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Power Saver School energy program saves almost \$700,000

BY PHIL CUSTODIO Clarkston News Editor

Gary Soggs wasn't particularly popular at Clarkston Community Schools when he was

hired in 2005. He made teachers and staff give up portable heaters and refrigerators, turn off lights, and comply with tight scheduling of after-

school activities. But with energy savings of \$674,991 over the past two years, people have come around.

"At first, there were some rough waters," said Soggs, energy savings manager with Clarkston's Facilities Department. "It was hard for people to make some of these changes. But when they started seeing the savings in utility bills, that turned the tide."

"The program has been pretty successful," said Superintendent Dr. Al Roberts. "Garv is an enthusiastic energy saver."

Soggs, 33, has been a licensed electrician since 1996, working in the automotive indus-

try in Detroit and school facilities in Bloomfield. He is earning his Bachelor of Science degree in Industrial Technology at Baker College.

When he interviewed for the Clarkston position at a local job fair, he was already familiar with the area.

"I was impressed with the new buildings and the look of Clarkston's schools," said Soggs, who lives in Brandon Township with his wife, Beth Soggs.

"I was overwhelmed at first. I knew the possibilities were there, but I didn't know we'd make the savings we did. It's impressive."

Gary Soggs and the rest of facilities, led by Wes Goodman, also upgraded parking lot lights and programming, and installing automatic controls for interior lights, heat, air conditioning, and other machines, most funded by a \$78-million capital-improvement millage *Please see Projects on page8A*



Gary Soggs, Clarkston Community Schools energy savings manager, points out an automatic light control panel in a maintenance room of Clarkston Junior High School. *Photo by Phil Custodio*

Strole joins ranks of local retirees

BY LAURA COLVIN

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Come late November, newly-retired Nancy Strole and her husband Wayne will climb aboard a shiny new RV and motor south to spend Thanksgiving with family in Georgia.

After serving 20 years in township government—the latter 16 as Springfield Township Clerk, Strole announced this week she will not seek reelection in November.

Strole was first elected in 1988 and served four years as Springfield Township trustee before winning a bid for clerk in 1992.

Making the choice to retire didn't come easy, she said.

"I've been wrestling with the decision since the last election, especially during the last few weeks," Strole said. "But ultimately knowing there was only one choice."

Strole's decision comes just two weeks after longtime Springfield Township Supervisor Collin Walls announced his intention to retire in November after serving 32 years on the township board.

Strole considered staying on as clerk for another year to help smooth the transition when Walls steps down, but eventually decided against the idea.

"It wouldn't be fair to Wayne," she said, explaining with a giggle that her husband has been patiently "hanging around" waiting for her to retire so the two can enjoy the RV they bought after years of planning.

As she prepares her exit, Strole explained that given a choice, her ideal candidate for clerk would posses several characteristics: a vision for Springfield Township, a "real commitment" to the community, and the motivation to act.

"Residents have a right to expect that whoever is on the board has a vision and clearly shares it," she said. "It may be a vision different than mine, and that's ok, just so long as they clearly share it so residents can judge whether (the candidate's vision) is their vision," too.

"You wouldn't want another me," she said. "It's a different time. The person who succeeds me will bring their own talents and vision."

Over the years, a large part of Strole's vision for Springfield Township was, and continues to be, preservation of the area's natural resources, and her participation in conserva-*Please see Community on page 17A*

City budget 'not going the right way'

Time for spring?

Spring isn't here yet, but it's time to spring forward anyway. Set your clocks ahead one hour Saturday night

for daylight savings time.

BY LAURA COLVIN

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Impending sidewalk repairs and a sharp increase in police department operating expenses left Clarkston officials without an alternative as they dipped nearly \$4,600 from the city's rainy day fund to balance the budget mid-year.

A large part of the increase granted Mon., Feb 25 by the city council stemmed from a request made by Police Chief Dale LaCroix, who in January said a boost in spending was necessary to keep the department operating effectively.

The chief asked for about \$23,000 in added funds to cover expansion of overtime hours due to criminal cases and court hearings, as well as vacation time, training days and an increase in gasoline prices and vehicle maintenance.

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You're so silly!

Tira Lewandowski, a first grader at Pine Knob Elementary, had fun--and got a little silly--while she was helping her parents last week at Party Starters, the family's Independence Township business. *Photo by Laura Colvin*

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Briefly . . . Help needed for Burke family

Friends and family of Dan Burke are collecting donations for treatment of a serious brain condition.

Burke, car salesman at Bowman Chevrolet for more than six years, and his wife, Melissa, have a young son, Tanner, and a baby on the way.

He is undergoing a series of procedures and operations to help stabalize the birth defect in his brain. Arterio-Venous Malformation. AVM is rare, hard to detect, and gives few warning signs. Friends can track his progress and write him notes of encouragement at www.caringbridge.org/visit/danburke. Donations for Dan Burke and his family can be given to: The Dan Burke Recovery Fund at Clarkston State Bank, 15 South Main St., Clarkston, 48346 Hours are Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; Saturday, 9 a.m.-12 p.m. Call 248-625-8585.

Parks group meets March 9

Springfield Township Parks and Recreation is forming Friends of the Springfield Township Parks.

An information meeting is set for 2 p.m., Sunday, March 9, at 8684 Sunset Cove Drive.

For more information, call Parks and Rec at 248-846-6558.

10-year reunion info needed

Clarkston High School's Class of 1999 is preparing for its 10-year reunion. Alumni interested in participating and/ or attending should e-mail ClarkstonSeniors1999@gmail.com and provide contact information.

Correction

The story "Safety path coming too slowly," Feb. 27 edition, should have stated the amount of money for safety paths each year is \$600,000 per year.

Mother alive due to quick thinking

BY TREVOR KEISER Clarkston News Staff Writer

For a person in cardiac arrest, each minute means 7-10 percent less chance of revival.

When Alice Keller of Birmingham suffered a heart attack, help came within seconds.

Independence Township Fire Department awarded residents Kim Arcobello, Judy Hoddinott, Greg Poulin, Loriann Dickerson, and Becky Laney for their life-saving response at a Feb. 26 ceremony.

Keller said she will be "eternally grateful," to those who worked to save her life, so that she could return home to her daughters Ann, 17, and Megan, 15, and to her husband of 22 years, Mark.

"I felt a special bond, I feel like I'm their little project that did well," she said. "It's just really neat to meet them (at the awards ceremony) and for them to see my girls."

On the morning of Oct. 26, 2007, Keller was playing tennis at Deer Lake Racquet Club in one of her first matches after surgery to repair a heart valve. During the game, Keller collapsed on the floor and went into cardiac arrest.

Arcobello, personal trainer at the club, was playing tennis a couple courts over and saw



Back row: Ross Green, David Karakuc, Bob Cesario, Gary Sharp, and Greg Poulin. Front: Alice Keller, Judy Hoddinott, Kim Arcobello. (not pictured) Loriann Dickerson, and Becky Laney. *Photo by Trevor Keiser*

Keller fall to the ground.

"When I heard someone say 'call 911 she has a heart condition,' I ran and grabbed the AED (Automated External Defibrillator), just to have it," she said.

Arcobello said she found Keller unresponsive in her partner's lap, so she and her friend, Laney, started to administer CPR. Poulin, a lifeguard at the club, and registered nurse Judy Hoddinott, who had been in the workout room, arrived to take over CPR as well as administer a shock from the defibrillator.

"We all stayed calm and just tried to do everything that we could do, within our power to do," said Arcobello. "I think it all worked out and I think that the right people were in the right place at the right time."

Within three minutes, Independence Township Fire Department EMS arrived on the scene. "Time is so much in the essence in these situations," said Bob Cesario, EMS coordinator. "Sometimes seconds and minutes make a huge difference."

Cesario said arriving in three minutes was atypical.

"Sometimes it takes a few minutes for us generally to receive the alarm and look up the addresses and all that stuff," he said. "Because it was a familiar place, we had just pulled into the station from another call, so it wasn't even an issue of getting to the trucks. We were able to pull out immediately and respond."

Quick response is critical to the American Heart Association's "chain of survival," said Cesario.

The chain includes four elements: early recognition, early call for help, early CPR with Please see Lifesavers on page 4A

Hawthorne lobbies federal government



Elizabeth Hawthorne sits down with U.S. Congressman Mike Rogers to discuss ways to treat osteoporosis. *Photo submitted*

Miss Teen Michigan meets with Rogers to share platform

BY TREVOR KEISER

Clarkston News Staff Writer Elizabeth Hawthorne, Miss Michigan Teen USA, met with Congressman Mike Rogers, rep-

resentative of the 8th district to talk with him about her platform of Osteoporosis. "I told him about my story and why I started

to get involved in the National Osteoporosis Foundation," said Hawthorne, Independence Township resident and junior at Clarkston High School.

"He was really cool. I thought he was a very nice person and I can definitely see why *Please see Teen on page 4A* A 4 Wed., March 5, 2008 The Clarkston (MI) News



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Bonnie Valuet, sales associate with CENTURY 21 Today, was named the year's top producing sales associate for all six CENTURY 21 Today offices. Bonnie has 28½ years of experience in the real estate industry. Bonnie is the topsellin agent in the Clarkston, Waterford, Brandon, Orion, Oxford, Holly and Groveland areas.

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he is our representative, he is very easygoing and relaxed."

Rogers, who serves on the healthcare subcommittee is currently working on pain care management, which deals with osteoporosis as well as other diseases. He is also working on a bipartisan bill to bring medicine into the

21st century through Health Information Technology.

"I think she is going to be a great advocate for not only those who have osteoporosis, but for those who have a family member who has it," he said.

"She is very bright, very talented, well spoken and passionate about it. It's great for the state as Miss Teen Michigan, but also she's



Rep. Mike Rogers meets with Elizabeth Hawthorne.

taken on the mantle to make it her charge to raise awareness for osteoporosis. It's going to be a great outcome," he said.

"I think she is a great spokesman for this and can make a significant impact."

Hawthorne was also officially named the National Osteoporosis Foundation Teen Ambassador on Saturday, March, 1.

"It was exciting," said Hawthorne.

Lifesavers honored by township firefighters

Continued from page 3A defibrillation, and early EMS.

"Those four elements have completely to do with those first 5-10 minutes. If one of those links is removed, than the odds of survival drop off dramatically, to the point where most of these people die," he said. "Had these people not acted the way they did and respond the way they did, we might not have had the chance to make a difference in Alice's life."

Hoddinott said she was very impressed by Independence Township EMS.

"The paramedics were kind, quiet, quick and effective, so they didn't horriblize the situation, they just moved quickly, we all got out of the way, they got in there, and got her out, which is what you need to do."

Keller later found out a blockage in one of her arteries led to the cardiac arrest. In her 20s, she was told she had a heart murmur. In her 30s, doctors listened to her heart, but she never went to a cardiologist. Two years ago, doctors realized things had gotten worse and surgery was needed.

"They know now that it's better to operate when you're healthy, than to let it progress until you're really not well," she said. "They want to get in there and do it sooner than later."

Keller is going through Cardiac rehab, but hopes to get back to skiing in the winter and tennis when it's warmer. She said it's a matter of learning what's good for her heart and how much stress her heart can take. She also has an internal defibrillator now in case something happens again.

"I think everyone that was involved reacted and responded great. I think we did everything we could to help her and it was a team effort basically," said Poulin. "It was a bad situation, but we all took something good out of it, we all had experience working with her, but I am just glad she's ok and now she's doing well."

Even as Keller begins to feel more normal everyday, when she looks back at the situation, she finds it to be "humbling," she said.

