

## Demo day Senior center no longer a problem

BY TREVOR KEISER

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Members of the Independence Township Board, Parks and Recreations, Senior Center and the community joined at 8:30 a.m. on Sept. 19 to watch the demolition of the old senior center.

"This is a great day," said Dave Wagner Independence Township Supervisor. "It's been a long awaited day and it's good to see all the people that are out here."

A raffle was held to see who would get the first hit on the building, the winner was Joe Wauldron.

"It's interesting taking down an old structure that's been here for 30 years to make room for the new," said Wauldron.

Wauldron said he couldn't believe his eyes when he saw Independence Township's senior center, after moving here from Royal Oak where an up to date senior center had been built.

"I thought I was walking into history," he said. "I didn't know how anyone could survive on the inside. There was no room to move."

Trustee Dan Kelly said the township had made quite an achievement.

"It's a big accomplishment for the township with the help of (Dave) Belcher and some of the people of the township. It's a vast improvement over what we've had over the years,"



A sign over the entryway says "tornado shelter," but the force destroying the building was manmade — demolition equipment making room for the new center.

said Trustee Dan Kelly.

Brad Bender and his company "Accurate Sitework, Inc." was the demolition crew for the senior center.

"Mr. Bender is a dedicated individual in our community. Born and raised here, went to school here and he believes in supporting the community even in these rough times for him. He's here helping us out which we need and he stepped forward and was able to provide the demolition for us," said Wagner.

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Trustee Charles Dunn, Supervisor Dave Wagner, and Brad Bender were on hand to give the center a proper sendoff. Photo by Trevor Keiser

## Contract approved amicably

BY PHIL CUSTODIO

Clarkston News Editor

The UAW may be on strike, but not all labor-management relations are that contentious. Clarkston School administration and employee unions get along just fine, approving new contracts Monday.

"Both sides made good points, and both listened to the other, brainstormed ideas, made compromises," said Brooke Davis, president of the Clarkston Education Association. "We worked really hard to get something done."

Agreements for all school union employees include two-percent pay increases this year, and 1.5 percent raises next year. The year after, the contract calls for a one-percent raise in the first term, and another one-percent raise in the second. With the pay increase, teacher salaries this year range from \$36,784-\$89,020, based on education and time in service.

Third-year raises are contingent on a switch in insurance plans. According to the contract, if insurance costs are not kept to less than 6.8 percent of the district's total general fund revenue, it will be open to renegotiation.

"It's a fair agreement given the tough economic times," said Stephen Hyer, president of the Board of Education. "Two percent is right in line with cost of living."

Another major issue was classroom scheduling. At the elementary level, special classes such as physical education and art will be grouped as much as possible to give teachers a continuous planning period, rather than two, separate periods.

The change will give teachers more opportunity to meet and work together, following the district's Professional Learning Community model, Davis said.

"We worked as hard on that as on insurance and salaries," he said. "It's been a long, difficult process, but in the end, both sides were satisfied."

"It's a fair settlement for all employees," Hyer said. "One reason we have a great district is our excellent employee groups."

## City council dismayed at Rausch resignation

BY LAURA COLVIN

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Claiming he didn't have enough time in his schedule to adequately do the job, Clarkston Councilman Bill Rausch has resigned his seat.

Rausch, who was elected in the November, 2006, election with 74 write-in votes, served as the council's police liaison and dedicated much time and energy as a member of the Police Chief Selection Committee.

"I'm disappointed," said Mayor Sharron Catallo, noting she received Rausch's letter of resignation Sept. 2, but told him she intended to "hold on to it" in case he

changed his mind.

In 15 years as the city's mayor—Catallo also served as village president before the city incorporated in 1992—she could remember only two or three times when an elected official resigned from the council.

Those instances, she said, were related to a change in employment or similar circumstance.

"I'm not pleased," she said. "We appreciate everything he's done, but I don't agree with his decision to resign."

Catallo declined comment on whether Rausch's resignation was related to a recent disagreement over the selection of a police chief, but his decision immediately

followed the PCSC vote to hire Dale LaCroix.

At a recent council meeting, Rausch—the only member of the committee to vote against LaCroix—voiced displeasure over the selection and said he would not support the new chief.

Council members said they'd heard rumors about the resignation, which remained unconfirmed until Monday's council meeting.

"Although I disagreed with Mr. Rausch and the way he did things, I respected his opinion," said Councilman Cory Johnston. "(Rausch and I) do things differently, but

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## Dallas Brass?

Brian Neal usually plays the trumpet with the quintet Dallas Brass, but wanted to demonstrate his hand-made flute for music students at Clarkston High School.

The musical ensemble conducted workshops for students all day Sept. 17-18, then performed for the public Tuesday evening.

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### White Lake to close for railroad work

White Lake Road from Clement to Andersonville roads in southwest Independence Township will close Oct. 8-12 when Canadian National Railroad replaces its railroad crossing.

Detour will be Andersonville to Dixie Highway to White Lake Road. The project should be complete by Oct. 12, reports Road Commission for Oakland County.

Road-widening work on Clarkston Road at Sashabaw Road in Independence Township will continue through November, stop for the winter, and resume in spring. The road commission does not expect any road closures. It should be complete summer, 2008.

### Volunteer opportunities featured

Clarkston Area Youth Assistance will be featured in a Comcast series to be aired 7 p.m. Wednesdays, Sept. 26, Oct. 3 and Oct. 10.

Featured speakers will be both CAYA staff and volunteers: Mary Schusterbauer, Chief of Oakland County Youth Assistance; Youth Assistance Caseworker Cassandra Goulding; Mentors and Clarkston residents Kelly Hyer, Mentors Plus vice chairman, and Steve Hyer; Anita Demster, Co-Chair of the Tutoring Club and also a Clarkston resident; and CAYA President-Elect Joe Wauldron.

They will discuss mentoring, volunteering and fund raising to support CAYA's year-round programming.

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# A tasty 10 years

## Taste of Clarkston celebrates milestone with music, games, food

Going out to eat will be easy Sunday at Taste of Clarkston.

Thirty restaurants will present the best they have to offer all along downtown Main Street, 12-6 p.m. Sept. 30, from steak tips made by Bullfrogs to chicken stew at Hamlin Pub, Johnny Rockets' mini hamburgers to chocolate cinnamon bread by Starbucks.

"We'll have the best of the best there," said Carolyn Parcha, Taste of Clarkston chair. "We'll have something for everyone."

This year is the 10th annual Taste – four vendors will make all 10, Clarkston Cafe, Clarkston Union, Pete's Coney Island II, and Rudy's Market.

The Union will offer its famous mac and cheese, this year with a twist. "Jalapeno mac and cheese," Parcha said.

Visitors can buy as few or as many tickets as they want. Many items will be available for a \$1 ticket, others will be more. Beverages will be sold at almost every stand.

Stages set up facing each other on Main Street at Washington and Waldon roads will feature rock, blue grass, and local musicians.

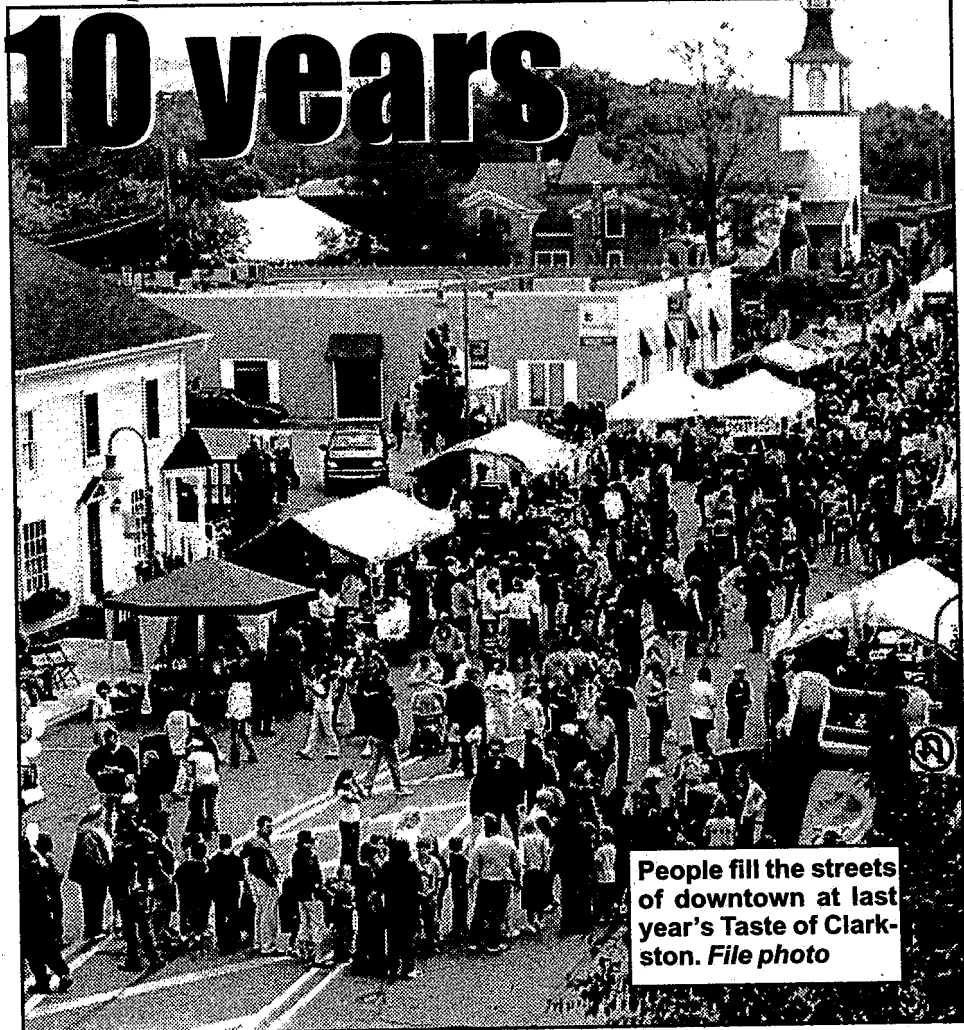
Sponsors' exhibits and displays will feature the latest in cars, chiropractic care, and other services.

Electrical upgrades allow exhibitors to spread out all along Main Street.

"They will be scattered evenly all along Main Street, for people to enjoy as they go," Parcha said.

For the children, Clarkston Optimist Club presents Kidzone in Depot Park.

"There are a lot of new things," said Jean Dasuqi, Kidzone coordinator and incoming Optimist president. "It's so much fun for the little guys. Last year was cold and rainy, but the kids still loved



People fill the streets of downtown at last year's Taste of Clarkston. File photo

it."

Children can listen to an African drum band perform in the park gazebo, get lost in a hay maze, jump in a bounce house, climb a wall, play carnival games, and win prizes.

"Lots of volunteers and lots of Optimists – we're all excited to give the kids a great day," she said. "It's going to be fun, a good family day."

The event could not happen without the support of partners, participants, and sponsors, Parcha said.

"We thank you from the bottom of our hearts," she said. "It doesn't just happen – without our sponsors, we wouldn't have this or it would be on a much smaller scale."

A silent auction at Main and Washington, 11 a.m.-4 p.m., will include baskets, trips, hotel stays, golf packages, gift certificates, and other items.

Depending on the weather, attendance ranges from 8,000 to 12,000, many staying all day. Organizers are setting up about 300 places to sit, or people can bring their own chairs.

"It's fun – you can see the historical sites, try what the restaurants have to offer, listen to music, get a scoop of ice cream," Parcha said. "You see the spirit

of Clarkston."

"It's a great event – I can't tell you how many restaurants my husband and I discovered at the Taste of Clarkston," Dasuqi said.

The Taste of Clarkston Cookbook will be available for \$10, filled with 250 recipes submitted by Chamber of Commerce members.

## Walkers only during Taste

Downtown Main St., also known as M-15 and Ortonville Road, will be closed during the Taste of Clarkston. Detour signs will be posted north and south of downtown.

Detour to the east is from Main St. along Clarkston and Waldon roads to Walters, around Clarkston High School.

Detour to the west takes traffic to Holcomb Road on Miller and Dixie.

Free shuttle service from Clarkston Elementary and Clarkston Junior High School on Waldon Road, and Clarkston High School.

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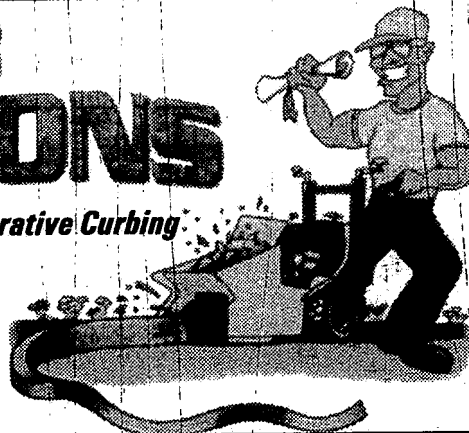
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# Welcome new teachers

The Clarkston community welcomes eight new teachers to its elementary, middle, and junior high schools. They include teachers fresh from college as well as experienced veterans from other districts:

**Melissa Dunham** is DOLLS Lead Teacher at Early Childhood Center. DOLLS stands for Development Of Language and Learning.

"I work with the whole family," Dunham said. "It gives kids a better chance, helps them be successful throughout life."

Dunham earned her high school diploma at Forest Hills Central High School of Grand Rapids, bachelor's degree in special education at Michigan State University, and master's degree in reading and language arts, early childhood endorsement, at Oakland University.

She taught with East Lansing and Okemos public schools, and at Hans Christian Andersen Elementary School in Chicago.

She enjoys traveling, reading, biking, movies, her dog, trying out new restaurants, and baking. She grew up in Grand Rapids and moved to Chicago after graduating from MSU.

"I spent five years living and working in Chicago and in that time all of my immediate family moved there as well," Dunham said. "I miss my family and the city terribly, but I am a Michigan girl at heart."

She moved to Clarkston two years ago with her husband, Andrew, who works for Philips in automotive lighting.

"We both enjoy traveling together and are always planning our next trip," she said. "I am thrilled to be joining Clarkston schools."

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**Melissa Dunham sits on an Early Childhood Center slide.**

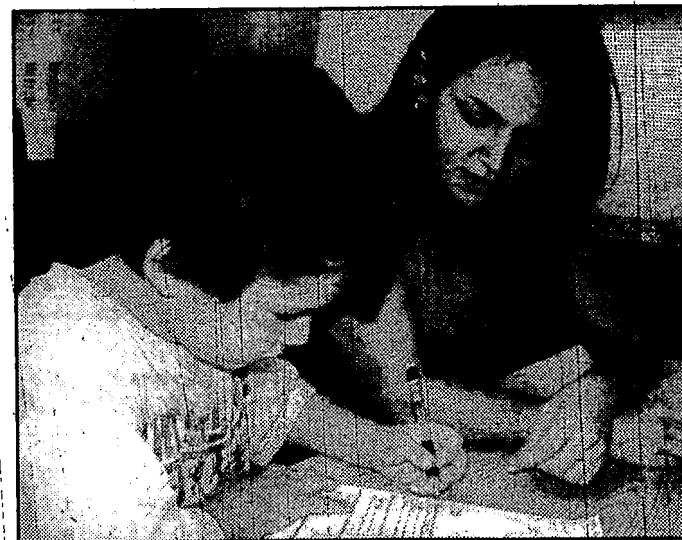
**Andrea Molina** is a Learning Resource Center teacher at Clarkston and Pine Knob elementary schools.

"It's awesome to have the opportunity to work with kids and impact their lives in a positive way everyday," Molina said.

She went to Waterford Mott High School and Western Michigan University, graduating summa cum laude with a degree in special education and elementary education.

She student taught in Farmington and Clarkston school districts.

"I love volleyball, rollerblading and fishing," she said. "Music and singing are also a passion of mine. One of my favorite things to do is sit around a campfire with friends and family and a bag of marshmallows."



**Andrea Molina helps Zach Savage with an assignment.**

She is preparing for her wedding next summer and fixing up the house into which she and her fiance Henry will move.

"This will be a very busy and exciting year for me in many aspects of my life," she said.

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**Megan Little** teaches K-1 ASD at Bailey Lake Elementary School.

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# Teachers bring expertise to special-needs students



**Carrie Leuenhagen teaches her class about graphs.**

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**Carolyn Leuenhagen** teaches kindergarten at Springfield Plains Elementary.

At Blue Valley High School in Stanley, Kansas, she ran cross country and track, and was a member of National Honor Society and

Kansas Scholar. She attended the University of Illinois, earning a bachelor of science degree in accountancy and master's degree in education.

"I really wanted to work with children, making connections with them," Little said.

She taught in Plymouth-Canton elementary schools.

She enjoys running, waterskiing, playing piano, and spending time with

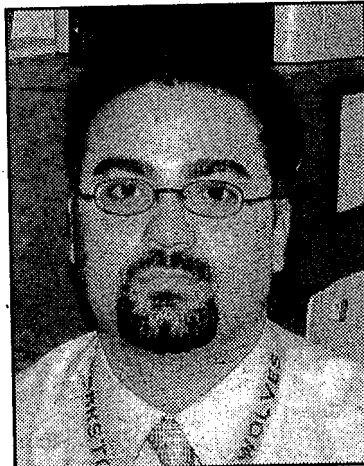
family.

Her husband, Brian, is an engineer for General Motors, and their three children attend Clarkston schools.

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**Mark Magni** teaches Language Arts at Clarkston Junior High School.

"I had a teacher in high school who opened up a lot of doors for me," Magni said. "I want to try to do the same thing for my kids."

He was in drama and jazz band at Sterling Heights Stevenson High School, and earned a bachelor's degree in theatre arts at Wayne State.



**Mark Magni**

He student taught at Dakota High School in Chippewa Valley, and taught at the Arts Academy in the Woods, a charter high school.

He enjoys reading, watching the Tigers, Lions, Pistons, and Red Wings, and spending time with his wife, Allison, and their baby son, Sam.

They were married in Lake Orion and had their reception in the backyard of her parents' home in Clarkston.

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**Lorianne Snook** is an 8th-grade LRC teacher at Clarkston Junior High School.

As a student at Marion High School, she was on the varsity ski team, First Honors, SADD, and volleyball. Honors at Eastern Michigan University included Student Honors Association, Dean's List all four years, and Regent's Scholar.

She taught at Spring Mill Elementary in Huron Valley and Sashabaw Middle School.

She enjoys downhill skiing, reading, and shopping.

She grew up in Clarkston, attending North Sashabaw and Bailey Lake elementary schools.

"In eighth grade, I was a student aide in the special education program - that made me want to be a special education teacher," Snook said. "The kids are inspirational - they work really hard."

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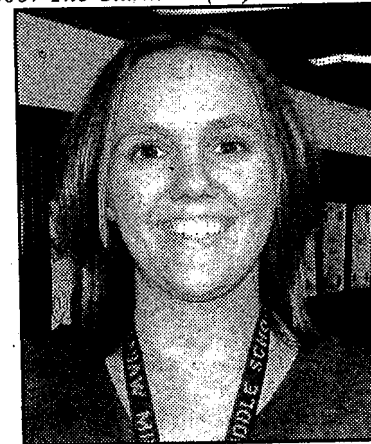
**Michelle Simonson** is a seventh-grade LRC teacher at Sashabaw Middle School.

She is a graduate of Clarkston schools and Oakland University.

"A teacher at Bailey Lake Elementary was phenomenal - she inspired me," Simonson said. "I'm thrilled to be back in the Clarkston district. It's awesome."

Her husband, Mike, works as an engineer for Ingersol Rand in Rochester Hills.

"We now live in Oxford with our Golden Retriever Buddy and car Tigger," she said. "We love being outdoors camping, hiking, and mountain biking. We spend a lot of time traveling on the weekends and during the summer months to mountain bike



**Staci Leitner**

racers all over the country."

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**Staci Leitner** teaches sixth-grade social studies at Sashabaw Middle School.

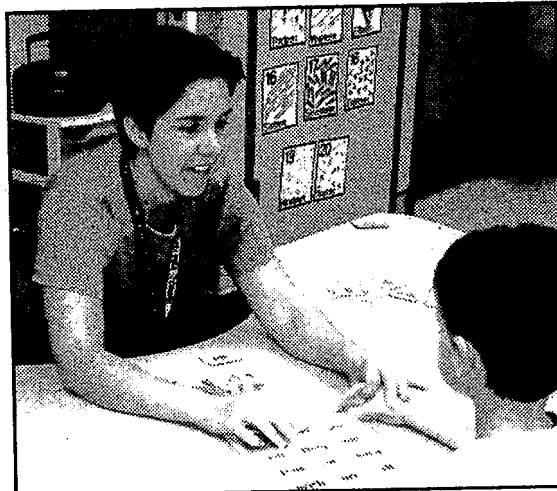
"I like learning, and I enjoy sharing that with kids," Leitner said.

She graduated from Waterford Kettering and Oakland University with a bachelor's degree in elementary education. She made the Dean's List '04-'07 and taught in the City Critters program at Detroit Zoo.

She student taught at Burt Elementary in Waterford.

She enjoys gardening, reading, sports, and animals, she said.

"I visit the zoo at least three times a year," she said.



**Megan Little helps a student.**



**Lorianne Snook, surrounded by her students' "All About Me" papers.**



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## Out loud

A column by Laura Colvin

### My Lil' Sweetie

You know those people who walk around with "let me tell you about my grandchildren" on their sweatshirts?

I get it. Oh, do I get it. Ryan arrived July 19, six days late, just like his momma in 1987.

Ryan's birth was, unequivocally, the most beautiful event I've ever witnessed.

Christy was in labor for many hours, and Mark and I were with her the whole time. I did what I could to help, but mostly I stood by and watched the two of them draw their strength from one another all day, and all night long.

They told us Ryan was a big boy, and that a cesarean was not out of the question. So when she finally went into active labor I encouraged—she'd use a different word—her to work hard, make it happen, push harder, harder, harder. Harder!

I hated it. My momma instincts just wanted to make it somehow all better for her, to take away the pain and the hurt and, well, if she'd stop growling at me to shut up through clenched teeth, well, that'd be OK, too.

But Christy was as beautiful and as strong as I've ever seen her, and Mark was great. The nurses told him he was better, more loving and supportive, than 99 percent of fathers they see.

And in those last moments, as Ryan finally made his way into the world, the miracle of life struck at my core.

It was the most amazing, awe-inspiring event I've ever experienced.

The sheer beauty of it lasted about 4 seconds, until they whisked my grandson across the room, put a tiny plastic mask over his tiny face and began to vigorously rub him with a towel.

"Come on," murmured a nurse to little Ryan.

What the....  
"We need peds!" I don't know who said it.

"You need to go over there," another nurse barked when I went to investigate.

He wasn't breathing.

"Mom, is he OK?"

I looked at my daughter, at my grandson, at my daughter.

"Mom?"

I was terrified. I couldn't answer her yes or no.

Finally, three minutes and 26 seconds later, those wonderful, beautiful heroic nurses at St. Joe's Hospital in Pontiac made my grandson cry.

My knees weakened with relief.

Now, two months later, he's my Lil' Sweetie, and in the whole world, there's nothing better than rocking him while he drifts off to sleep.



# The Clarkston News Viewpoints

## A wonderful season for market, so why close early?

Isn't it interesting that the lack of something can be the most powerful force in its continued growth?

The Clarkston Farmers' Market had the largest following this year since it's beginning in 2005, attracting an average of 1,200 customers over four hours each Saturday morning.

Founded by two local women, backed by a solid team of volunteers, on the premise that eating local helps preserve family farmland, enliven the surrounding area and bring generations together over the timeless unifying force of food; the market has grown from 17 to 40 vendors in just three years.

What we hear from our growers and producers is that our market is a good place to be—a community.

They want a longer season. We hear the same from our customers and as evidenced by the letters to the paper, would like a longer season, too.

I want to take this time to thank all of you who support us in your many different ways. Bob Roth and Ed Adler donate their property willingly each season. It is important to us to meet within the Historic District of Clarkston and it is important to them to maintain a relationship with the community—they are community-minded folks and they show us by offering Place and Space for us to gather.

The City of Clarkston has been extremely supportive of us through our decision making processes, as well as many of the downtown businesses, especially Rudy's Market, The Union/Union General, and Oxford Bank who was a large contributor to the market this season. Individuals and other local businesses are invaluable and have made contributions as well.

The market has been and currently is, managed and run on a volunteer basis and has plans for growth including moving out of the volunteer realm, diversifying the vendor base, site improvements, and eventually the possibility of a structure and full season market which might look like a May-October season.

Big ideas. Small Clarkston.

There is much to do and I am in gratitude for this work that is so dynamic that it pervades my life and like any good tap rooted plant, reminds me that I too, am a native—to Clarkston.

If the market ended now, I would be just amazed with what we've created—but that's not my intention, nor is it the intention of anyone working on this market with me.

Quite the contrary, actually.

If you've ever been down to the market, with a friend or alone, steaming cup of coffee in hand, on your way to the oatmeal lady, pulling behind you an old red wagon that you think has seen better days, in search of that purple broccoli or perhaps cucumbers the size of quarters, bread filled with sweet potatoes or the invigorating choice of heirloom tomatoes—which of the 14 varieties would you like?

You suddenly find that you won't leave without buying a hand-woven basket, filling it with raw honey, a yellow watermelon and sunflowers... then you sit. The Sweet Briar String Band plays.

If you've been there doing these things—thank you for coming. You and other people in small towns across the U.S. are joining in what is becoming a national recovery of the link between farmer and consumer.

Oh it may sound idealistic, perhaps a bit romantic. It is. I know growers who are in love with their elephant garlic, attached to their deer tongue lettuce, possessive of their okra! Don't we all want that to happen to the ones growing our food?

This year we ran the market for eight weeks, ending mid-season, which was not an ideal stopping point for Michigan growers but we feel we made an intelligent decision given the competing factors.

Each Saturday of the season we collect crowd numbers, weather conditions and competing functions in the area and these statistics help us to make effective decisions for upcoming seasons. This year we made the decision to end the market one week prior to the annual Art in the Village which is run by the Historical Society and takes place in mid-September.

Each year, we have been asked not to run the farmers' market on this particular Saturday. We willingly stop the market on this day and make space for others to use.

However, we notice the alignment in philosophy that the two events share. One is farming—the very roots of Historic Clarkston and the other is art. Anthropologists know that when a village has enough food, art will begin to flourish—but only when food is abundant, can people feel at ease enough to create. Nourishment is the first key to the survival of the village.

I am not so naïve as to define Clarkston by peering too intently into that survival model, Please see Community on page 19A

### Guest viewpoint

## A Look Back

From The CNews archives

### 15 years ago - 1992

**"Teachers get 4.5 percent increase for two years"** Clarkston school teachers received a 4.5 percent pay increase per year for two years in their contract. The agreement included class size improvements, retirement incentives and dental insurance coverage increases.

**"School board struggles with space solution"** With frequent temper flare-ups and expressions of frustration, board members and administrators talked about the problems of 278 extra pupils, with more expected. They did not have the money to hire teachers or build classrooms.

**"Store owners tell chief shoplifting is problem"** Shoplifting, alarms and traffic tickets were some of the issues Clarkston business owners discussed with Clarkston police.

**"Library's future remains up in the air"** In the wake of a millage failure, Independence Township Library was trying to maintain services. Officials were looking into what could be cut.

