

## Clarkston approaches end of an era

Clarkston has never known another city manager besides Art Pappas, but next year, it may have to. Pappas submitted a letter to Clarkston City Council requesting a search begin for a new city manager.



Art Pappas

"After over 45 years of serving the City/Village of Clarkston and its residents as clerk, treasurer, village manager and treasurer, and for over 17 years city manager/clerk-treasurer, the undersigned feels it is time to hang up the hat(s)," Pappas said in his letter, dated Oct. 4. "By this time next year, or earlier, I would like to terminate my duties."

He will assist the city with a search committee for a smooth transition, he said.

"It has been my distinct honor and privilege to have known Art for nearly 40 of his 75 years on this earth," said longtime resident Tom Stone in a letter to the editor (page 6A).

"He is the most honest, sincere, dedicated, and likeable person I have ever known. I wish him nothing but the very best for his future."

- Phil Custodio



Clarkston varsity cheerleader Lacie Turnbull has a super time cheering on the Wolves at the Halloween themed football game. Please see page 20A for more pictures. Photo by Laura Colvin

## Congressman talks to thousands in teletownhall

BY PHIL CUSTODIO  
Clarkston News Editor

It was 8 p.m. on Monday night, and Shelly of Clarkston was giving her congressman an earful.

"When you and Republicans talk about S-CHIP, environment, CAFE standards, alternatives to coal burning plants, I'm not trying to be argumentative, but it always seems to be about money," she said to U.S. Rep. Mike Rogers (R-8th District). "But every time you bring up the war - money's not an issue."

"Let me take a stab at it, if I may," Rogers responded. "I believe we should have insurance for poor children - but I don't believe we have to break the bank. We have to spend money responsibly."

Shelly was one of about half a dozen callers to get through to the congressman during his teletownhall meeting Monday. Operated like a call-in radio talk show, Rogers uses the format

to communicate with thousands of constituents at a time.

"Teletownhalls use technology that became available about a year ago," said Sylvia Warner, press secretary. "Usually, about 200-400 people respond to listen, and about 50 submit questions."

In the Oct. 29 teletownhall meeting, a computerized calling system contacted 35,000 Oakland County residents. About 12,000 responded and listened to at least part of the hour-long call, Rogers said.

"I've never had that kind of opportunity before," he said.

When making calls, the computer plays a recording from Rogers, in which he invites people to participate and tells them how to join in the live discussion.

The technology is a great convenience for constituents, Warner said.

"If he were to hold a townhall meeting at a

building somewhere, it would mean leaving work or home and driving there," she said.

"Lots more people can participate, and it is much less expensive than mailing an invitation to a townhall meeting, or several, at some specific location, where attendance can be pretty low in today's busy world."

Conventional town hall meetings have an average attendance of 10-25 people, Rogers said.

"People are busy," he said. "The call tonight was far more efficient."

Responding callers are first connected to a staff member, managing the queue. Callers are put through in order - they do not act as call screeners, he said.

"I hear from people all over the political spectrum," Rogers said.

In Monday's call, he spoke to Carolyn about Michigan's new sales tax - "we can't tax ourselves into prosperity," he said - Arnold about

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## Time to vote

BY LAURA COLVIN  
Clarkston News Writer

Council candidates didn't knock on doors, develop campaign platforms or dot the landscape with expensive signs this election season.

With three candidates running for three seats in the uncontested Clarkston City Council race, incumbents Jim Brueck and Cory Johnston will likely return for a second term, joined by council newcomer Peg Roth.

Polls open Tues., Nov. 6 at 7 a.m.

"I wish more people were running," said Johnston, typically the council's most outspoken member. "There's been no questions, no issues, nothing. I don't think (voters) know who's running or why, and that bothers me."

Johnston, 54, a structural engineer, listed addressing the municipal budget, ensuring pedestrian safety and friendliness in the city, and updating "outdated, confusing, and ignored" policies and ordinances as a priority.

Johnston described his council tenure as "tedious work" and said it usually takes a great deal of time to accomplish any objective, large or small.

"The job is not easy," he said. "In fact, it's far more difficult than I ever imagined."

Johnston and fellow incumbent Jim Brueck also founded and co-chair the Clarkston Watershed Group. Both have displayed concern for environmental issues, both list protecting the area's natural resources as an important issue.

Brueck, 61, an automotive engineer, said he would like to see Clarkston continue to improve its relationship and work toward more shared services with Independence Township, as well as work to define the benefits of city residency for taxpayers.

"People pay a premium to live here," he said. "What can the city do to help increase value, or

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## Antiques up for auction

Bob and Laura Harris examine a rug at the Historical Society's Antique Auction. Attendance at the Friday auction was disappointing, organizers said, but buyers found some good deals. *Photo by Phil Custodio*

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### Health Fair at St. Dan's set Nov. 11

St. Daniel's Catholic Church hosts its third annual Health Fair 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 11.

Free services include blood pressure, blood sugar, BMI, skin cancer tests. Ask the Pharmacist, chair massage and Healing Touch, drawing for prizes, and heart-healthy breakfast with whole foods. Cholesterol tests are \$4 and flu shots are \$25.

Kid Zone activities include face painting, clown, handwashing station and teeth brushing demonstration.

For more information, call the church, 7010 Valley Park Drive, at 248-625-4580.

### Chamber Expo set Nov. 8

The Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce will host the 21st Annual Business Expo, 5-8 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 8, at Clarkston High School in the cafeteria and Main Street Hall area, 6093 Flemings Lake Road.

Admission is \$5.

More than 100 exhibitors and 1,200 visitors are expected. Oakland Technical Center's Culinary Arts program will prepare and serve the refreshments at the EXPO.

DJ Jim Tedder will provide entertainment with music and announcements throughout the evening.

For more information contact Trisha Donaldson or Teri Robinson at the Chamber, [www.clarkston.org](http://www.clarkston.org) or 248-625-1855.

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# Help for the homeless

## Church provides food, warmth to those in need

BY TREVOR KEISER

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Clarkston United Methodist Church is offering the community a chance to help people in need by donating new or slightly used sleeping bags, winter coats, hats, or gloves. The donated items will be delivered on Nov. 3.

"We just want to help the homeless," said Jay Bleim, a member of the Sleeping Bags For The Homeless ministry team. "With getting to the cold period, a sleeping bag is something they could use"

The church sponsored the ministry as one of its outreach programs for the past three years.

Bleim said their goal is to help at least 100 people. Two teams will deliver donations, one to Grace Centers of Hope and Salvation Army in Pontiac, and the other to North End Soup Kitchen in Flint.

They would like to take 50 sleeping bags each to Pontiac and Flint.

"The kitchen serves food at about 11:30, so we are going to get up there and set up early, around 10:30, and hopefully be there in time for us to hand out sleeping bags," said Bleim.

Along with the sleeping bags, each recipient will be given a gallon-size goody bag, said Bleim.

Each bag will include toothbrushes,



Devin and Leia Bleim prepare goody bags for Clarkston United Methodist Church's Sleeping Bags For The Homeless ministry. Photo provided.

tooth paste, granola bars, raisins, cheese and crackers, Slim Jims, juice box, and bottled water. Also there will be personal hygiene materials such as trial-size soaps, shampoo, lotion, pocket size tissues, and lip baum, as well as a gift certificate to McDonalds.

"We're giving out coats too, so we want to line the coats and put in the pockets Kleenex and Chap Stick," said Bleim. "If we could get some community help, that would be awesome."

To donate items or volunteer for the delivery team, call Eileen Bullen, 248-922-0122, or Jay and Joyce Bleim, 248-625-0875. Donations will be accepted until Friday, Nov. 2.

"We're all excited and ready to go," said Jay. "Our CUMC SBFTH Ministry would not have been possible without the behind-the-scene efforts from Tammy Cropp, Eileen Bullen, Abby Whiteford, and Joyce Bleim, who organized and did all the shopping for the personal goody bags."

## Silhouettes for SCAMP fundraiser set Nov. 5

Clarkston artist Judy Hoddinott offers Silhouettes for SCAMP, 5-9 p.m., Nov. 5 and 12, at Frames-N-Art in Independence Township.

"She's very good at it," said Carol Plautz, co-owner of Frames N Art with Gail Bacon. "It's something she enjoys doing for SCAMP."

Before photography, silhouettes were a popular portrait artform. They show an outline of a person usually in

profile, with a featureless, black interior.

Hoddinott draws the outline she needs for a complete silhouette by eye, without photography or backlit shadows.

"It's quick," she said. "I can draw a child in under three minutes."

Silhouettes, 8-by-10, matted, and ready for framing, are \$15. All proceeds go to SCAMP, Clarkston's summer camp

for special-needs children and young adults.

"I enjoy SCAMP. It's a lot of fun," Hoddinott said. "You can't go there and not fall in love with the little guys - they do an excellent job."


For more information, call Frames-N-Art, 5889 Dixie Highway, at 248-623-1552. For information on SCAMP, check [www.ClarkstonSCAMP.com](http://www.ClarkstonSCAMP.com).

- Phil Custodio



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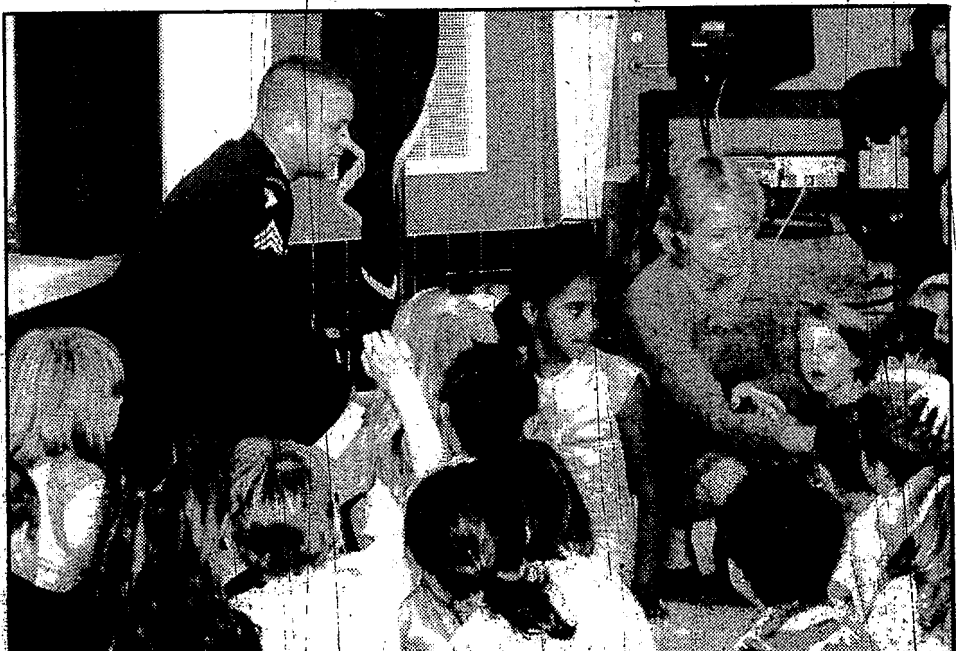
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Principal Debra Latozas takes a question for Sgt. Jordan Tubbs during his visit to North Sashabaw Elementary. Photo by Phil Custodio

# Students support troops

BY PHIL CUSTODIO  
Clarkston News Editor

This past year, U.S. Army Sgt. Jordan Tubbs faced insurgents while escorting convoys in Iraq.

Wednesday, he faced a new challenge — Clarkston-area children at North Sashabaw Elementary School.

Tubbs, along with local American Legion officers, spoke to students about how they can help troops overseas.

"There are no restaurants, no Rite Aids, no shopping malls. What we want to do is help them out," said Barney Schoenfeld, vice commander of American Legion Post 63 in Independence Township, at the school assembly.

The American Legion has been sending care packages to troops deployed overseas since World War II, Schoenfeld said.

North Sashabaw Elementary School's student council organized the collection drive, getting in touch with the American Legion and asking for a collection box. The Legion is placing collection boxes throughout the Clarkston school district.

"I think this is really good — they're out there and we're here and we have all this stuff," said Sydney Fahr, fourth-grade student council representative. "It's kind to do something for other people. If you do kindness for other people, you get kindness back."

"If the Army needs something, we're here to help them," said Abi Howe, representing 5th graders.

"And learn how it feels to give," said Aalayna Green, third-grade representative.

Tubbs returned two weeks ago with the 303rd Military Police Company from a year's duty in Iraq.

"That's a long time — a very long time," Tubbs said to the students. "A lot of guys are

still there, and they have the same problems I had — if you help out, it helps us out a lot."

Legionnaires will return Nov. 13 to pick up the donations for delivery overseas by Christmas.

"It means a lot to have you come talk to us," said Principal Debra Latozas. "We're very honored to have you here. We'll do our best to fill the box."

"This is very nice, heart warming," Tubbs said. "It's good to get the community involved."

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# Following the Trail of Treats



Adam Banes and his daughters Erin and Meghan Banes received lots of treats on the trail.



Volunteers Amanda Nunnold, dressed as an enchantress, and Kate Nitowski, as Hannah Montana, have lots of treats to share.



Martin Roe, dressed as evil alien symbiote Spider-Man, receives a treat.

Children enjoyed some early Halloween trick-or-treating at Springfield Township's Trick or Treat Trail this past weekend.

The Hart Community Center in Davisburg was transformed into a

gently scary labyrinth of black plastic, lights, and Halloween props. Community volunteers, including the Rotary Club and National Honor Society students from Clarkston and other local high schools,

passed out treats at 13 stops along the trail.

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## Wendi's Word

A column by Wendi Reardon

### Hello world, here I am!

Maybe you have seen me in the middle of the bleachers with a notebook in one hand, a pen in the other hand with a camera strapped ready for action.

Let me officially introduce myself. I am Wendi, your new Sports Writer. It's nice to meet you.

Here is a little bit about me.

I graduated from Oxford High School in 1998. I received my Bachelor of Arts in Communications degree from the University of Michigan-Flint in 2005. Going part-time to college did take a little bit longer for a four-year degree, but it's alright. I still made it here.

While I was in college, I freelanced for *The Michigan Times*. Also, I worked a few months as a Newsroom Intern for WEYI-25.

I continued onward by freelancing for *The Grand Blanc View*.

I like reporting. I get to talk to new people each day, learn and see new things, and then share them with you.

Ahh...Clarkston and I... When interviewing for this job, I told myself there is just something about Clarkston. Usually, I find myself boomeranging back here.

I may not have grown up here. I grew up in Oxford. But I have known this area since I was little.

My aunt and uncle used to live in the area. I still remember the smell of walking to Deer Lake for Easter Brunch and visiting the Easter Bunny.

During high school, I worked at Boston Market. Yes, I drove Oxford to Clarkston for a minimum wage job. It's alright. (You will come to find, I drive long distances and usually don't care as long as the radio and cd player are working.)

My first three cars came from Clarkston. Two of them from Saturn North. Go ahead ask me about my car. I love my car. I love my dealership.

So here I am, Clarkston. I am back. I am ready.

Plus, I like it. It's a good feeling when I come to work and get a happy feeling because this is where I want to be. How many times can you go into work and say that?

Until next time, I will see you in the bleachers.



# The Clarkston News Viewpoints

## Actions louder than words

Dear Editor,

It's ironic that Independence Township Trustee Dan Kelly, who is now a candidate for the 44th district's state representative, would claim in his recent letter in your paper that if elected he would push for a part-time legislature with reduced salaries and benefits for legislators to save taxpayers money.

Unfortunately, Independence Township taxpayers already know what it's like when Dan Kelly attempts to save them money.

Just one example of Trustee Kelly's quest to "save" taxpayers money in Independence Township has now cost taxpayers well over \$250,000 for a new "temporary" senior center, even though he was told three times by failed election proposals that it was not wanted.

Wasting tax dollars on proposal elections

that were overwhelmingly defeated and then ignored by Kelly was a slap in the face to the township's voters and another waste of our tax dollars.

Kelly has already shown Independence Township taxpayers that he is practiced at the art of wasting tax dollars and usurping the will of the people by

ignoring their votes by building "temporary" projects that benefit a select few.

His performance on the local level should be an indicator of what taxpayers should expect if he is elected to be their state representative.

A vote for Dan Kelly for state representative would be a vote for more of the same. Damn the taxpayer and spend, spend, spend!

Michael Powell  
Independence Township

## More participation by voters needed

Dear Editor,

Tuesday, Nov. 6, is Election Day. In the City of the Village of Clarkston there are no issues on the ballot and all three candidates for office are running unopposed.

The city council recently approved the only nominee for the council position vacated by former council member Bill Rausch. This means that a majority of next year's council will be there without any open discussion of the issues, without opposition, and most importantly without the public having a true opportunity to decide who should represent them.

It is not how I want to be elected to office and not a situation I enjoy. I hope that everyone still comes out to vote as it is still one of the most important rights we have and it should not be ignored.

It may also give some indication to the city council of how the people want to be represented. In additions to voting, consider attending a city council meeting, meet your representatives, find out what they are doing, and voice your opinion on what you think should happen in our city.

Cory Johnston  
Clarkston

## Much work needed to replace Pappas

Dear Editor,

Clarkston City Manager Art Pappas has written a letter to the City Council indicating that he will retire within the next 12 months, after around 50 years of service to the City. He will be sorely missed!

It has been my distinct honor and privilege to have known Art for nearly 40 of his 75 years on this earth. He is the most honest, sincere, dedicated, and likeable person I have ever known. I wish him nothing but the very best for his future.

Our City Council has a series of most important tasks ahead of them: 1) They need to "debrief" Art, who is the repository of the operational legacy of the City; 2) They need to familiarize themselves with the City Charter, which assigns to the city manager many tasks including the duty to "supervise and coordinate the work of the administrative officers and departments of the city..."; 3) They

need to decide what qualifications they want in a city manager—there will never be another Art Pappas; 4) They need to initiate a process by which they will search for the next city manager; 5) They need to analyze the budget to determine an appropriate pay scale for the next city manager; and, 6) They need to develop a process whereby they will select the next city manager.

We who elect our mayor and city council, as the residents of the city, need to appropriately honor Art Pappas for his exemplary work on our behalf, to monitor the process of replacing him, and to support his successor.

This is a time of change for our city. With the guidance of the mayor and the city council, and our oversight, the transition to a new city manager can occur smoothly.

Best wishes Art!