"It's amazing to see someone so close to death and then you do something to intervene that allows them to stay alive, it's a wonderful thing," said Keller. "I feel like life is precious that's for sure. You don't know what your futures going to hold, so you've just got to love the time you're in."



Devin Spalding makes his move in his chess game with Lucas Dishon.

Chess champs set for tournament

BYLAURENHALULA

Clarkston News Intern Writer

Strategists in Springfield Plains Elementary's Chess Club are set to compete for school championship Thursday, March 6. Last year's winner, fifth-grader Andrew

Datrymple, will defend his title.

The kids must know how to play in order to join the club. Most said they learned how to play from their parents.

"My dad taught me how to play after teaching me checkers," said third-grader Devin Spalding.

The club has one undefeated champion so far this year. T.J. Andree, fifth grade, has a record of 8-0. Andree likes the game of chess because it takes a lot of strategy and puts his mind to the test.

Brian Gill, fourth grade, likes to "make sense of what your opponent is going to do and why. That's what chess is all about."

Grades 1-5 are allowed to join. Kathy Schlaff usually pairs up the kids according to their grade. But, sometimes she likes to put older and younger kids together.

"It's a good way for the younger children to develop their skills," she said. "It's a good after school activity for kids who don't like to play sports. "

Schlaff has been running the chess club for three years. It runs for eight weeks, January-March.



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John Schlaff's strategy seems to have caught Andrew Dalrymple by surprise.



T.J. Andree and Brian Gill concentrate on their game. Photos by Lauren Halula







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Out loud

A column by Laura Colvin

The great Mills Mall Brawl of '81

Nothing says Clarkston like a trip through The Clarkston News archives. The archives are informative,

interesting and often provide a historical perspective

on many of the issues you read about in these pages today.

The archives are also a source of amusement—I've seen many of you sporting plaid pants, big 80s hair and even bigger 60s hair.

But my latest favorite discovery it's a treasure trove in there, really—is the lead story in the June 17, 1981 edition.

It's headlined "Vandals wreak havoc in Clarkston,' and it begins like this: "As schools close for the summer and malicious activity at the Clarkston Mills Mall increases, merchants gear up to face the onslaught of thievery, vandalism and pranks."

Hazy television images of Detroit, 1967 begin to form in my head.

I continue reading anyway.

"Every day, business owners are haunted by returning bands of junior high students who verbally abuse storeowners and apparently take a perverse delight in destruction."

What?? Returning bands? Perverse delight?

In downtown Clarkston? Anybody want to tell me what the

heck was going on around here? For those of you who weren't around these parts during the Great Mills Mall Brawl of '81, I'll continue on with the story, painful as it is.

Imagine, if you will, prepubescent humans racing bikes from one end of the mall to the other while seedy accomplices spew vulgar language and burn holes in yellow cushions and macramé wall hangings.

"I've had a boy let a pigeon loose in my store," one business owner told *The Clarkston News.* "They eat submarine sandwiches in the mall and throw pieces of lettuce, tomatoes and *Please see Teens on page 10A*



Expand recycling effort

Dear Editor,

My name is Mary Smith and I live here in Springfield Township. I am taking a class at OCC called American

Government. My assignment is a political input exercise.

I must pick an issue

that concerns me and see if I can input my concern and address five different sources. I don't necessarily have to have my concern become a reality; just need to voice a concern and see if anyone else has the same concern with any negative or positive feedback.

My concern is for those of us who live in Springfield Township, who are not legally supposed to take any acceptable recycled products to the Independence Township. Recycle Center.

The only time we can use this recycle center is at the once a year "Spring Clean up Day" event. I think it is a discouragement to store items to be recycled in your garage for a year, so are more apt to throw recyclables away than wait.

Wouldn't it be nice to have a similar recycle center in Springfield Township?

The waste company I use has curbside recycling and only picks up glass, tin cans, newspaper (no glossy ads), and plastic #1 and #2. There are quite a few more items that can be recycled.

At the Independence Township Recycle Center, they accept used antifreeze, used motor oil, batteries (except alkaline), mixed recyclables such as: green and brown glass, corrugated cardboard (flattened), tires, and brush. This service is free to residents.

I am happily aware that there is a Paper Retriever bin at the Springfield Township Library. I have used it many times and it is

nice to see it being used by other Springfield Township residents.

For those of you who do not know what a Paper Retriever bin is,

Letters to the editor dumpster used to put your unwanted

magazines, shopping catalogs, newspaper with glossy inserts, office paper, school papers, and mail in for recycling.

The library receives a check from Paper Retriever per ton of paper. It is a great, local fundraising program.

Royal Oak Recycling has now a second location in White Lake and they have a contract with Abitibi, the company that operates the Paper Retriever fundraising program.

Royal Oak Recycling is a recycle facility that will pay cash by the ton, for many other recycled items as well. I'm suggesting that the Springfield Township offices have a contract with Royal Oak Recycling facility and they will pay cash for our recycled items.

So it shouldn't cost a lot of money for this service to be able to our community. In fact, the money generated could be used for any related recycling issues.

I have contacted Collin Walls, our superintendent at Springfield Township and he feels there is no interest in our community for a recycle facility like they have in Independence Township.

I wonder, is this true?

Here's where you come in. Please take a moment to give me any positive or negative feedback you might have. Thanks for listening.

Mary Smith Springfield Township

A Look Back From The CNews archives

15 years ago - 1993

"Siren to sound again, thanks to donation" Independence Township donated a old emergency siren to the Clarkston Community Historical Society, for use by the City of the Village of Clarkston. Volunteers wanted to restore the siren so it would sound at noon, as was tradition.

"Residents vent frustration over roads, snow" Residents of a local subdivision complained to the township about cracked roads and snow removal. Township officials said they would help, but would charge residents for the services.

"Local boxer to fight Olympic champion" Clarkston High School grad Mike Grable was training to take on Oscar de La Hoya in New York. Grable was the 12th ranked lightweight boxer in North America.

25 years ago - 1983

"Tight rein for 1983's cleanup" Independence Township planned a cleanup campaign, but vowed to avoid the problems of the year before. The 1982 cleanup resulted in out-of-control piles of garbage costing about \$16,000 to clean up. Officials wanted to consolidate the cleanup to one site, and require proof of township residence.

"Village of Clarkston 1983 election" Candidates were campaigning for a March election to village council. Fontie ApMadoc, John Bisha, Carol Eberhardt, David Raup, and James Schultz were running for trustee seats on the council.

"Waterford track moves into a troubled 1983" Waterford Hills Race Track was negotiating with neighbors and township officials about noise. They hoped a berm would solve the problem.

50 years ago - 1958

"Caribou Inn gutted by fire Tuesday" A little after 7 a.m., Tuesday, Match 4, a fire was reported to the Clarkston Fire Department. Caribou Inn, one of the older inns in the state, was on fire. Located at the corner of Washington and Main streets, firefighters broke a hole in the ice on Mill Pond to fight the blaze. In earlier days, the inn had served travelers who came by horse and buggy, and later as a rooming house.

"P.T.A. to hear special speaker" Clarkston Elementary invited Dr. Wallace Watt, consultant of Mental Health Education for Michigan Health Department. He was to talk about "Age and Stages of Children's Growth."

Firefighters do good work

Dear Editor,

Last evening, *The Clarkston News* covered the story of a successful cardiac resuscitation, which occurred last October at the Deer Lake Athletic Club.

I believe, in general, the performance of the Independence Township Fire Department and Emergency staff is overlooked. Our initial emergency response was quickly and efficiently completed by the EMS team, with the end result of a mother being returned to her family.

This is the second time I have interacted

with the Fire Department, and on both occasions I was impressed by their proficiency.

Reflecting o n my experience as an ER nurse dating back to 1975 and recalling the efforts of other communitys' EMS teams, I cannot say I've seen this level of commitment and skill elsewhere.

I truly appreciate their presence in our community.

Sincerely,

Judy Hoddinott Independence Township



Local economy moving forward

We've all heard it, read it and heck, probably said it. What is "it?"

"It" is the state of the economy. In a word, "it" sucks. For the past year I have heard from folks in our office,

from our readers and from our business partners that times are hard. I'll admit, it is hard to dispute that conclusion when using logical equations with variables of higher energy costs, higher food costs, fewer automotive-related jobs, more home foreclosures and charitable need. Were I not an optimist (small "o"), I would say things are mighty dim. Were I pessimistic, I would cry, "woe is me," whilst crying in my beer.

But, I am an optimist (small "o") and don't drink beer anymore, so I couldn't cry in it if I wanted to. I'll go on

record and state, I think sometimes folks in these parts use the tighter economy as **Don't** an excuse for non-action -- a reason not Rush Me to succeed. I am not blind, I see all the area homes for sale. I curse at no one in particular and everyone at the same time when I gas-up my pickup.

"Schmackin' Frackin Gaskin!"

However, I also see pulling in and out of area driveways many newer vehicles, many of these the expensive to own and operate kind. I also see plenty of cars in the parking lots of area restaurants and a column by grocery stores. I see new businesses Don Rush opening in our communities.

So, I draw the conclusion, using my own logic, that things ain't as bad as they seem. Things may be tighter, but folks in these parts are still eating, driving, buying, getting haircuts, fake and bake tans and medical attention.

We publish Total Market Coverage (TMC) products in the immediate area (the Ad-Vertiser in Oxford, Orion and Addison; the Penny Stretcher in the Clarkston area and The Citizen in the Ortonville-Goodrich area) and just last week we got notice from the United States Postal Service that we needed to increase our press runs.

You read it right, *increase*. We were as incredulous as you are now -- come on, we just ran stories from the school district stating the kid count was down, people are fleeing the state -- how could we need to mail out more papers? We questioned, they checked and guess what -- we are printing and mailing out more, not less papers than last year.

The thing is, I guess, locally at least the economy is

moving. I don't know about up north or down south, but right here, things are still going forward. And, if the rest of the state is going south, then us moving forward is really a good thing.

What can we do to keep the ball rolling? For one, don't give up. Something else we can do is shop and use local services. Support businesses that pay local taxes (and donate to local charities and to every student endeavor that comes their way). Keep the cash in the community. Support your neighbor and his/her business.

In the Feb/March issue of BusinessWeek's Small Biz magazine, Deputy Editor Susan Price wrote an editorial that caught my eye.

Make Lemonade

Finding Opportunity In Troubled Times

"With rising energy costs, falling housing prices, a jittery stock market and an anemic dollar, the economy certainly has seen better days," she wrote. "Well before economists and the media started whispering about a possible recession, entrepreneurs were on it. That's not to say they shuttered their warehouses or crossed their fingers and hoped the storm would quickly pass. By nature, entrepreneurs seek opportunities, no matter the climate

As I read Susan's words, another thought that had been bangin' around in my Neanderthal-like noggin was starting to take solid form. I picked up my Neanderthal-draggin' knuckles from the floor, dusted off the salt-residue brought in from the driveway and wrote a note to myself. (Urggrl Neanderthal Don need help remembering grumphfl.)

"Rugged individualism. Entrepreneurial spirit of thems in Michigan 100 years ago put us on the world's map. Have we too long been good, little workers? Has living through generations of being comfortable made us expect handouts? Dad said, 'it's a big, bad bear out there and nobody owes you anything." And then I scribbled, "When you are given lemons, make lemonade. Is that too risky?" Maybe.

Or, maybe each of us can wake-up our own inner entrepreneur. Maybe if homes are not selling, those with homes for sale can lease or rent rooms. Maybe realtors can offer services for fighting property taxes at local boards of review (providing comparative home values for property owners to show why their taxes should not go up). Look for opportunity then act.

