



Vincent D'Anna's family deals with loss, on page 1B

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Never forget

Lisa Harris and her son, Riley, gave a solemn reenactment of Civil War era mourners as they placed flowers on veterans' graves during a Memorial Day ceremony at Lakeview Cemetery on Monday. See page 24B for more Memorial Day pictures. Photo by Laura Colvin

Tour local homes for SCAMP

BY LAURA COLVIN
Clarkston News Staff Writer

The welcome mats are out and six distinguished homes in and around downtown Clarkston are ready for visitors during the 26th Annual Home Tour to benefit Clarkston SCAMP.

The event takes place June 7-8. "Several historic homes on this year's tour were recently purchased by younger people," said Donna Clancy, SCAMP's executive director of fundraising. "While those homes might be old, they are certainly new—and they are all absolutely spectacular."

Each of the homes will be open June 7 beginning at 5:30 p.m. for those attending Patron's Night. The



Darrell and Charlotte Cooper will welcome the public to their home June 7-8 to help SCAMP. Photo by Laura Colvin

tour that evening concludes with a reception at Oakhurst Golf and Country Club at 8:00 p.m.

Registration for the tour Sunday,

June 8, starts at 11:30 a.m., with the homes open from noon until 5 p.m.

Registration for both events

Please see Home on page 8A



Rose Marie Farrar thanks the Clarkston community for her Citizen of the Year award. Photo by Laura Colvin

The award goes to...

BY PHIL CUSTODIO
Clarkston News Editor

Rose Marie Farrar's husband, Steve Farrar, kept secret for about a month her award for Clarkston Citizen of the Year.

Near the end, though, he couldn't contain himself:

"He kept asking me if I got anything in the mail," Rose Marie said. "I said I got something from the chamber, but I thought it was a joke or mistake. He said he was so proud — you won citizen of the year!"

"I thought it was great, terrific, well deserved," Steve said.

"It was a real surprise to me," Rose Marie said.

Rose Marie and fellow Clarkston Community Award winners were honored at a breakfast reception

May 22 at Deer Lake Banquet Center, hosted by Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce.

The award selection committee used a rubric, a type of checklist measuring specific achievements on sliding scales, to determine award winners out of the 40 nominations.

"This year's nominations were particularly strong," said Anita Bannach, co-chair of the award selection committee along with Kelly Hyer of Independence Township Parks and Recreation, and Johnna Goodwin, Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce.

"In past years, it was so close more than one award was given out (in a single category) — that's why we followed a rubric."

Please see Activists on page 24A

Awards honor volunteers, activists

Community Preservation: Jim Schultz
Community Beautification: Children's Literary Gardens,
Farm & Garden Club

Adult-Youth Volunteer: Anita Demster
Community Enhancement: TEAM RUSH, CHS Robotics Team
Business Person of the Year: Paul Klein, Distinctive Landscape

Community Collaboration: Academic Service Learning
Young Person of the Year: Elizabeth Hawthorne
Citizen of the Year: Rose Marie Farrar

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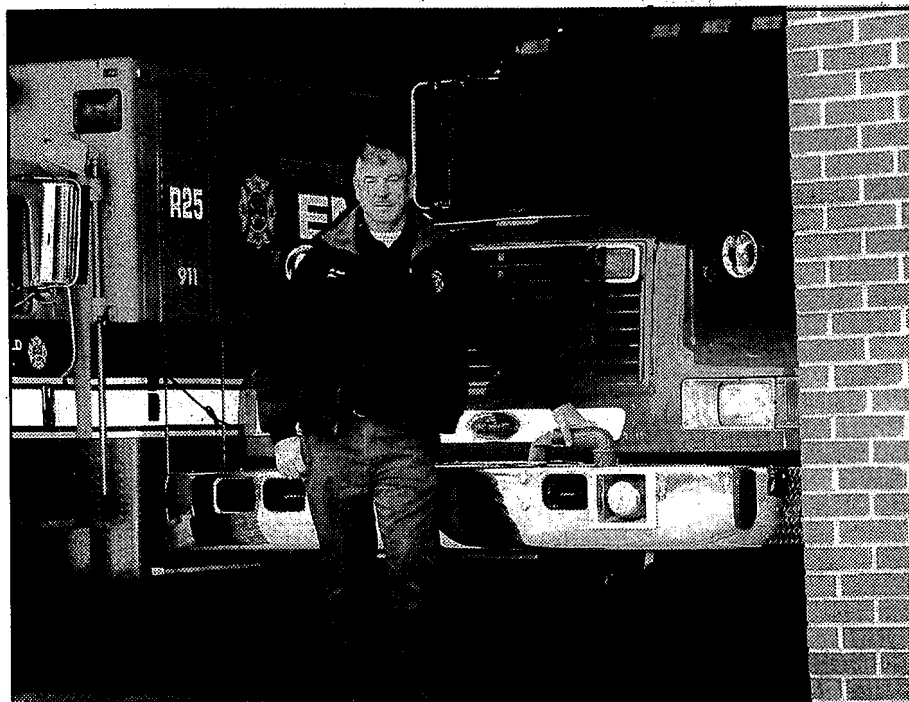
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Springfield Township Fire Chief Charles Oakes hosts an open house June 1. Photo submitted

Check out new station June 1

Now almost five times bigger than when it was built, Springfield Township firefighters are impressed with their newly remodeled station. Now they want everyone else to see it.

"We want to show the public what their tax dollars bought them," said Fire Chief Charles Oakes. "We spent over 1 million dollars to build a fire station for the future."

They're hosting an open house Sunday, June 1, at the station, still located on the corner of Rattalee Lake Road and Dixie Highway.

"Before the station was too tight, we couldn't move around the trucks," Oakes said.

The station increased from around 2,500 square feet to more than 12,000 square feet. A basement, upstairs level and a fourth garage door were added.

The open house, from 3-6 p.m., will feature fire trucks on display, a Coast Guard helicopter, and food, drinks and desserts.

"We are proud of the new station and we want to show it off," Chief Oakes said.

— Ingrid Sjostrand

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Briefly . . .

Players stage 2-show special

Clarkston Village Players presents a special, two-show production of "Electioneering," 8 p.m., June 6-7, Depot Theater, 4861 White Lake Road.

Meaning "charitable," the funny and poignant play stars Nancy Penrose, Debbie Truba, and Megan Donahue as three generations of women, dealing with their relationships amid life changes.

For more information or to order tickets, call 248-625-8811.

Can-struction contest for Lighthouse

Lighthouse of Oakland County is looking for teams -- book clubs, church groups, businesses, and other groups -- to design and build sculptures made of donated canned and boxed foods.

At least 50 percent of the sculptures must be made up of a "feature food," such as canned meat, cereal, instant potatoes, macaroni, and cheese, powdered milk, peas and beans, spaghetti sauce, canned fruit, and canned pasta.

E-mail pictures of the structures to info@lighthouseoakland.org by Saturday, June 14. Finalists will be notified Tuesday, June 17, and will be asked to reconstruct their projects at the Lighthouse Campus of Care in Pontiac on Friday, June 21.

For more information on the Can-struction contest, call 248-920-6000 ext. 2367 or check www.lighthouseoakland.org.

Correction

Shay Kestin, seventh-grade student at Sashabaw Middle School, should have been listed as an all-A student in *The Clarkston News* May 7 Honor Roll.

Got news?

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World War II witnesses teach students

BY PHIL CUSTODIO
Clarkston News Editor

One day when Dennis Robinson was 7 years old, he found something interesting.

"In a bog, a swamp, I found an incendiary bomb," said Robinson.

"I tried to be helpful. I pulled it out, tied a clothesline through the fins and tied it to the handlebars of my bike, and I drove it to the police station in the center of town. People actually ran away. Police officers ran away. That surprised me."

The bomb, dropped by the Germans on his town in England during World War II, didn't go off, but his parents did when they learned of what he did, he said to Clarkston Junior High School students, May 14.

He joined fellow veterans and witnesses Jean Ketter, nurse in Franbe during combat; Leigh Bonner, pilot; Catherine Reeve, witness to the Battle of Britain; Frank Willard, Army Air Force transport pilot in the Pacific Theater; George Thompson, infantryman in the Philippines; Axel Girschner, 15-year-old soldier in Germany's army; and John Thomas, U.S. Navy, Atlantic, in sharing their experiences of the war with students.

"We try to make learning about World War II interesting instead of just out of a textbook," said Clarkston Junior High School teacher Brian Zezula, who organized the panel discussion with the Independence Township Senior Center.

"I think kids need to know what went on," said Reeve, who spoke to students about her experiences in World-War II England as an 11-year-old.

"It went very well," Willard said.



Clarkston Junior High School teacher Brian Zezula introduces World War II veterans and witnesses George Thompson, Axel Girschner, and Dennis Robinson

"There's not a lot of information out there about World War II in the school books."

He talked about what bombing raids were like in the Pacific Theater.

"There'd be 800 to 1,000 B-29 bombers in a raid," he said. "They would cover the skies."

Thompson talked about jungle warfare, as a Browning Automatic Rifle gunner.

"I wasn't scared. I was petrified," he said. "War is a terrible thing. Over half my company was killed. It was terrible to see all my friends not make it -- you folks are the future of the country. Take care of it. Don't give up."

Robinson described other memories as a child in England during the Battle of Britain.

"The fun thing, gas masks. Who gets to play Halloween all year," he asked.

"We played soccer -- our row won. We played cricket -- like baseball only slower. We played marbles, climbed a lot of trees. There were a lot of broken arms. There were a lot of swimming pools in our town -- bomb craters. We'd swim in the bomb craters. It was safe. They posted a sign if there was a bomb in it. We thought it was great. Our parents hated it."

He and his friends would collect metal bomb fragments off the streets, he said.

"That's the sort of thing that happened," he said.

The all-day seminar ended with a USO-themed party in the school gym, Zezula said.

Trustee tries to mend fences with employees

BY TREVOR KEISER
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Trustee Dan Kelly has a plan to "bridge the gap" between the Independence Township Board and non-union government employees.

Instead of unionizing, their interests could be protected by subcommittee, Kelly proposed at the May 20 board meeting.

"The board would pass as a general policy that whenever adverse actions were taken as regard to employee benefits, that would be a reduction in salary, changing of their vacation, sick pay, pension qualifications or change in their healthcare, the board would be required to appoint a subcommittee made up of three board

members and three employees," he said.

"The subcommittee would review, investigate, and collect data in regard to those adverse changes."

The subcommittee would report back to the township board within 30 days, with its majority recommendation.

"If there is no majority, the subcommittee will just present the varying views of the subcommittee," said Kelly.

The policy would cover township department directors, assistant directors, deputies and administrators, noted Kelly.

Clerk Shelagh VanderVeen said she was surprised by the inclusion of deputies because they have their own "separate status."

"They are 'at will' employees because

they serve at pleasure of the person that appointed them," she said.

Kelly agreed to exclude deputies, and made a motion for preliminary approval, pending review by township attorneys.

The motion passed 6-1, with Trustee Charles Dunn voting against.

Changes to the resolution were e-mailed to trustees two hours before the meeting, and Dunn did not have time to read it, Dunn said.

"If I am going to vote for a policy I'd like to read the resolution," he said.

Non-union employees, which include full-time department directors, department assistant directors, and administrative assistants, filed a petition March 24 to join Teamsters Local 214, based out of Detroit.

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Sashabaw students plant seeds for seniors



Students from Sashabaw Middle School helped plant flowers around the Senior Center as part of their Academic Service Learning Project. Photo provided.

BY TREVOR KEISER
Clarkston News Staff Writer

When Sue Wilson, Academic Service Learning coordinator for Clarkston Community Schools, organized a project for her students, she knew what to do.

"I've had a relationship with Margaret Bartos (director, Independence Township Senior Center) for many years doing projects and I knew they had built a new Senior Center, so I wanted to do something here at the center," said Wilson.

About 115 Sashabaw Middle School seventh graders planted seedlings around the senior center May 21, and read poetry to seniors.

"I think it's really fulfilling experience. It makes us feel good and obviously makes the seniors feel even better," said student Creed Blankenship. "It's really good that our work is being appreciated by other people besides our classmates and that we get to share it with other people."

Wilson worked with teacher Amy Blair to give their students a project that would include both academics and community service.

When they found out Bartos needed plants and flowers for planter boxes around the center, Wilson contacted Carolyn Morrison, a master gardener to come and talk to the middle school science classes.