Tom Stone  
Clarkston

## A Look Back From The CNews archives

### 15 years ago - 1992

**"Bush takes township, city"** Bill Clinton won the 1992 presidential election, but George H.W. Bush won Clarkston, and Independence and Springfield townships. Local congressional candidate Megan O'Neill also overwhelmingly received the Independence Township vote, but was defeated overall by Dale Kildee.

**"76 percent turn out in Clarkston"** Out of about 800 registered voters, 611 went to the polls for the first time at Clarkston city hall. The election was the first since the village became a city.

**"Bond issue on Monday school board agenda"** The school board was to consider a \$16-million bond for a new elementary school, moving ninth-graders to the high school, making repairs, and adding technology.

### 25 years ago - 1982

**"Voters quash police tax"** For the first time since 1976, Independence Township voters soundly defeated a police millage increase. Officials hoped the millage would bail out an ailing police fund.

**"Halloween stays quiet despite prevailing fear"** Many parents opted for private parties for their children instead of trick-or-treating. They were worried about reports of an unsolved murder of a child, Tylenol tampering, and booby-trapped candy.

**"Two win with no-nuke posters"** Clarkston High School art students Duane Nancarrow and Judie Menjo were among 10 winners of a statewide poster contest. Their posters illustrated the slogan "Help Lift the Cloud: We Can Prevent Nuclear War."

**"Village endorses M-15 plan"** Clarkston City Council endorsed an Independence Township plan to widen M-15 to three lanes from Dixie Highway to Paramus.

### 50 years ago - 1957

**"United Fund Campaign starts Tuesday"** Organizers hoped a single campaign would provide enough donations for many organizations, including Independence Township recreation, American Cancer Society, Boy Scouts, and Big Brother. Fundraising goal was \$8,329.

**"Angels in disguise"** Trick-or-treaters were expected to all be collecting for UNICEF. A dollar would pay for 500 glasses of milk, leprosy treatment, or enough TB vaccine for 100 children, according to UNICEF.

**"Blood bank need realized by many"** Several people supported the Clarkston Blood Bank with donations and/or volunteerism.

# Halloween without Sir Graves

There are many lads and lasses in these parts, who are old enough in years (yet young enough at heart) to remember this laugh, "Nee-aaahhaaaaa!"

Growing up in the Detroit television market during the 1970s, I was one of the legion of kids who saved Saturday afternoons for one show, and one show only -- Sir Graves Ghastly.

When we kids of the 70s heard Sir Graves intone these words, "Turn out the lights, pull down the shades and cuddle up in your favorite spot by the telly . . ." we knew fun would ensue.

The reason I write today about Sir Graves, is I just heard he passed away. When I heard that, I was distressed -- I had missed the news.

I, Don Rush, the kid who watched every Saturday to see if my drawings made it to the Art Ghoullery, the kid who often wrote Sir Graves with questions about monsters, the kid who sent Christmas cards to Sir Graves . . . I, I did not hear the news and I am in the news biz, damnit! Where's the justice is that?

Ohmygawd I used to love that show. And, it wasn't like we had great television reception up here in the hinterlands of north Oakland County, all the other stations had clearer reception than Sir Graves'. Which is to say, Channel 7 (ABC) and Channel 4 (NBC) and Channel 9 (Windsor TV) came in better than the CBS affiliate, Channel 2 (Sir Graves' station). Despite the crystal clear programming on the "other" stations, I stayed with the fuzziness and the occasional wavy picture on Channel 2.

I was loyal to Sir Graves.

To them too old or too young to know of Sir Graves, his show was wrapped around monster movies. Old classics, like *The Mummy*, *The Wolfman*, *Frankenstein* and *Dracula* to "B" films of the 1950s and 60s, like *The Creature From the Black Lagoon*, *The Incredible Shrinking Man*, *Robinson Crusoe on Mars* and *Godzilla* were shown. He was a movie host with the movies I still love today. He also did comedy

skits and acted out a number of other characters (including The Glob -- a character painted on his chin, filmed close up and upside down).

Just by happenstance, after I heard the news of Sir Graves' death (exactly one week ago), I was thumbing through some old picture albums. In one I found a yellowed postcard with Sir Graves' face on it.

I remembered how excited I was to get that in the mail -- I got it cuz I had sent him a Christmas card. On the back, stamped in red, were the words he ended his show with, "Happy Hauntings."

I was going to write, "I was surprised I saved that postcard." But, probing a little deeper into my psyche, I am not surprised at all. I was a geek of a kid.

One cold, winter's Saturday afternoon, Sir Graves was showing the original *Wolfman*, with Lon Chaney, Jr. Dad was on the couch, Mom was in the kitchen, the girls and I were on the floor in front of the "telly." I noticed when the woeful Lawrence Talbot turns into the Wolfman, and runs away, it was on his tippy-toes.

"Dad," asked I, "Why does the Wolfman run on his toes?"

Dad didn't know. "Mom," asked I, "Why does the Wolfman run his toes?"

"I don't know, why don't you write Sir Graves."

And, as soon as the show was over, write I did. For the record, I never got the answer. Also, for the record I did see my art in the Ghoullery on three occasions.

To research for this column, I Googled "Sir Graves" and found very a cool site hosted by Keith Milford, [www.sirgravesghastly.com](http://www.sirgravesghastly.com).

Lots of pictures, facts (Like, the show ran from 1967 to 1982 and at one time, 70 percent of the tuned in audience for the Detroit Metro market watched him. Amazing.) and history about Lawson Deming -- aka Sir Graves. I recommend the site.

Even though this is late (he died on April 26 and today is October 31), I write this: Good-bye, Sir Graves, Saturdays were your days. Happy Hauntings, to you.

Remember Sir Graves? E-mail your thoughts to: [donrushmedon@charter.net](mailto:donrushmedon@charter.net)

**Don't  
Rush Me**



A column by  
**Don Rush**

# 'Tis hunting season, so a scatter-gun column

In 1898 a bike path from Toledo to the Straits was proposed. The editor of the Lapeer, (Michigan) *Clarion* editorialized, "I hope it passes."

Modern needles came into use in 1545.

**Jim's  
Jottings**



a column by  
**Jim Sherman**

five to six years.

These last three items came from the 1893 edition of Conklin's Handy Manual of Useful Information." There's so much useless information in its pages.

Sometimes people are blessed with good luck, like seaman Roy Dikkers during World War II.

He was sealed in a compartment when a German torpedo struck his tanker. He was freed by a second torpedo explosion.

Racing on deck he found the sea around the floundering vessel ablaze with oil fire. He never had to make the fateful decision whether to stay with the sinking ship or risk the fiery sea.

A third torpedo flew him from the scene, beyond the oil slick. Landing him near a floating raft, he crawled aboard and was found by a Norwegian freighter three days later.

Recall this Aesop fable?

Once there was a dog (not Shayna) who was given a fine, meaty bone. With the bone firmly between his teeth, the dog trotted homeward, thinking what a fine meal he was going to have.

On the way he had to cross

a narrow brook. As he looked over the side of the bridge, he caught sight of his own reflection in the water.

Thinking it was another dog carrying a bone between his teeth, the foolish animal made up his mind that he would have that bone, too!

He leaned over and snapped at the dog beneath him. As he did, his bone fell into the water and was lost.

Moral: *Be careful you don't lose what you have by trying to get more.*

You will never see that sentence posted in a casino or at the New York Stock Exchange.

Bytes of humor:

Q. Where do computers go on vacation?

A. To the Big Apple.

Q. What's the best way to park a computer?

A. You back it up.

Q. What did the football punter do to the computer?

A. He booted it up.

Q. What happens when you cross a computer with an elephant?

A. You get loads of memory.

Groucho Marx: "Only one man in a thousand is a leader of men. The other 999 follow women."

George Burns: "It takes only one drink to get me drunk. The trouble is, I can't remember if it's the thirteenth or fourteenth."

James Thurber: "I hate women because they always know where things are."

Rodney Dangerfield: "When I was a kid I got no respect. I said to my mother, 'I'm going to run away from home!' She said, 'On your mark . . .!'"

Ann Landers: "Assume nothing. Inside every dumb blonde may be a very smart brunette."

Charlie Chaplin: "In the end, everything is a gag."

Jim Sherman: "Have a great November."

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## Independence Twp.

**Sun., Oct 14** A 21-year-old Independence Township woman called police to report several credit cards and \$200 in cash was missing from her apartment after she and a friend invited three men they just met to her home after the bar they were at closed for the night.

**Thurs., Oct 18** The mother of a Sashabaw Middle School student called police to report that her son's trombone, valued at nearly \$900, was missing from the school after practice.

The manager of a trailer park located near Mann and Clintonville road called police to report someone used a spray can to write "hurricane" and "ghost bomb" on the park's mailboxes.

**Fri., Oct 19** an employee at a business near Dixie Highway and M-15 called police after a customer spotted a man attempting to steal liquor by putting the bottles down the front of his pants. The man got away, but was stopped by police a short while later and cited for larceny in a building.

An 18-year-old man living in the 5700 block of Everest called police after discovering a newly purchased motorcycle had been stolen from his garage.

**Sat., Oct 20** A 35-year-old man living in the 6700 block of Canterbury Land called police after returning home to discover someone had thrown a cast iron plumbing cap through his garage window.

# Public Safety

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

Deputies were dispatched to the 5700 block of Dora Lane after a 54-year-old woman called to say someone had been in her home and stolen a gun, and possibly other items. Entry was gained by breaking a basement window.

**Sun., Oct 21** A 19-year-old Rochester Hills man was cited for marijuana possession after deputies discovered the substance in his vehicle when he was pulled over on a traffic violation near I-75 and Sashabaw Road.

An employee at a business on Dixie Highway called police after a man attempted to make a purchase with what was believed to be a counterfeit \$100 bill.

A man living in the 6400 block of Waldon Woods Drive was arrested and jailed on a felony warrant after he failed register as a sex offender out of 52-2 District Court.

A 22-year-old Ortonville woman was cited for marijuana possession after she was pulled over on a traffic violation near Sashabaw Road and Pine Knob Road. The woman was also driving with a suspended license.

**Mon., Oct 22** a homeowner living in the 5500 block of Adderston called police to report someone drove over his lawn during the night, leaving approximately 100-foot long tire

tracks in the sod.

A 27-year-old man was arrested and jailed on charges of stalking and disorderly person after employees working at a business in near Dixie Highway and Maybee Road called police to say the man was asking for money, cigarettes and propositioning women for sex. Police have had multiple encounters with the man, who they believe may be homeless and a possible crack user.

**Tues., Oct 23** A business owner in the 6700 block of Dixie Highway called police to report a man feeding and providing housing for stray cats in a wooded area behind her property. Deputies noted a foul smell in the area and reported the situation to Independence Township Building Department Ordinance Division.

**Thurs., Oct 25** Police were investigating a home invasion after a 17-year-old female babysitting in the 6200 block of Pine Needle called police reporting two unknown men dressed in black opened the front door and walked into the home, but fled when they realized someone was inside. Police set up a perimeter and performed a K-9 track, but the suspects were not immediately located.

**Wed., Oct 24** a 24-year-old man living in

*Wed., October 31, 2007 The Clarkston (MI) News 9 A* the 5700 block of Parview called police to report someone entered his unlocked vehicle overnight and stole a care stereo, and a bow and arrow, wallet, and credit cards, which were used multiple times during the night.

A 19-year-old Davison man was cited for marijuana possession after deputies discovered the substance in his vehicle when he was pulled over on a traffic violation near Dixie Highway and Maybee Road.

## Springfield Twp.

**Mon., Oct 22** An employee at a landscape supply company on Northwest Court called police after arriving at work to discover someone cut a lock on the company's gate and stole aluminum edging, oak stakes and several rolls of black poly-pipe.

A homeowner in the 4500 block of Ormond Road called police after seeing a car stop at his mailbox, then speed away. The man told police an outgoing \$5,500 check, written to a credit card company, was missing from the box.

**Wed., Oct 24** An employee at a landscaping company called police after discovering thieves broke into a trailer left in the 8200 block of Old White Lake Road and stole a mowers, a chainsaw, air compressor and miscellaneous tools.

A 52-year-old woman was arrested and jailed after deputies pulled her over on a traffic violation and discovered she had a felony warrant out of 6<sup>th</sup> Circuit Court.

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## A tax for land preservation?

BY TREVOR KEISER

Clarkston News Staff Writer

According to Thomas Pytel of Independence Township, time is running out to preserve green spaces left in the township.

His idea: a millage on township residents to purchase remaining natural areas, to preserve wild life, habitat, forests, and water.

"I have been in the North Oakland Headwaters Land Conservancy for the past 10-12 years or so," said Pytel, who presented his idea to the Independence Township Board Oct. 16.

"We try awful hard to save a lot of land, but unless you have the money, you just end up not saving any land," he said. "This is something that has been talked about by the conservancy and been done in other townships and other counties. I've been thinking about it for two or three years now."

With \$1.6 billion in taxable value in the township, 0.6 mills would collect around \$1 million a year for 10 years, beginning Dec. 1, 2008. Pytel said the Michigan Resources Trust Fund would match local funds up to around \$3 million total.

"If you can show an area you want to purchase that would allow public access, for example a passing park or a dog walk park, and demonstrate a need, then you can leverage that 25 percent and the state's trust fund would pay 75 percent," he said.

"We are going to target areas that have the most significant natural features and offer to

buy them with this money that is raised - we are not going after people's personal property."

Open spaces raises property values because people want to live in areas where there are open spaces, he said.

"It just increases the quality of life and draws people, younger folks, ambitious folks that want to live there, like Washtenaw County, Ann Arbor and Ann Arbor Township," he said.

The next step is to pay for a poll to see how well the idea would be supported in the township. If residents support the idea, then it will be added to the November 2008 ballot Pytel is hoping for close to 60 percent support.

"The people who have studied this and consoled on this, they say that your target is somewhere around 60 percent, that if you can get close to 60 percent on the poll, you can be very certain it will pass in an election - it's been done in many places."

The North Oakland Headwaters Land Conservancy supports the millage, he said.

"I think the conservancy has always stood for good balance between development and conservation of green spaces," said Katie Anderson, executive director. "We understand that a green space in our area provides economic value and helps property values. I think the idea of looking at our community and taking a stand on what should be preserved makes really good economic sense in this economic climate."

### Rotary Fall wine tasting set Nov. 7

Clarkston Rotary's Fall Wine Party is coming up, set for 6:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 7, at Bordine Nursery on Dixie Highway.

"A Taste For The Holidays" will feature wines from Australia, California, France, Germany, Italy, and South America, along with a few from Michigan. Along with wine will be food from some of the area's finest

restaurants as well as Bordine's elaborate displays.

Tickets are \$35 in advance or \$40 at the door. They may be purchased from any Clarkston Rotarian or at the Clarkston Chamber of Commerce, 5856 S. Main St.

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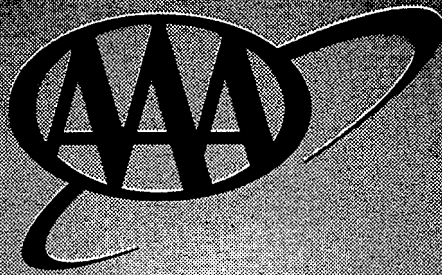
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## Looking for a few good moms

**BY TREVOR KEISER**  
*Clarkston News Staff Writer*

Are you a mother who is looking for some fellow moms to connect with? Then check out Clarkston area group "The Mom Squad," which started four years ago.

"It was a group of moms from the Clarkston Free Methodist Church who felt they needed an organization like this," said Barbra Chick, Mom Squad member.

Chick said the group is not just for church members, but is open to the community.

"Any mom at any age or stage," said Chick. "We even have grandmas that come, moms of moms that attend on a regular basis."

Chick said some mom organizations only deal with mothers with pre-schoolers, but she is happy to have a variety of ages.

"It's really nice for everybody because then we can learn from the veteran moms," she said.

There is a class for pre-schoolers taught by two grandmas at the church, which includes story time and snacks, and there is a nursery for younger children which is run by volunteer help each week.

"Moms can get together with uninterrupted time together," said Chick.

Each month has a different theme, and each week features new things rather it be a special speaker, for example this past week a nutritionist came in and spoke to the mothers about child nutrition, or just a fun event such as "spa day," which was held last month.

"Spa day is just a wonderful time we have, we have so many generous salons in the area that came in and are willing to donate their time away from clients to pro-



**Sonal Desai gets her hair done at Mom Squad's Spa Day. Photo provided**

vide us with free services," said Chick. "It's just a nice time to be pampered, just to relax and have a good time."

Chick said she and all the ladies are very thrilled of the donations and support by the different people and salons. The salons pampered the women with manicures, hair makeovers, and face makeovers, as well as a chair massage by Kate Thompson. The salons included Salon Williams, Reflections of Clarkston and Glitz Salon of Clarkston.

For more information about Mom Squad visit [www.clarkstonmomsquad.com](http://www.clarkstonmomsquad.com).

## Road projects continue

Road Commission for Oakland County work continues to rebuild and widen Clarkston Road at Sashabaw Road in Independence Township. Work will continue through November, then stop for the winter and resume in the spring, finishing in summer. No closures planned.

Independence Township is adding center left-turn lanes on eastbound and westbound Clarkston Road at Perry Lake Road. Completion is set for November.

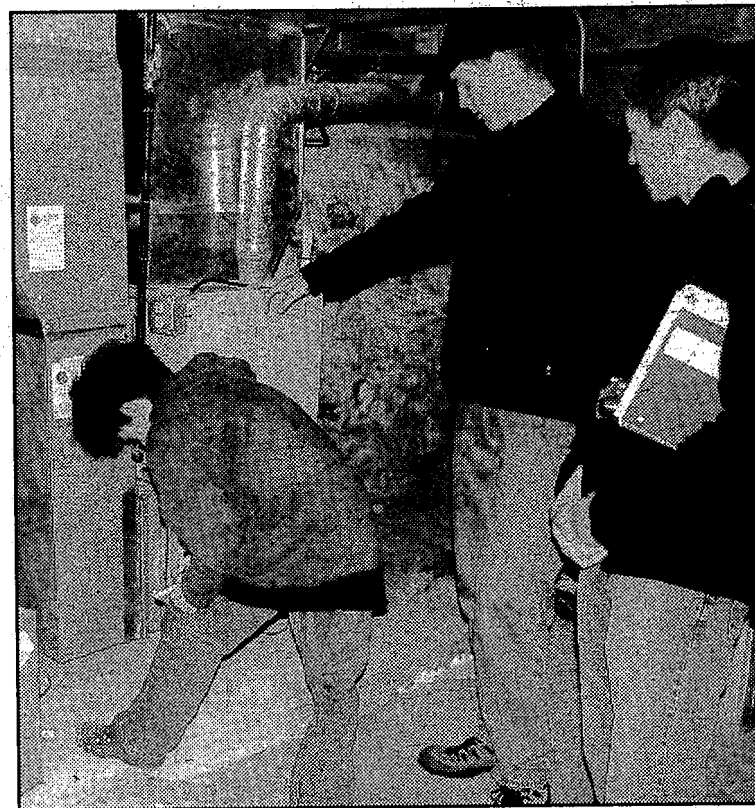
Developer Silverman Development

Company is widening Sashabaw Road from just north of Flemings Lake Road south to the I-75 ramps, to a continuous three lanes, with continuous center left-turn lane, along with a development in the area. The road remains open, but expect delays. Completion is set for early November.