Got'any ideas, let us know. Know of a biz start up, let us know. E-mail me, dontrushmedon@charter.net

Speak out in defense of township

Dear Editor.

It's time for people to speak up on what's happening in our township.

Neil Wallace (page 6A, Feb. 20 edition) starts out by trashing Dave Wagner, our supervisor, who has cut expenses from what the previous supervisor was spending, and ended with a surplus last year. He also rolled back the millage on our property taxes.

Neil then trashes Sam Moraco, the new chairman of the Planning Commission, who with our building director built a new senior center and saved the taxpayers about \$350,000. He also trashes Joan McCrary, former township clerk,

who has dedicated the better part of her life working for the

good of our community.

Just remember it was Neil's brainstorm to raises taxes and set up a \$700,000 slush fund for lawyers to defend us against anyone who had the audacity to want to build something in the township he didn't like (Citizens' for Orderly Growth's Legal Defense Fund millage drive, August,

Dave Wagner was elected supervisor with about 60 percent of the vote. I think that makes him more than qualified to appoint who he wants to the Zoning Board and Planning Commission, because that's what supervisors do. **Rudy Lozano**

Independence Township

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Label reading, etc., recollections, etc.

If you're like me, and I hope you're not when it comes to shopping for some things like ointment, you don't read the fine print. Like too many men, I know ointment is ointment. I know Vaseline, Bag Balm, Suave, etc. They all do the same thing. I know that for a fact.

And, all ointment containers are small and the print is itty bitty. You know, the kind of print you need Jim's trifocals to read.

Jottings



Jim Sherman

So, I had an itch that needed scratching. But the more I scratched, the more it itched. Give me some ointment, please, and now! Looking over the store's ointment shelf, "Aloe Vesta" seemed like an anti-itch name.

Half a tube later the itch hadn't subsided. Time to read the label with my trifocals: "Apply as needed for diaper rash." - - - 0 - -

According to Neal Rubin, Detroit News columnist, and WXYZ's Bill Proctor (is that evasive enough?), Mayor Kwame

Kilpatrick's problem stems from "hormones and arrogance." - - - 0 - - -

Are we becoming so lazy that we need a power operated charcoal grill brush? They're pushing them on the tube. Of course, they are also pushing products for "best qualified" customers. Are they really saying "richest?" I never see men's neckties advertised on tv. If they did, the neckties would have to be 18 feet long to have them stop above the current belt-line. - - - 0 - - -

I'm at an age when I find myself humming a song recorded by Robert Goulet and Jimmy Durante, others, too, I suppose: "Beautiful girls, walk a little slower when you walk by me, lingering sunsets stay a little longer with the lonely sea. Wandering rainbows leave a bit of color for my pal to see. Stars in the sky make my wish come true before the night has flown, and let the music play as long as there's a song to sing, and I will stay younger than spring." Actually, I didn't wait for this older age to hope beautiful girls would walk slower by me.

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Today's another great day. I used the last one in a box of store-brand garbage bags. Every time I used one, I recalled the interview with a woman who had won millions in a lottery. When asked what she was going to do first she said, "First I'm going to pay off our mortgage, then I'm never going to buy store-brand garbage bags again." - - - 0 - - -

'Since I came to the White House I got two hearing aids, a colon operation, skin cancer, prostate operation, and I was shot. The damn thing is I never felt better in my life," Ronald

Reagan. You threw away the outside and cooked the inside. Then you ate the outside and threw away the inside. What did you eat? An ear of corn.

From my bathroom reading book: "If hypocrisy were gold, the Capitol would be Fort Knox," John McCain.

"If God wanted us to vote he would have given us candidates," Jay Leno.

"Look, half the time when I see the evening news I wouldn't be for me either," Bill Clinton.

"An arrogant insect is a cocky roach," John Patrell.

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"The ultimate goal is saving jobs," he said. "We're constantly working to update equipment and educate ourselves. I go to classes, background research, seminars, lots of networking with other districts."

Software has been installed to keep track of school facilities using his laptop computer, but he still comes in on weekends and holidays for personal inspections.

"That's when you can really see what's going on in a building," Soggs said.

He looks for air circulation fans running off schedule, leaky drinking fountains, clogged water filters, and other issues before they break down and cause problems for teachers and students.

"We put in some preventive maintenance," he said.

He also looks for energy wasters. "I found some copiers that had disabled

sleep modes," he said.

He continues to meet with teachers and staff to discuss ideas from his research. One resource is the federal government's Energy Star program, which offers energy-saving tips for businesses and homes.

"I'm hoping we can implement some of them in the district," he said.

He is also working with elementary school

call home.

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teachers and administrators on incorporating energy conservation into curriculum.

According to his report to Clarkston's Board of Education, equipment upgrades and energy-saving behavior by staff have reduced electrical use by about 3.6 million kilowatts per hour last school year, saving about \$152,000, and 1.6 million KPH so far this year, saving about \$58,000.

Use of natural gas, measured in meter cubic feet, fell from 96,545 MCF in 2006 to 85,527 last year, saving about \$212,000. Usage so far this year is down 12,972 MCF compared to this time in 2007, saving about \$146,000.

Energy Savings Projects include: parking lot lights; building automation controls; variable frequency drives for more efficient air circulation; motion sensors; lighting upgrades; carbon dioxide sensors for fresh-air intake systems; glycol-cooled air conditioning and heating; regular audits and building checks; communication with staff; constant updates to building automation controls; research; secure bids from multiple contractors for all work done, and follow through to make sure work is done properly; and meet with staff to discuss energy plan and encourage them to save at home.

For more information, call Clarkston's Facilities at 248-623-8020, or check www.EnergyStar.gov.



Clarkston Community Schools is upgrading boilers, air circulators, and other machines to increase efficiency and save money, said Gary Soggs, in a junior high machine room. Photo by Phil Custodio



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Independence Twp.

Tues., Feb 19 Deputies discovered 60-yearold Independence Township man deceased in his bed after an apartment complex employee noticed newspapers piling up outside the man's door and called police.

Wed., Feb 20 Deputies were dispatched to a business on Dixie Highway after someone called to report a semi box converted for storage had been broken into and a quad runner stolen.

Thurs., Feb 21 Deputies were dispatched to a restaurant in the 7100 block of Ortonville Road after an early morning bread delivery man noticed someone smashed out a window in the building. A cash register was on the floor inside, and police also discovered a baseball sized rock, which apparently was used to smash the window.

Sat., Feb 23 A 54-year-old Independence Township man carrying a loaded gun in one pocket and a knife in another was arrested and jailed on operating while intoxicated, open intoxicants in a motor vehicle and violation of a concealed weapons permit. The incident occurred near Clarkston and Eston roads.

Sun., Feb 24 Police were seeking a warrant on charges of concealed weapon violation and possession of a dangerous weapon after an 18year-old Clarkston man was pulled over on a traffic violation and deputies discovered brass knuckles and a baseball bat in his car.

Mon., Feb 25 The mother of a 16-year-old Clarkston High School student walked into the



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

substation to making a report that a friend of her daughter placed a rotten banana on her daughter's car on two occasions. Shortly after, someone allegedly scratched the girl's nickname into the paint on the car, the mother reported.

Police responded to suspicious circumstances in the 5100 block of Heath Avenue after a neighbor called to say someone was screaming for help in the area. Deputies discovered a man standing in the screened in porch of a home in only a t-shirt, jeans and socks with blood on his face and hands. The man was intoxicated and could not tell police how he got there or what he was doing, but he did not live at the

into with a sledge hammer or other large tool. The owner arrived and said nothing appeared missing or disturbed inside. Tues., Feb 26 An Independence Township man filed a police report after representatives

from his bank called to inquire about suspicious purchasing on his credit card, thus alerting the man his wallet had been stolen. The man said he

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Bloody fingerprints point police to carjacker

Blood samples collected from a stolen vehicle put a convicted felon back in jail last week as DNA testing connected a Pontiac man to a carjacking in Independence Township last fall. Eugene Edward Latimer, 44, was charged with carjacking and strong-arm robbery in the Sept. 1 incident that left a 52-year-old Independence Township woman injured after she was attacked in Kroger's parking lot Sept. 1. The alleged assault took place about 8:50 a.m. in the south parking lot of the Kroger store

at 6625 Dixie Highway, near Maybee Road. Det. John McDonald of the Oakland County Sheriff's Office Independence Township substation, who was investigating the case, said Latimer has prior convictions and was on parole at the time of the incident.

According to police reports reviewed by The Clarkston News in September, the woman told police she arrived for work, parked on the building's south side and was attacked as she exited her vehicle. The attacker, she said, approached quickly, struck her several times in the face with a closed fist, attempted to force her back into the vehicle and, at one point, choked 160

She was eventually able to break free and witnesses said the man sped south on Dixie Highway in her car.

Police said the woman suffered substantial

bruising and contusions to her face, a laceration on her forehead, and what appeared to be a fractured eye orbit as a result of the incident.

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an hour.

home. EMS was called to treat the man, who'd been inappropriately dressed in the cold for about

Deputies responding to an alarm at a busi-

ness in the 5800 block of Dixie Highway discov-

ered the rear door of a salon had been broken

But McDonald said the man was injured as well-he most likely cut his hand on the woman's eyeglasses as he punched her in the face-and blood from that injury pointed police in his direction.

DNA samples from all convicted felons are entered into CODIS-Combined DNA Index System-McDonald said, giving investigators an advantage over habitual offenders.

Latimer, who also matched the physical description given by the victim, is currently held on \$1 million bond, no 10 percent.



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Whatever happened to band of rampaging teens?

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salami around the base of the tree." It gets worse.

Imagine restrooms transformed into a pot and cigarette-smoking haven for hoodlums who flick ashes carelessly and extinguish butts on walls and floors.

And, without any apparent sanitary concerns whatsoever, the whippersnappers reportedly ate food in the restroom—the story doesn't indicate whether submarine sandwiches were consumed in the restroom or reserved specifically for mall munching—and strewed leftovers about the floor along with the cigarette and marijuana ashes.

Imagine soap-smeared mirrors, overflowed sinks and wet globs of paper towel dripping from the ceiling.

And then the elevator. The little horrors apparently got a jolt from joyrides in the mall's elevator, which they'd stop between floors and then lean on the emergency buzzer. It was, according to the story, a very loud buzzer that could be heard for miles. Or a long way, at least.

Finally, the worst of it—seriously. They urinated in the elevator.

Yeah. The story says these kids urinated in the elevator and left business owners to "deal with the smell."

The giant question mark hovers over my head, but you know what I find *particularly* odd about this story?

There's no mention of anyone doing anything about this band of brats haunting Mills Mall.

Oh sure, the business owners wonder where the parents are, and muse about how the kids behave at home. But there's no mention of police, dutiful vigilante types or stern boot camp drill sergeants. There's no indication these folks were

anything more than helpless hostages in the Great Mills Mall Brawl.

Clarkston, help me out here. What the heck was going on around this place?



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More letters to the editor Thank you for opportunity to serve

Dear Editor,

Dear Editor.

edition)

It's with a great sense of ambivalence that, after 20 years of service, I have decided not to seek re-election as your Township Clerk and member of the Springfield Township Board.

It has been an honor to serve and a privilege to have had the opportunity given me to try to make a difference in the community I have come to love.