### 25 years ago - 1982

**"Resident blasts historic commission"** A resident pleaded with the Clarkston Village Council to reconsider the powers of the Historic District Commission. He wanted to fix up his 1902 home with insulation and aluminum siding, saying it would rot if he didn't.

**"School talks stand still"** Contract negotiations stalled between administrators and teachers. At issue were salaries and class size.

**"On target: Clarkston Community Schools' 1982-83 goals look toward future"** School officials and committees continued to update curriculum and design a plan to install cable television in schools. They were also considering how to install computers and institute programming classes.

**"Marathoners ready for the big run"** The "Clarkston 15," a group training together for the Detroit marathon, were determined to finish strong.

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**"Sashabaw Church completes canvass"** Sashabaw Presbyterian Church completed a fund-raising campaign for its new home on Waldon Road.

**"Area chairmen named for United Fund Drive"** Mrs. Charles Hancock, Mrs. De Vere Games, Mrs. Lawrence Wellman, and Mrs. John Bell were appointed to key posts in the Women's Division of the upcoming Independence Township United Fund campaign.

## Wonder why Michigan sucks? Read on.

As of this writing, the fate of the free world is precariously sitting atop a pinpoint -- one bad gust o' wind and evil will prevail over goodness. Well, maybe that's a little melodramatic. Yet as I write, folks in Lansing are still trying to look good to their favorite special interest groups.

I don't think they are working on the state's 2008 budget or what to do about the \$1.8 billion hole in said budget. And if they can't come to agreement -- gulp -- Gov. Granholm will have to -- sob -- shut down state government, or in her words, "Life as we know it ends." (Okay, she didn't say that, I did.)

Though it has been going on all summer, the rate Republicans and Democrats are slinging insults has reached fever pitch levels. The spin machines have been shifted into overdrive and if something doesn't happen soon the machine is going to throw a bearing. Somebody's gonna' blow a nut. A screw will come loose and everything will come to a screeching halt.

It is sad, that the only thing we're getting out of Lansing is that old black magic called partisan politics. All the press releases we get here at the office are all of the same tone. Republicans are "outraged" by the Democrats. Democrats are "stunned" by Republicans. The verbiage we get from Lansing goes like, "Staying true to their record, House Republicans today refused to invest in Michigan's future by voting against blah, blah, blah that would have protected funding for children, schools, seniors and public safety blah, blah, blah."

The release should have said, "Republicans - haters of children, teachers, old folks and law enforcement. All of Michigan's ills can be laid at Republicans' feet."

That press release did not help solve anything. Republican releases are not much better. It is no wonder that life in the mitten state sucks. Nobody we elect really cares about the state or the residents residing here.

Sadder than the partisan name-calling, are some of the "reforms" being suggested by our elected officials. We were faxed 15 proposals from the House of Representatives, labeled "re-

forms," with a total "long-term" savings of \$605.6 million. Read some of these and tell me you have a warm, fuzzy feeling about the brain-trust leading our state.

Of the 15 reforms, there are two studies proposed and one "Commission on Government Efficiency" created. When I read the word "study" I read, "stall for time and spend taxpayer money whilst spinning wheels."

House Bill 4346 "requires the Department of Education to study the impact of consolidation on school districts." And, if one study is good, two is better. HB 4592 "requires school districts to conduct a study to determine if similar services can be consolidated with other districts."

The great thing about HB 4592 is that local school districts get to pay for a study of losing local control. That'll save the state a ton o' cash.

Get the next two bills . . . HB 4799 & 4800 will "amend the State Employees' Retirement Act to freeze pensions benefits for retired state employees and public school employees who become re-employed by the state."

Which leads me to believe me there is a problem with folks retiring from state employment, collecting their pension and then going back to work with the state while still collecting a pension. Can there be any doubt in any sane person's mind that state employees have had it too double-dipping good for too long?

Another proposal would "establish professional purchasing programs" (which means they must currently use unprofessional purchasing programs).

Representatives threw us a bone with HB 4580 -- which removes lifetime health care benefits for legislators. The great part of this bill, if signed into law, would not effect this group of legislators -- only the ones elected after Jan. 1, 2007.

The House also introduced a resolution requiring state government to perform independent audits -- which means now all audits are dependent on something. We just don't know what and that's the scary part.

After reading these "reforms," I come to one conclusion: Michigan sucks because our elected officials and bureaucrats have made it so. And, now as the ship sinks, like rats they are all jumping to try and undo what they let happen in the first place.

**Don't  
Rush Me**



a column by  
**Don Rush**

## I tried to save a tick, but forgot about oxygen

I received a "Tick Warning" article last week and it reminded me of the tick attacks we trout fishermen suffered last May.

(I actually intended to tell you about it at the time, but waited until I was sure it'd get the most readership. You know, like after summer and before Christmas.)

**Jim's  
Jottings**



a column by  
**Jim Sherman**

Every day in trout camp someone would complain of an itching sensation, show off a little black thing that came out from the heat of the fireplace or show us how this bug couldn't be killed by pressing it between finger and thumb.

These little meanies have to be pinched between your thumb and something very hard. Still, we couldn't hear them squish. We found them on our clothes, under our clothes, in our beds and in our briefs.

They were one grand nuisance. Getting ready for bed the first night home, I found three of these things clinging (burrowing?) on my belly. I reasoned the best thing to do was shower. Therein I felt an itch on my lower back (not that much lower!) and tried to reach the bothered spot.

I felt a bump and grasped it. Appearing between thumb and finger was a quarter-inch round, light

grey bug. Fascinated, I saved it in wonderment, then showing it to, among others, daughter Susan.

She of Internet (why is that word capitalized?) experience, gave me a printout of *Soft Tick*.

"Soft ticks feed for short periods of time on their hosts," the article read. "It may increase its body weight 5 to 10 times and re-

produces repeatedly. The female may lay several dozen eggs after each meal."

(No telling how many meals she enjoyed on Big Jim's back fat.)

Further, "Many soft ticks have an uncanny resistance to starvation, and can survive for many years without a blood meal."

Knowing this, I put my find in a small bottle and put some of my blood in with it. My intent was to enter its longevity in Guinness' Book of Records

Alas, I forgot it might need oxygen for its survival, and two days later my mourning started.

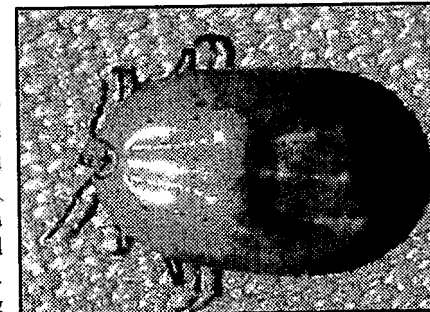
We've opened trout fishing season in this same area of the U.P. for over 50 years and have never been bitten, let alone seen a tick. Last summer, when Susan and family visited Seney Wildlife Refuge near -- would you believe it -- Seney, Michigan, an agent told them ticks, hard and soft, were extremely prevalent this year.

Next year, when you find a tick attached to your skin by the barbs of its feeding tube and the glue from its salivary glands, you should first remove it promptly, but very carefully.

Grasp it with tweezers as near to the head as possible, lay it on a stone and smash it with a 5-lb sledge.

Now, back to the "Tick Warning" which started this column. This one is for real.

The writer wrote: "It's



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list. If someone comes to your front door saying they are checking for ticks due to the warm weather, or new infestation, and asks you to take off all your clothes and dance around with your arms up, DO NOT DO IT!

"THIS IS A SCAM!"

"They only want to see you naked."

"I feel so stupid!"

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Cheryl Karrick, partner at Morgan and Milzow Realtors in Clarkston, discusses foreclosures with Fox 2 news.

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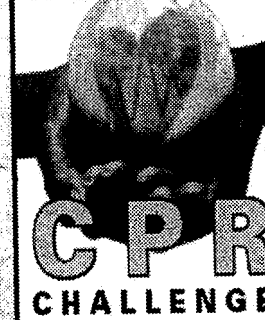
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## Independence Twp.

**Fri., Sept. 14** An Independence Township man filed a police report after discovering his Springfield Township storage unit was broken into. A snow blower and antique end table were missing.

A 20-year-old man was arrested and jailed after his vehicle did a 360-degree turn at a high rate of speed while fleeing from police who attempted to pull him over on a traffic violation. The man was intoxicated, and caused property damage.

**Mon., Sept 17** A 43-year-old Mt. Morris man was arrested and jailed after he was pulled over on a traffic violation while driving a moped and police discovered he had warrants out of both Warren and Genesee County.

A 46-year-old Independence Township man filed a police report after discovering more than \$3,200 in unauthorized charges distributed over four of his credit cards.

**Tues., Sept 18** A 45-year-old man living in the 6400 block of Olympus was arrested and jailed on domestic violence charges after a fight with the 15-year-old son of his girlfriend became violent. The youth told police he secretly videotaped the man's abuse toward him. A police report involving the same individuals was filed the previous day after the man called to report they youth allegedly making threats against him.

A 47-year-old Independence Township

# Public Safety

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

woman called police after she viewed an unknown male running from a spot near the garage of her home. Police noted the home sits far off the road on a 10-acre lot, and found it suspicious someone near the house.

A woman living in the 5200 block of Oak Park Drive called police after overhearing her son tell a friend about a man he claimed chased him through a wooded area near Cecilia Ann last Sept. 15. The boy described the man as an older white male who walks with a limp.

An Independence Township man living in the 6400 block of Chestnut Hill called police after discovering golf clubs valued at \$1,100 stolen from his open garage.

A 42-year-old St. Johns, Mich. man was arrested and jailed on domestic violence charges after engaging on a physical altercation with his 17-year-old Davisburg son at a soccer game in Clintonwood Park. Both the man and his son told police the two have a difficult relationship.

**Wed., Sept 19** A 32-year-old man living in the 5900 block of Misty Hill called police after discovering someone had stolen a set of golf clubs from his garage.

A 21-year-old Independence Township woman filed a police report after viewing her financial information online and discovering someone had opened two fraudulent credit card accounts in her name.

**Thurs., Sept 20** A 16-year-old youth called police after returning home to discover three windows broken out of his home. His mother was out of town.

## Springfield Twp.

**Fri., Aug 31** A 43-year-old woman living in the 9200 block of Dixie Highway was issued a citation for growing and using marijuana after a deputy on patrol spotted her watering a two-and-a-half-foot tall marijuana plant in her yard.

**Sun., Sept 9** Police were requesting a warrant on domestic violence charges after a woman living in the 17100 block of Julie Drive called to report that an argument with her husband became physical. The man has a 1995 conviction for domestic assault out of 51<sup>st</sup> district court.

A 47-year-old man living in the 9700 block

of Forest Ridge called police after discovering someone smashed out a window in his car overnight and stole a cell phone, digital camera and approximately 10 shirts and three pairs of pants.

**Mon., Sept 10** A 48-year-old woman living in the 10000 block of Dixie Highway called police to report a friend had stolen prescription medication from her residence while she was asleep, including several bottles stashed between the mattresses she was sleeping on.

A 22-year-old man living in the 12300 block of Carriage Trail was arrested and jailed on charges of domestic assault; reckless discharge of a firearm, cruelty to animals and marijuana possession after an argument with his 43-year-old girlfriend became physical.

**Tues., Sept 11** A Springfield Township Parks employee called police after viewing three adults, one male and two females, with approximately 10 children in a day care group at the Mill Pond. The man was pushing two young boys to keep up with him while he ran in 85-degree heat. Both boys were crying and breathing hard, one vomited. The man told police the parents wanted him to "push" the children. A woman told police they were with a daycare called "Cindy's Rats."

A 25-year-old woman living in the 10600 block of East Holly called police after an argument with her highly intoxicated boyfriend became heated when the man wanted to carry the couple's 5-day-old daughter up a flight of stairs in his drunken state.

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## Stretch yourself by pursuing opportunity

By Ernie Harwell

*"For all sad words of tongue or pen, The saddest of these: 'It might have been!'"*

-John Greenleaf Whittier

Whittier was describing a lost chance for love, but these words apply to any missed opportunity, really.

An important way to keep our minds sharp - and make life interesting - is to take on challenges and hunt for opportunities not in plain view.

When I was 16, I was a faithful reader of *The Sporting News*, but I was disappointed they didn't provide much coverage from my part of the country. So I decided to offer my services as a correspondent for them in the Atlanta area. They accepted my offer and it was a great start to my career. And I've always been grateful that I didn't let my young age keep me from pursuing it.

When we challenge ourselves (physically, mentally or both!) we stretch ourselves as individuals and discover more about ourselves - no matter what age we are.

Take some time to think about your interest and what opportunities you could pursue. It's great mental exercise and, when you go after that opportunity, it's certainly a lot more rewarding than someday saying, "It might have been."

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

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

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# Police catch Clarkston athletes in marijuana case

BY LAURACOLVIN  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Four members of the undefeated Clarkston Wolves watched their football season go up in smoke last week when each was cited for possession and use of marijuana after practice Mon., Sept. 17.

A fifth CHS student who does not play football was also involved.

The boys, who are not being identified by *The Clarkston News* because of their age, were discovered after a neighbor called to complain about an ongoing problem of teens drinking in a wooded area off Brookwood Drive, near M-15 and I-75.

According to police reports, a deputy dispatched to the scene observed several juvenile males smoking, and detected the odor of marijuana as he approached.

All five attempted to walk away, but cooperated when instructed to stop.

Plastic bags, an undisclosed amount of marijuana, and small scale were confiscated, and the youth were transported to Independence Township substation, questioned and released to their parents.

Police wrote juvenile petitions for the 16-year-old students, and issued an appearance citation to the group's 17-year-old member.

Questioning whether the incident should be publicized, Wolves Head Coach Kurt

Richardson offered minimal comment.

"All I'm going to say," he said, "is it's been handled by the police, it's been handled by their families, it's been handled by the athletic department and the football team. I don't think it needs to be handled by *The Clarkston News*."

Athletic Director Dan Fife said he was unhappy but not disillusioned over the incident.

"It is disappointing," he said. "And it's hurtful to our coaches and hurtful to the other players not involved."

But, like nearly any high school setting, said Fife, substance use is part of the teen culture and he's been faced with similar circumstances a number of times in the past.

"As much as we'd like to do all the things for prevention, it's out there," he said, noting school liaison officer Gary Crake alerts school officials about any student involvement with police. "We're all aware of it, we're all working on it. Unfortunately, in today's society, kids are faced with making a lot of tough decisions."

Fife, who has served 26 years as athletic director, said it was necessary to find balance between understanding that young people make mistakes, while also ensuring lessons are learned from those mistakes.

"The important thing is that we do have rules and regulations that we abide by," he

said. "There are no gray areas. It's black and white; it doesn't matter if you're the superstar or the last player on the team, you fall under our guidelines."

The incident was a first offense for two of the players, mandating they sit out 20 percent of the regular season, or two games, he said.

For the other two players, however, the incident was a second offense, requiring they miss 40 percent of the season.

The athletic department, Fife said, has discussed random drug testing, but thus far has refrained due to expense and uncertainty over how to establish a policy on which athletes would be selected for testing, and when.

The five students told police they "scored" the marijuana from another CHS student, who they could only identify by first name.

"We are following up with everything we know," said Principal Vince Licata. "Discipline has and will be handed out."

Licata said it was possible marijuana was seeing an upswing in popularity among students.

"I believe it's making a comeback," he said. "I don't know to what extent, but we do hear about those things so I guess it's making a little bit of a comeback."

Drug testing, he said, was worth a look, but not likely to happen any time soon.

"I'd like to at least discuss it," he said. "I think there are good things and bad things about it, but there aren't too many school districts that have that policy, and there has to be a reason why - I really don't want to move in that direction if we don't have to."

The incidence of marijuana use among high school-age young people, said Lt. Dale LaBair, commander of the Oakland County Sheriff's Office Independence Township sub-

station, is high, but perhaps not as high as previously.

"There's a ton of it," he said. "In terms of numbers, I'd say it's a little less prevalent in the past few years, but it's by no means going away."

Local police, he said, are conscious of marijuana's prevalence, know what to look for and won't hesitate to ask permission to search a vehicle or even call out one of the county's dozen of so drug-sniffing dogs when necessary.

"As time goes on," he said, "THC levels in marijuana continue to increase. It takes less and less for a person to become higher and higher."

As THC levels in the bloodstream increase, he said, reflexes slow, inhibitions drop and judgment and motor-skills become impaired.

The ability to drive, he said, becomes impaired in much the same way as alcohol.

Alcohol, he said, is still rated as the most abused substance among teens, with marijuana in the number two spot.

"If you get caught with marijuana you will be busted," he said. "You will end up in trouble every time, whether you're caught with a seed or a truckload."

At the high school, Dan Fife said he holds Clarkston students to a higher standard, and hopes they heard the message.

"We're always talking about trying to win the right way and lose the right way," he said. "We hold our kids accountable. If they've got the Clarkston letter jacket on, whether they're in the hallway, classroom, or the mall, there are expectations; you follow the rules, you treat people with respect, you treat the game, your coaches, your family, your teammates with respect."

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# Neighbors band together for fight on blight

BY LAURA COLVIN

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Jan Michalski is embarrassed to invite friends and family to her home.

Across the street, David Mathews and his wife Pam worry about property values.

And junk strewn across a neighbor's lawn played a pivotal role in Russ Hynes' decision to pack up and move.

"My blood pressure would go up 30 points every time I'd mow in his direction," said Hynes, jerking his thumb toward the home next door to his former Springfield Township property, where seven or eight cars—most filled top to bottom with junk—clutter the driveway and dot the lawn.

"The cars have always been full of junk," said Hynes. "Full. And there are rodents living under the cars."

The residents of Walnut Hill are angry, disgusted and tired of looking at the accumulation of blight.

The man who owns the home did not return a call seeking comment, but neighbors say clutter began to pile when he arrived in the late 80s.

Broken toys and large tarp-covered piles of building supplies sit around the yard, while paint peels and weeds grow tall.

"I can't drive out of Walnut Hill without looking at it," said Doreen Hollis, who lives near the street's dead end. "This isn't the ghetto."

Far from it. The homes on Walnut Hill are large and well cared for. Yards are meticulously maintained.

Back in 1994, Hynes decided he'd had enough and went to the township, where he discovered Ordinance 16, which prohibits blight.

"I'd turn in a complaint and ask them to have someone call me," he said. "Not once did they get back to me and say 'this is what we did, this is what we're going to do.'"

The neighbor, they say, is in violation and they want the mess cleaned up.

"I drive back and forth and just feel disgusted our township won't take care of the most obvious blight," said Tim Feike. "We want the ordinance enforced."

So the neighbors banded together recently in hopes of accomplishing more as a group. They

meet regularly to discuss progress, or lack thereof, and attend township board meetings.

Township officials, they say—with a folder of documents to prove it—have been to the property many times since 1994.

Sometimes a ticket is issued, sometimes not, but the mess remains.

Several members of the group spoke at the August board meeting.

In frustration over disagreement with officials regarding what does and does not constitute a violation of the ordinance, Doreen Hollis recited dictionary definitions of "operable," a term whose meaning caused contention between the entities.

Cars, according to the ordinance, must be operable.

"I want to know if someone got in and drove them," said Bob Hollis, a former certified mechanic. "Because those cars have been sitting a long time, and it's likely the brake lines are shot. Anyone who tried to drive that Renault would end up in the swamp across the street."

But township Supervisor Collin Walls said "significant improvements" have occurred over the years.

However, noted Walls, he can sympathize with the neighbors.

"The guy who owns the property is a very nice guy he is very sincere," he said. "He appears to be a pack rat extraordinaire. Would I want to live next to that house? I would not. But I can only enforce our ordinances."

The township, he said is under an obligation to deal with terms, provisions and definitions provided by the ordinance, and definitions read by Doreen Hollis not as defined by the ordinance.

Again, "operable" is the term causing contention between the parties.

"I have been told by a key employee whose word I trust," said Walls, referring to township employee Leon Genre, "that he has personally observed that the vehicles are operable. That's all I need."

Genre did not return a call seeking comment.

Describing himself by one of his father's old sayings, Walls said he felt like the meat in the sandwich, and admitted the situation could have



Neighbors are upset about blight. Photo by Laura Colvin

been handled better from the start.

"The township... has not been as forceful or as prompt in follow through as we should have been," said Walls earlier this month. "And I've told them that. But today, based on what I've personally observed and what I've been told, we do not have a violation of our ordinance. I am not going to issue the man a ticket simply because his neighbors are objecting. I won't do that to him anymore than I would to them."

During the inspection in July, Walls said he observed vehicles with plates due to expire August. On a follow-up in early September, he discovered a vehicle without proper plates.

"I also observed some things I hadn't seen

before," Walls said, citing a trailer so covered in weeds it went unnoticed previously. "In the subsequent inspection there were violations of the ordinance readily apparent, and that's the basis of issuing a citation."

Notice of violation, that's where you come in and pay a fine

In the past, he said, the homeowner has received only a notice of ordinance violation and accompanying fee. The citation, however, requires a district court appearance.

"He can he indicate guilty and pay a fine," said Walls, "or request a formal hearing."

Either way, it's progress in the 13-year long battle on Walnut Hill.

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# Local church keeps growing

BY TREVOR KEISER  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Growing up together and ministering at a church together, Curt Deoff and Shawn Marsack always dreamed of starting a church.

They went their separate ways, but they're back, making that dream come true.

Demoff and Marsack, pastor and associate pastor at Bridgewood Church off M-15, started the church in a small building off Sashabaw Road with a core group of six couples.

They decided to sell the church to Independence Township and used the money towards their new 12-acre, 20,000-square-foot building. The congregation has grown from 12 people to "pushing close to 400."

"We have a lot of people from the community, a lot of families, a lot of students, business people, (and) teachers," said Demoff. "It's really great to be a part of a church that's really inundated in the community."

Demoff said the church has already outgrown the new building even after only being in it two years. They have had to add another addition to the parking lot.

"We had a lady call on Sunday say, 'I am waiting in line trying to get into the parking lot and I can't. If you can let me know when you're going to two services that's when I'll come back,'" said Marsack. "We've got ushers out there trying to park people as fast as they can."

Demoff said they are going to two Sunday services starting Nov. 4.

"Our whole goal is to see people come into a relationship with Jesus Christ," said Marsack. "We don't want people to feel intimidated, or to feel like they have to clean up before they come to church, a lot of people may feel that they're not good enough to go to church. Some think that God is up in heaven ready to bang them into the ground, and that's not the truth."

Demoff said the death of church member Brooks Stuart Patterson, son of L. Brooks Patterson, greatly influenced the

church.

"Brooks was somebody who had a personal relationship with Jesus and told everybody he knew about Jesus and invited them to church," he said.

"After his death, so many of those people that he touched and invited to church, starting coming to church and that was really kind of the snowball that created a lot of the momentum. Ever since his passing it really has sparked a lot of thought in people about eternity and what happens after this life."

Even though they are excited about the church growing, they are more excited about lives being changed, Demoff said.

Both Demoff and Marsack believe in being relevant.

"One of our real goals every week is to teach the Bible in a way that makes sense in your everyday life. There are so many people that read the Bible. They read it but have no idea what they are reading and can't apply it to their life because it doesn't make sense. Part of our preaching strategy is to make it simple for everyday life," said Demoff.

"If you can't use it on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday then it's not relevant."

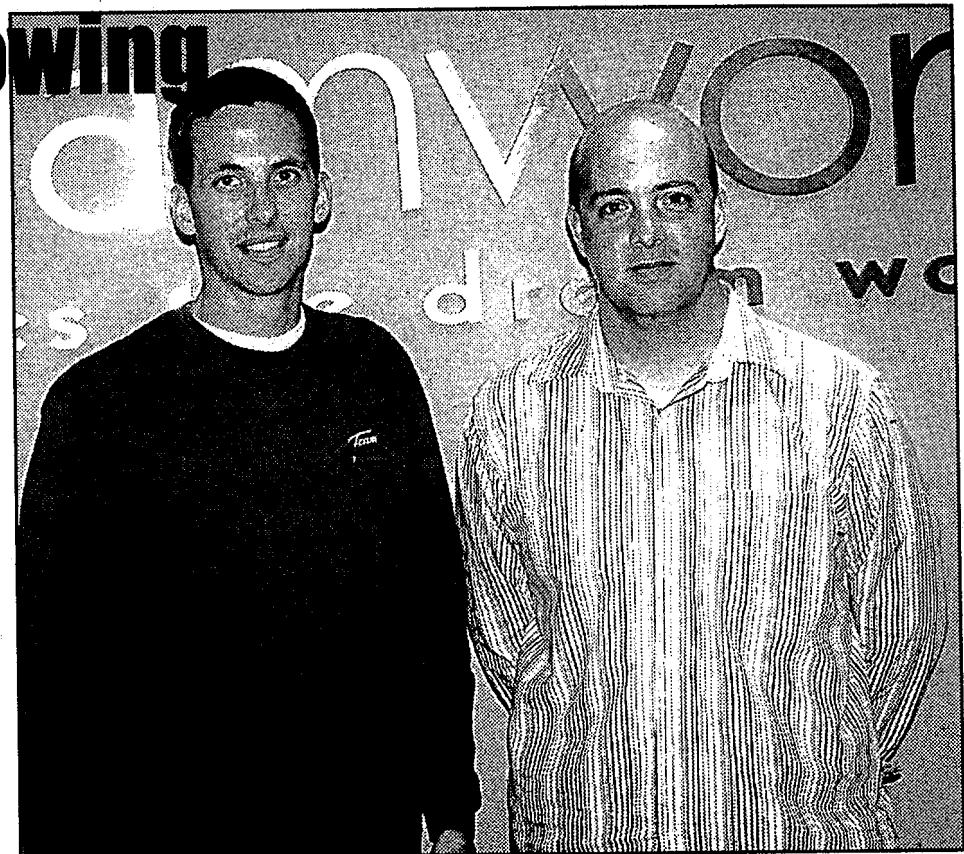
Bridgewood church is affiliated with the Assemblies of God. Demoff said they have a contemporary church and music style. They are family oriented and have services for students and kids, including a nurture center for babies, toddlers, and pre-school age.

Both the "Nurture Center" and "Planet Adventure Kids" have security cameras and TVs so those sitting at the front desk can monitor them.

"Security is high on the task list," said Marsack.

They also have a café where people can order coffee, sit down and chat, before or after service.

"There is plenty of room," said Demoff. "Everyone is welcome, we would love for people to come and try us and check us

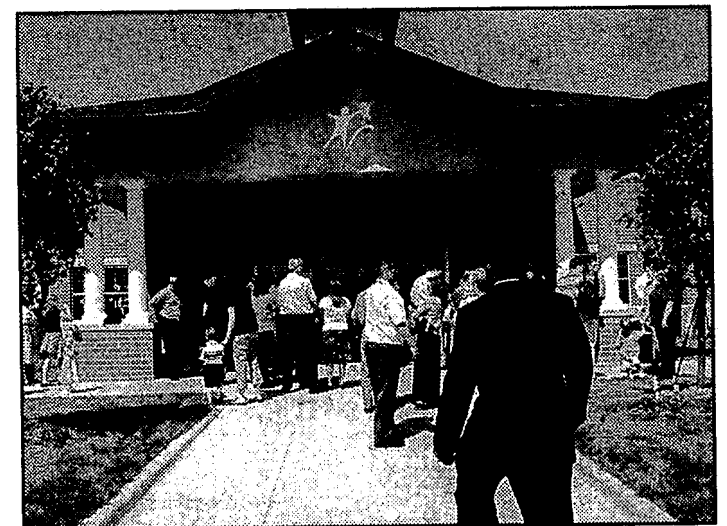


Pastor Curt Demoff and Associate Pastor Shawn Marsack. Photo by Trevor Keiser

out once and kind of be the judge. There is a lot of great churches in the area not just Bridgewood. (People should) get plugged into a church somewhere."

