

Making spirits brig

CNews helping local families this Christmas

BY LAURA COLVIN

Clarkston News Staff Writer

As the Christmas season gets into full swing, Clarkston News staffers are putting together holiday-related stories, talking to local organizations and hearing the same message over and over and over again: more families are feeling pinched this year.

We want to help, and we're hoping you do, too.

The Clarkston News is collecting nonperishable food items, paper products and toiletries, which we will distribute among several local organizations who work hard to help others. If you like the idea of making Christmas a little brighter for Clarkston-area families, please bring your donations to the Clarkston News office.

Bring the kids, and as our "thank you" we'll snap a photo, which will appear in a January edition of our paper.

Across the Clarkston area—like the rest

of Michigan-folks have been laid off or just plain let go from their jobs. A record number of homes are in foreclosure, shutoff notices are arriving from the utility companies, bill collectors are calling, and parents are warning their children that Santa might be delivering a lighter load this year.

With food as a priority, organizations like Neighbor for Neighbor in Springfield Township are getting lots of new families asking for food every week.

But even free food isn't always as easy

"People are having a hard time getting here because they don't have the money to put gas in their cars," said Peg Hill, a Neighbor for Neighbor volunteer. "You know it's getting pretty bad when people can't even afford to go pick up a bag of free grocer-

The organization is collecting food, cash donations and new, unused Christmas gifts for local men, women and children.

While all donations are appreciated and welcome, she said, Neighbor for Neighbor is particularly low on canned fruit and vegetables. Teen-appropriate gifts, such as gift cards to music and clothing stores are also in short supply.

The Davisburg Rotary is also preparing Please see Holidays on page 24A



Annelise James, 6, found her own little "tree" at the Rattalee Lake Tree Farm, where she and her family picked out a bigger Christmas tree Saturday. Please see page 28A for more photos and information about the tree farm. Photo by Laura Colvin

Or, if you'd prefer...

Drop off donations directly with one of the following organizations:

*Davisburg Rotary What's needed: Donations of non-perishable food items, tolletries, paper products and cash

Where to take donations: Drop off donations at the following Davisburg locations; Walls Realty 627 Broadway, or the Springfield Township Civic Center, 12000 Davisburg Road Special arrangements can be made for pick-up of large donations and perishables. The Rotary will assemble food baskets Fri., Dec 14, and deliver them to residents Sat, Dec. 15

For more information: Call Basket Program chairperson Diana Walls at 248-

•Neighbor for Neighbor What's needed: Personal care Items and non perishable food (they're very low on canned fruit and veggles). The

organization is also collecting new gifts for men, women and children—especially teen appropriate items like gift cards. Gas cards are also encouraged. Volunteers to pick up donations and unload trucks are needed, as well.

Where to take donations: Donations can be dropped off Monday from 8:30 a.m. to noon, and Wednesday from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Hart Community Center, 495 Broadway in Davisburg For more Information: Call 248-634-

 Lighthouse (North) of Oakland County What's needed: Nonperishable foods. especially peanut butter, jelly, tuna, boxed potatoes, rice, and spaghetti sauce. Also baby items, paper products, household supplies, tolletries.

For more information: Call 248-620-

End near for Sashabaw CIA?

BY TREVOR KEISER

Clarkston News Staff Writer

The fate of the Sashabaw Corridor Improvement Authority rests with a county ad-hoc committee, set to make a presentation to the county finance committee Thursday, Dec 6.

Even if this Ad Hoc committee recommends to the finance committee, they may vote it down and then it's done and doesn't move any farther. If the finance committee passes it and it goes to the full board, the full board could still turn it down. They (the township) are a long ways from getting it," said Tom Middleton of Clarkston, Oakland County commissioner.

Independence Township Board of Trustees and Oakland County have been working on the business corridor improvement agreement for about a year and a half. Over that time, the ad hoc committee has changed criteria for the CIA at least three times, said Independence Township Trustee Dan Kelly.

"We as a township have spent quite a bit of money going back and forth with this Ad Hoc committee," Kelly said. "Finally it became clear in the last meeting (Nov. 6, 2007) that this Ad Hoc committee is just going to keep asking questions and ask for more and more information and we're never going to get a final decision out of them."

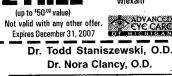
The township is finished trying to meet the changed requirements, he said.

'We've gone around and around with this for a year and half. It's pretty clear what we Please see CIA on page 19A

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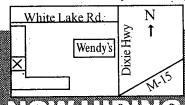




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Holiday shopping fun

Caryn Sickmiller and her daughter, Faith, choose a picture at the craft show this past weekend at Clarkston High School. *Photo by Wendi Reardon*

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Briefly Stuff-a-Bus with donations Dec. 15-16

Clarkston Community Schools bus drivers collect donations for families in need at their fourth annual "Stuff-a-Bus," 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Dec. 15-16. The bus will be parked at the Kroger store on Sashabaw Road near Maybee,

Donations of new and unwrapped clothing, all sizes, new and unwrapped toys for all ages, non-perishable food items, and grocery or fuel gift cards will be taken to Lighthouse North of Clarkston to help local families during the holidays.

For more information, call the transportation department at 248-623-8040.

Blood drives set during holiday season

Clarkston Brandon Community Credit Union hosts a blood drive with the American Red Cross 10 a.m. 4 p.m., Thursday, Dec. 27

The event will be at the Clarkston office, 8055 Ortonville Road. Members and non-members are invited to participate. Anyone interested in giving blood can come in to make an appointment or call 248-625-2923.

Walk-ins will also be accepted. Beds will be set up inside and an additional mobile unit will be available outside to make donating as quick and convenient as possible.

Independence Township Fire Department and Lions Chib of Charkston host as American Red Cross blood drive. 9 s.m. -8 p.m., Dec. 20, at the township fischall, 6500 Canton, off M-15 north of Dece Highway, Call 248-625-1924.

Anyone who attempts to give blood

Anyone who attempts to give blood will receive a free American Red Cross fleece scar? They will also be americal to win a lease on a new 2008 Miscoay Marine: Premiets, 20 month /20,000 miles. Other prizes include \$25, \$50, and \$200 gas cards. The contest is buring held by the American Red Cross from Dec. 20-lan. 7. Must be 18 to enter. Official rules are available from the American Red Cross—call \$00.448-3543

Light it up

BY TREVOR KEISER

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Downtown Main Street lights up as the Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce celebrates their seventh annual Holiday Lights Parade. This year's theme is "Holiday Stories." The parade will be on Sat. Dec. 8.

"We are really proud of the lighted parade. There are not a lot of communities that do this. Every year the entries, the effort that people go to, and the creativity, amazes me. I just love seeing what they can do with lights," said Penny Shanks, Chamber executive director.

There is no cost to enter a float, vehicle, or walking group in the parade, which can includes youth groups, service clubs and businesses/organizations.

"We are looking at 40-50 entries, most of them are floats. We get a lot of community groups, scout groups that do things for the parade," said Shanks. "It's really a nice hometown parade."

Groups are up for one of six award: Main



The evening darkness will be brightened Saturday with colorfully lit vehicles, floats, and groups. File photo

Street award for the best use of lighting, Church Street award for best costumes, Washington Street award for most creative entry, Buffalo Street award for best use of theme, Depot Street award for most holiday spirit (largest group participation in the parade) and the President's award.

"The warmest feeling in Clarkston on the Fri 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

coldest day of the year, that's how it feels," said Donna Clancy, parade chairperson.

The parade will begin at 6 p.m. and will follow the traditional parade route through downtown. For a parade entry form or more information visit www.clarkston.org or stop by the chamber during business hours Mon-Fri 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Video drive earns Bronze Award for scout

BY TREVOR KEISER

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Four months ago 9-year-old Emily Frasa, set a goal to collect 200 movies for a domestic violence shelter in Detroit. On Friday Nov, 9, Frasa delivered nearly 400 videos and DVD's to the shelter.

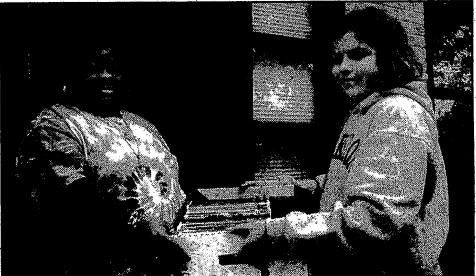
"I am going to go back sometime in Dec. to place them (the movies) on the shelves and meet with the kids. It will be a lot of fun," said Frasa. "It makes me feel really proud of myself. This is my first big community service project that I have really done on my own. It makes me feel really, really excited that I got to help all those kids, I think they will really enjoy them in the winter."

Frasa said she lost count of how many times she was thanked by shelter workers.

"It was just amazing to have that experience, but it was still really sad to see how many women and children have suffered domestic violence."

Frasa will speak to 30 Clarkston area Girl Scout leaders about the project. She will also receive her Bronze award for Girl Scouts through doing this project.

According to www.girlscouts.org, "The Girl Scout Bronze Award, the highest honor a Junior Girl Scout can earn, requires her to learn the leadership and planning skills nec-



Emily Frasa presents the video donations to the Baldwin Center in Pontiac. Photo provided

essary to follow through on a project that makes a positive impact on her community. Working towards this award demonstrates her commitment to helping others, improving her community and the world, and becoming the best she can be."

Frasa is working with 11 other girls in Girl Scout Troop 1931 in helping them receive

their Bronze awards by doing a used toy drive for the Baldwin Center in Pontiac.

"We made little toy cars and painted them. We learned about the safety hazards of toys, and then we are going to be doing a drive from now until Dec. 17 of used toys. Then we are going to clean them and give them to the Baldwin Center," said Frasa.





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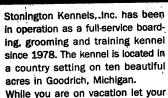


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Springfield boards up its building department

BY LAURA COLVIN

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Michigan's gasping economy claimed another victim last week when Springfield Township was forced to permanently close the doors to its building department Dec. 1.

All open permits, as well as future requests for permits or inspections, will be handled by Code Enforcement Services (CES), a private Independence Township firm specializing in ordinance enforcement, inspection, construction plan review and related services in the municipal market.

"The building department was not financially self sufficient," said Springfield Township Supervisor Collin Walls. "This comes as no surprise to anyone who knows or has been watching the construction industry."

Two years ago, the building department, which provides construction permits and inspection services as required under Michigan Building Codes, issued about 80 permits for single-family homes, said Walls.

At that time, the township employed a full time department head, clerical staff, building inspector, and a part time ordinance enforcement officer.

Only ten permits have been issued thus far in 2007, however, with a parallel reduction in commercial and industrial development, as well.

The township was forced to lay off employees and slash office hours—the building department was only open Tuesdays and Thursdays during the last six months—to keep pace with the down-sliding economy.

Although outsourcing will nudge the department's sole remaining employee, Leon Genre from township payrolls, Genre was offered a position with CES and will continue working in Springfield Township, and other communities, as well.

In a letter sent to holders of about 400 permits, Walls wrote that while the economy's effect on construction is "obvious and disastrous," changes in township building department administration should result in minimal inconvenience to builders, and homeowners.

All active files will be transferred, and officials are asking that questions and permit applications be directed to CES as Springfield Township staff will no longer be able to assist with building-related inquiries.

"It sounds harsh and it's not how we like to do business," said Walls. "We like our staff to be as helpful and cooperative as they can be."

However, directing all communication to CES will reduce the confusion during the transition period, he said.

CES began around 2001 as an outgrowth

of Carlisle Wortman Associates, Inc., a multidisciplinary firm serving as long-time municipal planners for Springfield and Independence Townships, and the City of Clarkston. The company also provides the same or related services—community master planning, zoning studies and ordinance preparation, recreation planning and design, and environmental planning—to dozens of other communities on an ongoing or contractual basis.

CES, said Carlisle/Wortman founder Dick Carlisle, was born when communities began requesting help with code enforcement, particularly zoning and other types of nuisance codes.

From there, he said, the company expanded to include municipal services such as building code consulting and enforcement and industrial construction plan review.

In the last year or so, as community governments have been forced to downsize, CES began hearing from municipalities who simply could not afford to maintain a building department, he explained.

"These functions still need to occur, yet communities are losing money on a regular basis," said Carlisle.

"From a private standpoint, we felt there was a real market opportunity to provide this function contractually."

The City of Lake Angeles was the first to turn its building department over to CES, followed by Shiawassee County, and Northfield Township, and, as of Dec. 1, Springfield Township.

Discussions with other communities are also in the works, said Carlisle, noting privatized inspection services are common in other areas of the county.

CES will charge the township a retainer to maintain the service, but charge fees on an asneeded basis, therefore keeping costs in check, Carlisle said.

Although the new facet of CES is just getting off the ground, and Carlisle said a glitch or two was to be expected, he was confident that the service would ultimately benefit struggling Michigan communities.

"We'll be able to provide a comparable and hopefully, as we go along, an improved quality of service," he said. "but in a more cost effective manner.

CES is located off M-15 north of Dixie Highway at 6410 Citation Drive, Suite E, in Independence Township. Hours are Mon.-Thurs., 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

A 24-hour answering machine is available for requests and questions. Call 248-625-8480, or fax 248-625-8455.

Building permit forms can still be downloaded from the Springfield Township website at www.springfield-twp.us.



A good weekend's work

Clarkston Rotarians collected donations all weekend, as drivers stopped for a copy of this year's edition of the Goodfellow Edition.

All proceeds benefits the Rotary's Shoes for Kids program, which served 464 children last year. Clarkston Rotarians, joined by volunteers with Clarkston Lions Club, Oakland Wood Baptist Church, Clarkston Community Schools, baseball teams, and Cub and Boy Scout troops.

Mr. Alan's Sportswear and Jason Riegle, Redford store manager, will provide shoes and boots at reduced cost, and volunteer employees will fit them to each child.

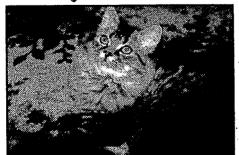


Liam Zomorski and his grandmother Mindy Delong, chair of the Clarkston Rotary Club Goodfellows project, check on Santa, AKA Ken Winship, a 37-year Rotarian, during the Goodfellows sale. Photos by Phil Custodio



Santa Winship collects a donation from a passing motorist.

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Phil in the Blank

A column by Phil Custodio

A couple cats from Clarkston

People receive many wonderful things at the annual Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce Expo at Clarkston High School: giveaways, information, prizes, snacks, coupons.

I got a cat.

Advanced. Pet Care brought along some kittens from a shelter for adoption. Looking for a new cat for a while now, I stopped for a look and asked to pick up a brown-and-gray



domestic long hair. She interviews well for the job – she purred and licked my hand.

I picked the name "Flurry," like the McDonalds ice cream treat. My wife, Theresa, who just watched "The Wizard of Oz," thought "Emma" would be a good name, to go along with Henry, one of our other cats (like Dorothy's Uncle Henry and Auntie Em). She goes by "Emma Flurry Custodio," mostly "Emma," unless she's running around like a wild kitty.

Emma is not the first cat from Clarkston to join my household. About four years ago, Theresa was a "purple person" at Bordine's. A stray cat had a litter of kittens under the porch of their info booth — my wife caught two of them.

We adopted one out and kept the other. His name is Crawford, named after Michael Crawford, Broadway actor famous for playing the Phantom of the Opera, who wears a mask on one side of his face, similar to our cat's face markings.

Even though a fellow Clarkstonite, Crawford has been slow to warm up to Emma. Henry is old enough – he's about 10 – to have seen just about everything. When she showed up, he just looked at her and shrugged. She follows him around, learning all his bad habits, like scratching furniture. Sara our dog likes cats, so she's not a problem.

Crawford's coming around. They share an enthusiasm for soft cat food and eat well together at meal time. The weather's getting cold, too, which encourages cuddling.

I came home from a late Monday night last week to find everyone still up. The furnace had kicked itself off, so Theresa, Sara, Henry, Crawford, and Emma were all huddled up in a single lump of blankets and fur next to a space heater.

Check www.ClarkstonNews.com for a picture of Crawford and Emma.

The Clarkston News On Control of the Contr

Artist's viewpoint appreciated

Dear Editor.

I found the opinion of Michelle Tynan very interesting, as one seldom has the opportunity of knowing the artist's point of view, especially on what is a very public piece of art.

I would also like to congratulate James Sherman Sr. for being a

patron of the arts and allowing this work to grow and change.

At the last City Council meeting, a resident of Independence Township complained about how long this was taking and that the artist had a sign advertising herself. The sign could be in violation of local zoning and should be dealt with accordingly.