"She came and talked to our classes about

the whole plant process, the seeds, and how the plant grows," said Wilson.

The students did an experiment, comparing their plants as they grew under "grow lights" versus natural light, said Morrison.

"We transplanted them as they got larger, today is the culmination of the effort of about two months," she said. "They are now seedlings and they're going to be flowers."

Wilson incorporated Language Arts into the project by having all the students do research on a different plant or flower and then write a poem from their research.

"I learned a lot about flowers when we did our research and also when the master gardener came in and showed us the proper way to plant flowers," said student Erika Hahne.

The students read their poems to the seniors and presented the senior center with a book of all their poems.

"It was a good opportunity for them to come out here and spend time with the seniors, interact with them and give back to the community, which I think is important for them to do too," said Wilson. "It helps them to learn about being a volunteer. Hopefully they will build upon that as they get older and look for more opportunities. It's been a very positive experience for them so far."

Boater's safety course June 10, 12

Oakland County Sheriff's Department offers a boater's safety course, 6-9 p.m., June 10 and 12, Hart Community Center in Davisburg.

Participants, who must be at least 12 years old, must attend both days and successfully pass the test to receive the Boater's Safety

Certificate from the Michigan DNR. Persons born after December 31, 1980 are required by law to have a Boater's Safety Certificate.

Fees are \$10 for Springfield Township residents, \$15 for nonresidents.
Call 248-846-6558.

Basketball camp for girls June 23-26

Varsity Head Coach Tim Wasilk, his coaching staff, and Clarkston High School varsity players offer the Dare to Dream Fundamental Basketball Camp this summer.

The camp stresses fundamentals of basketball and gives players skills they need to improve their game. The camp is designed

for advanced and beginning players. The camp is open to girls going into grades 3-9. It will be June 23-26, at Clarkston High School Gym, from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Cost of the camp is \$95 and includes a basketball T-Shirt. Email wasilktd@clarkston.k12.mi.us.



Students Mende Gleiss and Jenny Diemert clean up weeds around the Renee Przybyski Memorial Spraypark. Photo by Trevor Keiser

Kids learn leadership with community service

BY TREVOR KEISER
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Twenty-five students from Jonathan Paddock's student leadership class at Clarkson Junior High showed up at Clintonwood Park, May, 21, to do some good.

"It was suggested that the kids could come over and do some service learning," said Paddock. "So my kids wanted to have a two part - spend half the day here at the park going through, weeding the spray park to get ready for the Memorial Day opening to make sure it looked nice, and then do

our team building lunch as well." The suggestion came from the schools Main Office Secretary, Michele Przybyski, noted Paddock.

"The spray park is named after her daughter, Renee Przybyski, who passed away from Leukemia," he said.

Students Lisa Lyons and Lauren Kissle organized the project.

"I think it's a lot of fun," said Lyons. "It's kind of nice to know that you helped someone in like a place in the community where ev-

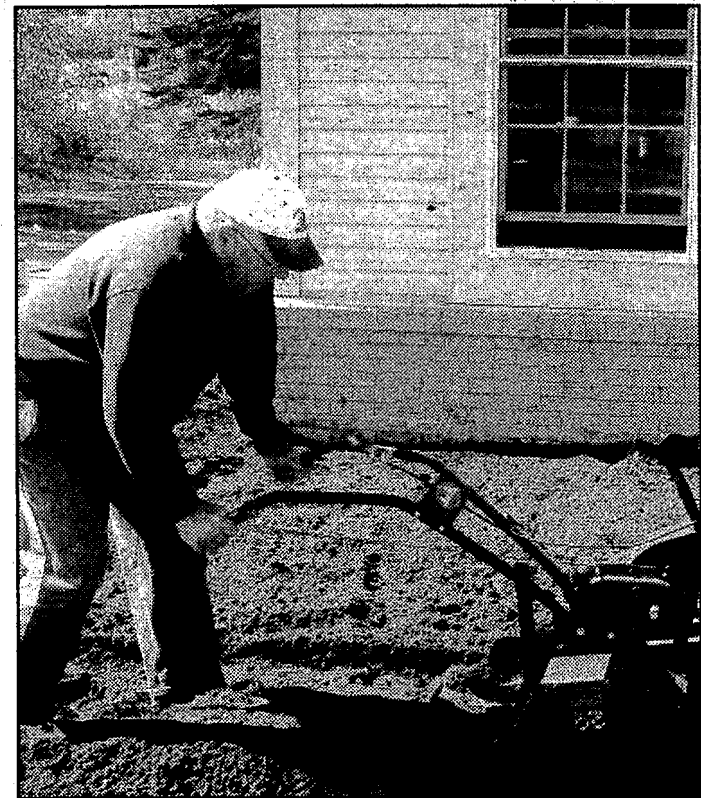
everyone is going to benefit from it."

Kissle said it was nice to help out where it was needed.

"They usually do it all by themselves," she said.

To be in student leadership, students had to have teacher recommendations, as well as go through an application and interview process, Paddock noted.

"This is really a good group of kids," he said. "All of them really want to do well, not only for themselves, but for their school and community."



Bob Brown mans the rota tiller. Photo provided.

A day tilling the soil

Residents and local government officials met at the Senior Center early Tuesday morning ready to plant shrubs and bushes.

"We're delighted to have the volunteers from the community, and our senior advisory committee that came out and planted shrubbery and did the heavy planting today," said Margaret Bartos, senior center director. "The park guys helped get the grounds ready and spread the top soil."

Bob Brown, member of the Senior Advisory Committee, and Carolyn Morrison, master gardener, organized the day, noted Bartos.

"It took about two and half

hours to plant what was planted there," said Brown.

Bart Clark, trustee candidate for Independence Township, said he had a pretty good time.

"I got to drive a rota tiller and everything," he said. "It was about 10-15 people there, we had four master gardeners to keep us in line, make sure we did the right thing. We got quite a bit done, a lot of bushes and shrubs planted."

Brown said it was great to see all the volunteers who showed up.

"We certainly appreciate all the help that volunteers give us in a project like planting."

- Trevor Keiser

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Wendi's Word

A column by Wendi Reardon

Going south

Recently I took a trip to Savannah, Ga. If you get a chance to go, do it.

If you have the money for gas, do it (the sights are beautiful throughout Tennessee and Kentucky).

If you are short on time, fly.

We had driven on a previous trip. This time we flew, which meant I got the luxury of not driving, starting a new book, and decent amount of sitting room. (I had flown American Airlines before. Since I booked with a friend, together we chose Delta. Much more comfy.)

Though I will say the last few times I have flown, it hasn't been timed too well. Flying back from California last year, I had the stomach flu. Flying to Georgia this year, I was just getting over the stomach flu. Both, I had unknowingly caught from cute and (seemingly) innocent infants. My stomach was just a little wobbly still from after the bug.

After leaving chilly weather surrounding Detroit Metro, I welcomed the heat and humidity in Georgia.

We jumped into a cab and made our way to downtown historic Savannah for our weekend visit.

The reason behind our visit was our friend was getting married in Columbia Square, one of the eight squares, in historic downtown. A few trolleys passed by because the neighborhood was on the tour. So a few stopped, took pictures, and cheered when the bride and groom said their "I do's."

Our hotel was right on River Street. When we checked in we were told we had the best view. At first we thought they told that to everyone. But we did have the best view. We could see right down the street and see the riverboats. We took lots of picture of just our view.

Our hotel did seem out of place - a new building edged between buildings that have stood along the river since the town was built.

River Street isn't paved, but in original cobblestone. The steps leading from the main streets down to the river were unchanged - steep and narrow. Beautifully untouched if you are wearing sneakers, like I was. My friend wore her wedge heels. We didn't take the steps down. We found another way.

There was so much more, but alas that is our the room I have.



The Clarkston News Viewpoints

Township needs better leaders

Dear Editor,

Rudy Lozano apparently needs a calculator ("Vote needed on part-time township idea," May 14 edition).

When Dan Travis announced that his team of dedicated community-minded citizens would get the township back on track, the other 125 people in the room with me were ecstatic.

I understand as a campaigner he has to launch these negative attacks, but

he ought to at least get his facts right. The clerk did offer to reduce her job duties and her salary, but his candidate, the current supervisor, refused because he wants to protect his job and his salary, even at the expense of what is best for our community.

What I have seen over the past four years out of the current supervisor has demonstrated the need for this township to

have the assistance for its day-to-day operations of someone who is educated, trained and experienced in municipal government.

I am delighted Dan Travis and his group are taking this issue of professional management to the public. I am confident the public will see the wisdom of having professional management assistance to deal

with the complexities of the multi-million dollar enterprise that is our government. I am just as

confident the voters will understand the current supervisor and those he would now support are just running to have jobs.

We deserve better.

On Aug. 5, I intend to vote for Dan Travis and his entire dedicated team.

Sincerely,

Craig Bennett
Independence Township

Letters to the editor

Thanks for Bailey Lake help

Dear Editor,

We would like to say thank you to the students and staff at Bailey Lake Elementary for their generous donation of animal supplies and adoption bags on April 25th. Between the donations and the outpouring of support you gave at the adoption event, many animals have found good homes where they can be happy and healthy.

Generosity and civic responsibility such as yours deserves recognition. We rely on donations like these to help meet the costs

associated with caring for and housing the animals here. Unfortunately, not everyone knows how much we depend on donations like these to help the thousands of homeless animals we see every year.

We are looking forward to seeing you again next year and hope that many of you will come and adopt an animal from us in the future.

Sincerely,

Lawrence Obrecht, manager
Oakland Pet Adoption Center Division

Knights' drive helps New Gateways

Dear Editor,

This is a special thank you from the New Gateways Program to the Knights of Columbus 5436 on Maybee Road.

They have generously supported our program for 16 years. For their kindness, the clients, staff, and parents wish to extend their

personal thanks to Mike Zubalik and Dan Fuller, chairpersons of their Tootsie Roll Drive, and to all their dedicated volunteers.

May God bless.

Sincerely,

Lillian Machowski
Parents Council, New Gateways, Inc.

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A Look Back

From The CNews archives

15 years ago - 1993

"Rattlesnake bites girl, 6" A Springfield Township girl was bitten by what was believed to be a Massasauga rattlesnake at Indian Springs Metro Park after she apparently scared or stepped on the snake.

"SCAMP Home Tour 11 set for this weekend" Five homes and two historic commercial buildings were available to be viewed with benefits raised in the event donated to Clarkston SCAMP, a summer day camp for children and young adults with special needs.

"Driver gets 6 months in pedestrian death" A Grand Blanc woman was sentenced to 6 months in jail for hitting and killing a pedestrian on Dixie Highway. She believed the man was a deer at the time of the accident.

25 years ago - 1983

"Court OKs car racing" Independence Township lost in a fight to stop memorial-weekend racing at Waterford Hills Race Track. The Oakland County Circuit Court decided the track did not need to reapply for a township license to continue racing.

"Village joins" Clarkston Village became a dues-paying member of the Mill Pond Association for the first time. The Village contributed \$75 to herbicide and algaecide treatment of the downtown pond and paid \$10 in membership dues.

"Inflation hits" The Independence Township had an increase of \$400 in fees for elections of Clarkston School Board members. This increase was approved to keep up with rising costs and would not be gaining or losing any money for the board.

"Fire purchases" The Springfield Township Fire Department received several renovations including a fresh coat of paint and new hoses and fittings for both of their fire stations.

50 years ago - 1958

"Sashabaw Church to build manse" Members of the Sashabaw Presbyterian Church held a groundbreaking ceremony on Waldon road between Sashabaw and Pine Knob Roads for their new church house. The manse was to be used for women who could not attend regular afternoon meetings.

"Rotarians donate to rescue truck" The Clarkston Rotary club donated \$500 to the Independence Township Rescue Truck Fund, which was raising \$2800 to purchase and equip a fire truck. The firemen made a house-to-house trip asking for any donations for the fund.

Green ideas great

Dear Editor,

While I have probably said it before, I want to again thank you for publishing the opinions and viewpoints of our residents.

The most recent of Tammie Heazlit ("Green space millage proposal needed," May 14) was especially rewarding as it gave specific recommendations for development that will not diminish what we have or take away from what we leave our children.

Unlike many others who only say yes or no to development, Ms. Heazlit told us how we can do it right.

I do hope representatives of Beaumont, Independence Township, and all the voters, are listening.

