anytime kids are involved in that (treasure hunting) they are excited. There is an excitement about finding things."

Ellis also enjoyed having his grandson Jared Aldrich along for the hunt.

The historical society and Ellis had the unexpected help from another man by the name of Jason Gilbreath, who also is an avid treasure hunter.

Gilbreath happened to be pass-

ing by at the right moment when he noticed the group standing on the front lawn of the township hall with a metal detector.

"I was on my way to see a friend who owns a metal detector shop in goodrich, and I saw that they were using an old machine, so I stopped to ask how old the machine was and how long he (Ellis) had it," said Gilbreath.

Gilbreath thought it was a neat thing that the CCHS was doing and told them he had two detectors in his truck and was asked if we wanted to join and help out.

"To be asked to search on property that you normally could not legally do, that was awesome," noted Gilbreath.

Gilbreath is very knowledgeable

in treasure hunting and said that he had the best equipment that money could buy. He said really enjoyed the kids.

"I like working with the kids. Its good education for the children, and gets them interested in history," he said "Anything hands on demonstrations is what makes kids interested, it's not just out of a book."

Both Ellis and Gilbreath have offered their services for future hunts with the CCHS.

The Historical Society hopes to do this again this summer in the yards of some of the homes on Main Street and anyone interested in letting us survey should call the CCHS at 248-922-0270

Police

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Ohio. The man advised police his wife had used the same card the day before to pay a bill over the phone to a company in Dayton.

A man living in the 5600 block of Morning was issued an appearance citation for illegal use of fireworks after deputies saw mortar style fireworks explode and found launch tubes in the man's yard. The man said he knew the fireworks were illegal, and that he'd been warned twice in previous weeks by other deputies.

Sat., July 7 Police issued a citation for ordinance violation after a man living in the 11000 block of Scott Road called police when his neighbor's dogs began barking around 3 a.m.

Sun., July 8 Deputies were dispatched to assist Michigan State Police after a caller complained of a vehicle that was driving fast and erratically on NB I-75. The car eventually crashed and rolled over in a median near mile marker 100 in Groveland Township. The driver told police he was under the influence of prescription pain medication.

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Clarkston's Clark earns spot on dance team

BYPAULKAMPE

Clarkston News Staff Writer

A weekend-long tryout with Central Michigan's dance team paid huge dividends for Clarkston's Meredith Clark. The 18-year-old graduate will advance to the collegiate level after being a four-year member of the Clarkston High School pom pon team.

"I couldn't imagine not doing that because that was a big part of my high school experience. I'm really excited to be able to do that at college too," Clark said.

Clark went into the tryout with an open mind, but saw her competitive spirit awaken as her time went on with the team.

"If I don't make it, it's not a big deal," she thought.

"We started practicing and I got really competitive.

"I had to make it."

Clark was deciding between CMU and Michigan State University.

"I really liked that (dance) program and the school," Clark said.

Her mind was set on going to Central even before she had earned a spot on the dance team's roster.

"I went to a couple of basketball games and I had talked to the coach, so I was really hoping I would be able to dance their after I had decided to go there."

"I really like their style of dance. It's different than Clarkston's.

"Central is really jazzy, it's more like the studio dance I did. I really like that part of it."

Meredith will be in Mount Pleasant before many of her classmates because the Chippewa dance team has summer practice. At tryouts, Clark has already learned two dances and the school's fight song, giving her a bit of preparation for the fall football season. Meredith will continue the Clark family's legacy at CMU, her parents Max and Harriet were also Chippewas.

"My parents didn't care if I went to Central or to State, but both of them had really good experiences at Central, so

they're comfortable with me going there.

As a Chippewa, Clark will also be a recipient of the Leadership Advancement Scholarship. CHS LEAD Advisor Aaron Dobson encouraged Clark to apply for the scholarship. The communications and leadership skills as well as the life lessons learned under Dobson's guidance should be helpful for the freshman.

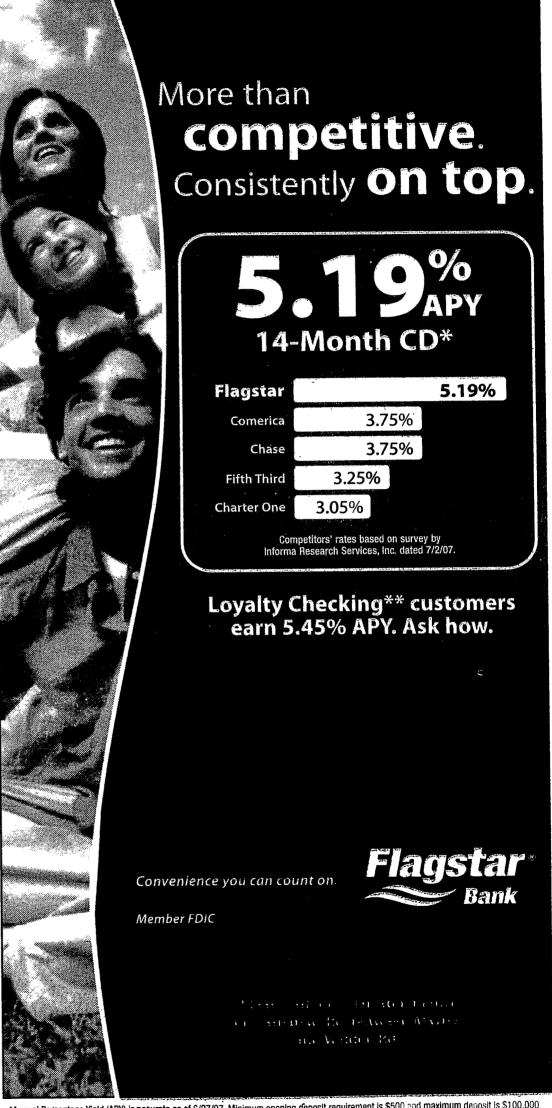
"(CHS LEAD) teaches you how to work with people who don't (necessarily) work like you do and to accept people's differences," Clark said.

At CMU, Clark is hoping to go into broadcasting. "I like public speaking and it would be cool to be on the news," Clark said.

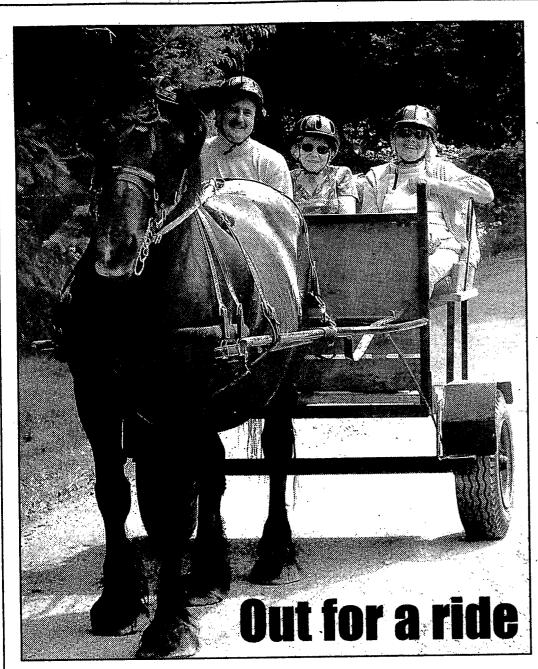
Clark is also looking into elementary education and hopes to keep up her 3.61 GPA. Clark has been dancing since age 3. During high school, Clark managed to dedicate 15 hours a week to her sport. In her free time,



Meredith Clark is a member of Clarkston pom pon and Central Michigan Dance teams. Photo provided



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Sandy Mabery, owner of Pine Tree Place Assisted Living in Clarkston, takes new residents Marjorie Hood and Barb Thomson for a ride July 3.

Pine Tree Place teams with Clarkston's O.A.T.S., Offering Alternative Therapy with Smiles, joined forces to create ElderCart Therapy. Pine Tree residents get outside for rides in a cart pulled by Debbie, a champion draft horse.

Pine Tree Place and O.A.T.S., a

therapeutic riding center for special needs children and adults, teamed up through the Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce.

Hood and Thomson are both longtime Clarkston residents. Hood was office manager at Clarkston Medical Group for many years. Thomson has lived on Main St. for 60 years, sponsors Concerts in the Park, and is a founding member of the Clarkston Farm and Garden Club.



The fireworks-related fire reduced this maintenance shed to charred timbers

Police continue explosion investigation

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According to a police press release, the two were manufacturing flash powder M-series-type devices, such as M-80s, M-200s and "quarter sticks"—all dangerous explosives—inside the maintenance building.

Flames engulfed the structure almost immediately following the explosion, leading to a Fourth of July accident among the worst in recent history.

"I've been here 30 years I've never seen one like this," said Undersheriff Mike McCabe, of the Oakland County Sheriff's Office. "We've had people blow fingers off,

blow hands off, but I've never seen one that's basically become a fire ball and consumed an entire building and almost kill two people."

The situation, said McCabe, was complicated by the fact that other materials—such as the paint and gasoline—were stored in the shed.

The Sheriff's Office, Independence Township Fire Department and the ATF are continuing the investigation, and police are requesting that anyone possessing such devices turn them in to a local police agency or fire department as they are very dangerous and illegal.

Camp Oweki set to open Monday

Summer camp at Camp Oweki, Camp Fire USA North Oakland Council, is set for July 16-Aug. 3.

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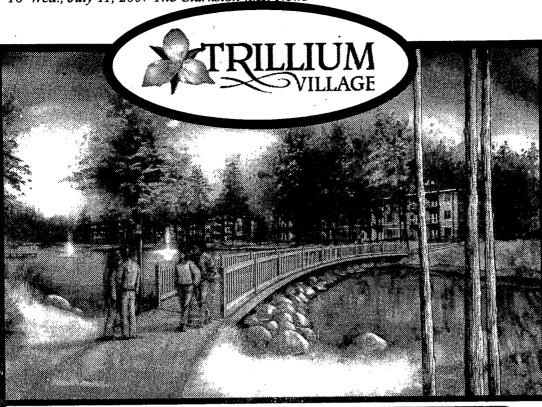
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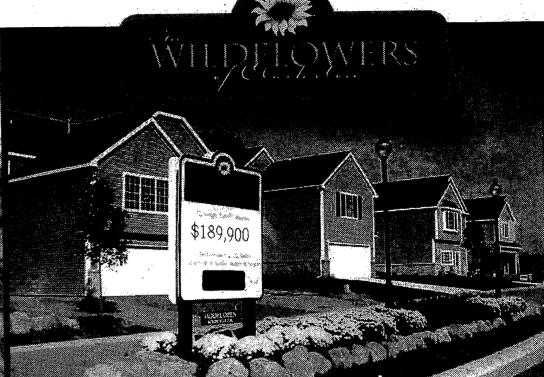
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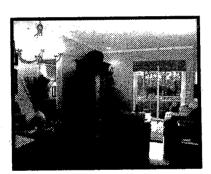
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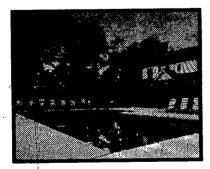




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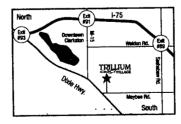




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Above is the Class of 2007. Shannon Miener, Michelle VanderVoord, Shane Lichtenberg, Matthew Colunga, Natasha Allen, **Scott Tipton and** Lisi Tipton. Not pictured are Raquel Eisele, **Trevor Davis and** Katie Baldwin. At right, Prom attendees wear their 007 glasses.



The home schoolers of Meadows Coop, a ministry of the Sashabaw Presbyterian Church on Maybee Road in Clarkston, celebrated their first graduating class with a Formal Prom Friday night, followed by Commencement the next day. Ten seniors graduated.

Friday night's dance, organized by junior Abigail Lee, was held at the Holly Hotel with the theme of 007. Attendees enjoyed dinner, program including a DVD featuring each graduate, followed by an evening of dancing.

"These home schoolers were not what we expected," said an employee of the Holly Hotel "They were so nice to the staff and to each other and I have never seen a group of teenagers dance so many different kinds of dances. They were a fun group. One of the guys even gave his buttoner to one of the waitresses. That was sweet."

The next day, Sashabaw Presbyterian Church hosted commencement services. Eight of the 10 graduates participated in the service. All the graduates have been accepted by various colleges and universities

throughout the country.

The service was conducted by David Lee, member of the Sashabaw Presbyterian Church and attorney in Oakland County. Businessman Blair Rosenhan gave the key note address, which encouraged students to continue to think like home schoolers, "outside the box," do things in non-traditional ways, and not to be afraid of mistakes.

Each of the graduates was given an opportunity to speak and each one expressed their thoughts, thanks, hopes and dreams in their own unique way.

Music was provided by graduate Shannon Meiner, on violin. A vocal duet by Abigail Lee, class of 2008, and graduating senior Shane Lichtenberg, singing the folk song "Homeward Bound," concluded the service. A reception followed.

"We are very proud of these kids," said David Lee.

"Among our grads are two full four-year scholarship recipients to U of M and University of Louisville, a Michigan Merit Scholarship recipient, and a member of the National Honor Society."

BY TREVOR KEISER

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Starbucks is coming to town, ready to offer coffee lovers fresh new flavors.

The new store is located at 6673 Dixie Hwy. It officially opened to the public June 29th, but will be having a grand opening on Friday, July 13.

The grand opening will include: the Fire Department, members from the Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce, and Oakland County Executive Brooks Patterson.

"Were very excited to be in Clarkston," said Store Manager Eileen Landry. "We have been trying to get a store in Clarkston for a

Not only does Starbucks serve coffee and pastries, but they help out with charity groups, both in the community and nationwide.

The store donates coffee and pastries to lighthouse, an emergency relieve for families in any kind of need.

They also work year around with Echo Grove Camp, helping out with the Santa breakfast and cleaning up the camp.

Starbucks also sells Ethos bottled water, in which all the proceeds go to help get clean water for other countries around the world. For some this is the best part about working for Starbucks.

"Everything we do for the community, Ethos water, the green apron concept within the store," said employee Tiffany Mallory.

To others the best part is everyday is different.

"Meeting all different people that come in, and you never have the same day twice," said employee Michelle Krebiehl

Landry, who used to be the manager at the Lake Orion store, said that she

loves the partners that she works with at Clarkston.

'There are a lot of season partners from different stores and people from the community that work here," said Landry. "They are

Landry invites all the public to come check out the grand opening on Friday, July

"It's going to be exciting," she said.



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Power outage doesn't lessen crowd's energy

BY LAURA COLVIN

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Susan Surma of Redford Township didn't mind hanging around DTE for several extra hours last week when storms knocked out the venue's power and held up what was, for some, a much-anticipated Toby Keith concert.

Surma, who came to the concert with her husband Kevin and several other family members, said she'd been to every one of Keith's Michigan performances, and wasn't going to miss Thursday's show.

"We've been Big Dog Daddy fans from the beginning," she said. "So it's worth the wait. We've been people watching, having a few cocktails and just going with the flow. As long as Toby comes on, nothing else matters."

Many concert goers seemed to agree, with most passing the time by wandering around, talking to others and having a good time, but occasional grumbles surfaced, as well.

"DTE owns this place," said a Detroitarea real estate broker who asked that his name not be used, "and they lose electricity? What's going on? Where's the backup plan?"

But Oakland County Sheriff's deputies, who regularly patrol the venue, reported few problems, although a few extra uniforms were posted for other reasons.

"Toby Keith is a high-profile person with an outspoken, nationalistic personality," said Lt. Dale LaBair, commander of the Oakland County Sheriff's Office Independence Township substation, who was at DTE during the power outage. "He attracts a lot of attention, and he's had a number of threats, so it didn't hurt for me to be there."

LaBair noted that no specific threats were made on Keith's performance at DTE. The crowd got a little antsy, he said, but no more or less than usual, and most who know how rowdy an impatient crowd can get, seemed to

"It's a great crowd tonight," said a DTE employee who also asked not to be named. "Everyone is pretty much behaving, but most people I've talked to said they wish (officials) would go ahead and call the concert if that's what they're going to do."

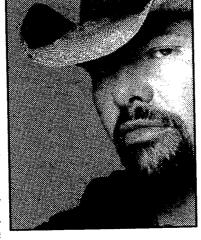
But around 9:30 p.m. the near-capacity crowd began to cheer as stage lights flickered, then came on in full-powered brightness

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just as generators were arriving to save the show.