As far as how long a work of art should

take, I would think it takes until it is done. I actually think the ongoing show may be as entertaining as the final product and certainly is not harming anyone.

How often do any of us have the opportunity to watch an artist's work grow and progress?

My congratulations to Mr. Sherman and Ms. Tynan for doing considerably more than a plain beige wall.

And the big question as to whether this will be judged as "art" or not, I suppose that is something for future opinions in this newspaper. I will always praise the effort.

Cory Johnston Clarkston

Time is now to preserve nature

Dear Editor,

We may be looking at our last opportunity to save some critical rural areas in Northwestern Oakland County. Proliferation of malls, hospitals, sub-divisions, pharmacies and other businesses are eating up our open space, stressing the infrastructure and increasing congestion.

Most of us chose to live here for the rural, pastoral views and way of life. It is now fast disappearing and we should take action to retain some natural areas and open space for our kids and grandkids and to maintain our quality of life.

I urge everyone to get involved with land conservancies, sportsman clubs, the Clinton and Huron River watershed groups, Clarkston Watershed Group, etc. to support action. If everyone starts speaking up our political leaders will get on the band wagon.

Jim Reed

Air Force in Iraq safer than in U.S.?

Dear Editor,

A lot of young men and women, as well as their parents think that enlisting into the military is an automatic death sentence; but is that the reality of it?

Well, to be frank, no. Young men and women that enlist into the US Air Force are actually 3.5 times safer in Iraq than they are roaming the "safe" streets of America!

Two researchers from the University of Pennsylvania conducted a study that found Airmen deployed in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom had 0.37 deaths per thousand people compared to 1.32 deaths per thousand for the US population aged 20 to 34.

What does that mean? Civilian adults at home are 3 ½ times more likely to die than Airmen currently deployed!

Obviously this number is higher in the bigger cities. But why is this the case? Because through Basic Training and the Air

Force environment kids are forced to mature quickly and become responsible citizens who are less likely to take unnecessary risks, our supervisors and leaders look out for the safety of those in their charge and countless other safety precautions in place.

The study looked at the deaths of service men and women in Iraq from March 20th 2003 and September 30th 2006. During that time the Air Force only lost 26 Airmen. How many people tragically lost their lives in Oakland County during that period? Contact your local Air Force recruiter to learn more about this as well as the 100% tuition assistance that the Air Force offers at 248-625-1266.

Sources: Air Forces Times article by Erik Holmes; Study by Emily Buzzell and Samuel Preston of the University of Pennsylvania.

Jonathon E. Zolnai, SSgt, USAF Enlisted Accessions Recruiter Independence Township

Please see page 12A for more Letters to the Editor

A Look Back

From *The CNews* archives

15 years ago - 1992

"The gambler visits downtown" Kenny Rogers visited the Clarkston area to check out Michigan's first Kenny Rogers Roasters franchise. The restaurant was in the Independence Town Square.

"Help for the holidays" Lighthouse North was preparing to provide emergency help to more than 400 families in

"Raises: 3 percent" About 30 Independence Township non-elected employees got a new contract with a raise, with increases in health insurance premiums and deductibles.

"Parents organize for bond issue" Clarkston parents William Craig and Cheryl McGinnis formed a grassroots campaign for a \$16.5 million school bond issue.

25 years ago - 1982

"Independence to feel cops' layoffs" Independence Township faced possible cuts in county sheriff investigative and patrol services after Oakland County laid off 27 deputies for budget reasons. Township officials vigorously opposed the cuts, while the county promised adequate services would continue.

"Magnum PI double on parade" Independence Township man John Klockow turned his close resemblence to actor Tom Selleck into a second career, performing at local shows and parties. A teacher at Warren Woods Middle School, Klockow wore a Hawaiian shirt, Tigers hat, and scorpion ring like the TV character.

"Goodfellow Sale helps local residents" Clarkston Rotary Club and Independence Township firefighters sold Goodfellow newspapers for local people in need.

50 years ago - 1957

"Goodfellow paper sale this week"
Clarskton Rotarians were set to be on the
streets to sell the annual Goodfellow
papaers. Funds would be used for a community Christmas tree, and food baskets
and clothing deliveries for shut-ins.

"Women's Club has unusual program" Dave Pressley, hair stylist from Royal Oak, demonstrated his hair cutting skills on three club members.

"Greens Market" The local Women's National Farm and Garden Association was hosting its Christmas Greens Market at the C.A.I. Building. For sale were wreaths, swags, arrangements, ornaments, kissing rings, candles, baked goods, Christmas stockings, dolls, and aprons.

Maybe I'll write a book

hallowed halls of Don'trushmedom, 21 years hold. worth of opinions and stories, I think it is time to hang up my humble scribe's pen.

At least for a while or until the spirit moves me again. Don't

To be sure, I am still work- Rush Me ing for this newspaper.

Oh, I may contribute a diatribe or two, here and there, but not on a regular basis.

It is time for the younger reporter types working here to have a shot at column writ-

My ego has been suffi- A column by ciently stroked with both na- Don Rush tional and state awards over

And, while I've never been a great speller or grammarer (just ask my high school English teachers) I know I can write a column -- so where's the challenge in that?

Maybe I'll try to write a book -- Don't Rush Me, I'm Making Mistakes As Fast

It is my hope, of course, this space will be filled with words which make readers

Today's Americans are fast to express their opinion, disagree and be angry.

just feel and empathize with others. I think there is more passion and less compassion.

So, that is why I hope the words which will replace mine, will help readers feel -feel happiness, sorrow, laughter and yes, even anger. A good column should evoke a reader's emotion.

It should get them involved not only in the dontrushmedon@charter.net

After roughly 1,000 installments into the story being told, but in the newsprint they

I have been fortunate to have written about a wide range of topics and interesting people. I've gotten on my soapbox and railed against injustice.

I've told the stories of many a good people, who have since passed.

I've looked in the mirror and made fun of my own silly fears and shortcomings -- but my favorite columns are those that recaptured moments of my sons' lives.

The foibles of fatherhood, the less-thanglamorous moments of watching Shamus and Sean grow from wordless babes, to smart and funny young men makes me smile and tugs at my heart still.

The thing is, now that they and their friends can read, I can't write about them anymore. I don't want to embarrass them anymore than just being who I am.

One of my goals as a columnist was also to add levity to our pages.

As with society, I think too many times reporter-types and columnists take themselves too seriously and after a while, just grow preachy. Not that I didn't preach -- I did, on occasion -- I just didn't want to be thought of as "preachy."

I hope I have succeeded in that endeavor. And, I sincerely hope I have made you Sometimes, I think, they are less likely to feel, think and rethink. I hope I have shown you compassion as well as passion. It has been a privilege to have the space to opine, as I have done lo, these many years.

I hope I have not let you down.

So, until we meet again, Adiós my friends. Comments for or about Rush and his can be e-mailed

A note to those who got stuck with three

this, but it is true.

One of our children has turned on me, and of course, it is the

middle one. From the time that our now

Jim's **Jottings**



a column by Jim Sherman

half-century-old daughter picked the middle child is always the neglected one, the picked on, the ignored and the most unappreciated one, she has continually reminded her parents of their shortcom-

She'd say, "The firstborn is always favored. He/she was their extreme delight. The third born is the baby, a person who gets to sleep in most, is most precious and endearing."

And, as these years have passed, the middle one has built up resentment. She's convinced herself that things will never get

But revenge is ever-present. Parents of three, this is what you have to expect as yours mature. You must expect it, as I have. In attempting to delay the reaction I've gone to extra lengths to help erase and delay the inevitable.

When no one else would play golf with her in a Friday night, mixed-league, I stepped in.

When she would leave the office, ostensibly to get the mail, when she was actually getting her nails done, I'd tell those in the office I'd seen the mail truck on the highway with a flat tire.

I brushed aside their criticism of her, and went to extra lengths to build an aura of goodness around her.

Never did I not admit I was her father. Even when this blond kid from the other end of our lake came to me and asked for her hand in marriage, I felt a pang tering my pants.

I'm very reluctant to believe of what might have been empti-

Heck, I didn't even know they were dating. If I did, I would have realized her gotcha' plan was in the works.

Despite my remarkable treatment of her, she turned against up the myth that . me. Oh, it took a long time, but when she got into quilting, sewing up a storm, the idea must have struck her.

> She would practice making quilts while learning a trade.

> Then sometime between New Year's Day, 2007 and November 2007 her plan emerged. It was while they were at our retreat in Engadine, is my guess. And, I also believe the exact moment of discovery was when she saw my bright, orange deer hunting suit hanging in the closet.

I never bring it home. What for? With wear limited to two days a year, it never gets dirty.

I've had this suit a long time, ever since the "always right" DNR folks agreed the best way to enlarge the deer herd was to put bright colors on rifle-carrying people two weeks a year.

Now, the only deer brought home after November 15 are those found dying of laughter as they kid each other about those damnphools trying to not be seen while walking through the woods wearing bright orange.

Anyway, bright and early on opening morning this year, about 9:30, I slip on my hunting pants, one leg at a time -- just like ath-

They cover the hips all right (with some squirming), but they don't come together at the waist. There's more than a half-foot

So, I head into the woods with this gap covered by my jacket. I can't let the others see this, they'll think I gained weight.

When it started to snow "in" I then realized what the middle, sewing child had done.

She got total revenge by al-

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Mother and daughter Rachel Orikri and Pat Burack enjoyed shopping at the Greens Market together. Photos by Laura Colvin

In the market for greens

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Hosted by the Clarkston Farm and Garden Club, the market offered natural wreaths, roping, and fresh evergreen arrangements for homes and businesses.

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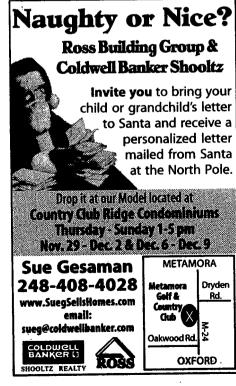
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From left, Marilyn Loukes, Marilyn Allyn and Elena Forbes were part of a group that worked hard to make the market a success.







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Independence Twp.

Mon., Nov 26 A 51-year-old Ortonville woman filed a police report after someone smashed a window from her vehicle, which was parked in the 6100 block of Dixie Highway, and stole a radio from the dash.

Detectives were investigating the sudden death of a 58-year-old woman living in the 5800 block of Upland Drive. Although the woman had been ill, police were looking into suspicious circumstances surrounding the death.

An employee at a gas station near Dixie Highway and Maybee Road called police after a man driving a black Hummer pumped about \$20 in gasoline and drove off without paying. The employee told deputies the same individual, a white male appearing to be in his 30s, may have stolen gas about five times recently, frequently appearing when the station is busy.

Tues., Nov 27 A 16-year-old youth living in the 6100 block of Ascension called police after going out to investigate when he saw about 10 unknown teens gathering in front of his home. One of the teens, he told police, approached and punched him in the face.

Wed., Nov 28 A 49-year-old Independence Township man living in the 8900 block of Perry Lake Road was cited for

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

hunting within 450 feet of a residence. hunting with a high-powered rifle in a norifle zone, and hunting deer without a valid deer license after a neighbor complained about a buck that was shot on her prop-

A 74-year-old man called police to report two air conditioning units with a combined value of about \$5,600 were stolen from outside a residence in the 7800 block of High Ridge Court.

A 48-year-old Independence Township woman reported receiving notice that an unknown individual in Indiana opened a fraudulent department store credit card in her name. A moving truck was also rented in her name in Indiana, and never returned.

A 42-year-old Independence Township man was arrested and jailed on charges of domestic assault and interfering with an electronic communication device after he became intoxicated an abusive toward his 50-year-old girlfriend.

A 37-year-old woman living in the 6800 block of Wesley Terrace called police after discovering someone entered an unlocked vehicle overnight and stole loose change and an MP3 player.

Thurs., Nov 29 A 22-year-old Rochester man was arrested by police in Oxford and turned over to Oakland County Sheriff's deputies in Independence Town-

Springfield Twp.

Wed., Nov 28 A resident in the 17000 block of Kropf called police to report someone broke into his home in the morning hours and stole video games, prescription drugs, blank checks, and a cell phone. A number of other valuable items, however, appeared untouched.

A 56-year-old Springfield Township woman who has been an ongoing victim of identity theft filed a police report after learning someone attempted to fraudulently transfer \$16,500 from her financial institution. In July, the woman said her credit card company froze her account and never contacted her when someone transferred \$25,000 without her consent or

Thurs., Nov 29 A 45-year-old Rochester Hills man was arrested and jailed on a Friend of the Court warrant, as well as an additional warrant for failing to appear in court, after a deputy on patrol near Ormand Road and Big Lake Road spotted the man acting driving suspiciously through the neighborhood.

Sat., Dec 1 A 56-year-old Independence Township man was arrested and jailed on drunk driving charges after a motorist called police when he noticed the man was slumped over the wheel of his car, which was parked in the left turn lane on Davisburg Road near Zeerco.

City of Clarkston

Sat., Dec 1 The owner of a Clarkston business filed a police report after discovering someone stole a computer valued at about \$4,000 from an unlocked office during business hours. The man told police he believed the theft occurred sometime between Nov.27-29.

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Letter to the editor

Help stop Beaumont at planning board meeting

Dear Editor,

I am writing this letter as a call to action for all citizens of Independence Township.

I have heard the following statements many times

Beaumont's proposal is dead, isn't it? Now that McLaren is approved, Beaumont

Oh, I thought Beaumont had dropped that proposal.

Nothing could be further from the truth. Beaumont is just getting started in looking for approval and we all need to speak up & say NO. No, we will not change our community to better fit into your plans and become the new North Troy or Upper Royal Oak.

On Dec. 13, 7:30 p.m. at the Independence Township Library, Beaumont Hospital is presenting, to the Planning Commission, a plan that will forever change the face of our community. Those of us that live near the proposed site are asking for the assistance of every person that lives in Independence Township to show up and stop them.

Does Beaumont want to come to Clarkston for the money? Sure. Does Beaumont want to come to Clarkston to combat McLaren from cutting into their Oakland County business & patient market? Sure. Does Beaumont act as if they are doing us a favor by coming to Clarkston? Sure. But are these the reasons I believe Beaumont has no place in Clarkston, specifically the 63 acres at Exit 91? Please remember Clarkston Exit 91 - M-15 - Main Street. Are these reasons I believe Beaumont shouldn't be approved?

No, business is business. The reason I believe the Beaumont project shouldn't be approved, is because Beaumont is asking our township to change our community to fit their needs.

The 63 acre Beaumont Hospital proposal is currently 30+ acres zoned as commercial office (OS2) "the Pit" & 32+ acres zoned as residential acreage (R1-A). The 32 acres of residential property doesn't include five additional acres their facility partner is actively & aggressively attempting to purchase on Cranberry Lake Road. Let's round it up to 37 acres of residential acreage for argument purposes. The Beaumont Hospital proposal is asking our community to rezone the residential property from residential acreage to commercial office. The approved McLaren project actually upgraded some of the property zoning from commercial industrial to commercial office. Beau-

mont is attempting to force a large square peg into a small round hole. Why? Please see the paragraph above.

Clarkston has prepared for growth. The Sashabaw business corridor was designed for projects of this size, not Main Street. The Beaumont Hospital plan does not meet the guidelines & expectations of the proposed PUD (Planned Unit Development) they are asking for. Changing the property zoning, changes everything in our community.

I challenge everyone to drive down Sashabaw where the approved McLaren project will be located. The Sashabaw business corridor. Commercial property on a two lane avenue w/ turn arounds to control additional traffic. Then drive down M-15/Main Street & Cranberry Lake Road. Two lanes to control the highway exit traffic which quickly pear down to single lanes. One way up the hill to the elementary school and the other way leading right into Downtown Clarkston. All the way surrounded by residential property. Will this all change in our community if the Beaumont Hospital is approved? Yes. Do you think Beaumont will stop with this? How about the property across the street where the hotel was voted down a few years ago? Beaumont

can add that to their "community hospital" project. Why not a Beaumont highway exit right off I-75 on to Holcomb Road? Won't happen? Can't happen? Please take a ride down to M-59 & Dequirdre in Troy if you don't believe it can.

Are you ready for increased traffic everyday? Are you ready for more traffic lights on M-15/Main Street? Are you ready for Main Street to be widened to two lanes right into downtown? Are you ready for every shortcut seeker driving down your residential street looking for the next great "cut-through" to avoid traffic? Are you ready for increased noise and light pollution? Are you ready for a Genesys Hospital type parking lot here on Main Street? Are you ready for this rezoning precedent to be established in Independence Township? If this precedent is established. do you think this will be the last time our community will be asked to sell-out? Are you ready to change the small town atmosphere of Clarkston that we all cherish?