*Cory Johnston, PE,
Clarkston
Corporate member, U.S.
Green Building Council*

What do we really know of the land of caribou?

It's been several weeks since I was exposed to an evening of insulting, bragging and attempted humiliation with an Alaskan.

The Alaskan I refer to is Mike Barton -- Alaskan by movement. Two decades ago, he was bored (or was he boring?) with his desk job in Washington, D.C. when Providence stepped in and he was asked (ordered?) to take a job in Douglas, Alaska.

Rumor has it, there was an instant uprising in his (office) cell by fellow inmates.

He grabbed his toothbrush, Seagrams and wife, in that order, and left. He and wife Sharon always hoped to migrate south, someday, south.

They hoped for grandchildren in the lower U.S. That was 20 years ago, and since a daughter married a man who loves Alaska, his future is firm in nearby Juneau. Their migration plans are on ice.

Which, of course, is good news for the lower 48. We don't need his kind down here as we already have enough exaggerating, insulting, unkempt, overweight characters.

However, I have to admit the too-long evening with Mike did shed needed light on our state, in

comparison to Alaska with what must be millions of miles of shoreline (considering the numerous islands), vast isolation and the need for more dog sleds.

The size of Alaska is amazing. Measuring Alaska from end to end it's wider than the Continental 48.

It dwarfs Texas.

Its capitol, Juneau, is on an island with less than 100 miles of roads. At one time, Douglas was bigger than Juneau, and the site of the big gold rush.

Now Juneau is bigger with a population of 27,000 -- 27,001 if you count Mike.

Jim's Jottings



a column by
Jim Sherman

With all those square miles, Alaska has about 650,000 folks, in about 200 towns. Some towns have as little as a dozen inhabitants.

My Atlas doesn't print names of towns under 380; it says Anchorage is biggest with 230,000, Fairbanks has 33,000, Juneau

29,000, Sitka 8,500 and Kodiak is fifth with 6,500.

Little ol' Michigan has nearly 800 cities.

Mike has a master's degrees in watershed management-slash-pontification. His Mrs., Sharon, has a bachelor's degree and is retired, but is a chef teaching future chefs. Mike is with the Rise Group, based in Chicago.

Rise is working in Anchorage on their museum. The company is also in London, building the world's tallest building, and consulting on a new gas line from the north slope, south to Mike's house.

He needs more gas.

Sharon says Mike is a consultant for a consulting firm. But she doesn't consult Mike.

Alaska has 6,500 miles of roads. Wayne County has more. Heck, Detroit may have more.

The big news in Juneau these days is their source of power. Recently an avalanche took out about a mile of power lines.

Now diesel-powered generators are their energy source and it costs about 50 cents a kilowatt hour. Repairs on the power lines aren't expected to be complete until July.

One of the many ways to get Mike's ire is to mention how politicians in our 48 are hammering Alaskan representatives about the proposed "bridge to nowhere."

Mike fumes, "Hell, it isn't a bridge to nowhere. It's a bridge to carry people from Katchiken, which is on an island, to its airport, which is on another island."

Today, travelers have to take a ferry. If for some reason your flight is cancelled, he explained, you have to take the ferry back to Katchiken for a hotel.

I don't get Mike's complaint. After all, don't Alaskans take pride in their rugged, individualism?

Isn't Alaska populated with tough guys? (And braggers, along with plenty on the public dole, numerous seekers of more government handouts and people like Mike -- who went there on a lark and lost all opportunity of returning to their native homeland.)

He's invited me up. Do you think I'm going?

Hmmm... Let's see... my plane may have to land in Katchiken, power is too expensive for columnists and a polar bear may bite me.

'Majority' doesn't support Green Millage proposal

Dear Editor,

Due to the numerous calls we received in support of our views against the Independence township green space proposal, we feel we must respond.

Contrary to Mr. Cory Johnston's claims ("People support green millage," May 7), the majority of the people do not support the abuse of more of their hard earned money on a green space proposal that ultimately stands to benefit a few.

Because of that, an educated and organized group of concerned citizens is now forming an opposition to the Independence Township "green space" proposal.

With the sorry state of the economy and with the housing industry in a free-fall it's no surprise that "The Green Group's" own \$10,000 telephone poll quickly found that a majority of the people did not support a green space proposal.

So...rather than seeing the proposal defeated, the polls wording was changed and the millage rate was cut in an attempt to secure the 60 percent positive results the township required to put the proposal on

the Nov. 4 ballot.

The 60 percent "majority" the green group now speaks of as it's "supporters" was based on numbers conceived from a poll that had to be "fixed" to get the groups desired results.

Surely the wording of the original poll had to be approved by township officials. Why did township officials allow the poll to be changed after polling had already started?

Surely they had to know that the poll had been finding that it did not have the support of the "majority" of the people required to put it on the ballot? Can we really trust them to be honest with more of our money?

The group's claims that "green space raises property values, the quality of life, and attracts people to the community" is a contradiction in common sense.

Why have home values in Independence Township dropped significantly with the green space that exists today? Values would not go up by buying "green space" to "attract people." Contrary to their statements educated citizens know

that "attracting people to our community" results in MORE PEOPLE and LESS "green space" for all but a select few.

Up until now the "green group" has shown an indifference to the "green space" in your neighborhood.

So why the group's sudden interest in your well being? Money, pure and simple. They want your money to fund what will ultimately be a "green space buffer zone" for the benefit of a select few.

The "we care about the whole community" speech rings hollow when we've seen that attention is paid only to the green space in and around the "Clarkston community," while development in other areas of the township is routinely ignored.

The "green group" conveniently fails to mention that you already pay federal, state, county and township taxes for "green space" in the form of federal lands/parks, state lands/parks, county land/parks, and township land/parks.

Residents cannot afford another "it's just a small millage increase." The "small millage increases" are what have helped make Michigan the foreclosed ghost town

that it is quickly becoming today.

We would suggest that the "green group" use their ingenuity and buy the foreclosed properties in their neighborhood for use as their own personal green space. The \$10,000 telephone poll would have made a good down payment on the green space that they are now asking you and I to pay for.

We have faith that the people of Independence township will see through the propaganda and vote down the green space proposal.

Informed citizens still remember how quickly money was found after the Senior center proposal was overwhelmingly defeated, why should we expect this to be treated any differently?

Homeowners have grown tired of being nickled and dimmed out of their homes to pay for projects that they have already spent a lifetime paying taxes for! Because of the facts above, homeowners should vote NO on the "green space" proposal, Nov. 4.

Sincerely,

*Michael Powell, Lori Powell
Independence Township*

Six Clarkston homeowners welcome visitors June 7-8

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takes place at Depot Park in downtown Clarkston.

To complement this year's tour, organizers asked local artists to each create a unique bench that will make it easier for those entering the homes to place provided booties over their shoes—many are currently on display in downtown Clarkston.

Two of the benches will be raffled at Depot Park after Sunday's tour, while the remaining benches will be auctioned at Patron's Night.

In addition, SCAMP also collaborated with local architects, builders, and Oakland Technical Center students to build the second SCAMP Playhouse. Last year, the playhouse was built using a dollhouse-type design—complete with lots of pink paint. This year, the playhouse is modeled in a log cabin style. Tickets are \$20 each. The winner will be announced in early June.

Ticket prices for the Home Tour Patron Night evening are \$200 Platinum patron, \$150 Gold patron, and \$100 Silver patron. Sunday tickets cost \$25 for an advance registration and \$30 at the door.

SCAMP is a non-profit summer day camp for impaired children and young adults.

Proceeds from the Home Tour and the raffle defray the cost of hosting more than 300 special needs children and young adults who each



The Coopers' home on W. Washington is part of the tour.

year attend the six-week summer day camp. Local students serve as counselors to assist the SCAMPers as they participate in a wide range of activities, which are otherwise un-

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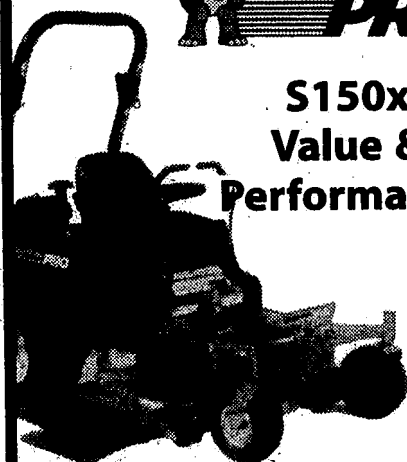
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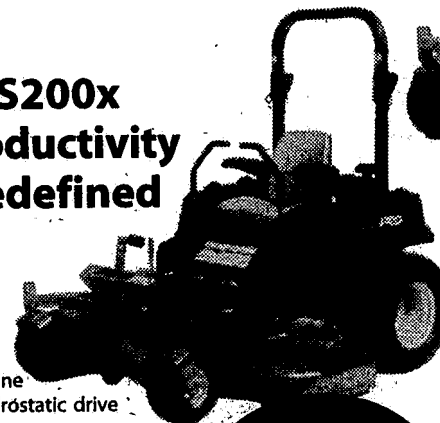
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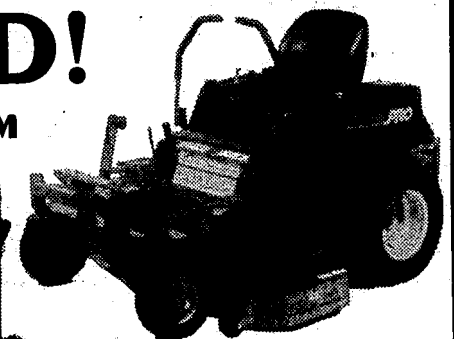


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Independence Twp.

Fri., May 16 A 54-year-old Independence Township man filed a police report after discovering an unauthorized person withdrew more than \$500 after gaining internet access to his checking account.

Sat., May 17 An Independence Township man living in the 7500 block of Andersonville Road called police after discovering someone stole two dirt bikes, valued at about \$2,700 each, and a leaf blower, valued at about \$200, from his driveway.

Sun., May 18 An employee at an Independence Township business located in the 5900 block of Sashabaw Road called police after arriving at work to discover someone vandalized property by using a magic marker to write "HOH FALCON" on the rear door. The employee estimated damages at about \$100.

A 28-year-old Brandon Township woman was arrested and jailed on drunk driving charges after an officer clocked her driving 64 mph in a 40 mph area and pulled her over. The woman, who told the officer she'd just left an Independence Township restaurant, blew a preliminary breath test of .13. The legal limit is .08.

A 33-year-old man living in the 9200 block of Thendara called police after discovering someone entered his unlocked vehicle overnight and stole sunglasses,

Public Safety

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

cologne and some change from inside.

A 25-year-old Independence Township woman living in the 6700 block of Berwick called police after discovering someone entered her unlocked vehicle overnight and stole two large cases containing about 4,000 CDs from inside. The woman said each case weighed about 30 lbs.

Tues., May 20 Deputies were dispatched to assist the Independence Township FD after a passing off-duty Pontiac firefighter reported a mobile home at 88 South River full engulfed in flames. The homeowner was not on the scene when firefighters arrived, but did return shortly. The fire remains under investigation.

Wed., May 21 A 47-year-old Royal Oak man filed a police report after returning from a trip up north with his father to discover someone smashed a window from his vehicle, which he left at the Park and Ride near Sashabaw Road and I-75, and stole tools and other material valued at about \$1,600 from inside.

Springfield Twp.

Tues., May 13 A 48-year-old man called police after discovering two of his trailers were stolen from a storage yard in the 10400 block of Dixie Highway. One of the trailers contained two snowmobiles, the other contained landscaping equipment.

Wed., May 14 A 53-year-old Springfield Township man called police to report his trailer had been stolen from a storage facility in the 10400 block of Dixie Highway. Police investigating the theft discovered damage and theft of other trailers, as well.

A 46-year-old woman called police after the back window of her car was smashed out while parked at Andersonville Elementary. Police discovered a small stone inside the car, which was parked near a freshly mowed field, and told the woman it appeared the stone was thrown during a mowing operation and the mower probably didn't realize the damage had occurred.

A 43-year-old woman living in the 9400

block of Eagle Hill called police after returning from work to discover someone broke into her home and stole jewelry and other items from inside. It appeared the perpetrator cut a screen to gain entrance.