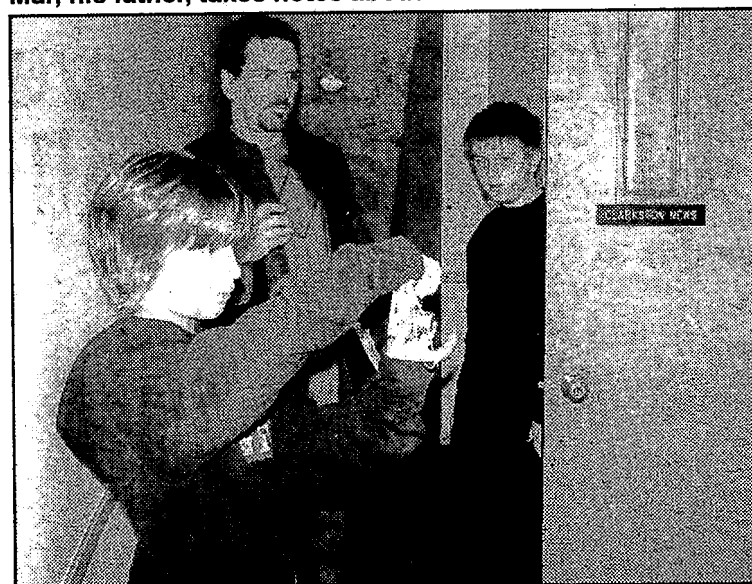
Work is complete by Canadian National Railroad to replace its crossing on White Lake Road, between Clement and Andersonville roads in Independent Township.



From left are Clarkston Robotics Atomic Monkees team members Peter Gustafson, Zachary Mar, Ryan Norton, Jake Vanderheyden, Sean Christie, and John Paul Kreft.



Zachary Mar, with coaches Thomas Gustafson and William Mar, his father, takes notes about the furnace.



Sean Christie takes a picture for the team report, as coach Gary Christie and teammate Jake Vanderheyden watch.

## Modern ideas for historic building

FIRST Lego League robotics competition is going green this year, with each team preparing projects about the use of energy.

In addition to building a robot, the Atomic Monkees team, elementary-age students from throughout Clarkston Community Schools, is analyzing a familiar downtown location: 5 S. Main St., home of *The Clarkston News*.

"We were looking for something within the Clarkston community with some history, something on the older side," said coach William Mar.

Built in 1877, 5 S. Main fits the bill, Mar said.


Team members collected information on the building's use of energy, for heating, cooling, water circulation, etc., and will consider ways to improve it, said coach Gary

Christie.

"They'll do a presentation on energy, how you can apply energy savings techniques to the building to make it more efficient," Christie said.

Each team member will focus on one aspect of energy, such as nuclear, hydroelectric, wind, and geothermal, he said.

— Phil Custodio




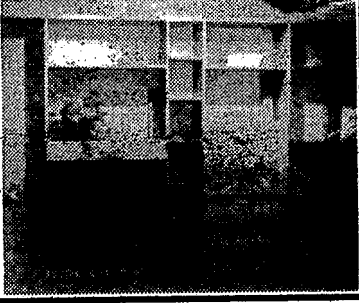
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# Wolves pound Eagles in playoffs

BY WENDI REARDON  
Clarkston News Sports Writer

The Wolves thrashed Utica Eisenhower, 44-18, in their first Division 1 playoff game Friday night.

"We came out and played fired up football. We didn't go through the motions for two quarters," said coach Kurt Richardson.

Clarkston's lead came quickly. In the first 45 seconds of the first quarter, Jimmy Popp ran towards Eisenhower's end zone gaining 40 yards in the process.

Dakota Bender followed with a touchdown a minute and a half into the game. The extra point from kicker Erik Thompson made it 7-0.

With 6:22 left in the first quarter, Nick Shamoun pitched to Bender for a halfback pass to Julius Porter, giving the Wolves a 50 yard gain to the one-yard line.

With 5:44 left in the quarter, Bender scored again. Another successful kick from Thompson and the Wolves were up, 14-0.

Eisenhower put three points on the scoreboard after Ethan Dalach kicked a field goal from Clarkston's 28-yard line with three minutes to go in the quarter.

At 1:38, Thompson ran for 59 yards before being stopped by Bobby Burns at the eight-yard line.

With less than 30 seconds left, Chad Blackstone ran nine yards into the end zone, giving Clarkston its third touchdown. Thompson kicked for the extra point, ending the first quarter, 21-3.

The second quarter began as quickly as

the first. Only seven seconds in, Shamoun passed the ball to Thompson, leading to their fourth touchdown in the game. Thompson's PAT was good and Clarkston led the Eagles 28-3.

At 9:15, Eisenhower grabbed possession of the ball and tried to get through Clarkston's defense with a throw to the end zone. With eight minutes to go, the ball was intercepted by Brandon Hughes at the 10-yard line.

Eisenhower's Harrison Williams made another try for the Eagles, but was intercepted by Popp at the four-yard line.

At 6:35, the Eagle's Brett Kauten scored the first touchdown for his team. Ethan Dalach made the extra point with the kick, bringing the score, 28-10, at the end of the first half.

As rain marked the beginning of the third quarter, the Wolves showed no effect as they scored another touchdown at 9:43.

At 8:28, Thompson intercepted the ball and ran 67 yards to Eisenhower's 10-yard line. After gaining five more yards, Thompson kicked a field goal, adding three points to the score, Clarkston leading, 38-10.

The Wolves continued to dominate the fourth quarter. Eisenhower made their way towards the Wolves end zone, but Clarkston again intercepted at the 33-yard line.

With the clock ticking down to 5:33, Adam Zurwitz made the touchdown with a run from the five-yard line. Kamil Dechnik kicked for the extra point, bringing the score, 44-10.

With eight seconds left in the game, Eisenhower's Stephen Jozefiak scored a



Warren Swartz gains some yardage during the Wolves' 44-18 victory against Utica Eisenhower. Photo by Bob Ratcliff.

touchdown. The Eagles succeeded with an attempt at a two-point conversion, to make the final score, 44-18.

"They were definitely more physical and a lot quicker than we were," said Eisenhower's Coach Bob Lantzy after the game. "A fine job by their coaching staff, too. We have been able to come back in the past. We made a run at it. They were too much. They were just too good for us."

"(This win) after losing to Harrison gets us back on track and confidence back," said Richardson.

"Dakota Bender stepped in for Jimmy Popp and did an outstanding job. The ground games revolve so much around Chad Blackstone, lead blocker and outstanding."

The Wolves next round in the playoffs will be this Friday against Lake Orion. The game will be at home with kickoff at 7 p.m.



## Athlete of the Week

### A super shot on the basketball court

BY WENDI REARDON  
Clarkston News Sports Reporter

Jordan Clark won first place in a "Super, Super Shooter" contest during the first weekend of October.

Clark is a sophomore at Clarkston High School who attended McCracken Basketball Camp during summer in Olivet, Michigan.

At the end of each summer, the camp has a super shooter contest. Each camp has one winner.

They brought all the winners together for the first weekend of October for the "Super, Super Shooter" contest held in Fort Wayne, Indiana.

For the competition, Clark competed in the 7-12 grade age division and took first place.

"Pretty happy," he said about winning the competition. "Obviously good players in there (in the group). About 30

guys at the final."

Clark had a minute to make shots from lay-ups, which each shot worth three points each. He had another minute to make as many shots from 50 feet away, which were worth two points each. Finally, he had 10 free throws, which were worth one point each.

Clark has been playing basketball since he was around 3. Last year, he was on Clarkston High School freshmen basketball team.

This year, he plans to play for the junior

ior Varsity basketball team. This was his first year attending McCracken Basketball Camp.

After attending the camp, the skills he learned in dribbling, drills, shooting and different techniques will help him improve his skills for the basketball season this winter, he said.

The camp offers instruction for the most advanced high school to the young, not just learning how to play. Nearly 2,000 players compete every summer in the contest every year.



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# It's a Mohawk thing

BY WENDI REARDON  
Clarkston News Sports Reporter

The Clarkston Varsity Soccer team showed why they are champions as they beat Rochester 2-1 this past Thursday.

Before going into the Regional playoffs, the Wolves got the same, Mohawk-style hair cut.

It wasn't to intimidate their challengers, though maybe it did since they have made it to the semi-finals.

It wasn't to make a fashion statement. It was to show their team unity.

The game's first half began with a push by senior Oliver Kupe towards Rochester's goal. The half ended with Rochester giving one last attempt as the clock counted down the last few seconds. Both strong teams were unable to score goals in those forty minutes.

Rochester was the first to succeed, getting a goal 15 minutes into the second half. Dennis O'Rourke passed the ball in front of the goal, Jimmy Nieman stepped forward and shot the ball into the right corner of the net.

With 14:33 left in the game, John Timm served the ball in the box to Kupe who flicked the ball with his head to Kevin Pinkos on the other side. Pinkos headed the ball into the goal.

The next 10 minutes intensified as each team tried to break the 1-1 tie.

At 4:26, the tie was broken.

Timm served a cross from the left side of the field to Brandon Verlinden. Verlinden shot the ball into the goal, giving the Wolves a one-point lead.

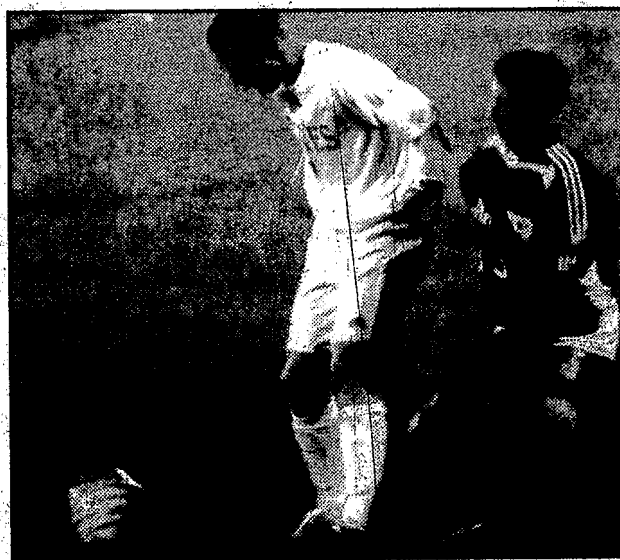
"Brandon Verlinden always is in the right place at the right time. He's an opportunist and again did it for us tonight," said coach Adam Bican after the game.

"He knows where to be and he can anticipate very well. He's a fantastic player. He's completely unselfish. So when you do those things well, things have their way of coming to you."

Rochester pushed in the last final minutes, but couldn't make the win.

"I am extremely proud of these kids, everything they have gone through this year, everything they have done. I am just proud to be their coach," Bican said.

"I think we lost to a good team," said Rochester's coach Mark Whitcomb. "I think we were better tonight, we were just unfortunate. I always look forward to seeing them in Regionals. There is a history there since I used to be the coach. I am very proud of



Clarkston Wolves soccer advanced in the playoffs Thursday against Rochester. Photo by Wendi Reardon

them, it's a very good team. It's not upsetting to lose to a good team like that."

Going into semi-finals, "we are extremely excited to even be here," Bican said. "It's very important going into that game knowing we are a good team. Believing in ourselves and not being stressed out. They are relaxed."

The Varsity Soccer team will play in the semi-finals against Utica Eisenhower on Wednesday, Oct 31. Semi-finals will be held at Stoney Creek High School in Rochester Hills at 7pm.

## Cheer team benefit Nov. 5

Liberty Dynamite Cheer Team from the Stars and Stripes Gymnastics Academy of Clarkston needs help.

The cheer team hosts a fundraiser 4-8 p.m. Monday, Nov. 5, at Pete's Coney Island, 6160 Dixie Highway.

The cheer team will be in uniform while they bus tables, seat customers, and assist the wait staff. Tips will benefit the cheer team.

Funds will help the team go to the Contest of Champions Nationals at Disney World in February.

"The girls do all the advertising," said parent and booster club member Linda Miller. "They are very excited about the fundraiser."

The 11 girls on the team range from 11-17 years old. They come from all over the area: Clarkston, Oxford, Lake Orion, Flushing, Waterford, and Holly.

It costs each girl \$900 to go to the competition. This cost includes fee to compete, plane ticket, and package for competitions. This does not include souvenirs or other extra costs.

They go to nationals every other year.

"The team needs extra support to help them raise money," said Miller.

- Wendi Reardon

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## Moderation is key to a healthy life

By Ernie Harwell

I've seen a lot of people over the years make the mistake of putting too much time and energy into one activity or another. They'd develop an interest and, suddenly, that's their whole life. I saw it in college, in the Marines, and in my time as a reporter and broadcaster.

I've always felt that one of the most underrated "secrets" to living healthy is to lead a life of moderation. Whether it's working, eating, drinking, watching TV, spending time on the Internet, or even exercising, it's important to make sure we maintain a sense of balance. Don't overdo it. Not investing too much in one aspect of our lives helps us focus and keep our perspective on what's truly important in life.

I believe it was Cicero who said, "Never go to excess, but let moderation be your guide." It's worked for me over all these years, and I think it just makes good sense.

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

Ernie Harwell, "the voice of the Detroit Tigers" for more than four decades, retired after 53 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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# Seniors shine for Lady Wolves

BY WENDI REARDON

Clarkston News Sports Reporter

On Senior Night, the girls Varsity Volleyball team continued to serve up winning matches last Tuesday, beating Lake Orion in three sets.

Seniors Jilian Lochricchio, Katelyn Coates, Emily Parkin and Juliann Gillespie were honored before the match began. Their parents escorted them across the Clarkston High School gym as the announcer introduced each player to the audience.

"As far as all of the seniors, they are a great bunch of leaders, they are very positive, upbeat with kids, I couldn't ask for better role models," said Coach Kelly Avenall.

"They have been positive all year - focused. I think the underclassmen and just everyone in the program has learned a lot from them. One of the seniors has been playing for three years. She (Juliann Gillespie) is the one that got hurt and hasn't been playing much because she just got off the injured list. She started for me as a sophomore. She started the past two years, its been rough for her this year as a senior."

In the first set of the game, Lake Orion stayed within a few points of Clarkston. After a serve from Katelyn Coates and a few misses from Lake Orion, Clarkston won the set 25-21.

With the second set, the Wolves remained

ahead the whole time. With Lake Orion at eight points and Clarkston ahead with 16, Clarkston picked up a faster pace as they added nine more points to the scoreboard, with Lake Orion only adding three.

In the final set, the Dragons gave the Wolves more of a push as they kept the ball in the air and attempted to keep ahead in points. The Wolves fought back, matching point for point. In the end, the Wolves won the close set with 25-21.

With three sets won, Clarkston brought their overall record for the team 25-9-1.

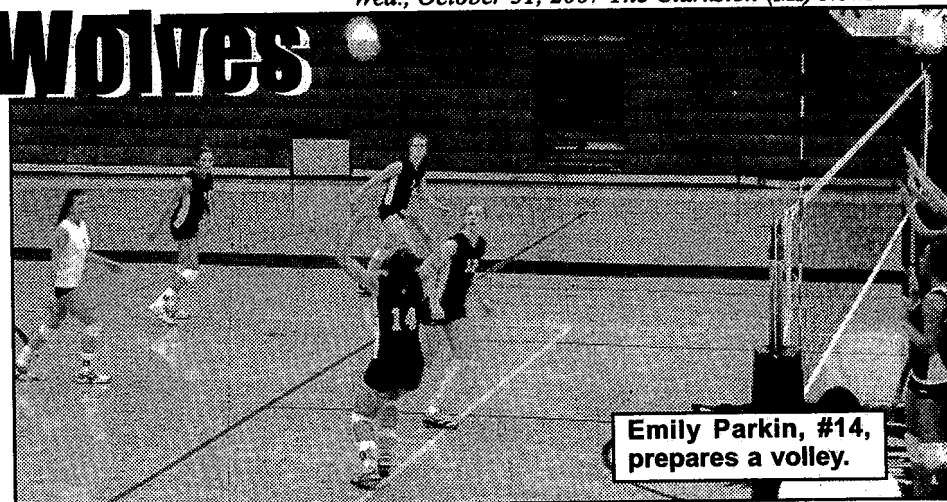
"They played hard and focused. Right where I want them to be right at this time of year," Avenall said.

For Clarkston, Johanna Kupe had six kills and six blocks. Jilian Lochricchio had seven kills. Emily Parkin had 21 assists.

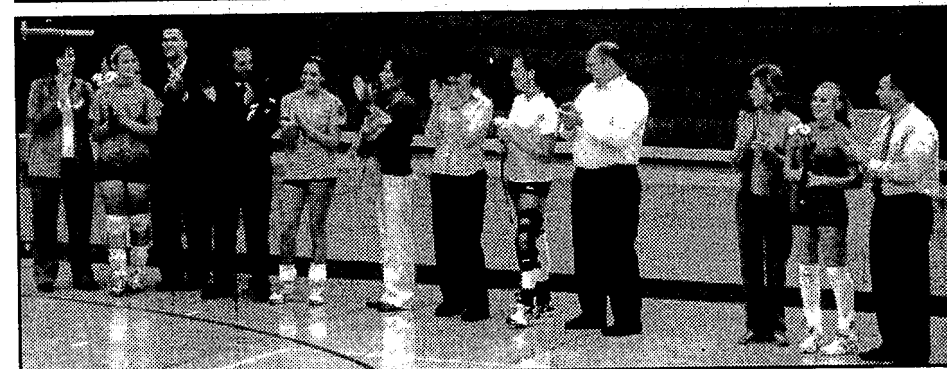
For Lake Orion, Katelyn VanHouse had seven kills. Alicia Roth had 21 digs. Ashley Bringard had 11 of 11 serving, serving one ace overall for a record of 19-10-7

"(We) hope to play Clarkston again (in the District Tournament)," said Lake Orion's coach Bob Howey. "We didn't show them how good we can play."