Please mark your calendars and make a difference. Tell Beaumont "No thank you," Dec. 13, Independence Township Library, 7:30 p.m.

Curtis Sosnowski Independence Township



Where did it happen?

*Clintonville Road near Maybee Road A 49-year-old Oxford woman heard a loud "crashing sound" and saw that the rear passenger side window of her white 2007 Jeep was smashed as she drove in Independence Township Sat., Nov. 10 around 11:25 p.m. Deputies arrived on the scene, but found nothing to indicate the cause of breakage.

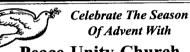
•Dixle Highway near M-15 A 36-year-old Grand Blanc man was driving north on Dixle Highway around 11:25 p.m., Sat., Nov 10 when the back drivers side window of his black 1996 Lexus shattered, but stayed intact. Responding deputies noted a small hole, resembling the size of a BB or pellet round in the window.

*Clarkston Road near Clintonville Road A 45 year-old Oakland man told police he heard a loud bang as he drove his black Ford Explorer along Clarkston Road around 9:30 p.m. Sun., Nov 11 Deputies noted an indentation on the driver's side door consistent with a BB or pellet striking the vehicle at high velocity.

•Pine Knob Road near Waldon A 41-year old Clarkston man was travelling along Pine Knob Road Sun., Nov 18 in his blue 2007 Dodge van around 3 p.m. when the rea driver's side window shattered. Deputies observed small hole, constant with a BE our

*Waterford Hill Road near Wellesley Terrace A 79-year-old independence Township man was traveling close to his home around 2:30 p.m. Wed., Nov 21 when he heard a loud bang and felt a hard thud on left side on his vehicle. When he arrived home, the mar discovered the left passenger window in his silver 2000 minivan was shattered. Police were unable to locate a single spot of impact on the window.

•Middle Lake Road A 23-year-old woman who was borrowing her grandmother's white 1999 Pontiac Montana parked the vehicle in her driveway during the afternoon o Wed., Nov 21, and came outside around 6:30 p.m. to discover the rear window smashed out. Deputies told the woman it appeared a BB gun was used in the incident.



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Police seek traffic troublemakers

Police are searching for pranksters who used a BB or pellet gun to shoot at motorists in Independence Township during the last month.

Although no one was hurt in any of the incidents, a number of car windows blew out or were shattered when hit.

"We think it's a single group, probably kids, who are out running around with nothing better to do," said Lt. Dale LaBair, commander of the Oakland County Sheriff's Office Independence Township substation. "There doesn't appear to be any rhyme or reason, or any common denominators."

LaBair said police did have a suspect ve-

hicle that may have been used by the culprits, however, a red Dodge Dakota. The SUV was seen passing in the opposing lane during one of the reported incidents. Sheriff's department school liaisons in both Clarkston and surrounding districts, LaBair said, have access to registration information for all student vehicles and would be on the lookout for the person or persons responsible for the damage.

"When we catch them, we will prosecute," he said.

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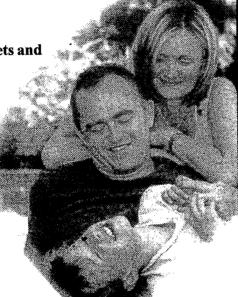
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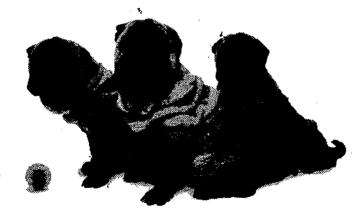
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Taking Lego league by (Robo) Storm

BY PHIL CUSTODIO

Clarkston News Editor

Preparing for FIRST Lego League state finals Dec. 15, Robo Storm of Sashabaw Middle School has quite a to-do list: move faster, better reliability, and finish more missions, said Linda Zbarcha, who coaches the team with John Shutty.

"They're ambitious goals," Zbarcha said. "But they do a great job – these guys are really good."

Team members Noah Shutty, Michael Ray, Kelton Zbarcha, Amanda McKean, Sharvil Patel, and James Heckendorn build, program and operate a robot in the international robotics league.

At competitions, Lego models of various energy installations, including oil rig, dam, corn field, wave turbine, solar powered house, coal mine, nuclear power plant, and wind farm are spread across an 8-by-4-foot game table. Teams have 2 1/2 minutes to accomplish as many missions as possible.

Robo Storm team members specialize in programming, building and handling.

"We're a small group, so everyone can do something they like," said McKean, handler. "And it's easier to obtain order."

One challenge for programmers Noah and Patel has been the robot's ability to measure distance. Determining distance by measuring speed and time was found to be unreliable because timing devices can fail, Patel said.

"Last year the battery ran down," he said.

A better way is to count "clicks," the number of revolutions a motor makes in a certain distance, he said.

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"That's more accurate," Shutty said.

Programmers use the Mind Storm program on an XP-equipped laptop.

"The big thing is the order of the missions – some things have to be done first," Noah said.

A dam blocking access to the rest of the board needs to be dealt with before they can move on to other missions, he said.

Their programming priority was simplicity, Patel said.

"We can program it to go forward, back, turn, whatever works best," he said. "We try not to make it too complicated."

Builders Ray and Kelton design and make mission-specific attachments for the robot.

"We make an arm that can swing down and knock things over, scoop up uranium, hit the oil rig," Zbarcha said.

To improve performance, they are working to make the robot move straighter.

"One problem is it was moving in a curve," said Ray, also a handler. "We have to make sure there's nothing on the bottom that would make it curve."

Another job is to install more sensors on the robot, which will help the team earn points, he said.

"We have different sensors – touch, light, ultra sonic," Shutty said.

Handlers Heckendorn and McKean operate the robot in competition, but not directly though radio control or wires. They push buttons on the robot to select programmed movement and action sequences, Heckendorn said.

During competition, if something unexpected happens, their job is to decide and execute another program to accomplish the mission, he said.

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"I've learned a lot of programming, different ways to do stuff," he said. "If one idea doesn't work, try another."

Part of Lego Robotics included an energy audit of a building. Robo Storm chose the Borg Warner building in Auburn Hills.

"It's a new, big building – very challenging," Linda said. "Making recommendations was tough. They're pretty energy smart already. We came up with some solar power ideas."

"We learned a lot about efficient energy use, how solar panels work," Mckean said.

Robo Storm earned the Teamwork Award at Lego Storm II qualifier Nov. 17 at Carman-Ainsworth Middle School in Flint, as well as a spot at state.

"We learn teamwork and energy conservation," Shutty said.

"They had to learn the abilities of each other, and how to work together," Linda said.

Check our website at ClarkstonNews.com for more Robo Storm pictures.



Lego Robotics team Robo Storm, standing, from left, James Heckendorn, Sharvil Patel, and Noah Shutty, and kneeling from left Kelton Zbarcha, Amanda McKean, and Michael Ray.



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Bananos goes green for Legos

BY PHIL CUSTODIO

Clarkston News Editor

Coaches for the Bananos Lego Robotics team don't have far to go for practices - Laura and Bruce Ushiro transformed their dining room into a training facility, with computers, 8-by-4-foot game table and lots of Legos.

"It seemed the most logical place to go," Laura said. "We didn't have much furniture here to begin with, and it has easy access to the kitchen."

"For snacks," said Bananos team members, all students at Sashabaw Middle School.

The team is a veteran of Lego Robotics competition, based last year at Pine Knob Elementary

One change was made in honor of Lego Robotics environmentally friendly theme this year - uniforms previously banana yellow are now environmentalist green.

The team includes Laura and Bruce Ushiro's son Scott Ushiro, Alex Stegmeyer, Jacob Ager, Spencer Miller, and triplets Monica, Daniel, and Megan Kinsey.

This is Megan's first year with the team.

"It's fun - it's taught me how to program and how to run a robot," she said.

"I learned about arm-tech pieces, nanobots, and loads of other stuff," said Stegmeyer, who, along with Scott is a three-year member of the

For their research and presentation portions of the competition, the team selected the Ushiro house in Independence Township.

"I spend most of my time here," Scott said. "It would have the biggest impact."

The team conducted an energy audit on the house, researched different forms of energy, and made a list of power-saving recommenda-



From left, Bananos team members Monica Kinsey, Alex Stegmeyer, Scott Ushiro, Jacob Ager, Megan Kinsey, Daniel Kinsey and Spencer Miller hold trophies from Lego Robotics competition.

tions for their coaches.

Some things they learned:

"Appliances use a lot of energy if they're plugged in, even if they're turned off," Monica said. "Instead of incandescent bulbs, compact fluorescent lights save energy dol-

"Solar panels save a lot of energy - up to 90 percent," Scott said.

Ager found a slogan for toilet water conservation - "if it's yellow, let it mellow; if it's brown, flush it down," he said.

"We learned about upgrades there are energy efficient models of a lot of appliances," Stegmeyer said. "Power strips let you shut off a lot of appliances easily so they won't use energy.'

"Caulking and insulation keeps energy in, instead of flowing out the cracks," Daniel said.

"Lower the thermostat," Miller said. "Close the damper on your fireplace so the heat won't es-

"Reduce, reuse, recycle," Megan said.

The team is training for the state competition Dec. 15 at Carman Ainsworth Middle School. They qualified Nov. 17 at regionals, earning a Research Quality Trophy.

"We're working on getting our speed up," Laura said. "There's a lot to do in 2 1/2 minutes.

Check ClarkstonNews.com for more pictures of the Bananos team.

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BYTREVORKEISER

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Interested in Victorian fashion? Do the mysteries of the Knights Templar intrigue you? Or does the idea of treasure hunting get your imagination going? Then check out Clarkston Historical Society's 16th exhibit entitled "Pieces of our Past: The Collector's Story" on display at the Clarkston Heritage Museum.

The collections of eight individuals are on display providing a variety for all history enthusiasts, including seven Victorian fashion dresses, from bustles to ball gowns.

These dresses are from longtime collector and historian, Barbra Kincaid. The collection of the Knights Templar fraternal swords have many symbols and secret codes on the scabbards, and the collection of treasures includes old coins,

jewelry, tokens, medals and other items, found with a metal detector.

Other collections on display include late 19th century squeak toys, beautiful brass scales of all shapes and sizes, antique bottles, and an interesting collection of hand-whittled farm implements made almost a century ago.

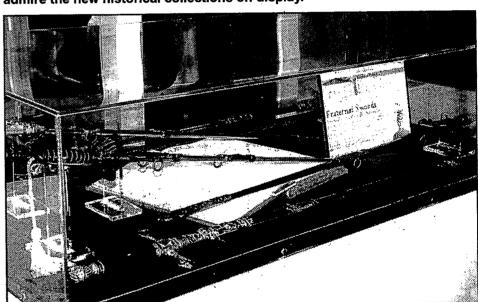
The farm implements were brought in by Jane Basinger.

"My great grandfather (Alfred Newman) was a farmer, he sat and did this to fill his time," said Basinger.

The Clarkston Heritage Museum is located in the Independence Township Library at 6495 Clarkston Road and open during library hours.

For more information, call the museum office at 248-922-0270, or visit the Clarkston Historical Society's website at Clarkstonhistorical.org





An interesting collection of ancient fraternal swords from the Knights Templar. Photos by Trevor Keiser.





Plan would aid development of Sashabaw Road area

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want to do with this CIA there are no real questions needed to be answered," said Kelly.

"I understand the county is not immune to economic trouble either, and there may be some legitimate reasons for them to be concerned about this CIA. I am not ignorant to all that, but just come out and tell us that then."

Independence Township planner Dick Carlisle of Carlisle/Wortman Assoc, Inc. said nothing can be done until the county acts.

"It's unfortunate frankly. The township has worked diligently to try and put this together in a proper way and we've faced with sort of the shifting sands with how the other taxing jurisdictions, primarily the county has viewed this over time," he said. "I think we've felt that we've been doing everything that we have been asked to do. And now the criteria is being changed again."

Carlisle said he is still keeping in close contact with some of the county staff, they have been working with.

"We are still hopeful to come to an agreement," said Carlisle.

The biggest issue is jobs, Middleton said.

"There is a big hunk of their (the town-

ships) Corridor Improvement to bury electric lines, does buried electric lines bring jobs? Does somebody say I am not going to build something there because of the overhead lines? I don't think they do," he said.

Middleton said the Mclaren project was one of the issues discussed early on when the CIA was approved by the board.

"It was known that Mclaren was coming, whether there was a CIA or not. And that's what they did, they came. For us (the county) to participate didn't make any difference to Mclaren," said Middleton.

The original CIA proposal included:

- widening the Sashabaw Road bridge over I-75.
- widening the remaining portions of Sashabaw Road.
- installing sanitary relief sewer from Liberty Square to Maybee Road,
- constructing a new well with iron removal near Pine Knob and the DTE Energy Music Theater, and
- installing a new safety path from I-75 to Clarkston Road.

The CIA functions similarly to a Downtown Development Authority. It allows communities to "capture" tax revenues generated from increased value of properties within the district, to be used for improvements in the area. Public Act 280 was signed

into law by Governor Jennifer Granholm on Dec. 19, 2005.

The Ad Hoc committee was put together to make a recommendation about the CIA to the county board of commissioners, Middleton said.

In February, 2006, Independence Township started the CIA process and in March it was brought to board. On May 16, 2006, township trustees voted unanimously (Clerk Shelagh VanderVeen and Trustee Charles Dunn were absent) to create the Corridor Improvement Authority.

The CIA was approved in a split decision by the Independence Township Board at its Sept. 19, 2006, regular meeting.

The CIA is led by a committee composed of 5-9 members: a majority holding a business interest within the district, the township supervisor and one individual living near or within the district.

The committee's primary role is to recommend and oversee improvement projects, Carlisle said.

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Wolves win with shut-out

Wrestlers, 6-1, pin on first place honors at Rocket Invitational

BY WENDI REARDON

Clarkston News Sports Writer Varsity Wrestlers took first place Saturday at the Rocket Invitational at John Glenn High School.

The team won all of their dual meets, beating Brighton 47-12, Dearborn 61-14, Livonia-Franklin 46-17, Belleville 45-23 and John Glenn 41-31.

Six wrestlers won all five of their matches, Matt Deitz (125), Alex Popp (135), Erik Butterfield (!52), Adam Lauzun (171), Bryant Craft (189) and Sloan Hadsall (215).

Jeff Sloney (103), Zak Roberson (112), Ty Foltz (119) and Evan King (145) won four of their five matches.

"It went okay," said Coach Joe DeGain. "They wrestled

well. We need to fix a few things technique wise, but they are coming along."

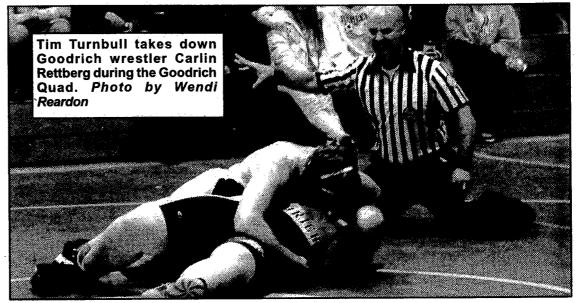
The team has two meets coming up this week.

They will face rival Lake Orion in a Double Dual at Avondale High School on Wednesday.

"It will be fun and interesting," said DeGain. "If we can wrestle like we can, we will be iust fine."

The Varsity team will face Lake Orion and Troy Athens at Avondale located at 2800 Waukegan Street in Auburn Hills. The meet will begin at 5:30 pm.

On Saturday, they will go to Howell to compete in the Herman Wilkinson Classic. Howell High School is located at 1200 West Grand River and the competition begins at 9 am.



Varsity wrestlers split Goodrich Quad

The Varsity Wrestling team started their season Thursday with a win over Grand Blanc and a loss to Goodrich.

In their first appearance in the Goodrich Quad, they lost to Goodrich 23-33, and beat Grand

"They (Goodrich) are a fantastic team," said Coach Joe DeGain. They got a good group of guys. They wrestle year round and our guys wrestle year round, too. That's what I think added excitement to the dual meet. They out wrestled us tonight, they deserve that win more than we did."

Jeff Sloney (103), Zak Roberson (112), Evan King (145), Anthony Herron (160), Sloan Hadsall (215), and Tim Turnball (275) made pins in the match against Grand Blanc.

"It was a normal first meet," said DeGain. "We saw some good things, we saw some bad things. Most importantly, the guys wrestled

with some heart and showed their will to win."

Going into the Rocket Invitational on Saturday, DeGain and the team were ready.