Fri., May 16 A business owner in the 10500 block of Enterprise called police after discovering someone attempted to steal his cargo utility trailer from the business parking lot. The man told police someone also dumped a large amount of hose, tires, construction material and other trash in his dumpster. A 38-year-old Brighton man was arrested and jailed in connection with the thefts, as well as others that occurred at a Dixie Highway facility earlier in the week. Much of the property was recovered from the man's home.

Sun., May 18 A woman living on Oakhill Road called police after discovering a note from her 16-year-old daughter who said she was leaving home because she was unhappy with her parent's rules. The girl, who left home with a small bag of clothes, no money, no transportation and no phone, was entered into LEIN as a juvenile runaway. Police were eventually able to make contact with the girl and advised her of the consequences of running away. The teen said she did not want to cooperate with officers and hung up on the deputy. She returned home shortly thereafter.



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A Clarkston police officer stands at attention as the annual Memorial Day Parade, hosted by the American Legion Post 63, marches down Holcomb. Photo by Laura Colvin

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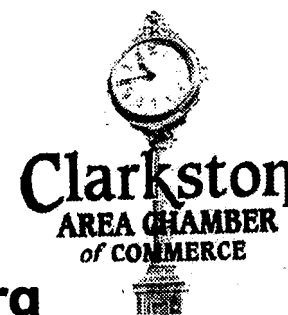


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Commissioner plans challenge for township clerk

BY TREVOR KEISER
Clarkston News Staff Writer

A challenger for township clerk has risen. Joseph Lawrence, Independence Township planning commissioner, is taking on incumbent Shelagh VanderVeen for the Republican nomination.

"The reason I am running for clerk is because I really have a deep profound interest in this community," said Lawrence.

He and his family moved to Independence Township in 1991 from Saginaw because of his job.

"We looked at a lot of communities including Birmingham, Rochester Hills, just very crowded areas," he said. "We didn't like the congestion, the small lot sizes."

In 1998, his job took him and his family to Europe.

"When it came time to return to this area in 2001, there was no discussion among our family, there was no question," said Lawrence.

"We wanted to move back to Independence Township because we really enjoy this area, the lifestyle, all the things that makes Independence Township a very special place to live."

His longtime business background, and experience in journalism and corporate communications makes him qualified for clerk, he said.

"One of the duties of the clerk's office is communications, speaking with the citizens

about important topics of its elections, the budget," he said. "All the various aspects of the clerk's office require somebody with a good business background and an excellent communications background."

Lawrence first became interested in running for clerk when he heard discussions about making clerk, treasurer, and supervisor part-time position. One of his major concerns is bringing in a professional manager from outside the area, who has to get to know the community and learn how things work around here.

"Many cases, a lot of these professional managers are gone in three to four years because they're seeking the next bigger position in other communities," said Lawrence. "This cannot possibly be a part-time job. This is not a small community or northern village where you can have a part-time clerk, treasurer and supervisor."

If township residents want a professional manager, then the issue should be put to a referendum, he said.

"Let's have a popular vote on it," he said. "You can't administratively change a form of government that's worked here for decades."

Growth of the community puts more responsibility upon the clerk's office and staff concerning management, communications, finance, and elections, he said.

"Those are four very important services, said Lawrence. "For our tax dollars, township

residents should expect nothing less than full-time service, full-time responsibility from their elected township clerk. It's that simple."

He said township government can't stop the township's growth, but can decide how it's approached. On the township Planning Commission, Lawrence paid close attention to land use, he said.

"We need to ensure that Independence Township is a community of choice for people to live, work and play in," he said.

In past years, he and fellow planners worked on the Master Plan, updated it and are now ready for a public hearing.

"It's a very sound document that shows a very responsible way we are going to grow this community," said Lawrence. "I would encourage township citizens to go on the township's website, take a look at it. We are currently taking and have received a lot of comments already from citizens, which shows the people are interested."

In addition, Lawrence plans to work to improve citizen access and communications through "useful and user-friendly technologies," such as interactive internet and cable



Joe Lawrence

TV coverage of township meetings and services. He also wants to work with the Clarkston Community Schools to consolidate school-district and township elections.

"The current election schedule is confusing and wasteful," he said. "We can save thousands of taxpayer dollars simply by combining our township and school elections."

He also feels there needs to be "more cooperation" on the township board and says he sees "divisiveness" among board members.

"I don't see a lot of communication going on outside of the official meetings. If I am elected that's going to change," said Lawrence. "Between the treasurer, clerk, and supervisor, there needs to be constant dialogue going on."

If elected, he also plans to get involved with the Michigan Association of Municipal Clerks.

"I've been on the website acquainting myself with the various programs that are on there to find out the latest in municipal administration, so I'm already working on learning, educating myself about the position," he said.

Lawrence was born in Pittsburgh. He has a bachelor's degree in business administration from Northwood University, and an associate's degree in journalism / communications from Allegheny Community College.

He owns Public Relations Solutions and is a member of Michigan Association of Planning, North Oakland Headwaters Land Conservancy, and Independence Township Friends of the Library.

Lawrence has been married to his wife, Pam, for 18 years. Their daughter Carrie, 30, of Chapel Hill, NC, is a member of the Clarkston High School class of 1996, and a Western Michigan University graduate. Their son Mark, 16, is a sophomore at Clarkston High School.

"This is not a one issue campaign," said Lawrence. "It's about part-time government. It's about what is the smart way to grow this community and what's the best way to deliver services?"

Registration deadline for voters is July 7 for the Aug. 5 primary, and Oct. 6 for the Nov. 4 general election.

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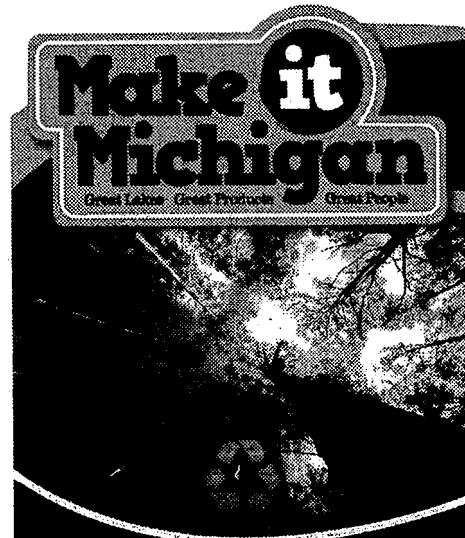
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Lamont looks toward second term as trustee

BY LAURA COLVIN

Clarkston News Staff Writer

As a Springfield Township trustee, chair of the planning commission and president of his homeowner's association, Roger Lamont invests a great deal of time and energy into his community.

For him, it's time well spent.

As he seeks reelection to the township board, Lamont said he truly enjoys his role alongside other Springfield Township leaders, and believes his experience will continue to be an asset as the board undergoes significant transition in coming months.

Long time Supervisor Collin Walls, along with four-term Clerk Nancy Strole both recently announced plans to retire in November.

"I feel it's particularly important for me to run again," said Lamont, 57. "I feel I can help whoever takes those seats make the transition. Even for quick learners, it takes a while to learn about the issues, board procedure, agenda items. There's always something new and unique coming up."

Six years on the planning commission, as well as tenure on the Zoning Board of Appeals and membership in the Michigan Society of Planning, he said, make him qualified to continue on as trustee. Lamont was first elected to the board in 2004.

"When I came in I wanted to preserve the rural character of Springfield Township and encourage and allow new development," he said. "I believe I brought in new ideas and have made a significant impact in both those areas."

He cites planning for Harrington Funeral Home as an example, explaining that his experience on the planning commission helped

him understand how the project could fit into the requirements of the Dixie Highway overlay district.

An overlay district does not rezone the property, but adds special standards to existing zoning regulations and may affect how the property can be used or developed.

"It's a unique piece of property with a commercial portion on Dixie Highway and a residential home all on one parcel," he explained. "The result is the existing home on Softwater Lake preserves environmental quality on the lake—the lake shore doesn't get disturbed—and the site on Dixie Highway has commercial use."

And, although economic conditions have brought growth and to near standstill conditions, Lamont said he believes the township will be prepared when developmental pressure returns.

"My vision is that Springfield Township will grow in an orderly and responsible fashion that follows planned growth outlined in the Master Plan," he said, noting the planning commission was nearing completion of the Master Plan update required by law to take place every five years.

"The Master Plan outlines that the township expects growth and should be prepared to handle growth in a responsible manner."

The lack of water and sewer infrastructure in the township, he said, poses special problems that require significant planning in regard to storm water drainage, sanitary sewer and water supply.

And, while Lamont said he's an advocate for responsible, orderly growth, he'd like to focus on and limit development to the Dixie Highway Corridor.

"We moved to Springfield Township for



Roger Lamont

include a pedestrian pathway along Dixie Highway, creating a "sense of place" in the township, and continuing the township's record of fiscal responsibility.

During recent months, Lamont served on a subcommittee with fellow trustees Denny Vallad and Marc Cooper to examine the possibility of hiring a full-time township manager for day-to-day operations, while reducing the township's three elected officials—supervisor, clerk and treasurer—to part-time status.

Lamont contacted several other municipalities who recently made a similar transition. None, he said, had achieved a savings and ultimately ended up paying more than expected.

"We found the elected officials had less presence," he said, noting he was told that residents with questions and problems were usually directed to the township manager in those communities.

"The residents elected the supervisor, clerk and treasurer, and those are the people they should talk to when they have a problem."

The issue could emerge in Springfield

Township again as campaign season heats up. Lamont said he's not completely opposed to the idea of part-time officials—but he does believe such a decision requires a significant amount of additional research.

Issues concerning the Davisburg Hamlet have also surfaced recently, with business owners expressing an interest in revitalizing the area and enforcing ordinances some say are often ignored.

"Maintaining it is a good thing, and making it more appealing for businesses and customers is a good thing," Lamont said, noting the biggest questions circle around funding. "But how is it paid for?"

Lamont has worked in operations management for more than 30 years, and currently serves as store director of the Meijer store in Rochester Hills.

He and his wife Carol moved to Springfield Township about 22 years ago. The couple has been married 31 years and have two grown children.

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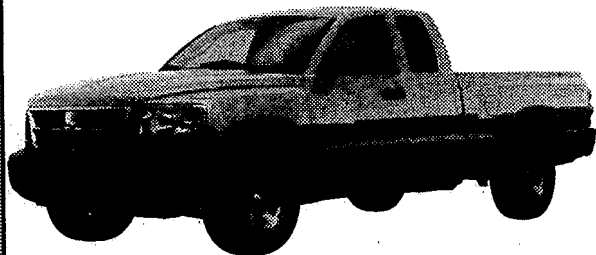
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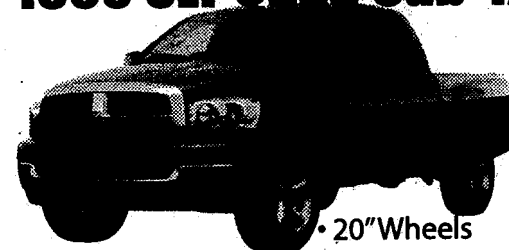


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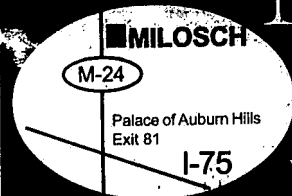
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Local builder lays foundation for trustee campaign

BY TREVOR KEISER

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Local builder Sam Moraco hopes to nail down a spot on the Independence Township Board.

"I feel I can be a great asset to this community and its preservation if given the honor of becoming a trustee," he said.

When Moraco moved from Westland in 1998, along with Kelly, his wife of 22 years, they decided Independence Township would be the place they would raise their daughters, Maggie, 14 and Moria, 7.

A licensed builder since 1991, he has been involved with several neighborhood project in the township, two of which he lived in.

"I stand behind my work and I am an easy guy to find," said Moraco.

After working with the township for years, Moraco was appointed to the planning commission in 2003. He took planning classes through Michigan State University and was certified "master citizen planner."

Now, all commissioners must be certified in planning prior to being reappointed.

"Through hard work and education, we now have the best commission ever," he said. "These efforts have had a direct effect on the township fighting against big box developments without resorting to cre-

ating a millage for legal fees as other have proposed to defend our master plan, and saving the township tens of thousands of dollars."

Moraco is chairman of the township Planning Commission and Wetland Board, and also sits on the Construction Board of Appeals.

"My involvement in the township is an important part of who I am. I am a problem solver by nature and never turn away someone in need," he said.