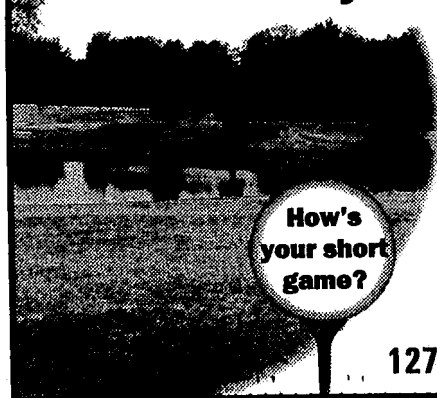
Currently Sun. service starts at 10 a.m. Starting Nov. 4, the first service will be at 9 a.m. and the second at 10:45 a.m.; and Wed. at 6:45 p.m.-8 p.m.

There is also a night service every first Sunday of the month at 5 p.m.



Crowds entering Bridgewood on a Sunday morning. Photo provided.

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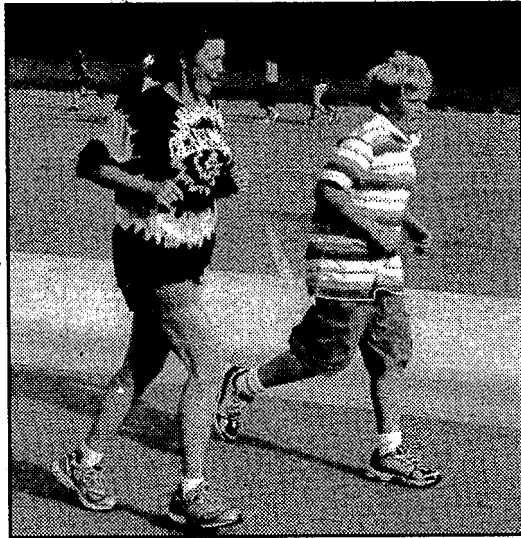
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Principal Linda Foran encourages student Aaron Carrie.

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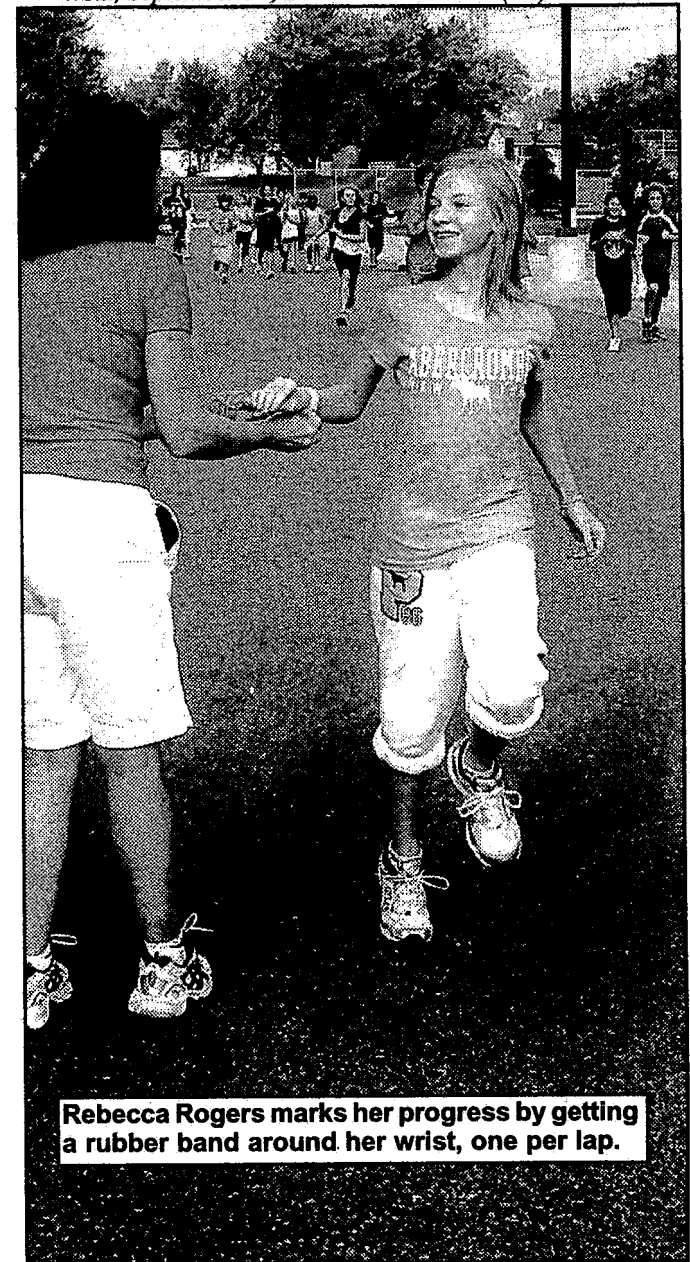
The children, divided in 10 teams, ran in 15-minute to music

The event funds PTA activities all year, said Smith,

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Sashabaw students take off at their Fun Run start line.



Rebecca Rogers marks her progress by getting a rubber band around her wrist, one per lap.

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# Township holds the line on property tax

BY TREVOR KEISER  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Winter taxes might have a bit less sting this year.

Independence Township Board voted Sept. 18 to rollback millage rates.

The 2006 levy was 7.0378 total. The 2007 levy is 6.887, for a total rollback of 0.1508 mills. Each mill equals one dollar per \$1,000 of assessed property value.

"It's the first time will have less than seven mills allocated," said Treasurer Jim Wenger. "We've rolled down mileages for the headlee, so I think that's positive for people as they look at it."

Supervisor Dave Wagner said it was below seven because the township has been able to work as a team to save money, by making budget cuts, doing more "in house" procedures instead of hiring someone else, and department heads not using all the money they were given.

"As long as we can have these kinds of savings, we can allow the millage to keep going back, and that's what we should have been doing for years. But the problem is, when you're rolling in money, you don't look at these issues and that's the bad side of government.

Because as long as things are going fine and you have money coming in from everywhere possible, hey, let's just spend it," he said.

Wagner said government needs to be run like a business.

"When you run it like a business, you look at every doggone thing you're doing to make sure you're doing the appropriate thing for the township and the taxpayers," said Wagner.

Trustee Dan Kelly said there are three steps to Headlee. One, the township is allowed to reverse a millage rollback without going to the voters. However, if the township wanted to raise taxes higher, it would have to go to the voters.

"Headlee has in their formula consistent with the prime and so forth that would not require a vote of the people, which is known as the 'headlee increase,'" said Kelly. "Most municipalities take their Headlee increase."

Kelly said Independence didn't need to make that increase because they have kept a good "fiscal line on the township."

"What we did was effectively lower taxes and that is a pretty unusual thing

to be doing these days," he said.

The Headlee amendment "limits the increase in local property taxes to inflation plus new construction. Any increases in assessed valuation of property over and above the rate of inflation and new construction will reduce the maximum authorized mileage rate, known as the Headlee rollback."

Township Assessor Beverly Shaver said its purpose is to limit township taxes to the rate of inflation.

Most residents shouldn't expect much change in their winter taxes, Shaver said.

"Yes, we are giving them a lower millage rate, however, the average person's taxable went up because of the rate of inflation," she said.

Wagner said despite many people's opinions, Oakland County Executive L. Brooks Patterson is not telling him what to do. Instead, he likes to pick Patterson's brain and find out how he accomplishes different things, especially the budget.

"He has helped me immensely," Wagner said. "It's great when you don't have to raise taxes, and hopefully we can keep heading in that direction."

## Join in Clarkston High School's Homecoming fun

The Clarkston High School Team LEAD organization is organizing several events and activities for Homecoming Week:

• Girls Football Powder Puff Game, 7 p.m., Monday, Oct. 1. The game is coached by the boy's varsity football team. Tickets are \$5 and will be sold at the gate.

• The Keenan George Memorial Battle of the Bands, 3-9 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 3. No admission fee, but donations are greatly appreciated. All proceeds will go to the George Foundation.

• Homecoming football game, vs. the Troy Colts, 7 p.m., Friday, Oct. 5. The Royal Court presentation will be during halftime. Tickets are \$5 and will be sold at the gate.





• The Titanic-themed Homecoming dance will be held 7-10 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 6.

For more information, call Clarkston High School at 248-623-3600.

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# Treasures sale to help fund Neighbors

BY PHIL CUSTODIO  
Clarkston News Editor

Neighbor for Neighbor offers Treasures and Treats this weekend, to raise funds for its food pantry and charitable work.

The all-volunteer, non-profit organization in Springfield Township has been collecting donations for months, said Peg Hill, vice president for Neighbor to Neighbor.

"It will be an excellent place for parents who need equipment for their babies and young children," Hill said.

Items include strollers, play pens, high chairs, and a range of toys up to kitchen and toolshop playsets. The sale also includes sporting equipment such as skis, tennis rackets, and exercise equipment, household items, Christmas decorations from tree to front yard, and one-of-a-kind items.

"Anything you can think of," Hill said.

Treats include lots of fresh, homemade baked goods, she said.

"Volunteers have been baking like crazy," she said. "Where else can you get homemade baked goods these days?"

Shoppers will help the food pantry, and can also expect some good buys, she said.

"We don't have room to store all of this," she said. "We intend to sell it all by the end of the sale."

Neighbor for Neighbor provides food, clothing and financial assistance to families in crisis in Springfield, Independence, Holly,



A young family shops at last year's Treasures and Treats. Photo provided.

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The semi-annual rummage and bake sale will be Friday and Saturday, Sept. 28-29, from 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. at the Hart Community Cen-

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8:30am-3:00pm	Hunt Club Fox Hunt	White Horse Inn
9:30am-5:30pm	Free Horse-Drawn Trolley	Metamora Products
9:30am-5:30pm	Free Horse-Drawn Trolley	Lions Club
10:00am	Vendors/Business Expo	Harmer Pk/Holden R.E.
10:00am	Breed Displays	Equine Gatherings
10:00am	Farmer's Market	Equine Gatherings
10:00am	Reps/Equestrian Orgs	Willowdale Realty
10:00am	Bonnie Hazen Training Demo	Equine Gatherings
10:00am	Vet. John McIlmurray	Historic Town Hall
10:00am	*Coloring Contest	Emily's Salon
10:00am	*Pony Tail Contest	Emily's Salon
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10:00am	*Pony Rides	Equine Gatherings
10:00am	*Stick Horse Races	Willowdale Realty
10:00am	*Bridle Races	Willowdale Realty
10:00am	*Cookie Decorating	White Horse Inn
11:30am-12:00pm	Parade (Line-Up at 9:30am)	Downtown
11:30am-3:00pm	Miss Lucy's Luncheon Tea	White Horse Inn
12:00pm	Dick Becker Farrier	S. Oak St. Parking Lot
12:00pm-2:00pm	Kelly Barry Training Demo	Equine Gatherings
12:00pm-4:00pm	Historic Carriage Tours	White Horse Inn
1:00pm	Quadrille	Metamora Lions Club
2:00pm	Vet. Denise Burbary Muston	Historic Town Hall
2:00pm	Line Dancing Lessons	Harmer Park Stage
2:30pm	Julie Gates Training Demo	Equine Gatherings
3:00pm	Doug Russo Farrier	S. Oak St. Parking Lot
3:30pm	Vet. Roland Thaler Discusses	Historic Town Hall
4:00pm	Line Dancing Lessons	Harmer Park Stage

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12:00pm	Vet. Don Ryker	Historic Town Hall
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# Wolves thrash Huskies

After a slow start, the gridiron heroes from Clarkston High, pushed their record to 5-0. Last Friday night they downed OAA-1 rival Pontiac Northern, 40-18.

Both teams took a while to warm up - two thirds of the points were scored after halftime.

"We had a good second half," said Head Coach Kurt Richardson.

Net result of the first quarter: one touchdown each, no extra points, for a score at 6-6.

Neither scored for most of the second quarter - the Wolves posted a second touchdown with extra point with less than a minute left in the half.

"Looks like a defensive stalemate between the big dogs," said Pontiac North announcer Greg Wright.

The Wolves had a chance for a quick followup when they recovered the on-side kickoff. But they were unable to capitalize on the opportunity, punting at 4th down and 10.

The Huskies came out strong in the third quarter, putting up six

points when the Huskies broke through Clarkston defenses for a 66-yard run, bring the score to within a point of Clarkston, 13-12.

"Going right, then left, a red blur down the sidelines, Mr. Kendall Lewis," Wright said.

The Wolves came back hard, led by wide receiver Erik Thompson from Clarkston's 30-yard line.

"I have a feeling this second half is going to be something you'll remember for a long time," Wright announced.

Runningback Dakota Bender ran in the ball for a touchdown, bringing the score to 19-12 - extra point kick went wide left.

Quickly forcing a Pontiac Northern punt, the Wolves drove the ball to another third-quarter touchdown from their 41-yard line. Running for first downs were quarterback Tyler Scarlett and runningback Chad Blackstone, taking the ball to the eight-yard line with about four minutes left in the third.

Wolves offense forced the ball to the one-yard line, then across the goal for a touchdown, making the

score 26-12.

A 35-yard touchdown run by Scarlett with less than a minute left in the third quarter brought the score to 33-12.

"The Clarkston Wolves exploded in the third quarter," Wright said. "The game's not over, but the Wolves are trying to put another nail in the coffin of the Huskies."

Clarkston defense stopped a Huskie drive, ending the third quarter with no points to their name.

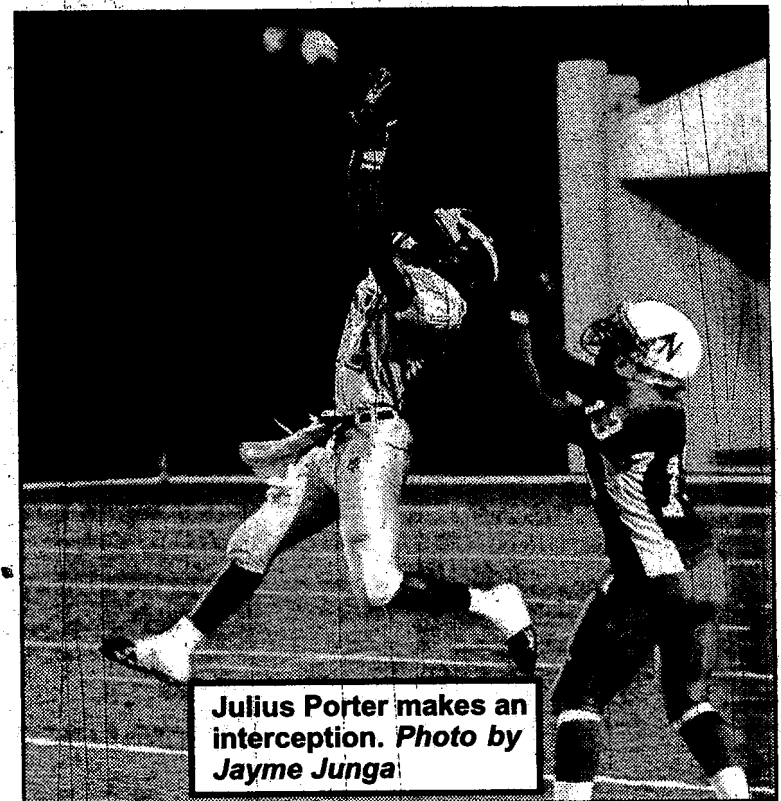
A fourth-quarter Clarkston touchdown with less than five minutes left in the game, bring the score to 40-12, and Clarkston fans started streaming from the stadium confident in victory.

The game wasn't yet over. Pontiac Northern forced a Clarkston punt with less than four minutes left, taking the ball at their 44-yard line.

A hand-off and pass completion drove the ball to Clarkston's 20-yard line.

"It's a drive for pride for the Huskies," Wright said.

A pass completion from the 20-



Julius Porter makes an interception. Photo by Jayme Junga

yard line brought the score to 18-40.

By then, less than two minutes remained on the clock, which the Wolves easily ran out.

The Wolves travel to Bloomfield

Hills Lahser Sept. 28 to take on the Knights.

Bloomfield Hills Lahser is a well coached football team," Richardson said. "We need to work on our running game - we need to be able to run the ball."

## Athlete of the Week

### BMX racer Sean Lucas keeps pedaling

BY PHIL CUSTODIO

Clarkston News Editor

BMX racer Sean Lucas of Independence Township started training early for the dirt-bike sport.

"He's been riding since he was 2 1/2, 3 years old - he started very early," said his mother, Debbie Lucas.

He is competing in his second season, so far earning first place at the Michigan State Championship in Lansing Sept. 15 and earning a spot on the J&C Cycletherapy team.

"I love racing - it gives me more energy to do other things," Sean said.

He first read about the sport a couple years ago at his school library, at Bailey Lake Elementary, and told his parents, Debbie and Mike Lucas. They took him to a local track, Waterford Oaks in Waterford, to see what it was like in person.

"He decided he wanted to try it out," Debbie said.

His family, including aunts and uncles, pitched in and got him a Haro racing bike for his eighth birthday, plus all the gear, including full-face helmet, chest protector, gloves, long-sleeve shirt, pants.

His first year involved learning the lessons of the sport. The first: keep pedaling until you cross the finish line.

"Always pedal to the end," Sean said.

Another lesson: how to unclip your shoes from pedals quickly to avoid sticking to the bike when you crash.

Training involves lots of sprints up and down neighborhood hills, eating good food, and exercising, he said.

"Anything possible," he said.

He races his stripped down #66 racing bike - no basket, bells, or even a kickstand - at

Waterford Oaks, Richfield BMX Park, and other tracks across the Midwest. Racers take on big hills with names like Three-Headed Monster, and groups of small hills called the Rhythm Section.

"I've been getting good at that this year," he said.

He is considering moving up from Rookie to Novice levels next year.

"If I make the move, it would be harder and more competitive, but then if I leave, I can't go back," he said.

He plans on sticking with BMX racing for a while, especially since it is being considered for inclusion in the Olympics.

"Maybe until I'm 23 years old, and I have to work and I don't want to risk my legs," he said.

Coming up are the National and Midwest Regional Championship races Oct. 6-7 in Norwalk, Ohio, and President's Cup and Christmas Classic in December in Columbus, Ohio.

Sean also enjoys soccer, flag football, basketball, and archery, but biking is his passion, Debbie said.

His sister Paige plans to start competing in BMX next year - she won a racing bike and helmet in separate raffles.

"God's saying she should race," Sean said.



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# Clarkston equestrian wins championship

Clarkston equestrian Jenny Gambrel, 17, won the state championship at the 4-H state finals at Michigan State University Aug. 11 with her horse Mayan. Gambrel was the only person from Oakland County invited to show at the event.

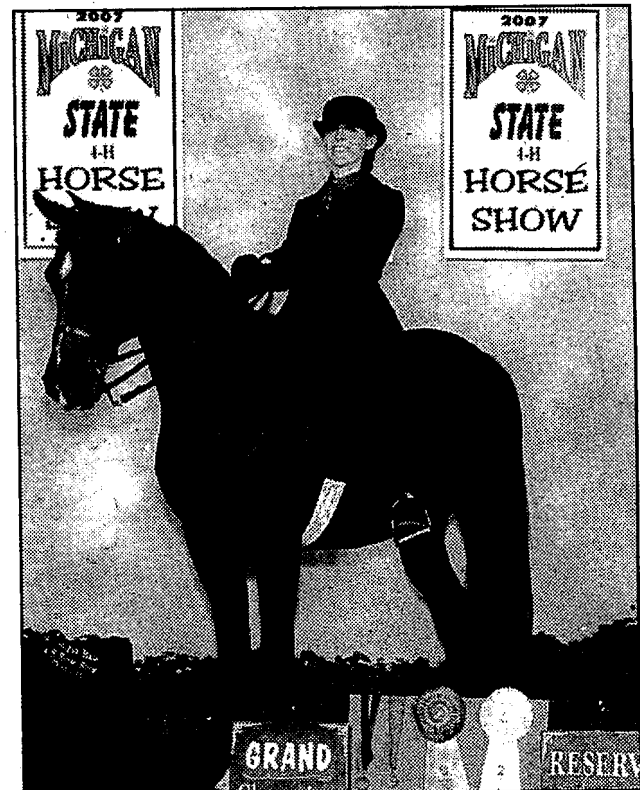
This summer was Jenny's first showing for 4-H at Springfield Oaks County Park. She has been competing since she was 7 years old, when she began showing in walk/trot competitions.

Gambrel's parents Steve and Charlotte got Jenny horse-riding lessons for her sixth birthday. That's where her passion began to take shape.

"It just took off from there," Charlotte said.

Clarkston High School Equestrian Team won the state championship in 2005 and Gambrel is confident the team can do the same this year.

"We have a really solid team put together," she said. "We're going to win the state championship. It would be nice because last



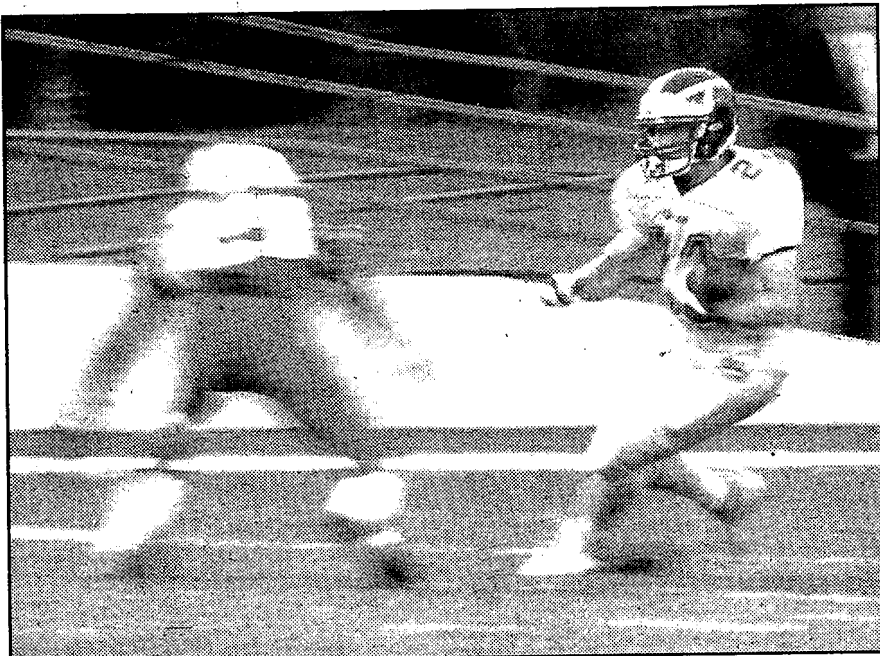
year we lost by four points."

So far, Clarkston High School equestrian team is in first place in its district, winning the District 2 championships Sept. 22.

"We are now advancing to the regional meet this

weekend at Shiawassee County Fairgrounds where the top two teams will advance to the State Finals," Steve said.

Charlotte is hoping to work as a horse trainer in the future.



## Battle of the big dogs

Above, Runningback Chad Blackstone dodges a Pontiac Northern defender. Photo by Phil Custodio  
Left, Matt Calvano, #22, and Adam Lauzum, #40, take down the Huskie quarterback. Photo by Kay Pearson



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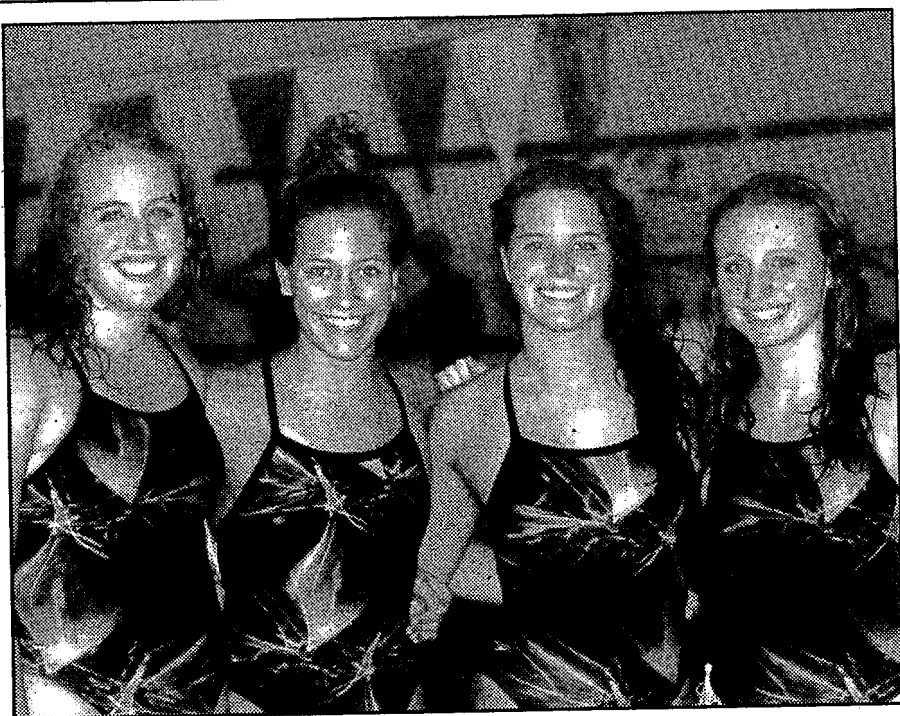
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## Swimmers still unbeaten

From left, 200- and 400-relay team swimmers Alyssa Vela, Molli Simpson, Christine Seiple, and Julia Vela helped lead the Clarkston Girls Swim team in to victory in their home meet Sept. 20 against Farmington, 110-76.

The girls posted State times, with 1:42.15 in 200 Free Relay and 3:46.87 in the 400 Free Relay.

The team is undefeated for three years, 25 wins, 0 losses.

# Freshman Wolves sink the Captains

BY KELLY IRWIN  
*Special to The Clarkston News*

The Clarkston Wolves freshman football team upped this season's record to 4-1 with a home victory over the Waterford Kettering Captains, 20-12.

Despite being physically outsized in many key positions, the Wolves kept the Captains scoreless in the first half of the game.

Running back Tyler Fultz scored in the first quarter on a run to draw first blood.

Tight end Nick Pike scored in the second quarter on a pass from quarterback Matt Rogers to bring in some insurance. Brian Benway made the extra points after each of these touchdowns.

The final play of the half saw quarterback Matt Rogers execute a wide receiver reverse

play with Ryan Herrera who ran in the final touchdown play with time expiring.

The Wolves sent in their secondary for the second half who were scored on twice by the Captains.

An onside kick by the Captains in the final two minutes of the game failed and the Wolves were prepared to let time run out. When the Wolves failed to move the chains, the game got tense with the threat of Kettering's long-armed quarterback.