The Wolves will play Waterford Mott in the District Tournament this Thursday. The tournament begins at 5 p.m. at Lake Orion High School.



Emily Parkin, #14, prepares a volley.



Senior Wolves were honored at the game, from left, Emily Parkin with her parents Lynette and Tim Parkin, Jilian Lochricchio and her parents Joe and Jennifer Lochricchio, Juliann Gillespie and her parents Jenine and Robert Gillespie, and Katelyn Coates and her parents Kimberly and Donald Coates.

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# Ten-year reunion

*Jimmy Territo, 1997 CHS grad, returns for Pink Panther play*

BY LAURA COLVIN  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

What's funny about deadly assassins, Russian agents and a Doomsday machine in the hands of a raving lunatic?

Everything, if you're seated in Clarkston High School's Performing Arts Center when *The Pink Panther Strikes Again* cast takes the stage for a hilarious performance Thursday and Friday evening.

The play, according to Dramatic Publishing, brings to life the world's most unusual criminologist, Chief Inspector Jacques Clouseau—a role originally created by Peter Sellers.

The 32-member all-high school cast began rehearsals in early September to depict scenes of Clouseau as he fights for his life, and the future of all mankind, in what the publisher calls "the most bizarre and dangerous caper of his brilliantly successful and utterly clumsy career."

"I've got several very athletic young men and women doing a lot of stage combat," said Jeff Tice, who produces and directs all the school's stage productions. "We've really got a unique production."

Sound effects and other theatrical surprises were also in store, he said, and, as a special bonus, the drama club has welcomed the addition of an original score written and performed by 1997 CHS grad Jimmy Territo.

"I met Jimmy when he was a freshman," Tice said. "And he really impressed me then.



Jimmy Territo, center, surrounded by members of Clarkston Drama Club's upcoming production of *The Pink Panther Strikes Again*, is a 1997 graduate of the school. Photo by Laura Colvin

I knew he was destined to be a stronghold here at the high school—and he ended up getting a role in every play he auditioned for while he was here."

Tice is in his 16<sup>th</sup> year teaching in the school's English language arts and Fine Arts departments.

"Jimmy was truly one of my favorite students of all time," he said. "He was always tremendous fun to be around, always had great stories, always kept everyone loose."

When Tice saw a production of *The Pink Panther Strikes Again* at Marian High School and found out Territo had written the score, he got in touch with his former student.

The two then worked together to tailor the score specifically for Clarkston's production of the show.

"It was a bunch of familiar tunes fitting to the action on the stage," said Territo, who earned a Bachelor of Music in Composition as well as a Bachelor of Music in Education from the University of Michigan after graduating from CHS, "with a couple of original ideas, too, to tie everything together. But it was mostly improvised."

Territo said he and Tice are "good friends" and stayed in touch after graduation.

"Jeff was a good mentor to me after high school as far as education in general, but performing arts education, too," he said. "Even while I was in high school, he was a good mentor, someone you could talk with through life issues."

As a composer, Territo has written pieces that premiered at the hand of renowned di-

rectors and major orchestras. In May 2006, one of his original compositions premiered at Carnegie Hall.

Today, Territo wears a number of musical hats, teaching instrumental music to elementary and high school students at Detroit Country Day in Bloomfield Hills and also serves as music director at St. Daniel's Catholic Church in Clarkston.

Territo will accompany the cast on piano, joined by fellow 1997 grads Dave Belch on saxophone, and Justin Harris on bass. Pat Saunders, a 1998 grad, will be on drums.

The performance at Clarkston High School takes place at 7 p.m. Thurs., Nov 8 and Fri., Nov 9.

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## Keeping in touch

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illegal immigration, and Walter about the dangers of one-world government.

An advantage of the telephone system is people are at ease, speaking from their own homes, Rogers said.

"Next up, we have Doug," Rogers said, welcoming his fourth caller. "Hello, Doug."

"Yeah, Mike, listen," Doug said, "I got a phone call saying that you don't like kids if you don't support this program out there. What's going on?"

"Well, unfortunately that's the new brand of politics, more political rhetoric than substance," Rogers explained.

Rogers has been hosting telephone public



**U.S. Rep. Mike Rogers takes a call during his tele-townhall meeting. Photo submitted**

meetings about every 60 days since last summer.

"It's catching on," he said. "I've been getting rave reviews from people I've met in the district."

## 3 candidates for 3 open seats

Continued from page 1A

perceived value for our residents?"

Brucek said work on a 5-10 year budget outlook plan was also imperative.

"I think revenue will continue to be fairly flat-lined," he said. "But it's going to be increasingly difficult to hold expenses to a flat line."

The city, he said, has three options: raise taxes, reduce costs, or reduce services.

"There's no appetite to raise taxes," he said. "We've got to take a realistic look at our options and plan for the coming years instead of just letting things happen."

Peg Roth, 52, a membership coordinator at Deer Lake Athletic Club, was one of six candidates who campaigned for three seats during the 2006 election.

After an unsuccessful first bid, Roth returned for a second go-round, but said she was puzzled by the apparent apathy over the 2007 city council election.

The uncontested election sharply contrasts the 2006 race, when six candidates vied for three seats, and Mayor Sharron Catallo faced opposition for only the second time in her 14-year mayoral tenure.

The city, at the time, was struggling over hotly-debated issues of whether to maintain Clarkston's police force or revert to protection from the Oakland County Sheriff.

Roth was the only 2007 candidate to put her name on the ballot, and no other candidates came forward after city officials announced write-in petitions would be accepted through Oct. 26.

Roth said her priorities included "preserving Clarkston as the beautiful city it is," main-

taining costs without a drop in services, and establishing open communication in order to best serve the needs of residents.

Clarkston resident Tom Stone, however, said he was disappointed Roth hadn't attended any meetings in preparation for her upcoming term.

"I wonder what experience (Roth) will bring to the council," he said during public comment at Monday's meeting. "Thank goodness we've got people willing to run, but... it's a shame we've got somebody who's elected to run but doesn't have the commitment to show up to prepare."

Roth, however, said she was planning to review the city charter, the budget and other relevant information.

Serving on the council, she said, is a challenge she's ready to face.

"I've been very involved in this community," said Roth, who volunteered in the school district during the years her three children attended and also delivered Meals on Wheels. "My husband is in business here and I've been involved in that as well."

Voter turnout is typically low during an unopposed election, said City Manager Art Pappas, although he noted a significant number—about 52—absentee ballots had come in by Monday.


Pappas said he hoped residents would turn out to vote.

"I think it's important," he said. "The number of votes will show support, or non-support, for a candidate."

Registered voters in the City of the Village of Clarkston can vote Tues., Nov. 6, at Clarkston City Offices, 375 Depot Road. Polls are open 7 a.m.-8 p.m.

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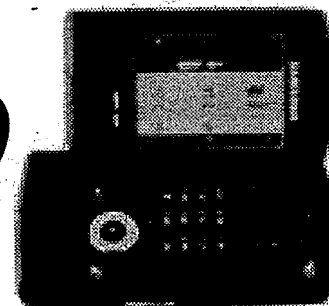
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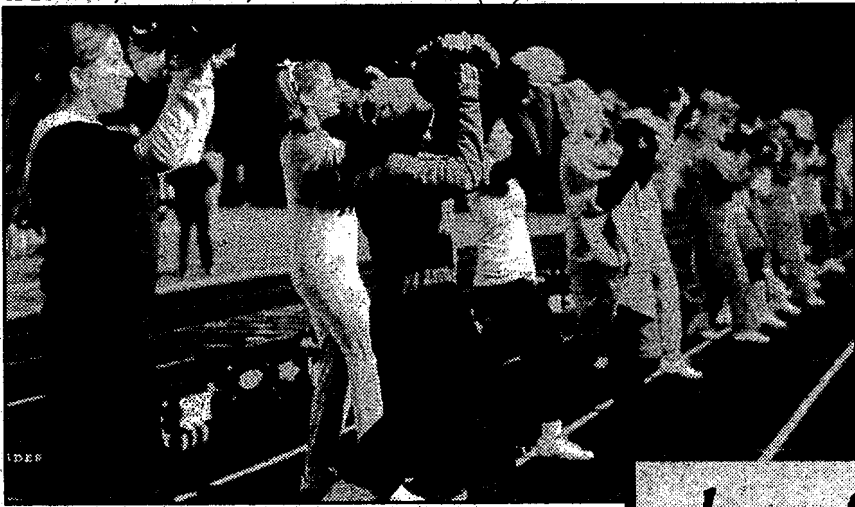
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## Just for kicks

From Dr. Seuss characters and super heroes to Scooby Doo and the gang, Clarkston High School cheerleaders dressed up for Halloween and cheered the Wolves over Utica Eisenhower in the first round of football playoffs Friday.

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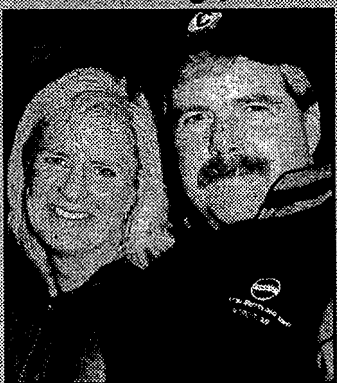


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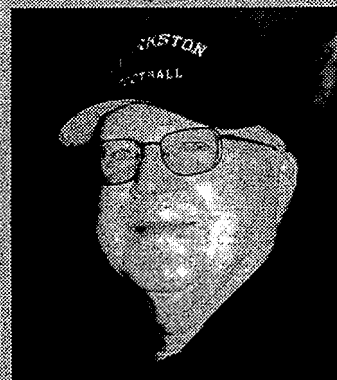
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Best thing about attending a CHS football game?



She said: "It brings the whole community together. You don't see turnout like this in other places." He said: "Hotdogs."

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"The excitement of high school football. It's better than watching the pros."

**Warren Bliss**



She said: "Watching my son (Justin) play and my daughter (Janelle) cheer." He said: "The fans are awesome and we get to see both kids in one game."

**Debbie Zirwes & Brianel Hunter**

By Laura Colvin

# The Clarkston News' Millstream

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

## Wolf pack

As 'Voice of the Wolves,' announcer Dale Ryan depends on loyal cohorts

Continued from last week

BY LAURA COLVIN  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Each fall, thousands of fans from across Clarkston show up to watch the Wolves play—and win, more often than not—another game of football.

But staging the game involves a good deal of effort from many who, for the most part, operate behind the scenes.

Volunteers man the gates, sell tickets, prepare and sell food, then clean up and close down after long lines of hungry, chilly fans have gone home.

Band, cheer and pom members work and practice as diligently as the football players to keep the crowd entertained.

And somebody's got to turn on the lights, keep score and stats, and let fans know what's happening down on the field.

Up in the press box, Dale Ryan—he's known as "the voice of the Wolves"—takes his announcer's gig seriously.

But, with the finesse of someone who's been on the job a long time, and someone who has a solid, dependable team behind him, Ryan is able to give the play-by-play like a pro and still enjoy his time with the guys.

"We have a lot of fun up there, we're kidding around a lot," he said, noting the atmosphere tends to get tense when the game gets tense. "We're all fans and the guys like to talk and think about what's going to happen on this next play, or if the referees make a bad call they're up there yakking and yakking."

It's times like that, he said, when focus and con-



centration on the game becomes imperative.

"I have to sit there and keep my composure and try to keep my thoughts straight," he said, "so out don't come out on the loudspeaker with something these guys are saying."

The antics have, on occasion, gotten a bit too boisterous, he said, and he's had to ask his cohorts to hold things down a bit.

But, he countered, the excitement can generate fresh material, and he'll often find an opportunity to use that material over the air.

For example: "Well, folks, that was the old flea-flicker play."

Or, he said, he'll hear one of stat man Charly Robinson's familiar word embellish-



Above, from left: John Priebe, Charlie Robinson, Dale Ryan, Dr. Bruce Mercado, and Neil Granlund, front, man the press box. Left: Dale Ryan confers with a press box teammate during a recent game. Photos by Laura Colvin

ments.

"Trickeration," said Ryan, is the latest expression bouncing around the press box.

More than anything, though, Ryan is up in the box every week for the community, the families and the kids.

The Clarkston Schools, he said, possess an important element that makes so many of the programs successful.

Please see Ryan on page 6B



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# Around Town

**Halloween Party with Doctor of Doo-Wop**, aka Dr. Roman Franklin, live broadcast, WPON AM-1460, 5-8 p.m., Oct. 31. Costume contest, music, activities. Pete's Coney Island II, 6160 Dixie Hwy. 248-623-4300.

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**Investment classes**, The Advisor's Group, 7 p.m., "Portfolio Optimization in Uncertain Markets," Nov. 1. Independence Township Library, 6495 Clarkston Road. Free. 248-625-2212.

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**Support Group** for all ages of those recently widowed, 7 p.m., Nov. 1. Topic: "Helpful Holiday Support." Led by Alicia Brown, bereavement counselor, Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home. Carriage House, Clintonwood Park on Clarkston Road. Free. Walk ins welcome. 248-625-5231.

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**Jammin' Pajama Parties**, 6:15-8:15 p.m., Nov. 2. Clintonwood Park Carriage House. Pajama party for pre-schoolers, lots of music, crafts and games. 3-5 years old. Deadline to register, Oct. 26. Springfield Township residents/\$16. Non-residents/\$21.

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**Orienteering and GPS**, 10 a.m., 1:30 p.m., Nov. 3. Environmental Discovery Center, Indian Springs Metropark Nature Center near White Lake. \$2. 248-625-7280.

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**Benefit fund-raiser dinner**, for Liberty Dynamite Cheer Team, 4-8 p.m., Nov. 5, Pete's Coney Island II, 6160 Dixie Highway. The team is raising funds to go to Orlando, Fla., for the Contest of Champions Nationals. 248-821-0998.

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**Snowmobile Safety**, Oakland County Sheriff's Department, 6-9 p.m., Nov. 6, 8, Hart Community Center in Davisburg. 12 years and older. Springfield Township residents/ \$10. Non-Residents/\$15.

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**Wine Tasting**, Clarkston Rotary Club, 6:30-8:30 p.m., Nov. 7, Bordine Nursery,

8600 Dixie Hwy. Enjoy plant display, holiday decorations, food from 15 local restaurants, wines from all over the world. \$35 in advance, \$40 at the door. Benefits Rotary programs. 248-620-2768.

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**Veterans luncheon**, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., Nov. 7. Carriage House, Independence Township Senior Center, 6000 Clarkston Road. 248-625-8231.

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**Dogs Dance in Davisburg**, Freestyle Fanatics' Michigan Club, 10:30 a.m.-4 p.m., Nov. 9. Dogs and handlers judged on choreographed musical programs. Free. Springfield Oaks County Park, 12451 Andersonville Road. 248-673-6955.

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**"Nothing But the Truth,"** a mysterious comedy, 8 p.m., Nov. 9-10 and 16-17. Set in 1913 aboard a ship. \$10/advance, \$12/door. Mt. Zion Center for the Performing Arts, 4900 Maybee Road. 248-391-6166.

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**Scrapbook fundraiser**, Spotlight Dance Center competition team, 8 a.m.-6 p.m., Nov. 10, Sashabaw Middle School, 5565 Pine Knob Lane. \$25 by Nov. 2, \$30 at door. Raffle, vendors, 50/50.

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**Bear Essentials**, 1 p.m., Nov. 11, Environmental Discovery Center, Indian Springs Metropark Nature Center near White Lake. Explore, investigate, and learn about Michigan black bears. \$1.50. 7 and older. 248-625-7280.

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**Health fair**, 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Nov. 11, St. Daniel Catholic Church, 7010 Valley Park Drive. Free health screenings. \$4/cholesterol. Chair massage, Healing Touch, whole foods, Kid Zone. \$25/flu shots. 248-625-1750.

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**Veterans Appreciation Day**, Nov. 12, In-

dian Springs Metropark in Springfield Township. Free entry, waived boat launch fees. 800-477-2757.

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**Children's Book Week**, with author Mark Crilley, 6:30 p.m., Nov. 13. Live drawing demonstrations, readings, question-answer time, book signing. Springfield Twp. Library, 12000 Davisburg Road. 248-846-6550.

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**Benefit dinner**, hosted by Polish Women's Alliance for Zamek Polish Dancers, 5-8 p.m., Nov. 13. Traditional Polish food, costumes and dancing. Call Angela Tomczyk at 248-961-0954.

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**Open House**, National Great American SmokeOut, 12-4 p.m., Nov. 15. Laser demonstration, carbonmonoxide testing, information, discounts. Anne Penman Laser Therapy- Stop Smoking & Weight Loss Center, 4180 Pontiac Lake Rd. 248-673-6300.

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**Buck Pole**, 8 a.m.-8 p.m., Nov. 15. Deer must be tagged and licensed before they can be entered into the contest. Shiawassee Basin Preserve in Davisburg. \$10/deer. 248-634-0412.

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**Ginger Bread House Craft**, 11 a.m., Nov. 17. Springfield Twp. Library, 12000 Davisburg Road. 248-846-6550.

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**Animal Prep Work**, 1 p.m., Nov. 18, Environmental Discovery Center, near White Lake. Learn how animals prepare for winter. \$1.50. 7 and older. 248-625-7280.

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**Annual Stories with Santa**, 6:30 p.m., Dec. 6. Bring your camera, or \$5/picture. Springfield Twp. Library, 12000 Davisburg Road. 248-846-6550.

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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. 248-969-9788.

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

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**Social Dancing**, 9:30-10:30 a.m., Tuesdays, Oct. 30-Nov. 27. \$35 per person for five classes. Ballroom dance lessons for singles, couples. Hosted by Senior Center at Clarkston Community Ed Building, 6558 Waldon Road. 248-625-8231.

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**Line Dancing**, 1 p.m., Thursdays starting Nov. 15, Clarkston United Methodist Church, 6600Waldon Road. \$3. Walk-ins welcome. 248-625-1611.