"While others wait to get to the township board to do something for the community, I have been working with the last two boards to complete some of the largest wish list items they have had and never had the funds to complete."

These included a new senior center and preservation of the Stickney/McCord home, one of the oldest homesteads in the township.

When Moraco was asked by trustees Charlie Dunn and Dan Kelly if he could help build a facility for seniors, he contacted local residents in construction, as well as suppliers across the country for help.

"Every person contacted was eager to help Independence solve a more than a decade old problem. Everyone made sacrifices for the good of the community," he said.

"The facility didn't cost tax payers any additional money."

The Stickney house was donated to the township as a pre-Civil-War landmark, but never had funding to restore or maintain it.



Sam Moraco

"After talking to the township, it was apparent there was no funding to save the house which was entrusted to them for safe keeping," said Moraco.

He proposed a plan for the township to sell it to him in exchange for complete restoration of the house and its barn.

"The board agreed," he said. "It was the only way to save the land mark."

After two years of work, the house is now complete and was recently chosen from all local Detroit area restorations to be the featured home in a new remodeling magazine.

When it comes to issues of the township, Moraco believes elected officials should be full time and "accountable to the voters."

"I am running for trustee as an individual, not part of a group with an agenda to change how our government has run and worked in this township for almost 200 years."

He looks forward to working with anyone willing to work hard to manage spending not only to balance the budget, but also create a surplus, he said.

"Balancing the budge is the easy part," said Moraco. "With less help coming from the state and the way the economy is, we need to tighten up the way things are done and start saving for the future. Organized growth is very important in helping the township freeze taxes without sacrificing the character of our community."

Moraco has also been a member of the North Oakland Headwaters Land Conservancy, Clarkston Community Historical Society, Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce, Michigan Association of Planners, Clarkston United Methodist Church, where his wife teaches Sunday school, and Christmas in Action as house captain.

"I think we need enthusiastic people excited about making a difference with creative ideas to save money, improve services and freeze taxes through hard work and commitment," he said. "Anyone who thinks an elected position is part-time isn't putting their heart and soul into the job."

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Lacrossers break tie to advance in regionals

BY WENDIREARDON
Clarkston News Sports Writer

Four extra minutes were put on the scoreboard for overtime in the first round of regional playoffs.

But the Wolves only needed two to break the tie with Huron Valley Lakeland and win the game, 6-5.

Jon Avery scored the winning goal with an assist from Adam Zak.

"It was just exciting because it was more of a team goal. It was all of us playing together at the last minute to win," said Avery.

"We wanted to possess the ball, which we did," said Kaminskis. "It took us awhile to get our shooters started and when we did, things worked out just the way we would want them to."

Clarkston went into the second half of the game behind, 3-0.

"I don't know if it helped, but I told them they were a lot better than they were playing, we have all the confidence in the world in them and to go out and play the way they have been playing all year and everything will work out fine," said Kaminskis.

It seemed to help, as the boys came back strong from the break.

The first goal came from Matt McEntee with an assist from Jon Avery.



Jon Avery runs through Lakeland's defense. Photo by Wendi Reardon

Adam Zak worked his way around and into the net to score the second goal.

Lakeland widened their lead in the top of the fourth quarter, 4-2.

But McEntee seized control of the ball when Lakeland was in the Wolves defense zone and threw the ball to Weston Gleiss.

Gleiss swung his stick and the ball fell

into the net, scoring the third goal.

When Lakeland scored again to make their last goal of the night, the Wolves had four minutes left in the game to close the two-point gap.

The first of the two goals was made by Warren Swartz with 54 seconds remaining in the game.

The ball was brought into the middle of the field for the face-off. Andrew Miller won the possession and passed the ball off to Avery, who threw it to Chapin White.

White in turn threw the ball into the net to tie the score at five.

The Wolves and Titans faced off again and remained in a lock in the middle of the field. Titans got control of the ball but lost it, and the Wolves took a shot. Lakeland made the save and the game went into overtime.

Zak passed the ball to Avery who shot it past the goalie and into the net to win the game for Clarkston two minutes into overtime.

The team will face University of Detroit-Jesuit (10-8) Wednesday, June 4, in their next regional playoff game.

"It's going to be a tough game, but we are going to try to do our best," said Avery.

The game will be at Walled Lake Northern. It begins at 6 p.m.



Athlete of the Week Williams awarded for efforts

BY WENDIREARDON
Clarkston News Sports Writer

Determination and hustle are two words that come to mind for Angie Ballis when describing her son, John Williams.

Williams received an All-Conference Award from the Central Collegiate Lacrosse Association for his performance on the lacrosse field.

"I felt honored," said Williams on winning the award.

He just finished his junior year at Michigan State University where he was on the third team as defensive midfielder.

He has been playing lacrosse since his high school junior year. A friend was playing lacrosse and told Williams to try out. He did and made the team.

He had played basketball and golf for a while, but once he picked up the lacrosse stick he stuck with lacrosse.

He was voted the most improved player in his first year on the team. In his senior year he was the most valuable player.

"It was exciting to watch him play at any sport on the college level. I am very proud of him," said Baylis.

He had already planned to go to MSU and thought he would give lacrosse a shot on the collegiate level.

Williams and his team made it to the CCLA Playoff Championship on May 7. They were stopped by University of Michigan, 21-5.

"Hard work and hustle can make up for talent and skill," Williams advised young athletes going into sports.

Williams knows first hand that work and hustle can help a player. Most players of any sport have played it since they were young. Williams started late and had to hustle on the field and work harder to make up for the difference.

"I'm really proud of how hard he works and his determination," said Baylis.

Williams will start his senior year at MSU in the fall where he is studying business and pre-law. He plans to continue his education he graduates and go to a law school.

He graduated from Clarkston High School in 2005.



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Mickayla Meola takes aim to score for the Wolves. Photo by Wendi Reardon

Season ends for girls lacrosse

BY WENDI REARDON
Clarkston News Sports Writer

Clarkston girls lacrosse fell in the first round of regionals, 17-4 against Grand Blanc.

"This was a difficult game," said coach Renee Turner. "It was very physical and the girls had to really hold back. I think they did a good job."

"Our goal tonight was to play to the best of their ability to play like it was their last game," said Turner. "For six of our seniors, it was. It was emotional at the beginning. I have been with some of them for almost four years, most of them three years for sure."

Grand Blanc scored five goals within the first eight minutes of the May 19 game.

Mickayla Meola took control of the ball at face off after Grand Blanc's fifth goal. She took the ball into the Bobcats' defense where Andrea Kovacic made the first goal for the Wolves.

Kelsey Reardon and Meola put two more points on the board for Clarkston, 5-3.

The Bobcats retaliated by holding onto the ball and scoring eight more goals by the end of the first half.

As the first half was closing, Kovacic scored one more goal for Clarkston.

"I wanted them to enjoy this game to its fullest and again it took away from the joy of the game when it gets that physical," said Turner. "We will pick and choose our schedule a little bit more carefully next year."

Turner took the reins for the game because head coach, Kaitlyn Sitar, was unable to make it due to scheduling conflicts.

"We missed Kaitlyn very much. She let me come in and be a coach for my daughter tonight and I was very grateful."

They ended their season with a 1-13-1 record. Grand Blanc's record is 14-1.

Softballers set for districts

BY WENDI REARDON
Clarkston News Sports Writer

Coach Don Peters received the call on Thursday morning.

The girls varsity softball team were named league champions and tied for first place with Troy and Farmington.

Also, the team added one more game before they go into their district playoffs on Saturday.

They will play at Hartland High School next Wednesday in a double-header game.

"Hartland had an opening. We added the game to the schedule," said Peters.

The team is up to the challenge to face a team they have never played before.

Last Wednesday, the girls split their double-header with Goodrich.

"In our first game, we scored nine runs in the first inning and hung on for our dear lives. It was kind of fun," said Peters. "They have an excellent team."

Goodrich is state ranked in fifth place in division two.

The girls were ready to compete with Goodrich and took the games as a way to get ready for the district playoffs.

"I figured going in there if we got a split, we would be happy," said Peters. "It is

pretty hard to beat a state ranked team twice. They were really good. They are ranked that for a reason."

The Wolves won the first game, 10-9.

Sarah Altene was the winning pitcher and pitched for four innings. She threw three strike outs, ten hits, nine runs, and four earned runs. Bailee Braunreuther pitched the remaining three innings and had two strike outs and no earned runs.

Kara Wandrie was the leading hitter with a triple and two RBIs. Katie Smith also had two RBIs.

Taylor Hasselbach, Shantel Uballe, and Braunreuther had one RBI.

The girls lost the second game in five innings, 13-1. Hasselbach hit a home run and had one RBI for the game.

The split brought the girls record to 23-15. The games on Wednesday at Hartland begin at 4 p.m.

The girls have home advantage going into the playoffs. They will play Waterford Kettering this Saturday at 10 a.m. The game is held in field #1.

"The Waterford schools, Mott and Kettering are always very good teams. We hope to play very well. We're excited about playing them. It will be very challenging."

School physicals set for June 10

Clarkston Community Schools offer physicals June 10 for all athletes for the upcoming 2008-2009 school year.

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League champs

BY WENDI REARDON
Clarkston News Sports Writer

The boys golf team secured their place at regionals and became league champions last week.

They scored 317 to take fifth place out of the 13 teams that competed in their division meet last Thursday.

"We didn't have our best day," said Clarkston coach Mark Wiegand, "but they did enough to qualify."

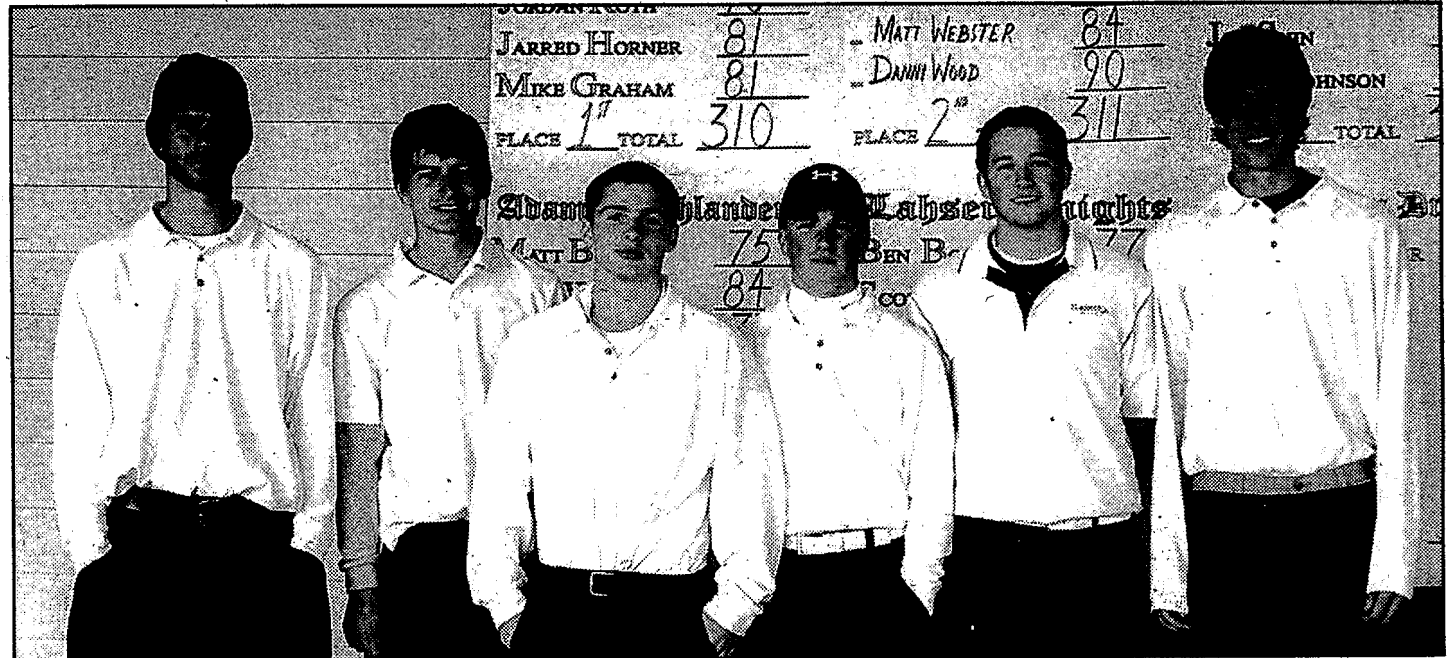
Jordan Roth and Brandon Storie led the team with a par of 78. Jarred Horner scored a par of 80. Tommy Ronk and Matt Fuller had a par of 81.