Twenty-three years ago, when, by happenstance, I landed in Springfield Township as a reluctant migrant from the East Coast, I could not imagine where it would lead: from participation in a local citizens' organization that prevailed in a struggle against powerful state interests, to immersion in a quixotic but ultimately successful quest to get the long-stalled clean-up of a toxic waste "Superfund" site going.

Along the way, there have also been many magical "light bulb" moments that I've been privileged to be part of: like the idea for the Shiawassee & Huron Headwaters Project, which has led to heightened appreciation of Springfield's natural resources, to new landuse planning-techniques, and to-the "discovery" that Springfield's resources are

Thank you so much for doing such a

As a parent, I can tell you that these kids

wonderful article on Team Rush (Feb. 20

are fully committed and happily invest the

majority of their free time during build season

to the team. They typically go to Rush directly

from school, which ends at 2:35, where many

will start studying and completing homework.

4:30 each school day. During that time, Kyle

Hughes, their tireless leader and an OSM tech

instructor, will assemble study groups and

A mandatory study session runs from 3:30-

not just pretty, something we already knew, but are also world-class and globally rare.

And then there's the little CD on Springfield's native plants: an idea dreamed up by a local committee and that had such modest goals, but captured the interest of folks and organizations from Connecticut to California, and even from other countries. Seven years, and more than ten thousand copies later, the CD is still finding new audiences.

In reflecting back, I realize that there's always been one common explanation for these and other Springfield successes -- both large and small -- and that's been the can-do spirit and commitment of so many individuals. It's not by accident, for example, that Springfield voters, even during the busiest elections, have one of the shortest waits at polling places in all of Oakland County.

You can thank our dedicated Election Inspectors for that, along with a little help from their creative use of building insulation material to make extra voting booths.

Over the years, it's been my great privilege to meet and work with hundreds of outstanding persons: from involved and caring residents; to great staff, to dedicated local, county, state and federal officials.

Team RUSH students' work inspirational

All students must submit grades weekly

and be performing very well to remain active.

After study session ends at 4:30, the team

assist students if help is needed.

I know that I can't possibly name everyone who deserves recognition for their contributions to our community, so please take a moment to give yourself a welldeserved pat on the back.

One hundred years ago, President Teddy Roosevelt challenged Americans of his era to "dare greatly."

I know that whoever succeeds me will have similar opportunities to "dare greatly" for Springfield, and to bring to the position their ideas, their energy, their commitment, and a vision of what this special place called Springfield Township is and can be.

As for me, I'm not abandoning Springfield when my term ends on November 20. When Wayne and I aren't traveling or visiting family, you may run into me exploring the Shiawassee Basin Preserve, with camera and binoculars in hand, or volunteering my time to our local land conservancy, or maybe even doing something novel like just hanging out at our home.

Ready or not, Wayne, here I come!

Again, my thanks for giving me the opportunity to serve. It's been a great ride. Sincerely,

Nancy Strole, Clerk Springfield Township

Thanks for help with open house

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Dear Editor,

The "Open House" on Sunday, February 24 for the Independence Township Sector Activity Center was a huge success with over 275 people in attendance.

Thank you to the sponsors who contributed money to the event: Clarkston Specialty Healthcare Center, American House, Oakland Eye Care, Michigan Center for Orthopedic Surgery, Canterbury on the Lake, and Clarkston Community Women's Club.

Thank you also to the many sponsors who donated give-away items or food. Six teachers demonstrated exercise opportunities two alternative health practitioners offered free demonstrations.

Twenty-six volunteers and eleven staff members contributed their time. The Open House Committee, Carolyn Morrison, Mel Vaara, Tom Stone, Mary Melega, Rosemary Landry, and graphic artist Ron Wagner pooled their creative talents to make it a very special celebration of our new building. Thank you all for making this day possible.

Margaret Bartos Independence Township

Thanks for computer help

Dear Editor,

We would like to thank Rob Bondy and Contemporary Computer Concepts in downtown Clarkston for donating our old computers and monitors to Goodwill Industries on our behalf.

For a nominal fee his staff removed data from the hard drives and within two weeks we had received a receipt for the donation from Goodwill.

Rob and his staff are performing a generous and eco-friendly service to the community and we are grateful for the time and trouble he saved us.

Maralee and Ty Cook Waterford

starts their work for the day and continuesuntil at least 8 pm, many times later.prThen comes the weekend.haSaturday and Sunday are work daysmodelduring build, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. or later! All of thischon top of school!pr

At the end of build season, we families start to see our kids again. We also get to see the tremendous accomplishments they have made! It absolutely blows you away to see the end result of all of their work! Kyle Hughes and the mentors are such positive role models and teachers for the kids! The knowledge and skill they impart is

priceless. I have no doubt that this experience has lent to the development of productive members of our society who will exhibit great character, integrity and heart in any future project.

Kudos to Team Rush 27, you are truly an inspiration to all! Lisa Sleva

Independence Township



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A 12 Wed., March 5, 2008 The Clarkston (MI) News eather-related repairs could bust city budget

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placement of an in-car computer-at a cost of \$6,000-was imperative.

At Monday's regular meeting, the council approved the additional spending and allotted an additional \$6,000 to replace a second police computer.

Currently, computers in each of the department's three patrol cars vary in functionality—"one new one, one old one and one dead one," said LaCroix.

Mayor Sharron Catallo, who serves on the budget committee along with council members Kristy Ottman and Cory Johnston, said she thought District Court cost-recovery efforts would help pay for the increase in overtime. Thus far, the city's budget reflects cost-recovery revenue of \$1.175.

Replacing the police car computers, she said, was unanticipated.

"The \$6,000 computer was an expense we could have never known was coming," said Catallo. "So that will come out of the general fund, because that's what the general fund is for, as far as I'm concerned."

The police department's budget boost totaled about \$28,500, bringing the 2007-2008 projection to \$265,590.28.

LaCroix recently told the council new patrol cars will be necessary soon, as well.

The city's total projected revenues top out at \$871,235 for the current budget year, which runs between July 1, 2007 and June 30,2008.

Cracked and crumbing neighborhood sidewalks accounted for another large chunk of the increase approved Monday, and the council allocated \$10,000-a



\$7,500 hike over the original \$2,500 allot-In addition, LaCroix told the council re- ment-for an upcoming project aimed at making Clarkston more pedestrianfriendly.

> "If we can we can get the tri-party funds and get a discount (from a contractor) by doing a larger area, we might as well do it," said Johnston. "It's going to cost us money we'd rather not spend...but it's not going to be any better next year."

> The Tri-Party Program, a cooperative funding mechanism between Oakland County, the Road Commission for Oakland County and participating Oakland County communities, allows the city to designate improvement projects located within RCOC rights-of-way. Each of the three agencies provides one-third of the total improvement cost through the Tri-Party Program

> The city, Johnston noted, would be wise to take advantage of the tri-party funds, especially since the program's future is uncertain.

> Still, expenditures climbed to \$875,830.97 after Monday's approved budget revision, and although certain variables could still cause numbers to shift in one direction or the other, city expenditures have surpassed revenues and resulted in the \$4,600 dip into the general

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fund.

The fund – a surplus carried over from previous budget years - stood at \$86,235.88 before the deduction.

"It's a very, very tight budget," said Johnston. "The budget committee is going to look at ways we can either get more money or spend less...I'm going to put it on the whole council - the budget committee doesn't have any rabbits in the hat."

Johnston told the council there were other items in the budget needing a closer look, and warned spending could still go up because of unknown factors such as weather-which ultimately results in an increase in DPW employee payrolls, fuel and maintenance for city vehicles and supplies. Spring road conditions, Johnston said, are also unknown as of yet.

"We need to find something," he said. "The budget is not going the right way and...we can't get any more money. We have taxes that are fixed, in effect, and fees...so I'm asking all the council members if you have a different idea or a different way to do it, now is probably the time to bring it up.'

As a means to that end, the city also formed a committee that will look into the privatization of snow removal as a means

to cut spending.

"We can't control the expenditure because Mother Nature does what she does," said Ottman, who will sit on the new committee along with Councilman Charles Inabnit and DPW Supervisor Bob Pursley.

"But if we can control what we pay for the expenditure, that will be a solution that could trickle to 3 East Church on down."

The city's police station and some DPW functions operate from the building at 3 East Church.

Ottman told the council the committee planned to look at a five-year history of DPW snow removal records, and carefully break down associated costs.

"If it turns out we can't privatize," she said, "we at least have a projection going forward, a hard number we can work with.' Catallo agreed with the idea in general,

but wasn't optimistic about the outcome. "I don't think we can get it for less

money, but it might as well be looked at," she said.

"I think (by privatizing) you lose some control over the cost increase; we're seeing increased costs in gas and fuel now and you're going to see much more with a private company. But I think but it definitely should be explored."



15-peat district champs

BY WENDIREARDON

Clarkston News Sports Writer

A basket by junior Brandon Pokley brought his team into the lead in the second quarter of the championship game.

Clarkston's Varsity cagers kept up the pace and won their 15th consecutive district championship.

They were expecting a tough game, having watched Waterford Mott take Lake Orion and Lapeer East out of the running for the district title. Mott took on the Wolves confident in victory, carrying them through the first period of the game with a lead, 17-12.

But it didn't last. Clarkston won the game, 65-43.

"They had everything to gain and nothing to lose," said Wolves' coach Dan Fife. "I thought they played like that early on. We withstood it and came ahead."

"We played really well. We played really hard and smart," said sophomore Matt Kamieniecki. "We knew we had to play hard and get our teammates going and being focused."

"We played some close games this year," Fife said. "We played some ugly games. Today we had a tough time being consistent. I think tonight we put a lot of things together. Offensively, we moved the ball well. We did much better after that first quarter. When Mott went mad it loosened things up for us, they had to come out of their zone."

The Wolves took the lead offensively and defensively during the second quarter, bringing their score up to 29-22, and outscored Mott in the last half of the game 36-21.

Kamieniecki led the Wolves in the second half of the game. "He does so many things on the floor for us – defensively, communicates, helps out, changes shots, blocks shots," said

Fife. "He probably had four or five (blocked shots) in the first half alone. When they can't shoot outside on perimeter shots; those early blocks, kids can't get out of them. If they drive forward, they run right into Kami and they can't convert that. He just makes a big difference to our team when he does the things he does. It seemed like he got every rebound there in the second quarter and third quarter."

Also making a difference in the game was Pokley, who has improved in the last year.

"You can almost watch him mature out there on the floor," said Fife. "He has become less hesitant and really assert himself. He works his tail off. He worked his tail off during the summer.

"Today, we gave Pokley some buckets and some hooks. He made some great buckets in the second quarter. It really kept us in the game. He made some really key buckets," said Fife.

Leading scorers for Clarkston were Kamieniecki (20), Julius Porter (16) and Pokley (14). High scorers for Mott were John Schaeffer (15), Mike Myers (10), and Kevin Lewis (7).

Going into Monday's game against Romeo, Fife knew how strong they would be. The last time Clarkston lost the district title, it was to Romeo in 1993.

Clarkston paid the team back by taking Romeo out of the running for Regionals. The Wolves beat the Bulldogs, 62-52. They haven't seen them play during the winter season, but

they did play them this past summer.

"Summer is so different. They are just playing just to play. Romeo is a really competitive team. Their coach does a really good job with them.

"We have another streak I want to chase down for Clarkston and that is the quarterfinal streak that we have – and that may or may not happen, there are good ball teams in there."

For the last few years, Clarkston has lost the quarterfinals to Saginaw.

Clarkston will play Flint Southwestern on Wednesday night for the Regional title. The game begins at 7 p.m. at Lake Orion High School.