"It's first country concert," said Beth Chubb, who drove from Taylor and said she'd be



disappointed if she didn't see the 46-year-old Keith perform. "I had to go to the bathroom in the dark, and I had to drive through a hail storm to get here."

Like other concert-goers, Chubb found credit card machines down, pop dispensers off, and restrooms without air conditioning or lights made more uncomfortable by automatic toilets that wouldn't flush.

Still, representatives from the venue said they received few complaints, given the circumstances.

"There were people who filled out complaint forms (the night of the concert)," said Jeff Corey, director of public relations for Palace Sports and Entertainment. "But it was a relatively small amount. People were very patient and very understanding that it was obviously an act of god that was out everyone's hands.'

Corey said storms previously knocked out power at the venue for a few minutes at a time, but he couldn't remember another incident with the duration of Thursday's eventwith the exception of the August 2003 blackout-since the Palace took over operations

"Obviously situations like this are few and far between," he said. "It wasn't anticipated and doesn't happen often, and having and the idea of having the generators on hand to generate the power you need for a full concert performance would be a major undertak-

The show ended at 12:15 a.m., more than an hour past DTE's 11 p.m. curfew.

"It was obviously extenuating circumstances," said Corey. "We wanted to give ticket holders as full a show as possible."

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New exhibit ready at Clarkston museum

The Clarkston Community Historical Society's newest exhibit is ready at the Clarkston Heritage Museum, "A Village Vacation: P.S. Wish you were here!"

The museum's 15th exhibit presents two distinctive views of Clarkston history.

First explored is the time when Clarkston was a tourist town, starting around the late 1800s. On display are unique Clarkston souvenirs, early cameras, traveling necessities and vintage luggage. These items all tell the story of heading to Clarkston for a vacation in the country.

In addition, there are more than 80 real photo postcards included in the exhibit. These postcards offer the second view of Clarkston history by providing actual photos taken in the village and surrounding countryside. A variety of early Clarkston scenes can be seen in this display. From local merchants on Main Street to the shores of Deer Lake, the visitor can view just what Clarkston looked like in the early 1900s.

The large collection of postcards is due in part to a "postcard mania" that swept the country from approximately 1905 to 1915.

New technology available by KODAK made the real photo postcard a possibility, and it wasn't only the tourists who purchased these cards.

Local residents snatched them up from merchants and general stores to send greetings and news from their own hometown. According to official figures from the U.S. Postal Service, almost one billion postcards were sent in 1913 alone; 10 times the population of the United States at that time.

"A Village Vacation is a wonderful exhibit full of local images from over a century ago," said Jennifer Arkwright, Clarkston Community Historical Society. "This was a time when traveling involved a train or buggy and air conditioning was provided by a cool breeze across the lake.'

Clarkston Heritage Museum is located in the Independence Township Library, 6495 Clarkston Road. The museum is solely supported by the Clarkston Community Historical Society. Questions can be directed to their office at 248-922-0270, or the website society's www.clarkstonhistorical.org.

Summer camp. at Sashabaw

Camp Invention weeklong summer day experience for children entering grades 1-6 is set July 23-27 at Sashabaw Middle School.

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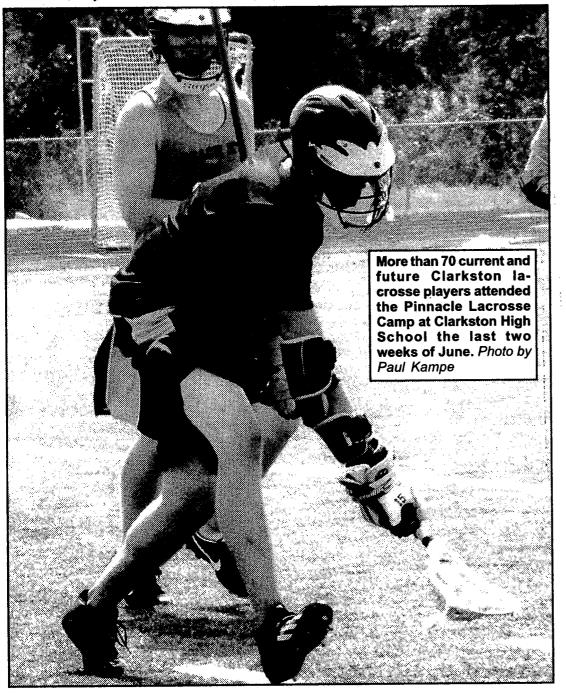
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Reaching the 'Pinnacle' of lacrosse potential

BY PAUL KAMPE

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Lacrosse players looking to achieve the most out of their summer were at the third Pinnacle Lacrosse Camp, hosted by Clarkston lacrosse coach Brian Kaminskas and his staff, as well as Clarkston players.

The camp, split into two sessions for third-eighth graders and the following week for ninth-12th graders, was at Clarkston High School Stadium the last two weeks of June. More than 70 players enrolled in the camp, which was for the truly adventurous on the heat-soaked field.

"The system we run is all based on the man with the ball distributing the ball or shooting and we're trying to teach that at all levels," Kaminskas said.

The coach's favorite part of the camp is when the players engage in shooting competitions.

"Shooting is such a vital part of the game and the kids like it," Kaminskas said.

"They go for shot speed, they challenge each other and see how fast they can get it going."

Clarkston player Rob Julian made his third visit to the Pinnacle camp, but his first as a mentor.

Julian likes to mentor the program's younger players, and like Kaminskas, teaching others to shoot.

"Shooting on the run is an art in itself...there's a lot of mechanics you have to get right before you can master the skill. I'm offensive-minded and shooting is just fun for me," Julian said.

Julian encourages the younger players to keep looking for the extra pass when they have the ball and to work as hard as they can without possession.

"When you get into higher levels, having off-the-ball movement is crucial," Julian said

The camp also serves as an initiation for future Wolves, Julian said.

"A lot of the Clarkston kids come and you get to see the freshman and JV talent. You get to help them get better because you don't get to see them much during the season," he said.

"We go through a lot of the practice stuff in camp. We get to get the younger guys into a routine and we get a connection with the younger (players)."

"This is like cheating, you get to see what's coming up, assuming they develop (as expected), you can plan your future," Kaminskas said.

"That can put you ahead three or four weeks when the season starts because you're not looking to fill spots.

"We're really working (on) our talent



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After an incredible start, the Clarkston Select Soccer Club Shadows '94 U13 Girls received finalist trophies and finished second out of eight teams at the 25th Midland Invitational Tournament May 11-13. The Shadows are coached by fifth-year head coach Rean Turner and assistant coach Bob Toth

The Shadows shut out 3 teams on their way to the finals. They defeated the

Traverse City Northstars 2-0 in their first game. The Shadows came out strong in their second game against the CW3 Extreme with another 2-0 win.

The Shadows' third game against the Midland Fusion was another 2-0 win, advancing them to the championship game. The Shadows fell 3-0 to the Michigan Burn in the finals, earning them second place.

"They really stepped up. They definitely had to play up to their potential,"

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Everest La'crosses new sport off the list

New girls team 7-2 in season 1

BY PAUL KAMPE

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Looking to test the athletic water at Everest Academy, Athletic Director and Physical Education teacher Ann Lowney had decided to introduce the girls in her class to something new: lacrosse.

What resulted was not just a sport to stick between dodgeball and floor hockey, but the first sixth-eighth grade girls lacrosse team at Everest.

"Everybody had a great time. They did well and adapted quickly," Lowney said.

The girls played in the Michigan Youth Lacrosse Association and finished with a 7-2 record in their inaugural run.

The girls joined the boys at the school, who have an established lacrosse program.

Lowney, also new to the sport, sought guidance as the team's

coach

She had also heard the similarities between basketball, which she has coached for 15 years, and lacrosse makes for an easy transition.

"It was different enough that I enjoyed it. I've coached enough basketball, I needed a break," she joked.

"It was fun learning it with the girls."

Lowney found "The Baffled Parent's Guide to Coaching Lacrosse" helpful in explaining the rules.

She also got advice from a fellow coach, Betsy Criton of Flint Powers. Criton cited the parallels to roundball, such as man-to-man defense schemes and making short, crisp passes, to produce a winner.

"It took us a few weeks (to learn the sport)," Lowney said.

"You learn as you go."

An eighth-grade member of the team, Brigid Wilson, 14, left the season with a new choice to make during springtime tryouts.

Wilson will be a freshman next year at Bloomfield Hills Marian, which has a strong girls lacrosse program.

Wilson plans to tryout for lacrosse and for her usual spring sport, soccer.

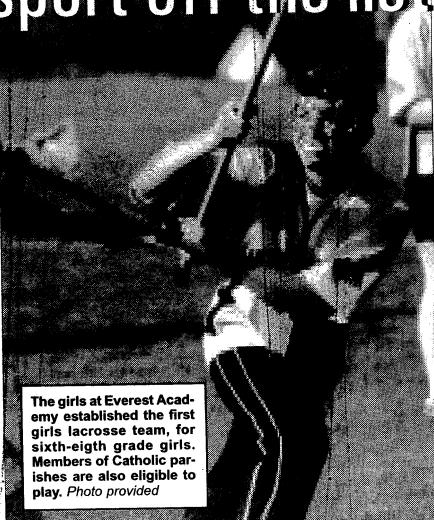
"It was fun and exciting to play a new sport," Wilson said.

"At first it was frustrating, but that's what made me want to play on the team, (coach Lowney) made it exciting and fun."

Wilson, who scored nine goals in her first season of lacrosse, said she liked seeing her team progress as the season went on.

"You're starting from scratch and the other teams have already played. It's challenging, but we enjoyed it enough to keep working at it. We liked our coach and our team had good chemistry together," she said.

Wilson has continued honing her lacrosse skills, playing with family members in her free time, and she is still planning on playing with her soccer travel team.



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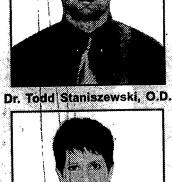


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Jon Avery, above, and Andrew Schram to the right, stepped into their own as attackers for Clarkston last season. After making the switch from mid-fielders, the duo took off and is expected to provide even more punch next season. Photos by Paul Kampe

Avery and Schram steady Wolves' attack

BYPAULKAMPE

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Change has a way of working out better than anticipated in sports. Whether it's a professional switching teams via free agency or a trade, or any athlete retooling a swing or shot or even switching positions.

The later worked in the cases of Clarkston lacrosse freshmen attackers Jon Avery and Andrew Schram, who were moved from mid-fielders to the offensive-minded spots near opponents' cages. "They were both middies at the beginning of the year. As we kept playing, their attributes led them to be attackers," Clarkston coach Brian Kaminskas said.

"We saw their talent and realized they would be better down low by the cage."

"At first I didn't like the switch," Schram said.
"I wasn't used to dodging from behind the net, but I got used to it.

Their success, along with, the rest of the Wolves, propelled Clarkston to their first district championship in the state playoffs in May.

After being fostered by veteran attackmen Chris Salo and Steve Gainnaris throughout the season, Kaminskas expects the tandem to outdo their 35-goal freshman season.

"We're expecting them to pick up where they left off and run our half-field offense," Karninskas said.

"Attacker is the hardest thing to fill and we have them for the next three years. We're expecting them to come out of the shadows of the older guys and controlling the offense."

The pair began playing together long before they hit the field at Clarkston stadium. Andrew and Jon's older sister's played for the same soccer team six years ago, and the two future lacrosse standouts came together. Avery had already been playing lacrosse for three years before he found his future wingman.

"We've played together since I started and we always know where each other are."

Their chemistry translates well onto the varsity level, Kaminskas said.

"Andrew's a shooter and Jon is a feeder," he said.

"They balanced our attack so we could shoot from one side and feed from another spot up top. It allows us to attack from all points,"

Kaminskas said.

Avery's toughness is his strongest suit, Kaminskas said. "He has no problem taking a hit to make a feed or take a shot. When we ride the ball, he's an animal, you'd think he's a (defensive midfielder) or a long-stick the way he tries to take the ball away," he said.

Avery's tenacity didn't come without work lifting weights and conditioning.

"It's been pretty tough getting used to the play and how fast and (physical) it is," Avery said.

Schram's intelligence and ability to read the defense is a big factor in the attackman's style.

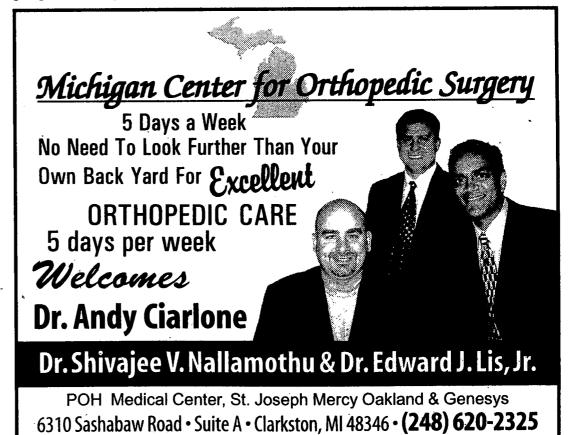
"Before he makes a dodge, he knows if he's going to shoot or pass," Kaminskas said.

That type of ability comes from being a multisport athlete, Kaminskas said. "It's a self-taught type of talent and it takes a heck of a lot of practice."

The impact the two had on the team as freshman came as a surprise to them as well as the coaches. "I thought I'd be there to get used to the game, I didn't realize I was going to start," Schram said.

The 15-year-old Avery has been playing lacrosse for nearly a decade. Nine years ago, Jon began to play the sport with his father, Jim, a former collegiate lacrosse player, before and after recreation league soccer games. He hopes to play lacrosse for University of Michigan or Johns Hopkins University in college.







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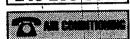
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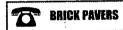
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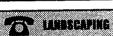
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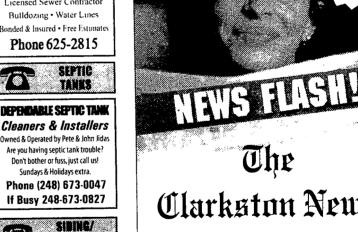
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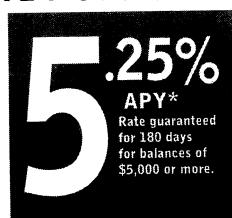
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They played well. They got bracketed with higher-level teams and they did well." June 10 at the Gaylord Invitational, the Shadows earned another second-place fin-

After scoring two goals in the final 10 minutes of the first game against the Brighton Eclipse, the Shadows pulled into a 2-2 tie. The Shadows won the next two games, setting up a rematch with the Eclipse in the finals. The Eclipse won the finals 2-0 and the Shadows took home sec-

"They gave absolutely every ounce of energy. I was proud of all of them. I couldn't ask for a better effort," Turner said.

The Shadows finished in third place in

the Michigan Youth Soccer League Blue division this season, likely earning them a spot in the premiere league next season, Turner said.

"As a Clarkston Impact coach, our goal is to prepare these girls to be successful at a higher level.

"It's our job to feed the high school (soccer program)."

In the past five seasons, Turner has seen the girls' maturity elevate with their

"They grasp the game easily. They do what they have to do to get the job done," Turner said.

"All their skills and maturity level and their passion for the game have come to where they need to be for success at this level."

Water Ski Show set July 19

Davisburg's Spray Masters Water Ski Club & Show Team will be dedicating a performance to Springfield Township Parks and Recreation and friends on Thursday, July 19, at 7 p.m. on Big Lake in Davisburg.

Cost is \$3 per person, free for children under 2 years.

Bring lawn chairs and blankets. Maps to Big Lake are available through Parks and Recreation upon registration. Show is held rain or shine.

For more information, call Springfield Township Parks & Recreation at 248-634-0412

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Clarkston on Parade

From beauty queens to babies to free ice cream and candy, from tracters, trucks and fire engines to marching bands and pom pon squads, the Clarkston Independence Day Parade had something for everyone.

"Everyone was in a festive mood," said Dale Ryan, who was serving his 16th year as parade MC. "It's Like an old town homecoming."

Ryan, who's known as the voice of the Clarkston Wolves, laughed and joked with riders on many of the parade's 110 entries they went by his post near Clarkston State Bank on Main Street.

Granddaughters Sarah, 9, ,and Alyson recited the Pledge of Allegience, ,and grandson Eli, 1, attended the event for the first time.