"It's good when the team has talent," said Wiegand about Roth and Stone leading on Thursday.

"Not just the same players lead."

The top six teams from the meet move on to the regional meet next Thursday at Westwynd Golf in Rochester.

They will join Grand Blanc, Waterford Kettering, Rochester Adams, Lake Orion and Davison when they compete against



from left, Clarkston High School golfers Matt Fuller, Mike Graham, Brandon Stone, Tommy Ronk, Jarred Horner, and Jordan Roth will play for a chance at states this week. Photo provided

Bay City Western, Traverse City West, Midland Dow, Alpena, Traverse City Central and Saginaw Heritage.

"We need to go lower than than we did Thursday," said Wiegand.

Going lower would give them a better chance to go onto the state finals next weekend.

The boys team became OAA Division Red league champions last Tuesday.

They ended their regular season by beating Waterford Kettering, 157-162.

"It was really nice. We had good scores," said Wiegand.

Zach Rogers and Horner led with a par of 35. Mike Graham had 41 and Nate Hedtler had 42.

The boys took third place out of 30 teams at the Lansing Tournament on May 19.

"They did well. They played 36 holes in one day," said Wiegand. "That was an excellent experience. One golf course was over 7,000 yards longer than anything played in high school."

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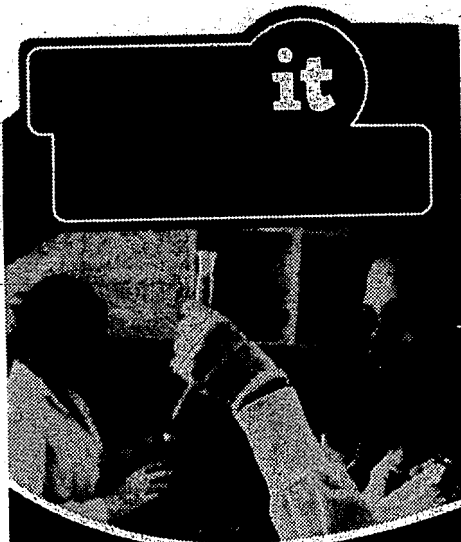
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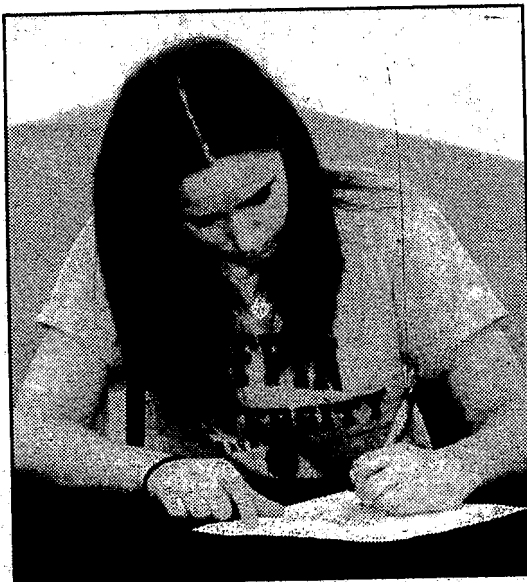
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Above, Clarkston Varsity Basketball player Jennifer Johnston signs to play for Tiffin University. At right, Tammi Johnston knew how special the day was for her daughter and brought in a cake for the celebration. Photos by Wendi Reardon



Senior signs with Tiffin University

BY WENDI REARDON

Clarkston News Sports Writer

As her last year in high school comes to a close, Jennifer Johnston signed her letter of intent to attend Tiffin University in Ohio.

"I think it's great. It's a very nice place," said mom, Tammi Johnston. "She's excited, so helps me to be excited."

"I am excited for her," said girls varsity basketball coach Tim Wasilk.

Jennifer had been looking at different colleges when Tiffin scouted her a month ago at a camp at Eastern Michigan University she had attended. She started talking to them and visited the campus.

"I really like the coaching staff. They're really nice," said Jennifer.

"I'm really excited. It was exactly what I was looking for. I'm glad they got in contact with me because it's really late in the year.

Jennifer began playing basketball in elementary school when a friend was participating in the Horizon Hoops camp at the high school.

"She invited me to do it with her and I did," said Jennifer "I just kept on playing."

Jennifer plans to study business management in college.

Tiffin University is a Division II university. They just joined the Great Lakes In-

tercollegiate Athletic Conference for the 2008-2009 season.

Some of the schools in the conference include Wayne State, Michigan Tech, Saginaw Valley State University, Grand Valley State University, Northern Michigan, and Hillsdale

Jennifer is the fourth senior from the girls program to sign their letter of intent to continue their basketball career on the college level.

This is the most amount of seniors that signed since Wasilk started.

"It shows they have a great deal of passion to continue their basketball career," said Wasilk.

Runners place at meet

Girls Track took second place at the Oakland County Championship with 54 points. The boys team tied for 16th place with Farmington Harrison with 14 points.

Placing in the top six: Autumn Touchstone, first in 300 hurdles, second in 100 hurdles, and sixth in long jump; Stephanie Thorstad, second in high jump; Kristen Smith, second in 1600 meter run; and Erik Thompson, third in long jump.

The qualifiers from last week's regional meet have state finals this weekend.

Registration ends soon for spikers

Learn new skills or improve current ones at the Annual Clarkston Volleyball Clinic.

It is open to any girls going into grades 5-9 this fall.

The clinic will be Monday, June 16, through Friday, June 20. The clinic is 8 a.m.-10 a.m. for girls in grades 9-12, and 10 a.m.-12 p.m. for grades 5-8.

Participants will receive a short-sleeved

T-shirt and can earn awards for outstanding athletes, attitudes, and tournament champs.

The cost is \$60. Sign up now, registration ends June 3.

Flyers are available at all Clarkston schools or online at the Clarkston High School Volleyball website, www.clarkston.k12.mi.us/education/sportszone.

Girls tennis taking on state

BY WENDI REARDON
Clarkston News Sports Writer

For the four consecutive year, the varsity girls tennis team will be making an appearance at the state playoffs.

The girls came in fourth place with 18 points during the regional competition on May 15. They earned enough points to qualify to go to the state playoffs next weekend.

"My challenge for each of our eight teams, four singles and four double teams, was to win their first regional match in order to gain valuable qualifying points for the team," said Clarkston coach Craig Judd. "Each girl accomplished this goal and the result is a wonderful, exciting trip to Midland Community Tennis Center where they will compete against Michigan's best girls tennis players. Regional competition was more difficult this year than in the past. Exceptional play and team points that were mandatory for us qualifying for states, came from our number one and number two singles, Nicole Janek and Alyssa Lucas."

Janek and Lucas made it to the final round of the competition, but were beat by Rochester players.

Janek had faced Kelsey Dieters earlier in the season. This time Dieters won the match (7-5, 6-3). Lucas had also met with Adriana Lingl and lost to her for a second time (6-3, 6-3).

"I'm proud to be able to coach such outstanding girl athletes as they bring honor and respect to their family, community and school," said Judd.

The girls will compete this Friday and Saturday in the state playoffs.



Swinging for the bleachers

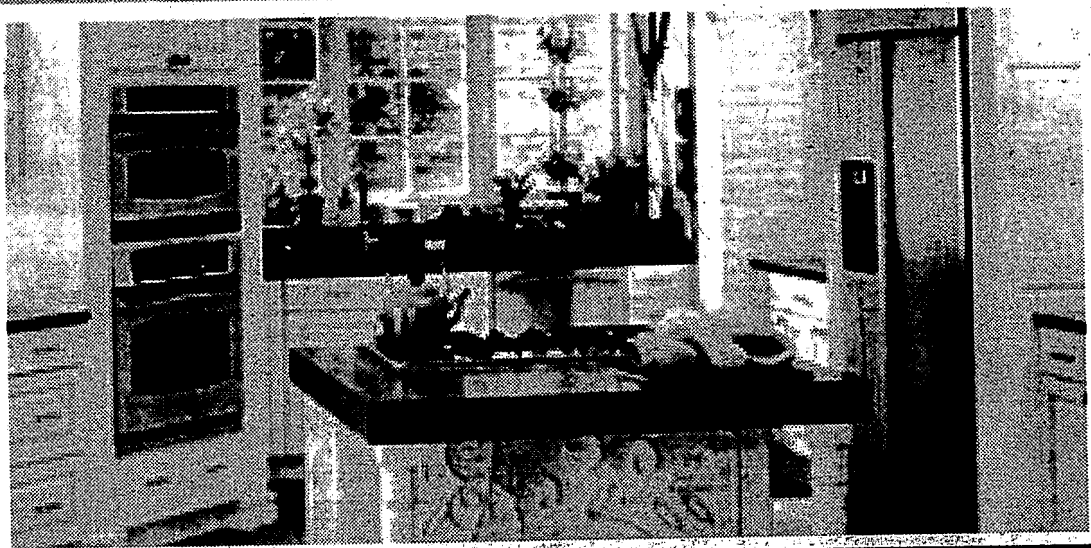
Clarkston Varsity Baseball split a double-header vs. Waterford Kettering, May 21, winning the first game, 4-3, losing the second, 13-3. They lost to Detroit Country Day, 4-3, on May 22. Next for the boys is a district playoffs game at home on Saturday, June 31, 10 a.m. Photo by Wendi Reardon

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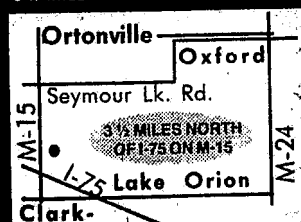
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People can comment on master plan

BY TREVOR KEISER

Clarkston News Staff Writer

The public will have a chance to comment on Independence Township's Master Plan, July 10.

The Township Board voted unanimously May 13 to set the public hearing.

"The substance of the plan has not changed significantly," said Richard Carlisle, township planning consultant. "There has been some tweaking here and there, there has been some fine tuning where the commission has found some things that need to be addressed."

Goals, objectives, and policies in the plan remain consistent with previous plans, Carlisle said.

A few changes were made, including plan format, combining strategic plan and master plan into one document, and updates to goals and objectives. Future land use was "largely unchanged" other than updating maps for development since 1999, he said.

So far, Carlisle said the township Planning Commission received four extensive written comments by individuals and other parties.

"We addressed each one very specifically," he said. "We didn't necessarily agree with all of them, but we certainly discussed them and addressed them among the commission."

Trustee Larry Rosso, who is also on the commission, said they had been working on the master plan for the past two years.

"I think the positive thing that I've drawn from this whole process is that when we came to these revisions, we had a consensus and eventual unanimity of agreement," Rosso said. "We thoroughly aired the citizens who proposed revisions and changes. Some of which we concurred with and others not so. I think that shows the commitment of the planning commission to take the time to go through this and find the grounds of commonality to make this proposal before you (the board)."

Rosso did not give a recommendation as to what he thought the board should do, but said he would be "comfortable either way."

"I think as a board we've been elected to pass on these types of things and I think we need to assert our right to approve or reject this plan ultimately," said Clerk Shelagh VanderVeen.

"We should proceed like we normally do in any situation where it goes to the planning commission; they get their recommendation and send it up to us."

Supervisor Dave Wagner agreed. "We were elected and that's what we're supposed to do," he said. "The planning commission makes recommendations to us all the time, for us to shuck that duty would be a shame."

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Clarkston State Bank celebrates Re-Grand Opening

Clarkston State Bank celebrated the Re-Grand Opening of the Waterford branch, 6600 Highland Road, with a ribbon-cutting ceremony.

Clarkston State Bank partnered with Waterford Township Historical Society and Savage Photography to create a black-and-white photo display of the early Waterford community.

The new design also offers a conference room and large cherry wood table available for meeting use by local organizations.

"Our re-designed Waterford branch will become more than a bank; it will be a social center and a community center, with the focus of supporting the financial growth and high standards of the community and



From left are J. Grant Smith, president and CEO, Clarkston State Bank; Dennis Ritter, board member, Clarkston State Bank; Betty Fortino, Waterford Township clerk; Margaret Birch, Waterford Township treasurer; Cathy Kuban, assistant vice president, Waterford branch officer; Carl Solden, Waterford Township supervisor; L. Brooks Patterson, Oakland County executive; Ken Rogers, chairman of the board, Clarkston State Bank; and Bill Clark, board member, Clarkston State Bank. Photo provided

the customers it serves," said J. Grant Smith, Clarkston State Bank president and chief executive officer.