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Athletes of the Week Saving the best for last



BY WENDI REARDON

Clarkston News Sports Writer Losing the last three games of the season is usually a bad sign when it comes to postseason.

For Clarkston's Varsity hockey, however, it just meant a bigger challenge. The Wolves hit the ice Feb. 25 in Port

Huron, taking on Port Huron Northern in the first round of pre-regionals.

They lost to Port Huron in a previous effort, but this time took the lead from early on and never looked back. Their team effort gave them a 7-2 win.

They played Rochester Unified (17-4-4) on Wednesday and won again, 4-1. Rochester made 40 shots on goal, but goalie Garrett Knappe put a stop to all but one. Saturday, they played Grand Blanc to win the final game of Regionals, 6-2.

The Wolves scored 17 goals over the three games last week, keeping their opponents to only five.

"It's good to see things come together

when you work very hard," said coach Bryan Krygier.

"We're playing as a team, not as individuals," said Krygier. "All efforts are towards winning and everyone has the same purpose."

Everyone came together to score goals and add assists throughout the games. Together with a great offense, strong defense, and quick goal blocking maneuvers, the team made it through regionals to play in the quarterfinals, he said.

Clarkston Varsity Hockey is made up by seniors: Jeff Thomson, David Morin, Chris Salo, Aaron Podbielski, Zach Rogers. Weston Gleiss, and Joe Harrington; juniors: Garrett Knappe, Jordan Buetow, Dan Smith, Tyler Frakes, Cole Schaffer, Nick Posawatz, Michael Fiteny, Seott Cameron, Hunter Hughes, Jeremy Messing, Matt Campbell, Justin Carroll, and Neeko Muniz: sophomores: David Cannons, Jon Graham, Sean Haneock, Jack Schlau, Adam Frank; and freshman, Austin Morse.





Clearing the ice

BY WENDI REARDON

Clarkston News Sports Writer Rochester Unified and Grand Blanc learned a valuable lesson last week: do not underestimate the underdog.

Despite a season record of 7-15-2, Clarkston Varsity hockey beat both, coming out with the regional title.

"I knew they had potential," said Wolves' coach Bryan Krygier.

"Once they realized it, they played like they should be. I think they realized they need to work or their season was going to be cut short. They were responsible and disciplined. Defensively they only allowed a few goals in – they took care of the offensive zone to get our goals."

The Wolves beat Rochester Unified (17-4-4) last Wednesday, 4-1.

Garrett Knappe made 37 saves. During the second period, Rochester made 19 shots on goal, and Knappe stopped all of them.

Rochester Unified goalie Ian Mercer made

13 saves. In the first period, Rochester's John

Pincura struck first. But Clarkston responded with two powerplay goals, the first by Michael Fiteny,

with assistance from Tyler Frakes and Adam Frank, and second by Frank with an assist from Frakes.

Aaron Podbielski made two goals for the team. His first goal was in the second period. Fiteny and David Cannons assisted.

Chris Salo assisted Podbielski in the third period with the last goal of the game.

The win brought them to the regional finals against Grand Blanc (15-10-1).

Clarkston made the first three goals in the first period in their 6-2 victory, by Fiteny (David Morin, Jon Graham), Podbielski (Fiteny, Frank), and Jack Schlau (Frakes, Frank).

Grand Blanc added one in the period, by Dan Cowan (Zach Eckblad).

Clarkston continued with two more goals

in the second period, made by Podbielski (Salo, Schlau) and Jon Graham (Fiteny).

pose. Hockey photos by Tina Thomson

Nick Posawatz brought them up to six points in the third period, assisted by Cole Schaffer and Morin.

Mike Tenezelli's second goal for Grand Blanc came too late. During the game, Garrett Knappe made 20 saves. Grand Blanc's Jordan Ballance made 25 saves.

With the post-season wins, the Wolves' record is 10-15-2.

Clarkston will go on to quarterfinals

Wednesday, playing East Kentwood.

"We have seen them before in 2003," said Krygier. "We beat them in the semifinals, 3-2. They play hard. The guys will have to work hard and be prepared."

The game will be at Suburban Ice - East Lansing, 2810 Hannah Blvd., beginning at 7:30 p.m.

If they win, they go on to semifinals and finals later in the week. Visit www.ClarkstonNews.com to see where the Wolves play next.











Brandon Pokley defends the basket against Oxford.

Rolling over Oxford

BY WENDI REARDON

Clarkston News Sports Writer Julius Porter set the pace for Wednesday's

game against Oxford. Within the first few minutes, Porter scored

five points to put Clarkston into the lead. From there Clarkston continued the momentum throughout the game and won, 64-26.

"It was our first time playing Clarkston," said Oxford coach Steve Laidlaw. "You can learn a lot from a game like this."

"Clarkston is awfully good," said Oxford coach Steve Laidlaw. "They are very, very well-coached. They played very hard. They have talent. That's a tough combination to beat. We were nervous. We're not used to playing that kind of talent. We can't practice at that kind of talent. I am proud of my team and that was an awfully good Clarkston team."

The Wolves kept Oxford from scoring throughout the game with strong defense blocks and catching the ball on rebounds.

Brandon Pokley led the first half of the game with 14 points. He made two field goal baskets one right after another. It helped the team go into the second half with a score of 48-18.

"I give them (Oxford) credit, they were competitive," said Clarkston coach Dan Fife. "They kept their composure when it got out

Sports in a Flash

Last race

Hannah Wolf won her second individual state championship on February 25.

The girls Varsity team took third place during the MHSAA Class A Ski Final.

After two races they had a score of 81. The team finished slalom with 56 points. They had the top score in giant slalom of 25.

The Marquette won for the girls Varsity ski team, finishing with 46 for both

races. Traverse City Central was second with 74, scoring 33 in the slalom and 41 in the giant slalom.

Cheer on

The Varsity Competitive Cheer team took fifth place at their MHSAA regional competition on Saturday.

After three rounds they scored a total of 681.690 points.

Hartland took first place and Brighton took second place.



Julius Porter makes a basket against Mott.

of hand. That's usually a compliment to their coach, it shows he has a good handle on his kids and is teaching them the right values and character.

"There's not a lot to say about that game. Everyone is healthy. We got everyone in the ball game. We got to give other kids some playing time. We have so many games that it's not like that in our league and the other competition so it was good to get that win."

Clarkston's leading scorers were Pokley (14), Matt Kamieniecki (13), Oliver Kupe (12), and Porter (11).

Leading scorers from Oxford were Zach Tilley (7) and Chris Keenist (5).



Winter wrapup

As winter season draws to a close, here is where you can find your teams this week:

Boys Basketbali

Regional Final - Wednesday, March 5 Lake Orion High School at 7 p.m. Quarterfinals - Tuesday, March 11 Davison High School Semifinals and Finals Breslin Center in East Lansing Semifinals - Thursday, March 13- Friday, March 14 Finals - Saturday, March 15

Boys Hockey

Quarterfinals Wednesday, March 5 Suburban Ice -East Lansing Semifinals - Friday, March 7, 8:30 p.m. Finals -Saturday, March 8 at 7 p.m. Semifinals and Finals played at Compuware Arena in Plymouth.

Boys Swim Friday, March 7 & Saturday, March 8 Doors, Ticket office open at 9:30 a.m Competition begins at 12 p.m. Preliminaries on Friday \$6 Finals on Saturday \$7

Wrestling Individual Championships Thursday, March 6-Saturday, March 8 The Palace of Auburn Hills Competitions, Thursday 2:45 p.m. Friday 8:30 a.m Saturday 8:30 a.m; Finals at 4:45 p.m. General Admission \$9 per session. (Price includes parking)

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tion efforts began shortly after she and her family arrived in Michigan from Virginia in 1985

"The township was hit with one challenge after another back then," she said. "Every agency in the world was looking at our little rural community for putting here what was unwanted elsewhere."

In her early years in Springfield, Strole, recalled, it wasn't unusual to find herself standing in the state capital one week and viewing a toxic waste incinerator the next as she worked with those fighting to clean up a site known as "the Springfield Township dump.'

Industrial waste, hauled in for years from various sources, was one thing to halt; quite another to clean up.

"When you degrade natural resources," she said, "trying to fix it is like trying to put Humpty-Dumpty back together again.'

'The greatest assets Springfield Township has are its natural resources," Strole continued. "I've walked every part of this township, thousands of acres, and that's one of the things that attracts people to this areit's pretty.'

Therefore, she explained, it's in the best interest-both economic and quality of lifeto protect those resources so Springfield Township doesn't become "Anywhere, USA."

Over the years, Strole worked on a number of projects targeted at long-term planning and protecting the township's natural resources.

Citing some of the accomplishments of the previous decades, Strole puts the Shiawassee and Huron Headwaters Project, new planning techniques, a widely-distributed CD on Springfield's native plants, along with the discovery that Springfield's resources are not just pretty, but also globally rare, near the top of her list.

"I didn't accomplish anything alone,"

Interested in running for township of-

Springfield Township Clerk Nancy Strole

will host an open house Saturday, March

15 to talk about petitions, filing require-

ments, deadlines, and other candidate-per-

interested to come and gain an understand-

ing," said Strole, explaining inspiration came

from Orion Township Clerk Jill Bastian, who

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dertakings of local township officials?

Want to run for office?



Nancy Strole is retiring from Springfield Township Board after 20 years of service. Photo by Laura Colvin

Strole insists. "It took a lot of people working as a team-board members, citizens, planning commissioners-I'm just one person, but I think I was probably the right person at the right time."

But the township has also worked to balance growth and development with conservation efforts.

Although economic conditions have nearly brought building and development to a halt, Strole believes Springfield Township would be wise to prepare for an eventual rebound. "When it happens, how will Springfield Township remain a viable community? she asked

"Why will our residents want to stay? Long term planning and development is important. It's foolish to have such a narrow view that you're not looking past tomorrow, next week or next year. If you're faced with a

problem and you don't have the tools in place when that challenge comes knocking, it's too late."

Strole has faith that the community will take Springfield Township in a positive direction.

"There are never any guarantees in life or any guarantees about what a future board might do," she said. "But most of the people who come to Springfield Township appreciate and understand what they have here."

Supervisor Collin Walls said Strole would be remembered for her conservation efforts in the township.

"Nancy has been a leader in the preservation of our natural resources and a cheerleader for that cause," said Walls. "She's a hard worker, and she's been very, very dedicated. Anyone stepping in will find it difficult to replace her."



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held a similar event in Orion last week. Strole said that while she'll talk in general about filing requirements, she will also discuss her responsibilities as township

tinent topics.

clerk, for those interested in running for the position.

diverse," she said. "It just evolved that way. Statutory responsibilities are the same in

every township-from administering elections to significant financial responsibilities, while non-statutory responsibilities vary from community to community.

The open house takes place from 10 a.m.noon, Saturday, March 15 in the main meeting room at the Springfield Township Civic Center, 12000 Davisburg Rd, Davisburg, MI 48350. For more information call Springfield Township Clerk Nancy Strole at call 248-846-6510.

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normally leaves the wallet in his car and thought it might have been stolen when he attended parent teacher conferences at two Clarkston schools the previous day.

Deputies were dispatched to assist the Independence Township Fire Department after a tree fell on one of the three men cutting down a tree in the 4700 block of Waterford Road. It was suspected the man had broken bones, but police reports states the injuries did not appear to be life threatening.

Wed., Feb 27 An Independence Township man filed a police report after receiving a fax from an unknown woman in California who was requesting assistance and said "people are trying to get me into trouble or hurt me." The man said he didn't know the woman, but feared she might need help.