Ryan, however, was pleased with all the kids. "It was good to see them cooperating and taying behind that yellow tape," he said, laughing that it did get a little difficult for some when floats with free ice cream came by. "They did a great job,"

Float winners

First place: Maranatha Baptist Church

Second place: Oakland Evangelico

Third place: Clarkston Medical Group.









People Poll July 11 Page B1

Parade favorite?

"Walking in the parade (with Michigan Stars) and seeing all my friends."



"The fire trucks – the old and new ones."



Rachel Dickerson

"The port-apotties – that was unique."



- Dan Dickerson

"The Hummer limo – it's my favorite car."



- Dana Olsei

"The candy – I filled a gallon bag."



- Paige Olsen

By Phil Custodio

The Clarkston News' STEAM

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

On patrol

Man's best friend crooks' worst enemy

BY LAURA COLVIN

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Police knew the man they were searching for was hiding in the attic of a local home, but he remained quiet and refused to come out, despite a houseful of armed deputies waiting below.

The man changed his mind when officers called for reinforcement.

"It wasn't safe to send anyone up," said Deputy Lonnie Mullins of the Oakland County Sheriff's Office Canine Unit. "They didn't know if guy had gun, or what."

So the call went out for Mullins and his four-legged partner, Boomer.

With the 80-pound German Shepard on a stepladder leading to the attic, Mullins issued a stern warning: Sheriff's Department Canine Unit, come out or I'm going to send up my dog!

"I only had to say it one time," said Mullins, a contract deputy with the Independence Township substation. "Once I said that, and Boomer started barking, the guy knew I wasn't screwing around. As soon as he heard the dog he was like, 'I give up, I give up, I'm coming."

As the newest addition to the 14-member Canine Unit, Mullins and two-and-a-half-year-old Boomer spent the last year getting to know one another, forming a bond and becoming crime-fighting cohorts who drive area streets during the darkest hours.

"Working midnights gives me the opportunity to go out looking for bad guys," said Mullins, noting that he's a hunter and loves the outdoors, so the job suits him well. "If you're out at three in the morning you're either on your way to work, or you're a bad guy."

Mullins, who's been a with OSCO about 18 years, came to work in Independence Township in 1999 and spent five-years as a member of the substaion's detective bureau.

But, he said, when an opportunity to join the Canine Unit appeared, he was ready.

"It was time for a change," Mullins said, "and that's the beautiful thing about this department. There are so many different places we can go."

Mullins and Boomer attended a five-week training at the Oakland Police Academy, where they began working on tracking, bite work, and learning to read one another.



Deputy Lonnie Mullins and K-9 Boomer are good friends. "There's a bond between us," said Mullins. "That only develops through time and training."

"Every dog has different body language," said Mullins. "They all do things a little differently."

Boomer was 14 months old, with his training already started, when he came to live with Mullins and his family.

Now, a little over a year later, Boomer is

certified to track narcotics—cocaine marijuana, heroin, meth and crack. Before long, he'll certify in obedience and handler protection, as well as building, article and area searches.

Nevertheless, there's still some growing

Please see Boomer on page 3B

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Oakland County Fair, through July 15; 1-11 p.m. July 11-13; 12-11 p.m. July 14; 12-9 p.m. July 15; Springfield Oaks County Park, 12451 Andersonville Road. Carnival, circus show, exhibits, concerts. Admission: \$8 for car/bus/van; \$4 walk in. 248-634-8830.

Dinky Detectives Storytime, ages 2-3 years, July 12, 19, 10:30 a.m.; ages 4-6 years, June 14, 21, 28, and July 12, 19, at 11:15 a.m. Springfield Twp Library, 12000 Davisburg Rd. 248-846-6550.

Mothers & More, 7 p.m., July 16, Aug. 20, Red Knapp's Restaurant in Clarkston. Non-profit organization dedicated to improving the lives of mothers through support, education and advocacy. Call Brooke McNicol, 248-393-2844 or check www.mothersandmore.org.

Babysitting class, 8 a.m.-2:30 p.m., July 16. For ages 11-15. Leadership, safety and safe play, basic care, first aid and professionalism. American Red Cross certified. \$50, inludes lunch and materials. Clarkston Health Center, 5625 Water Tower Place, off Dixie Highway. 248-338-5389.

Office hours, U.S. Rep. Mike Rogers' staff, 9-11 a.m., July 16, Independence Township Hall, 90 N. Main. 877-333-MIKE.

Teen Duct Tape, July 17, 6:30 p.m., Springfield Twp Library, 12000 Davisburg Rd. 248-846-6550.

Bubble Day, all ages, July 18, 1-3 p.m., Springfield Twp Library, 12000 Davisburg Rd. 248-846-6550.

Around Town

Acrylic Landscape Painting, 1 p.m., July 19, Aug. 16, Independence Township Senior Center, 6000 Clarkston Road. Television artist Steve Wood's step-by-step method. \$23 for each two-hour class. 248-625-8231.

CSI Program for Teens, with Oakland County Sheriff's officers, July 26, 6-8 p.m., Springfield Twp Library, 12000 Davisburg Rd. 248-846-6550.

Club Bookworm, 10-11 a.m., July 26, Independence Township Senior Center, 6000 Clarkston Road. This month's selection available at the center. \$1.248-625-8231.

Movies & Munchies, 1:30 p.m. July 26: "Raiders of the Lost Ark." Aug. 23: "Wait Until Dark," Audrey Hepburn. Springfield Twp Library, 12000 Davisburg Rd. 248-846-6550.

Blood drive, 10 a.m.-3:45 p.m., July 26, Clarkston Brandon Community Credit Union, 8055 OrtonvilleRoad. Red Cross contest: enter to win two-year lease on a new Lincolm MKX. 248-625-2923.

Book Fair, July 26-27, 10 a.m., Springfield Twp Library, 12000 Davisburg Rd. 248-846-6550.

Book Club for adults, Thursdays, 1 p.m.,July 26. Springfield Twp Library, 12000 Davisburg Rd. 248-846-6550.

End of Summer, Children's Ice Cream Awards Party, 11 a.m.; Reading Teen Pizza Party, 6 p.m.; July 27. \$1. Springfield Twp Library, 12000 Davisburg Rd. 248-846-6550.

Grandparents Day, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., July 28, Spraypark in Clintonwood Park. All ages welcome. Music, lunch, prizes. Independence Township Parks and Rec. 248-625-8223.

Knitting and crocheting mini-retreat, 12-6 p.m., July 29, Independence Township Library, 6495 Clarkston Road. All levels welcome. Space is limited. Admission is one salad or dessert to share. Snacks and beverages provided. Call 248-625-2212.

Clarkston High School Class of 1982 is planning its **25-year reunion** Aug. 11 at Deer Lake Raquet Club. Call Jeanne (Herron) Waddell, 248-922-0973.

Clarkston High School Class of 1987 is planning its **20-year reunion** Sept. 1 at Paint Creek Country Club. Contact Melissa Ronk at Bogey9@ comcast.net.

"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+, games Mondays and Wednesdays, practices Fridays, 10 a.m. Clintonwood Park. 248-625-8231.

Travel Clinics, Visiting Nurse Association of Southeast Michigan, consultation and vaccination, by appointment, Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., 25900 Greenfield Road, Ste. 600. 248-967-8755.

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

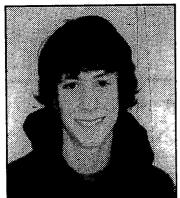
Yoga for adults, 12-1 p.m. or 6:30-7:30 p.m. Wednesdays, through June 20, Springfield Township Civic Center, 12000 Davisburg Road. Residents: \$70 total. Non-residents: \$75 total. \$12 walk-in. 248-634-0412.

"Mature Mulligans," Heather Highlands Executive Course, 11450 E. Holly Road, Wednesdays, tee-off 7:30-8:30 a.m. \$8 greens fee. \$12 residents/\$15 non-residents. Call Mary at 248-625-8231.

Knit or crochet program, second and fourth Wednesday, 7-8:30 p.m., Independence Township Library, 6495 Clarkston Road. All levels welcome. Tea and coffee served. 248-625-2212.

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.

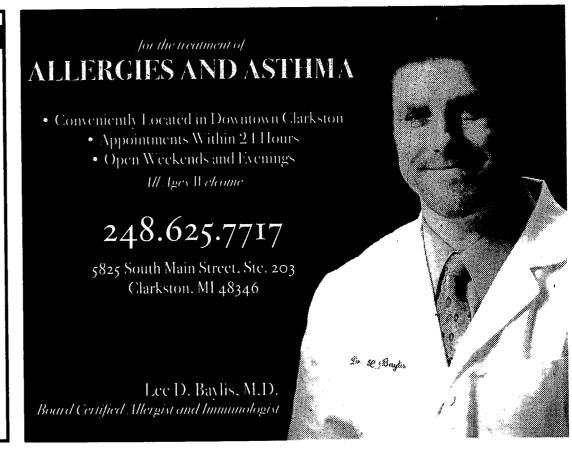
SMILE OF THE MONTH Nick Robeson



Nick will be attending Clarkston High School Next year and has held a 3.5 GPA over the last two years. He plays soccer for the Vardar Stars travel team who are currently ranked 9th in the nation, and in his spare time he enjoys hanging out with friends and playing poker. Congratulations on a great smile Nick.

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K-9 partner on way to becoming top dog with county sher

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"He's still a puppy," said Mullins, noting Boomer won't be considered mature until he's about three or three and a half years old. "But you can tell this dog is different from when I got him in May last year. He's much more protective of me, for one thing. He's becoming the alpha dog he's bred to be.'

Although Boomer, as a rule, won't take orders from anyone but Dad, he is willing to make exceptions for a select few.

"He listens to my wife," said Mullins, who's wife Dawn is an OCSO deputy out of Springfield Township, "and he listens to my kids."

Indeed, the German Shepard who can drive a bad guy out of hiding with nothing more than a bark—and maybe the glint of his sharp white teeth—is only too happy to oblige the couple's toddling daughter.

"She'll carry his food bowl into the kitchen and say 'Boomer sit," Mullins explained. "He Oakland County deputy's uniform comes out sits, she puts the food on the floor, and he

observe.

"They're both two, and their attitudes are a lot alike," he said. "She's into everything, he's into everything.'

Although Boomer is still a puppy and loves to play, he also knows that when the brown



of the closet, it's time to go to work.

Comprised of 2 bomb dogs, an arson dog The childlike similarities, he said, are fun to and 11 all-purpose dogs trained in tracking, property recovery, handler protection, and narcotic detection, the Canine Unit typically responds to over 1,000 calls each year and is available to any police agency in the county who requests help.

Each applicant must have a minimum of three

years seniority in the department, including at least one year in patrol services.

'(Mullins) was a good patrolman, he's an experienced investigator, and he's got a good head on his shoulders," said Lt. Dale LaBair, commander of the Independence Township substation. "His dog is coming along well; they're doing good work, finding stuff and making good catches."

Once the five-week Police Academy train-

ing is complete, the deputy is issued a specially equipped police vehicle with amenities like a non-tipping water bowl and sensors to activate cooling fans when the vehicle becomes too hot.

But the training doesn't stop after those first five weeks are over. Deputies work individually with their dogs every day, usually for at least an hour.

Then, every Wednesday the 14-member unit meets at Independence Oaks and trains together in a special 2.5 acre area donated by the Oakland County Parks.

"This team has a unique relationship," said Joe Lamborn, who heads up the unit."They complement one another well, they look out for one another and they train hard. They've bonded and come together as a group, and we're proud of them.'

It's important, Lamborn said, to maintain control of the dog at all times, especially during a dangerous police encounter. The intenese, ongoing training ensures the dog will perform well in a high-stress situation.

"We do a lot of group training on obedience," said Lamborn, noting the dogs aren't even allowed to make eye contact with the other canines. "We correct the dog to make sure the dog is paying attention the handler, not the dog doing what he wants to do.'

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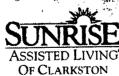
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Are you ready for your screen test?

By Ernie Harwell

Every year many of us lose family and friends to colorectal cancer, breast cancer, lymphoma and other forms of the disease. Now I believe that death is a part of life, but that

doesn't make these losses any easier.

What we all need to keep in mind is that these diseases, if caught early, are treatable. Screening for cancer isn't something we like to think about, but it's an important part of taking care of

So talk to your doctor and ask about cancer screening. The decision to have a certain test

will take into account several factors: * Person's age, medical history, family history, risk factors

- and general health
 - Accuracy of the test
 - * Risks associated with the test
 - * Preparation required before the test
 - * Sedation necessary during the test
 - * Follow-up care after the test
 - * Convenience of the test
 - * Cost and insurance coverage of the test

After all, you owe it to yourself and to your family and friends to get the screenings you need. And remember to take care of your health before it's lonngggg gone.

Ernic 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, Ernic's days are filled with serving as a health and fitness advocate for Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan. public appearances, writing, traveling and taking long walks with "Miss Lulu," his wife of more than 60 years. His latest book a collection of his baseball columns entitled "Life

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Milestones

Celebrating 50 years

Celebrating 50 years of marriage, Arnie and Marilyn Zawacki renewed their wedding vows at St. Daniel's Church on May 27. Following the Mass, a reception for 70 guests was held at Shepherd's Hollow Golf Course.

Among the special guests were their children Ken (Roberta) Zawacki of Naperville, Ill.; Karen (Mark) Polczynski of Standish, Mich.; Ruth Hohnstein of Rochester, Minn.; Dave (Krista) Zawacki of Macomb, Mich; and 13 grandchildren.



In our country's service...

Army Maj. Richard J. Van Buskirk is preparing for deployment in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Van Buskirk, a commander, is normally assigned to the 56th Military Police Company, Fort Dix, Trenton, N.J. He has served in the military for more than 20 years. He is the son of Thomas J. Van Buskirk of Clarkston.

His wife, Valerie, is the daughter of Larry and Rose Sedlar of Cornell St., Manistee. The major is a 1985 graduate of Beaverton High School, and received an associate degree in 1987 from Kemper Military School and College, Boonville, Mo. Van Buskirk received a bachelor's degree in 1994 from the University of Phoenix, Southfield, Mich.

Darrell Mandrell of Clarkston, a sergeant in the 1775th Military Police Company, Michigan Army National Guard, was awarded the Army Achievement Medal on June 10 for service in the Ford State Funeral mission.

Mandrell is a graduate of Del City High School and serves as a squad leader. He deployed in support of Operation Desert



Maj. Richard J. Van Buskirk

Storm and Desert Shield in 1990. He completed basic training at the Naval Training Center of San Diego, Calif., in 1983.

A police officer in Pontiac, he is the son of Tommy and Linda Mandrell of Del City, Okla.

Got a Milestone to share?

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Religion

Freedom finds its source in the Holy Spirit

Though people will disagree about many things, just about God dwells within us (Gal.3:5). everyone is in favor of freedom. The theme of freedom resonates with the human heart, and draws many people to it.

But what is freedom, anyway? And where does freedom come from?

The Bible tells us that freedom comes to Spiritual us from the Spirit of God. "Now the Lord is Matters the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty" (2 Cor.3:17).

The fact that freedom finds its source in the Spirit of God has enormous implications both for individuals and nations.

When individuals think of freedom, they commonly view it as the ability to do as one pleases. So, freedom is thought of in terms of doing what you desire.

But is this really freedom? What if you recognize that your desires are destructive,

and that you lack the power to control them? In this case, you may be doing what you desire, but are really not free at all, because you are in bondage to your own will.

For this reason, the Bible defines freedom differently. It portrays liberty not as the ability to do as you please, but to do as you ought. In other words, true freedom is having the power to do what you know is right.

The only way to possess this power is to be born of God's Spirit (Jn.3:5). Jesus Christ came to bring genuine freedom (Gal.5:1), and when we come to trust Him, the Spirit of

With the Spirit comes a new ability to do right. You are no longer bound to serve yourself, but you are liberated to serve others. As you walk by the Spirit, you are able to say no to the flesh with its passions and desires, and instead bear the fruit of God's Spirit - love, joy, peace... (Gal.5:16-

The relationship between freedom and God's Spirit has implications for nations too. In our own nation, the birth of freedom is marked as occurring on July 4th, 1776. But actually, our freedom was conceived prior to this, when God's Spirit brought about a great spiritual awakening earlier in the century. This awakening prepared the way for not only the founding of our nation, but also the many liberties we have enjoyed right up to our own day.