The branch was designed by Chris Enright of Enright Architects, P.C., of Birmingham, Mich. The state-of-the-art building offers two drive-thru lanes, 24-hour ATM access and a night depository.

Front and back entrances were opened to create a two story entrance and an open view through the building. The interior décor is modern and appealing to both new and existing customers, with the use of an inviting light gray color palette, highlighted by a two story cherry wood banister at the front and rear entrance to the building.

Business briefs... CSB directors re-elected

William J. Clark and Mark Wayne were re-elected to three-year terms as directors of Clarkston Financial Corporation, holding company for Clarkston State Bank.

Clark, Clarkston resident, is a director of the corporation and Clarkston State Bank. He has served as manager of Coldwell Banker Schweitzer Real Estate since 1999.

Prior to that, he was a partner and general manager at Clarkston Real Estate Services, Inc., since 1989, and general manager of Coldwell Banker Professionals until 1999.

Wayne, also a resident of Clarkston, is a director of the corporation. He is the president and chief executive officer of Freedom One Financial, which he founded in 1988.

He is also a member of the Detroit Chapter of Young Presidents' Organization.

He is past president of the Michigan Delta Foundation, past honoree of Crain's Detroit Business' annual "40 Under 40" award, and member and regular speaker for the American Society of Pension Actuaries, Society of Professional Administrators and Record keepers, and Financial Planning Association.

Fabrizio named law clerk

Mary Celeste Fabrizio of Clarkston has been elevated to law clerk at the firm of Fabrizio & Brook, P.C.

Fabrizio has been with the firm since 2005 as legal assistant, and was also employed by Troy Abstract & Title Agency as post-closing analyst.

She is completing requirements for a Juris Doctorate at the University of Detroit Mercy School of Law and anticipates admission to the State Bar of Michigan in February, 2009.

She is a graduate of Michigan State University with a B.A. in Psychology from the university's College of Social Science.



Grand opening for Tropical Smoothie

In front from left, Emmer Rettig, Patrick Carlson, Sue Sturk, Stacy Webb, and Allan Federlein, and back row from left, Bud Rettig, Gary Hintz, Cindy Burroughs, Heidi Wood, Jennifer Hanson, and Debbie Hansen celebrate Tropical Smoothie Café's grand opening with a ribbon cutting May 6. Photo by Wendt Reardon



Owners Christine and Pier Bollini; and groomer Cynthia Dodich offer curbside pet grooming with their business, Aussie Pet Mobile. *Phil Custodio*

Pets stay home with Aussie

BY PHIL CUSTODIO
Clarkston News Editor

Christine and Pier Bollini are taking their new business to the dogs.

"We were looking for a home-based business," said Christine, owner of Aussie Pet Mobile in Clarkston, with her husband. "We were looking at the different franchise opportunities and this one appealed to us. We saw a need for it, and we wanted to stay in the community."

Christine and Pier, who have four daughters and live in Independence Township, completed their franchise training, set up their Pet Mobile van, and hired a pet groomer, Cynthia Dodich, of Waterford.

"A lot has happened in two months," Christine said. "Everything's falling into place."

Dodich is trained in a 15-step grooming process, including nail clipping, ear cleaning, bathing, brushing, drying, and massage.

"My dad saw an ad for it in the Penny Stretcher, and I wanted to check it out," she said. "I love animals. It's a lot of fun."

The vehicle, which she drives to customers' homes, is equipped with a tub, warm water supply, clippers with vacuum, wash hoses, clippers, and everything else needed to take care of dogs and cats. Water drains into a storage tank in the back, so nothing is left behind.

They also offer "pawdicures," in which dog's nails are filed and painted assorted colors, tooth brushing, and Firminator shampoo, which loosens and washes away undercoat fur and reduces shedding.

The service offers many benefits, Christine said.

"A lot of dogs don't like riding in the car and being left for hours," she said.

"It also benefits people who aren't able to get out," Pier said. "It's good for older dogs, who might have trouble getting into the car."

They plan regular stops at local senior centers, as well as taking calls from throughout the Clarkston area, as well as Waterford, White Lake, and Commerce townships.

Customers call to set up an appointment. Customers do not have to be home during the appointment.

Pier worked for big corporations for 27 years — this is the Bollinis first business venture.

"The economy the way it is, there are no guarantees," he said. "This provides something fun to do and build up."

"It's pretty exciting," Christine said.

A leadership-development seminar gave them confidence to go out on their own, he said.

"Eventually, within three years, we'd like to have three vehicles, and go from five days a week to seven days a week," Pier said. "We want to bring on four or five groomers."

Aussie Pet Mobile was created in 1996 in Sydney, Australia. It has expanded through franchising throughout the United States, Ireland, Canada, South Korea, Hong Kong, England, China, Germany, Taiwan and Japan.

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Community Preservation awardee Jim Schultz talks to Anita Demster, Adult-Youth Volunteer award winner.



Elizabeth Hawthorne, Young Person of the Year, thanks the audience.

Activists honored for serving neighbors

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Some were still close enough to require discussion, she said.

"There are so many people giving back," Hyer said. "This is truly a celebration of community volunteerism, the unsung heroes of our community."

"They're all top flight nominations," Goodwin said.

Awardees also included Jim Schultz, Community Preservation; Farm and Garden Club, Community Beautification; Anita Demster, Adult-Youth Volunteer; TEAMRUSH, Community Enhancement; Paul Klein, of Distinctive Landscape, Business Person of the Year; Academic Service Learning, Community Collaboration; and Elizabeth Hawthorne, Young Person of the Year.

Schultz was honored for his work organizing Clarkston's Barn Tour.

"I try to do my little bit to help stop the vanishing of this very important icon of Americana," Schultz said. "They're disappearing very fast."

The tour, offered in the fall, is an incentive to preserve the barns, he said.

"Maybe the people who own the barns will realize they have something important, if all these people pay money to see them," he said.

Children's Literary Gardens at Independence Township Library earned Clarkston Farm and Garden Club a nod.

"I'm very honored to be the people to receive this award for all of us who have worked so hard," said Susan

Sajdak, representing the club. "I think it makes the community look so beautiful."

Demster volunteers with Meals on Wheels, Clarkston United Methodist Church, Clarkston Farm and Garden Club, PEO Sisterhood, Clarkston Area Youth Assistance, and other causes.

"Thank you, is all I can say," she said. "It's a real privilege to receive this award. I'd like to represent all volunteers - I know how many volunteer hours the Clarkston community gets."

Klein and Distinctive Landscape planted and maintain flowerbeds in and around Depot Park, at no cost to Clarkston, and donated landscape service to a local family in need.

"I'm just glad I could give something back to the community," Klein said.

Academic Service Learning involved 43 Clarkston teachers, joining with local businesses and groups to serve the community while teaching the curriculum.

"I'm very honored, very thankful," said Sue Wilson, coordinator. "It combines community service with what students are already learning in the classroom. We have a great partnership will all the businesses - we're having a lot of fun."

Hawthorne, Miss Michigan Teen USA and Clarkston High School senior, volunteers with local blood drives, Taste of Clarkston, Friendly Forest, Grace Center for Hope in Pontiac, Clarkston Coalition for Youth,

National Osteoporosis Foundation, and many other organizations.

"This is such an honor," Hawthorne said. "Volunteering is something I love to do."

Team RUSH won the Motorola Robot Award at First Robotics World Championships last week in Atlanta. The awards reflect the team's desire to honor teammate John Lafata, who died in October.

"The season is dedicated to John," Hughes said. "He loved robots so much. The team went all out - this is a tremendous dedication for him."

Terri Nallamothe nominated Rose Marie for her volunteer work with Guardian Angels for Lighthouse, nursing homes, Oakhurst Helping Hands, Open Your Heart, Breast Cancer 3 Day, Turkey Trot, and other projects.

She started serving the community when she was young, she said.

"In the Girl Scouts, we would visit a nursing home on the weekends - it was the natural thing to do," she said.

Her parents, who came to America from the former Yugoslavia, believed in giving back as a way to thank their new country, she said.

"They said they were so lucky to be here, that giving back is something we should all do," she said.

As individuals and community groups get busy on summer projects, people should consider who should be nominated for next year's community awards, Hyer said.

Nominations are accepted beginning in February.



Elizabeth Hawthorne hugs her mother, Peg Hawthorne, after winning her award.



Past awardees Fred and Sheila Ritter enjoyed the breakfast ceremony. Photos by Laura Colvin

People Poll

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Memorial Day traditions?



"Celebrating my 18th wedding anniversary -- it's always the same weekend."

— Mary Kay Witzke



"We go motorcycling -- racing or trail riding, something with the family. This year, it's a race at Waterford Oaks BMX track."

— Traci Lee



"We go up to the cottage and celebrate up north with the extended family. We barbecue, have a great time."

— Steve Swimmer, with daughter Laine Swimmer



"Boating, weather permitting. Depending on the weather, we'll go up north to Deer Lake or here at Pine Lake. It depends on gas prices, too."

— Steve Bose

By Phil Custodio

The Clarkston News' Millstream

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

Remembering Vincent

A long trial finally behind them, an Independence Township family talks about their love and loss

BY LAURA COLVIN
Clarkston News Staff Writer

No matter how old they got, Eileen D'Anna-Mallett knew what she was in for when both her boys climbed into her car.

She gave the same speech every time.

"Even when they grew up, I'd say 'do I have to pull this car over?'" she remembers, describing the endless poking, and whispering and taunting between the front and back seat.

And it wasn't just in the car—born just 20 months apart, Vincent and Elliot swirled in brotherly mischief.

Like the time they started the grass fire.

"It was our yard, though," Elliot interjects, as the memory surfaces years later. "We found a book of matches and started lighting them—actually, Vincent started lighting them—and throwing them in the grass."

Cross-legged on the living room floor of the home she shares with her husband and two young daughters, the older sister confesses.

"I was supposed to be babysitting," said Camille D'Anna-Leinbach.

"Or the time we went out the window and climbed on the roof," Elliot remembers.

A sheepish grin crosses Camille's face as she offers another confession.

"I was supposed to be babysitting then,

too," she said. "But they were upstairs, being quiet."

Their mother laughs.

"Quiet?" Eileen asks her daughter. "When they were quiet, that's when you had to go check on them."

Growing up in Independence Township, Camille, Vincent and Elliot all attended Bailey Lake Elementary, and all graduated from Clarkston High School.

While Camille was about 7 years old when Vincent came along, Eileen always said her two boys could be twins. She told them they were two peas in a pod.

As children do, the boys got the saying a little mixed up.

"We're two peapods!" they'd tell people.

"They were like the Blues Brothers," Eileen said. "That's the first thing I thought when I

saw that movie. Vincent and Elliot."

Mischief or otherwise, she said, they were the best of friends. Always.

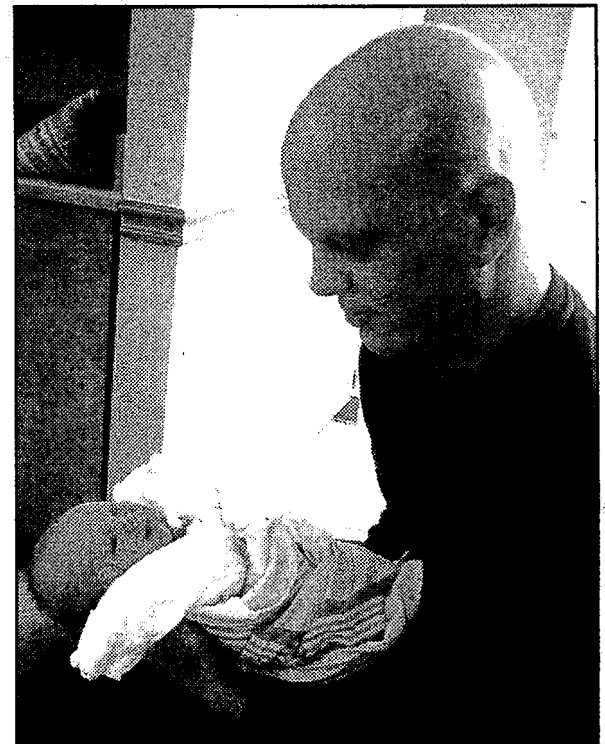
On August 26, 2007, the unthinkable happened and Vincent, just 26 years old and 16 months into his career as a police officer, was gone forever.