"It will go fine. We're gonna see some tough schools and some tough kids. Our guys will be ready for it. I think they are excited to go down there. John Glenn always hosts a great tournament. It should



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Athlete of the Week

Lifetime of swimming propels Vela to swim team leadership role

BY WENDIREARDON

Clarkston News Sports Writer

Alyssa Vela, one of the captains of ming schedule this week. Clarkston High School's girls swimming team, helped to lead her team into the top twenty during MHSAA finals.

the 50-yard and 100-yard freestyle

With a time of 24.33, she swam her way into fourth place in the 50-yard freestyle. She placed sixth in the 100 yard freestyle, time of 53.73.

Last year as a jumor, Vela placed sixth in 50 yard freestyle with a time of 24.53. As well as sixth place in 100 yard freestyle with a time of 53.30.

"It was exciting," said Vela about go-

I didn't do as well as I was hoping to. Still it was a good experience."

Vela took a week off from swimming, before getting back into her usual swim-

Vela began competitively swimming at the age of six.

Before swimming, she had tried dif-As a senior, Vela placed All-State in ferent sports. She had a pool at home and had always liked swimming.

'My mom decided to sign me up,"

As she gets closer to graduation, she is still undecided on where she will be attending college. But Vela is definitely sure of what she wants to study.

She plans to become a doctor and study pre-med next fall, a profession she always wanted to be in.

"I always found the human body interesting, and enjoy helping people."

In college, she will still continue to swim and to compete.

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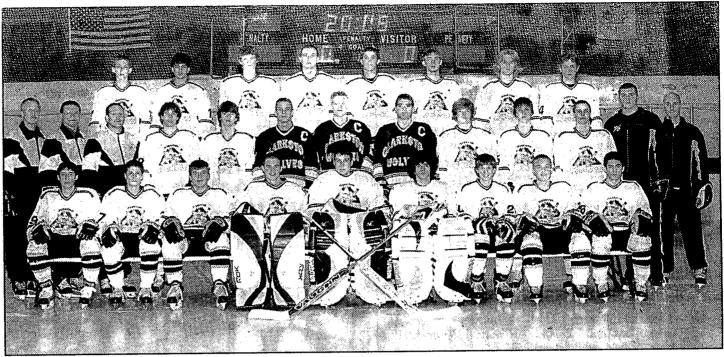
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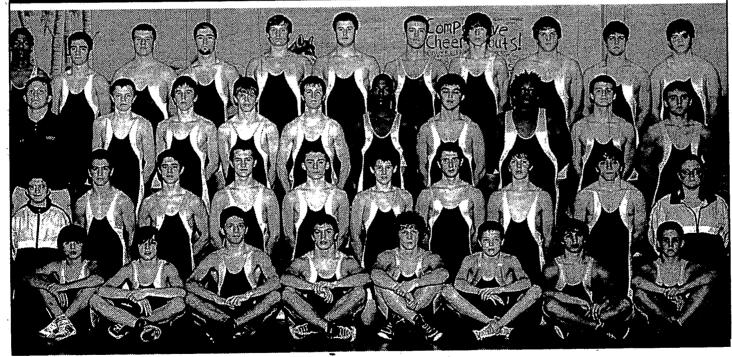
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Clarkston High School Varsity Hockey team, top from left, Sean Hancook, Hunter Hughes, David Cannons, Dan Smith, Tyler Frakes, Scott Cameron, Jordan Buetow, and Cole Schaffer; middle from left, Assistant Coach Ralph Humphlett, Roman Krygier, Coach Bryan Krygier, Jeremy Messing, Matt Campbell, Aaron Podbielski, Chris Salo, David Morin, Zach Rogers, Justin Carroll, Jeff Thomson, Kyle Chartrand, and Jay Manojlovich; front row from left, Jack Schlau, Adam Frank, Weston Gleiss, Garrett Knappe, Joe Harrington, Neeko Muniz, Austin Morse, Nick Posawatz, Mike Fitney. Not pictured John Graham. *Photo provided by Visual Sports Network*



Grapplers ready to hit the mat

Clarkston High School Varsity Wrestling Team, top from left, Giovann McDougal, Spencer Karrick, Jeff Dean, Erik Butterfield, Tim Turnbull, Layne Upcott, Bryant Craft, Evan King, Sloan Hadsall, Adam Lauzun, and Mike Richmond; second row from left, Coach Joe DeGain, Billy Williams, Ryan Brown, Andrew Fairse, Chris Burkhart, Naron McDougal, Anthony Herron, Mitchell Manns, Matt Vandermeer, and Mike Glowacki; third row from left, Manager Cody Passmore, Ty Foltz, Matt Deitz, Adam Holbin, Derek Booker, Mike Henige, Tom Clark, Justin Wisser, Zak Budrow, and Manager Erica DeGain front row from left, Raymond Wilkie, Jeff Sloney, Zak Roberson, Alex Popp, Kyle Broughton, Mike Williams, Blaine Bowman, and Kyle Kenyon. *Photo provided by Visual Sports Network*.



ady cagers stay in the game

BY WENDIREARDON

Clarkston News Sports Writer

Girls basketball took on Avondale last Friday. The Varsity team won 53-35 and the JV team lost 32-40.

"I was very happy with our effort on the defensive end on the floor," said Coach Tim Wasilk said about the first game of the season.

"We did a really nice job making our drops, communicating and playing a good and remained in the lead during the first solid defense and that's something we alwavs stress."

With the start of the game, the Lady Wolves Varsity team drove past Avondale's defense to the basketball net and put themselves on the board with three points. Avondale was quick to tie the score.

A few more points later Clarkston was ahead in the game again, and remained in the lead as the buzzer ended the first quarter. Clarkston led 13-8.

At the beginning of the second quarter, Avondale started to close the gap and was three points behind the Lady Wolves. Clarkston quickly widened the gap by defending their side of the court and getting the ball away from Avondale.

They remained in control of the ball and created a gap of fifteen points between them and their competition.

The second quarter ended with Clarkston in the lead 29-14.

In the third quarter, Clarkston scored 16 more points while Avondale only added eight to their score, bringing it 45-22.

The fourth quarter was action packed as Avondate made more attempts on making baskets in the first and last few min-

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utes, but by the end it was too late.

Clarkston won 53-35.

"We have a long ways to go, especially with our young players," said Wasilk.

"It was a good first game."

High scorers for the game were Jennifer Johnston with fourteen points and Kaleigh Kenny with seven points.

The JV team started ahead of Avondale quarter. They ended the first quarter with a one point lead.

Avondale made up the one point difference the beginning of the second quarter and kept the lead the remainder of the game.

The JV team lost 32-40.

Mikaela Parrish led the team with contributing 20 points during the game. The next high scorer was Miranda Morgan with six points.

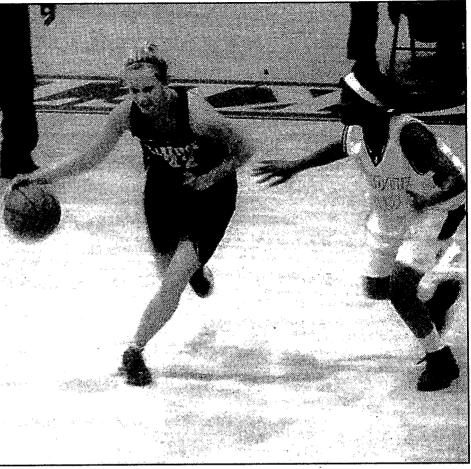
Next game for the Varsity and JV teams will be home games on Thursday night as they compete against Pontiac Nothern. The JV team will play at 5:30 p.m. followed by the Varsity team at 7 p.m.

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Junior Kayla Brimacombe works to get the ball past Avondale's defense. Photo by Wendi Reardon



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Wolves outshot in 6-3 loss

BY WENDIREARDON

Clarkston News Sports Writer

Clarkston's slap shooters lost 6-3 in their Saturday game against Waterford Kettering, bringing their record 2-1-2.

"We shouldn't have lost, we beat ourselves." said Coach Bryan Krygier.

Within the first two minutes of the first period, Max Popour scored the first goal for Kettering. Seven minutes later, Popour scored one more goal, putting Clarkston two goals behind Kettering.

The first period was marked with turnovers and close saves by Clarkston goalie Garrett Knappe.

Clarkston came back after the second period picking up momentum and keeping control of the puck, away from Kettering's reach. They focused on keeping the puck near Kettering's goal and making more shots on the goal.

Halfway into the second period, Matt Campbell made the goal for Clarkton with the help from Michael Fitney.

Less than 40 seconds later, Aaron Podbielski tied the score 2-2.

With 1:10 left in the second period, Kettering put themselves one ahead, as Greg Meisner assisted Taylor Crawford on a power play goal.

With 8:25 left in the game, Fitney tied the

score

In the last six minutes, Kettering's Josh Magnan and David Mekle scored three more goals for a final score of 6-3.

"We started to wear them down a little bit, but then we made mistakes," said Coach Bryan Krygier

"We got back in the penalty box. We didn't play the body. We didn't move the puck how we should. We beat ourselves today. Kettering took advantage of those things, being in the box, beating us to the puck, and playing a more physical game than us."

After the Kettering game, Krygier knew what the team has to do for their future games.

"We need to concentrate on the things we have been working on. Not only do we need to concentrate on them, we need to execute them during the game. We practice and practice all the right things, it's whether the guys will execute them in the game. We need to concentrate on executing things that we practice."

The Wolves will play against Stoney Creek Wednesday at Rochester Onyx, 52999 Dequindre Road in Rochester Hills. The game starts at 7 p.m.

On Saturday, they will play at home against Farmington. The game beginning at 6 p.m., will be held at Detroit Skate Club, 888 Denison Court in Bloomfield Hills.



Wolves pull a win at first home game

In their first home game last Thursday, the Varsity Hockey team won against Mott 4-1 and brought their record 2-1-1.

They made 32 shots on goal, while Mott made 25 shots on goal.

They made more attempts on the goal, just as Coach Krygier wanted after their game with Cranbrook at the Thanksgiving Tournament.

"They played better," said Krygier. Clarkston led the way as Michael Fitney made the first goal in the first period with assistance from Aaron Podbielski.

Podbielski scored-his own goal in the

second period, putting Clarkston two ahead of Mott.

Adam Frank scored the third goal with the assistance of Matt Campbell.

Mott scored their one goal during the second period. Tim Greiser managed to get one goal past Clarkston goalie Garrett Knappe with the help from Cody Hughes.

In the last period, Clarkston continued to add points to the scoreboard as they scored one more goal on Mott when Chris Salo shot the puck into the net. He was helped by Jeff Thomson.

Wendi Reardon



Family friendly dance instruction at Bella Pointe

BY PHIL CUSTODIO

Clarkston News Editor

Bella Pointe Dance & Performing Arts offers instruction for all children in an atmosphere of encouragement.

"We're all very encouraging to children, and offer very good technical training," said Debra Wertz, owner, of Davisburg.

The studio, located at 5631 Sashabaw Road in the Pine Knob Professional Center, offers classes in ballet, tap, jazz, hip-hop, lyrical, modern, poms, aero dance and other dance styles.

"It's going great," said Wertz at the studio's open house Dec. 1. "We've had tremendous support and encouragement from the community.'

Her first business venture, Wertz chose a dance studio based on her more than 20 years experience and her work with City Hearts of California, a non-profit organization in California offering free performing arts classes to children in need.

Here, she works with a similar non-profit group, Studio Hope of Oakland.

"This has been a dream of mine, to have a business the family could be involved in, serve as role models and with the non-profit,"

"I want everyone to have fun and enjoy

being here.'

Performing arts helps children with school work and can help with behavioral problems. All music and costumes are age-appropriate, she said.

"It's a wholesome, family place," she said. Her daughters Danielle Ward and Brittany Ward, who have studied dance for about 16 years, are instructors, and her husband, Don also helps out.

"I have a tremendous staff. They're wonderful," she said. "I couldn't do anything without them."

Her youngest daughter, Bella Lise Wertz, inspired the name of the studio, she said.

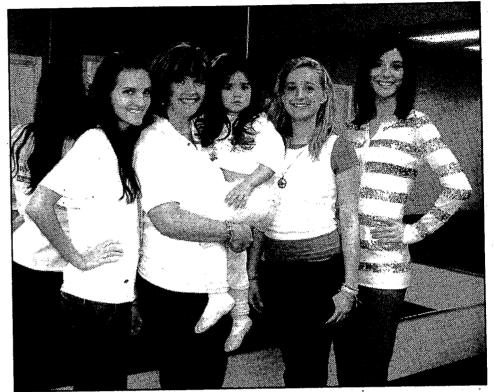
"We were toying with names and decided we liked Bella Pointe," Debra said.

Instructors Matt Pardo, Alia Simon, Kristi Kowalski, and Chelsea Howe also have professional, education and teaching experience in dance and choreography.

For advanced students, the school is organizing a dance company and competition

"We'll compete at local and national competitions," she said. "We have programs for recreational and more serious students."

For more information, call 248-620-9830 or check out their website at BellaPointeDance-PerformaingArts.com



From left are Danielle Ward, instructor; Debra Wertz, owner; Bella Lise Wertz, Debra's daughter and studio namesake; Kristi Kowalski, instructor; and Chelsea Howe, instructor, of Bella Pointe Dance and Performing Arts.

Charity groups busy during holidays

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cards to music and clothing stores are also in short supply.

The Davisburg Rotary is also preparing for the holidays with its 40th annual Christmas Basket Program.

The assembly and distribution of baskets is the organization's largest-and some would say most important—event of the year.

In 2005, the Rotary delivered 57 baskets. Last year the number nearly doubled to number of 107.

Although total numbers aren't yet available for 2007, Rotarians are still hoping for donations of food and household goods to help fill the baskets for needy families.

Items like shampoo, soap, hygiene products, and toothpaste are always appreciated by families.

"Anything they can't buy with food stamps," said Rotarian Collin Walls, who is also longtime Springfield Township su-

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BY TREVOR KEISOR

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Cliff Hammond, owner of "It's About Time," has been in the clock servicing business for 30 years.

"I think it's a sign of maturity to be able to recognize why people can enjoy a clock. They're not fixed on it or anything, but it's pleasant to have around. It adds a voice and a heart beat to a house. The heartbeat is the tick of a grandfather clock and the voice is the chime." Hammond said.

He started out as part time in 1977 in Bloomfield Hills, and then went full time in 1979. In 1981, he opened another shop at the Clarkston Mills and ran two shops until 1984. In 1990, he moved his shop from the Clarkston Mills to his current location 7151 N. Main

"It's a carry over from a hobby where it became much more satisfying than the job I had before, he said. "It's very satisfying to work for yourself, you get to enjoy the ups and go threw the downs without too much concern about anything except paying the bills."

Hammond interest in clocks came in his late 30's. He said a clock "is something that is both mechanical, and artistic, and furniture," but his main interest was in the mechanics.

"I would buy old clocks, repair them, sell them, finance and buy more to repair and sell until that circle grew to the point where I opened a shop. Then that grew to the point where I went to it full time and have been thoroughly enjoying myself for the most part ever since," said Hammond.

Hammond sells a variety of clocks "From traditional to unique and some antique," including grandfather, wall, key wind, quartz and cuckoo clocks. He said he mainly deals with newer clocks, because they are easier to service.

"Old clocks are very demanding," he said. "There is always a reason why they quit making something; they quit making it because it had something better. There are some fantastic old clocks, and there are some new ones that are less than fantastic."

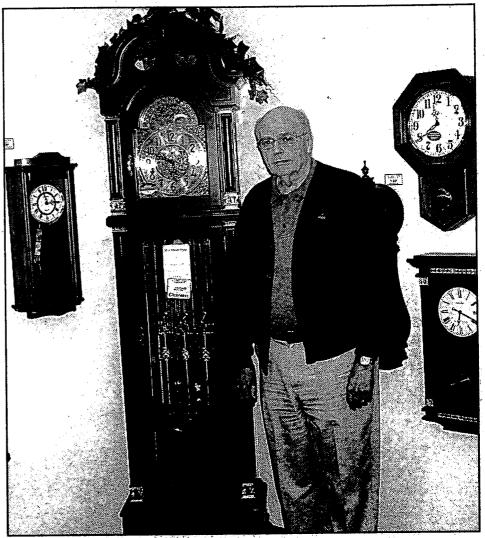
Hammond said there is much more to a clock than just telling the time.

"There is a difference between a clock and time. I think a person who is truly driven by whatever can't enjoy a clock. Because they can't take time off from whatever is driving them to look around and enjoy what is pleasant," he said.