Beyond giving birth to liberty, the Spirit also maintains it. Hence, when God is denied and His Spirit is quenched or grieved, liberty is lost. Evil begins to tyrannize individuals and the culture to a greater degree. And freedom itself becomes increasingly regarded as a privilege granted by the State than a gift of God's Spirit.

All of this shows us that there is no real freedom apart God. It is in Him and Him alone that we find the foundation for freedom.

And it is when we abide in His Word that we know the truth that makes us free (Jn.8:31,32).

David Bostrom is pastor of Seed for the Harvest ministries, davidjbostrom@gmail.com.

In our churches...

Diving Deeper, guided, peaceful, real time with God. 7-8 p.m., July 11 and 25, and Aug. 8 and 22. Calvary Lutheran Church, 6805 Bluegrass Drive. 248-625-3288.

Vacation Bible School, 5:45-8:30p.m., July 29-Aug. 2, First Congregational Church, 5449 Clarkston Road. Drama presentations, class time, arts and crafts. From age 4 to sixthgraders. \$8. 248-394-0200.

Bethany North, Catholic organization providing peer support to all faiths dealing with divorce or separation, general meeting, 7:30 p.m., fourth Monday, Cushing Center, St. Daniel Catholic Church, 7010 Valley Park. Meetings, 248-807-0041, www.bethanyof southeasternmichigan.org.

Peace Unity guest speaker, the Rev. Kathy Harwood Long, "Consciousness Unfolding," July 15, Sashabaw Presbyterian, 5300 Road Maybee Road. She will also lead a fourweek class on God Consciousness, prayer, and meditation, 7-9 p.m., July 17, 24, 31, and Aug. 7, at the home of Joy Stimac, 232 Pinnacle Drive, Lake Orion. Call 248-891-

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

Please see In Our Churches, page 7B



CLARKSTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

6600 Waldon Road, Clarkston 248-625-1611 Websité:clarkstonumč.org Sunday Summer Worship 8:30 am & 10:00 am Fellowship Time: 9:15 am & 11:00 am Nursery available for both services Children's Sunday School: Adult Sunday School: 9:15 am

CLARKSTON FREE METHODIST CHURCH

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

HOLLY PRESBYSTERIAN CHURCH

207 E. Maple Street Holly, MI. 48442 248-634-9494 website: http://www.hollypc.org Rev. Dr. Herb Swanson Summer Hours for Sunday School 9:00am Worship Service 10:30am Childcare Provided

NORTH OAKS

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

DIXIE BAPTIST CHURCH

Pastor David

Bostrom

8585 Dixie Highwy, Clarkston, MI (248) 625-2311 website: www.dixiebaptist.org Home of Springfield Christian Academy & Children's Ark Preschool Pastor: J. Todd Vanamar Sun: 10:00 am Sunday School & Adult Bible Fellowship 11:00 am Worship Service 6:00 pm Worship Service Wed: 6:45 pm AWANA 7:00 pm Teen Meetings & Adult Bible Study Nursery available for all services.

ST. TRINITY **LUTHERAN CHURCH**

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

ST.DANIEL CATHOLIC CHURCH

7010 Valley Park Dr., Clarkston (W. of M-15, S. of 1-75) 625-4580 **Rev. Christopher Maus** Saturday Mass: 5:00 pm Sunday Masses: 7:30, 9:00 & 11:00 am Nursery Available: 9:00 & 11:00 am Religious Education: 625-1750 Mother's Group, RCIA, Scripture Study, Youth Group

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CHURCH DIRECTORY

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CALVARY EVANGELICAL **LUTHERAN CHURCH**

6805 Bluegrass Drive, Clarkston (W. of M-15, just S. of I-75) 625-3288 Sunday Worship: 8:15 am (traditional worship) 9:30 am (blended worship) 11:00 am (contemporary praise) Nursery available Sunday School (all ages) 9:30 (Seasonal) Meal, worship, small groups Wed. evening - Dinner & Bible Study 6 pm (Seasonal) Relevant messages, caring people.

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H. Joan Veil

H. Joan Veil of Palmyra, Va., passed away on July 6 at the age of 64.

She was preceded in death by her husband Gerald. She was the mother of Jennifer (Brian) Titesworth of Clarkston, Staci Studer of Va. and Lindsay Veil of Ohio; sister of MaryAnn (Al) Vekasey of Ohio and John (Wanda) Marinke of Va.; daughter-in-law of Grace Veil.



Memorial Service was July 9 at Marimont Community Church, Pontiac. Arrangements entrusted to the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston, Me-

morials may be made to Beaumont Hospice or St. Jude Children's Research. On line guest book www.wintfuneral

Theodore Tibbitts

Theodore Nelson "Ted" Tibbitts of Pontiac passed away on July 1 at the age

He was the husband of Rosie; father of Pam and Melissa Tibbitts, both of Pontiac, and Sheila (Robert) Hessell of Waterford, father-in-law of Randy Tindall of Waterford, grandpa of Angelica, Ryan, Christopher, Hannah, Sarah and Melinda. He was preceded in death by his daughter



Mr. Tibbitts retired

Theresa Tindall.

from United Tire, Pontiac and Goodyear Tire, Pontiac. He enjoyed playing Euchre. Funeral service was July 6 at the Lewis

E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston. Interment Perry Mt. Park Cemetery, Pontiac. Any donations to the family will be given for the medical care of baby Bobby Nuckles. Online guest book www.wintfuneral home.com.

Agata Paladino

Agata Paladino of White Lake passed away on July 5 at the age of 91.

She was preceded in death by her husband Vito. She was the loving mother of Michael (Donna), Bart (Sharon), and Nick; grandmother of eight; great grandmother of 19; great great grandmother of 1; sister of Josephine, Phillip, Joe, Natte, Rose and Tony. Mrs. Paladino loved to have her family over



for supper.

Funeral Mass was July 9 at Our Lady of the Lakes Catholic Church. Waterford. Visitation was July 7-8 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home. Clarkston.

Rite of Committal Ottawa Park Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Hospice Advan-On line guest book www.wintfuneralhome.com.

Thelma M. Stitt

Thelma M. Stitt of Clarkston passed away on July 6 at the age of 84.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Earl, and her siblings: William Talbott, Catharine Storm, Don Talbott and Walter Talbott

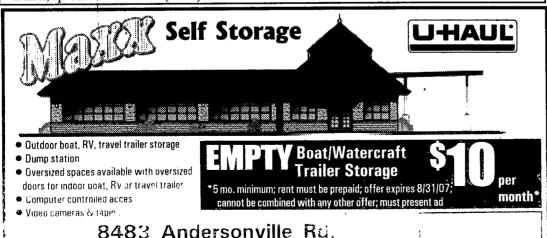
She was the mother of Renee Taylor; grandma of Mario (Sigrun) Stitt, Roberto (Nikki) Stitt and Pablo Stitt; great grandma of Ethan: special aunt of Bud (Rose) Storm and

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family, Ardis (Jim) Pearce and family and many other nieces and nephews. She was the special loving friend of Elmer Loehne. Mrs. Stitt was an active member of Independence Twp. Senior Center.

Visitation was July 8 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston, with a funeral service Monday, 10 a.m. Interment Ottawa Park Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Independence Twp. Senior Center.

Online guest www.wintfuneralhome.com.



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Marjorie Willits

Marjorie Laura Willits of Clarkston passed away on July 2 at the age of 88.

She was preceded in death by her husband George. She was the mother of Mary Jo (Fred) Metz of Waterford and Laura (John) Aulgur of NC; grandma of Dan, Kevin, Kristin and Michael; great grandma of Rachael, Joseph, Zachary and Jacob; sister of Thelma Horton of Ariz; dear friend of Hilda Lowrie.



Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Cranbrook Hospice or Thin Blue Line of Michigan for police officers. Online guest book www.wintfuneral home.com.

Mary S. Pratt

Mary S. Pratt of Davisburg passed away on July 7 at the age of 88.

She was preceded in death by her husband George. She was the mother of Pauline (the late Thomas) Tedder of Davisburg and Peter G. Pratt of Davisburg; grandma of James (Nancy) Tedder of Clarkston and Stephany (Paul) Zabel of Colo.; great grandma of J.T. and Briggs Tedder and Mary and Mason Zabel; sister of Edna Karoris of Oxford, Christine Gary of Rochester Hills, Tom Agorgianitis of Waterford, Dee Raptis of Ariz. and Ted



Agorgianitis of Ariz.; close family friend of Neil Vanhouten.

Visitation was July

6 at the Lewis E. Wint

& Son Funeral Home,

Clarkston. Funeral

Mass was July 7 at

Holy Spirit Catholic

Church, Highland. In-

terment All Saints

Mrs. Pratt was a member of St. George Greek Orthodox: Church, Daughters of Penelope and Ladies Philoptochos. Visita-

tion was July 9 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston. Private family funeral services and burial will be held at Ottawa Park Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to St. George Greek Orthodox Church.

Josephine Plonka

Josephine Mary Plonka of Waterford passed away on June 30 at the age of

She was preceded in death by her husband Steve. She was the mother of Barbara (Robert) Carley of Taylor, Sharon Zuziak of Waterford, Debbie (Joe) Sabo of Clarkston and Lisa (Jerry) Schultz of Macomb Township. Also survived by nine grandchildren, four great grandchildren and her sister Barbara



Kurnick.

Funeral Mass was July 3 at St. Benedict's Catho-Church. Waterford. Prayer service was July 2 at the Lewis E. Wint& Son Funeral Home, Clark-

ston. Memorials may be made to Spokane Guild School for Neuromuscular Children. Online guest www.wintfuneral home.com.

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ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

The Independence Township Board of Appeals will meet on Wednesday, August 1, 2007 at 7:30 PM at the Independence Township Library, 6495 Clarkston Road, Clarkston, MI 48346 to hear the following cases: Case #07-0026 Lacey, Paul, Petitione

APPLICANT REQUESTS 25' REAR YARD SETBACK VARIANCE TO CON-STRUCT ADDITION (REPLACE EXIST-ING PORCH)

6464 Olympus Dr., Lot 157, R-1A Waterford Hill Manor No. 1

08-32-426-005

Waitkus, Gilbert. Petitioner Case #07-0027 APPLICANT REQUESTS VARIANCE TO BUILD (REPLACE EXISTING) HOME, ON NON-CONFORMING LOT OF

RECORD

5247 Woodlane Rd., Lot 25, R-1A Supervisor's Plat No. 2

08-02-452-003

Case #07-0028 Beck, Tricia, A., Petitioner

APPLICANT REQUESTS 18' SETBACK VARIANCE ON THE EAST SIDE OF PROPERTY TO CONSTRUCT ADDI-

6805 Bluegrass Dr., 5.26 Acres, R-1A Calvary Evangelical Lutheran Church 08-20-179-001

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

Respectfully submitted, Shelagh VanderVeen, Clerk

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

Township celebrates Independence na mesake

With a name like "Independence Township" and a Liberty Bell on its water tower, the Fourth of July is a big deal here, with downtown parade, thousands of spectators, and lots of floats and activities in the park.

Nothing like that at the time of the Declaration of Independence signing, though.

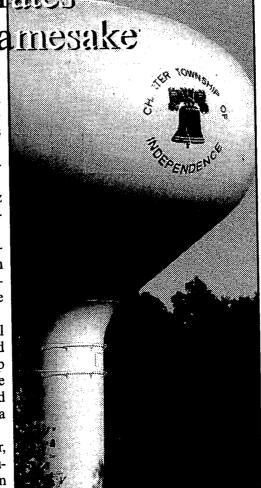
"It was pretty quiet here," said James Schultz of Clarkston, a historical reenactor of the mid-1700s era.

Michigan was under the control of the British, but inhabited by native tribes and French fur trappers. Michigan didn't develop economically much beyond fur trapping until the Erie Canal opened in 1825, Schultz said.

According to the Clarkston Area Historical Society, settler Joseph Van Sycle, who moved to the area in 1834, named the new township after his home, Independence, New Jersey. The eastcoast Independence Township was named in 1782, the year in which England signed a treaty agreeing to American independence.

Clarkston founder Jeremiah Clark's father, also Jeremiah Clark, is a veteran of the Revolutionary War, serving in 1778 under Captain Bigelow Lawrence in Vermont, according to the Michigan American Local History Network.

- Phil Custodio



In our churches

continued from 5B

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

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

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

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

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PUBLIC NOTICE Charter Township of Springfield

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING **AMENDMENTS TO ZONING ORDINANCE NO. 26**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Springfield will hold a PUBLIC HEARING at a Special Meeting on Thursday, August 2, 2007, beginning at 7:30 p.m. at the Springfield Township Civic Center, 12000 Davisburg Rd., Davisburg, MI to receive comments on the following proposed amend ments to Springfield Township Zoning Ordinance No. 26: SECTION ONE - AMENDMENTS TO ORDINANCE

In Article II, Section 2.00, Definitions, the definition for "EQUESTRIAN FACILITY, PUBLIC" is hereby de-

In Article II, Section 2.00, under CAMPGROUND, the definition for "Temporary Campground" is hereby amended to read as follows:

Temporary Campground: A Type II campground used on a short-term basis not to exceed a period of four (4) weeks, that is licensed by the state in conjunction with an event such as a festival, fair,

In Article II, Section 2.00, Definitions, the following new definitions are added:

COMMUNITY RECREATION CENTER: A public building that accommodates educational and recreational programming, such as indoor exercise facilities, indoor court sports facilities, arts and crafts activity rooms, educational enrichment programs, eting space for service and social clubs, neighborhood organizations, and special interest groups. DOG PARK: Any fenced, off-leash dog play area designated within a park for that purpos

ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION CENTER: A building or other facility whose principal use is to educate the public through curriculum, programs, and displays about the natural world. A main focus is generally placed on increasing awareness, knowledge and skills that result in understanding, commitment, informed decisions, and constructive action to ensure stewardship of the earth's environment.

EQUESTRIAN FACILITY: Any parcel where five (5) or more horses or other equestrian animals are rented, hired, used for training, or boarded for compensation and/or where temporary or permanent, indoor or outdoor equestrian riding, driving, or showing facilities are provided.

PARK - ACTIVE RECREATION: An area of open space dedicated to recreational activities that require intensive development of facilities and often involve cooperative or team activities.

PARK - PASSIVE RECREATION: An area of open space dedicated to recreational activities that require a low-level of development and preservation of natural areas, and often involve solitary or small group,

SPECIAL EVENTS FACILITY: Place with permanent facilities and/or areas used for indoor and/or outdoor assembly to which the general public is admitted or invited. The facility is designed to provide a venue for continually changing events offered for a limited time or number of performances including but not limited to entertainment, such as musical concerts or performing arts; education, such as lectures or educational demonstrations: or other temporary exhibitions or performances. Regularly-scheduled religious services conducted inside a building are expressly excluded from this definition.

In Article III, Section 3.00 - Zoning Districts Established - the Zoning District entitled "PL Public Lands" is hereby deleted, and the following Zoning Districts are added:

PR Parks and Recteation District

PS Public Service District

Article IV - RC - Resource Conservation District, is hereby amended in its entirety, to read as follows: ARTICLE IV - RC - RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT

> SECTION 4.00 - Intent; it is recognized that Springfield Township has an abundance of significant natural resources and features. The RC Resource Conservation District is intended to provide for those uses of land that are compatible with the need to: protect and enhance vital Township natural resources and amenities, fish and wildlife habitat, woodlands, wetlands and water resources; and encourage agricultural and other

SECTION 4.01 - Principal Uses Permitted:

Nature trails, botanical gardens, woodland preserves, or similar facilities provided such use does not result in a material modification of the natural appearance of the site

Agriculture, farming, keeping of livestock, horses, sheep, goats and/or similar animals subject to the provisions set forth in Section

Tree and shrub nurseries

One-family detached dwellings.

SECTION 4.02 - Principal Uses Permitted Subject to Special Conditions: The following uses shall be permitted subject to the specific conditions hereinafter imposed for each use and subject further to the submission of a site plan as set forth in Section 18.07, a recommendation of the Township Planning Commission and approval by the Township Board as set forth in Section 3.03.2 under the standards contained in Section 18.08 of this Ordinance.

Equestrian facilities, subject to the provisions of Section 16.22.8.

Wildlife preserve, subject to the provisions of Section 16.22.6.