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**Gentle Yoga**, 8:30 a.m., Tuesdays, Oct. 30-Dec. 11. \$32 for seven weeks. Carriage House, Independence Township Senior Center, 6000 Clarkston Road. 248-625-8231.

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**De-Stress Gentle Yoga**, 5:30 p.m., Wednesdays, Nov. 7-Dec. 19. \$28 for 6 weeks Carriage House, Independence Township Senior Center, 6000 Clarkston Road. 248-625-8231.

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

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**Clarkston Area Lions Club**, second and fourth Thursday, 6:30-8 p.m., Carriage House, next to the Senior Center, in Clintonwood Park. Visitors welcome. 248-802-8603.

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**Movies & Munchies**, 1:30 p.m., every third Thursday. Springfield Twp. Library, 12000 Davisburg Road. 248-846-6550.



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The bride elect is a 2000 graduate of Clarkston High School, and 2004 graduate of Michigan State University. She is a first-grade teacher in Grand Ledge.

The future groom, son of Doug and Connie Smith of Portland, is a 2002 graduate of St. Patrick's High School and 2007 graduate of Michigan Technological University. He is a mechanical engineer.

An August 2008 wedding is planned.



Troy and Cortney

## Business News

Freedom One Investment Advisors of Clarkston is dropping PIMCO's Total Return Fund from its clients' 401K accounts.

"We're out of the derivatives game," said Donald I. Gregg, Freedom One chief investment officer.

Derivatives are used in futures markets, in which investors earn large returns if the market is good, but lose if it's not. PIMCO has been investing heavily in the fixed-income derivatives market, which has an estimated value of more than \$300 trillion.

Especially with problems in the housing market, derivatives, along with the money PIMCO has invested in it, are too risky, Gregg said.

Instead, they recommend diversification, investing in Dodge and Cox Income and Loomis Sayles Bond funds, Western Asset Management, and ABN Amro. When completed, Freedom One will be removing more than \$136 million from the PIMCO Total Return fund.

"Our role as investment advisor is to be a watchdog," Gregg said. "Just because (PIMCO) is the biggest name in town,

doesn't mean we have to go with it."

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Oxford Bank offers the 2008 HAVEN Survivors calendar, "We Shall Be Heard," for \$14.95 through January.

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The calendars, underwritten by GM and Saturn, were created to raise funds, offer a voice to those who have suffered in silence, bring awareness to violence, dispel common misconceptions, and encourage people to seek help if needed.

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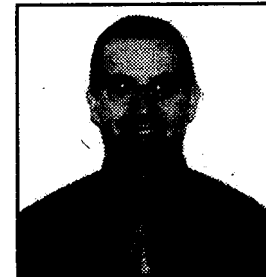
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"Love is when mommy sees daddy smelly and sweaty and still says he is handsomer than Robert Redford." - Chris, age 8

"I know my older sister loves me because she gives me all her old clothes and has to go out and buy new ones." - Lauren, age 4

"When someone loves you, the way they say your name is different. You know that your name is safe in their mouth." - Billy, age 4

"I let my big sister pick on me because my Mom says she only picks on me because she loves me. So I pick on my baby sister because I love her." - Bethany, age 4

"Love is when you tell a guy you like his shirt, then he wears it everyday." - Noelle, age 7

I'm currently in a series with my church called "Building Better Relationships." We're talking about love, forgiveness, and dealing with conflict. When you think about it, life is about relationships.

You can have a lot of stuff - a lot of toys and success - but without significant relationships, life is hollow. Jesus said the greatest thing in all the world was relationship - a relationship of love with God, and loving relationships with each other (Matthew 22:37-40).

Jesus invites us to become like kids again - and love others (Matthew 18:1-4)

*Greg Henneman is pastor of Clarkston Community Church.*

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www.clarkstonepiscopal.org  
248-625-2325

**OAKLAND EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
Services held at Mount Zion Center  
4453 Clintonville Rd. at Mann Rd., Waterford, MI  
Sunday School at 9:15 am  
Sunday Morning Worship at 10:30 am  
Bible Study Wed. Eve. at 7:00 pm  
Family Dinner before at 6:30 pm  
Church Property - Yellow House  
7205 Clintonville Rd., Clarkston, MI  
Office Address:  
404 Cesar E. Chavez Av., Pontiac, MI  
Phone (248) 858-2577  
Fax (248) 858-7706

**THE FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH**  
5449 Clarkston Rd., Clarkston  
(248) 394-0200  
Fax: (248) 394-2142  
Rev. Doctor Martin Hall  
Sunday Worship: 10:00 a.m.  
Children's Sunday School 10:00 am  
Dream Keepers Youth Group  
Wednesday 6:30 pm  
Youth Groups 6-12  
Wednesday 6:30 pm  
www.FirstCongregationalChurch.org

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF CLARKSTON**  
5972 Paramus, Clarkston, MI  
(248) 625-3380  
Located 2 blks. N. of Dixie Hwy. (E. of M-15)  
Pastor: Russell Reemtsma  
Sun: 9:30 am Sunday School & Adult Bible Fellowship  
10:30 am Worship Service  
6:00 pm Evening Service  
Wed: 6:15 pm Awana Club  
6:30 pm Teen Ministry  
7:00 pm Prayer Meeting & Bible Study

**SASHABAW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
"Little Church with a BIG Heart"  
5300 Maybee Road, Clarkston  
Worship 11:00 am  
Nursery Provided  
Phone (248) 673-3101

**DIVINE MERCY PARISH**  
"A Mission Church"  
Mass celebrated at Davisburg Elementary School  
12003 Davisburg Rd.  
Saturday at 6:00 pm  
Sunday at 10:00 am  
Celebrant: Msgr John Budde  
website:  
www.divinemercyparish.net

**BRIDGEWOOD CHURCH**  
6765 Rattalee Lake Road  
Clarkston, 48348  
(248)625-1344  
Services: Sunday 10:00am  
Morning Worship Service  
Exploration Station - Children's Ministry  
Wed. 6:45pm Fit For Life - Adult Life Ministry  
c.r.a.v.e.-Student Life Ministry  
Ozone - Children's Life Ministry  
Nurture Center/Wonderland available for all services  
A Church For Life  
www.bridgewoodchurch.com

**CLARKSTON COMMUNITY CHURCH**  
6300 Clarkston Road - Clarkston  
(248) 625-1323  
Home of Clarkston Christian School  
Pastors: Greg Henneman, Bonita Laudeman, Kevin Kuehne, Michael Anderson, Dan Whiting  
Sunday: Worship 9:30 & 11:00 am  
School of Discipleship 11:00 am  
Nursery Care at all services  
Wednesday: Children's Ministries 5:30-8:00 pm  
Sunday: Youth Ministries 5:00-7:00 pm  
www.clarkstonchurch.com

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

**HOLLY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
207 E. Maple Street  
Holly, MI 48442  
248-634-9494  
website: http://www.hollypc.org  
Rev. Dr. Herb Swanson  
Rev. Dr. Randy Cullen, new pastor  
Sunday School 9:15am snack  
9:30am classes  
Sunday Worship Service 10:30am  
Childcare Provided

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

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

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

**PEACE UNITY CHURCH**  
A new spiritual community:  
We invite you to attend our Sunday Celebration and Children's Church at 9am.  
Followed by coffee/social hour in the "Taste of Heaven Cafe"  
Peace Unity meets at Sashabaw Presbyterian Church  
5300 Maybee Rd. in Clarkston  
Spiritual Education, prayer, mastermind, and social activities offered as well.  
Rev. Matthew E. Long, founding minister  
Peace Unity Church  
P.O. Box 837 - Clarkston, MI 48347  
peace.unity@sbcglobal.net  
Where ever you are on your spiritual path we welcome you!

## In our churches...

**Harvest Festival**, 6-8 p.m., Oct. 31, Bridgewood Church, 6765 Rattalee Lake Road. \$1. Trunk or Treating, fun games, hayrides, bonfire, concessions, moonwalk, prizes, and candy, candy, candy. 248-625-1344.

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**Prophecy Conference**: answering your questions about the end of the world; 6 p.m. Nov. 11, First Baptist Church in Clarkston, 5972 Paramus Road; 7 p.m. Nov. 12-16, Maranatha Baptist Church, 5790 Flemings Lake Road. Guest speaker: Dr. Bob Shelton. Nurseries provided. All services interpreted for the deaf. 248-625-2700.

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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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**God is Closer Than You Think**, video/book discussion series by John Ortberg, Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings, Calvary Lutheran Church, 6805 Bluegrass in Clarkston, SW corner of M-15 and I-75. 248-625-3288.

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

Please see In Our Churches, page 8B

# Ryan treats both sides with respect

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"The coaches," he said. "They care about these kids."

As highly as Ryan regards the school, its staff and programs, the opinion seems to reflect right back at him.

"Dale always takes a great deal of pride in what he does," said Dan Fife, Clarkston's athletic director. "He's a great spokesman for Clarkston, and a great spokesman for Clarkston athletics."

Fife said he likes to keep the athletic department staffed with folks who understand the importance of treating visiting players and fans with high regard.

"I just think it's good to be a good host all the time," he said. "People who come to Clarkston feel like they've been treated with respect."

And for anyone who gets behind a microphone, he said, it starts with announcing names properly.

"We make sure we get the right pronunciation," Fife said. "It makes those parents proud to hear their kids names over the loud speaker, and to hear the right pronunciation, not just 'number 46.'"

Ryan and Neil Granlund, who announces Wolves' soccer and hockey, epitomize the spirit of caring about what they do, as well

as the people for whom they do it, Fife continued.

"When you have somebody like that, who takes that passion into their, job it always works well," he said. "So having those guys here works out well for our program. It's hard to find people with that kind of zest and zeal."

Granlund, a retired Sashabaw Middle School teacher, echoes the others in sentiment: He does it for the kids.

"We try to name as many athletes as we possibly can," he said. "We always give credit where credit is due and try to be fair to both teams. We decided a long time ago that's the way we wanted to be."

As announcers of different sports in the same town, however, Ryan and Granlund have an ongoing rivalry about who rightfully owns the "Voice of the Wolves" title.

But it's all in good fun.

Granlund—with a chuckle—explains how he waits for Ryan to appear, then gets behind the microphone and fires off the joke.

"I tell everybody 'this is the real voice of the Wolves speaking,'" Granlund said. "But I've got to see Dale in attendance before I do that."

And it doesn't stop there.

The guys in the press box, Granlund said, are always waiting in good-natured anticipation for Ryan to make a mistake. Then they let him have it.

"We warn him he only gets one mistake," said Granlund. "We wait for him to say anything wrong and the whole press box gets on his case."

All jokes aside, though Granlund said the group "works very well together."

Although he is the Voice of the Wolves, Ryan knows he's not the only voice out there, and said he tries to avoid talking when cheerleaders are cheering or the band is playing.

He's also happy to give others a shot at the airwaves.

"At any second he's willing to step away from the microphone and let others have at it," said Dr. Bruce Mercado, who volunteers his Friday evenings to serve as Ryan's home team spotter—the guy who watches the entire game through binoculars and tells Ryan which athletes were involved in which plays.

As a fellow Clarkston Optimists club member, Mercado was the high bidder for a package Ryan assembled for an Optimist auction; the winner and his family were invited to spend homecoming game that year



Dale Ryan has a great view of the field up in the press box.

One thing led to another, said Mercado, and before long he was offered a chance to spot on an ongoing basis.

That was about 15 years ago.

Today, it's something he looks forward to each weekend in the fall.

"It's my opportunity," he said, "to do some male bonding."

And how better than a hometown football game?

## THANKSGIVING DINNER BUFFET



\$18.95 ADULT  
\$16.95 SENIOR  
\$7.95 CHILD  
(AGES 4-11)  
UNDER 4 YRS.  
FREE!

Carry Out Only \$12.95 Per Person  
(includes turkey, stuffing, mashed potatoes,  
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THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 22<sup>nd</sup>  
12 NOON UNTIL 6 PM ~ Last Seating

(Don't wait, Seating is Limited!)

PLEASE CALL FOR RESERVATIONS: 625-8686

### Thanksgiving Buffet Menu

Deluxe salad table with cheeses, fresh vegetables, and an array of salads, fresh roast Turkey with all the trimmings, baked Ham with rum and raisin sauce, slow roasted Beef with au jus, candied yams with cherries & pecans, Deer Lake's homemade mashed potatoes, bread stuffing, Italian sausage, assorted dinner vegetables, assorted dinner rolls, apple and pumpkin pies and cheese cake, coffee, tea and milk.

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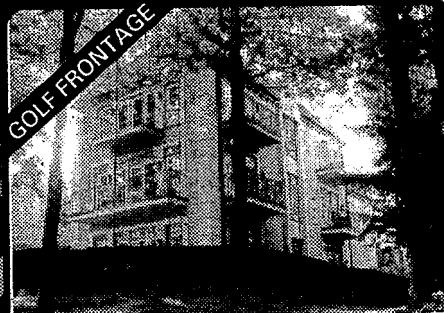
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Located on White Lake Rd. just south of Dixie Hwy. in Clarkston

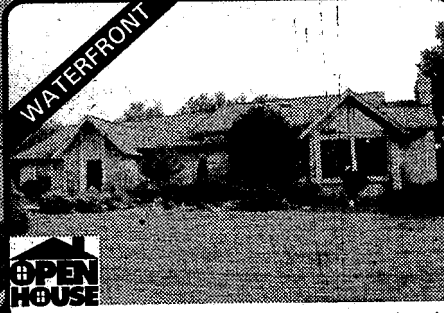
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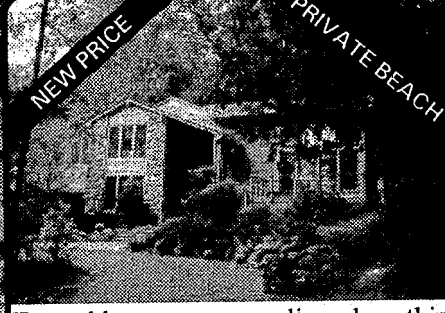
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Southern inspired mini mansion facing Pine Knob Golf Course's 9<sup>th</sup> fairway. 4,349 sq. ft. w/a polished marble kitchen, Brazilian cherry details, decorative moldings, and multiple verandas. \$599,900 54-BRI



Open Sun., Nov. 4<sup>th</sup> 1-4. Exciting ranch w/a finished walkout equals 3,700 sq. ft. w/hardwood, Corian, and vaulted ceilings throughout. Unmatched 1-acre setting w/lake frontage and park views. 2580 Cedar Key, Lake Orion. \$489,000 25-CED



Emerald green surroundings hug this unconventional 2,900 sq. ft. abode w/3-4 bedrooms, 2 full and 2 half baths, solarium, skylights, and stone. Traditional neighborhood setting. \$369,900 75-DEE



Open Sun., Nov. 4<sup>th</sup> 1-4. Stunning 2,700 sq. ft. w/4-5 bedrooms, 3 full and 1 half baths, ample hardwood floors, granite, Corian, and a finished walkout adds 1,000 sq. ft. 7242 N. Village Dr., Clarkston \$325,000 72-VIL



Open Sun., Nov. 4<sup>th</sup> 1-4

6,000 superior sq. ft. flawlessly poised upon all-sports Deer Lake. Luxury personified w/5 bedrooms, 3 full and 1 half baths, and granite, marble, hardwoods, 4 fireplaces, and a 6-car garage. 7215 Deer Lake Ct., Clarkston \$899,900 72-DEE



Open Sun., Nov. 4<sup>th</sup> 1-4. 3 bedroom, 2 bath craftsman's knockout w/granite kitchen, 10-ft. ceilings, original hardwoods, oversized windows, ceramic, skylights, and a darling finished basement. 6624 Roselawn, Clarkston. \$249,900 66-ROS



Pleasing ranch featuring cathedral ceilings, extra-large rooms, and fresh neutral carpet. 2,250 fin. sq. ft. w/3 bedrooms, 3 full baths, first floor laundry, and an inclusive assoc. fee. \$230,000 64-WAT



2,112 sun-drenched sq. ft. w/4 bedrooms, 2 full and 1 half baths. 2-story ceramic foyer, island kitchen w/nook, firelit great room, formal dining, and a ready-to-finish walkout. \$214,900 38-DEE



Open Sun., Nov. 4<sup>th</sup> 1-4. Gracious hilltop retreat w/panoramic views accentuating a cosmopolitan interior. Skylights, ceramic, bays, floor-to-ceiling windows, and multiple decks t/o. 6619 Ridgeview Dr., Clarkston. \$159,900 66-RID



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**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
Because the People Want to Know

**CLARKSTON**

CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF CLARKSTON  
375 DEPOT ROAD  
CLARKSTON MI 48346

**SUMMARY  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
OCTOBER 22, 2007**

Meeting called to order at 7:03 p.m. by Mayor Catalo.  
Roll Present: Catalo, Brueck, Gawronski, Inabnit, Johnston, Ottman.  
Absent: Colombo.  
Minutes of October 8, 2007, approved. Agenda approved.

City Council and Mayor Catalo expressed appreciation for outgoing Dan Colombo's work on City Council. Also Mayor Catalo expressed her appreciation for Colombo's work on the Water Main project and downtown revitalization work.

Chief LaCroix reported on a breaking and entry incident and he praised Officers Hagberg and Johnson for their work with the Oakland County Sheriff's deputies.

Chief LaCroix reported that forms for residents to use in requesting house checks will be available either in the Police Department office or the City offices.

Chief LaCroix reported that all available police officers will be working on Halloween. A wand for checking candy will be available at the Police Station.

D.P.W. Supervisor Pursley answered questions from the October 8 Minutes.

Pursley reported that the gate to the storage area had been left open on October 6 so that compost could be accessed by the children's garden workers.

Pursley advised Council that when trimming trees the wood was left by the side of the road for a week other than the wood that is too large or from willow trees.

Pursley reported three bids on the roof for the Gazebo ranging from \$3,942 for cedar shakes up to \$12,980 for copper roofing. Pursley presented bids on sidewalk replacements that he had received, ranging from \$2.84 to \$4.25 per square foot. Sidewalk widths were discussed and continued on an agenda item.

The matter of fire and burglar alarms was mentioned due to the isolated area of the City Hall. Chief LaCroix stated that he was in favor of alarms. Pursley is to get costs on alarm systems.