"I think a person who is comfortable can enjoy a clock, comfortable with life, comfortable with their situation, comfortable with

Movies and books have often portrayed clock collector's with having eccentric personalities. Hammond said that is not the case in his opinion.

"I know many, many clock collectors who



Cliff Hammond has owned it's About Time for 30 years. Photo by Trevor Kelser

are far from being eccentric," he said.

Hammond said having his own business has been rewarding because of customers as well as being the owner/boss not having to work for someone else.

"It's very satisfying seeing people enjoy the product that I service and sell," he said. "It's a different type of person who wants to be on their own. You don't have the security of a paycheck, but you do have the security that you'll never be laid off, might not make any money, but you still have a job, you just work for nothing."

Hammond said there was only one year he "worked for nothing," it was 1981, but so did a lot of people. He has the clocks in his store all set to different times so there is always a chime going off.

"It can be very relaxing, depending on the outlook of the person, some find the chime irritating, and personally I think they find a lot of things irritating."

Hammond has sold clocks in 48 of the 50 United States including both Hawaii and Alaska. He has also sold some to Mexico, Puerto Rico and had some customers buy a clock from here and take them to their home country including India, England, and Germany. As well as selling well over a thousand clocks in the general area.

Hammond has been married 46 years to his wife Pat, who is a retired college professor who taught nursing. She helps him twice a week in the store, while he makes service

"She wasn't completely supportive of me, spending my time buying clocks and working on them and what have you, but she now enjoys the clocks, too," said Cliff.

'But she's been exposed to them for quite some time. And she's become pretty knowledgeable about them, too."

They have two sons, Bryan who lives in Michigan, and Dean who lives in Arizona. Both are in advertising.

Hammond said he has learned to take his tool box with him on vacations.

"I guess people have come to expect it," he said. "They always have questions and maybe a clock waiting for me when we get

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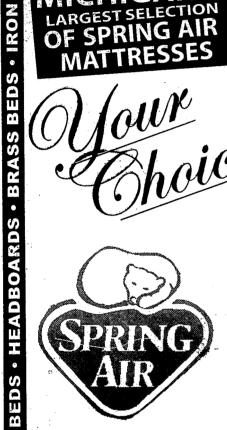
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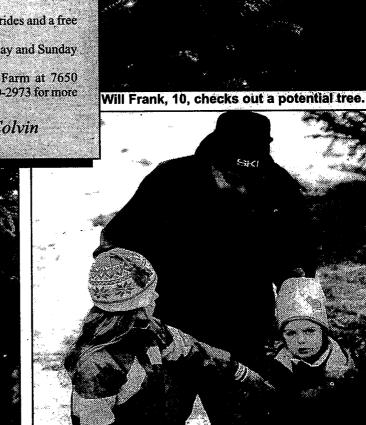
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Julia, left, and Abby Nellis help dad, Tony, and mom, Wendy (not shown) pick out a tree.



John Frank, 10, spots a great tree while his

identical twin, Will, spots another.

People Poll

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Is there a Santa Claus?



"Yes because I think Santa Claus represents the spirit of

- Jennifer Arkwright



"Yes, the tradition of Santa Claus connected one generation to the next."

- Toni Smith



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Books bring girls together with moms

BY PHIL CUSTODIO

Clarkston News Editor

A group of giggling 10-year-old girls gather every month, sitting in a tight circle on the floor to talk about...books.

Their moms aren't far. They're gathered nearby to talk about books, too.

"It's very rewarding," said Julie Alexander, part of the group with her daughter Emma Alexander. "It makes us take time for things we may not think we have time for - reading books."

"It's really a good experience, being with friends and learning at the same time," said Cary Ann Piazza, with her mom Julie Piazza.

"It gives us time together," said Carrie Leuenhagen, with her daughter Amy Leuenhagen.

The Clarkston Mother-Daughter Book Club group includes seven Clarkston area daughter/ mother pairs, also including Gabby and Raquel Carusello, Veronica and Erin Hill, Taylor and Kelly Kanigowski, and Emily and Michelle Malinowski

They meet seven times a year, every other month with an extra in the summer.

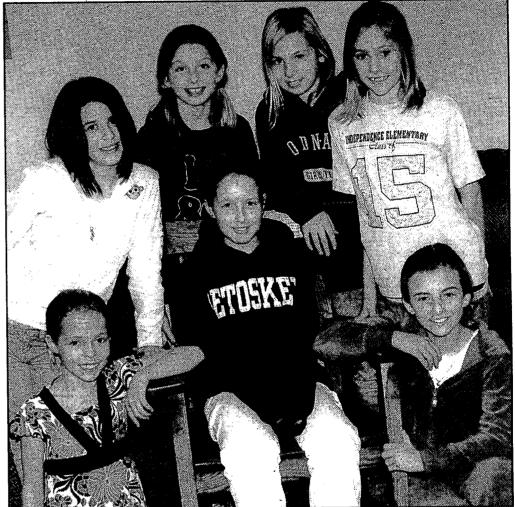
They started the club when the girls were in second grade at Independence Elementary School.

"We wanted to try and get the kids together to read," Carrie said.

Two years later, the group is still going strong, she said.

"We just stuck with it," Gabby said. "We just loved it so much. We love reading books and talking about them and meeting with friends. It's a good time."

The girls, who move on to Sashabaw Middle



The book club includes, standing from left, Gabby Carusello, Taylor Kanigowski, Emily Malinowski, and Amy Leuenhagen, and, sitting from left, Veronica Hill, Cary Ann Piazza, and Emma Alexander. Photo by Laura Colvin

School next year, plans to keep the group going. We're going all the way through high school," Amy said. "It's a lot of fun."

Starting out, moms and daughters would usually read the same book - one of their first was "Tuck Everlasting," a fantasy novel for children by Natalie Babbitt, Carrie said.

"We'd model for the kids, how to discuss the

books and ask questions," she said. "They learn that they can have different opinions and how to share them and make comments constructively."

The girls' book selections include lots of young-adult fantasy and historical fiction novels, including "The Miraculous Journey of Ed-

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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.

Emergency food distribution, Oakland Livingston Human Service Agency, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Dec. 5, Independence Township Senior Center, 5980 Clarkston Road inside Clintonwood Park. Must meet income eligibility. Seniors only. 248-209-

Breakfast with Santa, 9 a.m.-noon, Dec. 8, First Congregation Church. Children's ornament, Cookie Walk, pancake, sausage, juice, milk. Secret Gift Shop, 75 cents to \$5, \$4/adults, \$3/children, \$12/ family. \$3/photo with Santa. 5449 Clarkston Road. 248-394-0200.

Holiday Lights Parade, Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce, 6 p.m., Dec. 8. Community Education Building on Waldon Road, Main Street, Miller Road, ending at St. Daniel Catholic Church. Floats, walkers, vehicles, horses, and Santa, all with colorful Christmas lights. DJ Jim Tedder will play holiday favorites and announce the parade. 248-625-8055.

Holiday Lunch With Santa, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., Dec. 8, Hart Community Center in Davisburg, 12 and younger. Residents/ \$8. Non-residents/\$10. Adults/\$5. Pictures with Santa,\$5 for one Polaroid or unlimited use of personal cameras. 248-634-0412.

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Around Town



Christmas concert set Dec. 15

Clarkston Community Band, under the direction of Vince Chrisman, presents its annual "Christmas in Clarkston," 12 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 15, at Calvary Evangelical Lutheran Church, 6805 Bluegrass Drive.

The free concert, featuring guest conductor Douglas Doty, will include traditional carols, children's songs, majestic Christmas works, and Joe Palace narrating "T'was the Night Before Christmas."

Celebrating the centennial of composer Leroy Anderson's birthday, the band will perform his works "Sleigh Ride" and 'Christmas Festival."

Closing the concert, the band will perform the "Hallelujah Chorus" from

Island II, 6160 Dixie Highway. "Wait staff" for the evening from Everest Academy.

Christmas in Clarkston, Clarkston Community Band, directed by Vince Chrisman, 12 p.m., Dec. 15, Calvary Evangelical

Handel's Messiah.

Now in its 12th season, the Clarkston Community Band's 52 volunteer musicians perform free concerts, and various educational and family, themed concerts throughout the area.

The band was selected to perform internationally in 2007 for the "Spectacle of Winds" with the Greater Windsor Concert Band. Concerts are funded in part by Independence Township Parks and Recreation.

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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.

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

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

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

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

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



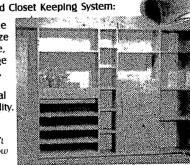
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Clarkston High School honored 14 Students of the Month for November with a pizza lunch Friday with school administrators.

"It's the least we can do for you," said Gary Kaul, assistant principal, to the six students able to attend.

November Students of the Month are Nicole Andreycak, Jade Badger, Erik Butterfield, Bryan Culver, Jack Durkan, Zac Gulda, Bryan Haslinger, Zach Lewy, Betsy Mellen, Jacqueline Proper, Chris Reitano, Lacie Turnbull, Lindsay Viviano, and Aaron Wolfe

Teachers nominate students each month for doing something good in class, academic ability, excellent attitudes, community work, dedication, notable improvement, and other positive attributes.

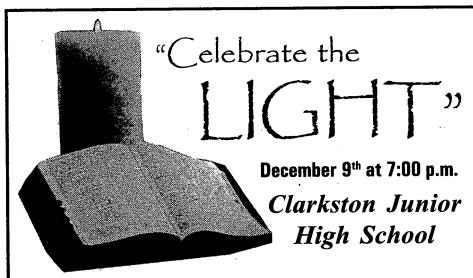
"The common thread is that you are all good people," Kaul said.

The students also received a certificate for their records.

- Phil Custodio



Assistant Principal Gary Kaul, at left, and Principal Vince Licata, right, with Clarkston High School November Students of the Month, standing from left, Jack Durkan, Bryan Culver, and Chris Reitano, and, sitting from left, Lacie Turnbull, Lindsay Viviano, and Betsy Mellen.



You are cordially invited to join the members of the Clarkston community and the Clarkston Free Methodist Church for a delightful evening of music, drama and more celebrating the joy of the Christmas season.

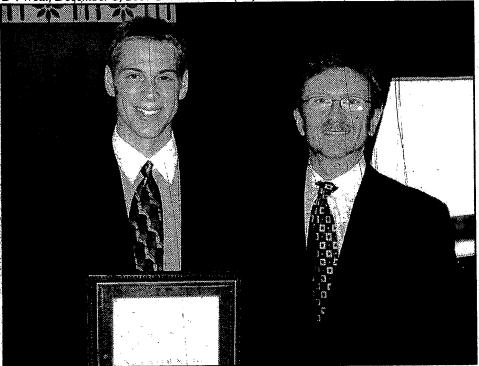
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Nate Knapper and Kendall Wingrove, at the Frank M. Fitzgerald Public Service Award ceremony in May. Knapper was honored for his service in the Michigan Legislature. Photo provided

In time of 'no time,' mentors provide reason to give thanks

By Nate Knapper

For me, Thanksgiving has traditionally been a time to thank God for the blessings of family, food, and football.

But this year, I also find myself giving thanks for an individual who has chosen to invest a great deal of himself in me. He is my mentor. His name is Kendall.

Kendall Wingrove has no time for mentoring - or at least he shouldn't. A long-time resident of East Lansing, Wingrove has been a dedicated employee of the State of Michigan for more than 25 years. Several years ago, he served as a staffer in the Michigan House of Representatives, and he is currently employed by the Senate Communications Office.

In addition to his governmental responsibilities, Wingrove serves the Michigan Historical Society, writes freelance newspaper articles, attends church regularly, and provides for a family of three. His wife Molly is also a state employee, his son Ethan plays travel soccer, and his daughter Catherine participates in dance

A full life, right?

Not quite. You see, Wingrove has a passion for interns. Over the past two years, he has tirelessly developed an innovative student intern program at the Michigan Capitol called "Curriculum Beyond the Classroom" (CBC). Through this program, Wingrove makes time to teach the principles of professionalism to the next generation, arranging for students to meet with a variety of well-established governmental colleagues and private-sector employ-

ees.

I have greatly benefited under Wingrove's "Curriculum." I knew very little about the legislative process when I began interning at the Michigan Capitol in early 2006, and I was afraid of failure.

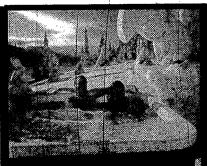
Despite my fear and inexperience, however, I had one thing going for me – Wingrove was my mentor. He gave me the tools for success, preaching those "lost art" principles that always seem to earn people's respect – composing thank-you notes, showing up on time, and following through with stated commitments. By following Wingrove's advice and working hard on daily projects, I completed successful internships at a variety of government offices downtown.

Wingrove, who just celebrated his 50th birthday on Sunday, is a reason why people from my generation have hope for success. Mentors are role models. Many are unknown, but in the time of "no time," they invest themselves in others, seeing the potential for extraordinary returns.

Many years ago, a group of Pilgrims came to America, and they would have starved to death had it not been for a group of Indians who came alongside them and taught them the skills for survival.

As we pause this holiday season to remember their story, may we also give thanks for mentors, who daily give of themselves to promote the progress of the next generation.

Nate Knapper, of Clarkston, is currently a senior at Calvin College.



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Religion In midst of hectic holidays, stay surprised by Christmas

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some Christmas odd jobs. He asked her if there was anything he could do.

She said, "Can you paint?"

"Yes," he said. "I'm a rather good painter.'

"Well," she said, "there are two gallons of green paint there and a brush, and there's a porch out back that needs to be painted. Please do a good job. I'll pay you what the job is worth."

He said, "Fine. I'll be done quickly." She went back to her cookie making

and didn't think much more about it until there was a knock at the door.

The man, with paint on his clothes, was smiling ear

She said, "Did you finish the job?" He said, "Yes."

She said, "Did you do a good job?"

He said, "Yes. But lady, there's one thing I'd like to point out to you. That's not a Porsche back there. That's a Mercedes.'

Christmas is full of surprises!

Mary was surprised by the angel's announcement of her virgin birth.

Joseph was surprised by his fiancées' announce-

The shepherds were surprised by the angel at night. The Wise Men were surprised by the star.

In the midst of their routine, ordinary lives, God showed up and did the extra-ordinary.

My prayer for you and me this Christmas is that we would be surprised by God.

Somewhere, somehow, in the midst of our gift-giving, football watching, and food-consuming, may it dawn on us that there is a good God in heaven, who loves us so much that he touched down on our planet in human form.

Surprise!

Greg Henneman is pastor of Clarkston Community

In our churches...

Giving tree, for people in need through Lighthouse North, Peace Unity, at Sashabaw Presbyterian, 5300 Maybee Road. 248-891-4365.

A Peace Filled Journal, Your Journey of Transformation Advent celebration honoring the Plant Kingdon, 9 a.m., Dec. 9. The Rev. Mathew Long, special guest musician Michael Krieger. Peace Unity Church of Clarkston, meets at Sashabaw Presbyterian, 5300 Maybee Road. 248-891-4365.

New Thought Bible Study, "The Sermon on The Mount," book by Emmett Scott, 7 p.m., Dec. 12. The Rev. Mathew Long, Peace Unity. Oakland County Alano Club, 5661 Clintonville Road. 248-891-4365.

Blue Christmas service, 7:30 p.m., Dec. 18, Clarkston United Methodist Church, 6600 Waldon Road. Prayers, scripture, music acknowledging God's presence for those who mourn and struggle - and that God's word comes to shine light into the darkness. 248-625-1611, ext. 232.

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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How to keep hackers at bay

By Dan Izydorek

No one wants to have their network "hacked," but what exactly can a hacker do? Plenty, and you are right to be afraid!

One common way for hackers to access your network is through spyware or viruses,

which are malicious programs written to imbed themselves into your network to gather private information, steal financial data, access passwords, email addresses, and spread themselves to other users.



Dan Izydorek, President & Founder of PC Miracles, Inc.

But one of the most common ways for hackers to access your system is through e-mail, or spam e-mail to be more specific. Even if you have the latest anti-virus software installed, hackers are very clever at getting you to circumvent your antivirus software through phishing e-mails. Phishing is when a hacker sends you a legitimate looking e-mail from a trusted source — like PayPal, your bank, eBay, or any number of other legitimate business web sites.

These e-mails will tell you that your account is expired or will be closed if you don't go to a designated web site and update or verify your account information. Although you may have seen these e-mails before, be very careful! Hackers are brilliant at making not only the e-mail seem legitimate, but also at making the web site you go to look like the real thing.