Environmental Education Centers, subject to the following conditions:

Off-street waiting space shall be available for drop off and pick up of visitors by school buses and private automobiles outside of the right-of-way of any public street.

b. All buildings shall be set back at least fifty (50) feet from all abutting property lines SECTION 4.03 - Accessory Uses Permitted: Accessory buildings and uses customarily inciden-tal to the principal permitted and special uses enumerated in Sections 4.01 and 4.02 are permitted. The Township body responsible for site plan approval shall determine permitted accessory uses.

SECTION 4.04 - Area and Bulk Requirements: Refer to Article XXV for the "Schedule of Regulations," limiting the height and bulk of buildings, the minimum size lot or parcel permitted by land use, the maximum density permitted, and pro-

viding the minimum yard setback requirements.

Article V - PL - Public Land District, is hereby amended in its entirety. PL - Public Land District is replaced by PR - Parks and Recreation District, to

ARTICLE V - PR-PARKS AND RECREATION DIS-

SECTION 5.00 - Intent: It is recognized that Springfield Township has substantial land devoted to parks and recreational use. It is the intent of this District to provide separate areas devoted strictly to parks and recreation lands and uses which encourage utilization of the Township's recreational potential, while protecting and enhancing natural resources and amenities, fish and wildlife habitats, woodlands, wetlands, and water

SECTION 5.01 - Principal Uses Permitted: Passive parks, picnic grounds, nature trails, playgrounds, botanical gardens, and woodland preserves for outdoor recreation provided no structure in excess of one hundred (100) square feet is constructed in connection to the previous uses.

2. ! One-family detached dwellings provided such use is restricted to caretaker/ranger quarters or administrator of park facilities.

SECTION 5.02 - Principal Uses Permitted Subject to Special Conditions: The following uses shall be permitted subject to the specific conditions hereinafter imposed for each use and subject further to the submission of a site plan as set forth in Section 18.07, a recommendation of the Township Planning Commission and approval by the Township Board as set forth in Section 3.03.2 under the standards contained in Section 18.08 of this Ordinance.

Golf courses including accessory clubhouses, driving ranges, pro shops, maintenance buildings and recreational facilities, subject to the following conditions:

The site shall have direct accessibility to

a paved public road.

The location of structures, such as the b. club house and accessory buildings, and their operations shall be reviewed by the Planning Commission to insure minimum

disruption of the adjacent properties, and as much distance as is practicable shall be provided between golf course structures and activities abutting residential

A minimum fifty (50) foot setback shall be required between any structures and any residentially zoned or used property, except that a minimum one hundred (100) foot setback shall be required between any maintenance building and/or yard and any adjacent residentially zoned or used property.

c. All storage, service and maintenance areas when visible from adjoining residentially zoned or used land shall be screened in accordance with the requirements set forth in Section 16.06.

d. Swimming pool areas shall be surrounded with a protective fence, six (6) feet in height, and entry shall be provided by means of a controlled gate.

Winter activities such as skating, cross country skiing, sledding and tobogganing may be permitted by the Township Board, if it finds such uses to be consistent with the standards found in Section 18.08.

2. Equestrian facilities, subject to the conditions set forth in Section 16.22.8.

3. Horseback riding trails and non-motorized vehicle trails, subject to the following condi-

a. If the trail is to be in a park or similar facility for outdoor recreation, or associated with an equestrian facility, the minimum site area shall be ten (10) acres.

b. The site shall have direct accessibility to a paved public road. Off-street parking, loading and unloading shall be provided in accordance with the standards set forth in Section 16.02, except that the requirements for hard-surfacing may be waived by the Township.

c. Trails shall be located no nearer:than fifty (50) feet from any property line, or at least one hundred (100) feet from existing schools, churches, or residentiallyzoned or used property. However, trails can access these areas if deemed appropriate by the Township. The perimeter buffer shall be kept in its natural state.

d. Trail design shall not negatively impact sensitive natural features. Trails shall be located a minimum of twenty (20) feet from wetlands and water features. If water crossings are necessary, bridges or other structures shall cause the least amount of environmental disturbance possible. Trail design shall protect steep slopes and not allow soil erosion.

Where riding is intended within or across a public road right-of-way, the Township shall review the location and approve same to maximize safety to both riders, motorists, and others using the public road right-of-way.

Trails shall be marked with appropriate signage that clearly advises riders of trail rules, etiquette, yield hierarchy (if multiuse trail), and appropriate warnings such as to reduce speed or avoid skidding.

The property owner shall be responsible for maintaining the trails for safety and sound environmental stewardship, repairing eroded areas, and closing down trails if necessary to protect land and wildlife and allowing areas to recover from high

h. Lighting at trail heads shall meet the requirements under Section 17.08 for glare, illumination levels and fixture height Lighting along trails is prohibited. Sound producing equipment anywhere on the trail or at the trailhead is prohibited.

Hours of operation for trail use shall be limited to daylight hours.

 Athletic fields, running tracks, and game courts for baseball, softball, football, soccer and other active sports, conditioned upon the

The site shall have direct accessibility to a paved public road Off-street parking, loading and unloading shall be provided in accordance with the standards set forth in Section 16.02, except that the requirements for hard-surfacing may be waived by the Township.

Facilities shall be located a minimum of one hundred (100) feet from property lines abutting residentially zoned or used prop-

c. Hours of operation for outdoor sports facilities shall be limited to daylight hours.

Licensed, Type II or Type III campgrounds providing short-term living quarters on a daily, weekly, or seasonal basis, subject to the following:

The minimum site area shall be twenty (20) acres

The site shall have direct accessibility to a paved public road.

A minimum one hundred (100) foot set-back shall be established around the perimeter of the property for the purpose of buffering a public campground in relation to adjacent residentially zoned or used properties. The perimeter buffer shall be kept in its natural state. Where natural vegetation or land contour are insufficient to buffer a campground or recreational vehicle park in relation to surrounding properties, the Township may require additional setback, landscaping, and/or bermina.

Mobile homes shall not be permitted to be located within a campground, unless specifically permitted by the Township.

The use and occupancy of a campground shall be in strict compliance with the current laws and requirements of the State of Michigan governing such uses.

Temporary campgrounds are strictly prohibited from the PR District, unless specifically permitted by the Township.

Community Recreation Centers, subject to the following conditions:

a. The site shall have direct accessibility to a paved public road.

A minimum one hundred (100) foot setback shall be required between the principal structure and any adjacent residentially zoned or used property.

Wildlife preserve, subject to the provisions of Section 16.22.6.

Special Events Facilities.

a. The site shall have direct accessibility to a paved public road. Off-street parking, loading and unloading shall be provided in accordance with the standards set forth in Section 16.02, except that the requirements for hard-surfacing may be waived by the Township.

A minimum one hundred (100) foot setback shall be required between all special events facilities and any adjacent residentially zoned or used property.

All storage, service and maintenance areas, when visible from adjoining residentially zoned or used land, shall be screened in accordance with the requirements set forth in Section 16.06.

d. Permanent lighting and use of outdoor sound producing equipment shall meet the provisions of Section 17.08 and 17.03 respectively of the Township's Zoning Ordinance. The use of additional event lighting shall be temporary. The use of temporary event lighting shall only be allowed between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m. In addition to the provisions above, sound-producing equipment, including but not limited to public address systems, radios, phonographs, musical instruments and recording devices, shall not be operated outdoors on the premises so as to be unreasonably loud or raucous, or so to be a nuisance or disturbance to the peace and tranquility of the citizens of the Township. The use of sound producing equipment shall only be allowed between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 11:00

Events held outdoors, in whole or in part, at such a facility are only allowed if specifically permitted by the Township.

10. Dog parks. Dog parks must be actively managed to ensure the health and safety of all human and animal visitors.

- a. A minimum two hundred (200) foot setback shall be required between the fence line of the dog park and any adjacent residentially zoned or used property.
- 11. Commercial ventures incidental to normal or approved activities in the PR District are permitted.

SECTION 5.03 - Accessory Uses Permitted: Accessory buildings and uses customarily incidental to the principal permitted and special uses enumerated in Sections 5.01 and 5.02 are permitted. The Township body responsible for site plan approval shall determine permitted accessory

SECTION 5.04 - Area and Bulk Requirements: Refer to Article XXV for the "Schedule of Regulations," limiting the height and bulk of buildings, the minimum size lot or parcel permitted by land use, the maximum density permitted, and providing the minimum yard setback requirements.

Article V(a) - PS - Public Service District, is hereby added, to read as follows: ARTICLE V(a) — PS- PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT

SECTION 5.00(a) - Intent: It is recognized that Springfield Township has substantial land devoted to public service use and public facilities. It is the intent of this District to provide separate areas devoted strictly to public service uses which provide areas for government offices, libraries, and other facilities that are of service to the public but located in a compatible manner to neighboring use

SECTION 5.01(a) - Principal Uses Permitted:

- 1. Publicly owned and operated libraries, fire stations and other public safety facilities, museums and governmental offices, subject to the following conditions:
- a. The site shall have direct accessibility to a paved public road.
- A minimum fifty (50) foot setback shall be required between the principal structure and any adjacent residentially zoned or used property.
- 2. Cemeteries, subject to the following conditions:
 - a. A fifty (50) foot setback shall be required between a structure and any adjacent residentially zoned or used property, except that a minimum one hundred (100) foot setback shall be required between any maintenance building and/or yard and any adjacent residentially zoned or used prop
 - b. All storage, service and maintenance areas when visible from adjoining residentially zoned or used land shall be screened in accordance with the requirements set forth in Section 16.06.
- 3. Public elementary, middle and high schools, subject to the following conditions:
 - The minimum tot area shall be ten (10) acres for elementary schools, twenty (20) acres for middle schools, and forty (40) acres for high schools.
 - Off-street waiting space shall be available for drop off and pick up of students by school buses and private automobiles outside of the right-of-way of any public street.
 - A minimum fifty (50) foot setback shall be required between the principal structure and any adjacent residentially zoned or used property.
- 4. Public utility buildings, such as telephone exchange buildings, electronic transformer stations and sub-stations, gas regulator stations, and similar uses, but excluding storage yards, and only to serve the immediate vicinity as determined by the Planning Commission.
- One-family detached dwellings provided such use is restricted to caretaker quarters of public facilities.

SECTION 5.02(a) - Principal Uses Permitted Subject to Special Conditions: The following uses shall be permitted subject to the specific conditions hereinafter imposed for each use and subject further to the submission of a site plan as set forth in Section 18.07, a recommendation of the Township Planning Commission and approval by the Township Board as set forth in Section 3.03.2 under the standards contained in Section 18.08 of this Ordinance.

1, Community Recreation Centers, subject to the following conditions:

- a. The site shall have direct accessibility to a paved public road.
- A minimum one hundred (100) foot setback shall be required between the principal structure and any adiacent residentially zoned or used property.
- 2. Public works and maintenance facilities, sub
 - ject to the following: The site shall have direct access to a paved public road.
 - A minimum of one hundred (100) foot setback shall be required between any maintenance buildings and/or yard area and adjacent residentially zoned or used
 - c. All storage, service and maintenance areas when visible from adjoining residentially zoned or used land shall be screened in accordance with the requirements set forth in Section 16.06
- 3. Public utility buildings, such as telephone exchange buildings, electronic transformer stations and sub-stations, gas regulator stations, and similar uses, but excluding storage yards when intended to service customers beyond the immediate vicinity as determined by the Township Board, subject to the applicant demonstrating both of the following:
 - Operating requirements necessitate locating within the district.
 - No property where the use is already per mitted as of right can be utilized for such

SECTION 5.03(a) - Accessory Uses Permitted: Accessory buildings and uses customarily incidental to the principal permitted and special uses enumerated in Sections 5.01 and 5.02 are permitted. The Township body responsible for site plan approval shall determine permitted accessory

SECTION 5.04(a) - Area and Bulk Requirements: Refer to Article XXV for the "Schedule of Regulations," limiting the height and bulk of buildings, the minimum size lot or parcel permitted by land use, the maximum density permitted, and providing the minimum yard setback requirements.

tions 3, 4 and 8 of Section 16.22, Maintenance of Animals, of Article XVI, General Provisions, are hereby amended to read as follows:

- 3. Type II Animals may be maintained in the RC, PR, R-1, R-2, R-3, and R-1-A Districts, subject to the following conditions:
 - A minimum lot area of four (4) acres.
 - One (1) Type II Animal shall be permitted for the first four (4) acres and one (1) additional animal for each one (1) acre in excess of four (4) acres.
- Type III animals may be maintained in the RC, PR, R-1, R-2, R-3 and R-1-A Districts, subject to the following conditions
 - A minimum lot area of one and one-half (1.5) acres.
- One (1) Type III animal shall be permitted for the first one and one-half (1.5) acres and one (1) additional animal for each one-quarter (.25) acre in excess of one and one-half (1.5) acres.
- 8. Equestrian facilities, where permitted, shall be subject to the following conditions:
 - a. The minimum site area shall be ten (10)
 - Outdoor pens, corrals, riding rings and/or arenas shall be located no nearer than fifty (50) feet from any property line, or at least one hundred (100) feet from existing schools, churches, or residentiallyzoned or used property.
 - Permanent lighting and use of outdoor sound producing equipment shall meet the provisions of Section 17.08 and 17.03 respectively of the Township's Zoning Ordinance. The use of additional event lighting shall be temporary. The use of temporary event lighting shall only be wed between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m. In addition to the provisions above, sound-producing equipment, including but not limited to public address systems, radios, phonographs, musical instruments and recording devices, shall not be operated outdoors on the premises so as to be unreasonably loud or raucous, or so to be a nuisance or disturbance to the peace and tranquility of the

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citizens of the Township. The use of sound producing equipment shall only be allowed between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 11:00

- d. Events held outdoors, in whole or in part at such a facility and that is open to participants beyond those who board or train at the facility are only allowed if specifically permitted by the Township.
- Where trail riding is provided on the premises, or off the premises on land also owned by the same party, the conditions enumerated in Section 5.02.3 and 18.08 shall govern. Where riding is intended on property other than the applicant's, the applicant shall submit proof of permission to use property other than the applicant's. Where riding is intended within or across a public road right-of-way, the Township shall review the location and approve same to maximize safety to both
- riders, motorists, and others using the public road right-of-way.
- Off-street parking, loading and unloading shall be provided in accordance with the standards set forth in Section 16.02, except that the requirements for hard-surfacing may be waived by the Township.
- h. All storage, service and maintenance areas when visible from adjoining residentially zoned or used land shall be screened in accordance with the requirements set forth in Section 16.06.
- One single-family dwelling, occupied by the owner or manager of the equestria facility, will be considered customary and

incidental as part of this use.