With 58 seconds left in the game the Captains got possession mid-field. Their quarterback threw a 30-yard pass to a single Knight receiver surrounded by three Wolves defenders. Safety Chris Canada intercepted the pass to end their drive and seal the win for the Wolves.

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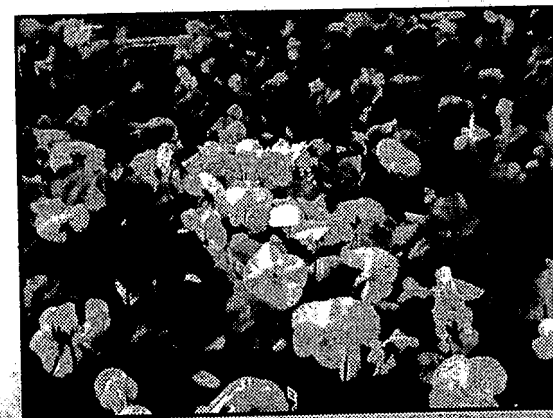
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# More community cooperation needed

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but I see that those ancient threads seem to be weaving themselves into these days in Downtown Clarkston, with regard to this issue.

In previous years, when we took that particular Saturday off, resuming the following Saturday, we would return with our full group of vendors and only one third of our customers. Numbers went from 900's down to 250, declining significantly for the rest of the market, with the last Saturday at 97 customers and a marked response to this - a low vendor turnout.

A market manager must make decisions in the direction of growth. Art in the Village has been a consistent annual event for many years and seems like it could be a sister to the farmers' market in that our focus is local produce and their focus is local art.

We have tried to enter into conversations with the president of the Historical Society and have left feeling very frustrated.

We have invited the president to sit and talk about how we may effectively merge the two events for those few hours that our two events are open at the same time on that particular Saturday morning.

The question being: How will that work? The property owner and I have initiated meetings to explore ideas and then wondered what to do next when the group's representative consistently agreed to meeting places and times,

and then never arrived for the meetings.

This spring, in the midst of these failed meetings we learned afterward, that this group had been drafting a letter. Had gone before City Council and had our group blocked from further inquiry regarding this day.

It is a disappointing thing indeed, to find that the Historical Society does not have as a part of it, a capacity for welcoming the farmers' market as other groups, councils, businesses, and people have done in such beautiful ways for us.

Listen closely, Historical Society. We are trying for a good relationship with you.

What are we asking for? A conversation.

One that takes a reasonable look at how two events might share one large space - a space that belongs to neither group, nor to the city.

Perhaps it won't be possible for the two events to merge and we are prepared to hear that but there's been no cooperation yet and I am persistent, creaking like a wagon, because taking this day off is disrupting the integrity of the farmers' market.

When the momentum of a consistent selling season of Saturdays is disrupted, we lose customers and we ultimately lose vendors. Our vendors right now are struggling to find other markets that will accept them so late in the season.

We would like the opportunity in 2008 to see how it works to run the market in conjunction with Art in the Village and through the end of

September. I wonder what Clarkston wants and how we might accomplish that.

I know the sounds of those old creaky wagons - how loud they can be. Our wagons carry precious cargo...locally-grown foods...locally-grown children.

The wagons rest empty in my driveway along with a living room full of baskets...waiting until next year. My mind is full of memories of market mornings and new plans for next season.

I have a wonderful co-manager who shares the enthusiasm that I have about the market and we will work closely all winter. We have a brilliant team of volunteers...and I'd wager that perhaps those old red wagons have never before seen days as vibrant as those they spent rattling around the farmers' market on a summer Saturday morning.

If you would like to see the Clarkston Farmers' Market and the Art in the Village work together to create a fantastic weekend for Clarkston, we would like to know.

Write letters. Let City Council know. Let the Historical Society know. Start a petition if you like. Lend ideas. Support the Farmers' Market and Art in the Village. Both gatherings are very important to our community.

We hope everyone winters-over well and see you when the black raspberries ripen!

Anissa Howard is the founder of the market and co-manager with Chris Hardman.

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Independence Township Parks and Recreation is accepting registrations for the Start Smart Program.

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Parks and Recreation is also accepting registrations for Intro to Basketball.

The program is set for Saturday mornings, Oct. 6-Nov. 10. Boys and girls, K-2 grades, will be taught the correct way to dribble, pass and shoot a basketball as well as basic offensive and defensive techniques.

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## Demo brings mixed emotions

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for us," said Wagner.

"I have ambivalent feelings today; I hate to see the old building (destroyed.) We have a lot of good memories at the same time it's been six years of work on trying to get a new senior center," said Margaret Bartos, senior center coordinator.

Bartos wore a badge reading "where there is vision there is progress." She and other senior center members wore the badges to almost every township board meeting in 2001 to express their opinion; they needed a new senior center.

"What we are getting today is a very small building to replace the one we have. But it's not moldy, it has handicap accessible hallways and bathrooms and small activity area and small offices, but it's a start and it's a first step. We're very proud of the township board and Dave Belcher and the community for supporting this," said Bartos.

Trustee Charles Dunn said the project was an example of community cohesiveness.

"I think this is a great day, it shows that the community can come together and get something done efficiently, quickly, and when people recognize that it's something good for the community, good things happen," Dunn said.

Independence Township resident John Thomas recalls a 1977 newspaper story that said a senior center was going to be built.

"I've been working one way or another for 27 years out of there (the old building)," Thomas said. "I started when I was 56 years old. I'm 83 now and I've been working on this ever since, so if you see a tear shed here, you'll understand why, because it is something in a way to be sad about because I have all these memories of it. But on the other hand we are going to move

into something that is much better for the seniors and they have been working a long, long time."

Dave Belcher thanked Dave Santia for donating labor and materials to install waterlines for the new senior center. Santia, who is celebrating a 30-year anniversary in the water business, said he appreciated the efforts of Dave Belcher to bring the community together.

"It's left open for other people to come and donate. It's not just one person or company. This is something we've been looking forward to and are glad to be apart of this," he said.

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## Council accepts resignation

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we're a lot alike."

Both, he said, share a willingness to express unpopular opinions and approach difficult subjects.

Councilwoman Kristy Ottman, who sat on the PCSC along with Rausch, was frustrated by the decision, as well.

"I'm disappointed," she said. "Bill

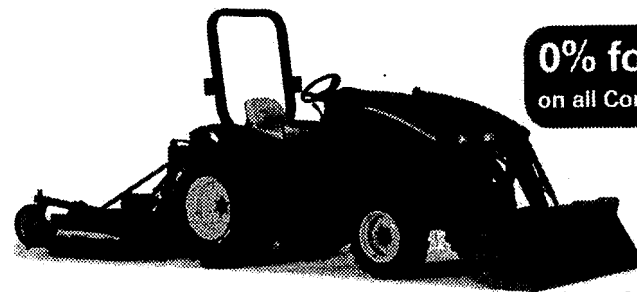
has a lot to bring to the table and I wish he would have reconsidered."

The council voted unanimously to accept the resignation, however, and Mayor Sharron Catallo said she'd spoken with Charles Inabnit, also a member of the PCSC, about assuming the vacant seat.

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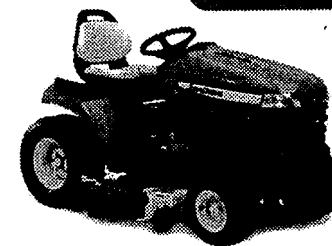
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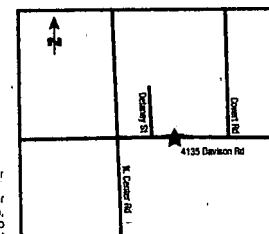
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**SCAMP 5K set Sunday**

Clarkston SCAMP, a non-profit summer day camp for impaired children and young adults, will hold its 6th Annual 5K Race on Sunday, Sept. 30, at Waterford Hills Road Racing Track, Oakland County Sportsman's Club.

The event honors one of Clarkston's finest citizens, who was also one of the group's first benefactors.

"We stumbled upon it accidentally, really," said Clarkston Mayor Sharron Catallo, wife of the late Clarence, who passed away suddenly in 1998. "The more we learned, the more we realized what a wonderful program it was, and a necessary program."

A racer during his younger days, Clarence would have enjoyed taking a spin in his Little Deuce Coupe for the runners, they said.

"It's a great way to remember my dad and to benefit an organization that meant a lot to him," said Cara Catallo, one of Clarence and Sharron's two adult children.

The runners will race just over two laps around the winding, somewhat hilly course, free of pothole and traffic. The road-racing track offers runners an excellent surface, officials said, and should be very fast.

"This is a great community effort to support SCAMP," said Maureen Tippen, race co-chair. "Not just runners but anybody who wants to support SCAMP."

The race, she said, will include a walking event, and kids can participate, as well. Volunteers are still needed, Tippen added, so those who aren't up to a run or walk can still support SCAMP by lending a hand.

The shotgun start for the race is 8:30 a.m. Register online at ClarkstonSCAMP.com, or in person at Runnin' Gear, 5390 Dixie Highway, Waterford.

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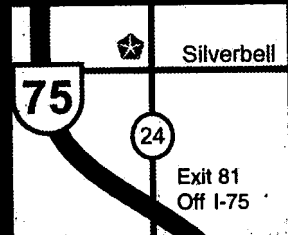
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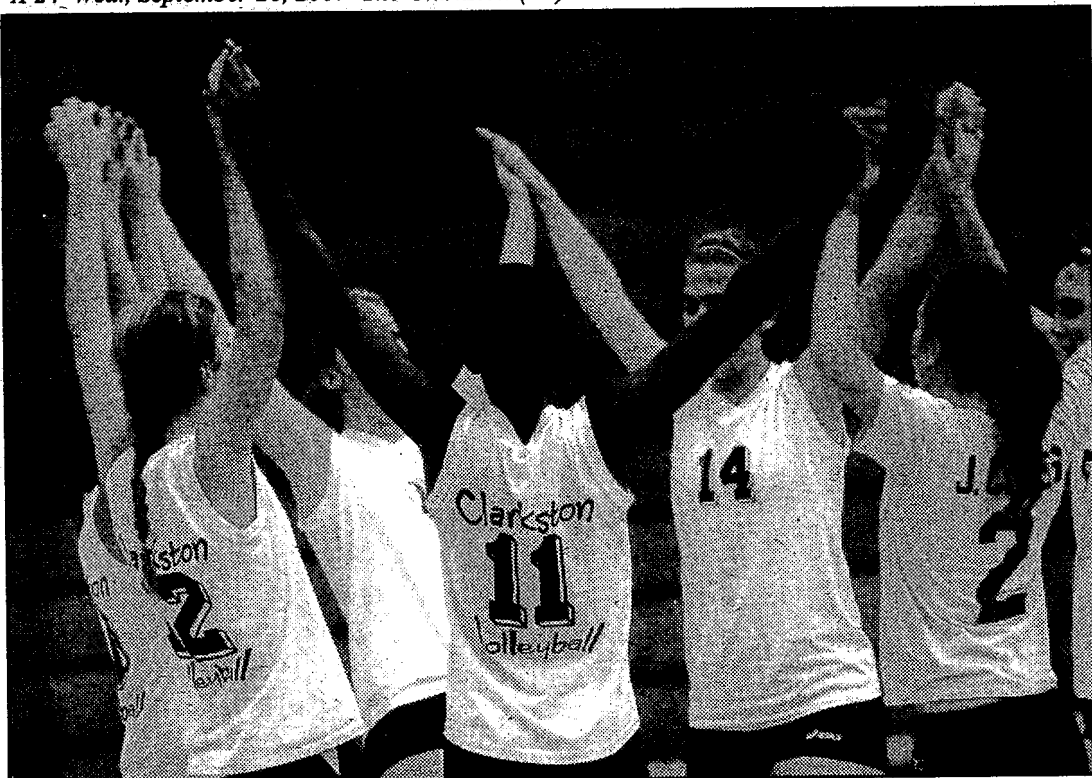


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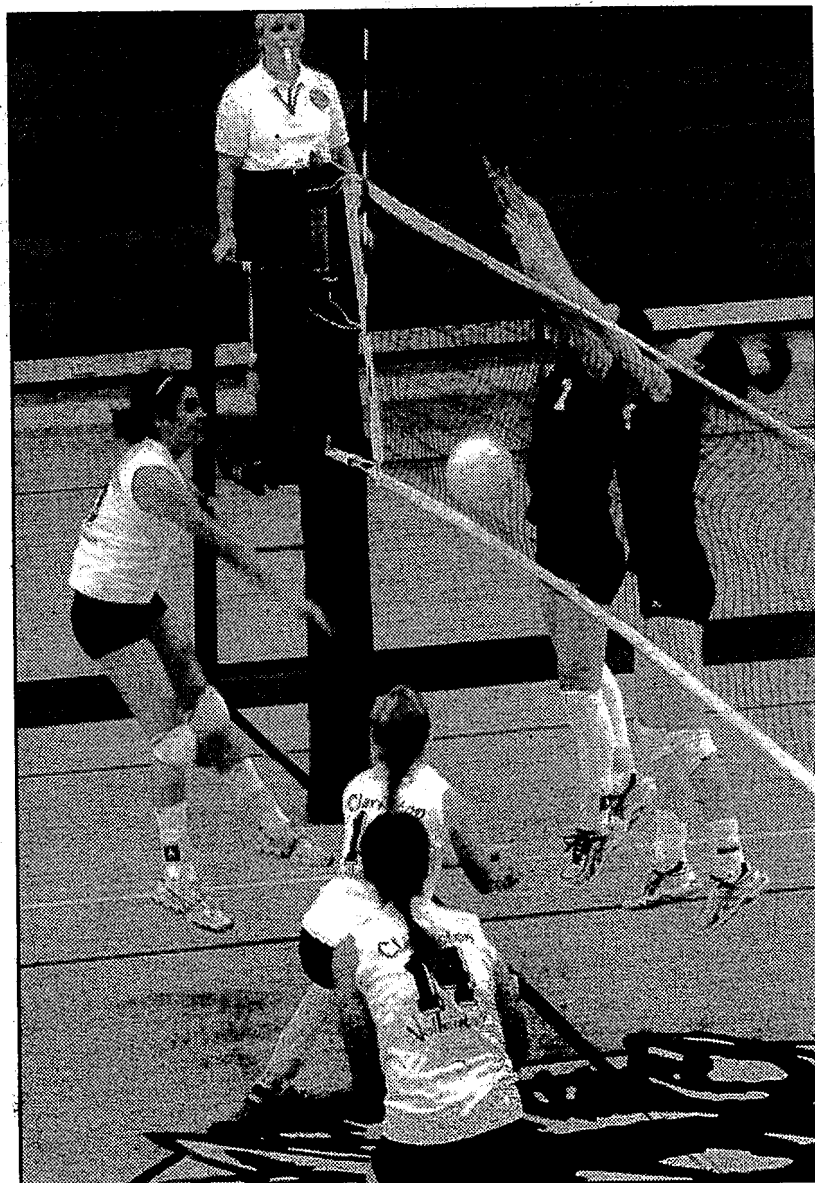
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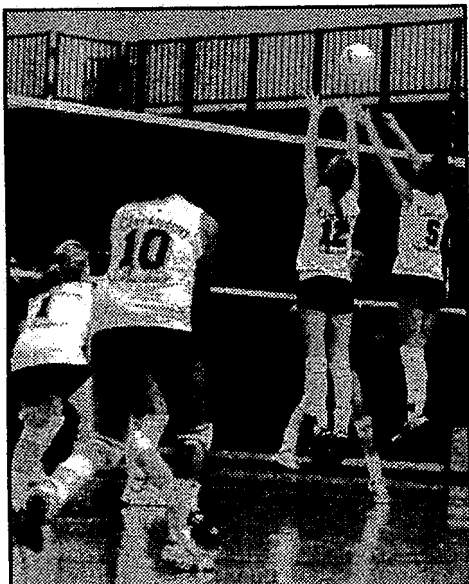
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The girls share a unifying moment.



The girls played with confidence, said Coach Kelly Avenall



Teamwork paid off Thursday.

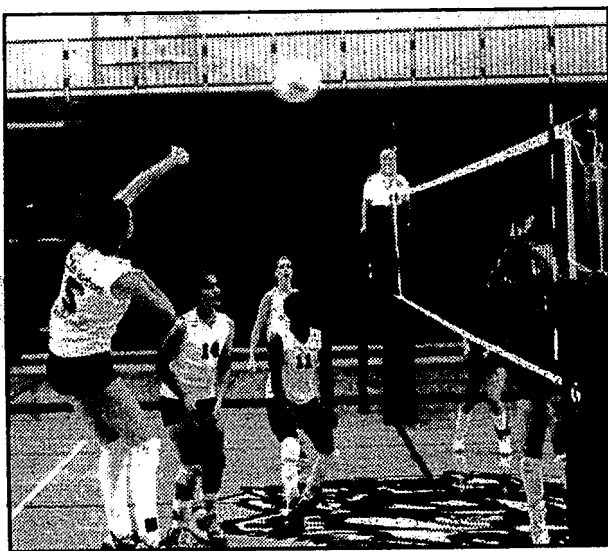
## Dig this!

The Clarkston girl's volleyball team went home happy after Thursday's win against Troy. The team took all three games, with scores of 25-15, 25-23, 25-15.

"Our defense looked great," said Coach Kelly Avenall. "And we did things a little different and got our offense moving quicker. It really worked out in game three."

Kelley Croll had 13 kills, while Emily Parkin had 21 assists and Jenna Coats had 31 digs.

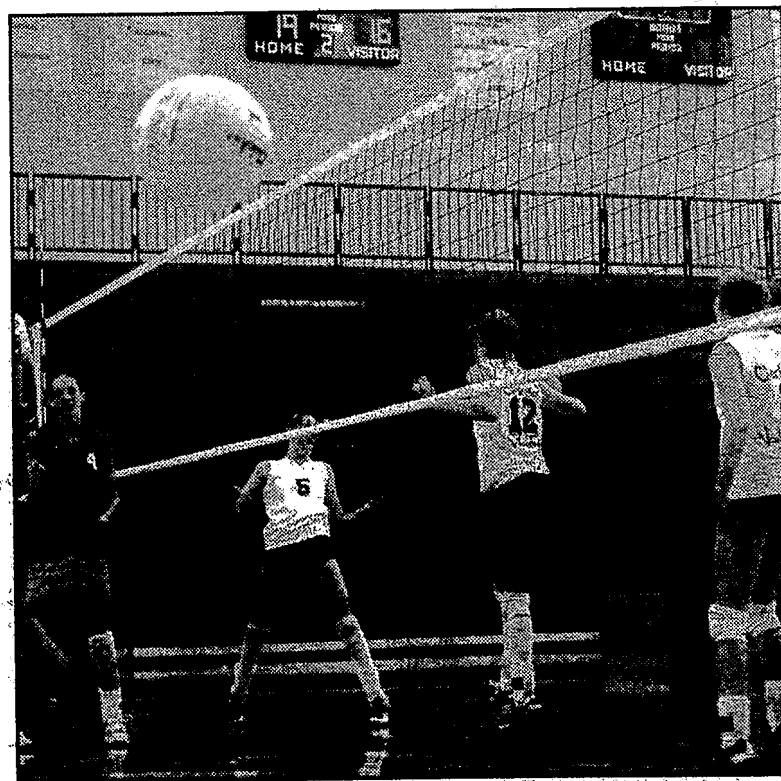
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Whaaaapl



Senior Jillan Locricchio waits...



Yes! The team celebrates one more point in another win.



## People Poll

September 26, 2007

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### Michigan's budget?



"I hear they're raising taxes. No thank you. We don't have the money as it is."

— Glenna Zess



"It would be awful if they raise sales taxes to 7%. Every little bit makes a difference. I don't think it would solve anything."

— Theresa Rigato



"I don't think they should raise taxes. We need to jump start the economy, particularly in the real estate market. Don't put the burden on the people."

— Barbara McClure



"They have to come to a compromise. I pray for our leaders to have the wisdom to know what to do. It's not right or left, but how to work out a balanced solution."

— Mike Blicher

By Phil Custodio

# Millstream

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## Fast mover

BY TREVOR KEISER

Clarkston News Staff Writer

When most 9-year-old girls were playing with Barbie's, dreaming about being ballerinas and princesses when they grow older, Keera Allen was saying "I want to be a race car driver when I grow up."

Allen's interest in racing started while sitting on the sofa with her grandfather on a Sun. afternoon watching NASCAR.

"I just had always watched NASCAR on TV and I told my dad I wanted to race, and I came home one day and I had a car," said Allen, now 14 years old.

It was a "very used" Quarter Midget car (races between ages 5 to 16) for her 10th birthday. In her rookie season Allen won many races and set her first track record. She was also voted "Rookie of the year" by her peers. Half way through the season her dad realized Allen could out drive what her used car could do, so he bought her a new car and moved her out of the novice class into the "senior Honda." Allen ended her 2003 season.

Over the next three years Allen got faster cars and earning herself two championships in the quarter midget and meeting her first "on track rivalry," with a boy named Trevor Berry. Both Allen and Berry had a huge amount of respect for one another. In 2006 Allen was also voted "Female Driver of the Year" in two different point series.

Entering the 2007 season, Allen started with a feature win at Columbus Rumble Series in the heavy 160 quarter midget class. In spring moved from the quarter midgets into a full size mini-stock, a Ford Mustang. Allen said there is not much difference between the quarter midget cars and full size.

"Once you race one thing, pretty much any-

thing else is just the same," she said. "Because going from a small car on a small track you feel like you're going fast but when you go on a big track with a faster car you still feel like you're going just as fast because of the size ratio."

She raced all season at M40 Speedway in Jones, Mi. Allen ended the season in fourth place with points, which made her the highest finishing rookie in that class. In Aug. Allen once again got the chance to drive something new. She joined the "Short Track Truck Race," in which she was driving an F-150. According to the rules 14-year-old is too young to be driving in the short track trucks; however, Allen received special approval from the series promoter to compete.

"This is just a lot different because I am driving with a wide age range. I am driving with some 40 and 50-year-olds at least and when you race quarter midgets, I only raced with kids 9 to 16-years-old."

If given a choice between racing the car or the truck, Allen said she would take the truck.

"The truck is better because my car had a lot of mechanical problems and just could never do very good in it because we didn't have a lot of money compared to a lot of the other mini stock drivers," she said. "The trucks are pretty even, there is not much you can do to make them so much faster than the other ones. It drives a lot better and is a lot easier to drive too."

Allen said she has gotten up to about 140 mph in the truck and even though she has been racing for quite awhile, she still gets nervous before each race.

"When I race quarter midgets I have been doing that so long I pretty much don't even think about racing anymore honestly like my mind just totally wonders when I race quarter midgets, but in the truck and the car I am mostly focused on the racing part," she said.

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Keera Allen, 14, races pickup trucks. Photo provided



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**Steve Howe Scholarship Fund Golf Outing**, Sept. 29, 8 a.m. shotgun start, Springfield Oaks Golf Course, 12450 Andersonville Road, Davisburg. \$90. 18 holes with cart, dinner at Springfield Inn. 248-930-1795.

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**Over the River and Through the Woods 5K & 3K Run**, Camp Fire USA North Oakland Council, 9 a.m., Sept. 29, Independence Oaks County Park, 9501 Sashabaw Road. \$18 early registration. 248-618-9050.

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**Bailey Lake Elementary School Fair**, 11 a.m.-4 p.m., Sept. 29, 8051 Pine Knob Road. Games, food, dunk tank, cake walk, prizes, face painting. Everyone welcome. 248-623-5300.

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**Road Rally**, teams solve puzzles to find where to go next, 4 p.m., Sept. 29, Hart Community Center, Davisburg. 18 years and older. Prizes. Resident: \$35/couple, \$20/person. Non-Resident: \$45/couple, \$25/person. 248-634-0412.

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**Internet Safety Class For Teens and Parents**, 6:30 p.m., Oct. 4. FBI computer forensics specialist will teach teens and their parents the safe way to cruise around the Internet. Springfield Township Library, 12000 Davisburg Road. Call 248-846-6550 to register.

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**Support Group** for all ages of those recently widowed, 7 p.m., Oct. 4, Carriage House in

## Around Town



### Learning the lines

**Amy Seaman of Clarkston, left, and Wendy Hedstrom of Ortonville rehearse a scene from the Clarkston Village Players dark comedy farce "Bright Ideas." The show runs Oct. 4-7 and 11-13 at Depot Theater, 4861 White Lake Road. For tickets, call 248-625-8811.**

Clintonwood Park, Clarkston Road. Topic: "Exploring the Lessons of Grief-Positive Outcomes of Bereavement." Alicia Brown, bereavement counselor at Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston. Free. Walk-ins welcome. 248-625-5231.

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**Beginning Computer Classes**, 6-7:30 p.m.,

Oct. 9, 11, 16, 18. Computer and Mouse Basics, Email Basics, Surfing the Internet, Beginning Microsoft Word. Springfield Twp. Library, 12000 Davisburg Road. 248-846-6550.

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**Smoke house**, Springfield Township Fire Department, 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Oct. 11,

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**Craft Show & Bazaar**, American Legion Post 63 Auxiliary, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Oct. 13. Campbell Richmond American Legion, 8047 Ortonville Rd. 248-425-4410.

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**Halloween Craft**, Witch on a Broom, 11 a.m., Oct. 20. Ages 6-12 years. Springfield Twp. Library, 12000 Davisburg Road. 248-846-6550.

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**Luau dinner fundraiser**, benefits Adam Wheatcroft Memorial Scholarship Fund, 5:30 p.m., Oct. 20, Oakland County Sportsmen's Club, 4770 Waterford Road. Bake sale, silent auction, 50/50, raffles. \$15. Call Lynnette and Rob Wheatcroft, 248-628-6390.

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**Friendly Forest**, 4:30-7 p.m., Oct. 20, Clintonwood Park. Kids ages 2-9 in costume walk the enchanted trail with their parents and collect goodies from cartoon and fairy tale characters. \$6/resident, \$8/non-resident, and adults/free. Purchase in advance at Independence Township Parks and Recreation office. 248-625-8223.

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**Learning Photoshop**, 6-8 p.m. Taught by Roger Bower. Beginner's Level, Oct. 23. Intermediate Level, Oct. 30. Springfield Twp. Library, 12000 Davisburg Road. 248-846-6550.

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**Antique Auction**, Clarkston Community Historical Society, 7 p.m., Oct. 26, Independence Township Library meeting room, 6495 Clarkston Road. For information or to donate, call 248-922-0270.

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# Church groups go to prison, leave the country

## Mission work helps people most in need

BY PHIL CUSTODIO  
Clarkston News Editor

Thirteen members of Clarkston Community Church went to prison Aug. 23-25, part of "Champions for Life" outreach ministry.

"It was kind of intimidating when the doors slammed shut behind you," said Pastor Greg Henneman.

"The metal detectors, pat downs, it was unnerving at first, but I got acclimated to it—I really enjoyed it."

The Champions trip to Grand Rapids, Henneman's first time inside a prison, was founded by Bill Glass, former NFL player for the Detroit Lions and Cleveland Browns.

To get inmates' attention, the program featured speakers including Glass and Paul Wrenn, the "world's strongest man over the age of 40."