If you fall prey to their scam, the site will gather your private information (usernames, passwords, accounts, etc.) and then use that to access your bank account or to charge your credit

To protect yourself, install a spam filter (we recommend Cloudmark which you can purchase from us at a discount) and NEVER open or respond to any e-mail requesting account verification. Instead, call the company. If it is a legitimate request, you can verify that with them over the phone.

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 or call 248-620-2201.

For financial independence, make long term care insurance part of your financial strategy

By Cheryl Bean

If you would rather write your will than have a discussion about planning for your long term care (LTC) needs, you are not alone.

The emotions surrounding the very thought of losing our independence can paralyze us from taking action.

But it doesn't have to be that way. Once people understand the facts about long term care, the planning process is much easier and offers peace of mind about preserving your savings, retaining your independence and protecting your family members from the burden of caregiving.

Long term care is the assistance needed by someone who

can no longer independently perform daily activities such as eating, bathing or dressing. This, care can be received at home, in an assisted living facility, adult day care center or nursing home.

Cheryl Bean.

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It is important to understand that long term care does not necessarily have to mean nursing home care, which seems to be the biggest fear and misconception associated with LTC.

Most older adults who receive LTC do so in their own homes or in community settings and today, more Americans have first-hand experience with caregiving and how it affects their personal lives, family, financial security and work situa-

While most recognize the importance of planning ahead, there is a lack of knowledge about LTC as well as about the pros and cons of other funding alternatives.

With the national average cost for nursing home care above \$70,000 annually and the expenses of care at-home or in community settings on the rise, LTC costs can really add up. Many rely on the hope that government programs like Medicare and Medicaid will pay for LTC services - but these programs can be very limiting.

Long term care insurance (LTCI) is the best funding solution and it is important to note that LTCI premiums are based on your age and health condition when you apply, so it makes sense to buy when you are younger.

Planning for long term care should be an important part of your overall financial strategy and a LTC insurance policy can help protect your retirement savings, give you control over where you receive care, give you the means to pay for higher quality care and relieve your family and friends of the burden of caregiving responsibilities.

Recognizing just how critical an issue long term care is becoming, Michigan, with help from the federal government, is encouraging individuals to plan for their own future long term care needs.

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For more information, contact Cheryl Bean at 248-625-7550.



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Check the rules for charitable giving

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This article will cover the rules regarding income tax deductions for gifts to charity, concentrating on outright gifts by individuals to charity.

We will not cover corporate donations, gifts of non-capital gain property, partial interests and gifts of property for the charity's use. Charitable contributions are subject to two limitations.

The first limit depends on the type of charity and the second depends on the type of item donated.

Charities are broken down into two types, 50 percent charities and 30 percent charities.

The percentage refers to the maximum percentage of adjusted gross income (AGI) that may be claimed in any one year. In order to claim an income tax deduction the charity, whether 50 percent or 30 percent, must be a United States charity. Fifty percent charities include churches, schools, hospitals, endowment funds for public universities, state and local govprivate grant-making foundations and community chests.

Thirty percent charities include veterans organizations, private non-operating

foundations, fraternal organizations and public cem-

If you're unsure whether an organization is a qualified charity or whether it is a 50 percent or 30 percent charity, consult IRS Publication 78 which provides a listing of all recognized charities.

Gifts of capital gain property are subject to fur-

ther limitations. To qualify as a donation of capital gain property the item must qualify for capital gains treatment (e.g. property held for investment) and must have been held for more than one year.

James B.

Gifts of capital gain property to 50 percent charities are limited to 30 percent of AGI. Gifts of capital gain property to 30 percent charities are limited to 20 percent of AGI. Donations of capital gains property are valued at the fair market value at the

ernments, private operating foundations, time of the donation for all types of charities other than private foundations (under which tax treatment has varied). The taxpayer may elect to limit the value of his donation to his/her cost in exchange for a waiver of the 30 percent or 20 percent limi-

The limitations are applied in the following order. First, all gifts to 50 percent charities, regardless of the type of property, are totaled. If they do not exceed 50 percent of AGI, gifts to 30 percent charities may be considered but they are limited both by the 30 percent limit and the 50 percent over-all limit. Then the capital gains limits are applied to 50 percent donations. Finally the capital gains limits are applied to 30 percent gifts. Unused deductions retain their character and may be carried forward for five

For example, John has AGI of \$100,000 and made the following donations; \$10,000 in cash and \$40,000 in stock (basis \$10,000) to his church and \$5,000 to a public cemetery. His deduction equals \$40,000 and consists of the \$10,000 cash donation and \$30,000 in stock. John has a carry over of \$10,000 for the stock and \$5,000 for the 30 percent charity. Take the same facts, except

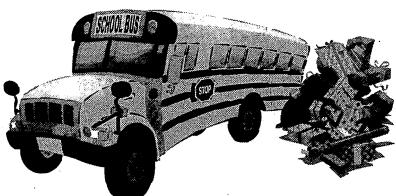
election, his deduction is \$45,000 consisting of the \$10,000 cash, \$30,000 basis (total of \$40,000 to 50 percent organizations) and \$5,000 to the public cemetery with no carry

Tax law bars a deduction for any contribution of \$250 or more unless the taxpayer has written substantiation from the charity (canceled checks do not count) receiving the contribution, including a good-faith estimate of the value of any goods or services that have been provided to the donor in exchange for the gift. Substantiation isn't required if the donee files information with the IRS sufficient to substantiate the deduction amount.

Of course, this brief article is no substitute for a careful consideration of all of the advantages and disadvantages of this matter in light of your unique personal circumstances. Before implementing any significant tax or financial planning strategy, contact your financial planner, attorney or tax advisor as appropriate.

James B. Kruzan, CFP, is Registered Principal and Branch Manager for Raymond James Financial Services, Inc., Clarkston.





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Toe-tappin' with Toys for Tots

donated money and toys for Toys for Tots last Sunday night at the

Oakland County Sportsman Club, Crowds got to enjoy a night full of live entertainment, food and drinks all for a good cause.

Some of the bands included, Urban Nomads, Charlie Allen Martin, Donde, Phil Treats Group, Motor ing box up toys.

Many families will be touched this year after all the generous people Brothers, and a surprise visit by Gold Rush.

Sgt. Victor Laporte and Major Chris Walker from the Marines showed their appreciation for gifts of toys and donations.

Members of the National Honor's Society from Brandon High school showed community service by help-

Photo story by Trevor Keiser



From left: Taylor Walker, 10, Tara Bartle Bridget Fisher, Katy Lawson, and Andrea Roberts, all donated time to box up toys.



Toys for Tots



Sgt. Victor Laporte and Major Chris Walker represent the Marines for Twins, Tanya and Tia, 16 played "When the lights go down in the city," along with band Donde singing

Jerry Wilford

Long-time Clarkston resident Jerry Wilford, 92, passed away, Saturday, Oct. 20, 2007, in Cincinnati, Ohio. Born July 10, 1915, in Detroit, his life began when Woodrow Wilson was President; and would span nearly a century of remarkable innovation and change.

In 1933 during the Great Depression, Mr. Wilford's first full time job was a guide at the newly-opened Greenfield Village in Dearborn.

Along with other responsibilities, he kept a daily journal of Village activities and events. This inauspicious beginning led to a life-time career in writing and publishing. His next employment was with the Ford Times, a highly regarded travel magazine freely distributed at Ford dealerships.

In 1942 he went to work at Bramson Publishing for Production Magazine. First on the editorial staff, then as an advertising space salesman, he successfully created innovative sales techniques that are now commonly practiced throughout the industry. During his 40-year career, he worked as an Editor, National Sales Manager and Executive Vice President of Bramson Publishing.

During WWII, Mr. Wilford served in the United States Navy.

On February 2, 1941, he married Lucia Vander Velde of Royal Oak. In February, 2007, the Wilfords celebrated their 66th wedding anniversary. Together they raised six children and in time became grandparents of nine and great-grandparents of three.

Following retirement and into his mid-80's, Mr. Wilford volunteered weekly as a counselor at Crossroads, a social service outreach agency in Detroit that provides emergency assistance, advocacy and counseling to those in need.

His volunteer work was stimulating and personally rewarding, allowing him the outlet for helping others in less fortunate circumstances.

In 1968 following open heart surgery, walking became an important pastime. His daily walks around Clarkston, in any and every kind of weather, kept him connected to the community and in good shape both physically and mentally.

For many years, Mr. Wilford was an active church member of the Church of the Resurrection in Clarkston and later at All Saints Episcopal in Pontiac, singing in the choir with a distinctive bass voice.

A world traveler with a keen interest of different cultures, he particularly loved the Great Lakes and their connecting water-

He was especially fond of the St. Clair River where every town and village reminded him of his childhood visits to his grandparents' cottage near Marine City.

As a boy, he developed a life-long affection for the river, the freighters of the Great Lakes and the tales of bootleggers who rowed back and forth to Canada during the years of Prohibition.

Known for his witty conversation and love for storytelling, his favorite stories often recalled his early days in the presence of Henry Ford and famous visitors to Greenfield Village, some of the world's most notable inventors and celebrities of the

Above all, Jerry will be remembered for his kindness, his compassion and his unfailing sense of humor.

Memorial contributions can be made to: of Michigan Crossroads www.crossroadsofmichigan.org and the Great Lakes Historical Society; PO Box 435, Vermillion, Ohio, 44089

Suzanne M. 'Sue' Malstrom

Suzanne M. "Sue" Malstrom of Wolverine, formerly of Goodrich and Clarkston. passed away Nov. 26 at the age of 59.

She was the loving wife of Dale for 41 vears; mother of Cynthia (Scott) Crosby of Goodrich and Laura (Scott) Shrauger of Hudsonville; grandmother of Benjamin, Jacob, Jordan, Matalyn, Grace, and Hunter; sister of Dave (Marie) Dengate, Karen (Dave) Kittredge, Roger (Terry) Dengate, Annette (Steve) Suess, Denise Dengate, Richard (Virginia) Dengate, Diane (Larry) Smock, and Julie



Mrs. Malstrom retired from General Mo-

Funeral Service was Nov. 30 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clark-

Memorials may be

made to Genesys Hospice, Goodrich. online guestbook www.wintfuneralhome.com.

Don C. Goforth

Don C. Goforth of Waterford passed away Dec. 1 at the age of 61.

He was the husband of Linda; father of Tracie (Mark) Quinton, Don Goforth Jr, Connie (Tim) Moriarty and Stephen (Tammy) Hoskins; grandfather of Jenny, Katie, Timmy, Christopher & Hunter; Brother of Jay (Willie) Green, Larry (Suzie) Goforth, & Virginia Martindale. He was preceded in death by his parents Pete & Jewell & siblings Elizabeth & Franklin.



Mr. Goforth retired in 2007 from General Motors.

Funeral service was Dec. 4 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston.

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ship Cemetery, Tenn. On line guest book www.wintfuneralhome.com.

Obituaries posted daily at wwwClarkstonNews.com



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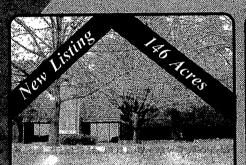
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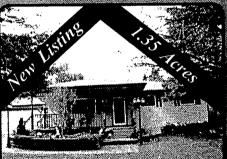
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Book club builds literacy

Continued from page 1B ward Tulane," "Tuck Everlasting," "Anne of Green Gables," "The Secret Zoo," "The mysterious Benedict Society," "The Secret Garden," "Shelia the Great," and "The Doll People."

"We like a lot of authors and different genres," Taylor said. "We try out new books."

"It gets us to read a lot of different books, books we'd never think to pick out ourselves," Amy said. "It gets us to read at a so much higher level."

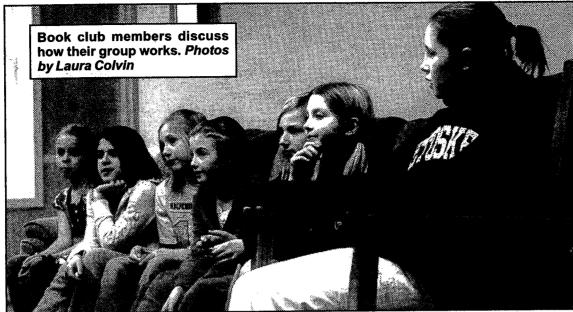
"The longer books take most of the two months to read," Gabby said.

The moms have also been reading historical fiction, such as "Girl with a Pearl Earring," "The Other Boleyn Girl," and "1,000 White Women," as well as non-fiction books like "Eat, Pray, Love" and "The Glass Castle."

"We try to pick a diverse group of books that talk about different things," Carrie said.

As the girls get older, she hopes the group becomes a place to discuss serious issues of growing up.

"We want this to be a safe place



to do that," she said. "I've been surprised—this is way more than a book club. Now, it's about friendships and doing things together."

Activities have spread to community service, gardening a piece of landscaping at Depot Park this summer

They also invited an author, Bryan Chick of Clarkston, who wrote "The Secret Zoo," to a recent meeting, to talk about what it's like to create one of the books they've been reading.

"The girls were excited to meet a local author and question him about writing," Carrie said.

Starting a book club is easy, Taylor said.

"Just get a couple friends and their moms together," she said. "Everyone gets together and you plan it out."

Hosts, who announce their book choice at the previous meeting, prepare a list of issues and questions for discussion. Lots of book-discussion questions and suggestions are available online, especially for children's and young adult books she said.

"It's an opportunity to make new friends," Veronica said.

"You host once a year – it's very doable," Carrie said.

Meetings last about three hours with book discussion first, then social time. The girls usually spend quite a bit of time creating and acting out skits based on the book, Julie Alexander said.

"They're very creative," she said.



Carrie Leuehagen and other Clarkston area moms started the club with their daughters.



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NOTICE OF CLOSE OF REGISTRATION FOR THE PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTION

TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 15, 2008 FOR CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF CLARKSTON

To the qualified electors of the City of the Village of Clarkston, County of Oakland, State of Michigan: NOTICE IS HERBY GIVEN THAT THE CITY OF CLARKSTON OFFICES, 375 DEPOT ROAD, CLARKSTON, MICHIGAN, 48346,) WILL BE OPEN:
MONDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2007

FROM 8:30 a.m. TO 5:00 p.m. AST DAY TO REGISTER

FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECEIVING APPLICA-TIONS FOR THE REGISTRATION OF THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS IN SAID CITY/TOWNSHIP NOT ALREADY REGISTERED.

THE JANUARY 15, 2008 PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTION WILL BE CONDUCTED IN VOTING PRE-CINCT NO. 1, 375 DEPOT ROAD, CITY OF THE VIL-LAGE OF CLARKSTON, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECT-ING CANDIDATES FOR THE FOLLOWING OFFICE: PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

Republican Candidates: Sam Brownback Rudy Giuliani Mike Huckabee **Duncan Hunter** John McCain Ron Paul Mitt Romney Tom Tancredo

Fred Thompson Uncommitted

Democratic Candidates: Hillary Clinton Chris Dodd Mike Grave Dennis Kucinich Uncommitted

> Artemus M. Pappas City Clerk

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT **COUNTY OF OAKLAND**

FILE NO: 2007-313, 851-DE

NOTICE TO CREDITORS Decedent's Estate

Estate of Elmyra Fay Taylor, deceased. Date of birth: 3/12/1927 TO ALL CREDITORS;

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Elmyra Fay Taylor, who

lived at 2607 Bender Avenue, Waterford, Michigan died 4/8/07 Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Kathleen Christ, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 1200 N. Telegraph Rd., Pontiac, Michigan 48341-0449 and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

Kathryn M. Caruso P-44723 6480 Citation Drive Clarkston, Michigan 48346 (248) 625-0600

Kathleen Christ 2730 Moosewood Waterford MI 48329 (248) 673-8429

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NOTICE OF CLOSE OF REGISTRATION FOR THE PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTION TO BE HELD ON

TUESDAY, JANUARY 15, 2008, FOR THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN

To the qualified electors of the Charter Township of Independence, County of Oakland, State of Michigan. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE INDEPENDENCE TOWNSHIP CLERK'S OFFICE, 90 NORTH MAIN STREET, CLARKSTON, MICHIGAN, WILL BE OPEN:

MONDAY DECEMBER 17, 2007 FROM 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. LAST DAY TO REGISTER

FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECEIVING APPLICA-TIONS TO REGISTER TO VOTE OR TO REGISTER A CHANGE OF ADDRESS OF THE QUALIFIED ELEC-

TORS IN INDEPENDENCE TOWNSHIP.
THE JANUARY 15, 2008 PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTION WILL BE CONDUCTED-IN ALL VOTING PRECINCTS OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDE-PENDENCE FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING CAN-DIDATES FOR THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED

> Shelagh VanderVeen Independence Township Clerk's Office 90 North Main Street Clarkston, MI 48346 (248) 625-5111

Published: 12/5/07



STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF OAKLAND

FILE NO: 2007-313, 836-DE

NOTICE TO CREDITORS Decedent's Estate

ed. Date of birth: 2/1/1920

TO ALL CREDITORS:
NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Margaret R. Woodley,
Deceased, who lived at 6669 Andersonville, Clarkston, Michigan died

October 11, 2007.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Ruby N. Kramer and Robert W. Bailey, named personal representative or proposed personal repre-sentative, or to both the probate court at 1200 N. Telegraph Rd., Pontiac, Sentative, or both the probable coult at 1200 N. lenging. Michigan 48341-0449 and the named/proposed personal mithin 4 months after the date of publication of this notice ROBERT G. ISGRIGG, JR. P-24924

Ruby N. Kramer and Robert W. Bailey, 2/45 Pontiac Lake Road Waterford, Michigan 48328 (248) 682-8800 Clarkston/Friendsville, MI 48346/37737

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 November 26, 2007

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Catallo. Roll. Present: Catallo, Gawronski, Inabnit, Johnston, Ottman, Roth.