Mayor Catalo opened a Public Hearing to discuss the use of Program Year 2008 Community Development Block Grant funds at 8:05 p.m.

No one in the audience was present to discuss the CDBG funds. Pappas informed Council that Haven had asked to attend the meeting, but there was no representative present. Pappas outlined the limitations on a codification allocation using CDBG funds. Discussion was also held on Lighthouse allocations from past years.

Mayor Catalo closed the Public Hearing at 8:12 p.m.

Tom Stone expressed appreciation to the Police Department for the apprehension of a B&E suspect in the Parke Lake subdivision. Mr. Stone commended the Clarkston Police Department for its work with the Oakland County-Sheriff's deputies.

Mr. Stone expressed his disappointment in the lack of candidates for the upcoming City annual election and a candidate who has only attended one or two Council meetings.

Resolved That in recognition of the Water Main Project, Phase II, having been completed for more than two-and-one-half years, and having no issues with the project's performance, it is recommended that Roger Ingles Construction Company be released from providing the required two-year Maintenance and Guarantee Bonds for the project (which Bond is specifically designed to protect the City for deficient work by the Contractor) and that Clarkston Phase II Water Main project be closed out with a final payment to Roger Ingles Construction Company in accordance with Pay Estimate No. 17, as prepared by Hubbell, Roth and Clark in the amount of \$20,425.28 and the interest amount earned on the retained amounts in accordance with the Contract provisions which amounts to \$5,490.80 for a total amount due Roger Ingles Construction Company of \$25,916.08, and that payment be released upon the City receiving from Roger Ingles Construction Company a Consent of Surety to release the final payment along with Full Unconditional Waivers from all suppliers and sub-contractors utilized on the project. Upon final payment, Roger Ingles Construction Company accepts that all claims or request for compensation have been fully satisfied and no further claims will be considered by the City of the Village of Clarkston pertaining to this Contract.

Tressel reported that he estimates that a modified flood plain map will be forthcoming in approximately sixty days.

Tressel cautioned City Council that ADA specifications must be met for truncated path domes when repairing or replacing sidewalks.

The first reading was conducted for Ordinance 139(1). Discussion was held regarding sidewalk widths. City Attorney Ryan suggested that a committee consisting of Gary Tressel, Bob Pursley, Cory Johnston be formed to study the proposed sidewalk ordinance. Mayor Catalo stated that she thought that four-feet is adequate for sidewalk widths.

Moved That Brueck and Johnston, Gary Tressel and Bob Pursley form a subcommittee to review the sidewalk ordinance draft.

Resolved that the full time hourly wage for the Police Department employee, James Thompson, be established at \$16.50 for regular time and \$24.75 for overtime hours effective November 1, 2007.

Resolved that the City accept the bid of \$2,175 from Hamblin Sign Company for three Depot Park signs.

City offices will be closed on Monday, November 12, 2007, in honor of Veterans Day. The regular meeting scheduled for Monday, November 12, will be held on Tuesday, November 13.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.  
Respectfully submitted,  
Artemus M. Pappas, Clerk

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Charter Township of Springfield

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Township Board of the Charter Township of Springfield will hold a Public Hearing to receive oral and written comments on the Township's proposed 2008 budget. The Public Hearing will be held Thursday, November 8, 2007, beginning at 7:30 p.m. at the Springfield Township Civic Center, 12000 Davisburg Road, Davisburg, MI.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that a copy of the proposed 2008 budget may be examined at the Township Clerk's Office, 12000 Davisburg Road, Davisburg, MI during regular office hours Monday through Friday until the date of the Public Hearing. Anyone needing a special accommodation at the meeting should contact the Township Clerk at least two (2) business days in advance.

NANCY STROLE, CLERK  
Charter Township of Springfield  
Published: October 31, 2007

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Because the People Want to Know

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

Date and Time: November 6, 2007, at 7:30 p.m.  
Place: Independence Township Library  
6495 Clarkston Road,  
Clarkston, MI 48346

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call
4. Opening Statements and Correspondence
5. Approval of Agenda
6. Public Forum - *Individuals in the audience have the opportunity to address the Township Board on an issue that is not on the agenda, limiting their comments to not more than three minutes.*
7. Consent Agenda:
  - a. Approval of Minutes of October 16, 2007
  - b. Approval of Purchase Orders
  - c. Approval of Accounts Payable Check Run
  - d. Resolution Establishing an Election Receiving Board

**Public Hearing: 2008 Budget Hearing  
Unfinished Business**

1. Second Reading and adoption of an Ordinance Re-Enacting the Township Code
2. Resolution Adopting Fee Schedule for the Code of Ordinances

**New Business**

1. Approval of the 2008 Budget
2. Preliminary approval of liquor license for Market Café located at 5740 Clarkston Road
3. Permission to hire Head of Circulation/IT Manager for Library
4. Purchase of back-up generator
5. Repainting groundwater storage tank

Closed Session - Legal Opinion  
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) 625-6111.

**Flu shots at health center**

Clarkston Health Center offers flu shots to the public on a walk-in basis.

They are available in the Emergency Department, open 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Fee is \$15 and can be paid by cash, check, or charge. Medicare Part B will be

accepted. Participants must be at least 18 years old.

For more information, call the Emergency Department at 248-620-4245. Clarkston Health Center is located at 5625 Water Tower Place.

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
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**CLARKSTON**

NOTICE  
CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF CLARKSTON

375 Depot Road  
Clarkston, MI 48346  
**CHANGE OF MEETING DATE  
CITY COUNCIL  
November 13, 2007**

The City Council will hold its first November meeting on November 13, 2007, instead of November 12, 2007, due to the observance of Veterans Day on November 12.

The meeting will be held at the City Hall, 375 Depot Road, Clarkston, on Tuesday, November 13, 2007, at 7:00 p.m.

Art Pappas  
City Manager

**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 Tuesday, November 20, 2007, beginning at 8:00 p.m. at the Springfield Township Civic Center, 12000 Davisburg Rd., Davisburg, Michigan to hear the following appeals:

PUBLIC COMMENT:  
OLD BUSINESS: none  
NEW BUSINESS:

1. Request from Russell Clifton, 11925 Clark Rd., Davisburg, MI 48350 to allow construction of an accessory building which will result in a fifteen (15) foot side setback rather than the minimum twenty-five (25) feet required per Section 25 of Springfield Township Zoning Ordinance No. 26.

The property that is the subject of the request is located at 11925 Clark Rd. in Springfield Township, is approximately 1.21 acres in size and is zoned R-1A one family residential. P.I. #07-21-101-018.

2. Request from Chris J. Vaillancourt, 11330 Andersonville Rd., Davisburg, MI 48350, to create a land division resulting in two (2) access strip parcels, one of which would be less than five (5) acres in size as required per Section 16.20 of Springfield Township Zoning Ordinance No. 26.

The property that is the subject of the request is located at 11330 Andersonville Rd. in Springfield Township, is approximately 11 acres in size and is zoned R-1A one family residential. P.I. #07-21-201-031.

3. Request by Antony and Amy Darce, 5921 Hillsboro Rd., Davisburg, MI 48350 for a determination whether two (2) non-contiguous parcels that are physically separated by a public road can be combined and considered to be one parcel.

The properties that are the subject of the request are located at 5921 Hillsboro Rd., P.I. #07-28-280-002 (located on the northwest corner of Claypool and Hillsboro roads), and a portion of P.I. #07-28-426-002 (located on the southwest corner of Claypool and Hillsboro roads).

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that the maps and variance requests 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 STROLE, Clerk  
Charter Township of Springfield

**Halloween  
safety tips**

Clarkston area trick-or-treating hour is 6-7 p.m. tonight, Wednesday, Oct. 31, but watch out for youngsters making their rounds throughout the evening.

Some safety tips:

- Always have a parent or responsible adult with the children when they go trick or treating;

- Wear lighter colored, reflective clothes and always carry a flashlight or glow stick so you can be seen;

- Make sure that you wear a mask that you can see through;

- Don't accept unwrapped candy;

- Stay in well lit areas.

Clarkston Police will check candy with a metal detector at their office on Church and Main streets.

**In our churches**

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information at 248-625-3288.

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

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

**Community events?**

Tell us about them at

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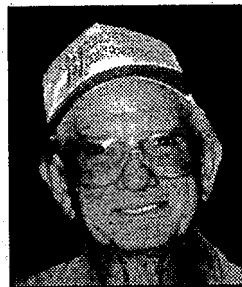
or 248-625-3370

# Obituary

## Bobie Joe Goans

Bobie Joe Goans of Clarkston, formerly of Waterford, passed away Oct. 26 at the age of 78.

He was the husband of Marlene; father of Cheryl (Dale) Watson of Tenn., Teresa (Donald) Drain of Tenn., Kathy (Dale) Culvahouse of Tenn., David (Debbie) Goans of Waterford, Robert "Tim" (Donna) Goans of Pontiac, and Vicki (John) Culvahouse of Tenn; survived by many grandchildren and great grandchildren; stepfather of Melinda Haas of Holly, Clifford (Betty) Haas of Holly, Leah Howell of Holly, Lisa (Bill) Coddington of Ferndale, and Dede (John) Lechel of Ortonville. brother of Virgil (Lou) Goans of Pontiac



and Harold (Carol) Goans of Kalkaska.

Mr. Goans owned and operated Goans Masonry. He enjoyed hunting, fishing and time in his RV.

Funeral Service was Oct. 30 at Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston. Interment Crescent Hills Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the American Heart Association.

On line guestbook [www.wintfuneralhome.com](http://www.wintfuneralhome.com).

## Guy White

Guy White of Orion passed away Oct. 24 at the age of 79.

He was the loving husband of Mary for 54 years; father of Terry, Paul, David, and Craig (Jeanice) White; grandpa of Christopher, Jonathan, Travis, and Montana; brother of Carter (Audrey) White.

Mr. White served his country in the Army, Army Air Corp., Merchant Marines and the Marines.

He retired from the Pontiac Police De-



partment after 25 years of service.

Funeral Service was Oct. 29 at Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home.

Memorials may be made to the Alzheimer's Association. On line guestbook [www.wintfuneralhome.com](http://www.wintfuneralhome.com).

## Anita J. Heffernan

Anita J. Heffernan of Clarkston passed away Oct. 24 at the age of 79

She was the loving wife of Lawrence for 60 years; mother of Eva (Albert) Kabelman of Lapeer, David (Kandy) Heffernan of Goodrich, and the late Larry (Brenda) Heffernan of Oxford; grandma of Terryl (Stewart) Schneider, Michael (Maria) Kabelman, Kristin Kabelman, Lena (Bryan) Painter, Jason (Marsha) Kabelman, Nicolas Heffernan, and Eric Heffernan; great grandma of Jarod, Emma, and Colin Schneider, and Michael, Devyn, and



Kaytlin Kabelman; sister of Elisabeth (Robert) Stouffer and Marianne (Bob) Hartley.

Celebration of Life Service was Oct. 27 at

the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston. On line guestbook [www.wintfuneralhome.com](http://www.wintfuneralhome.com).

## Richard Ditch

Richard Ditch of Ortonville, formerly of Clarkston, passed away Oct. 28 at the age of 61.

He was preceded in death by his wife Barbara, his parents Robert and Rosalie and brother Raymond. He was the father of Rochelle Haney, Monica Ditch, and Heidi (Dave) Allen; stepfather of Angie Diamond and Kriss Cox; also survived by 13 Grandchildren;

brother of Robert (Nancy) Ditch, Leon (Susan) Ditch, and Susan (Charles) Wolfe.

Memorial Service Friday, Nov. 2, 12:30 p.m., at the Lewis E. Wint and Son Funeral Home, Clarkston, where friends can visit from 11:30 a.m. until time of service.

Memorials may be made to The American Cancer Society. Online Guestbook [www.wintfuneralhome.com](http://www.wintfuneralhome.com).

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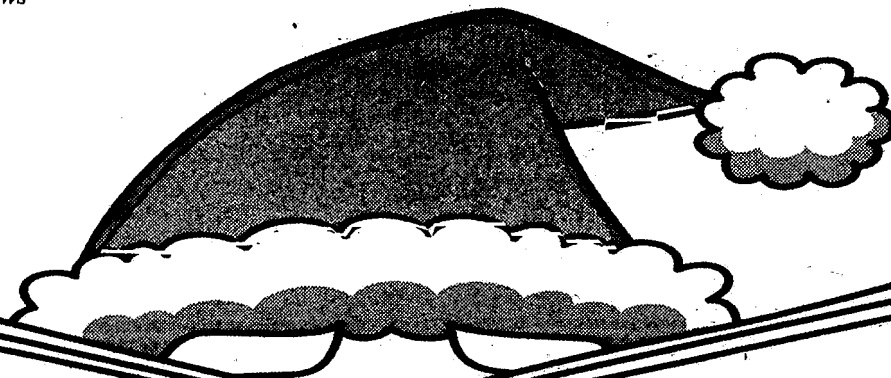


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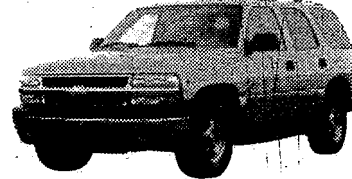
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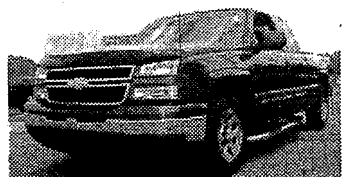
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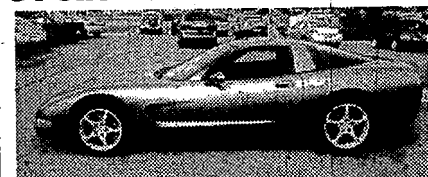
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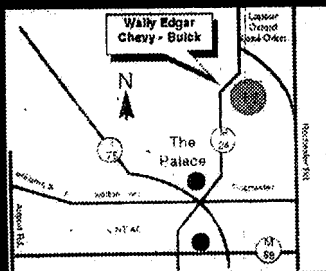
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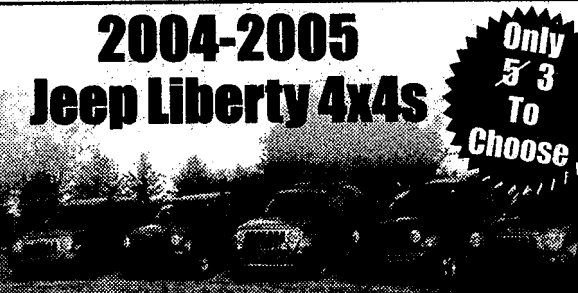
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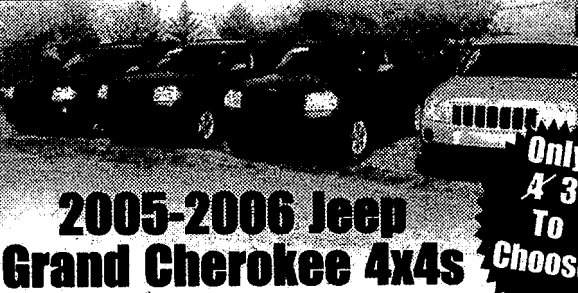


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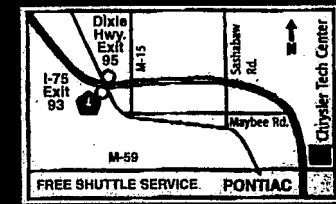
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Family Stories Month  
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### November Daily Events

November 1, 2007  
Ntl. Author's Day

### Monthly Planner

Ntl. Family Literacy Day  
Ntl. Men Make Dinner Day  
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All Souls' Day  
November 3, 2007  
Sadie Hawkins Day  
Sandwich Day  
November 4, 2007  
Daylight Saving Time Ends  
ING New York City Marathon  
November 6, 2007  
General Election Day  
November 8, 2007  
Ntl. Parents As Teachers Day  
November 11, 2007  
Veterans Day  
November 13, 2007  
Ntl. Young Reader's Day  
World Kindness Day  
November 14, 2007

Ntl. American Teddy Bear Day  
November 15, 2007  
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November 17, 2007  
Family Volunteer Day  
November 20, 2007  
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November 21, 2007  
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## Let's celebrate the freedom to think

By Maria Rotondo-Mark

At a time in history where information is presented in mass production through various media channels faster than one can think.

Is anyone out there thinking and processing what is being presented as absolute truth?

Let's hope to keep our faith, keep our now freedom to think before allowing our belief system be compromised.

My personal mission is to share insights and maintain my direction to leave behind lessons I've learned. All I can hope to take with me to the afterlife is what I leave behind. The relationships, the love and the legacy of good works, compassion, human respect and forgiveness are definitely stepping-stones to respectful society. Can these simple gifts produce successful business entities in today's marketplace?

What was once personally hard work and suffering brings much joy to live in today.

As transitions in Michigan and the world are being realized in all phases of life. Personal, professional, judicial and so on, it is imperative to engage questions in the quiet chambers of the mind to filter what is being reported. Overload of thoughts of others that enter one's consciousness can become breeding grounds for depression, indifference, energy loss, illness, isolation and the list goes on.

Michigan legislators, heads of government, citizens of this great country United States, let's consider the possibility of unity.

Change is definitely everyone's reality as we courageously walk through our daily and moment-to-moment choices.

A rollback society to capture a few sacrificed values could definitely make a difference to minimize the load that holds up all angles.

Re-think personal values, family,

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Maria Rotondo-Mark is owner of Make Over Place Salon

## Improving Business Performance

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

By Ron DeLorme

Recently, I addressed about 25 members of the Oxford Chamber of Commerce at a luncheon meeting. One of the participants was a Human Resources Manager at a local company and she brought several of her young HR employees with her to the luncheon.

Let me tell you what I saw (and heard) that makes me think this manager "gets it!" In other words, this manager knows how to put employee development and employee management principles into action and get results for her company.

The HR Manager did not need to be front and center and grab all the attention. She put her employees first. She proudly introduced each of her young employees to the group and en-



Ronald DeLorme, president of Manage Max

couraged each of them to participate in the discussion.

The boss made a point of making her employees feel important in a crowd of very experienced, older professionals. She spoke highly of the employees and was so proud of them that her face was just beaming.

The manager gave every indication that she enjoyed her responsibility related to developing her employees (e.g., educating them, making them feel valuable and important, exposing them to new ideas, etc.). She brought them to the Chamber meeting because it would help them understand the bigger world of work that exists in the community, they would hear new ideas, etc. Also, it was a beautiful day, in a beautiful setting, we were sitting outside and lunch was provided - nice perquisite for new employees who usually only hear about such experiences.