Items 1 through 10 of Subsection 16.06.3.d(1), Landscape Screening Schedule, which is contained within Section 16.06, Landscaping, Greenbelts and Buffers, and Screening, of Article XVI, General Provisions, are hereby amended to read as follows

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Screening Required on These Land Uses:				en Co	ntiguo	us Wil	ıı ı ne	SC L8	uiu US	us.		- X
	 One Family Detached Dwellings 	2. Recreation, Public Utilities and Similar Uses	3. Two-Family and Cluster Residential Dwellings	 Educational Facilities and Similar Uses 	5. Offices and Similar Uses	6. Multi-Family, Group Living and Similar Uses	7. General Commercial and Similar Uses	8. Parking	9. High-Intensity Commercial and Similar Uses	10. Public Utility Facilities	11. Light Industrial and Similar Uses	12. Heavy Industrial and Similar Uses
1. One-Family Detached Dwellings											_	
2. Recreation, Public Utilities and Similar Uses Golf courses Equestrian facilities Parks, dog parks, picnic grounds, playgrounds Cemeteries and pet cemeteries Campgrounds Environmental Education Centers Intensive livestock operations	1				·		-					
Two-Family and Cluster Residential Dwellings Two-family attached dwellings Cluster residential	1 or 2	1										
4. Educational Facilities and Similar Uses Colleges and universities Elementary, middle & high schools Nursery & kindergarten schools Group & family day care homes Day care centers Community recreation centers Athletic fields Public diparties, museums & government offices Public safety facilities Churches	1 or 2	1	1 or 2									
5. Office and Similar Uses Office buildings & related uses Offices for personal business services Medical & dental offices Data processing & computer centers Office-type research/technical training Mortuaries	1 or 2	1 er 2	1 or 2	1								
6. Multi-Family, Group Living and Similar Uses Multiple-family dwellings Nursing homes Adult foster care & congregate living Mobile home parks General Hospitals	2	1 or 2	1 or 2	1 or 2	1 or 2		,					
7. General Tompresial and Similar Uses Retail businesses Personal service shops Restaurants (except drive-ins) Clubs Self-storage facilities Veterinary offices, clinics and kennels Motels and hotels Campgrounds Airports, aircraft landing strips, heliports Automobile sales & service, offices & showroom Open air businesses Commercial dog kennels Special events facilities Storage, service and maintenance areas	2 or 3	1 or 2	2	2	1	1 or 2						
8. Parking Off-street parking Off-street loading Parking garages	2, 3 or 4	or	or 3	or 2	1	or 2	1			(3)		,

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9. High-Intensity Commercial and Similar Uses Automobile repair facility – minor Automobile repair facility – major Automobile filling/convenience station Automobile filling/mixed use station Automobile wash buildings Automobile filling/service station Automobile towing service Bus passenger station Businesses of a drive-in nature (excluding outdoor theaters) Commercial outdoor recreation Bowling alleys, similar commercial indoor recreation Adult bookstores, theaters, motels, personal business/cabarets Large-scale retail development	3 or 4	2 or 3	3 or 4	3 or 4	2 or 3	3 or 4	1 or 2	1				
Public Utility Facilities Utility & public service facilities (excluding storage yards) Wireless communication facilities	3 or 4	2 or 3	3 or 4	3 or 4	or 3	3 or 4	2 or 3	or 2	1			

In Article XXV, Section 25.00 - Limiting Height, Bulk, Density and Area by Land Use, the PL Use District is hereby deleted from the Schedule and the following Use Districts are added to the Schedule, as follows:

	MIN. LO	OT SIZE		AX. HEIGHT M Without With Basement Basement		MIN.	MIN. YARD SETBACK (FT.) SIDES			
USE DIST.	ACRE	WIDTH IN FT.	IN STORIES	IN FEET	IN FEET	FRONT	LEAST ONE	TOTAL OF TWO	REAR	
PR	10	330	2	25	28.5	75	50	100	50	5
PS	1	110	2	25	28.5	50	25	50	35	30

SECTION TWO - SEVERABILITY

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

SECTION THREE -- REPEALER

All other ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict with this Ordinance are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect.

SECTION FOUR — EFFECTIVE DATE

These Ordinance amendments shall take effect seven (7) days after publication of Notice of Adoption. These ordinance amendments shall be published in the manner provided by law.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that the complete text of Zoning Ordinance No. 26 and documents related to the osed amendments may be examined at the Springfield Township Clerk's Office, 12000 Davisburg Rd., Davisburg, MI 48350 during regular office hours. Written comments may be submitted to the Springfield Township Clerk up until the time of the Public Hearing. Those persons needing a special accommodation should contact the Clerk's Office at least two (2) business days in advance. 248-846-6510.

NANCY STROLE, Clerk Charter Township of Springfield

Published: July 11, 2007

PUBLIC NOTICE Charter Township of Springfield

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING PROPOSAL TO REZONE PROPERTIES

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PL-Public Land

- P.I. #07-13-126-002, 8650 Holcomb Rd
- P.I. #07-18-477-004, 12003 Davisburg Rd · part of P.I. #07-18-251-009, 12000 Davisburg Rd.
- part of P.I. #07-03-452-004, 10275 Dixie Hwy.; 10280 Rattalee I k. Rd.
- P.I. #07-09-426-002 and 07-10-351-002. MDOT Rest Area, 8650 north I-75; on I-75 north of Davisburg Rd.. outh of Ratfalee Lk. Rd.
- MDOT southbound 1-75 Rest Area (no P.I.#). Located Publish 7-41-07 Charter Township of Springfield

north and west of Clark Rd. in Springfield Twp. P.I.#07-24-451-002, 8211 Big Lake Rd. **RC-Resource Conservation**

· part of P.I. #07-17-276-006, Davisburg Cemetery located south of Broadway and west of Dilley Rd.

R-1A One Family Residential

P.I. #07-32-400-011 FAA facility, west of Hillsboro. north of White Lake, east of Ormond, south of Shaffer

R-2 One Family Residential P.I. #07-24-451-019, 8351 Big Lake Rd.

The current PL-Public Land zoning district is proposed to be eliminated from the Springfield Township Zoning Ordinance. PS-Public Service is a proposed new zoning

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R-1 One Family Residential 07-13-453-010

07-13-476-016

07-13-326-003, 7687 Brook Lane

07-13-301-004, 8970 and 8980 Dixie Hwy.

07-13-301-005, 8930 Dixie Hwy.

07-13-151-001

07-13-151-003, 8050 Bridge Lake Rd.

07-13-151-007, 8030 Bridge Lake Rd. 07-13-151-008, 8044 Bridge Lake Rd.

07-13-151-026, 8092 Bridge Lake Rd.

07-13-301-006, 8520 and 8600 Dixie Hwy.

R-2 One Family Residential

07-24-226-003 07-24-226-004

07-24-201-004, 7805 Lavon

07-24-201-016, 7795 Lavon

07-14-426-002

07-14-276-008

07-14-276-015

07-14-276-012, 9305 Lakebluff

07-14-276-013, 9283 Lakebluff

07-14-276-002, 9235 Lakebluff

07-14-276-003, 9213 Lakebluff

07-14-276-004, 9191 Lakebluff 07-14-276-007. 9123 Lakebluff

07-14-276-006, 9147 Lakebluff

07-14-276-005, 9169 Lakebluff

07-14-276-014, 9259 Lakebluff 07-14-276-011, 9327 Lakebluff

07-14-276-010, 9351 Lakebluff

07-14-276-009, 9371 Lakebluff 07-14-226-002, 9640 Dixie Hwy.

07-14-226-003

07-14-226-004, 9560 Dixie

07-14-226-012, 9535 Davisburg Rd. 07-14-226-013, 9599 Davisburg Rd.

07-14-176-035, 9644 Dixie Hwy.

07-13-454-015, 7280 Stonevalley Bluff

R-3 One Family Residential 07-14-401-013, 7785 Cobblestone

07-14-427-001

07-14-427-002

07-14-427-003

07-14-427-004

07-14-427-005

07-14-427-006

07-14-427-007

07-14-427-008

07-14-427-026, 9242 Lakeshore

07-14-427-011

07-14-427-024 07-14-427-025

.07-14-427-014

07-14-427-015

07-14-427-016

07-14-427-017 07-14-427-018

07-14-427-019

07-14-427-020

07-14-427-021

07-14-427-027

07-14-427-028

C-2 General Business 07-14-401-018, 9420 Dixie Hwy.

07-24-201-003

R-3 One Family Residential and

C-2 General Business 07-14-401-016, 9406 Dixie Hwy.

All of the properties listed above are located within the area bounded by Dixie Hwy. and Holcomb

Rd., and Davisburg Rd. and I-75. And to rezone the following additional properties or parts of properties to RC-Resource Conservation from

- R-1A One Family Residential
 Part of P.I. #07-30-300-011. Part of the General Common Element nature preserve/park area of Hidden Ridge residential development, located north of Birch Lane
- Part of P.I. #07-07-201-021. Part of the General Common Element nature preserve/park area, known as Trillium Ridge Park, of Hummingbird Ridge residential development, located near Hummingbird Ridge Dr. and Wild Iris Ct.
- No P.I.#. The General Common Element nature preserve/park area of Old Oaks residential development, located immediately west of Old Oaks
- No P.I.#. Part of the General Common Element nature preserve/park area of Ridge Hollow residential development, located north and east of Ridge Hollow Ln.
- Part of P.I. #07-29-200-027. Part of the General Common Element nature preserve/park area of Clarkston Woods residential development, located west of Scenic Valley.
- P.I. #07-17-176-001, located east of Eaton Rd., west and south of the Shiawassee River and north of the railroad tracks.
- P.I. #07-16-401-002 and 07-16-401-003, located north of Clark Rd. at the intersection of Clark Rd. and the railroad tracks

P.I. #07-06-276-009 and 07-06-276-022. 7648 E. Holly Rd., located south of E. Holly Rd., north of Rattalee Lk. Rd., west of I-75 and east of Weber

- R-1 One Family Residential
 Part of P.I. #07-23-127-001, 7290 Old Pond Rd.
- Part of P.I. #07-23-127-002, 7240 Old Pond Rd.
- Part of P.I. #07-23-127-004, 7180 Old Pond Rd. Part of the General Common Element of
- Stonegate residential development, east and north of Kelly Lake Dr., north and south of Stonegate Dr
- Part of the General Common Element nature preserve/park area of Caribou Lake Estates residential development, located east and north of Clement Rd. and south of Caribou Lake Rd.
- P.I. #07-21-476-046. Part of the General Common Element nature preserve/park area of Forest Pointe residential development, located west and south of Cassidy Trail.

R-2 One Family Residential

- Part of the General Common Element nature preserve/park area (known as the Ellis-Freeman Wetland Preserve) of Ingomar Farms residential development, located west of Ingomar Ln., north of I-75 and east of Old Pond Rd.
- Part of the General Common Element nature preserve/park area of Oak Valley residential development, located east and west of Oak Valley Dr., west of Maple Valley, and west and south of Forest Ridge.
- Part of the General Common Element nature preserve/park area of Pebble Creek residential development, located between Creekwood Trail and Boulder Pass, and between I-75 and Boulder Pass.
- Part of the General Common Element nature preserve/park area of Pine Lake Forest residential development, located south of Pine Lake Rd. and east and west of Pine Forest

- RM- Residential Multiple
 Part of P.I. #07-14-302-055. Part of the General Common Element nature preserve/park area of Hills of Kingston residential development, located west of Kingston Point Dr., Kings Valley, Kingston Ridge and Ridge Valley Dr.
- Part of the General Common Element nature preserve/open space area of Kingston Pointe Condominiums, located west of Kingston Point

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that documents related to the proposed rezonings may be examined at the Springfield Township Clerk's Office, 12000 Davisburg Rd., Davisburg, MI 48350 during regular office hours, Written comments may be submitted to the Springfield Township Clerk up until the time of the Public Hearing. Those persons needing a special accommodation should contact the Clerk's Office at least two (2) business days in advance, 248-846-6510.

NANCY STROLE. Clerk

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Charter Township of Springfield



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P.I. #07-22-451-008. 10350 Andersonville Rd. (Andersonville Elementary)

The current PL Public Land zoning district is proposed to be eliminated from the Springfield Township Zoning Ordinance. PS-Public Service is a proposed new zoning district:

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NANCY STROLE, Clerk Charter Township of Springfield

PUBLIC NOTICE

Charter Township of Springfield

Notice of Hearing of Practicability **WAUMEGAH LAKE IMPROVEMENT BOARD**

Notice is hereby given that the Lake Improvement Board for Waumegah Lake in the Townships of Springfield and Independence, County of Oakland will meet at the Office of the Oakland County Drain Commissioner (lower level lunch room) located at Public Works Building 95 West, One Public Works Drive, Waterford, Michigan, at 5: 30 p.m. on Wednesday, July 18, 2007 to determine the practicability of implementing a three year (2008, 2009 & 2010) renewal of the Aquatic Weed Control program for Lake Waumegah.

This Hearing is called pursuant to the provisions of Section 30910 of Part 309 of Public Act No. 451 of 1994,

WAUMEGAH LAKE IMPROVEMENT BOARD

PUBLIC NOTICE Because the People Want to Know NDEPENDENCE TWP.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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

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

FILE PC #2006-011

TEXT AMENDMENTS TO ZONING ORDINANCE #83 PROPOSED KEYHOLING ORDINANCE

Article V. General Provisions to add Section 5.32 to the Township Zoning Ordinance to establish keyholing and other lake access regulations in the Township, and to, define the terms used in such regulations

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

Shelagh VanderVeen, Clerk

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

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RC-Resource Conservation
P.I.#07-17-253-004. 495 Broadway (Springfield Town-

ship property). P.I.#07-17-253-003. Oakland County property, south

of Broadway, east of Andersonville.
P.I.#07-17-255-001. Oakland County property, south of Broadway on south side of railroad tracks.

P.I.#07-17-328-011. Oakland County property, south of Broadway, north of Andersonville, east of Jardine. P.I.#07-17-400-096. 12450 Andersonville Rd. (Oak-

land County property). P1.#07-20-201-016. 12451 Andersonville Rd. (Oakland County property).

P.I.#07-17-178-011. Oakland County property, at intersection of Broadway and railroad tracks

Part of P.I.#07-17-276-008 and 07-17-254-004. Springfield Township property, south of Broadway and west

Part of P.I.#07-18-251-009. 12000 Davisburg Rd. (Springfield Township property).

P.I. #07-04-376-007, south of E.Holly Rd., east of Tindall, north of Rattalee Lk. Rd.

P.I. #07-04-376-006, 11450 E. Holly Rd. P.I.#07-04-151-002, 9028 E. Holly Rd.

P.I. #07-04-376-002, south of E. Holly Rd., east of

Tindall, north of Rattalee Lk. Rd. P.I. #07-34-300-017. 5200 Indian Trail (Indian Springs Metropark)

R-1A One Family Residential

P.I. #07-08-326-006, east side of Eaton Rd. south of Rattalee Lk. Rd. (Springfield Twp. property) R-1 One Family Residential

P.I. #07-20-201-022, north of Scott, east of Hall, south of Andersonville (Oakland County property)

R-2 One Family Residential
Part of P.I. #07-04-400-008, south of E. Holly Rd. and north of Rattalee Lk. Rd.

Parts of P.I. #07-24-351-005 and 07-25-100-005, 9075 Big Lake Rd. P.I. #07-28-277-005, state boat launch on south side of

Hillsboro at intersection of Hillsboro and Neilson roads. R-3 One Family Residential

P.I. #07-26-251-047, corner of North Bay and Foster Rd. (Springfield Twp. property)

**C-2 General Business
P.I. #07-04-376-008 and 07-04-376-009, south of E. Holly Rd., east of Tindall, north of Rattalee Lk. Rd. PR-Parks & Recreation is a proposed new zoning

district. NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that documents related to the proposed rezonings may be examined at the Springfield Township Clerk's Office, 12000 Davisburg Rd., Davisburg, MI 48350 during regular office hours. Written comments may be submitted to the Springfield Township Clerk up until the time of the Public Hearing. Those persons needing a special accommodation should contact the Clerk's Office at least two (2) business days in advance. 248-846-6510.

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INDEPENDENCE TWP. **SYNOPSIS**

TAKEN BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE

Mr. Wagner called the July 3, 2007, meeting to order at 7:28 p.m., at the Independence Township Public Li-

brary.
Pledge of Allegiance

VanderVeen, Kelly, Travis, Roll Call: Present:

Wagner Wenger, Rosso, Dunn Absent:

There was a quorum

Opening Statements and Correspondence

Public Forum.

- Approved the Agenda, as amended, adding Waiving of the Bid Procedure for the Senior Citizens Center under Old Business and removing the non-union compensation under New Business
- Approved the Consent Agenda
 - Approval of Minutes of June 19, 2007
 - Approval of Purchase Orders
- Approval of Accounts Payable Check Run Approved motion to Waive Bid Procedure for the Senior Citizens Center with David Belcher serving as
- general contractor Informational discussion on 2010 Census
- Approved motion to approve the use of \$60,000 of tri-party money for the gravel on roads in the Township as outlined in the memo from RCOC, dated June 1, 2007
- Approved motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m. Shelagh VanderVeen Township Clerk

Published: 7/11/07

INDENDENCE TWP. NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

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

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

FILE PC #2007-009

Rainer Group, LLC, Petitioner REQUESTS SPECIAL LAND USE APPROVAL For Hotel

Article XXVIII., Section 28.03.4 Motels and residence hotels providing temporary lodging. And

For one (1) additional Wall Sign Article V., Section 5.04.5.a.1

Special Land Use Request: Hotel and 1 additional wall sign at Sashabaw Crossings.

Parcel Identification Number: 08-22-401-003 (Sashabaw Crossings Unit #3)

Common Description: North East Corner of Sashabaw Road and I-75 OS-2 Zone, 2.97 acres

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PUBLIC NOTICE Because the People Want to Know INDEPENDENCE TWP. BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING **AGENDA**

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

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

New Business

- 1. Vehicle purchase for Safety Path
- Vehicle purchase for Building Department
 Change in EMS Billing Agent / Digital EMS Reporting System
- 4. Non-Union wages and benefits

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STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT **COUNTY OF OAKLAND** NOTICE TO CREDITORS **Decedent's Estate** FILE NO: 2007-311,299-DE

Estate of Leonard Raymond Piantkowski, deceased Date of birth: 1/31/

TO ALL CREDITORS

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Leonard Raymond Plantkowski, who lived at 3460 Loon Lake Shores, Waterford died 6/25/07 Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the

will be forever barred unless presented to Sharon Lee Hutchinson, estate will be forever parred unless presented to characteristic or named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 1200 N. Telegraph Rd., Pontiac, Michigan 48341-0449 and the named/proposed personal representati months after the date of publication of this notice.