Thurs., Feb 28 An Independence Township man filed a police report after his bank informed him someone in California fraudulently used his credit card to make purchases online.

Two Independence Township men were arrested and cited on charges related to marijuana possession after police discovered the substance in an apartment rented by one of the men while responding to a complaint about loud noises coming from the apartment.





Medal winners

Clarkston High School Principal Vince Licata presents a district-championship medal to Brandon Pokley and the rest of the Varsity basketball team after Friday's victory against Waterford Mott. Fans filled the stands to support their team in their quest for the state title.

Photos by Wendi Reardon







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BYLAURENHALULA

Clarkston News Intern Writer

Clarkston High School seniors Adam Ratliff, Kathleen Kerr and Lucas Wolfe placed fitst, second and third in Clarkston Optimist Club's essay contest.

Sherry Regiani, Clarkston Optimist essay chair, presented them with medals and certificates. The winners will also receive \$100, \$75 and \$50 Border's Gift Cards.

"It's an honor, and unexpected, but I'll take it," Ratliff said. "

He entered the contest to win scholarship money. Both Kerr and Wolfe entered because their parents told them to.

The topic for this year was: "Today's Choices Shape My Future."

Ratliff wrote about how his rigorous academic schedule, Varsity basketball and abstaining from drinking and drugs will help shape his future successes.

Kerr detailed time she spent with her mother in the Dominican Republic. She went to help translate and ended up helping out at an orphanage.

Wolfe decided not to read his essay aloud.

After graduation, Ratliff will attend Michigan State University where he plans to study pre-law.

Kerr will attend Northern Michigan University in the fall. She will major in nursing. Wolfe said he will probably attend Oakland University, but isn't sure what he wants to study yet.

The Optimists hosted a breakfast, catered by Brioni Café & Deli, for them at Clarkston United Methodist Church.

Ratliff will go on to the District level where he will compete against 20 other clubs for a \$650 scholarship. Winners from there will go on to Nationals for a \$6,000 scholarship.

The breakfast also honored Gina Bollini for being Student of the Month at Clarkston Junior High School.



From left, Lucas Wolfe, Adam Ratliff, and Kathleen Kerr were honored by Clarkston Optimists for their essays. Photo by Lauren Halula

and Middle School orators



From left are Mike Page, first-place winner Michael Ray, second place Sam Cook, third place Sharvil Patel, and Jean Dasuqi.

Sashabaw Middle School students Michael Ray and Brook Huisman recently won the Clarkston Optimist Club's oratorical contest, themed "Why Me? Why Not?"

Ray and Huisman were awarded \$150 and will compete against winners from other Optimist clubs in the area. The winner of the zone competition will compete in districts, with a chance to win a scholarship.

"Micheal Ray and Brook Huisman did a wonderful job presenting their speeches about the questions posed to them," Club President Jean Dasuqi said. "The members of our Optimist Club have no doubt that they have a bright future ahead of them."



From left are third-place winner Sophia Mai, first place Brooke Huisman, and second place Nicole Orminski.

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Summer activity you're most looking forward to?



"Concerts in the park and skateboarding." -Nick Furlo



"Summer camp, the lake and scuba diving."

> -Mike and Rocco Imerman



"Laying in the sun." -Kellie Giaier



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'We'll miss him out here'

Springfield's top cop off to face new challenges

BY LAURA COLVIN

Clarkston News Staff Writer

After nearly four years as Springfield Township's top cop, Sgt. Mark Gardner is moving on.

"It's just time for a change," he said. "Some people look at change as a negative thing, but I embrace change. It's a time to maybe look at yourself, learn and take on some new challenges in your life."

Gardner, who began his tenure as commander of the Oakland County Sheriff's Office Springfield Township substation in May 2004, transferred to Royal Oak Township, where he took over the reins Saturday.

A 21-year OSCO veteran, Gardner said he's looking forward to the challenges of a more urban community.

"I always like to learn new things and I'm going to learn a lot of new things down there," said Gardner, explaining that the OSCO covers Royal Oak Township during the afternoon shift, but Michigan State Police take over during midnights and afternoons. "I'm replacing a sergeant who's done a bang up job, who's well respected down there."

Still, Gardner said, he'll miss working in Springfield Township. "I can't say enough

about the deputies out here," he said. "They really work hard and do everything they can to make sure the job is done right. We've had a lot of domestics, we've had a bank robbery an armed robbery, and everything is handled so professionally."

Much of that professionalism, he said, can be seen from the way deputies talk to people on a call.

"They let people know they have a job to do, but they're there to help," he said. "I guess you'd call it firm but fair."

Gardner also said he enjoyed a good working relationship with Springfield Township Supervisor Collin Walls during the last four years.

"Collin has always been straight forward with me," Gardner said. "If I ask him a question, I know I'm going to get an





Sgt. Mark Gardner served Springfield Township for four years as Oakland County Sheriff substation commander. *Photo by Laura Colvin*

honest answer. We had good two-way communication."

In fact, Gardner continued, it was that communication that helped propel necessary change around the substation, which is located inside Colombiere Center off Big Lake Road.

The substation now includes an interview Please see Gardner on page 6B



Motivational speaker Bill Sanders, for parents, guardians, members of the community, 7 p.m., March 6, Clarkston High School Performing Arts Center, 6093 Flemings Lake Road. 248-623-5423.

Open House, The Spot Daycare, 9 a.m.-12 p.m., March 8. 196 S. Baldwin Road. 248-330-4235.

Sap To Syrup For Pancakes, 9-10 a.m., March 8. Springfield Township Parks & Recreation, 12000 Davisburg Road. Pancake breakfast follows at Hart Community Center, 495 Broadway. \$7/resident, \$8/non-resident. \$5/breakfast only. 248-846-6558.

Open House, free info on local preschools and child care facilities, 6:30-8 p.m., March 10, Springfield Township Library, 12000 Davisburg Road. Free gift to the first 10 families

Benefit dinner, St. Trinity Lutheran Church Youth Group for a Youth Gathering at Mackinaw Island. 4-8 p.m., March 11, Pete's Coney Island II, Dixie Highway. 248-625-4644.

Wint's Healing Hearts Grief Support Group for all ages for those who have recently lost a loved one, 7 p.m., March 11. Topic: "Tear Soup Video and discussion," led by Bereavement Counselor Emily Trahan. Carriage House, Independence Township Senior Citizen, Clintonwood Park. Free. Walk-ins welcome. 248-625-5231.

Daughters of the American Revolution, Clarkston Chapter, 11:30 a.m., March 12, Red Knapp's on Dixie Highway. 248-922-1717.

The Great Egg Hunt, Independence Town-



Composers **Club unveils** work March 11

The Composers Club at Clarkston Junior High will perform songs from "EPIC," their CD of original works, in concert Tuesday, March 11.

The CD Release Party and JazzFest Concert will be 7 p.m. at the Clarkston Junior High School Auditorium. Jazz Band Club, Vocal Jazz Club soloists and choirs will perform. Tickets for this concert are \$5.

Doors will open at 6:30 p.m. for a "Meet & Greet" with composers and CD Preview. Afterglow event with composers and performers follows the concert.

CDs cost \$5 preordered from club members, \$10 through the mail.

All proceeds from the concert and CD sales benefit Braille Beats, a local fine arts summer program for vision-impaired students

ship Parks and Rec, 7-9 p.m., March 13, for grades 4-5. Clintonwood Park. \$6/residents. 248-628-8223.

Summer sports registration, Springfield Township Parks & Rec, Youth Co-Ed T-Ball Clinic, Co-Ed T-Ball, Co-Ed Coach Pitch, Boys Baseball, Girls Softball. Early registration ends March 14. Late registration ends March 28. 248-846-6558.



The club includes piano, music technology, choir, and band students, who write and record their creative ideas. Club sponsor Danielle Blanchard teaches the Vocal Music and Piano/Music Technology courses at Clarkston Junior High.

"We've got some killer stuff," Blanchard said. "We're trying to get the word out to the community.'

Visit www.ClarkstonMusic.com for more information.

Egg mania, Independence Township Parks and Rec, March 15; 10 a.m.-12 p.m., age 4 and under; 12:30-2:30 p.m., ages 4-8. \$6/residents. 248-628-8223.

Identifying Michigan Mammals, 1 p.m., March 15, Environmental Discovery Center, Indian Springs Metropark. Ages 8 and older. \$1.50 per person. Pre-registration required.

248-625-6640.

Free food, Emergency Food Assistance Program, Oakland Livingston Human Service Agency, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., March 15, Independence Township Senior Center, 5980 Clarkston Road. Income eligible seniors register with proof of address, family size, photo I.D. 248-209-2686.

Teen Flashlight Egg Hunt, 8-10 p.m., March 20, Mill Pond Park, Davisburg. Springfield Township Parks & Rec. \$7. 248-846-6558.

Easter Egg Hunt, March 21, Springfield Township Parks & Rec., Mill Pond Park in Davisburg. Ages 4 and under, 11 a.m.- 1 p.m.; ages 5-12, 2-4 p.m. Registration required. \$5/ residents. \$7/non-Residents. 248-846-6558.

Easter Egg Hunt, 10 a.m., 1 p.m., March 22, nvironmental Discovery Center, Indian Springs Metropark. With Rosco the Clown. \$4 per child. Pre-registration required. 248-625-6640.

Taste of Spring, a Wine Tasting Gala, Clarkston Rotary Club, 6:30-8:30 p.m., April 9, Oakhurst Country Club. Features Michigan wines. Appetizers prepared by Oakhurst staff. Tickets available from any Clarkston Rotarian or at the Clarkston Chamber. Proceeds benefit Clarkston Rotary's many community projects.

Benefit dinner, Middle School, Waterford Community Church, for Bike and Hiking excursion in the Upper Peninsula, 4-8 p.m., April 30. Pete's Coney Island II, Dixie Highway. 248-673-3880.

Income Tax Preparation Assistance, 9 a.m.-Please see Around Town on page 3B





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noon, through April 8. Carriage House, Independence Township Senior Center, 6000 Clarkston Road. 248-625-8231.

Mothers & More, non-profit dedicated to improving lives of mothers through support, education, advocacy, 7:15 p.m., third Monday, Red Knapp's Restaurant, 6722 Dixie Highway. 248-969-9788.

Drum's Alive Golden Beats, 9-10 a.m., Mondays, Wednesdays, March 3-April 16. Community Education Center, 6558 Waldon Road. \$27 for one day/week; \$54, two days/ week; \$6 per class drop-in. All equipment included. 248-625-8231.

Tai Chi, 11 a.m.-noon, Mondays, through April 21. Teacher John Marchewitz studied this Wu Style T'ai Chi Ch'uan form in China. St. Dan's. \$45/10-week session. Call senior center, 248-625-8231.

Clarkston Community Band rehearsals, 7 p.m., Tuesdays. Especially needed: percussion, clarinets, trumpets. \$30/semester. Band room, Sashabaw Middle School, 5565 Pine Knob Lane. Independence Township Parks & Recreation, 248-625-8223 or www.clarkstonband.org. **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.

Grace Under Pressure, self-confidence, coordination, self-discipline, self-defense. 7-8 p.m., Tuesdays, through March 25. 5 years and up. \$30/residents, \$35/non-residents. Hart Community Center, Davisburg. 248-634-0412.

Sanchin Ryu Karate: K-8th grade, 6-7 p.m., Tuesdays, through March 25, \$30/residents, \$35/non-residents. Adult and family, 5 years and up, 7-9 p.m., Jan. 15-March 25, \$45/resident, \$90/family; \$50/non-residents, \$95/ family. Hart Community Center, Davisburg. 248-634-0412.