"He had the biggest guy in prison come up and jump on his belly," Henneman said. "He was a 413 pound, 6'3" guy, and he

bounced off like he was nothing – it was pretty impressive."

Speakers shared how God made a difference in their lives, making them better people.

Henneman and other Clarkston Community Church volunteers then joined team members, inviting inmates to talk further.

"I had as many as eight guys around me—some were already believers, some not, some wanted to ask God into their lives," he said. "Many did."

Immediately after the prison ministry, Henneman joined 15 church members for a trip to Central America for a week of mission work.

"We want to help people in the third-world countries, help relieve poverty, and bring the message of Jesus Christ," Henneman said.

During the Aug. 25-31 trip, they provided medical relief, built a house, and started a new church in the mountain village of Borboton. The church has worked through "Heart to Honduras," a ministry based in Xenia, Ohio, for almost 10 years.

The medical team served more than 500 people, from sick babies to elderly adults with skin rashes.

"The ministry serves the whole person, body and soul," said Fred Cartwright, leader of the Honduras Team. "We have provided clean water to villages, shelter for the home-

Pastor Greg Henneman of Clarkston Community Church, with some of the children he met during the church's mission trip to Honduras.



less, clothing for the naked, and the hope of Jesus Christ."

"The Bible tells us that the church is the body of Christ," Henneman said. "We are his hands. We are his feet. It's awesome to pas-

for a church that really lives that out."

For more information on Clarkston Community Church, 6300 Clarkston Road, check [www.clarkstonchurch.com](http://www.clarkstonchurch.com) or call 248-625-1323.

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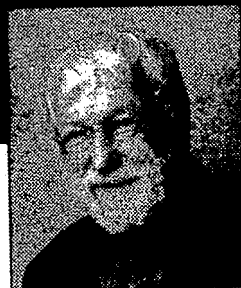
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# Milestones



From left, Clarkston High School grads Brittany Walsh, Todd Morra, Justin Benson, and Sarah Galbreath in Michigan State University green. The alumni, along with Katie Bonnivier, are part of Michigan State Spartan Marching Band. Benson, Galbreath, and Bonnivier are Class of 2006, Walsh and Morra, Class of 2007.

## Students achieve success

**Jackson Shader**, 2004 graduate of Clarkston High School, earned his associate degree in Culinary Arts from The Culinary Institute of America in New York.

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Clarkston High School students **Sarah E. Chasins**, **Maria L. Mercado** and **Marissa A. Ortiz** were named semifinalists in the 53rd annual National Merit Scholarship Program.

To be considered for a scholarships

up to \$2,500, must advance to finalist level. Finalists are selected based on application, academic record, recommendation by school principals, and SAT scores.

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**Erin Richards**, junior at Hope College, is studying this semester at the Institute for the International Education of Students in Salamanca, Spain.

She is the daughter of Michael and Eve-Marie Richards of Clarkston and a 2005 graduate of Clarkston High School.

## In our country's service...

**Benjamin J. Soltisz** has entered Basic Cadet Training at the U.S. Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Colo.

The six-week, two-phased orientation program must be successfully completed before their freshman year. Training in-

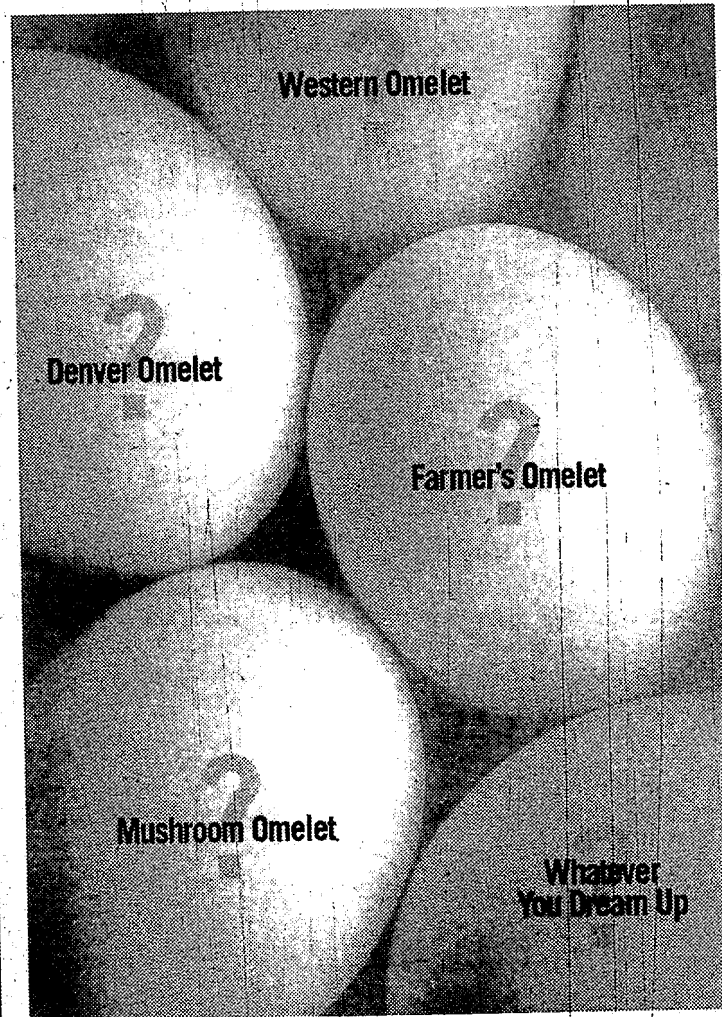
cludes drill and ceremony, field work, and leadership exercises.

A 2007 graduate of Waterford Kettering High School, he is the son of Benjamin and Carla Soltisz of Independence Township.

## Got a Milestone to share?

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# Religion

## God's vision makes life clearer

A problem faced by many people in our day is a lack of vision for their lives.

Those facing this problem get up each day without any sense of purpose, and as a result find that the only thing that keeps them going are the forces of necessity.

When the ongoing concern of one's days becomes what must be done in order to survive, life itself becomes drudgery.

And those in the midst of this drudgery feel themselves to be more dead than alive, even though they know they are still breathing.

These people need vision.

The Bible addresses the importance of vision in The Proverbs.

There we read, "Where there is no vision, the people perish; but happy is he who keeps the law" (Pr.29:18). From this verse there are a few points to observe when it comes to living life with vision.

The first of these has to do with the source of vision. A vision for life that satisfies cannot be manufactured by our own efforts. It comes to us as a gift from God.

The word translated "vision" in the Bible literally means "revelation," and it refers to direction given to us by God. In biblical times, such direction came through

living prophets.

Today it comes through the living Word of God. From this it becomes clear that if we are going to have vision in our lives, we must attend to God's Word.

The second point that comes from this verse has to do with the peril of living without vision.

I have already mentioned that living without vision makes you feel lifeless. But it is actually worse than that. When people forsake God's Word and lose their vision, it eventually leads to death and destruction.

Whenever vision is lacking, there is also a lack of restraint and guiding principles.

A personal anarchy begins to take over, with the senses gaining greater and greater control of the personality. More and more, life becomes all about getting one's feelings satisfied.

When this becomes predominant in a society, it begins to run wild, with everyone doing what is right in his or her own eyes.

And this leads that society to ruin.

The third point of the verse, however, brings us hope, because it shows us what happens to those who order their lives according to God's Word - it brings them blessing and happiness.

God in His kindness has revealed in the Bible what

### Spiritual Matters



Pastor David Bostrom

Please see *Spiritual Matters*, page 7B

## In our churches...

**What Is Unity**, introductory discussion of Unity principles, history of the Unity Movement, and mission, vision, core values, and goals for Peace Unity Church, 10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Sept. 30. Meets at Sashabaw Presbyterian, 5300 Maybee Road. 248-891-4365.

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**"Prayer Partner Training,"** 10:30 a.m., second Sunday. Participants will receive a prayer syllabus. All welcome. Peace Unity, at Sashabaw Presbyterian, 5300 Maybee Road. 248-891-4365.

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**Bethany North**, 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, call Tim, 248-628-6825, or Joann. 248-673-2539. www.bethanyofsoutheasternmichigan.org.

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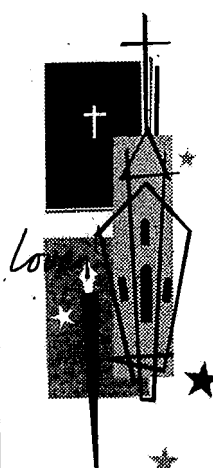
**Wednesday Evening Feast** - Food for Body and Soul, 6:10 p.m., praise and worship at 7 p.m., classes for all ages from 7:15-8:30 pm. Nursery provided. Through Nov. 14. Calvary Lutheran Church, 6805 Bluegrass Drive, I-75 and M-15. 248-625-3288.

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**Scripture Study**, 1st/2nd Samuel, 9:30 a.m., Thursdays for 11 weeks beginning Sept. 6; Gospel of John and the Johannine Epistles, 7 p.m., Mondays for 13 weeks beginning Sept 10. Call 248-625-1750 to register. **Orientation** for those interested in becoming Catholic or

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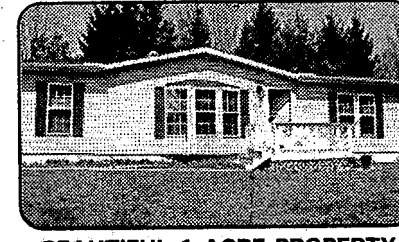


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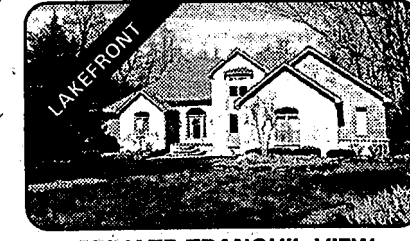
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# Distributor helps keep Clarkston businesses clean

BY LAURA COLVIN  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

John Mervenne has a mission: It's his goal to help local businesses establish and maintain a clean, healthy and safe workplace at the lowest total cost.

Mervenne—who supplies everything from deli containers and grocery bags to janitorial supplies, latex gloves, soaps and shampoos—opened Clarkston Paper in April, after years on the industry's manufacturing side.

"I saw a real opportunity," he said, "especially in today's economy. Businesses are looking to lower their costs."

His previous experience, Mervenne said, gives him a thorough understanding of the business and factors influencing product cost.

Understanding and working around those factors, he said, allows him to bring the expense down for business owners.

"Instead of just taking an order I prefer to go in, look at the operation and find ways of lowering cost," he said, "I've built up a good network of people on the manufacturing side, so there's not much I can't get at a competitive price."

Customer service, he said, is important, as well.

Over Labor Day, for example, a worried cus-



John Mervenne, owner of Clarkston Paper, stops in to see a customer.

tommer called to say he was running low on paper products while working as a food vendor at Arts, Beats and Eats in Pontiac.

Mervenne, who keeps his most popular products close at hand for just such an emergency, was able to grab the necessary items and save the day with a quick delivery.

"Being responsive is important," he said. "I'm extraordinarily flexible in working with customer needs, delivery days and times, and the products I have available."

Mervenne has no minimum order restrictions, and working from his home office keeps overhead low, a savings he's able to pass on

to customers.

He also deals with all facets of customer accounts, so there's no lost communication or disinterested employees for clients to deal with.

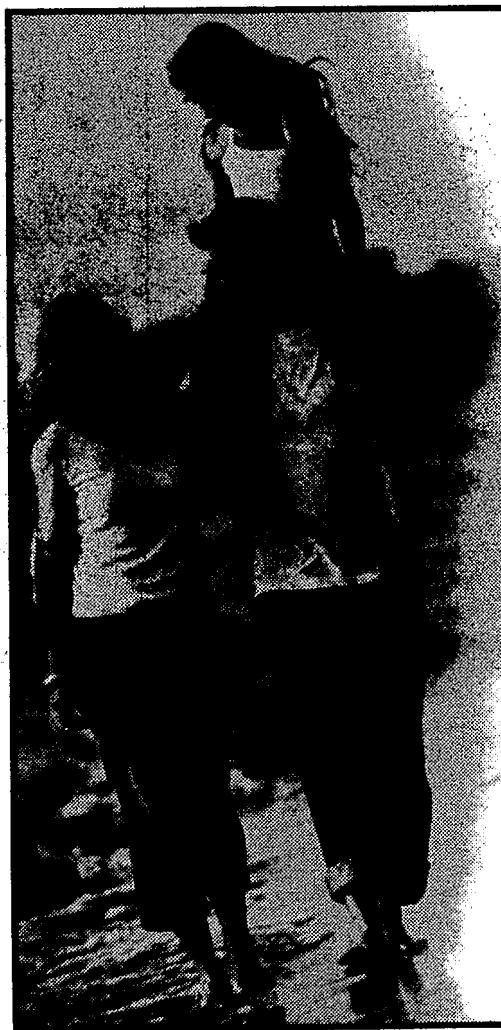
"I bring a lot of experience to my customers," said Mervenne, whose growing list of clients includes local medical professionals, schools, supermarkets, churches, and office buildings. "I'm not your typical distributor going out and quoting a price. You have to show value."

Switching from the industry's manufacturing side to supplying the end user not only allows Mervenne to spend less time on the road and more time at home with his wife and two young children, it also imparts a sense of community, which he enjoys.

And with so many struggling against the sluggish economy, Mervenne likes to see local businesses supporting one another.

"That gets kind of lost sometimes," he said. "Instead of thinking 'what can you do for me?' we should all be thinking 'what can we do together to improve business in the whole community?'"

For more information about Clarkston Paper, call 248-914-1026, email [Jmervenne@clarkstonpaper.com](mailto:Jmervenne@clarkstonpaper.com), or visit [www.clarkstonpaper.com](http://www.clarkstonpaper.com)



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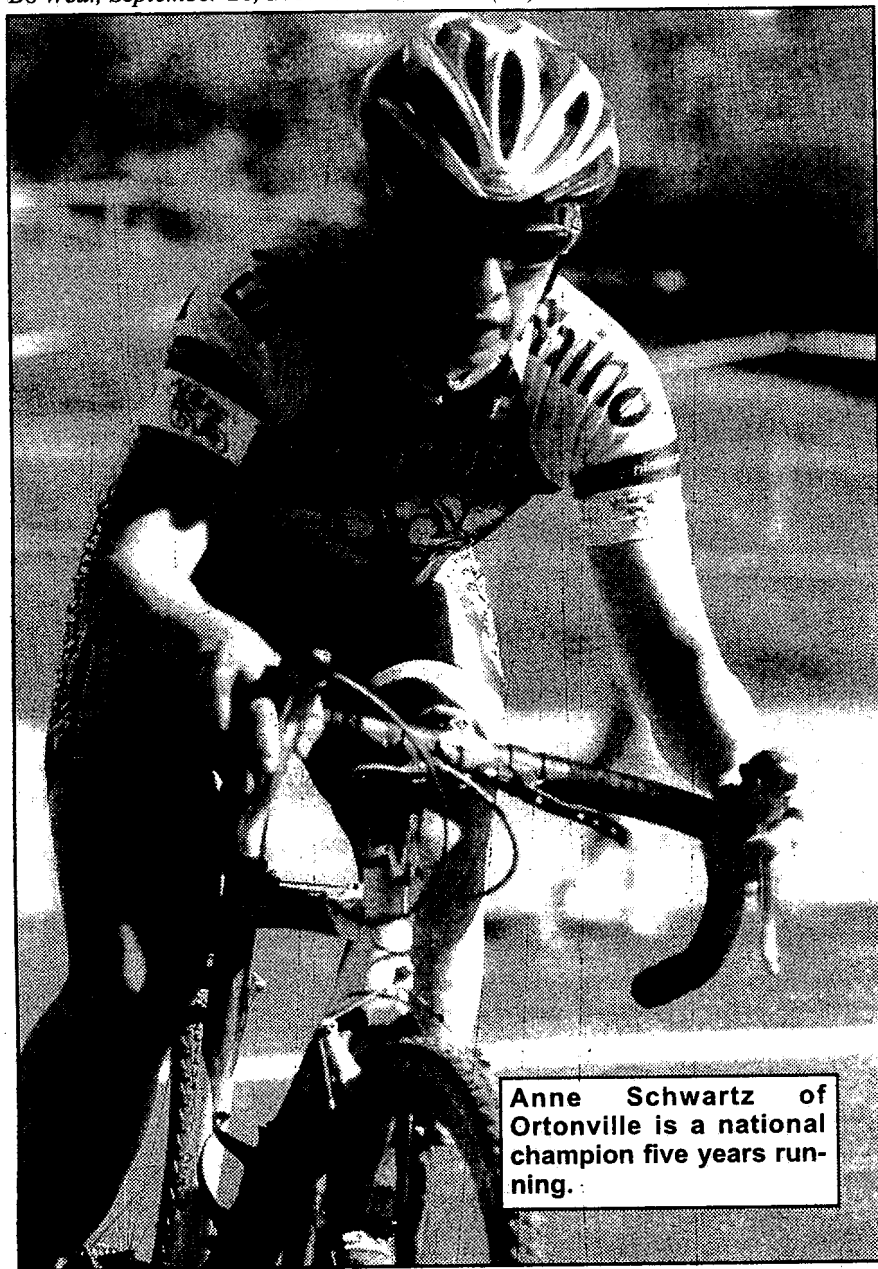
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Anne Schwartz of Ortonville is a national champion five years running.



Wixom resident Joe Brown, a racer ranked fifth in the nation for his age group—45-plus—designed and set up the cyclo-cross course at Springfield Oaks.



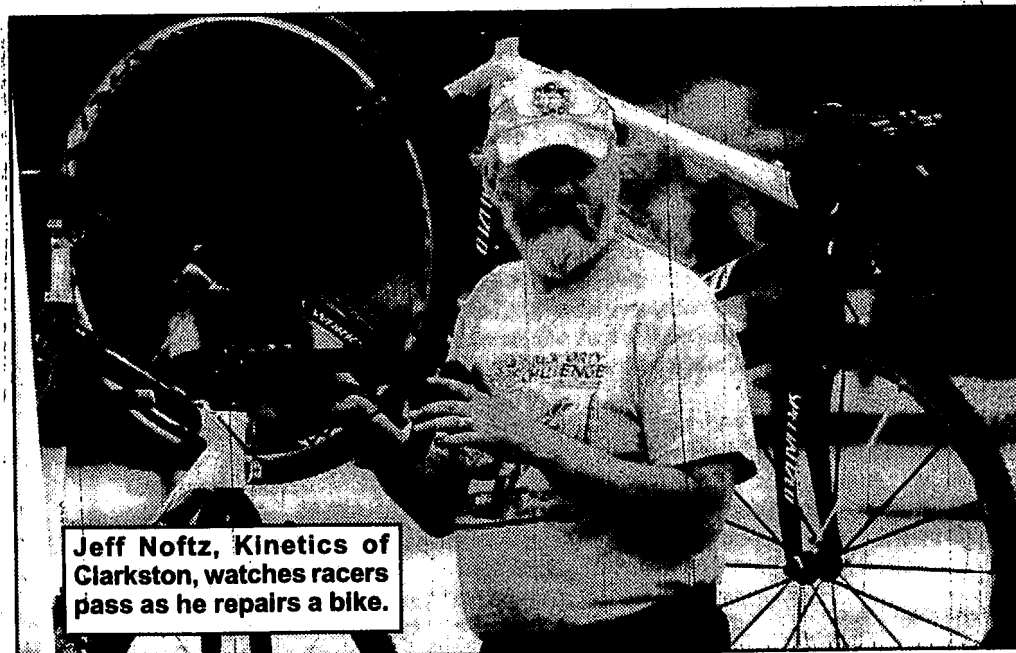
## Cross-country racers from across the country

Riders from across the country—and many from Canada and overseas, as well—gathered in Springfield Township last weekend for the KTR Michigan Double-Cross Races at Springfield Oaks.

Officially dubbed Cyclo-cross, the sport is described by Jeff Noftz of Clarkston as a mix of road biking, mountain biking and running.

The event attracted world-class riders, including six national champions, adept at racing over grass, sand, gravel, pavement and other surfaces, and clearing a series of 16-inch barriers.

Photos by Laura Colvin



Jeff Noftz, Kinetics of Clarkston, watches racers pass as he repairs a bike.



# Racer refuses to let stereotypes get in her way

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Allen said she gets both positive and negative feedback for not only being a young racer, but being a girl as well.

"A lot of the fans especially in quarter midgets at Lansing because they have a bar right there and you get out of your car and they are like 'oh my god that was a girl.' And they don't believe that a girl just won the race," said Allen. "When I was driving the truck they were just amazed that I was only 14 and racing the truck."

Allen said she feels being a girl does put her at a disadvantage sometimes because some people think that girls shouldn't race. She also said she knows kids who got yelled at by their parents because they were beat by a girl or parents who won't let their daughters race because they are girls.

"Some people don't like it that girls race," she said. "A lot of people, especially in the higher classes like the truck they just look at me like another driver. They don't look at me like I am 14 or that I am a girl. They just talk to me like I am another driver."

Along with the sport of racing comes, not only adrenalin pumping fast speeds, but accidents as well. Allen said she flipped over a fence and had the whole side of her car run over in the mini-stock.

"The truck I haven't wrecked yet thank God," she said. Allen said getting in an accident doesn't scare her too much, as she recalled a weekend she had two cars she was racing in Fort Wayne and rolled both cars 4 times.

Allen's biggest fan is her mom. "I am proud of her," said Jacki Allen. "It takes a lot of dedication to do what she does and to overcome the odds that she has to overcome."

Jacki said she doesn't worry about her daughter too much because she knows that Keera has the best safety equipment.

"She got hit hard twice in one spinout in her mini-stock this year," said Jacki. "I mean it looked bad out there and she came in and the only thing that was wrong was she was mad, not sore, or bruised."

Keera said she harder on herself than anyone.

"Guys have the problem of they always

want to go beat up the person. I always blame it on myself and want to beat up myself," she said. "I've always noticed that too, girls are smarter in that way when I race. Guys are always like 'I am going to go beat him up he wrecked me.'"

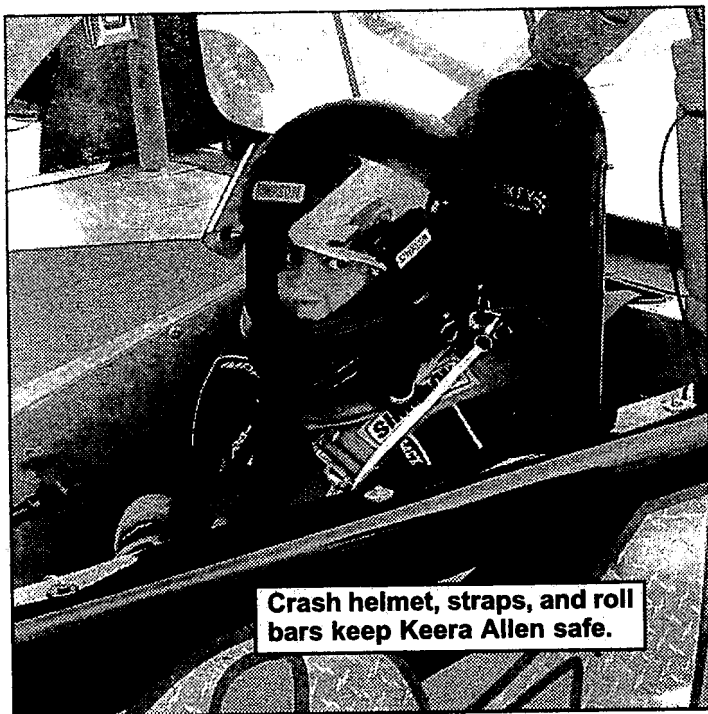
Allen said a guy wanted to beat her up before.

"He shoved me and his dad was fighting with my dad, its crazy," she said.

Allen said she admires Danica Patrick and other female racers but overall she just enjoys racing its fun, keeps her busy, she makes a lot of new friends and not to mention there is a lot of "cute guys."

Allen is currently sponsored by Mazza Auto Parts and signed a year contract with TNT Racing, who will help her get more sponsors. She was also voted "rookie of the year" in the mini-stock last weekend.

Allen plans to race the truck full time for her 2008 season. If you're interested in seeing Keera race, check her out Sept. 29 at Dixie Motor speed way.



Crash helmet, straps, and roll bars keep Keera Allen safe.

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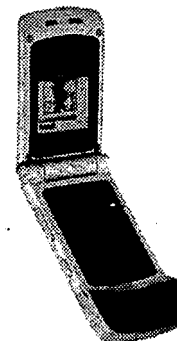
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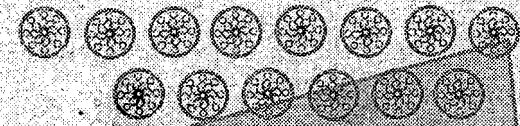
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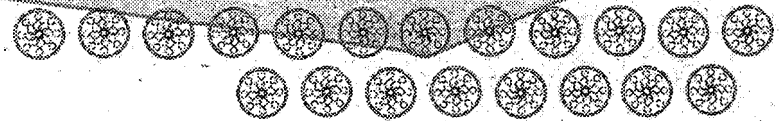
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- Clarkston Union
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- Gregg's
- Hamlin Pub
- Johnny Rockets
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- Longhorn Steakhouse
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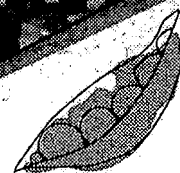
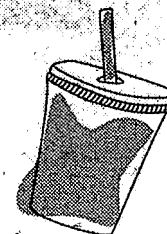
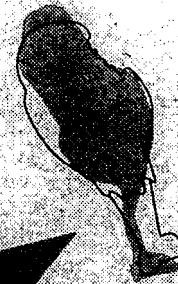
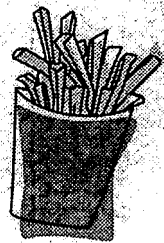
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- Oakland Press
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- Hometown Values Magazine

#### Corporate

- Al Deeby Dodge
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Independence Township Parks & Recreation  
The City of the Village of Clarkston

# Obituary

## Richard J. Stumpf

Richard J. Stumpf, born Jan. 22, 1943, formerly of Highland, passed away on Sept. 17.

A carpenter by trade, he built homes all across Oakland County. He leaves behind the love of his life, Carol, and their two children, Julie (Todd) Andress and Kenneth.

He adored his two grandchildren, Nicole and Austin Andress.

He is survived by his brothers, Clayton (Vickie) and Charles (Michele),



Send condolences to [www.harringtonfuneralhomeclarkston.com](http://www.harringtonfuneralhomeclarkston.com).

and his sister Linda (Russ) Kula.

Funeral Service Sept. 20 at Harrington & Temrowski Funeral Home. Interment service Sept. 24 at All Saints Cemetery.

## Ethel E. Goeller

Ethel E. Goeller of Pontiac, formerly of Dryden, passed away Sept. 20 at the age of 97.

She was preceded in death by her infant daughter Edna, son Skip Simons, grandson David Duperron, three brothers and two sisters. She was the wife of Ray; mother of Marion (the late Jesse) VanCamp of Holly, Margorie (Bert) Servoss of Waterford, Frank Haag of Pontiac, Don (Joan) Haag of Davisburg; also survived by 16 grandchildren, 30 great grandchildren and many great great grandchildren.