After my presentation, she encouraged her employees to ask me questions and to get more details so that they would better understand the topic.

While speaking to me after the presentation, the young HR employees spoke very highly about their manager. I got the

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## Taste of Clarkston crowd packs Main Street

The rain held off long enough to deliver a sunny October Sunday for the 2007 Taste of Clarkston.

Hosted by the Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce, 30 restaurants offered their best entrees, desserts, and drinks throughout downtown Clarkston for thousands of people to sample.

"Main Street was filled with people from noon to 6 p.m.," said Clarkston Police

Chief Dale LaCroix.

After eating their fill, children and parents strolled down to Depot Park for the Optimist Club's Kidzone activities, including a rock climbing wall, bounce house, hay maze, and games.

Estimates place the crowd at the higher end of Taste of Clarkston's annual draw, about 14,000 people.

-- Phil Custodio

## Small Biz Briefs

By Patrick J. Allsteadt

Continuing from last week, here are more steps in setting up your biz.

7. If the office is in the house, find out how the property is zoned. This information can be found by visiting the local city or township offices. Also, ask what regulations apply to home businesses in that zone. By and large, if you do not aggravate your neighbors with excess noise, odors, and traffic, the business can be successfully run from the home.

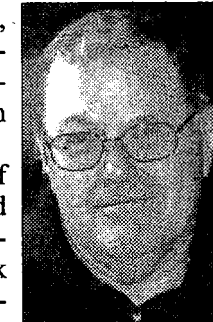
8. Make a list of everything needed to start the business. Cross check it with a list of materials and equipment that are already available. Check the classified ads and garage sales for inexpensive office equipment and furniture. Purchase only what is necessary to start the company. The extras will come after the company is more financially sound.

9. Decide on how the company will be presented with business cards, stationary, brochures, and other marketing means. Color, design and weight of paper for these items are extremely important in the overall look of the business. They will make an impression on the people who receive them. A graphics designer or a creative printer can be advantageous.

10. The homeowner's insurance agent can write a rider for your existing policy or the need for a separate business policy. Also make sure you have adequate personal and product liability coverage. Each company has different rules regarding home businesses.

11. A telephone is a necessity to operate any business. Shop the cost of a business phone in your area with the various local and long distance providers. An answering machine or voice mail to take calls when not available to answer the in-coming call is

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Patrick Allsteadt is owner of Accurate Bookkeeping, LLC

# Good Eats:

*the biz from local restaurants*

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## Hot Lunch Item of the Month...



Gino Zoto and Elena Martinez, with Capre Grill's Chicken Pesto Penne dish.

## Chicken Pesto Penne at Capre Grill

For lunch, Capre Grill offers a full line of American, Greek and Italian dishes, as well as breakfast items.

From its Italian menu comes Chicken Pesto Penne, served with egg penne noodles, sauteed mushrooms, pesto sauce, olive oil, and a touch of garlic for \$9.95.

"It's kind of sweet, a combination of basil, olive oil, garlic flavors," said owner Gino Zoto.

Greek specialties include Shish Ka-

bob and Chicken Gyro Plate, both for \$8.95. Lunch items range from \$5.75 for a small Greek salad to \$7.95 for sandwich wraps, gyros, and other dishes.

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"We take care of people, give them good service and excellent food," Zoto said. "You'll find what you're looking for - steak, Italian, Greek. We have a little bit of everything."

Call Capre Grill, 7743 Sashabaw Road at Clarkston Road, at 248-625-1111 for more information.



Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce members, from left, Yvonne Carr, Carol Cane, Carol Parcha, Bill Burr, and, from right, Cindy Burroughs, Mike Mercier, Deb Hansen, and Heidi Wood, help owners Shelly and Erik Alexander at their Marble Slab Creamery ribbon cutting. Photos by Phil Custodio

## 'Superpremium' ice cream served on Sashabaw

By Phil Custodio

When Erik and Shelly Alexander were looking to open their own business, they let their sweet tooth guide them.

"Why not ice cream – it makes everyone happy," Shelly said.

The Alexanders, residents of Warren, opened a Marble Slab Creamery franchise at 6315 Sashabaw Road, in partnership with Tim Jarrett. Makers of rich, homemade ice cream, they mix each cone or cup to order on a frozen

slab of marble.

"It's super-premium ice cream," she said. "The taste, the flavor makes it so good."

Erik is switching careers from the information technology field, working for a General Motors' supplier for 12 years.

"We decided to get out do something on our own," he said. "Something that's enjoyable for the community."

They plan to join in community activities, joining the Clarkston Area

Chamber of Commerce.

"We very excited to have them," said Penny Shanks, executive director for the chamber. "Judging by how well the public responded at the Taste of Clarkston, they will have a nice, long life in Clarkston."

Erik is also contacting local schools to invite students to tour the shop.

"I'd explain the history of ice cream, show them how to make their own, and give them a taste," he said. "It's cool to see all the kids light up when they

see all the ice cream and the candy on the ceiling."

The shop stores candy, cookies, chocolate chips, and other mix-ins on shelves along the counter and ceiling.

"We make cones around 3-4 o'clock," Erik said. "The cone smell, the look of the place, puts you in the right mood for ice cream – I can't wait to do this full time."

The grand opening was Oct. 20.

For more information, call 248-625-8211.

### WTB Recipes . . . Tasty Barbecue Sauce

Looking for "Real Southern style Memphis BBQ"? Then look no further than 2641 North Road in Fenton, Michigan, where owner Kim Hicks has hidden the Beale St. Smokehouse BBQ behind a gas station. The beef, pork, chicken and ribs are seasoned with a dry rub of secret spices and then "prepared



Mary Forte

over a pit of select hardwoods to create our signature-smoked flavor, which makes the meat tender and tasty." In addition to serving lunch and dinner, they do catering, have take out and on weekends, and they even have a band playing the blues. Everyone we have taken to this out-of-the-way place, talks about all of the friends and family they want to bring back to the restaurant. So, between you and me, let's not tell anyone else about it, or we might just have to start waiting in line to get in.

If you order your ribs to go, you might try making my tasty Barbecue Sauce to go with them.

#### Barbecue Sauce

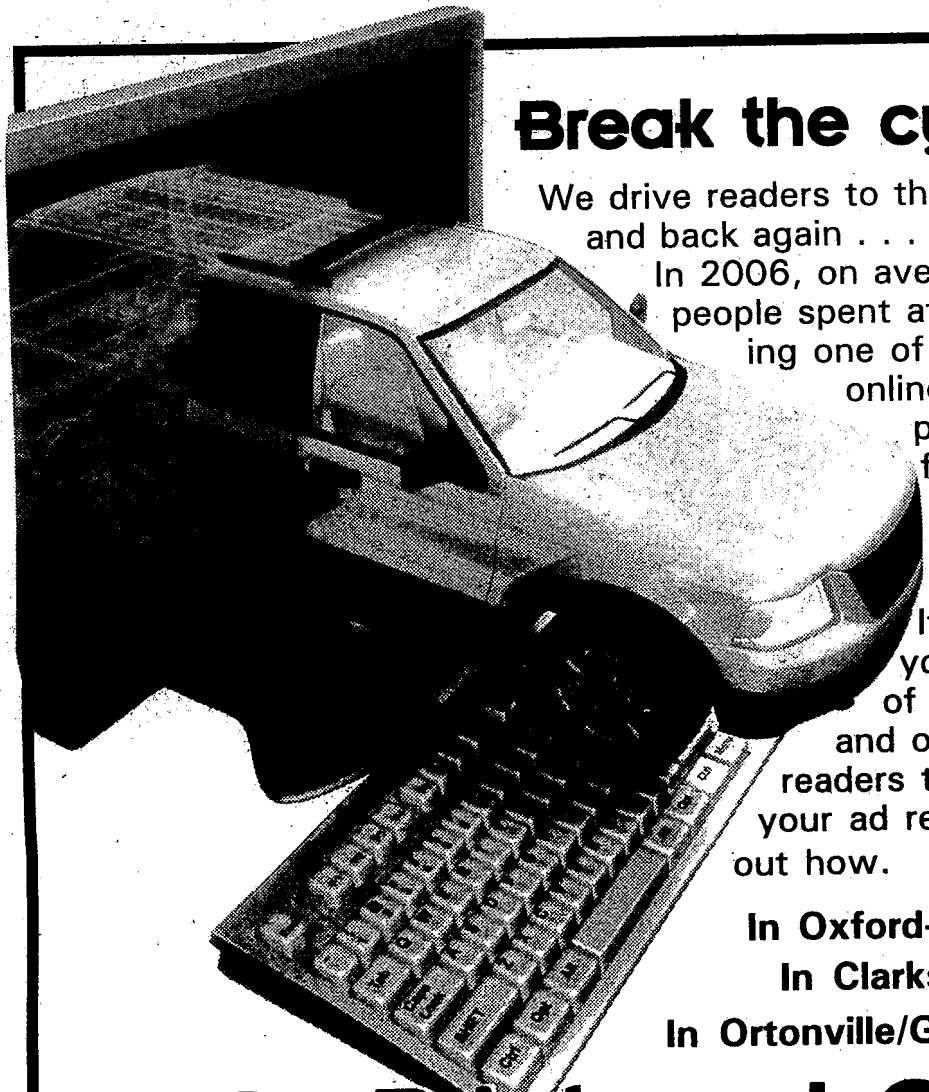
2 Tablespoons canola oil  
2 cloves garlic; minced  
½ cup cider vinegar  
½ cup lemon juice  
2 cups ketchup  
1/3 cup Worcestershire sauce  
1 cup packed dark brown sugar  
½ teaspoon cinnamon  
2 Tablespoons Dijon mustard

3 Tablespoons chili powder  
2 teaspoons seasoning salt  
Place the oil into a large sauce pan. Add the garlic and saute over medium heat for 30 seconds. Do not brown the garlic. Add the rest of the ingredients, and simmer for about 20 minutes. Use immediately, or refrigerate until ready to use.

Mary Forte is an Oxford Village resident. She is currently working with an agent to get her first cookbook published. This recipe is from that cookbook.

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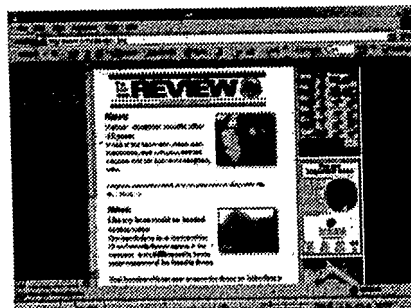
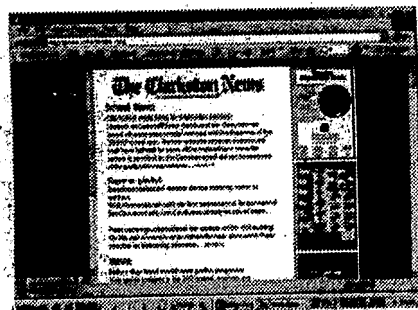
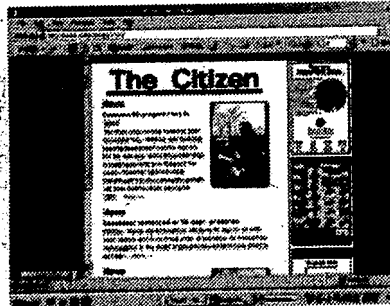
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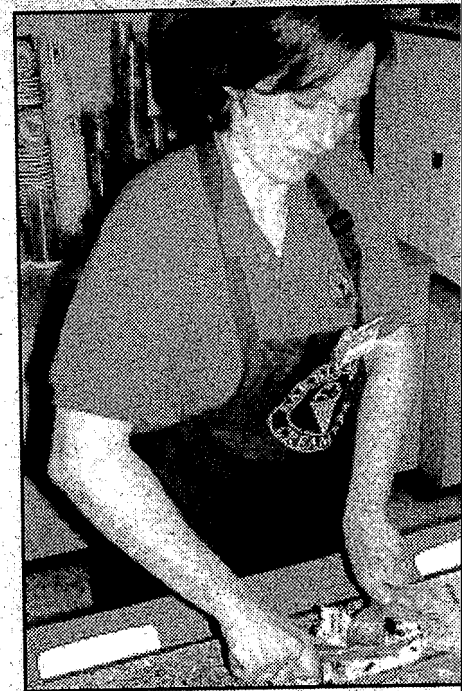
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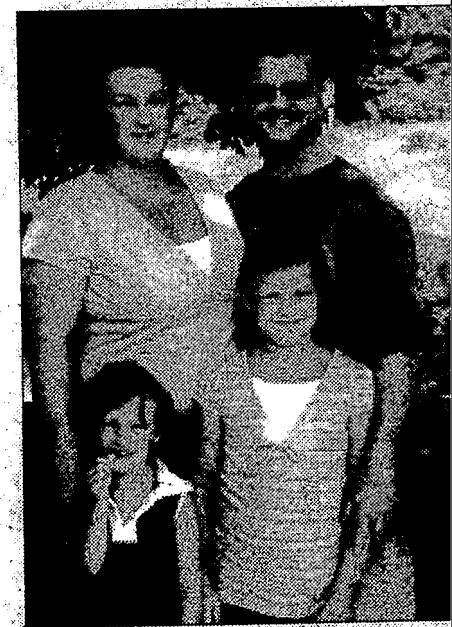


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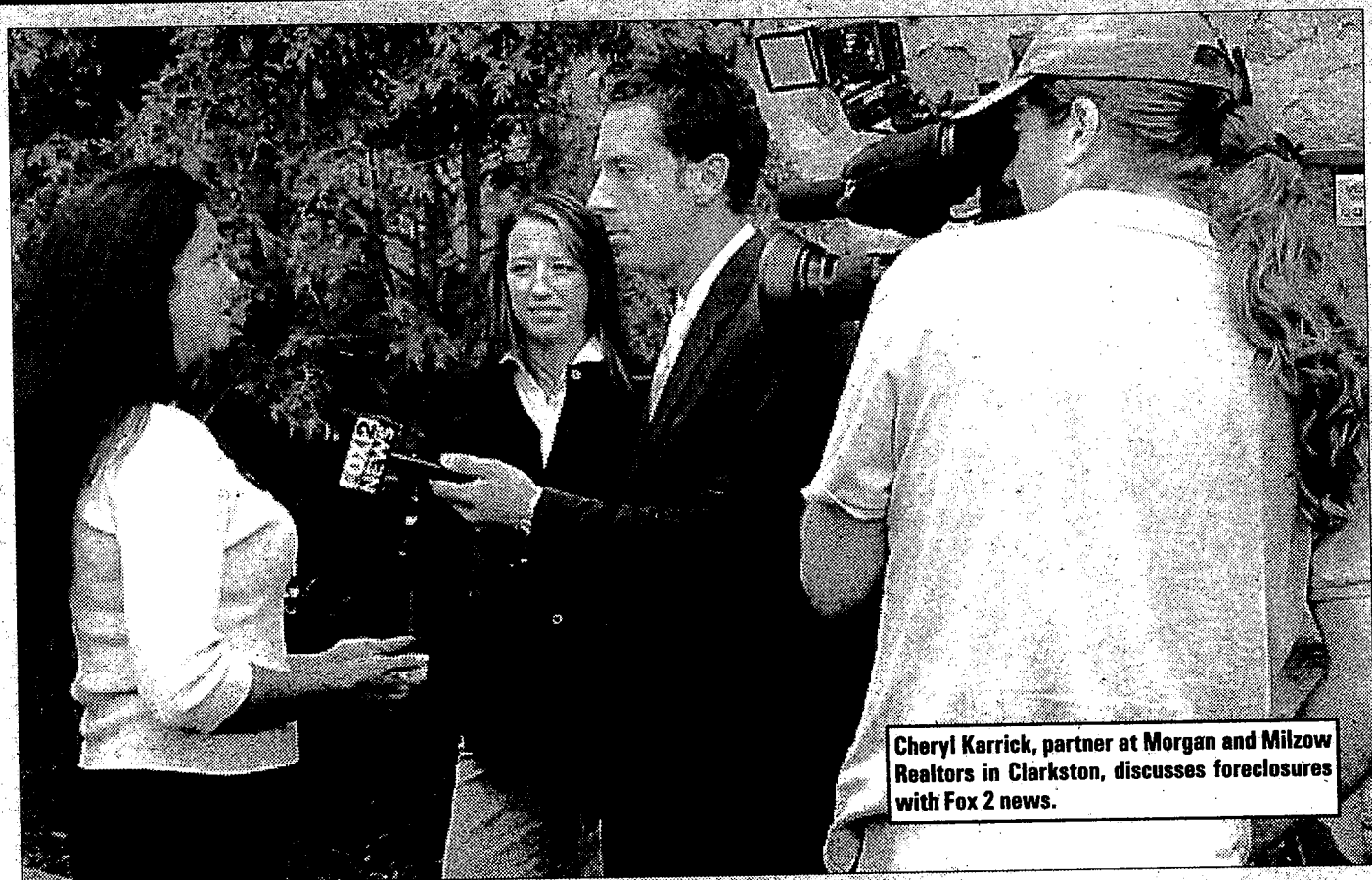
Shelly Alexander, from Marble Slab Creamery at 6315 Sashabaw Road, mixes a cookies-and-cream flavor ice cream. Yum!



### New assisted living home in Springfield Twp.

Christie and Michael Peters, and their children, both, 8 and Abigail, 5, of Catera Assisted Living. The home is located at 11354 Andersonville in Davisburg, in a quiet, semi-rural area still close enough to shopping, medical care, church and restaurants. For more information, contact Christie Peters, Owner/Administrator of Catera Assisted Living at 248-625-4125.

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

## Turning to the experts . . . from Clarkston

When Fox 2 News of Detroit needed an expert on foreclosure auctions, they turned to Clarkston realtors with Morgan and Milzow.

"We've been doing this for over a year," said partner Erica Collica. "We work really well with the auction company."

More than 700 foreclosed

properties from across the state were offered for sale Sept. 21-23 at the Hudson and Marshall Auction in Dearborn. The previous auction offered 300.

"The number has been going up significantly," Collica said. "They aren't slowing down."

Collica and partner Cheryl Karrick

specialize in foreclosures, and sold more than \$7.5 million in real estate last year.