7-2-07

8797 River Run Drive White Lake, MI 48386-4110 ; 248/431/8110

Kathryn M. Caruso (P44723) 5840 Lorac Drive Clarkston, MI 48346 248-625-0600

PUBLIC NOTICE Because the People Want to Know CLARKSTON

CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF CLARKSTON 375 DEPOT ROAD CLARKSTON MI 48346 SUMMARY CITY COUNCIL MEETING **JUNE 25, 2007**

eting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Catallo. Roll. Present: Catallo, Colombo, Gawronski, Johnston. Absent: Brueck, Ottman, Rausch.

Tabled approval of June 11, 2007, Minutes

Agenda approved with the following changes: NEW BUSI-NESS: Add Cable Video, City Attorney Ryan; Extension of Acting Chief Appointment. UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Delete Depot Park Bridge.

Gawronski reported that the Police Committee met on June 23 and selected eight candidates to be interyiewed for the Chief of Police position.

Johnston asked if the Sign Ordinance is to be enforced on July 1 and if the midnight shift will be in operation on July 1.

Acting Chief Thompson reported that an arrest had been made for a theft on North Main Street which involved other possible incidents throughout the area. Tom Stone asked that gravel be put on the road edges on

Robertson Court and other road shoulders in town be inspected to determine if maintenance is required. Tom Stone stated that the City Ordinances prohibit bikes

dn sidewalks and no cars parked on the streets between 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. Robyn Johnston asked that acknowledgement of the

\$1,000 contribution by Independence Township be Johnston asked that the remaining funds in sidewalk repairs be allocated to maintain sidewalks and elimi-

nate safety issues. Resolved That the FY 2007 General Fund Operating Budget be amended as follows: Revenues: \$803,971; Disbursements: \$785,824, per the copy attached to

Resolved that wages for Police, D.P.W., and Clerical staff be increased by two percent for the Fiscal Year

official Minutes.

Resolved That the Fiscal Year 2008 General Fund (Operating Budget) be adopted as follows: Revenues: \$776,532; Disbursements: \$759,346, per the copy attached to the official Minutes.

Resolved that the Fiscal Year 2008 Local Road Fund Budget be adopted as follows: Revenues: \$24,200; Disbursements: \$24,135, per the copy attached to the official Minutes.

Resolved by That the Fiscal year 2008 Major Road Fund Budget be adopted as follows; Revenues: \$41,200; Disbursements: \$41,095, per the copy attached to the official Minutes.

Resolved that the appointment of James Thompson as Acting Chief of Police be extended until the hiring of a new Chief of Police.

Mr. Ryan recommended rescinding action on the AT&T Agreement of June 11 to five percent and two percent to bring those numbers into reality.

Resolved That the City Council accept Mr. Ryan's proposed "Resolution Granting Approval of a Uniform Video Service Local Franchise Agreement with AT&T Michigan," copy attached to the official Minutes. Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Daniel Colombo, Recorder The Oxford Leader - The Clarkston News - The Lake Orion Review - Ad-Vertiser - Penny Stretcher

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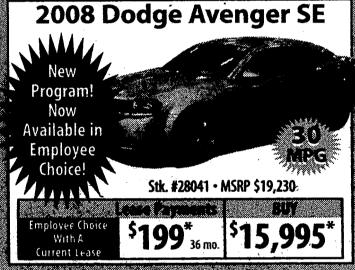
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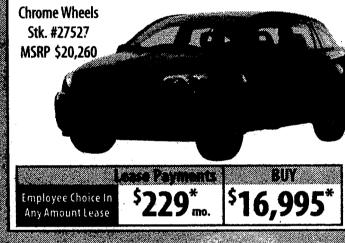
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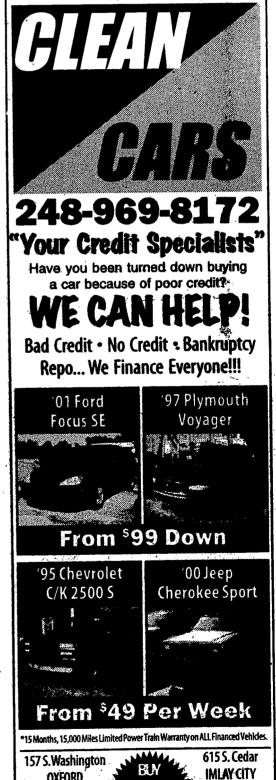
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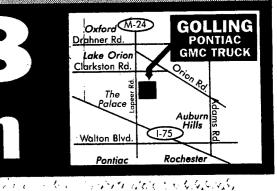
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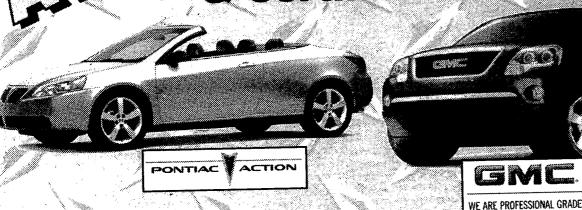


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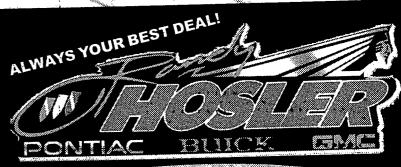




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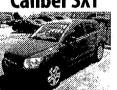
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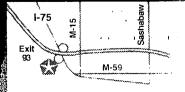
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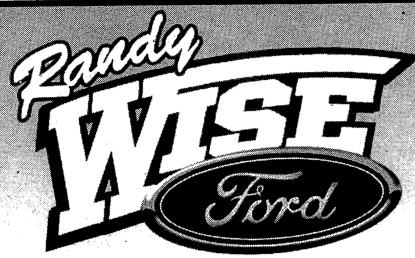
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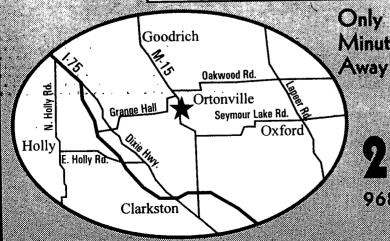
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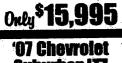
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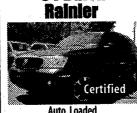
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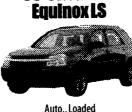


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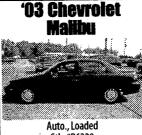


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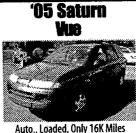
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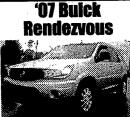
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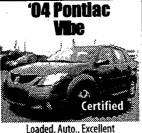
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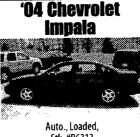
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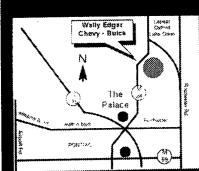
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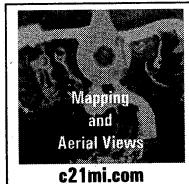
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July 11th, 2007

Dear Clarkston, Independence and Springfield Township Residents ~ Thank You!!! Following are winners from our "Best of the Best" contest, as chosen by you. Those who voted know why these are the "Best of the Best" in town. For those who did not vote, check them out and discover for yourself what it takes to be the "Best of the Best."

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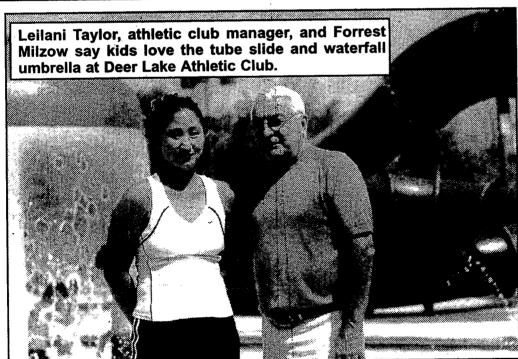
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"Our staff is certified, and they all take part in continuing education and are always looking at innovative ways to exercise," said Forrest Milzow, Deer Lake owner, noting that teachers work with individuals of all ages—one 92 year-old woman is a regular attendee of the club.

Deer Lake Athletic Club offers yoga, pilates, spinning, and cardio classes, a female-only circuit room, two swimming pools—one with a tube slide and umbrella waterfall—and much more.



"Best summer ever!" Erin Gray, director, and Ahdi Dasuqi, summer camp coordinator, have a great rapport with the kids.

Best Day Care: Lil' People's Place

With hundreds of children in her care every day, Jean Dasuqi knows the value of "fam-

"We try to provide the best care we possibly can, and our families are very important to us," said Dasuqi, owner and executive di-

rector of Lil' People's Place. "So I'm humbled they would vote for us as Best of the Best."

Lil' People's Place—with two centers in the Clarkston area, one in Fenton and one in Davison—opened its doors to local families in 1998.

Best Car Dealership: Randy Hosler

At Randy Hosler Buick, customer ser- ers that matters the most." vice makes all the difference.

'Everybody's selling pretty much the same cars at pretty much the same prices,' said Hosler. "It's how we treat our custom-

Hosler said he and his staff were excited to hear of their Best of the Best award.

"It shows that people notice, that the things we do every day are right."



Best Insurance Agent: Dave Smith, State Farm

"My team and I were happy that our clients felt that way about us, because it really is the clients who make what we do worthwhile and fulfilling," said Dave Smith, Clarkston State Farm agent.

"When you treat people the way they want to be treated, that's the way people are drawn to a business," Smith said. "It reflects the vote we got and I appreciate

Congratulations to Clarkston's Best of the Best for 2006!

Real Estate: (tie for 1st) Morgan&Milzow, REMAX

Real Estate Agent: Curt Carson/REMAX

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Auto Repair: Morgan's

Customer Service: Clarkston Cafe

Exercise: Deer Lake Athletic Parsonage

Dance Studio: Roxana's

Bar/Pub: Clarkston Union

Bakery: Village Bake Shop

Restaurant: Clarkston Cafe

Breakfast: Pete's Coney II

Coffee: Caribou Coffee

Grocery Store: Rudy's Market

Waiter/Waitress: Shane Collier, Union

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Day Care: Lil People's Place

Salon/Barber: Glitz

Hamburger: Red Knapp

Pizza: Rudy's Market

Tanning Salon: Luxor Executive

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Landscape: Lowrie's Landscape

Dealership: Randy Hosler

Insurance Agent: Dave Smith, State Farm



Best Auto Repair: Morgan's

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"It's a real honor," owner John Morgan said. "There are a lot of comparable shops,

it's an honor have the customer base we have. That's most important."

Opened by the late Richard Morgan Jan. 5, 1932, John can remember working in the shop in his youth.

"I was working on cars when they were putting points, plugs and condensers in them," he said.

"I was able to grow with the times."



Barbara Stinson with Dr. Gregory Hamilton.

Best Chiropractic: Dr. Gregory Hamilton

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The shop offers the latest in gift ideas. "We sell a lot of hot, trendy items, such as Webkinz internet-enhanced stuffed animals and Vera Bradley handbags.

"They're very popular right now, she said.



Rudy's owner Robert Esshaki attributes much of the store's good reputation to his employees.

"Our staff is phenomenal," he said.
"They take really good care of our customers. Chris and I spend a lot of time here too, so we always know what's going on."

Esshaki and business partner and cousin Chris Thomas bought Rudy's in 1991.

"We have a lot of unique products," Esshaki said. "Our prepared foods, our produce. our meat are always really fresh. We only buy the finest quality."

The secret behind Rudy's pizza? Time

and lots of taste-testing.

"Chris has a culinary background, and he started messing around with pizza a long time ago, trying a lot of different things," Esshaki said. "We kept letting our customers taste it, asking what they liked, and finally we got it. Finally we said, 'yeah, this is the one."

They believe using a convection oven, nather than a standard pizza oven, also makes a difference.

"It's a lot more work but, it has a better flavor." Esshaki said. "We use the right bread, the right sauce, the right cheese: everything is fresh."

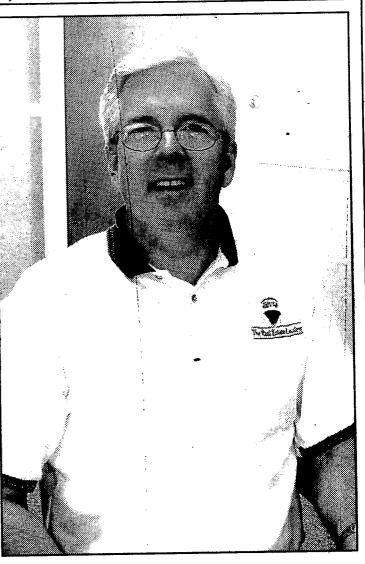
Best real estate agent: Curt Carson

Curt Carson, RE/ MAX Showcase Homes realtor, is this year's Best of the Best Real Estate Agent.

"Frankly, I'm floored," Carson said. "It's a great honor."

Carson lives and works in the Clarkston area, with 19 years experience as a realtor.

"You build relationships when you see people everyday in the community," he said. "The people are so great to work with."







Ongoing education – making sure her staff is always up-to-date on the latest and greatest spa and salon techniques – is important to Glitz Salons Inc. owner and CEO Cherie Barnett.

Educational trainings, workshops and discussions take place frequently, she said, usually at least once a week.

"We run our own race, we do our own thing," she said. "We tend to be leaders, not followers."

But while Barnett and her staff are committed to bringing out the beauty in every client, they're also dedicated to making the community a better place for every-

one

With about 100 employees in four salons—Clarkston, Rochester, Lake Orion, Orion Township—Glitz is Michigan's number one private fundraiser for the Children's Leukemia Foundation.

The staff is also involved in a number of volunteer projects in local school districts

"We are definitely committed to our community and proud of our ability to pull a large team together and get the job done," said Barnett, "We feel very honored (by the award) and connected to our clients and their families."

Best Breakfast: Pete's Coney II

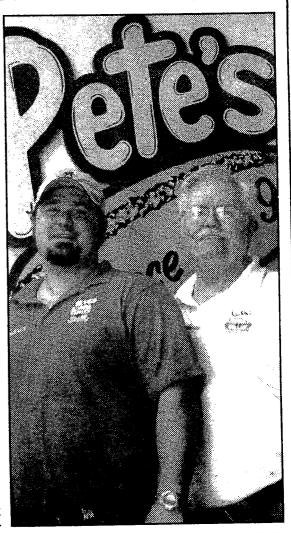
Every guest—be it first timer or regular—becomes part of a big extended family at Pete's Coney II.

"I think our breakfast reminds people of home cooking," said owner Ed Zull, noting that people enjoy the quality as well as quantity of a Pete's breakfast.

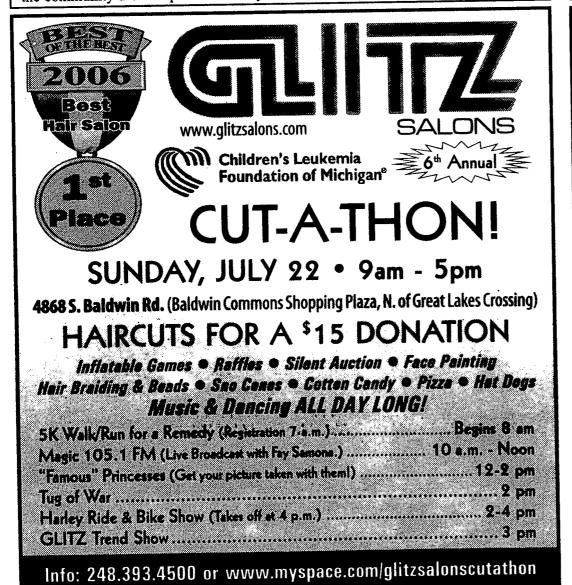
With great food, the hope of another story or a joke from Ed or his son Andy, and the friendly staff, people keep coming back again and again.

"We treat everyone like family, all our guests are important," said Zull, who runs Pete's in partnership with his son. "We like to think of ourselves as Clarkston's answer to 'Cheers."