Strength and Stretch, 9:30-10:30 a.m., Tuesdays/Thursdays, through April 10. Increase muscle strength and endurance, firm muscles, strengthen bones. \$63 for 7 wk session. Senior Center, 248-625-8231.

*** De-Stress Gentle Yoga, 5:30-6:30 p.m., Wednesdays, through April 9. Carriage House, Senior Center, 6000 Clarkston Road. \$35/seven-week session. Drop-in fee, \$6. 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.

Line dancing in Clarkston, Thursdays, Beginners 1-2:30 p.m., Intermediate/Advanced 3-4 p.m. \$3. Clarkston United Methodist Church, 6600 Waldon Road. Call Independence Township Senior Center, 248-625-8231.

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

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LBN – Independence Township Chapter, 7:15 a.m., second and fourth Thursdays, North Oakland County Board of Realtors, 4400 W. Walton. Call Stacy Meagher, 248-241-6000.

Lego Robotics, 6-7 p.m., Thursdays, through March 6. Grades 4-8. Levels 1 and 2. \$40/ residents, \$45/non-residents. Hart Commynity Center, Davisburg. 248-634-0412.

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Catapults/Trebuchet, 7:15-8:15 p.m., Thursdays, through March 6. History, science, construction of tabletop Storm the Castle launcher. Grades 4-8. \$40/residents, \$45/ non-residents. Hart Community Center, Davisburg. 248-634-0412.

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

Art Workshops, 1-3:30 p.m., Thursdays, through March 20. Drawing with Pastels; March 6, Acrylic Painting; March 13, Watercolor Pencils; March 20, Graphite Drawing. \$32 per person, \$7 material fee. 248-625-8231. Sign up at senior center for each class, 6000 Clarkston Road. 248-625-8231

Volunteering, Avalon Hospice, sit with patients, hold their hand, listen to stories, personal care, or just be there. Two hours a week or more. 800-664-6334.

Community events? Tell us about them at ClarkstonNews@gmail.com or 248-625-3370

To Your Good Health With Ernie Harwell and Clarkston Medical Campus



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Students achieve success

Tracy L. Domitrz of Clarkston was Lutheran Church. named to the Dean's List at Boston University for fall semester.

Jenna Kennedy of Clarkston recently participated in Valparaiso University's annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration

She helped present a focus session, "Breaking the Silence: Continuing King's Call for Human Dignaty."

A junior international business major, she is the daughter of Warren and Patricia Kennedy and a member of St. Trinity

Clarkston students Kristi Bailey, Kayla Baker, Amanda Hicks, Suzanne Meloche, Christina Paci, and Steven Rosso graduate this past December from Central Michigan University.

Degrees earned were: Bailey, Master of Science in Administration; Baker, Bachelor of Science; Hicks, Bachelor of Science in Education; Meloche, Bachelor of Science; Paci, Bachelor of Science in Education; and Rosso, Bachelor of Science in **Business** Administration.

Got a Milestone to share? We'd love to see them - births, weddings, engagements, military, business and school achievements! Drop them off at our downtown office at 5 S. Main St. or e-mail them to shermanpub@aol.com, attn: Clarkston News Milestones.



Thanks for telling our story

Mary Gwinn, Carol West, and Maria Cottrell present Clarkston News reporter Trevor Keiser with a gift and card in appreciation of the story he wrote entitled "Knitting group shares some 'Purls of Wisdom."



Religion Give faith another chance

Recently the confirmation class from our church spent committed to make in this world. four days in the city of Detroit. They attended worship in a synagogue, a Catholic Church, with a predominately African American congregation, and a contemporary worship service in a mega church.

They spent time in dialogue with the Islamic Center of America. They gave of their time in a ministry serving the homeless and needy in the city.

That weekend is a critical component of a year long searching of what it means to be a Christian.

The first half of the year is spent in understanding the basics of the Christian faith and learning the story of Jesus. The second half is learning what difference being a Christian in the world today.



Spiritual

Matters

Why should we care about the needy?

How does living as a Christian impact our vocational choices, our spending, our ethics and our relationships? What does it mean to be in a Christian in a world of diversity? How should we relate to others who have found meaning and passion in worship styles and religion different than our own?

These are the kind of issues worth considering for those who are considering what faith steps they are ready and

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A new survey of religious affiliation by the Pew Forum on Religion and Public Life, titled "U.S. Religious Landscape Survey," depicts a highly fluid and diverse national religious life.

The study reveals two statistics of particular interest. The first is that 44 percent of Americans have switched religious affiliations. More Americans are moving among faiths, as denominational loyalty erodes.

This tells us people are in need of and looking for a relevant faith. In our world, people need a faith providing genuine spiritual experiences impacting their lives.

Such need is strong enough to send them out seeking such experiences.

Some in their searching have been left in growing numbers unaffiliated with organized religion. The survey indicates the group that had the greatest recent net gain was the unaffiliated.

More than 16 percent of American adults say they are not part of any organized faith, which makes the unaffiliated the country's fourth largest "religious group."

In an age where people are living with greater uncertainty and seeking meaningful faith, churches must move to demonstrate relevance.

That requires getting to the basics of what is core to Please see Spiritual Matters, page 7B Wed., March 5, 2008 The Clarkston (MI) News 5 B

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Stand Strength Team, Christian testimonials with tearing phone books in half, bending iron bars, lifting heavy weights, and other exhibitions. 7 p.m., March 7. St. Trinity Lutheran Church. 7925 Sashabaw Road. Free autographed posters with reservation. 248-625-4644.

The 'I' of the Storm, Embracing Conflict, Creating peace, discussion of book by the Rev. Gary Simmons, Peace Unity, with the Rev. Matthew Long. 7 p.m., March 11. Oakland County Alano Club, 5661 Clintonville Road. 248-891-4365.

Is Catholicism Still Relevant, with author and speaker Matthew Kelly, 7 p.m., March 12, St. Daniel Catholic Church, 7010 Valley Park Drive. Free. RSVP, 248-625-1750 * * *

Movie night, featuring "Peace One Day," 7 p.m., March 14. Discussion follows. Peace Unity, at Sashabaw Presbyterian, 5300 Maybee Road. 248-891-4365.

Easter Egg Hunt, 3 p.m., March 15. Clarkston United Methodist Church, 6600 Waldon Road. Free. 248-625-1611. * * *

Holy Week, Palm Sunday, 8:15, 9:30, and 11 a.m., March 16; Maundy Thursday, 7 p.m., March 20, including

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Pastor Steve L Brown

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Gardner made positive changes in Springfield

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"The most important thing, I thought, is we got a detective," Gardner said. "There hadn't been a detective here in many, many years, but cases have increased we needed to have the body out here."

Previously, Gardner was responsible for sergeant, administrative, and investigative duties. Bringing a detective on board, he said, was akin to growing a third arm.

"Now cases can get investigated thoroughly," he said. "Not that they weren't investigated thoroughly before but now we have one person dedicated to that job. That's what they do."

But Gardner also said he enjoys the investigative side of his job, which offers him the opportunity to "really know people," and a chance, perhaps, to help.

"Some people really need direction getting through a process," he said. "Like in domestic violence cases—sometimes people are going through a such a bad time, they've got so many balls in the air, and they're looking for someone on the outside to maybe help them go in the right direction."

Often, he said, that means help navigating the court system and the victim's assistance process.

It was that desire to help others, Gardner said, that prompted him to seek a Master's degree in counseling, which he earned from Spring Arbor University in May 2007.

"I'm not a business person," he said with a laugh. "And I'm not very good with hammers and stuff like that. I've always dealt with people."

Returning to school, he said, helped him understand others bet-



Sgt. Mark Gardner was assigned to Springfield Township in 2004.

ter, but also made him a better person, and a better police officer. And, the degree may come in

handy down the road. "I have a while until I retire but I

think we all should have a game plan for when we do retire," he said. "My game plan is that I'd like to go into the counseling field."

Gardner said he's interested in the possibility of working with adolescents, police officers, and police officers' families.

"Another thing I've run across is that when you're dealing with juries in horrific cases, sometimes they walk away and take some of the testimony and images from evidence with them, and it really bothers them," he said. "Where do they go from there?"

Oakland County, Gardner said, is currently working on a program to assist such former jurors. He's interested in that, as well. But for now, he's a cop.

"I like my job," he said. "I deal with so many new people and learn so much from them.

My attitude is if I wake up today and I didn't learn something new, then there's something wrong. I think you should learn something new every single day."

As he leaves Springfield Township, Gardner seemed to have mostly

s upbeat thoughts.

"This area is growing," he said. "Things are tough with economy, but it's growing and going in positive direction, and I firmly believe thee sheriff's office is positive for Springfield Township."

A few issues, he continued, could use improvement.

"I'd like to have another deputy out here, that'd be nice," Gardner said, noting three deputies are on duty during each shift.

"And with the way things are growing, I'd like to see us in another location. (Something similar to the Independence Township substation) would be real nice. We're professional here, now, but I always think you can improve upon professionalism."

Supervisor Collin Walls said Gardner did an outstanding job in the community and would be missed.

Others echoed the sentiment.

"We'll miss him out here," said Detective Ray Kujawa, who served about two years as a patrol deputy in Springfield Township before taking over the investigative work last fall.

"I like to think he left Springfield Township in better shape than it was in when he arrived."

Kujawa said Gardner was a good supervisor with a positive management style and kept his eye on things but let officers do their jobs without micromanaging. He was organized, dedicated, accessible and never complained.

"You could always reach him," Kujawa said. "You could call him at two in the morning with a question, he never minded at all."

Sgt. Joe Scarpelli, who will replace Gardner as substation commander, arrived in Springfield Township after transferring from the Oakland County Sheriff's Office Warrants Unit, where he spent his working hours "hunting" evasive felons.

"Mark (Gardner) did a tremendous job out here," Scarpelli said. "A lot of the programs he started here are coming to fruition. It makes my job easier because he's done a lot of the groundwork."

Scarpelli, who's been out of the substation environment for about five years, said he's looking forward to getting acquainted with Springfield Township. And, like Gardner, he's looking forward to the change of pace.



Spiritual Matters

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faith. It demands we teach our children and congregations how to live in a world more diverse than we often find in our congregations.

The world is searching for deep relevant faith. Some have turned away from organized faith when it has not spoken to the real life issues they need.

It is my hope all churches will deepen their faith and commit to being relevant to a seeking world. It is my prayer the "unaffiliated" will give the church another chance and assist us making a holy difference in the world.

May our children lead the way. The Rev. Rick Dake is pastor of Clarkston United Methodist Church.

Like to be in Spiritual Matters? Call at 248-625-3370 or e-mail ClarkstonNews@gmail.com



Renovation continues on the former Treasure Gifts & Beyond store on Main Street, downtown Clarkston. They received a shipment of drywall from ASI services of Flint last week. *Photo by Phil Custodio*

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Spring wine tasting set April 9 at Oakhurst

Clarkston Rotary Club presents "A Taste of Spring, a Wine Tasting Gala," April 9 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at Oakhurst Country Club, 7000 Oakhurst Lane in Independence Township.

The annual event features Michigan wines, along with appetizers by Oakhurst.

Tickets are \$40 in advance or \$50 at the door. For tickets, contact Bart Clark at 248-922-9166, Jason Webster at 248-210-4925 or any Clarkston Rotarian.

Tickets are also available at the Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce, 5856 S. Main Street in Clarkston, 248-625-8055. Proceeds benefit Clarkston Rotary's

many Community projects. For more information, check

www.Clarkstonrotary.org.