Absent: Brueck

Minutes of November 13, 2007, approved as presented Agenda approved as presented with the addition of City Manager/Clerk-Treasurer and DPW Costs to Unfin ished Business.

Moved that for the next few months incoming police calls to (248) 625-0088 be handled by the Oakland County central dispatch from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m.

Lift machine certification was issued and/or renewed for D.P.W. employees and was handled by the Caterpillar Company.

Pursley reported that Miss Dig was contacted for the installation of signs in Depot Park. Further, the Rotary Christmas decorations were placed on the light

Pappas reported that taxes will be mailed by the end of the week. Also, a check for the repair to the Gazebo roof was received from the City's Insurance Com-

Sidewalk discussion was tabled until Pursley, Gary Tressel, and Johnston could meet prior to a Council meeting. Resolved that the D.P.W. be required to furnish a report on the lift machine every six months on meetings closest to November 30 and May 31.

cussion was held on placement of Park Signs at three locations selected by Johnston and were accepted by City Council.

Moved that Catallo, Ottman, and Inabnit be appointed to form a steering committee to present to Council a criteria for selection of personnel to fill the positions of City Manager/Clerk-Treasurer.

Discussion was held on hours worked and overtime payment to part-time D.P.W. employees.

Moved that the second meeting in December be cancetted.

Meeting adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Artemus M. Pappas; Clerk

PUBLIC NOTICE Charter Township of Springfield NOTICE OF SECOND READING

AMENDMENTS TO ZONING ORDINANCE NO. 26 AND MAP

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Township Board of the Charter Township of Springfield will hold a SEC-OND READING at its regularly-scheduled meeting on

Thursday, December 13, 2007, beginning at 7:30 p.m. at the Springfield Township Civic Center. 12000 Davisburg Rd., Davisburg, MI to consider the following proposed amendments to Spring-field Township Zoning Ordinance No. 26 and Zon-

SECTION ONE - AMENDMENTS TO ORDI-

NANCE In Article II, Section 2.00, Definitions, the definition for "EQUESTRIAN FACILITY, PUBLIC" is hereby deleted.

In Article II, Section 2.00, under CAMP-GROUND, the definition for "Temporary Campground" is hereby amended to read as fol-

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

In Article II. Section 2.00, Definitions, the following new definitions are added: COMMUNITY RECREATION CENTER:

public building that accommodates educational and recreational programming, such as in-door exercise facilities, indoor court sports facilities, arts and crafts activity rooms, educational enrichment programs, and meeting space for service and social clubs, neighborhood organizations, and special interest

DOG PARK: Any fenced, off-leash dog play area designated within a park for that pur-

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

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

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

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

SPECIAL EVENTS FACILITY: Place with permanent facilities and/or areas used for indoor and/or outdoor assembly to which the general public is admitted or invited. The facility is designed to provide a venue for continually changing events offered for a limited time or number of performances including but not limited to entertainment, such as musical concerts or performing arts; education, such as lectures or educational dem-onstrations; or other temporary exhibitions or performances. Regularly-scheduled religious services conducted inside a building are expressly excluded from this definition.
In Article III, Section 3.00 - Zoning Districts

Established - the Zoning District entitled "PL Public Lands" is hereby deleted, and the fol-lowing Zoning Districts are added:

PR Parks and Recreation District PS Public Service District

Article IV - RC - Resource Conservation District, is hereby amended in its entirety, to

ARTICLE IV - RC - RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT

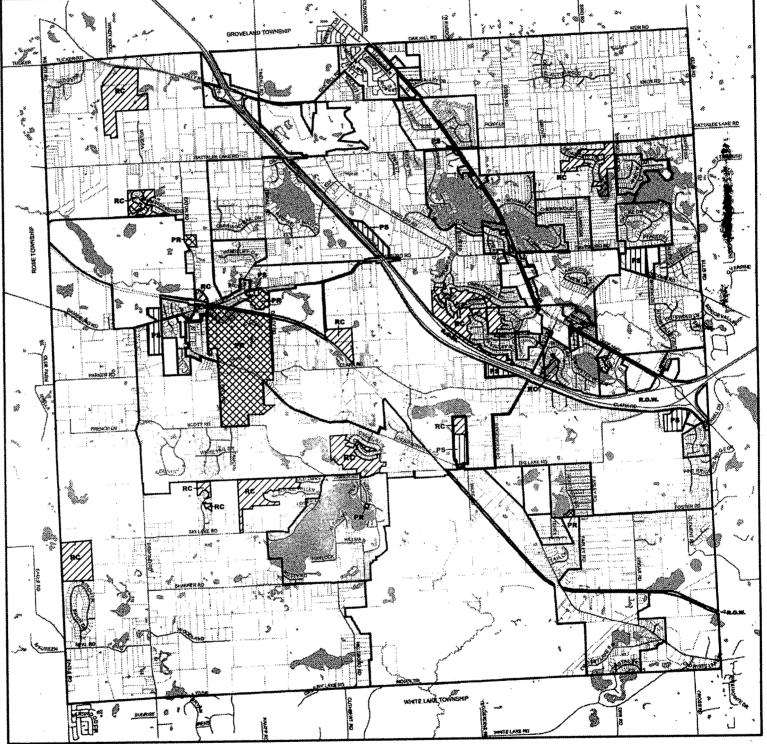
SECTION 4.00 - Intent: It is recognized that Springfield Township has an abundance of significant natural resources and features. The RC Resource Conservation District is intended to provide for those uses of land that are compatible with the need to: protect and enhance vital Township natural resources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

- SECTION 4.01 Principal Uses Permitted:

 1. Nature trails, botanical gardens, woodland preserves, or similar facilities provided such use does not result in a material modification of the natural appearance of the site.
- Agriculture, farming, keeping of livestock, horses sheep, goats and/or similar animals subject to the provisions set forth in Section 16.22.
- Tree and shrub nurseries.
- One-family detached dwellings
- SECTION 4.02 Principal Uses Permitted Subject to

Wed., December 5, 2007 The Clarkston (MI) News 13 B Special Conditions: The following uses shall be permitted subject to the specific conditions hereinafter imposed for each use and subject further to the submission of a site plan as set forth in Section 18.07, a recommendation of the Township Planning Commission and approval by the Township Board as set forth in Section 3.03.2 under the standards con-

- ned in Section 18.08 of this Ordinance. Equestrian facilities, subject to the provisions of Section 16.22.8.
- Wildlife preserve, subject to



Date: November 21, 2007 PROPOSED SPRINGFIELD TOWNSHIP ZONING MAP CHANGES Proposed Resource Conservation (RC) Proposed Parks & Recreation (PR) Proposed Public Service (PS)

the provisions of Section 16.22.6.

Environmental Education Centers, subject to the following conditions:

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

b. All buildings shall be set back at least fifty (50) feet from all abutting property lines.

SECTION 4.03 - Accessory Uses Permitted: Accessory buildings and uses customarily incidental to the principal permitted and special uses enumerated in Sections 4.01 and 4.02 are permitted. The Township body responsible for site plan approval shall determine permitted accessory uses

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

Article V is hereby amended in its entirety to replace Public Land District provisions (PL) with Parks and Recreation District provisions (PR), to read as fol-

ARTICLE V - PR-PARKS AND RECREATION DIS-

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

SECTION 5.01 - Principal Uses Permitted:

- Passive parks, picnic grounds, nature trails, playgrounds, botanical gardens, and woodland preserves for outdoor recreation.
- One-family detached dwellings provided such use is restricted to caretaker/ranger quarters or administrator of park facilities.

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

- Environmental Education Centers, subject to the following conditions:
 - Off-street waiting space shall be available for drop off and pick up of visitors by school buses and private automobiles outside of the right-of-way of any public street.
- All buildings shall be set back at least fifty
- (50) feet from all abutting property lines.
 Golf courses including accessory clubhouses driving ranges, pro shops, maintenance buildings and recreational facilities, subject to the following
 - The site shall have direct accessibility to a
 - The location of structures, such as the club house and accessory buildings, and their operations shall be reviewed by the Planning Commission to insure minimum disruption of the adjacent properties, and as much dis-tance as is practicable shall be provided between golf course structures and activities abutting residential properties.
 - A minimum fifty (50) foot setback shall be required between any structures and any residentially zoned or used property, except that a minimum one hundred (100) foot setback shall be required between any maintenance building and/or yard and any adjacent residentially zoned or used property.
 - All storage, service and maintenance areas when visible from adjoining residentially zoned or used land shall be screened in accordance with the requirements set forth in Section
 - Swimming pool areas shall be surrounded with a protective fence, six (6) feet in height, and entry shall be provided by means of a controlled gate.
 - Winter activities such as skating, cross coune. try skiing, siedding and tobogganing may be permitted by the Township Board, if it finds such uses to be consistent with the standards found in Section 18.08.
- 3. 'Equestrian facilities, subject to the conditions set

forth in Section 16.22.8.

- 4 Horseback riding trails and non-motorized vehicle trails, subject to the following conditions
 - a. If the trail is to be in a park or similar facility for outdoor recreation, or associated with ar equestrian facility, the minimum site area shall be ten (10) acres.
 - The site shall have direct accessibility to a paved public road. Off-street parking, loading and unloading shall be provided in accordance with the standards set forth in Section 16.02, except that the requirements for hardsurfacing may be waived by the Township.
 - Trails shall be located no nearer than fifty (50) feet from any property line, or at least one hundred (100) feet from existing schools, churches, or residentially-zoned or used property. However, trails can access these a if deemed appropriate by the Township. The perimeter buffer shall be kept in its natural
 - Trail design shall not negatively impact sensitive natural features. Trails shall be located a minimum of twenty (20) feet from wetlands and water features. If water crossings are necessary, bridges or other structures shall cause the least amount of environmental disturbance possible. Trail design shall protect steep slopes and not allow soil erosion.
 - Where riding is intended within or across a public road right-of-way, the Township shall review the location and approve same to maximize safety to both riders, motorists, and others using the public road right-of-way.
 - Trails shall be marked with appropriate signage that clearly advises riders of trail rules, etiquette, yield hierarchy (if multi-use trail), and appropriate warnings such as to reduce speed or avoid skidding.

 The property owner shall be responsible for
 - maintaining the trails for safety and sound environmental stewardship, repairing eroded areas, and closing down trails if necessary to protect land and wildlife, and allowing areas to recover from high use.
 - Lighting at trail heads shall meet the requirements under Section 17.08 for glare, illumination levels and fixture height. Lighting along trails is prohibited. Sound producing equipment anywhere on the trail or at the trailhead is prohibited.
 - Hours of operation for trail use shall be limited to daylight hours
- Athletic fields, running tracks, and game courts for baseball, softball, football, soccer and other active sports, conditioned upon the following:
 - The site shall have direct accessibility to a paved public road. Off-street parking, loading and unloading shall be provided in accordance with the standards set forth in Section 16.02, except that the requirements for hardsurfacing may be waived by the Township. Facilities shall be located a minimum of one
 - hundred (100) feet from property lines abutting residentially zoned or used properties
 - Hours of operation for outdoor sports facili-ties shall be limited to daylight hours.
- 6. Licensed, Type II or Type III campgrounds providing short-term living quarters on a daily, weekly, or seasonal basis, subject to the following:
- The minimum site area shall be twenty (20) acres
- The site shall have direct accessibility to a paved public road.
- A minimum one hundred (100) foot setback shall be established around the perimeter of the property for the purpose of buffering a public campground in relation to adjacent residentially zoned or used properties. The perimeter buffer shall be kept in its natural state Where natural vegetation or land contour are insufficient to buffer a camparound or recreational vehicle park in relation to surrounding properties, the Township may require addi-tional setback, landscaping, and/or berming.
- Mobile homes shall not be permitted to be located within a campground, unless specifi cally permitted by the Township.
- The use and occupancy of a campground shall be in strict compliance with the current laws and requirements of the State of Michigan governing such uses.
- Temporary campgrounds are strictly prohibited from the PR District, unless specifically permitted by the Township.
- Community Recreation Centers, subject to the following conditions.

- a. The site shall have direct accessibility to a paved public road.
- A minimum one hundred (100) foot setback shall be required between the principal structure and any adjacent residentially zoned or used property.
- 9. Wildlife preserve, subject to the provisions of Section 16.22.6.
- 10 Special Events Facilities
 - The site shall have direct accessibility to a paved public road. Off-street parking, loading and unloading shall be provided in accorince with the standards set forth in Section 16.02, except that the requirements for hardsurfacing may be waived by the Township.
 A minimum one hundred (100) foot setback
 - shall be required between all special events facilities and any adjacent residentially zoned or used property.
 - All storage, service and maintenance areas, when visible from adjoining residentially zoned or used land, shall be screened in accordance with the requirements set forth in Section
 - Permanent lighting and use of outdoor sound producing equipment shall meet the provisions of Section 17.08 and 17.03 respectively of the Township's Zoning Ordinance The use of additional event lighting shall be temporary. The use of temporary event lighting shall only be allowed between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m. In addition to the provisions above, sound-producing equipment, including but not limited to public address systems, radios, phonographs, musical in-struments and recording devices, shall not be operated outdoors on the premises so as to be unreasonably loud or raucous, or so to be a nuisance or disturbance to the peace and tranquility of the citizens of the Township. The use of sound producing equipment shall only be allowed between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m.
 - Events held outdoors, in whole or in part, at such a facility are only allowed if specifically permitted by the Township.
- 11. Dog parks. Dog parks must be actively managed to ensure the health and safety of all human and animal visitors.
 - a. A minimum two hundred (200) foot setback shall be required between the fence line of the dog park and any adjacent residentially
- zoned or used property.

 12. Commercial ventures incident to normal or approved activities in the PR District are permitted. SECTION 5.03 - Accessory Uses Permitted: Accessory buildings and uses customarily incidental to the principal permitted and special uses enumerated in Sections 5.01 and 5.02 are permitted. The Township body responsible for site plan approval shall determine permitted accessory uses

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

Article V(a) - PS - Public Service District, is hereby

dded, to read as follows:

ARTICLE V(a) – PS- PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT

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

SECTION 5.01(a) - Principal Uses Permitted:

- Publicly owned and operated libraries, fire stations and other public safety facilities, museums and governmental offices, subject to the following conditions:
 - The site shall have direct accessibility to a paved public road.
 - A minimum fifty (50) foot setback shall be required between the principal structure and any adjacent residentially zoned or used prop-
- 2. Cemeteries, subject to the following conditions: A fifty (50) foot setback shall be required between a structure and any adjacent res dentially zoned or used property, except that a minimum one hundred (100) foot setback shall be required between any maintenance building and/or yard and any adjacent resi-dentially zoned or used property.

- b. All storage, service and maintenance areas when visible from adjoining residentially zoned or used land shall be screened in accordance with the requirements set forth in Section 16.06
- 3. Public and private elementary, middle and high schools, subject to the following conditions:

 a. The minimum lot area shall be ten (10) acres
 - for elementary schools, twenty (20) acres for middle schools, and forty (40) acres for
 - Off-street waiting space shall be available for drop off and pick up of students by school buses and private automobiles outside of the right-of-way of any public street.
 - minimum fifty (50) foot setback shall be required between the principal structure and any adjacent residentially zoned or used propertv.
- 4. Public utility buildings, such as telephone exchange buildings, electronic transformer stations and sub-stations, gas regulator stations, and similar uses, but excluding storage yards, and only to serve the immediate vicinity as determined by
- the Planning Commission.