Mrs. Goeller will be buried by her previous husband Frank Haag at Mt. Pleasant Cemetery in Dryden.



Visitation was Sept. 23 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston. Funeral service was Monday at Scott Lake Baptist Church, Waterford. Mrs. Goeller will be buried with her previous husband Frank Haag at Dryden- Mt Pleasant Cemetery, Dryden. Memorials may be made to Canterbury Hospice or American Cancer Society. Online guest book [www.wintfuneralhome.com](http://www.wintfuneralhome.com).

Obituaries posted daily  
at [www.ClarkstonNews.com](http://www.ClarkstonNews.com)

## Elsie Staszak

Elsie Staszak of Clarkston passed away Sept. 17.

Born Aug. 24, 1915, in Bay City, she lived on a farm in Reese until the age of 18, when she moved to Detroit for work. She worked at McCord Radiator, and was a "Rosie the Riveter" during WW2.

Mrs. Staszak was preceded in death by her loving husband Joseph in 1987. She leaves behind her son, Duane (Marilyn), and their children, Stephanie (Chris) Combs, Douglas, and Natalie (Steve) Trevaskis. She was the great-grandmother of Audrey Combs. She is also survived by one brother, Paul (Beverly) Prell.



Mrs. Staszak's family would like to give a special thank you to Patty Weir at Clarkston Specialty.

Memorial visitation was Sept. 19 at Harrington & Temrowski Funeral Home.

Funeral service was Sept. 20 at St. Trinity Luther Church. Send condolences at [www.harringtonfuneralhomeclarkston.com](http://www.harringtonfuneralhomeclarkston.com).

## Anthony J. 'Tony' Bowers

Anthony J. "Tony" Bowers of Clarkston passed away Sept. 23 at the age of 59.

He was preceded in death by his wife Christine. He was the father of Steven (Sarah) Bowers of Detroit, Stacey (Mark) Bousho, and Samuel Bowers, all of Clarkston; grandpa of Eva and Jack; brother of Anita (Jim) Wrinkle of Clarkston, Alice (Tom) Carbin of Bloomfield Hills, Alfred (Lori) Bowers of Wisc., Alexander (Kathy) Bowers of Pontiac, and Anne (Dave)

Hutchens of Wisc.; brother in law of Tula (Glenn) Stidham of Rochester; also survived by many nieces and nephews.

Friends may visit the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home Wednesday, Sept. 26, 6-9 p.m., and Thursday 3-5 p.m. and 7-9 p.m. Funeral service Friday, 11 a.m., at Maranatha Baptist Church, Clarkston.

Memorials may be made to Locks of Love or a charity of choice. Online guest book [www.wintfuneralhome.com](http://www.wintfuneralhome.com).

## Spiritual Matters

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David Bostrom is pastor of Seed for the Harvest Ministries.

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# Laser Center sets sights on Clarkston

BY TREVOR KEISER  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Unwanted body hair doesn't stand a chance with the experts at Clarkston Laser Center, 5825 South Main Street, Suite 203.

"Our goal is to offer simple, safe, affordable procedures in an office with a doctor on site who meets with each patient to ensure safety and quality," said Dr. Lee Baylis. "With price matching, you are guaranteed to get a good deal."

Clarkston Laser Center specializes in hair removal on any part of the body and skin rejuvenation including: sun damage, freckling and irregular pigmentation, rosacea, broken capillaries, age spots-fine wrinkles, reduce redness and flushing, smooth skin and reduce pores. They also do Botox.

For hair removal, time may vary depending on how much hair is being removed. For most people, treatments take less than an hour. During treatment, patient and care provider wear special glasses to ensure safety of the eyes from the laser.

"We do a test spot on the skin first to make sure that the laser is on an appropriate setting," said Mary Hudak-Baylis, marketing director and office manager.

The laser is unable to treat white or gray hair. It can do reds and some blondes, but the darker the hair, the better.

"There has to be color to the hair, which is why we have to evaluate the hair first on each person that comes in," said Hudak-Baylis.

Skin tone also plays a factor in hair removal and that, too, must be evaluated.

"It (the laser) will pick up your skin pigment instead of your hair and it's going to burn your skin," said Esthetician Bailey Maier.

To ensure all hair is removed, they recommend each patient receive a series of 4-6 treatments, scheduled at 6-16 week intervals.

Maier said she loves her job because she enjoys making people look and feel better.

"I went to school for this because I love beauty. I love being on top of all procedures and products," said Maier. "And I love helping customers feel good about themselves and more confident."

Hudak-Baylis said they are on the cut-



Bailey Maier does a test spot on Mary Hudak-Baylis's hand.  
Photo by Trevor Keiser.

ting edge.

"There are other businesses out there that do a similar thing so I feel like we're on the cutting edge of what people out there want," she said. "People want to look younger. They want to look younger, longer, and have their skin looking nice to increase or keep their self confidence going and I think we can provide that, if it's on the hair removal end of it, the skin rejuvenation or even on the botox."

Clarkston Laser Center treats mostly women, but 25 percent of their customers are men.

"We want to make it easy and conve-

nient for people to get these procedures done right in Clarkston," said Baylis. "We're small town Clarkston, we're right in your backyard."

Baylis, who is also a specialty allergist, said he really enjoys the job and learning new things.

"I enjoy meeting new people, patient interaction. I have always been a gadget guy and I enjoy learning new procedures," he said. "It's fun to do it."

For more information or a free consultation, call 248-620-2400 or visit [www.clarkstonlasercenter.com](http://www.clarkstonlasercenter.com). An open house is set for Oct. 20, 1-3 p.m.

## Business news

Karen McMurray of Independence Township received the Agency Hands in the Community award for her commitment to volunteering in the community.

With this award comes a \$500 grant from

The Allstate Foundation for the Polish American Charitable Fund for Children where Karen volunteers.

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Michelle Houck, Farmers Insurance

agent in Clarkston, has been inducted into the "Topper Club," for outstanding sales achievements in 2006. Houck represents Farmers Insurance at 3983 S. Ortonville Road, Suite B.

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## PUBLIC NOTICE

Charter Township of Springfield

### NOTICE REQUEST FOR VARIANCES ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Zoning Board of Appeals of the Charter Township of Springfield will hold a meeting on Thursday, October 18, 2007, beginning at 8:00 p.m. at the Springfield Township Civic Center, 12000 Davisburg Rd., Davisburg, Michigan to hear the following appeal:

PUBLIC COMMENT:

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

- Request from James Willis, 15399 Mackey Rd., Holly, MI 48442 and Bobby Medlock, 11696 Old Oaks Ln., Davisburg, MI 48350 to allow construction of an accessory building which will result in an eight (8) foot rear setback rather than the minimum thirty-five (35) feet required, and in a total front and rear setback of eighty-eight (88) feet rather than the minimum one hundred (100) feet required per Section 18.11.6.d of Springfield Township Zoning Ordinance No. 26. The property that is the subject of the request is located at 11696 Old Oaks Ln., Davisburg, MI 48350. P.I. #07-28-102-003.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that the map and variance request may be examined at the Springfield Township Clerk's Office, 12000 Davisburg Rd., Davisburg, MI 48350 during regular office hours Monday through Friday. Written comments may be submitted to the Clerk's Office until the date of the meeting. Anyone needing a special accommodation at the meeting should contact the Clerk's Office at least two (2) business days in advance. 248-846-6510.

NANCY STROLÉ, Clerk  
Charter Township of Springfield

Published 9-26-07

## PUBLIC NOTICE

Because the People Want to Know

### INDEPENDENCE TWP. SYNOPSIS

**TAKEN BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD**  
**THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE**  
Supervisor Wagner called the September 18, 2007, meeting to order at 7:35 p.m., at the Independence Township Library.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Present: Rosso, Wenger, Travis, Wagner,  
Absent: VanderVeen, Dunn, Kelly  
Also Present: Heenan (for VanderVeen)

There was a quorum.

Mr. Dunn arrived at 7:36 p.m.

- Opening Statements and Correspondence
- Approval of the Agenda, as amended
- Public Forum opened at 7:38 p.m. and closed at 7:40
- Approval of the Consent Agenda:
  - Approval of Minutes of August 14, 2007 and September 4, 2007
  - Accounts Payable Check Run
  - Purchase Orders

Mr. Kelly arrived at 7:41 p.m.

- Opened Public Hearing regarding the Water and Sewer Master Plan Amendment at 7:42 and closed at 7:50.
- Approved motion to set a date for resolution of the Water and Sewer Master Plan Amendment.
- Approved motion to approve the Resolution of the Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Independence Group Pension Plan lowering the age threshold to age 55, effective 9/19/07.
- Approved motions to establish the 2007 millage rates.
- Approved motion to participate with SMART's Municipal Credit Program for transportation for year 2008.
- Approved motion to purchase 2007/2008 John Deere 310J Backhoe/Loader.
- Approved motion to purchase the 1986 John Deere Backhoe/Loader by the water and sewer department.
- Approved motion to purchase the OCE Imagistics im6030 copier/scanner, with Equipment Maintenance Agreement.
- Discussion regarding census.
- Approved motion to approve the minutes of August 21, 2007, with correction.
- Approved motion to enter into closed session at 8:50 p.m.
- Approved motion to reopen regular meeting at 8:00 p.m.
- Approved motion to adjourn regular meeting at 9:01 p.m.

Shelagh VanderVeen  
Township Clerk

Published: September 26, 2007

## In our churches

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learning more about the faith, 10 a.m., Sept. 9. St. Daniel Catholic Church, 7010 Valley Park Dr., 248-625-1750.

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

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Calvary Lutheran Church, **Wednesday Evening FEAST**, 6 p.m., 6805 Bluegrass Drive in Clarkston. 248-625-3288.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

Charter Township of Springfield

### SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING

September 13, 2007

#### SYNOPSIS

**CALL TO ORDER:** 7:30 p.m. by Supervisor Walls  
**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Janet Christian, Neal Rd., requested the Township Board to use available Cable Funds to cablecast Township meetings. Daniel and Barbara Greenwald, Scott Rd., expressed concern about condition of a neighbor's house. Edward Schedlbower, Leonard Michalski and Bob Hollis of Walnut Hill Rd., alleged the Township is not enforcing its ordinance regarding vehicles kept on a neighbor's property.

#### CONSENT AGENDA:

- Approved Minutes: July 25, 2007 Budget Workshop Meeting, August 1, 2007 Special Meeting and August 9, 2007 Regular Meeting with bills and additional disbursements of \$475,248.80
- Accepted August 2007 Treasurer's Report
- Received August 2007 Reports: Building, Electrical, Plumbing and Mechanical
- Authorized payment of bills as presented, total \$18,678.80
- Confirmed appointment of Laura Moreau to Planning Commission vacant position, term expiring November 2009
- Authorized attendance to Michigan Association of Planning Conference not to exceed \$800.00 per individual
- Adopted 2007 Fire Fund Budget Amendment per Supervisor's 9/05/07 memo
- Declined participation in County 2008 No Haz Program
- Received communications and placed on file.

#### PUBLIC HEARING:

#### OLD BUSINESS:

- Fire Station #3 Site: Authorized \$7,000.00 budget for roof repairs
- Declined to pay for street light installation at Big Lake and Clark Roads

#### NEW BUSINESS:

- Fire Department Truck Tires Purchase: Awarded bid to GCR Tire Centers, not to exceed \$2,200.00
- Discussed Township Lake Board Representatives
- Discussed Township Board Meeting Agenda Rules and Procedures
- Discussed Purchase Locally Policy
- Amended Parks & Recreation 2007 Budget
- Established 2007 Millage Rates: General, Fire and Police Funds and Civic Center Bond
- Fire Station No 2: Amended construction budget to include existing parking lot repaving
- Discussed ZBA Membership Composition
- Mileage Charges: Authorized General Fund Line Item changes
- Clarkston Chamber of Commerce: Approved Dues payment
- Discussed Building Fund budget and staff

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Chief Oaks: voiced concern regarding deadline for submittal of monthly Fire Reports; stated that all Township businesses should be required to obtain a business permit.

**ADJOURNED:** 9:20 p.m. NANCY STROLÉ, Clerk  
Published 9-26-07



**Back Row:** DJ Zezula, Alex Trim, Brad Schultz, Coach Damian Huffer, Drew Swanson, Max Mansour, Mitchell McCord and Matt Dahl. **Front Row:** Ryan Callahan, Jack O'Rilley, Spencer Howell, Brandon Reynolds, Shane Hynes, Zack McCallum, and Jared D'Autremont.

## Soccer stars at Petoskey

The boys U12 soccer team from Clarkston won their age group at the Autumn Blast Soccer Tournament Sept. 8-9 in Petoskey.

The team, coached by Damian Huffer,

won three consecutive games, earning them a spot in the championship game Sept. 9 against UP United. The boys won the final game 6-2.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

Because the People Want to Know

### INDEPENDENCE TWP. BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Date and Time: October 2, 2007, at 7:30 p.m.  
(Regular Meeting)

Place: Independence Township Library  
6495 Clarkston Road, Clarkston, MI 48346

Budget Workshop at 6:00 p.m.

- Call to Order
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll Call
- Opening Statements and Correspondence
- Approval of Agenda
- Public Forum - *Individuals in the audience have the opportunity to address the Township Board on an issue that is not on the agenda, limiting their comments to not more than three minutes.*

#### Consent Agenda:

- Approval of Minutes of September 18, 2007
- Approval of Purchase Orders
- Approval of Accounts Payable Check Run
- Resolution for Charitable Gaming License for Clarkston Elementary Parent Teacher Organization

#### Unfinished Business

- Water and Sewer Master Plan Amendment
- Second Reading and Adoption of Keyholing Ordinance

#### New Business

- Vision 2020 Master Plan Update
- Bid Award for 2007 Safety Path Program
- Request to apply for Access to Recreation Grant
- DPW Server Upgrade/Replacement
- Wireless Multipoint System
- Oakland County proposal to local DPW's - Collaborative CMMS, CRM and Permitting Application

**Closed Session - Pending Litigation.**

**Closed Session - Collective Bargaining Agreement**

The Charter Township of Independence will provide necessary, reasonable auxiliary aids and services to individuals with disabilities at a public hearing/meeting upon advance notice in writing or by calling the Township Clerk's Office at (248) 625-5111.

## Around Town

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**Pumpkin carving for teens, 6:30 p.m., Oct. 30.** Springfield Twp. Library, 12000 Davisburg Road. 248-846-6550.

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**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.

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**Mothers & More**, non-profit dedicated to improving lives of mothers through support, education, advocacy, 7 p.m., third Monday, Red Knapp's Restaurant, 6722 Dixie Highway. Sept. 17: Kim Soncraite, community liaison for Oakland County Parks and Recreation. 248-969-9788.

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**BNI, Clarkston-Waterford Chapter, 7 a.m., Tuesdays, Liberty Golf & Banquet Center, 6060 Maybee Road.** For more information, call Cheryl Bean at 248-625-7550.

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## 2007 Dodge Ram 1500 Quad Cab 4x4

Employee Discount ..... \$4,679  
Available Rebates ..... \$7,000  
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Milosch Cash ..... \$1,500

**TOTAL SAVINGS ... OVER \$14,000**



MSRP \$32,805

Chrysler Employee & Eligible Family Members Lease

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## 2007 Dodge Nitro SXT 4x4 LHD

- 4 Speed Automatic Transmission
- 3.7 Liter V-6 Engine

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One Pay		Purchase
<b>\$3,495*</b>		<b>\$17,995*</b>



Employee Discount ..... \$1,934  
Available Rebates ..... \$2,500  
Stair Step Cash ..... \$1,000  
Milosch Cash ..... \$1,500

**TOTAL SAVINGS ... OVER \$6,000**



MSRP \$30,460

Chrysler Employee & Eligible Family Members Lease

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Stair Step Cash ..... \$1,000  
Milosch Cash ..... \$1,500

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Available Rebates ..... \$3,000  
Stair Step Cash ..... \$1,000  
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Hot Wheels. Call Pat 248-625-  
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11C112JUNK CARS- Hauled away free.  
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248-310-2687. 11L2404**JUNK CARS  
WANTED**Cash for your junk car or truck  
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L404

WANTED: WOODEN playset. Will  
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radiators, aluminum siding, cast,  
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minibikes, ATVs and mopeds.  
Running or not. 810-338-6440.  
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for lower elementary classroom.  
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TRUCKS,** gas powered toys &  
trailers, dead or alive! Call any  
time, Cash paid. 248-891-8308.  
11L394

LX40-25

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653-8635. 11L226-1fANTIQUE FIREARMS WANTED:  
Winchesters, Colts, Browning.  
Top dollar paid. 248-628-7086.  
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40-80hp electric start, power tilt.  
Call Bob, 248-628-5824 after  
7pm. 11L2411f**JUNK  
AUTOS  
WANTED**\$100 & UP  
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L414

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4's and 1/2's. Hormone free, corn  
fed. USDA, custom cut. Taking  
orders daily, 989-835-3243.  
11C104RASPBERRIES, U-PICK. \$2/pint,  
pre-picked \$3/pint. Open daily  
10am-6pm. Atlas Berry Farm,  
4684 Brigham Rd., Metamora.  
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U-Pick at Middleton Berry Farm.  
Very abundant crop. Open 7 days  
10am-5pm. 4888 Oakwood Rd.,  
Ortonville, 248-628-1819.  
11L2422cRASPBERRIES, YOU PICK! Monday-  
Thursday 9-6, Friday-Saturday  
9-5, Sunday 1-5. Symanzik's  
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4x8x16, 6,9,12 minimum, Mid-  
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INSTRUMENTS****got band?**

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- Both excellent condition, used  
only at competitions. With cases,  
\$150 each.
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L42-1

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PIANO TUNING  
Call Matt**

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RX24-52

CONN FRENCH HORN, nice condition,  
purchased from Marshall  
Music 5 years ago, \$750  
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LESSONS****ONE STROKE  
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CLASSES**Tues. & Wed. - 8pm-8:30pm  
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2998

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L404

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home or mine. 248-802-7841.  
11C104PIANO & KEYBOARD lessons.  
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All wind instruments, piano/ pi-  
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days 9:30am-12pm. "Loosen Up  
& Paint" Wednesdays 6:30pm-  
9pm. Starts October 3rd. Call  
Orion Community Education, 248-  
693-5436. 11L385TUTORS: All ages and subjects.  
Affordable rates. Call 248-736-  
7058. 11L404CELTIC DANCE Classes at  
Clarkston Conservatory of Music.  
Enroll now. Open house October  
1st, 248-825-3640. 11C93DRUM LESSONS- in my home.  
Very experienced, can teach all  
styles. 248-693-7752. 11L404**080 LAWN & GARDEN**TOPSOIL, SAND  
& GRAVEL  
Low Rates, Prompt & Reliable  
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LZ23-tfc

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LZ24-52

COLORADO BLUE SPRUCE, speci-  
men quality- vary blue- 6-12ft.  
Also white pine and concolor fir.  
September sale 20-25% off all  
trees. 810-797-5299 11L40-3**Spruce Trees**6 FT. TO 20 FT. : Colorado Blue  
& Green Spruce; Norway &  
White Spruce; White Pine Fir,  
Shade & Flowering Trees  
● State Inspected Trees ●  
Delivery and Planting Available  
7ft. Spruce installed from  
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LZ404

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lot (60X120). 810-245-1633,  
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delivery available. 248-827-  
8318 11Z354c**FALL SALE**

BEAUTIFUL

**Colorado Spruce**8'-10' planted in your yard,  
ONLY \$175.  
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LX41-6

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LZ428

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Also, 3 point sub soiler \$50,  
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3654. 11L412TRACTORS WITH  
SNOWBLADES, blowers, leaf bag-  
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397-2944. 11Z362**ROBERTS  
TREE FARM**OAKLAND COUNTY'S  
LARGEST GROWER OF TREES  
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of Maple trees & other  
ornamentals2745 Sashabaw Rd, Ortonville  
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L387

FREE 21" PUSH Mower with the  
purchase of a Bolen's G10 lawn  
tractor, both VGC, \$475 obo.  
248-909-4948 11L42-2**090 AUCTIONS**GENERAL TOWING AUCTION  
2290 AUBURN RD.,  
AUBURN HILLS, MI 48320  
The following vehicles will be  
auctioned on September 27,  
2007 at 10:00 AM

- 1997 GMC
- 16TEC1421ME542602
- 1997 FORD
- 1FTEE1425VHA28278

L421

EXPRESS MINI STORAGE, 2121  
Lapeer Rd., Oxford, announces  
the sale of Unit #6 & 37 leased  
by Cynthia Davis: car parts & car  
motors. Unit #51 leased by David  
McTigue- bbq & carpet samples.  
Unit #110 leased by Lydia  
Stamper- toys, table & chairs.  
Unit #139 leased by Charles  
Bates- misc. boxes. Unit #209  
leased by Valarie Owen- misc.  
boxes, 2 dressers. Each unit sold  
as a whole. Cash sale only. October  
13, 2007, 10am-4pm, 248-  
828-0004.

L312c

Notice is hereby given that on 10/  
19/07 at 9:30am, the following  
will be sold by competitive bid-  
ding at National Storage Center,  
1745 Waldon Road, Lake Orion,  
MI 48359. Unit #A14 James  
Turner, household items, misc.  
goods.  
L422AUCTION SATURDAY  
OCTOBER 13, 2007, 4 p.m.  
Stow-Away Storage  
3060 Adventure Ln., Oxford

For Following Units:

Unit #177, Tina Boisvert: Bikes,  
basketball hoop, desks, end  
tables, dressers, TV, X-Mas deco-  
rations, tires, exercise equip,  
many household items, lots &  
lots of boxes, bags & Rubbermaid  
totes.

"CASH SALE"

L422

NOTICE IS hereby given that on  
10/19/07 at 12:30pm the follow-  
ing will be sold by competitive  
bidding at Maxx Storage, 8483  
Andersonville Rd., Clarkston, MI  
48348. Unit #A168, ASHLEY  
FLOWERS, misc. goods.  
C112**100 FREE**FREE GOOD pool table, brand new  
top, needs glue, 248-628-2039.  
11L421fFREE MERCHANDISE from "Go  
With Out Question";  
www.GWOO.com 11L41-2FREE: 2 RABBITS, one male, one  
female, all accessories, 248-  
828-8832. 11L421fFREE HIGHCHAIR, great condi-  
tion, 248-628-1591. 11L421f**110 GARAGE SALE**MOVING SALE- Best Offer!!! Dining  
room, 6 chairs \$500; couch,  
loveseat \$250; Treadmill \$45;  
Painter's wooden ladders; dishes,  
French Provincial bedroom set,  
\$200. 248-693-1533 11R42-2  
GARAGE SALE- Sept. 29-30, 8am-  
5pm, 7800 Ormond Rd.,  
Davisburg (1/4 mile south of  
Davisburg Rd.) 11C11-1**CLARKSTON  
1ST TIME**GARAGE SALE!!  
5150 OLD COVE RD.  
(Maybee & Sashabaw)  
September 29-30,  
SAT. 9-4, SUN. 10-2Lots of brand name children's  
clothes (newborn-12), excellent  
condition. Toys & games for all  
ages, household goods, video  
games, Little Tikes, computer  
misc., baby items, Stampin' Up,  
tools, bicycles.LARGE SALE- Thurs. Fri., Sat.  
9am-4pm, 960 Crestmoor Drive,  
Oxford. 11L42-1HUGE MOVING SALE- Depression  
glass, hunting, fishing, swing set.  
Too much to list! September 19-  
23 & 27-30. 633 Hurd Rd.,  
Ortonville. 11L2412ABERCROMBIE/ AE/ Hollister  
girl's clothes, petite ladies, Amer-  
ican Girl clothes, furniture. Friday-  
Saturday 9am-3pm. 405 Lakes  
Edge Dr., Oxford (off E. Draher).  
11L421METAMORA ESTATE! Moving  
Sale, September 27-29, 10am-  
4pm. 40 E. Davison Laka Rd. Pho-  
tos/info: www.Juvantiques.com  
or 588-344-2048. 11L421BIG GARAGE/ Yard Sale- October  
3-6 & 10-13, 9am-6pm. Antiques,  
clothes, dolls, jewelry, piano.  
Ashley woodburner, furniture,  
milk glass, lots more. 815 E.  
Northfield (off Walton between  
Joslyn & Giddings). 11L422AUTUMN YARD SALE- Saturday  
September 29, 9am-5pm. Five  
pack rats let loose! 265 Church  
St., Ortonville. 11Z361GARAGE SALE- Thurs., Fri., Sat.,  
Sept. 27, 28, 29. 9am-3pm, 8629  
Sashabaw, north of Clarkston Rd.  
11C11-1**Huron Clinton Metropolitan Authority  
LARGE SURPLUS  
EQUIPMENT AUCTION  
Saturday, Sept 29 • 9 am**Stoney Creek Metro Park  
4250 26 Mile Rd., Shelby Twp., MI**John Deere Loader/Backhoe 310C  
Vehicles, Pickups, Golf Carts,  
Trucksters, Trimmers, Blowers,  
Mowers, Pruners, Pressure Washer,  
Chainsaws, Kayak & Misc.**Directions: M-53 to 26 Mile Rd.,  
West on 26 Mile Rd. 2.3 Miles to Sale Location  
Follow auction signs.  
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### 110 GARAGE SALE

**BARN SALE** - September 27-29, 9am-5pm. Sunday 12noon-5pm. Snowmobiles, Avon, baby items. 5795 Sawmill Lake Rd., Ortonville. I1X81

**GARAGE SALE-FRIDAY**-Sunday 10am-5pm. 5450 Livernois, Rochester off Orion Rd. Old & new. Tools, baby, glassware, pictures, wood furniture. I1L421

**MULTI FAMILY GARAGE SALE**-6551 Clintonville Rd., Clarkston (north of Waldon), 27th-29th, 9am-5pm. I1C11-1

**GARAGE SALE** - Saturday, September 29, 9am. Retiring: old Oxford Theater seats, antique tin tub with wood trim, church pew, wicker dresser, old farmhouse doors, books, old 1950's TV, bike rack, cat carriers, much more. 557 Lakeville Rd., Oxford (3 blocks east of M-24) I1L421

**TOO MANY TREASURES**-vintage Airstream, E350 diesel van, flat top stove and much more! Thurs., Fri., Sat., 9am-7 Davisburg and Ormond, follow signs. 3300 Wildberry. I1C11-1

**MOVING** - A little of everything. 1200 Noble Rd., Leonard (east of Curtis), September 27-30, 10am-6pm. I1L421

**HUGE MULTI Family Sale**, Sunday, September 30th, 8am-6pm. Furniture, clothes, toys and much more. 53 Waldon Rd., Clarkston. I1C111

**HUGE GARAGE Sale** - September 28-29. Tools, records, household goods. 9am-6pm. Judah Lake Sub, 3945 Queensbury, Orion (off Joslyn to Flittridge). I1L421

**INSIDE MULTI Family Sale**, 930 W. Glass, Ortonville, October 5-6, 9am-4pm. I1X82

**MOM-TO-MOM Sale**-Saturday, October 6th, 9:30am-1pm at Inlay City Christian School, 7197 E. Inlay City Rd. Call Susan, 810-798-8772 for information. I1L422

### ★ LARGE ESTATE SALE

September 29 & 30, 10am-4pm  
1431 COATS RD., OXFORD  
60+ years accumulation  
China, 2 full kitchens. Lefton, Haywood, Wakefield dining. Bed & table sets, old tin toys, farm tractor implements, tools & more. L421

**SEPTEMBER 27-28**, Clawfoot tub, 9' Marlin mount, 50's furniture, 12' boat w/ trailer, camping, flatbed, misc. antiques, 631 Heights, Orion. I1R41-2

**GARAGE SALE** - Thursday-Friday 9am-5pm, Saturday 9am-12noon, September 27-29. Getting ready to move. Misc. items. 8957 Sashabaw Rd., 1/2 mile north of Clarkston Rd. I1C111

**GARAGE SALE** - Sat., Sun., Sept. 29,30th, 10-4pm, 1314 Marina Pointe Blvd., off Joslyn behind Indianwood CC. I1L412

**BIG SUB SALE**: Howland Lake Pines. West off Baldwin, just south of Drahner. September 28-30, 9am-4pm. I1L412

**YARD SALE** - Slater, Lake Orion (1 block north off E.Flint, 2nd block), September 27-29, 9am-4pm. I1L421

**RUMMAGE SALE** - Paint Creek Methodist Church, 4420 Collins Rd., off Orion Rd. by Paint Creek Cider Mill (Goodison). Friday, October 5, 9am-6pm. Saturday, October 6, \$3 bag day, 9am-12noon. I1L422

**MULTI FAMILY Garage Sale** - September 27-29, 9am-5pm. Furniture, electronics, lots of variety! 1386 Winnie Dr., Oxford (off W.Drahner to Red Barn to Winnie). I1L421

**GARAGE SALE** - Everything goes! Sept. 28-30, 9-7, 24 N. Conklin, Lake Orion I1R42-1

### SITE WIDE STORAGE FACILITY GARAGE SALE!

Our tenants voluntarily are selling their belongings! Saturday, September 29, 2007, 10am-3pm, located at National Storage Center, 1745 Waldon Rd., Lake Orion, between Joslyn and M-24 next to the Boys and Girls Club. Household goods, clothing for all ages, toys, electronics, furniture, recreational equipment, and much, much more!