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# Laser Center sets sights on Clarkston

By Trevor Keiser

Unwanted body hair doesn't stand a chance with the experts at Clarkston Laser Center, 5825 S. 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.

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



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

each person that comes in," said Hudak-Baylis.

Skin tone also plays a factor in hair re-

moval 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."

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

For more information call 248-620-2400 or visit [www.clarkstonlasercenter.com](http://www.clarkstonlasercenter.com).

## McLaren, POH centers form local partnership

BY TREVOR KEISER

McLaren Health Care has partnered with POH Medical Center, finalizing the acquisition Sept. 27.

Theresa Rogers, POH representative, said since the project is in the very early stages, they are still working out details. The agreement should affect Clarkston and other satellite facilities in a very positive way, Rogers said.

POH was founded in 1953, and has grown from one clinic to a medical community including more than 300 physicians, inpatient hospital in downtown Pontiac, and eight satellite facilities throughout north Oakland County, including Clarkston Health Center.

McLaren Health Care includes more than 150 locations, 15,000 employees and nearly 3,600 physicians. It includes seven regional hospitals: McLaren Regional Medical Center in Flint, Lapeer Regional Medical Center, Ingham Regional Medical Center and Ingham Regional Orthopedic Hospital in Lansing, Bay Regional Medical Center, Bay Special Care Hospital, and Mt. Clemens Regional Medical Center. The new POH Regional Medical Center will make it McLaren's eighth hospital.

McLaren broke ground July 25 on phase one of a \$600 million medical project in Independence Township. The project is being built on 77 acres on the southeast corner of I-75 and Sashabaw Road.

## New home for ATD Solutions

By Trevor Keiser

ATD Solutions started in 2000 as a home based business with mother and daughters Sandra Siler, Jackie Kopp and Nicole Jones. Over the past seven years, the business was at two other locations before finding its current home at 6978 Dixie Highway.

"We love it, we moved to this location and doubled our size and now have eight employees," said Kopp. "It's working out great space wise, looks great, and our landlord can't be any better."

ATD's services include QuickBooks consulting ATD helps setup, train and consult on QuickBooks to make sure the customer's finances are correct.

"So whenever anybody's complaining about their QuickBooks, it's not working right for them, usually if they give us a call we tweak the data entry and they're happy with the outcome of their reports, so they can really manage their business and know where their money is," said Kopp.

ATD also does "in house bookkeeping" or go to the client's house if necessary.

Most of their clients do not require a full time 40 hour bookkeeper, but need the "quality of the bookkeeping to be kept up, so clients bring things weekly, bi-weekly or at the end of the month so ATD can provide financial statements for them. ATD works with both large and small businesses, as well as personal finances as well.

"We also have a financial statement interpretation service, where we can take two years of financial statements and print out words in laymen terms of what their financials mean and where they are compared to the industry. And give them a



In front are Jeanette Weaver, Amber Shahin, and Lynn Karetz. In back are Owners Nicole Jones, Jackie Kopp, and Sandra Siler. Photo by Trevor Keiser

senset," said Kopp.

ATD has done consulting through the computer and on the phone so they don't have to drive to every client. With a client list more than 300 people.

ATD means "Attention to Detail" and their logo is black and red.

One of the new things ATD Solutions is working on is franchise opportunities, for people to purchase a bookkeeping and QuickBooks consulting franchise. They will be trained and given support by ATD as well as the statewide international advertising needed in order to bring in business.

For more information about ATD Solutions call 248-623-8925 or visit [www.atdsolutions.com](http://www.atdsolutions.com).

## Biz News



Jim Buckley

## New ad rep at Clarkston News

Jim Buckley unofficially "retired" last winter after 35 years in advertising and marketing only, to find the perfect opportunity as the new advertising representative for *The Clarkston News* and *Penny Stretcher*.

His expertise is in retail, franchise, restaurant and business to business categories. He is looking forward to assisting his current and new customers in the best use of our publications and website advertising vehicles.

A classic car owner, Jim and his wife, Suzanne, reside in Clarkston with their two adult daughters.

Jim encourages you to call him at 248-625-3370 to say hello and ask him to help you build your business by using the *Clarkston News* /*Penny Stretcher* effectively.

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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 "Top Club," for outstanding sales achievements in 2006. Houck represents Farmers Insurance at 3983 S. Ortonville Road, Suite B.



## Print communications that are designed to sell

By Dan Gauthier

Everyone recognizes a great design when they see it. It can be appreciated in a car. ("Don't you love the sleek lines?") Or a chair. ("It looks sturdy, fashionable and comfortable.") Or even a poster, brochure or direct mail piece. ("Pretty slick stuff.") Something about each of these examples pleases the eye and evokes a specific and often strong emotion.

Having effective printed materials is important to any business. Studies show that the vast majority of small businesses use printed materials to market themselves more than any other method.



Dan Gauthier is the owner of American Speedy Printing Centers, Clarkston

However, no one wants to waste valuable time and money on a printed piece that falls short of its goal. Knowing some basics of graphic design and printing guidelines will help you to put the "extra" in ordinary print communications.

### Consistency Counts

Design tools, such as document templates, styles and color palettes that can be shared among documents are a great way to enhance efficiency and speed up production schedules. Templates are "empty" documents with pre-formatted margins, columns and sample text ready to be replaced with your messages. Templates save time every step of the way and contribute to consistency by eliminating the need to reinvent the design wheel every time you start a new project.

### What's Your Type?

There are thousands of typefaces, with each one saying something a little bit different. How do you choose? Luckily, you do not have to be an expert in typography to know how to use type correctly. Typefaces can possess many characteristics: masculine or feminine and conservative to contemporary. As a guideline, try to match type with tone. Look at the formality of your document to determine the best choices in type. A playful typeface works well with lighthearted material. Some other quick tips to remember:

- Larger type is not always easier to read.
- Very short and very long lines of text are hard to read.
- Large amounts of type in capital letters, italics and reverse type slow the reader by 10 percent.

• Adding space between lines will give your piece a lighter, more airy appearance.

### Making An Impact With Color

Don't overlook the effect of color in your printed pieces. Studies show that people

are 55 percent more likely to be interested in a piece with color than one without it. Color also increases motivation by accelerating learning, retention and recall up to 80 percent. Just adding one color to your piece can give it new dimension. If you are uneasy about how to use color in your piece, consult with a printer who offers graphic design services. Some basic pointers include:

- Use color to direct the reader's eye or to make an element stand out.
- Stay away from using color-on-color designs. They are more expensive and don't help the look of your piece.
- Color printed on a smooth, glossy surface appears more brilliant and pure than the same ink seems on a rough surface.
- Full-color photographs will capture a reader's attention immediately.

### Lay It On The Line

Add visual contrast to your documents by using white space and various sizes in typography. Good design reveals your message's information hierarchy. Important headlines, for example, attract more attention than secondary headlines. Some basic guidelines that will assist you in the layout of your newsletter, brochure or other printed piece include:

- Create a balanced spread with appropriate margins on all four sides of your document. Side-by-side pages should complement each other. Don't put a five-column layout on one page, for example, with and a two-column layout on the opposing page.
- Leave some white space. It provides the eye with necessary "relief."
- You can complement your design and highlight important points by boxing stories, using rules, adding graphics and putting headlines in bold type.
- People read unjustified type (type with a ragged right edge) just as fast as justified type.

### Choosing the Right Paper

Your printer can help you make the right paper choice for your printed piece and will have samples of the paper stocks available. Some paper tips include:

- The heavier the paper, the greater the opacity (or the less one can see through the paper). Pamphlets and brochures are usually printed on 50 to 80 pound text paper stock and covers on 65 to 100 pound cover paper.

• Consider using colored paper. In a study comparing the use of colored paper versus white paper, those using color reported a 46 percent increase in sales.

• Folding, finishing and binding processes should be considered so that you

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## Distributor helps keep Clarkston businesses clean

By Laura Colvin

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.

"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.

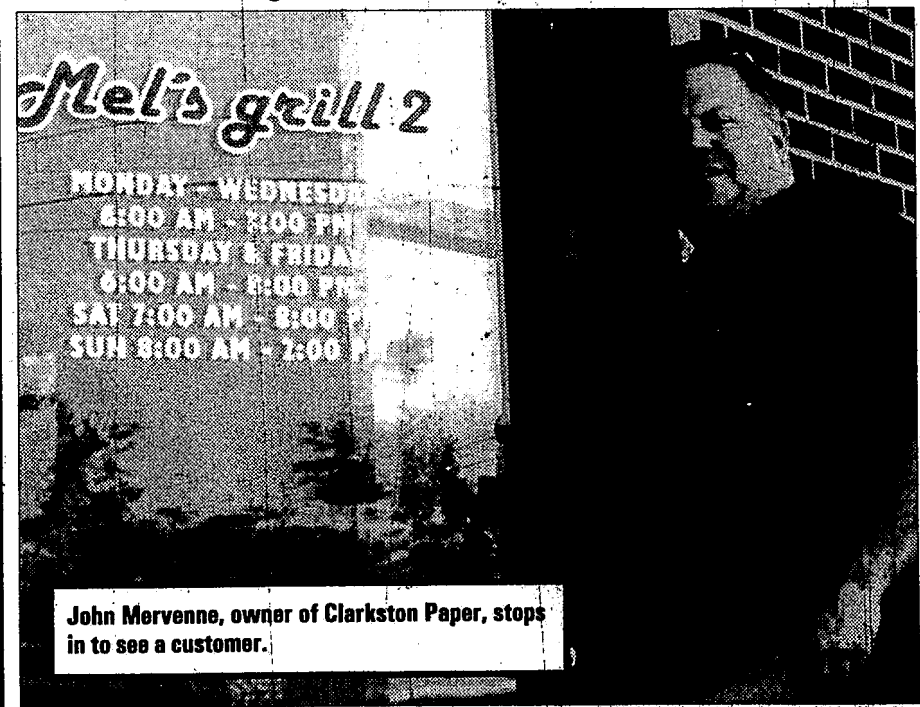
"I bring a lot of experience to my customers," said Mervenne, whose growing list of clients includes local medical professionals, schools, supermarkets, churches, and office buildings. "I'm not your typical distributor going out and quoting a price. You have to show value."

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)



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

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## Back up documents online to avoid travel traumas

(NewsUSA) - The plane ticket is suddenly not where it should be, a debit card gets eaten by a foreign ATM machine, or perhaps the traveler's checks and passport are effortlessly lifted from your pocket - and suddenly a standard business trip becomes a bureaucratic nightmare.

Replacing these items isn't easy if you don't have backup copies on hand: the account number of the missing debit card and a way to contact the issuing bank; a scan of the passport; and the serial numbers of the traveler's checks. And sometimes travelers need quick access to documents they didn't bring with them, such as insurance and medical records if an accident happens or proof of citizenship when the passport goes missing.

Travel professionals advise their clients to make copies of tickets, passports and other important personal information and then leave these documents with a trusted person back home. Now there's another



option: KeepYouSafe.com's Online Safe Deposit Box.

"Anyone who has lost important documentation while they're traveling knows what a hassle it can be to replace it when you're away from home," said Eric Wolbrom, chief operating officer and co-founder of KeepYouSafe.com. "Our Online Safe Deposit boxes make the process much easier. And our military-grade encryption ensures that you can safely access your documents from any place with Internet access: the embassy, an Internet cafe, a library or a hotel."

The basic Online Safe Deposit Box is free, and consumers can also take advantage of Keep YouSafe's secure file transfer service to send and receive documents that contain information too sensitive to trust to e-mail.

The personal information stored in an Online Safe Deposit Box is available to the box's owners only, unless individual box owners choose to grant access to family members and trusted friends. Each box's contents are protected by the same security technologies used by the U.S. military to secure top-secret data.

## How to get rid of pop-up ads finally & forever!

By Dan Izydorek

Pop-up ads are the equivalent of the pushy traveling sales guy who shoves his foot in the door just as you are about to close it. What makes them even worse is that some pop-ups can launch a spyware installation on your machine.

If you want to eliminate pop-up ads from taking over your web surfing activities, simply install Google's Toolbar Pop-Up Blocking feature. This is a free program that takes only seconds to download and install from Google's web site.

Google's Toolbar will also give you the

option to allow pop-ups on certain web sites along with a number of other cool buttons, options, and tools. Some of the more popular buttons you can include on the Toolbar are weather updates, a dictionary to look up words, news sites, and of course the ability to bookmark sites you want to revisit.

As a convenience to our customers, we've included a link on our web site to the Google Toolbar download page. Just go to: [www.pcmiracles.com/links](http://www.pcmiracles.com/links)

While you're at Google, spend a few moments looking around at some of the great tools they have. If you use Google to search a lot, take a minute to set your preferences. You can set your search parameters such as only returning pages that are written in English, bypassing all those great pages written in the Cyrillic alphabet. If you're like me, it annoys me that there are only 10 items per page for a search. Did you know that you can change that in preferences, to 100 per page! You can also fil-

ter explicit text and/or explicit images; a great parent feature.

The other Google feature I highly recommend is the desktop search. This is a convenient way to find just about anything on your computer in just seconds. Once you install the desktop search feature, while your computer is idle, the utility will index everything on your computer. Rest assured, your files are NOT sent to Google; your private info stays private. While Windows has a search feature, Google Desktop search even indexes e-mails. Let's say you enter the word "Dan" in the Google Desktop search bar. It will return, in seconds, every file with the word "Dan" in it as well as every e-mail that contains the word. This can be a real timesaver. So, take a few minutes, or hours, and see some of the great tools available from Google.

If you have a question you'd like to see answered or an idea for this column contact Dan via email at [info@pcmiracles.com](mailto:info@pcmiracles.com) or call 248-620-2201.



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# Crain's Detroit Business

## Online networking tips

Here are eight tips from local and national professionals about how to use online networking sites effectively:

- **Write for an Internet audience.** LinkedIn.com suggests you develop a profile that is friendly instead of formal. "Describe your experience and abilities as you would to someone you just met," the site tells new subscribers. "Write for the screen in short blocks of copy with visual or textual signposts."

- **Brand yourself with brevity:** The first thing people see in your business profile is a line or block of copy under your name. Take time to compose an upbeat, short introduction, said Denise Roberts, a Waterford Township based networking coach.

- **Create activities:** The pace on the Internet is swift for those who zoom around web sites and connectivity spots. Think about ways to bring your online contacts into your periphery. Keith Stonehouse, of Franklin Title Agency in Rochester Hills, participates in several online networks, introducing his business contacts to his live networking events. Elizabeth Blondy, owner of Canine to Five in

Detroit, announces activities such as dog owner meet-ups for singles on her myspace.com site.

- **Check your networks daily:** Kerry Doman, founder and CEO of after5detroit.com, ducks into coffee shops, restaurants and bars with WiFi access so she can check her e-mail and networking links frequently. She uses myspace.com to post opportunities immediately after securing a sale. Her aim is to find every resource to drive traffic to her own Web site.

- **Don't assume everything you read online is real.** "Anyone can present anything they want, and there is no way to validate or invalidate if true," said Doron York, president of Business Edge International in Bloomfield Hills. He suggests closed networking with a clear code of ethics might be more effective than large networks, which he calls "a glorified Yellow Pages."

- **Don't ignore new possibilities.** LinkedIn.com builds opportunities through mining the treasure trove of contacts and identifying people in common, because the profiler's stock with you soars with an expanded reputation. "Identify connections that will add to your credibility and pursue those," the web site suggests.

- **Don't use that wrinkled holiday photo from 1999 as your mug shot.** Use a recent, in focus, well-composed photograph.

- **Don't assume all it takes is an online billboard to send droves of customers your way.** Roberts, the networking coach, said online networking profiles are easy to prepare at home and have a low risk for rejection, but the aim in most businesses is to build relationships that lead to repeat sales and referrals. "The Internet is an extremely effective way to connect with others who don't know that they don't know you, but it is just a start."

- - Maureen McDonald, Crains



## Celebrate the freedom to think

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community and government, they are all the same.

Claim respect and responsibility as stepping-stones to common ground or common sense.

Business as usual is a myth. There is no usual way to do business. Think, question and do your ultimate best with every decision before you.

It is not surprising that many un-taxed services are now being targeted as economy boosters. With so much overload of pressure on all people, it is important to look for stress releasing massages. A letting go of distress allows for new input.

We slipped through the cracks on hair-cuts being a tax target. Thank you, and thank you. The good thing is that we cannot stop hair growth. It is an inside job. What a haircut/design does is to celebrate the freedom to self-express time after time.

Continue to be selective, be individualistic, authentic, responsible and aware of whose thoughts are being ingested.

Respectfully celebrating the freedom of expression...

Your thoughts are welcome and respected, hope to hear from you!

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## Small Biz briefs

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also an integral part maintaining a business.

12. An owner can deduct a percentage of normal household expenses (mortgage, interest, taxes, insurance, utilities, repairs, etc.) as a business expense. The IRS has a publication regarding Business Use of the Home. Become familiar with these IRS forms: Schedule SE and Schedule 1040 ES. These forms may have to be filed.

13. Check with the post office regarding utilizing a P.O.Box for a business ad-

dress. This strategy down plays the fact you are home-based and limits the customers coming to the home at all hours. If planning to do large or specialized mailings, ask for information on the various postal rates, particularly bulk rate while there. Or there are numerous mass mailing e-mail providers if your're inclined to use the internet. Make sure the provider has an automatic opt-out feature

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## Improving Business Performance

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manager made an "investment" in her feeling that they really respected and liked their manager and that they would walk across hot coals for her.

■ A day later, I wrote an e-mail to the HR Manager, thanking her for bringing her staff and for their participation in the program. She explained that she had spoken to her employees after the Chamber meeting and had asked them what they had learned, what their impressions were, etc. (smart). She said the interns really enjoyed the Chamber meeting, they discussed the things they had learned and they had a great time.

What payoff will this have for their company? Here's my impression: This

manager made an "investment" in her young employees by making them feel important, by taking them to job-related educational meetings, etc. When the time comes, and the HR Manager needs a little extra effort or work from those employees, she will have no problem getting all the extra job performance she asks for...and much more! That savvy HR Manager will get a return on her investment (ROI) for her department and for the company. That manager "gets it!"

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## Print communications that are designed to sell, cont. from page 9

choose the optimum weight and grain of the paper.

The surface of paper affects the way images print onto it. Rich, dark tones are enhanced when printed on a smooth, glossy sheet. Rough-surfaced paper will absorb

more ink and leave the dark areas less intense.

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