Ready for a rip-roarin' good time

From left, John Marbutt, Dun Hunt, Kathy Hunt, Mary Ann Wilson, Sherry Meadows, Dave Wilson, Jan Rollin, Uni Marbutt, Kit Marbutt, and Keith Marbutt dressed up in their best Western attire Friday to raise funds for American Legion Unit 63's Girls State scholarship program.

"This is something the unit has done for many years," said Rollin, president of the auxiliary group, at the Spaghetti Western fundraiser. "We're hoping to send three students."

Girls State at Michigan State University is an American Legion program for young people. They will review applications in April for the June program. For information, call 248-425-4410.





In our churches

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Holy Communion; Good Friday, 7 p.m., March 21; Saturday Easter Vigil March, 7 p.m., March 22; Easter Sunday, 8:15, 9:30 and 11 a.m., March 23. Calvary Lutheran Church, 6805 Bluegrass Drive. 248-625-3288.

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The Sermon on the Mount, ongoing study of Emmett Fox's classic book, 7 p.m., Wednesdays. Facilitated by the Rev. Matthew Long, Peace Unity. Oakland County Alano Club, 5661 Clintonville Road. **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.

Bethany North, peer support to all faiths dealing with divorce or separation, general meeting, 7:30 p.m., fourth Monday, Cushing Center, St. Daniel Catholic Church, 7010 Valley Park, call Tim, 248-628-6825, or Joann. 248-673-2539.

Lent, Wednesdays, soup and pretzels, 6:30 p.m.; meditation 7 p.m.; Bible study 7:30 p.m. Church of the Resurrection, 6490 Clark-

ston Road. 248-625-2325.

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

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

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2325 for more information.

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

Women's Bible Study, 9:30-11:15 a.m., Fridays, through March 14. Studying Beth Moore, "Believing God: Experiencing a Fresh Explosion of Faith." Calvary Lutheran Church, SW corner of I-75 and M-15. 248-625-3288.







Carlos 'Milton' Ison

Carlos "Milton" Ison of Clarkston passed away March 1 at the age of 88.

He was the husband of Devanna for 70 years; father of James (Linda), Victor, William (Mary Lou), Norma Jean (Ralph) Seybert, Ina Lee (William) Robinson, Linda (Robert) Katanski, Robert (Marsha), and Mary Kay (Jerry) King; also survived by 19 grandchildren, 34 great grandchildren, 16 brothers and sisters.

Mr. Ison retired in 1981 from Pontiac Motors after 16 years of service. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, gardening and his wonderful family.

Funeral service Wednesday, March 5,



12:30 p.m. at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston, Interment Seymour Lake

Cemetery. Memorials may be made to

Genesys Home and Hospice Care.

Arrangements entrusted to the Lewis Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston. guest On line book www.wintfuneralhome.com.

Donald E. Houts

Laurie Sue Lord

Donald E. "Don" Houts of Clarkston passed away Feb. 25 at the age of 81.

He was the loving husband of Josephine for 60 amazing years; father of David and Dona Houts; brother of Charlotte (Ken) Warren and Sandy (Bob) Pallas; also survived by many nieces, nephews, and loving friends.

Mr. Houts retired from General Motors. He never met a stranger. He served in the U.S. Navy during WWII.

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Memorial Service was March 1 at the



Clarkston Community Church.

Memorials may be made to the Disabled American Veterans. Funeral arrangements entrusted to the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clark-

Online ston. guestbook www.wintfuneralhome.com.

John V. Dunlop

John V. Dunlop of Clarkston passed away Feb. 26 at the age of 74.

He was the husband of Jan; father of Alyson (Robert Duncan) Dunlop of Royal Oak: and brother of Jill Smelser of Tenn.

Mr. Dunlop retired from Oakland County in 1992 as a Friend of the Court Attorney-Referee. He served in the U.S.



Memorial service was March 1 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston. Memorials may be made to Paws For a Cause or Karmanos Cancer Institute. guestbook, Online

www.wintfuneralhome.com.

Karen M. Ashley

away Feb. 23 at 61 years of age.

She was the dear mother of Richard (Amy) Ashley, Joseph (Jennifer) Ashley, and Angela (Matt) Felts; beloved daughter of Rita M. O'Connor and the late Paul L. O'Connor; loving sister of Joe O'Connor, Roger (Patty) O'Connor, David (Mary) Vallier, Marji Moses, Jeff (Teri) Vallier, Jim O'Connor, Mark (Sandy) O'Connor, and Terri (Tim) LePard; grandmother to Mandy, Clark,

Karen M. Ashley of Pontiac passed Elizabeth, Samuel, Charlotte, and Jacob. Mrs. Ashley loved the various activities at the American House in Pontiac.

> Funeral service was Feb. 26 at Coats Funeral Home, Waterford. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Diabetes Association.

To send a private condolence to the please family, go to www.coatsfuneralhome.com and select "guestbook."

Support group meets March 11

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Wint's Healing Hearts Grief Support Group for all ages who recently lost a loved one will be 7 p.m., Tuesday, March 11. Topic of discussion will be: "Tear Soup Video and discussion."

The meeting will be led by Emily Trahan, bereavement counselor for Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston, at the Carriage House, Independence Township Senior Citizen Center, Clintonwood Park on Clarkston Road.

No registration is necessary, and admission is free.

For more information, call Lewis E. Wint & Son at 248-625-5231 or email www.wintfuneralhome.com.

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Laurie Sue Lord (nee Tull) of Oxford, Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clark-

Any donations to the family will be She was the mother of Devon Lord and used for the future education of Laurie's

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formerly of Ferndale, passed away unex- ston.

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Funeral Service was March 1 at the

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Tammy Ullyart, Four Seasons Chem-Dry, and Johnna Goodwin, Changing Places Moving & Storage, at the chamber's Feb. 28 Women in Business meeting.

Women in Business share ideas for success

Clarkston's Chamber of Commerce hosts Women in Business meetings every month for networking, camaraderie, and communication for women and men as well.

At the Feb. 28 meeting at Oakland Technical Center, Northwest Inn, sponsored by The Clarkston News, they learned about customer service with guest speaker Neil Newcomb.

Upcoming events include Conflict Resolution, with speaker Marty Zimmerman, author "Speaking of Success," March 27; and the Art of Being Memorable, on presentation skills with speaker Cliff Suttle, April 24.

Meetings are 10:45 a.m.-1 p.m. at Oakhurst Country Club.

Tickets are \$25 prepaid or \$30 at the doorfor chamber members, \$30 for non-mem-

For more information, call the chamber at 248-625-8055.



Guest Speaker Neil Newcomb talks with Sue Kinch, Schenden's Spas, about common traits of great customer service at the Feb. 28 Women in Business.

Clarkston's **Relay For Life** effort starts March 10

American Cancer Society's Clarkston Relay For Life campaign kicks off Monday, March 10, at Clarkston United Methodist Church, 6600 Waldon Road. Registration/light dinner begins at 6 p.m. and the program runs from 6:30-7:30 p.m.

Clarkston's Relay For Life starts at 10 a.m., June 21, and runs until 10 a.m., June 22, at Clarkston Middle School.

Teams of family, friends and co-workers camp out overnight, taking turns walking the track. For more information, call Kelly Brown at 248.663.3414 or email kelly.brown@cancer.org.

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

NOTICE **CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF CLARKSTON** 375 Depot Road Clarkston, MI 48346 CHANGE OF MEETING DATE **CITY COUNCIL** March 13, 2008

The City Council will hold its first March meeting on March 13, 2008, instead of March 10, 2008, due to the Board of Review Meetings on March 10, 2008

The meeting will be held at the City Hall, 375 Depot Road, Clarkston, on Thursday, March 13, 2008, at 7:00

Art Pappas City Manager

PENDENCE TWP.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Date and Time: March 4, 2008, at 7:30 p.m. Place: Independence Township Library

6495 Clarkston Road, Clarkston, MI 48346 Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

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- 3 Roll Call
- Opening Statements and Correspondence 5 6
 - Approval of Agenda Public Forum - Individuals in the audience have the opportunity to address the Township Board on an issue that is not on the agenda, limiting their comments to not more than three min-
 - utes. Consent Agenda
- Approval of Minutes of February 5, 2008 RE-VISED
- Approval of Purchase Orders h
- Approval of Accounts Payable Check Run
- Resolution for Subdivision Road Improvements in Pine Knob North Subdivision Nos. 1, 2 and 3 New Business
- Resolution for Charitable Gaming License for J & C

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

PUBLIC NOTICE ARKSTON

PUBLIC NOTICE CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF CLARKSTON 375 DEPOT ROAD CLARKSTON, MI 48346

BOARD OF REVIEW MEETING Monday, March 10, 2008 Monday, March 17, 2008

The Board of Review for the City of the Village of Clarkston will meet at the City Office on Monday, March 10, 2008, and Monday, March 17, 2008, from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

For appointments: Call Oakland County Equaliza-tion Division, Toll Free 1-888-350-0900, Extension 59611 or (248) 858-1862. Those without an appointment will be rved on a first-come, first-served basis

Artemus M. Pappas City Manager/Clerk-Treasurer

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PUBLIC NOTICE Because the People Want to Know CLARKSTON CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF CLARKSTON 375 DEPOT ROAD **CLARKSTON MI 48346**

SUMMARY **CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

February 25, 2008 Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Catallo.

Roll. Present: Catallo, Brueck, Gawronski, Inabnit, Johnston Ottman Roth. Absent: None.

Minutes of February 11, 2008, approved as presented with addition of a comment to budgeted overtime and the date of the first reading of the Sidewalk Ordinance changed to March 13.

Agenda approved as presented with the removal of the first reading of the Sidewalk Ordinance and the addi-tion of Park Lighting.

Roth reported that she had attended the Senior Center Open House which was well attended.

Johnston informed Council on his attendance at the interviews for Lake Orion Village Manager. Johnston reported that it is a common occurrence for small governmental units to combine the Clerk and Treasurer's positions but not the Clerk's job with the City Manager. Ottman reported that she had been contacted by a

Buffalo Street resident for assistance with sidewalk clear ing. Within seven minutes St. Daniel Church had dispatched a family that completed the task.

Brueck announced two upcoming events that he encouraged Council and City residents to attend. On March 11 a workshop for homeowners on Phragmites will be held at the Cushing Center at St. Daniel Church. Also, the University of Michigan graduate students will be presenting a preview of a program on Depot Park and native plantings at 7:00 p.m. at the City Hall on March 11. A later date will be chosen for a presentation to the general public

Chief LaCroix reported that efforts are being made to control parking during snow removal and keeping cars off

Pappas asked the Council to consider work areas for additional personnel to be hired. He also reminded Coun-cil of the upcoming contract renewal for the Police Chief.

After discussion on the required budget amendments the following action was taken: Moved that a committee be formed consisting of

Ottman, Inabnit, Pappas, to study the comparison of snow removal costs by City employees and privatization.

Resolved that budget amendments be adopted show-ing revenues of \$875,153 and Disbursements of \$875,107. Storage of vehicles was discussed. The current Zoning Ordinance has a section on this issue. City

Attorney Ryan suggested that the City direct the Police Department to enforce this. Chief LaCroix further added that a separate ordinance might be adopted.

Johnston asked that the Council coordinate lighting in Depot Park.

Chief LaCroix informed Council that Chrysler Council ration would be lending a Dodge Charger with police paciage to the Clarkston Police Department for a one-week

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m. Respectfully submitted,

Artemus Par.pas, Clerk



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