**CLARKSTON-7152 SNOW Apple**. Thursday & Friday, 9am-5pm. Housewares, pictures, videos, toys, Christmas, clothes, etc. I1L421

**GARAGE SALE** - Multi family. 4750 & 4700 W.Stanton, Oxford (off Baldwin, north of Indianwood), Wednesday-Friday, September 28-29, 9am. Misc. items. I1L421

28th & 30th, 9am-5pm. 8685 Michigamme Rd., Clarkston.

### GARAGE SALE

2780 W. CLARKSTON RD Between Joslyn & Baldwin Sept. 27, 28, 29, 30 10:00 a.m. - ?

Collection of old silver dollars, half dollars, quarters, dimes, nickels, pennies, proof sets, mint sets, antiques, carnival glass, German porcelain pipes, antique jewelry, antique Lionel train set, cuckoo clock made in Germany, Dell computer 1 year old, loaded, chests, dresser, electric hospital bed, electric scooter, misc. household items and a whole lot more.

**GARAGE SALE** - Friday, Sunday, September 28-30, 9am-4pm. Downsized, lots of things must go. Kid's stuff, art, furniture, household goods, many unopened & unused items. Too much to list. 8267 Lake Waldon Dr., Clarkston. I1C111

**ESTATE SALE** - NEWER furniture, household items, depression glass, John Deere lawn tractor (10 hours use). Thursday through Saturday, 9am-4:30pm. 157 Hiram St., Lake Orion. I1L421

### Mom2Mom Sale

Buy gently used children's clothes, toys, furniture & gear SAT. OCT. 6, 2007, 9am-1pm at CERC, 455 E. Scripps Rd., Lake Orion. Admission \$1 Benefits OAYA & CERC Call Kelli, OAYA, 248-693-8878 58 Seller Tables

**HUGE GARAGE Sale!** Thursday-Saturday, September 27-29, 9am-3pm. Household, Plus-sized clothes, kid's items/ clothes. 2547 Gemini Ct., Lake Orion.

**ESTATE/ GARAGE SALE** Thursday, Friday 9am-5pm, Saturday 9am-noon. 81 Lafayette, Oxford. Antiques, collectibles, womens clothes. I1L421

### 120 CRAFT SHOWS

**CRAFTERS NEEDED**. Annual Holiday Craft Show on November 10 at Good Shepherd Lutheran School, 1950 S. Baldwin, Lake Orion. Contact 248-393-1927, rjebeling@sbeglobal.net I1L422

**CRAFTERS NEEDED** for the 1st Annual Darci Seipke Benefit Craft Show. All proceeds to help pay for kidney transplant medical expenses. Hosted by Always Christmas at Canterbury Village in Lake Orion. \$40 per 10x10 space. Saturday, October 6 and Sunday, October 7, 10am-5pm. Contact Pam (Brady) Seipke at 248-721-1847 for application information. I1L385dhf

**17TH ANNUAL Davison High School, Fall Spectacular**, October 6-7, 10am-4pm, \$2.00 admission. Over 100 booths. Presented by Smetanka Shows. 810-858-0440. I1X7Z-2c

**DRYDEN WESLEYAN CHURCH** Craft Vendor Show. Crafters/ vendors wanted Saturday November 17th. For more information call 810-272-7188. I1L403

### 130 HOUSEHOLD

1930'S - 1950'S FURNITURE - Darrelback chair, Duncan Phyfe dining table, 4 chairs, coffee, end, side tables with leather, oak kitchen table. Several more items. Call for information. All for \$300, must take all. 248-393-4333. I1L422

**HYUNDAI UPRIGHT piano**, ebony lacquer, excellent condition, \$1200. Small, cherry veneer table, \$35. 248-620-2763. I1C112

**BEAUTIFUL CHERRY** 5pc. queen bedroom set- bed looks like Santa's sleigh. Large cherry coffee table with glass centerpiece & end tables. Large cream colored sofa with 5 throw pillows. All furniture excellent condition. Some pieces never used. Make us an offer! Also, desk and small coffee table, \$15 each. 248-628-4257. I1L422

**OAK ENTERTAINMENT center** on casters, 67"Lx23Wx62H, \$750. Oak mantal mirror, etched, with shelf, \$125. Treadmill, Space Saver, \$125. 248-627-4930. I1X7Z

**BEAUTIFUL DINING set**-natural light finish hardwood, with 6 bentwood backed chairs, \$170. 248-814-1031. I1L422

**SOLID WOOD RECTANGULAR dining table** with 4 chairs. \$150. 248-698-2165. I1L422  
**CONTEMPORARY SOFA & love seat** \$275. Rectangular oak & glass cocktail table \$75. Solid oak entertainment center with leaded glass doors \$400. 248-475-4428. I1L412

**ENTERTAINMENT CENTER/ BAR** with doors. Oak with vinyl top, 5.5X3.5X2. \$100. 248-462-4777. I1L422

**ART VAN WHITE** loft bed combo \$350, desk/ hutch \$250, dresser \$150. Youth corner wardrobe \$80, dresser \$60, couch & loves eat \$175, entertainment center \$100. Weider Max exerciser \$200, fireplace insert \$150. 248-625-8805. I1L422

**BURGUNDY LAZY BOY** sofa & chair in good condition plus rocker with cushions & foot stool. 248-628-9508. I1L412

**BARELY USED SOFT tub**, \$400. Bose surround sound used only 6 months, \$600. 248-894-9019. I1L412

**ITALIAN MADE WHITE leather sofa** with 2 matching chairs, mint, \$800. 248-620-0773 |

**TWO LEATHER Lazyboy sofas**, taupe, like new, together or separate \$475 each. One roll top desk, oak, computer compatible \$500. 248-625-3300 I1C10-2

**RECLINER**, \$50 obo. 248-238-8411. I1L412

**TWO DARK BLUE leather sofas**, good condition. \$800. 248-620-3528. I1L422

**54" ROUND BLACK marble dining table**, 4 black leather parson's chairs, \$475. 248-241-6921

### 140 COMPUTERS

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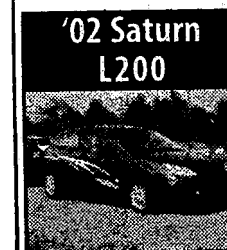
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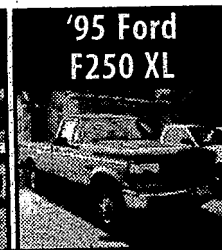
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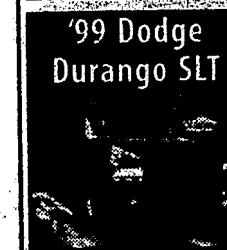
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## 310 REAL ESTATE

2 BEDROOM APARTMENT, Village of Lake Orion, second floor, \$850/ month plus security, includes utilities. 3 room efficiency apartment, \$500/ month plus security, includes utilities. 248-628-6087. I1L421

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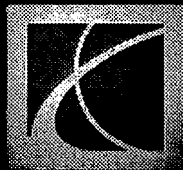
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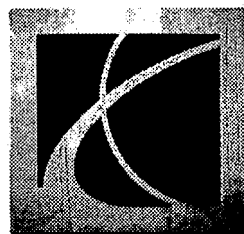
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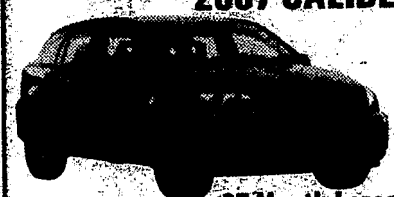
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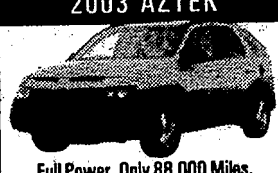
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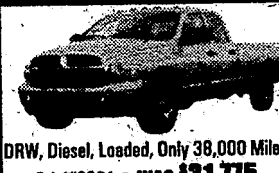
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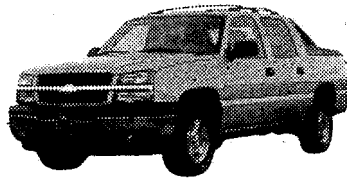


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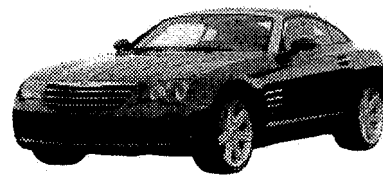
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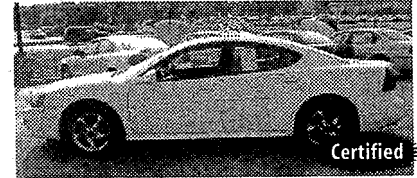
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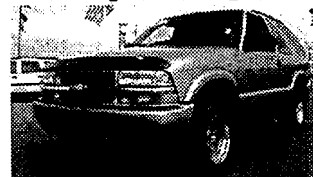
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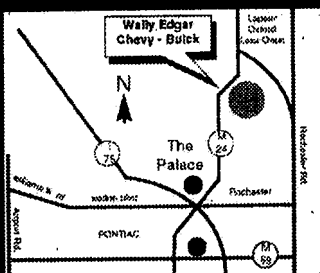
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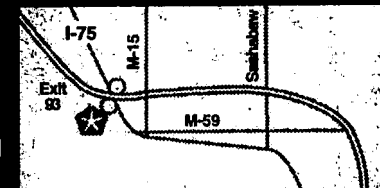
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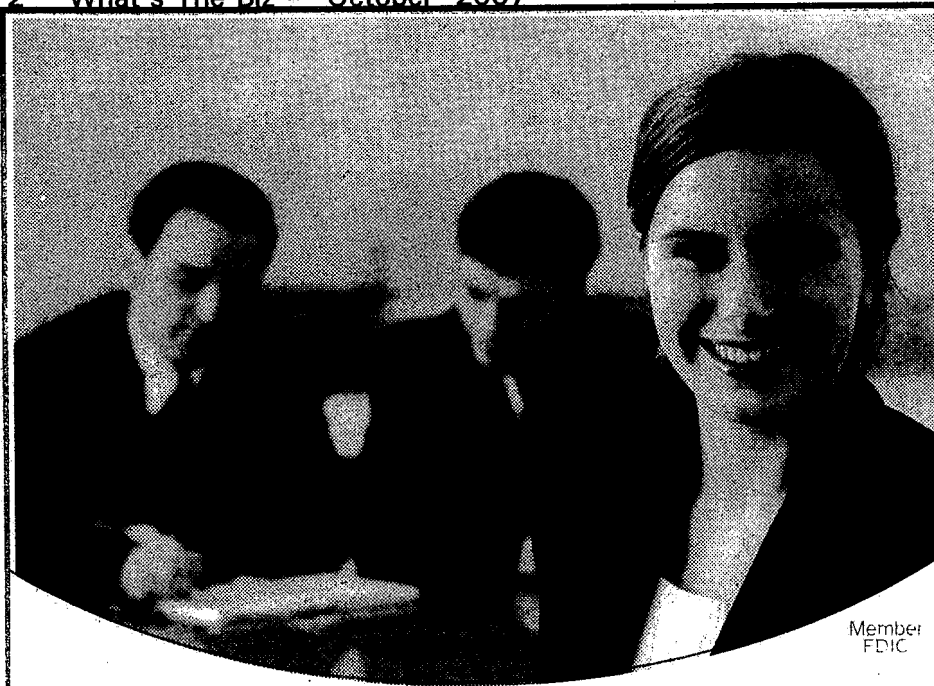
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### October Monthly Events:

Adopt A Shelter Dog Month  
Diversity Awareness Month  
Domestic Violence Awareness Month  
Eat Better Eat Together Month  
Emotional Wellness Month  
Improve Your Home  
German American Heritage Month  
Halloween Safety Month  
Health Literacy Month  
Long Term Care Planning Month  
Lupus Awareness Campaign  
National Bake & Decorate Month  
National Book Month  
Breast Cancer Awareness Month  
National Chili Month  
National Chiropractic Month  
Communicate With Your Kid Month  
National Crime Prevention Month  
National Dental Hygiene Month  
Depression Education Month  
National Down Syndrome Month  
National Kitchen and Bath Month

### Monthly Planner

National Liver Awareness Month  
Orthodontic Health Month  
National Physical Therapy Month  
National Pizza Month  
National Popcorn Poppin' Month  
National Pork Month  
National Roller Skating Month  
National Seafood Month  
Spina Bifida Awareness Month  
Sudden Infant Death Syndrome Month  
Photographer Appreciation Month  
Polish American Heritage Month  
Spinach Lover's Month  
Talk About Prescriptions Month  
Vegetarian Month  
Women's Small Business Month  
Workplace Politics Awareness Month  
**October Weekly Events:**  
Financial Planning Week (1-7)

World Dairy Expo (2-6)  
No Salt Week (2-9)  
National Newspaper Week (6-10)  
Fire Prevention Week (7-13)  
National 4-H Week (7-13)  
National Food Bank Week (14-20)  
National School Lunch Week (14-20)  
World Rainforest Week (14-20)  
Business Women's Week (15-19)  
Health Education Week (15-19)  
Kids Care Week (21-27)  
School Bus Safety Week (21-27)  
National Massage Therapy Awareness Week (21-27)  
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**U.S. Small Business Administration**  
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Info on SBA programs; online library and classrooms; links; calendar of events.

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## Personal reflection is worthwhile investment in prevention

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As an individual on a path of self-discovery, one can begin by simply asking the questions. The revelation is an opportunity to step into the possibility of self-definition, not totally up to others to define. Woe is I, why me, they don't understand me, they don't know me, they don't see me; if this is anywhere in the hidden self-talk there is hope, awareness is the seed.

It may just be as simple as asking the questions and stepping up to the plate of self-responsibility and self-respect. Others reflect this mirror.

I am the possibility that I know me, so I can be related or relate to you.

God created each of us in His image and likeness. There is no beginning and no end to creation of human beings and all life.

With this thought in mind, first step may just be a thought that is written on paper, ingested and digested to realization. Each of us is the master of our own destiny.

No matter what is reported via media, colleagues, strangers, word of mouth that paints a picture of Michigan's gloomy economic state, take it with a single grain of salt. Sprinkle your own possibility and go forth to paint your picture. You could definitely make the difference be-



**Maria Rotondo-Mark** is owner of **Make Over Place Salon**

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## Improving Business Performance

(a series of articles designed to help you improve employee and business performance)

By **Ronald DeLorme**

Last month, we looked at business managers and leaders through the eyes of the employees. I provided a list of positive things that employees might say about their manager. Getting your employees to say similar things about you would be a worthy goal.

That article prompted a discussion with one of my clients. The issue: What business management skill or trait is the most important of all?

As a leadership/management trainer and consultant, I've studied this question for decades (as have management researchers, industrial psychologists, business writers, etc.). It would be nice if all the researchers and practitioners had come to a simple, definitive answer to share with you - but they haven't. Here are some answers I've seen over the years: Decisiveness (Lee Iacocca); Energetic; Driven; Good Communicator; Effective; Can set a direction and get others to follow; Leaders do the right things, managers do things right (Peter Drucker); and dozens more.

I'm a performance improvement consultant so my answer focuses on RESULTS! My answer would be, "Consistently makes decisions that, over the long term, yields positive results for all stakeholders." My explanation follows.

Any manager or leader can make a few



**Ronald DeLorme**, president of **Manage Max**

### Five reasons to refinance your mortgage

#### 1. Lower Your Interest Rate

Securing a lower interest rate is one of the top reasons for refinancing. This can make a big difference in your monthly out-of-pocket costs for housing and save money on financing fees.

#### 2. Build Equity Faster

If you are in a position to make higher monthly payments due to an increase in salary or other good fortune, you may want to switch from a 30-year loan program into a 15- or 20-year loan structure. This enables you to build equity faster and save a tremendous amount of money on financing fees.

#### 3. Change Your Loan Program

Many homeowners who start with Adjustable Rate Mortgages desire to move to the stability of a Fixed Rate mortgage later on down the road. As interest rates fluctuate,

It's not hard to make decisions that benefit a single stakeholder group like the executive team only, the customers only, and so on. However, it is far more difficult to consistently make complicated decisions that, over the long run, yield positive results for the company and all the stakeholders (customers, employees, investors, shareholders, etc.).

Let's remember that it's not easy being a manager or the company's leader. To be really good at these leadership jobs you need to be really good at many things. The boss is, ultimately, responsible for everything! Leaders face problems galore, have to make thousands of decisions related to dozens of business issues, are under tremendous pressure and...let's just say, "it ain't a picnic!"

Whether you operate a one-person business or run a company with tens-of-thousands of employees, you still have to make hundreds of decisions and, to be successful over the long run, those decisions need to get positive results for all stakeholder groups. And, when making everyone happy isn't possible, you have to work like crazy to minimize the negative impact to any of the stakeholders. (The business headlines of the past 10 years show ample evidence of what happens when executives forget about the welfare of one or more stakeholder groups.)

If you are successful at this high-pressure balancing act and are achieving good results for all stakeholders, you have my respect and admiration - and you deserve the respect and admiration of the stakeholder groups you represent!

How well do you measure up? Do you "consistently make decisions that, over the long term, yield positive results for all stakeholders?" Let me know your thoughts!

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making original deals less attractive, people will change their loan programs in order to capitalize on the best rates available.

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## Small Biz Briefs

By **Patrick J. Allsteadt**

There are a number of steps in setting up your new business.

1. The first is in naming the business. Check with the State of Michigan to see if the name is open to use and register it. By registering the name it protects the new business enterprise from someone else using the same name.

2. Request an Employee Identification Number from the IRS. If the business is a sole proprietorship and there are no employees, the owner can use the Social Security number or an Employee Identification Number (EIN) as the business number on documents.

If there are employees, or the business is set up as a partnership or corporation an EIN must be obtained. Complete IRS Form SS-4 (Application for Employer Identification Number) and file it with the nearest IRS Center.

3. A state sales tax permit is required if the product or service is taxable. Check with the state tax department for verification. The necessary information and forms to complete can be sent to the proprietor. This tax number will also be used when purchased items are resold.

4. The local Chamber of Commerce can provide needed information on city, county and state requirements for licenses and permits. Most local governing units have special laws regarding the preparation and sale of food.

5. Open a business checking account. Check with several banks to find out what services they offer, minimum balance, if any, that must be maintained to avoid paying a service charge. Look at obtaining a credit card in the business's name.



**Patrick Allsteadt** is owner of **Accurate Bookkeeping, LLC**

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# Good Eats:

*the biz from local restaurants*

Hot Lunch Item of the Month . . .

## Savory southern omelet at Mel's Grill II

Looking for something tasty and satisfying for lunch? Try the breakfast fare at Mel's Grill II, in the Gateway Plaza off of White Lake road.

Offered all day, the Southern Omelet, \$6.95 at Mel's, features scrambled egg with sausage, green pepper, onion, cheddar cheese, and hash browns, covered with sausage gravy, with a side of toast.

"People like it -- it's big and filling," said owner Joseph O'Hearn. "It's probably our bestselling omelet.

The restaurant, 7080 Gateway Park Drive off White Lake Road, offers a full line of breakfast, hamburgers, sandwiches, and homemade soups.

O'Hearn, a graduate of Clarkston High School, took over as new owner of Mel's Grill July 23.

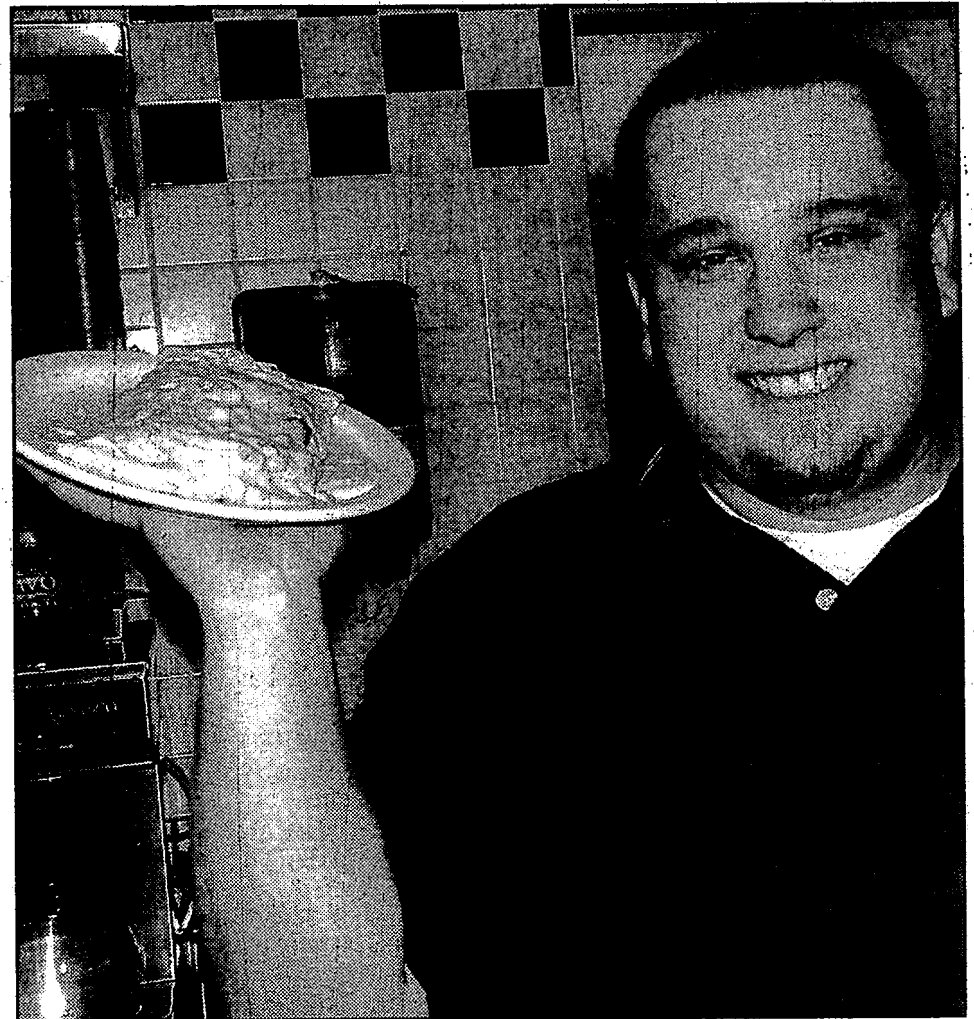
"I love it, I love every minute of it," he said. "It's the hardest job I have ever worked, but the most rewarding at the same time."

O'Hearn and staff work hard to take care of customers.

"They are more than just customers to us," he said. "I don't want anybody leaving here feeling unsatisfied with their meal or their service, I don't want anybody feeling cheated."

Details are crucial in the restaurant business, he said.

"It's the little things that will make or break a meal," he said. "If they sit there with their cup empty, it doesn't matter if the food was good, the service was good, it was clean, it was fair price. It doesn't matter."



Joseph O'Hearn, owner of Mel's Grill II, with a Southern Omelet.

Showing appreciation for customers means a lot to them, he said.

"They could spend their \$5 for breakfast anywhere -- eggs are eggs if they're cooked right, so you got to come in here

for more than just eggs," he said. "That's what we try to do."

Mel's Grill is open 6 a.m. - 3 p.m. Mon-Wed.; 6 a.m. - 8 p.m. Thurs-Fri.; and 7 a.m. - 8 p.m. on Sat. Call 248-620-3400.

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# Crain's Detroit Business

## Employee reviews are important for workers, companies

By Sheena Harrison

Employee performance reviews can be a crucial tool for small businesses that want to develop workers and safeguard themselves against potential lawsuits.

Professionals say reviews provide employees with an analysis of their professional strengths and weaknesses. They also provide employers with a record of an employee's performance if the company is sued by a worker who was fired or passed over for a promotion.

"A good evaluation system can make (for) a much better place to work, as long as it's done correctly," said Timothy Howlett, director of the labor and employment practice at Dickinson-Wright P.L.L.C. in Detroit.

Many small businesses avoid giving reviews because it can be tedious, even nerve wracking, said Joe DeSantis, director of communications for the Southfield-based American Society of Employers.

Many executives or managers also are concerned about delivering negative reviews to employees who might not handle the news well.

"Fundamentally, this is not an easy thing to do," DeSantis said.

The key is committing to an organized, fair review process that employees can count on and training managers to give reviews.

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- Set a schedule for reviewing employees and stick with it.
- Evaluate performance on objective criteria. Provide positive and negative feedback, as well as concrete suggestions for how the employee can improve.
- Have a team of executives or an attorney review evaluations to make sure they're fair and legal.
- Document employee reviews and keep them on file.

Both Howlett and DeSantis say companies should set a regular time frame for evaluating employees and stick with it. That can mean giving reviews on an employee's anniversary at the company, or reviewing all employees at the same time of year.

"You need to make sure that there's a commitment from everyone that you're going to do it," Howlett said. "The worst thing is to say there's going to be annual evaluations and they don't get done."

It's something First Tech Direct L.L.C. is improving upon. The Royal Oak-based information-technology services company has 26 workers.

President John Silvani said the firm used to do reviews "haphazardly" but now is formalizing its process to provide more consistent reviews. Under the new policy, employees will receive an evaluation after 90 days at the company and every year after that.