Zull said he was very honored to be recognized by peers in the community, and wished to thank everyone who took the time and made the effort to vote for "Best of the Best," regardless of who they voted for.



Andy Zull, left, and his dad, Pete Zull, own and operate Pete's Coney II







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Dr. James O'Neill, third from right, stands with fellow physicians (from left): Drs. Shamin Islam, Mohammad Amin, David Thomas, Tim O'Neill, Michael Baker and Nancy Crossley at Clarkston Medical Group.

Best Physician: Dr. James O'Neill

When Clarkston residents need to be fixed, Clarkston Medical Group is the place to go. Dr. James O'Neill, founder of CMG, was awarded Best Physician.

"I was flattered. I was very happy," O'Neill

"It's amazing - you do all the little things quietly and helping any way you can," he

The honor is nice, but unexpected, O'Neill

"I don't look for rewards. It's great for the family and all the doctors here. We have a great staff. We're blessed with talent."

CMG has been adding specialists and sub-specialists in anticipation of its move to the McLaren medical village.

Founded in 1961, CMG now has 16 physicians in pediatrics, family practice and urgent care.

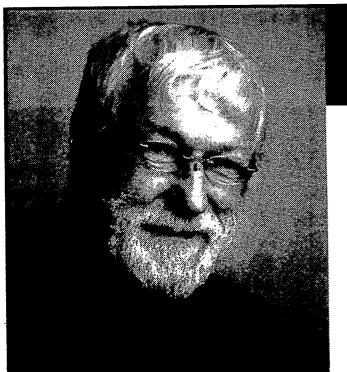


Jeff Rashmin Patel, Jill Zimmerman, Sandy Harding, Mary Leonard, Christina Perttu, Jennifer Carr make up the Walgreens pharmacy, voted best in the Clarkston area.

Best Pharmacy: Walgreens

Clarkston News readers preferred the helpful services of Walgreens pharmacy, earning the store Best Pharmacy honors.

"Everyone on staff is happy," said Head Pharmacist Jennifer Carr. "It means we've been working hard to serve everyone. I hope we can continue helping everyone with their needs and questions. We thank everyone who voted for us because there are a lot of pharmacies in the area."



The Legacy Continues...

Congratulations to our founder Dr. James O'Neill for being voted 'Best Physician' by readers of the Clarkston News. The three and four generations of Clarkston area families who have been treated by Dr. O'Neill obviously agree.

So does the medical staff of today's Clarkston Medical Group, who are committed to carrying on the legacy he started nearly 50 years ago. The mission to listen to the patient, treat the patient with respect, and make sure the patient's care is of the best possible quality will live on.

Dr. O'Neill would like to thank the community for its continued support. Schedule your next appointment and let us prove that the legacy continues.

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Gary Miller, left, and Steve Pearson, owners of Town Center Auto Wash.

Best car wash: Town Center Auto Wash

"We take great pride in the area - we live here," said Steve Pearson, who owns Town Center Auto Wash with Gary Miller, Tom Altoff, and Jim Fitzpatrick.

"We're hometown guys. We work

We enjoy being a part of the commu-

Quality is their top priority, investing in the best equipment and employees.

"It costs more, but quality is the biggest thing here," Miller said. "The reason we do it is to provide the quality people expect."



Jenni McIlhargie, store manager, and Adam Stansberry, district manager, know great service and a great product make happy customers.

Best Coffee: Caribou Coffee

Friendly, knowledgable service and a top-notch product make all the difference, say those who love Caribou Coffee.

"Our staff have great, friendly personalities, and really know the products," said Adam Stansberry, district manager. "We stand by our coffees; they're the best in the world."

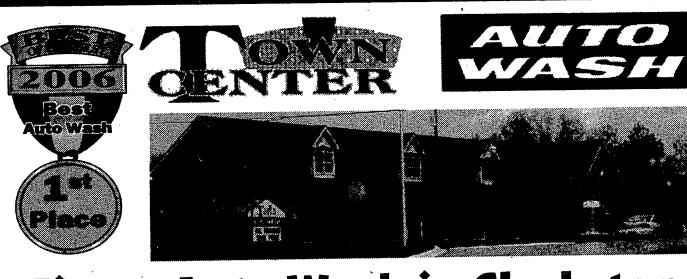
Stansberry said small-batch, bean specific roasting makes Caribou coffees better-different beans require roasting at different temperatures and periods of time.

And then there's the service.

"We want to be number one in experience and environment," said Jenni McIlhargie, store manager. "We offer a great product and great service hand in hand."

McIlhargie said she and her staff work hard to provide the customer with whatever he or she is looking for, whether it's a quick cup of coffee at the drive thru, or a relaxing sit by the fire inside.

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Pat Detkowski, Carol Quick, Sue Schroeder, Carrie Ovellette, Niki Thuman, Roxana Chambers, and Doreen Schwarze teach at Roxana's Dance Expressions.

Best Dance School: Roxana's Dance Expressions

have been in the community my whole life and I enjoy giving back to them," said Roxana Chambers, Roxana's Dance Expressions.

"I am very excited to have their vote and support. Roxana's Dance to love the art of dance.'

"I think it's very exciting because I Expression's philosophy is to give all our dancers a quality, fun, disciplined, dance training class, positive education in dance, and provide them with a positive role model. We will show them how dance can help them throughout their lifetime



Best Orthodontist: Dr. Munk

Dr. Charles F. Munk and son Charles W. Munk have earned the honor of Best Orthodontist. After beginning in Drayton Plains, the elder Munk moved his practice to the Munk Professional Center, located at 5825 South Main Street. The Munks can be found in suite 201.

Charles F. Munk attributes the doctors' success to personal attention of patients. "We're very service and quality ori-

ented. We have expanded hours, we work evenings and some Saturdays. It's very seldom one of us isn't there," Charles F. Munk said.

The communication between the doctors and their 11 staff members, accessibility to patients and their parents, combined with their commitment to seeing a patient each time he or she comes their building, keeps patients coming back, he said.



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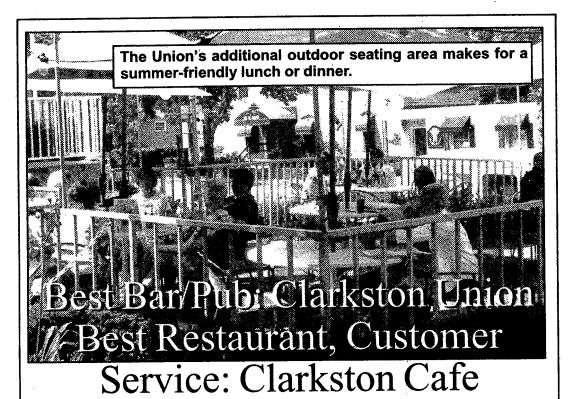


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walked away with three Best of the Best awards: his Clarkston Union earned Best Bar/Pub, and Clarkston Cafe took Best Restaurant and Best Customer Service honors.

"We've been very fortunate," Catallo said. "It means a lot when it comes out of the community itself. They recognize the pride our staff takes in the place. Everyone

Clarkston business owner Curt Catallo cares, (guests) are not just customers, they're friends.'

Independent businesses such as the Union and Cafe make Clarkston a unique place to live, he said.

"Any independent business who decides to do business in Clarkston is a winwin. Whether it's a flower shop or a car wash, if they put their neck out, that's what makes it a special community."



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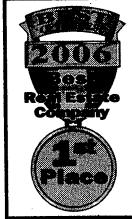
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The Winship family, clockwise from left: Kym, Kevin, Ken and Gail.

Winship Studio, which has been serving Clarkston's photo needs since 1970, earned Best Photo Studio.

Winship credits Clarkston Community Schools in part for his staying power. Winship has been a contracted senior portrait studio for 36 years.

"Starting the business in what used to be a small community was the smartest thing we could have done," Winship said. "We're very, very thankful for the support of the community. Even during tough times in the 1980s, we didn't lose any of our customers, regardless of income at the time."

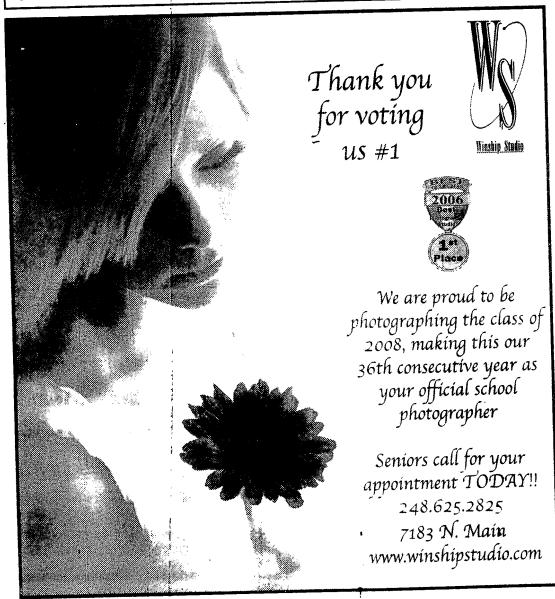
Winship and his wife Gail have made the studio a family business, passing down the reins in the last 20 years to their children. The couple's son Kevin is head photographer and daughter Kym is studio manager.



Brigitte Nielsen is the manager of Troy Cleaners of Clarkston.

Best Dry Cleaner: Troy Cleaners

"We've been serving for over 70 years in the Genesee/Oakland area, and almost 20 years in Clarkston,"said Dave Motter, Troy Cleaners corporate owner. "We are honored to be voted the Best of the Best by our citizens, and their appreciation for our hardwork and dedication to our customer service and quality."





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Lowrie's Landscape was voted best landscaper in the Clarkston area. Lowrie's, located at 9539 Dixie Highway, has been doing business in the area for 28 years.

"I was floored," owner Tom Lowrie said.

"There's a lot of good landscapers out there."

Lowrie's staying power can be attrib-

uted to his commitment to getting the job done right.

"It's easy to do things wrong, but it's harder to do things right year after year," he said.

"It's easy to cut corners, but we don't because we want to keep our reputation intact."

Best burger: Red Knapp's

There's no better place in Clarkston to stop in for a great burger than Red Knapp's on Dixie Highway. The eatery was voted tops in the Best Hamburger race.

The delicious burger (or cheeseburger) goes for \$5.25 or \$5.70 deluxe with mayo, lettuce and tomato.

This hamburger has been in my family for years and years," owner Roger Knapp said.

The homemade buns leave a lasting impression on the overall taste, he said, as well as the lengths the restaurateur goes to get high-quality beef.

"We've had a high standard for years and we want to keep it," Knapp said.

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Red Knapp's Waitress Kary Gangler shows off a hamburger deluxe.

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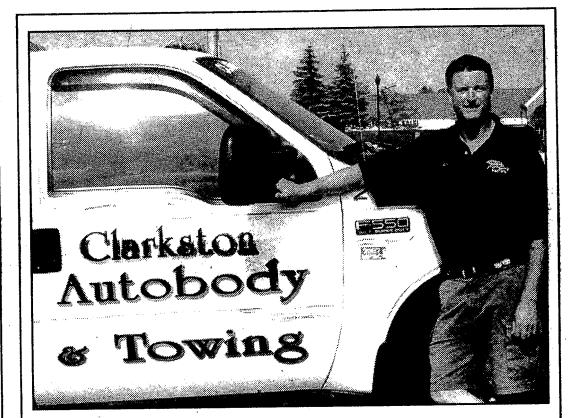
In October, 2002, RE/MAX Encore II opened its Clarkston office with 18 agents. Since then, it has experienced tremendous growth, and currently has 42 agents.

The office has consistently held the market share for North Oakland County, making it number one in Clarkston.

"We're grateful to the community of Clarkston for the recognition of being number one by voting us the Best Real Estate Office," said broker/owner Madeline Dishon.

"It is truly an honor to receive this award! Our agents are the most dedicated, professional individuals in the business; their outstanding service to the community is why we've received this award.

"Thank you for acknowledging our hard work, it's nice to know that Clarkston residents appreciate us at RE/MAX Encore."



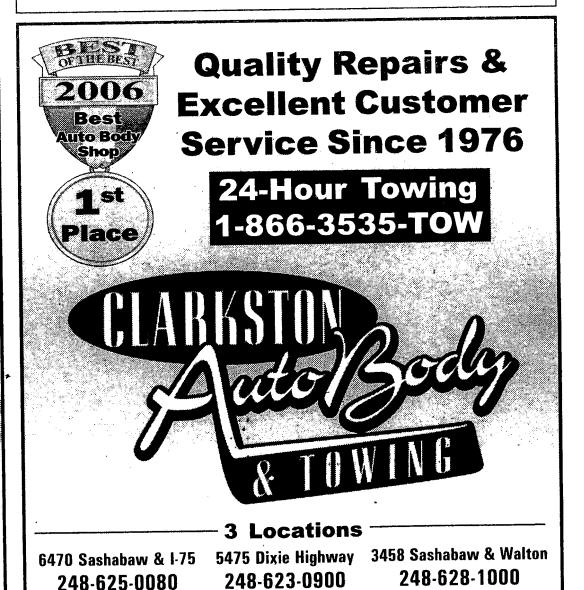
Best Autobody Shop: Clarkston Autobody & Towing

"I'm very proud to be voted the best autobody shop in Clarkston," said Dale Verhey. Clarkston Autobody and Towing. "I would like to thank all my great customers over the past 31 years for their business."



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"People share them with their relatives

from out of state – they call to see if we can ship them to their homes," Vo said.

"We put in a lot of hard work, coming in early and staying late," said Vo, who works at Clarkston Village Bake Shop with Monica McFate.

"We make everything from scratch, fresh with no preservatives."

Best Florist: Parsonage

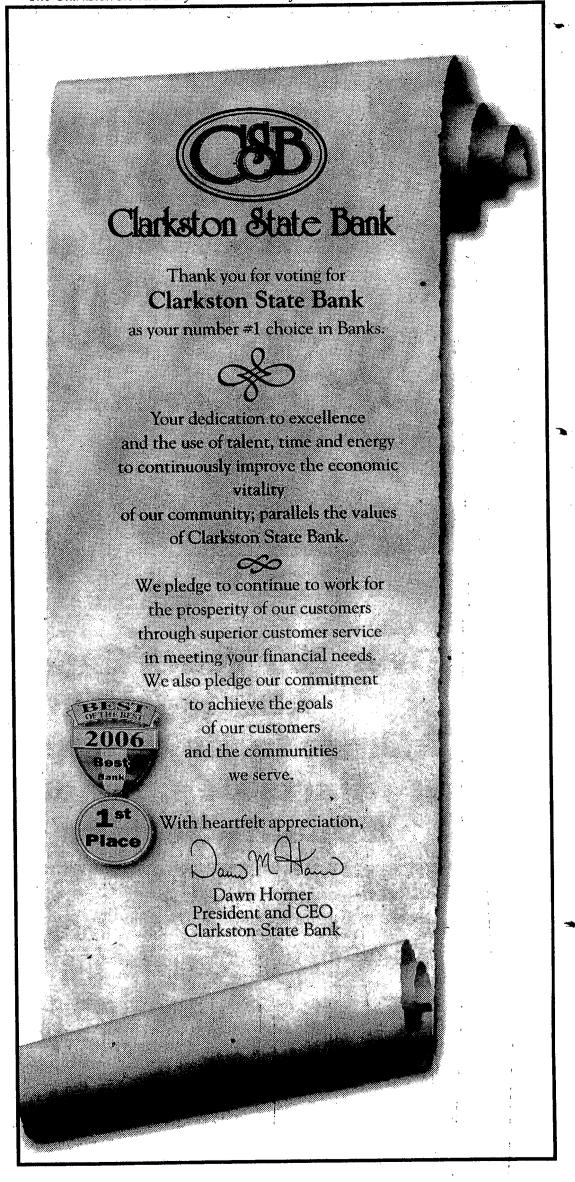
"It's great news," said Elizabeth Andre-Stotz, who owns the Parsonage with her mother, Susan Andre

"We have outstanding designers who stay on top of trends, who aren't comfortable with the run of the mill," Elizabeth said. "We keep things fresh."

"We use high quality flowers," Susan said. "We have really cool, innovative designs, great customer service."



Susan Andre, left, and Elizabeth Andre-Stotz, owners of the Parsonage.





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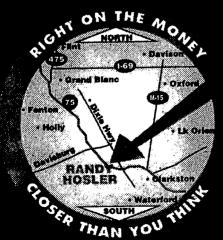
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