 5. One-family detached dwellings provided such use is restricted to caretaker quarters of public facili-

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

- Community Recreation Centers, subject to the following conditions:
- The site shall have direct accessibility to a payed public road.
- A minimum one hundred (100) foot setback shall be required between the principal structure and any adjacent residentially zoned or
- used property.

 2. Public works and maintenance facilities, subject to the following:
 - The site shall have direct access to a paved
 - A minimum of one hundred (100) foot setback shall be required between any mainte-nance buildings and/or yard area and adjacent residentially zoned or used property.
 - All storage, service and maintenance areas when visible from adjoining residentially zoned or used land shall be screened in accordance with the requirements set forth in Section
- 3. Public utility buildings, such as telephone exchange buildings, electronic transformer stations and sub-stations, gas regulator stations, and similar uses, but excluding storage yards, when intended to service customers beyond the immediate vicinity as determined by the Township Board, subject to the applicant demonstrating both of the following:
 - Operating requirements necessitate locating within the district.
 - No property where the use is already permitted as of right can be utilized for such use.
- Colleges, universities and other such institutions of higher learning, both public and private, offer ing courses in general, technical, or religious education, all subject to the following conditions:
- The minimum site area shall be forth (40)
- All ingress and egress from said site shall be directly on to a major thoroughfare as so designated on the Thoroughfare Plan of the Springfield Township Master Plan.
- No building shall be closer than one hundred (100) feet to any property line
- Public and private nursery and kindergarten schools, subject to the following conditions. The subject parcel shall have the minimum lot area, width and setback requirements for
 - the zoning district in which it is located. The property shall be maintained in a manner that is consistent with the character of the
 - neighborhood. Off-street waiting space shall be available for drop off and pick up of students by school buses and private automobiles outside the
 - right-of-way of any public street.

 There shall be an outdoor play area of at least five thousand (5000) square feet provided on the premises. Said play area shall not be

- located within the front yard setback. This requirement may be waived by the Planning
 Commission if a public play area is within 500
- feet of the subject parcel.

 All outdoor play areas shall be enclosed by a fence that is designed to discourage climbing, and is at least four (4) feet in height, but no higher than six (6) feet.
- Airports, aircraft landing strips and heliports may be permitted in the R-1-A District where accessory to the residential use of a parcel and for the exclusive use of the owners, subject to the following conditions:
 - All Michigan Aeronautics Commission and Federal Aviation Administration requirements shall be met.
 - b. Existing residential density within a one (1) mile radius shall not exceed one (1) dwelling unit per five (5) acres of gross area
 - All buildings and all areas for the storage of aircraft shall be set back at least five hundred (500) feet from all property lines.
 - The Commission shall find that the proposed use will not significantly change the character of the neighborhood or unreasonably reduce the value of nearby property.
 - The establishment of an airport, aircraft landing strip or heliport, shall not in any way conflict or overlap with flight patterns and approach areas of any other airport or landing

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

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

Subsection 6.02.14, of Section 6.02 - Principal Uses Permitted Subject to Special Conditions, of Article VI - R-1, R-2, R-3 and R-1-A One-Family Residential Districts, is hereby deleted.

Subsection 6.02.16, of Section 6.02 - Principal Uses Permitted Subject to Special Conditions, of Article VI - R-1, R-2, R-3 and R-1-A One-Family Residential Districts, is hereby amended to read as follows:

- Equestrian facilities in the R-1-A District only, subject to the provisions of Section 16.22.6. Subsections 3, 4 and 8 of Section 16.22, Maintenance of Animals, of Article XVI, General Provisions, are hereby amended to read as follows:
 - Type II Animals may be maintained in the RC, PR, R-1, R-2, R-3, and R-1-A Districts, subject
 - to the following conditions:

 a. A minimum lot area of four (4) acres
 - One (1) Type II Animal shall be permitted for the first four (4) acres and one (1) additional animal for each one (1) acre in excess of four (4) acres.
 - III animals may be maintained in the RC, PR. R-1, R-2, R-3 and R-1-A Districts, subject to the following conditions:
 - A minimum lot area of one and one-half (1.5)
 - One (1) Type III animal shall be permitted for

the first one and one-half (1.5) acres and one (1) additional animal for each one-quarter (.25) acre in excess of one and one-half (1.5) acres

- 8. Equestrian facilities, where permitted, shall be subject to the following conditions:

 a. The minimum site area shall be ten (10) acres.
 - Outdoor pens, corrals, riding rings and/or arenas shall be located no nearer than fifty (50) feet from any property line, or at least one hundred (100) feet from existing schools. churches, or residentially-zoned or used prop-
 - Permanent lighting and use of outdoor sound producing equipment shall meet the provisions of Section 17.08 and 17.03 respectively of the Township's Zoning Ordinance. The use of additional event lighting shall be temporary. The use of temporary event lighting shall only be allowed between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m. In addition to the provisions above, sound-producing equipment, including but not limited to public address systems, radios, phonographs, musical in-struments and recording devices, shall not be operated outdoors on the premises so as to be unreasonably loud or raucous, or so to be a nuisance or disturbance to the peace and tranquility of the citizens of the Township. The use of sound producing equipment shall only be allowed between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 11:00 p.m.
 - Events held outdoors, in whole or in part, at such a facility and that is open to participants beyond those who board or train at the facility are only allowed if specifically permitted by the Township.
 - e. Where trail riding is provided on the premises, or off the premises on land also owned by the same party, the conditions enumerated in Section 5.02.3 and 18.08 shall govern. Where riding is intended on property other than the applicant's, the applicant shall submit proof of permission to use property other than the applicant's. Where riding is intended within or across a public road right-of-way, the Town-ship shall review the location and approve same to maximize safety to both riders, motorists, and others using the public road rightof-way.
 - Off-street parking, loading and unloading shall be provided in accordance with the standards set forth in Section 16.02, except that the requirements for hard-surfacing may be
 - waived by the Township.

 h. All storage, service and maintenance areas when visible from adjoining residentially zoned or used land shall be screened in accordance with the requirements set forth in Section 16.06
 - One single-family dwelling, occupied by the owner or manager of the equestrian facility, will be considered customary and incidental

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

Screening Required on These Land Uses:	When Contiguous with These Land Uses:											
	1. One Family Detached Dwellings	2. Recreation, Public Utilities and Similar Uses	 Two-Family and Cluster Residential Dwellings 	4. Educational Facilities and Similar Uses	5. Offices and Similar Uses	6. Multi-Family, Group Living and Similar Uses	7. General Commercial and Similar Uses	8. Parking	9. High-Intensity Commercial and Similar Uses	10. Public Utility Facilities	11. Light Industrial and Similar Uses	12. Heavy Industrial and Similar Uses
1. One-Family Detached Dwellings												
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4. Educational Facilities and Similar Uses Colleges and universities Elementary, middle & high schools Nursery & kindergarten schools Group & family day care homes Day care centers Community recreation centers Athletic fields Public libraries, museums & government offices Public safety facilities Churches	1 or 2	1	1 or 2			1			52.0			
5. Office and Similar Uses Office buildings & related uses Offices for personal business services Medical & dental offices Data processing & computer centers Office-type research/technical training Mortuaries	1 or 2	or 2	or 2	1								
6. Multi-Family, Group Living and Similar Uses Multiple-family dwellings Nursing homes Adult foster care & congregate living Mobile home parks General Hospitals	2	or 2	i or 2	1 or 2	or 2							
7. General Commercial and Similar Uses Retail businesses Personal service shops Restaurants' (except drive-ins) Clubs Self-storage facilities Veterinary offices, clinics and kennels Motels and hotels Campgrounds Airports, aircraft landing strips, heliports Automobile sales & service, offices & showroom Open air businesses Commercial dog kennels Special events facilities Storage, service and maintenance areas	2 or 3	1 or 2	2	2	1	1 or 2						
8. Parking Off-street parking Off-street loading	2, 3 or 4	2 or 3	2 or 3	1 or 2	1	or 2	1					
Parking garages 9. High-Intensity Commercial and Similar Uses Automobile repair facility — minor Automobile repair facility — major Automobile filling/convenience station Automobile filling/mixed use station Automobile wash buildings Automobile towing service station Automobile towing service Bus passenger station Businesses of a drive-in nature (excluding outdoor theaters) Commercial outdoor recreation Bowling alleys, similar commercial indoor recreation Adult bookstores, theaters, motels, personal business/cabarets Large-scale retail development	3 or 4		3 or 4	3 or 4	2 or 3	or	l or 2	1				
Public Utility Facilities Utility & public service facilities (excluding storage yards) Wireless communication facilities	3 01 4	or	3 or 4		- 1	or	2 or 3	1 or 2	1			

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

	MIN. L	OT SIZE		MAX. HEIGHT Without With Basement Basement		MIN. YARD SETBACK (FT.) SIDES				MAX.% OF LOT AREA COVERED BY ALL BLDGS.
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SECTION TWO - SEVERABILITY

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

SECTION THREE - REPEALER

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

SECTION FOUR—EFFECTIVE DATE

These Ordinance amendments shall take effect seven (7) days after publication of Notice of Adoption. These

ordinance amendments shall be published in the manner provided by law.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that the complete text of Zoning Ordinance No. 26 and zoning map and documents

related to the proposed amendments may be examined at the Springfield Township Clerk's Office, 12000 Davisburg Rd., Davisburg, MI 48350 during regular office hours. Written comments may be submitted to the Springfield Township Clerk up until the time of the Second Reading. Those persons needing a special accommodation should contact the Clerk's Office at least two (2) business days in advance. 248-846-6510. NANCY STROLE, Clerk

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NOTICE IS HEREBY given that on 12/21/07 at 10:30am the following will be sold by competitive bidding at National Storage Center, 1007 Brown Rd., Orion, MI. Space Number 662, Eddie Lorahousehold items, recreational items, misc. goods. Space Number 313, Andrew Slone- household items, recreational items. Space Number 725, Shawna Mallett- household goods, misc. goods. Space Number 203, Jack Dowell- household items, recreational items, misc. goods.

SALE OF DEFAULT UNITS Wednesday, December 12, 2007, 10am, Lake Orion Self Storage Center Inc., 180 W. Church St., Lake Orion, MI 48382, 100 yards East of Lapeer Rd. (M-24) 248-814-8140

Unit #50012- Jodi Reetz: couch, mattress and box springs, bed frame, mower, dryer and more!
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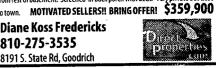
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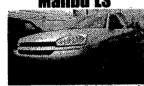
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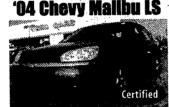
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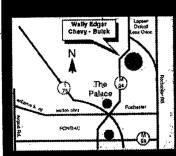
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The Springfield Township Board of Trustees unanimously adopted the township's 2008 budget Nov. 8. Following are predicted revenues and expenditures for the coming year.

General Fund Revenues \$1,934,550 Expenditures \$1,933,950 Police Fund

Revenues \$1,447,000 Expenditures \$1,447,000 **Fire Fund**

Revenues \$809,700 Expenditures \$809,200 Parks and Recreation Fund

Revenues \$590,389
Expenditures \$590,389

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Civic Center Debt Fund

Revenues \$365,000 Expenditures \$362,100

Softwater Lake Improvement Fund Revenues \$252,000

Expenditures \$232,5000
Softwater Sewer S.A.D. Capitol
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Revenues \$105,400 Expenditures \$130,500 **Building Department Fund** Revenues \$101,950

Expenditures \$90,200

– Laura Colvin

Louis William Lessard, Sr.,

Louis William Lessard, Sr., former resident of Clarkston, age 86, died at his East Lansing home on Nov. 8.

Born in Pontiac, he was the son of Catherine McKeown of Kinkora, Perth Co., Ontario, and William Joseph Lessard of Hayward, Wisc.

He is survived by his wife of 60 years, Marian (Kaul), and four children, Catherine (Vytautas) Virskus of Mason, Dr. Louis William Lessard Jr. (Alicia Jones) of East Lansing, Dr. Joseph G. Lessard (Luann Wieber) of Traverse City, and Judith Lessard of Mason. He is survived by 10 grandchildren, one great-grandchild, and numerous nieces and nephews.

The family also grieves the loss of Marian's brother, Vernell Kaul of Clarkston, who followed Louis in death several hours later on Nov. 8. Louis was preceded in death by his parents, and brothers, Jack and Robert, and sisters, Francis (Olsen), Margaret (Kitzman), and Luella (Kitzman).

Mr. Lessard grew up in Pontiac and worked while attending school to help his family survive the Great Depression. He graduated from St. Frederick's Catholic High School in 1938 and joined the Civilian Conservation Corps.

He volunteered to join the Army Air Corps during World War II, where he excelled at aerial gunnery training and was first in his class in Bombardier School. He and his crew flew B-24 Liberators out of Manduria, Italy, as part of the 450th Bomb Group, participating in numerous dangerous combat missions.

After a promotion, 1st Lieutenant Lessard spent the next year as a telephone and telegraph officer in the 450th Signal Corps Construction Battalion in Bari, Italy. During this time, he was in command of soldiers responsible for repairing communications equipment damaged or destroyed by the enemy.

Mr. Lessard returned to Pontiac in August 1945. He resumed employment with Michigan Bell Telephone while attending the



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Detroit Institute of Technology, where he earned an engineering degree in 1946. Louis worked for MI Bell for 42 years and retired in July, 1982.

Mr. Lessard married Marian Arlene Kaul of Pontiac June

28, 1947. Louis built the home in Clarkston where they raised their family and resided for 32 years (1953 - 1985). The Lessards were members of Our Lady of the Lakes Catholic Church in Waterford, where Louis was a member of the ushers club and St. Vincent de Paul. He was also a member of the Elks Club in Pontiac and the Clarkston Rotary Club, serving as president in 1968 - 1969. Mr. Lessard was a lifetime member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Mr. Lessard enjoyed close friendships with many Clarkston residents, including the "Hale Open" golf group. In the 1970s, Lou and Marian and a group of Clarkston friends built condos on Marco Island, Fla. The Lessards also jointly purchased a home with their daughter and son-in-law on Lake Charlevoix in East Jordan, enjoying both residences during their retirement years. Many memorable family get-togethers took place at "the cottage." The Lessards enjoyed spending time with family and friends, golf outings and world travel.

Funeral Mass was Nov. 24 at St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church in East Lansing. He is interred at White Chapel Cemetery in Troy, Michigan.

Mr. Lessard's family is deeply grateful to his physicians, nurses and medical eaff, as well as those at Heartland Hospice for their kind and compassionate care. In lieu of flowers, a memorial may be made to Heartland Hospice, 865 South Cedar, Mason, Mr. 3854. The family is being served by the Gorsline-Runciman Funeral Homes, East Lansing.

Guido A. 'Bill' Rizzuto

Guido A. "Bill" Rizzuto of Clarkson passed away Nov. 28 at the age of 86.

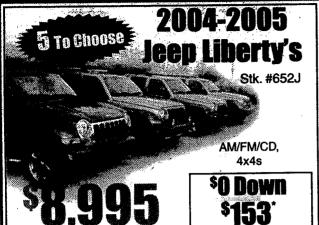
He was the loving father of Suzanne (Dennis) Storrs of Goodrich and Diane (Arthur) Couture of Lake Orion; long time companion of Laurene Caswell; grandfather of Nicole (Ben) Sanchez, Andrew Storrs, Danielle Couture, and the late Derek Storrs; great grandfather of Jessica, Hannah, and Madison; and brother of James (Margaret) Rizzuto of Waterford.

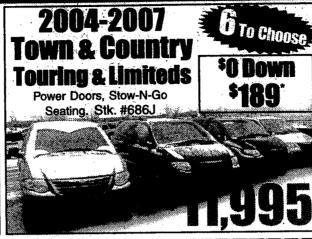
Mr. Rizzuto retired from the U.S. Postal Service after 30 years of service. He was employed with Pontiac State Bank. He served in the U.S. Air Force during WWII.

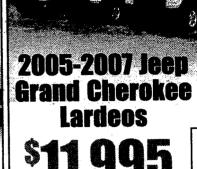
Funeral Mass was Dec. 1, at Our Lady of the Lakes Catholic Church, Waterford Parish Rosary was Nov. 30 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston. Rite of Committal Mt. Hope Cemetery, Pontiac

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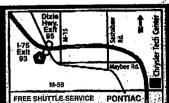
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