"Without a regular time frame, evaluations weren't being done actively for employees," said Silvani, whose company reported 2006 sales of \$5.4 million. "And that's not fair to them."

It's important to develop a set of ob-

jective criteria by which employees can be judged, Howlett said. For instance, salespeople can be evaluated by whether they met sales goals.

Companies should discuss positive and negative feedback in their reviews, and provide ways the employee can improve performance.

"It limits the amount of argument about fairness in the process," Howlett said.

Howlett and DeSantis said reviews should be consistently documented and kept on file. It is also wise to have someone review the reviews before they're given to employees.

This helps ensure that the reviews are fair and don't make assessments based on illegal factors, such as age or family status, Howlett said.

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The laws of supply and demand have kept advertising rates on a gradual rise even as a change in the way Nielsen measures audiences and a proliferation of cable and Internet news alternatives have eviscerated the local stations' numbers, compared to 10 years ago.

## TV news ad rates up despite viewer losses

### Advertisers pay more and get less

By Bill Shea  
*Crain's Detroit Business*

A 24 percent audience decline for Detroit's evening and late local television news broadcasts over the past decade hasn't translated into discounted rates for advertisers.

In fact, they're paying more to reach fewer viewers during the sought-after newscasts' ad slots.

Nearly 400,000 fewer households tuned into the 5, 6 and 11 p.m. newscasts in metro Detroit during the May "sweeps" period than did in 1997, according to research provided by New York-based audience-tracking service Nielsen

Businesses can appoint a couple of executives to review evaluations, such as the CEO and the human-resources manager. At smaller companies, an attorney can look at reviews and help the firm stay within legal boundaries.

"We really recommend that there be somebody who basically looks at all of the reviews to make sure that they're meeting the criteria that the organization has set out," DeSantis said.

Training to give reviews can make the process go more smoothly, DeSantis said. For example, the ASE provides educational sessions on evaluating employees.

Silvani said his company's review process came largely from his experience at previous businesses. But First Tech also received advice from the Entrepreneurs Organization, a peer advisory group comprising entrepreneurs with businesses that generate revenue of more than \$1 million. Members must join before age 50 but can remain members after that age.

"Many companies have done this already and have done it well, so there's no reason to reinvent the wheel," Silvani said.

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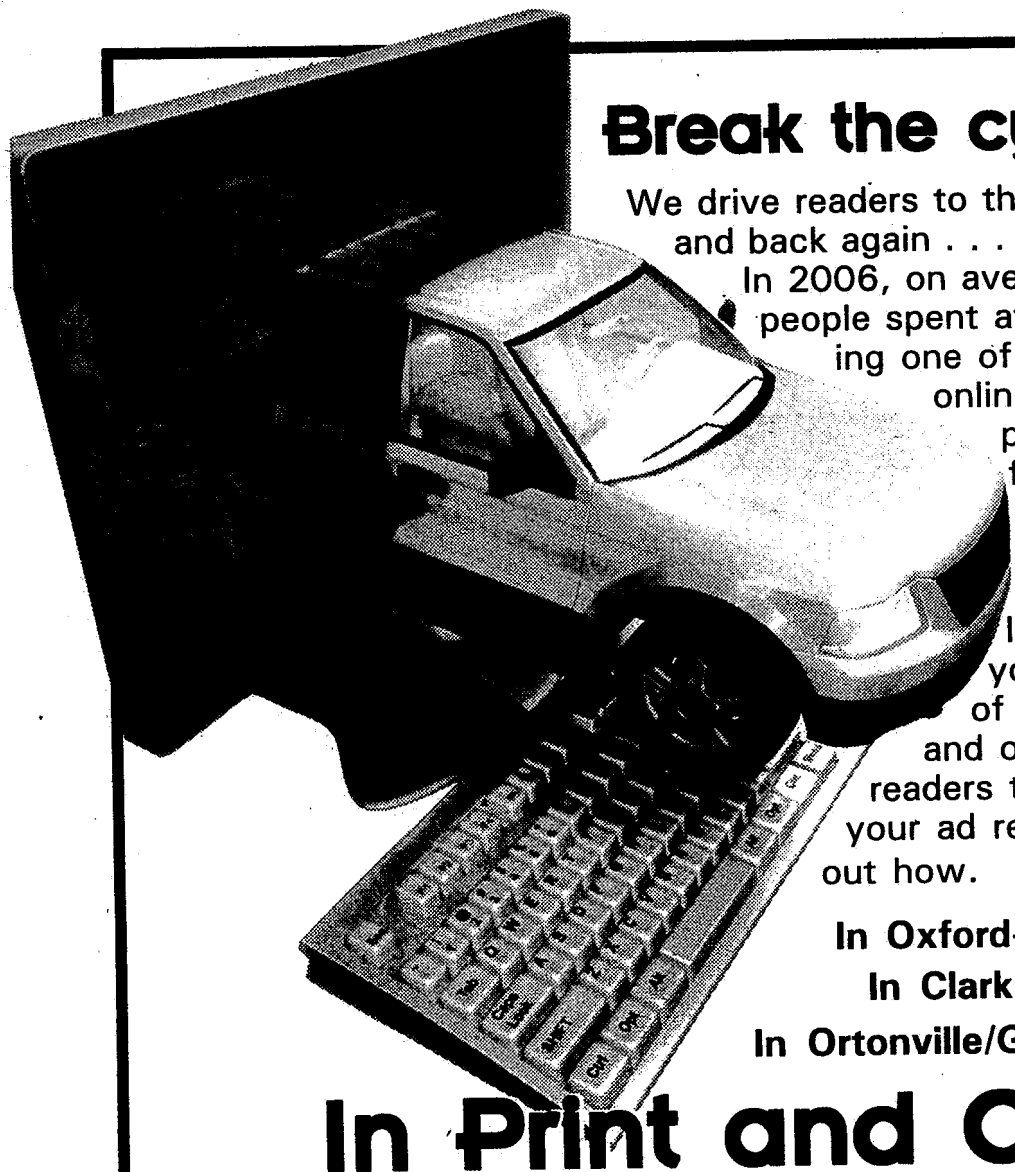
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"Regardless of what the audience level is, if the demand is there, the cost is going to remain the same," said Chris McCourtney, general manager of radio group Salem Detroit and former ad salesman for ABC affiliate WXYZ Channel 7. "That translates, for the advertiser, into a higher cost per 1,000 (viewers). It's costing more in terms of efficiency."

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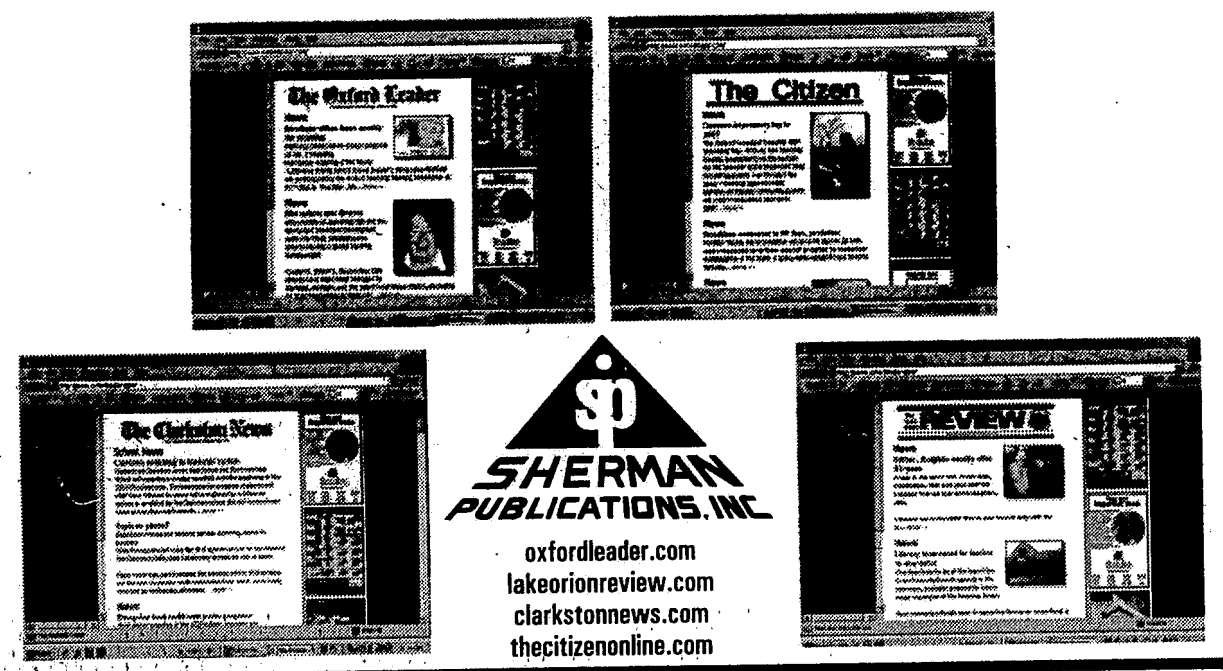
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## New year brings new ideas for chamber of commerce

Lou Melone just picked up the reins as president of the Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce, but he already had someone to thank.

"I want to thank my wife in advance for all her patient support," Melone said at the chamber's Annual Meeting this past Saturday.

Officers, directors, staff, and activity chairpersons have a big year ahead, celebrating the chamber's 20th anniversary.

Among his initiatives as president: a series of business education events for all chamber members. Topics will include business plans, management of balance sheets and cash flow, traditional and alternative financing, and how to grow a business.

"Topics will build on each other, or can be attended individually," Melone said.

Speakers will come from all over the state to make their presentations, which will be incorporated into monthly chamber luncheon mixers, he said.

"I'm going to push this hard, to get everyone involved," he said.

Stephen Hyer gave his final address as chamber president at the Oakhurst Country Club dinner meeting.

"It's with a great sense of satisfaction that I pass the gavel," Hyer said. "I want to thank the membership for making this a memorable experience for me."

Accomplishments include new vision and mission statement, successful events and activities, and involvement with Leadership Clarkston.

"That was a monumental achievement,"



Heidi Wood, chamber Board of Directors secretary, earned the President's Award this year.

He presented the President's Award to Heidi Wood, secretary on the chamber board of directors. "One person stands out," Hyer said. "Since the beginning of the year, she has provided guidance and perceptions on almost every issue."

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## Business news



From left are consultants Lori Schettler, Lisa Abbate, Tracey Fisher and Angie Klebba. Photo provided

### Clarkston consultants hit Texas conference

Angie Klebba of Clarkston attended the 2007 PartyLite National Conference in Houston, Texas, July 25-28.

Klebba began her own personal business as an independent consultant for PartyLite in 1997. She currently sells

premium candle décor and home fragrances, and also assists with developing and training new consultants. For more information, visit [www.partylite.biz/AngieKlebba](http://www.partylite.biz/AngieKlebba).

### Yoga school to start Jan. 4

Yoga Teacher's Training begins Jan. 4 at Jewels Yoga & Fitness, 4612 Mountain View Trail in Clarkston.

"Our intention in creating this teacher's training program is to allow the students to learn and grow, whether or not they choose to teach yoga after they receive certification," said Jules Keilitz, owner of Jewels Yoga and Fitness and co-instructor of the teacher's training.

The 16-week program will be taught by Keilitz and Barb Heuerman, also of Clarkston and a long-established practitioner of Yoga.

Heuerman holds a master's degree in education and is one of the first certified teachers in Oakland County. The program will explore classic Yogic texts, history,



Barb Heuerman and Jules Keilitz of Jewels Yoga & Fitness offer a training program for Yoga teachers.

philosophy, poses, meditation, breathing techniques, anatomy and physiology.

The 200-hour training session will be every Friday for 16 weeks, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. More information and an application can be found at [www.julesyogafitness.com](http://www.julesyogafitness.com), or call Jewels Yoga & Fitness at 248-390-9270. Class size is limited to 15 students.

### Doctor treats patients like family, friends

By Trevor Keiser

"It's not like the typical say 'hi' 'bye' and go," said Dr. HimaBindu Chandrasekhar of the Clarkston Medical Clinic. "Each patient makes you feel like family."

To have an office that feels "homey" and family-like is the goal of Clarkston Medical Clinic.

Bindu said she likes spending about 30 minutes with each patient as opposed to the regular 15 minutes of other clinics.

"It gives a more personalized touch," she said. "All my patients have my pager number. I believe in being available to them 24/7."

Bindu sees patients of all ages from newborn to elderly. She also works at nursing home.

"I can go to the nursing home and really relate with them," said Bindu. "It makes

me feel like I am seeing my own grandparents."

The best part of the job is "dealing with all ages."

"It gives me diversity, it's not monotonous," she said. "It makes me feel happy to see a little child, and then see an elderly person. I am not just seeing children all the time or elderly all the time. It makes it more challenging, because you have to know something about everything."

Bindu was born in India and went to medical school there. She came to the United States in 2000. She interned at the University of Chicago before moving to Michigan in 2001 to do her residency at North Oakland Medical Center, an affiliate of Wayne State University. She completed residency in 2004 and has been in full-time practice for the past three years.

Bindu moved to Clarkston in March, 2007. Prior to coming to Clarkston, she worked for another family practice in Waterford.

The clinic takes most major insurances and some Medicaid. The Clarkston Medical Clinic is located at 5790 South Main St.



Dr. HimaBindu Chandrasekhar

### Law office comes to Clarkston

By Trevor Keiser

After more than 25 years in Bloomfield Hills, Owen & DeMarco, PLC relocated their law office to downtown Clarkston at the Clarkston Mills, this past June.

Tom Owen said he and his wife moved to Clarkston seven years ago. When the opportunity arose for him to move his office closer to home, he took it.

One of the interesting things about the new Clarkston Mills office is all the furniture, paintings, book shelves, pottery, and antiques are from the "Arts and Crafts Movement," between 1890 and 1930s. Owen sits at a 1910 "Stickley brothers" desk that was built in Grand Rapids and has "Limbert" bookshelves.

"Grand Rapids was very influential during the Arts and Crafts Movement," said Owen. "We are huge fans of that."

Owen said his house has a lot of antique furniture as well.

"If you look in his office (Vince's) he is a collector of some Detroit Lions memorabilia- nobody's perfect," said Owen jokingly.

Owen and DeMarco are surrounded by 100-year-old furniture, but there are no law books to be seen or found anywhere in the office. Everything is done through the internet.

"The only books around here are books



Tom Owen



Vince DeMarco

that we have collected for our own use, like mysteries and that sort of thing, but not law books," said Owen.

Owen graduated from Harvard Law School in 1964; he went on to work for Dickinson-Wright law firm in Detroit. He was a partner in charge of their estate and trust division for 20 years, until he decided he wanted a smaller practice.

"A large law firm is not an easy place for estate planning and that sort of thing," said Owen. "I like the one-on-one."

It wasn't until Owen's stepson Vincent DeMarco joined the law firm after he graduated from Michigan State College of Law in 1996 that the name changed to "Owen & DeMarco, PLC."

Owen & DeMarco, PLC is located at the Clarkston Mills, 20 W. Washington, Suite 3. For more information call 248-642-1240.

# Seeing is believing

Boost the effectiveness of your next presentation with visual support

By Dan Gauthier

According to *Presentation Magazine*, more than 1 million presentations are made *each business day*. Only 25 percent of these messages will be remembered after 48 hours. Of this, only about 7 percent is content; the rest is *not* what someone said, but *how* he or she said it.

People are more likely to remember their impressions and *what they saw* instead of *what they heard*. That said, visual support is essential to boosting audience comprehension and retention. Visual aids also add credibility and help to hold the audience's interest. While there are many forms of visual aids, following some basic principles can greatly enhance their impact.



Dan Gauthier is the owner of American Speedy Printing Centers, Clarkston

## What is a visual aid?

A visual aid is anything that a speaker uses to support his or her message. This includes a variety of formats such as large print materials (posters, signs), electronic presentations, show-and-tell objects and handouts. Depending on what you are trying to accomplish in your presentation, the *content* of such items might include:

- Diagrams, charts and graphs
- Photos
- Key points of the presentation
- Contrasts (for example, before and after)
- Similarities
- Facts and figures
- Starting or thought-provoking statements or quotes
- Teasers and puzzles

Using visual aids in your presentation maximizes audience retention. The phrase, "a picture is worth a thousand words," has maintained its relevance ever since the *New York Post* discovered the value of visuals to the news business. A presentation sparked by simple, clear, concise images and attention-getting graphics allows you to speak louder than words. This increases your chances of leaving your audience with a positive

perception of you and your product or service.

Visual aids can strengthen a presentation by:

- Adding interest.
- Changing the pace and temporarily shifting the focus away from the presenter.
- Communicating complicated concepts quickly and effectively.

Audience members are more likely to pay attention and respond to aids that are visually appealing. Rather than merely listing profit and loss figures, sales forecasts or demographic percentages, use pie charts or graphs. Use diagrams, enlargements and graphics containing eye-catching colors, illustrations, photos and cartoons to enhance your message, too.

*How* you use visual aids can also have tremendous impact on how your presentation is received. Keep visual aids covered when not in use. They will only distract your audience while you are speaking. When you use visual aids, always introduce your visual before you actually show it. When you are finished with a visual aid, cover it or remove it from audience view. Remember to test visual aids prior to your presentation. Make sure they are understandable and can be seen from the back row.

## Making an impact after the presentation

The underlying aim of any presentation is to persuade – to help people decide to buy your product or service, to favor your idea or proposal, or to choose you over a competitor. In addition to preparing your materials and delivering a forceful message, add impact after the presentation with handouts.

Providing business cards, brochures, newsletters and other print communications will keep your words fresh in your audience members' minds. If you're conducting a training session, consider providing color copies of your presentation as a handout before the program starts so attendees can take notes on them while you're speaking. Or, provide copies of your presentation at the end of your program for anyone interested in keeping the information for future reference or sharing it with others. But save them for *after* your presentation since they can be a distraction.

Choose handouts and "leave behinds" wisely. Leave your audience with a reason to contact you by avoiding the com-

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Dr. Thomas Biggs, left, and Dr. Arlin French of Oakland Eye Care in Clarkston.

## Eye doctors look to the future in Clarkston

BY PHIL CUSTODIO

Oakland Eye Care in Clarkston is growing, with a bigger office, a new doctor, and soon a second location.

"We're large enough that we need two doctors," said Dr. Thomas Biggs.

He offered the job to his friend, Dr. Arlin French, who had been practicing in Waterford. The timing was good for both of them.

"I've been looking to move," French said. "This is a growing area – people are moving here."

The Clarkston office expanded from the second to the first floor of the Munk Professional Center, 5825 S. Main Street, Suite 100. They used the extra space for a new optical center, making eyeglasses and contact lenses.

"We can make them within one week," French said.

The office is equipped with state-of-the-art equipment for testing and diagnosis in nine examination rooms.

Both board-certified ophthalmologists, they offer LASEK and LASIK treatments, and the latest in transplant surgery to correct eyesight.

A natural, human lens changes shape as a person focuses on different objects. Artificial transplants are not yet that advanced, but they are getting closer.

Now they can be made with concentric rings, each with a different focal point, Biggs said.

"They used to be one prescription," he said. The advances mean more people can have

their eyesight fixed, he said.

They offer surgical services at affiliate hospitals including POH, St. Joseph's, Beaumont, North Oakland Medical Center, Huron Valley, and Genesys.

They are working on an operating room at their Main Street location, and also planning a second location in the McLaren Health Village on Sashabaw Road just south of I-75.

"It'll be great – we'll have a presence at both locations," Biggs said.

The two locations will improve access and convenience for their patients, French said.

Expansion was needed to provide for the eye-care needs of a population growing in number and age, he said.

Biggs lives in Clarkston with his wife, Diana Biggs, and their children Andrew and Mitchell.

French lives in Lake Orion with his wife, Dr. Kathy French, and their children Nicholas and Christopher.

"I've always been fascinated with the eye," said French, a graduate of Michigan State University College of Osteopathic Medicine.

"I enjoy performing surgery, teaching, community talks with groups and at senior centers," said Biggs, also a graduate of MSU College of Osteopathic Medicine.

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# 3 new dangers posed by spammers, what you can do to protect yourself!

By Dan Izydorke

**WARNING:** Spam e-mails are not only annoying and time consuming, but they're also becoming more dangerous to your personal privacy and the security of your computer.

Millions of computer users are getting infected, spoofed, and burned by spam e-mails every

year, forcing the user to pay hefty fees to clean and restore their PCs back to working order.

There are 3 NEW dangers that all computer users must be aware of:

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**2. An increase in viruses carrying spam.** Accidentally open a spam e-mail carrying a nasty virus and you can end up with big problems ranging from the slowing of your system to more serious threats such as system crashes, data loss,



Dan Izydorke, President & Founder of PC Miracles, Inc.

identity theft, redirecting your web browser to porn sites, and more.

**3. Phishing spam.** A phishing e-mail appears to be a legitimate e-mail from a bank, vendor, friend, or other trusted source when in reality, it is a malicious third party that is going to use your information to open credit card accounts, access your account, steal money, and cause you other major identity and financial problems. Phishing e-mails are getting incredibly smart and convincing, and thousands have already fallen victim.

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Kris and Herb Dula run Little Jumpin' Beans on Dixie Highway, including their sons Bailey and Evan. Photo by Phil Custodio

## Dula family teaches child development at Little Jumpin' Beans

For Kris and Herb Dula, the active community calendar of the Clarkston area drew them to the area.

Independence Township business owners, they enter floats in most of Clarkston's downtown parades.

"We like how everyone knows everyone else," Kris said. "We love the downtown area, how quaint it is."

The couple both grew up in Ortonville, dating at Brandon High School since they were 15 years old and getting married in 1995.

They settled in Independence Township about 10 years ago, keeping the books at Independence Square apartment complex and buying a house on Maybee Road.

They opened the Little Jumpin' Beans business on Dixie Highway.

"I've always been interested in doing something like this or a day care," said Kris, who opened the center with her husband in January.

For more information, call 248-343-5077 or check [www.LittleJumpinBeans2.com](http://www.LittleJumpinBeans2.com).

## Personal reflection

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tween despair to hope.

Life is full of transitions, from seasons' changes to people changes, nature changes; it's just about growing and learning from our challenging changes. "The reward is only as great as the risk taken to achieve it."

Maria is owner of MakeOver Place salon -- a place that makes transitions a welcome adventure.

## Chamber to celebrate 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary

The Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce's Black Tie Dinner Anniversary Celebration is Thursday, January 24, 2008. This event will include displays from the Chamber's past, a keynote speaker, music and entertainment.

To make reservations for this or any other Chamber event please email the Chamber at: [Val@clarkston.org](mailto:Val@clarkston.org) or call the Chamber 248-625-8055 during business hours.

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## Living trusts can help give you peace of mind

By James R. Filak

The majority of trusts are designed to ensure a smooth transfer of assets after you're gone, but a living trust can help give you peace of mind while you're alive. The allure of a living trust is in its ability to change terms while you are alive — something that is not possible with many other trusts.

A living trust has long been a staple of estate planners providing those who establish one with a way to control how assets are distributed and a way to avoid probate on assets owned by the trust. Like a will, a living trust is a legal document. Unlike assets transferred in a will, assets in a living trust need not pass through probate, a process that is both public and can be costly based on value of assets. Also, beneficiaries have access to the assets of



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the deceased, whereas the probate process can be lengthy and delay this transfer of assets.

With the help of an estate planning attorney and licensed financial professional, you can determine if a living trust is right for you. Living trusts can be revocable, meaning you can change the trust's terms at any time. For those who desire flexibility in planning, living trusts are ideal in dealing with changes in assets/beneficiaries and location of assets. If property is in more than one state, property transferred to a trust bypasses probate while property outside a trust must be probated in each state which may result in multiple probate proceedings.

Most important, a living trust should not be the only document containing your final wishes. A document called a pour-over acts as a safety net if you don't transfer all the assets you intended to a living trust. This document can stipulate that all assets not passed to the trust were intended for the trust, and then assets would pass to the trust after death, however, these assets would still be subject to probate.

A living trust is not for everyone, but with the help of professionals, you can learn if it is right for you.

For more info, contact Jim at: 248-236-8110

## Seeing is believing

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mon pitfall of providing too much information. Instead, select materials that will pique interest and pave the way for a follow-up call or visit. This might include a business card, company fact sheet and customer testimonials. Be sure to include easy-to-find contact information — Web site, email, phone number — on all handouts.

### Sidebar:

#### Be a Purpose-Driven Speaker

The most effective speeches and presentations are those in which the speaker has a clear purpose or goal. This will greatly influence your choice of visual aids and how you go about preparing them. Before you plan your presentation, determine your intent. Are you speaking to:

- Inspire or motivate
- Persuade or prompt action
- Inform or educate
- Build your credibility

Answering these questions should make choosing the right combination of visual aids much easier!

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## Agent moves into Dixie Hwy. office

Ron Thompson, Waterford, has joined Farm Bureau Insurance as an agent serving the area from 7608 Dixie Highway, Independence Township.



Ron Thompson

Thompson recently completed an extensive career development program for new agents, which prepared him for his new career with Farm Bureau. His training included the agent career

school at the Farm Bureau Insurance home office in Lansing.

Farm Bureau agents are licensed to sell all lines of insurance, including life, home, auto, farm, retirement, and business.

Prior to joining Farm Bureau Insurance as an agent, he was a loan officer for Nolan Mortgage in Waterford.

Thompson's community involvement includes being the head JV coach for Walled Lake Northern High School.

He joins a statewide force of 400 Farm Bureau Insurance agents serving nearly 450,000 Michigan policyholders.

## Lakes Community Credit Union sails into Waterford

Lakes Community Credit Union celebrated the grand opening of their new Waterford Branch on Tuesday.

The new location, located at 4770 Dixie Hwy. (just south of Walton), is replacing their former branch on Perry St. in Pontiac.

Lakes Community Credit Union is excited and honored to become an active part of the Waterford Community.

For more information about Lakes Community Credit Union, please visit us on the web at [www.lakescommunitycu.org](http://www.lakescommunitycu.org) or contact Maureen at (248) 814-4000.

— Cathy Kimmel

## Small Biz Briefs

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Be very cautious in using the business credit card freely, as the Interest rates will negatively affect the bottom line.

Inquire about a credit card payment system, if this convenience is to be offered to the customer.

6. A record-keeping system must be established and adhered to. It can be as straightforward as a three-ring binder, columnar pad sheets, and twelve pocket dividers. For each month, set up columnar sheets for income and expenses. Use pocket dividers for each month's receipts, bank statement, deposit tickets, and canceled checks.

An automobile log for business mileage and a filing system for correspondence, invoices, supplier catalogs, client records, etc. are two other functional tools. There are a number of good computer accounting programs on the retailers' shelves. Depending on the owner's computer ability, they might require some training.

See IRS publication #583, Information for Business taxpayers.

If you need any further information regarding this series of articles or have any questions about Small Businesses please e-mail me at: [info@accuratebookkeepingllc.com](mailto:info@accuratebookkeepingllc.com)

Next month, I will continue the steps in setting up a business.



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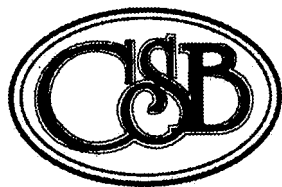
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