Today, Elliot carries a snapshot in his wallet, a photo of his brother wearing the trademark grin his family misses so much.

Looking back, Eileen still grapples with the helpless feeling of a mother who could do nothing to help her son. Still, she finds

"To use mere words to signify the loss and the grief when Vincent was carelessly killed is humanly impossible. Words have no meaning. Be assured, his devotion to family and friends is legend."

—Vincent's aunt, Lisa Dieterick, in a note sent to the family after Vincent died



Above: Vincent D'Anna gets a first look at niece Mia Leinbach, born just months before he was killed. Left: D'Anna poses with a giant cookie he and some friends baked while on a road trip.

herself wishing she'd stayed longer by the bedside after Vincent died.

When the call came, Eileen raced toward hospital—everyone did. Family, friends and fellow police officers rushed in from every direction.

Please see D'Anna on page 8B



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Around Town

Digital Camera Class, 6 p.m., May 29. registration required. Springfield Township Library, 12000 Davisburg Road. 248-846-6550.

Parking Lot Sale, 10 a.m., June 1, Independence Township Library, 6495 Clarkston Road. Over 125 mini-garage sales featuring crafts, jewelry, vehicles, plant swap, books. Grilled food, ice cream and drinks also available. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library. 248-625-2212 or www.indelib.org.

Homebuying seminar, 9-10 a.m., June 7, Waterford Community Church, 3900 Airport Road. Financing, tax advantages, home owners insurance. Free. 248-620-6600.

Free food, Oakland Livingston Human Service Agency's Emergency Food Assistance Program, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., June 11, Independence Township Senior Center, 5980 Clarkston Road. Seniors only. Bring proof of address, family size, photo ID. 248-209-2686 or 1-800-482-9250.

Golf Outing, Clarkston Area Youth Assistance, 8 a.m., June 13, Springfield Oaks, 12450 Andersonville Road. \$100. Four-person scramble, 18 holes, golf cart, contests, prizes, skins, auction. Breakfast, lunch buffet. 248-623-4313.

Summer Reading Kick-off with Kevin Kammeraad, 7 p.m., June 17, Springfield Township Library, 12000 Davisburg Road. 248-846-6550.

Perennial Swap, 10 a.m., June 17. Free. Mill Pond Park, Davisburg. Springfield Township Parks and Rec, 248-846-6558.

What's So Special About Bees, with Carol



Make ready for music

Michael Orick of Oxford mops the seating area of the DTE pavilion, as the Independence Township venue prepares for another concert season.

Concerts begin this week with Tim McGraw on Thursday and Eddie Money on Friday.

Preparations included a new concession stand near the entrance, credit card readers at concession stands, and landscaping on the grounds.

- Ingrid Sjostrand

Tait, register, 6:30 p.m., June 24, Springfield Township Library, 12000 Davisburg Road. 248-846-6550.

Teen Movie, "Bee Movie," 2 p.m., June 25, Springfield Township Library, 12000 Davisburg Road. 248-846-6550.

Make'n'Take craft week, June 30-July 3, Children's Movie Matinee, 2 p.m., July 2, Springfield Township Library, 12000

Davisburg Road. 248-846-6550.

Bubble Day, 1-3 p.m., July 7, Springfield Township Library, 12000 Davisburg Road. 248-846-6550.

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.

Men's 50+ Softball, Practices Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays weather permitting. Players placed according to ability. League games start May 6. Independence Township Senior Adult Activity Center, 6000 Clarkston Road. 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.

Sanchin Ryu Karate, Tuesdays, through June 3, Hart Community Center, 495 Broadway, Davisburg. Classes for children, families. 248-846-6558

Gentle Yoga, 8:30-9:15 a.m., Tuesdays, through May 27, Carriage House, 6000 Clarkston Road. Bring yoga mat and comfortable clothing. \$6/drop-in. 248-625-8231.

Women's 50+ Softball, countywide slow-pitch league, games on Tuesdays, 6:30 p.m., beginning in May. Practices in April. Independence Township Senior Adult Activity Center, 6000 Clarkston Road. 248-625-8231.

Needlework Night, fourth Tuesday, 6:30-8 p.m. Stitch and visit. Everyone welcome. Springfield Township Library, 12000 Davisburg Road. 248-846-6550.

Strength and Stretch, 9:30-10:30 a.m., Tuesdays, Thursdays, through May 29. Certified Senior Instructor Nancy Boch. Drop-in/\$6. Carriage House, Independence Township Senior Adult Activity Center, 6000 Clarkston Road. 248-625-8231.

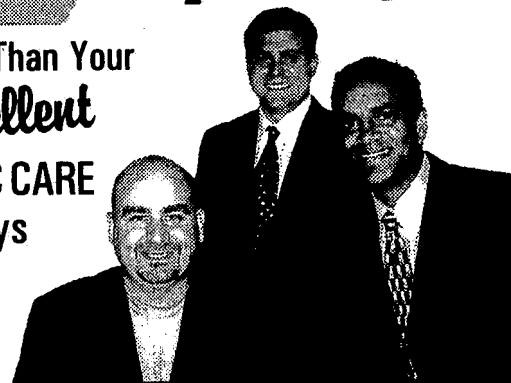
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Czech teachers visit to learn U.S. methods

BY PHIL CUSTODIO
Clarkston News Editor

Voting and speaking out about government are often rights taken for granted in the United States, but are still new in the Czech Republic.

But to learn more about them, Czech teachers Ivana Havlinova, Anna Buzkova, Dagmar Haylikova, and Kvetoslava Lyskova visited Clarkston High School May 15 as part of a federal exchange tour.

"Their democracy is about 15 years old - teachers need to learn how to teach democracy and civics to kids," said Peggy Grasso, Clarkston High School social studies teacher. "It's wonderful."

"The United States is highly developed in teaching current issues and civics," Havlinova said.

"We're trying to learn more about how to connect civics lessons to real life, how to practice what we teach."

As part of their week-long tour of Michigan schools and government, the teachers visited CHS global-issues teacher Chas Claus' class.

"It's excellent," Claus said. "Having people who have experienced these things is better than learning from a textbook."

Students' opinions of what it means to be an American citizen included support-



From left, teachers Dagmar Havlikova, Kvetoslava Lyskova, Ivana Havlinova, and Anna Buzkova discuss civics with Clarkston High School students.

ing the country and its troops, patriotism, being educated and informed about global issues, speaking out about injustice,

and helping citizens in other countries. "(Clarkston students' views) are similar with the views of our young citizens,"

Havlinova said. "It's nice to compare and see we have similar concerns."

The visitors explained some recent history of their country, which as Czechoslovakia overthrew Communist rule in a "Velvet Revolution" in 1989, then split from Slovakia in 1993 to form the Czech Republic.

The republic has a parliamentary form of government, in which several parties, including the Communist Party, get seats in government proportionate to popular vote.

"The Communist Party is still strong," Grasso said.

The challenge is how to teach the nation's history, especially the Communist totalitarianism of the 1950s and 1960s, said Buzkova, through Havlinova's translation.

"Critical thinking about what happened, compared with the development of other countries at the time," she said.

The goal of the Civitas International Civic Education Exchange program is to strengthen commitment to constitutional democracy through school civics in the Czech Republic and the United States, said Linda J. Start, executive director of Michigan Center for Civic Education.

The United States Department of Education funded the trip.

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Milestones

Clarkston graduate to marry

Mrs. Susan Carothers of New Alexandria, Pa., is proud to announce the engagement of her daughter Stacey Lynn Carothers to Chaley John Larson.

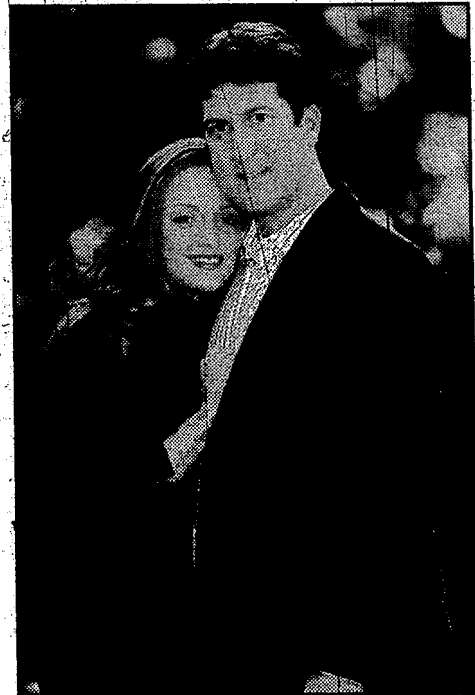
Stacey is also the daughter of the late James Carothers. Chaley is the son of Janice Larson of Clarkston and John Larson of West Chester, Pa.

Stacey is a graduate of Derry Area High School and Carnegie Mellon University where she earned her degree in Chemical Engineering.

She is employed by Johnson & Johnson as a Strategic Initiatives Manager and is pursuing a Masters of Business Administration at Drexel University.

Chaley graduated from Clarkston High School and Michigan State University, where he also earned a degree in Chemical Engineering.

He works for Johnson & Johnson, managing local and international Contract Operations. He is pursuing his Masters of



Stacey and Chaley

Business Administration at St. Joseph's University.

The happy couple currently resides in West Chester, Pennsylvania and is planning an August 2008 wedding in Wilmington, Delaware.

Students achieve success

Clarkston-area students on the spring 2008 Dean's List at Michigan Technological University, earning grade point averages of 3.5 or higher, included **Brian C. Arpke**, senior, Mechanical Engineering; **Lauren K. Dedow**, junior, Biological Sciences; **Alexander F. Hardy**, senior, Mechanical Engineering; **Gretchen L. Lange**, senior, Materials Science and Engineering; **Keith W. Magic**, senior, Biomedical Engineering; **Michael A. Major Jr.**, junior, Computer Science; and **Nicholas A. Puroll**, senior, Civil Engineering.

Davisburg students on the Dean's List included **Matthew C. Hehn**, senior, Chemical Engineering; and **Matthew W. Ponkey**, senior, Chemical Engineering.

Kristina N. Avery, a sophomore studying nursing at the University of Michigan-Flint, was recently named a James B. Angell Scholar in the Michigan School of Health Professionals and Studies.

She is the daughter of James and Rita Avery of Clarkston and a 2006 graduate of Clarkston High School.

Matthew MacKinnon was named to the Uni-

versity of Michigan Dean's List winter term with a 4.0 GPA, in the College of Engineering. He is majoring in Aerospace Engineering.

MacKinnon is a 2004 graduate of Clarkston High School and son of Bill and Jane MacKinnon of Independence Township.

Kirsten Partyka of Clarkston, a computer science major in Michigan State University's College of Engineering, earned the Engineering Service Award and Society of Women Engineers Outstanding Senior in Computer Science award.

She served as vice president, Web master, and secretary for MSU Women in Computing, and created and maintained the Web site and registration for the Michigan Celebration of Women in Computing. She also was a member of MSU's concert orchestra.

Partyka, the daughter of James and Joellyn Partyka, is a 2004 graduate of Clarkston Senior High School.

Lawrence Gruber of Davisburg and **Wade Swalwell** of Clarkston are set to graduate June 13 from Oakland Community College's Oakland Police Academy. The 94th Basic Police Training class had 31 trainees.

Religion

How will others remember you?

We have just celebrated Memorial Day. Once known as "Decoration Day," Memorial Day was established shortly after the American Civil War and designated as a time to decorate the graves of those who died in battle. The spring season was chosen because it was thought that flowers would be in bloom during that time.

We do have the sad task of decorating fresh graves in this day. These are the graves of those who have given their life sacrificially so that we can continue to walk in the peace and safety of life in the United States.

When standing over a grave, questions always come to mind: "Whose life is enriched because this person was in it?" "Who did they leave behind?" "What would they want me to know about them?" "What was their story?"

Everyone has a story. As Christians, we have History—the story of Christ found in the Bible. The Bible is not only the story of Christ, but also the story of other people and their walk with God, their family stories, their failures and successes.

Jeremiah 31:21 says in part, "Set up signposts, Make landmarks;..." What are you going to leave behind? What

legacy will you leave your children? Will it be one of sacrifice and service to our country? Will it be one of living a life following Christ and being honorable in all your deeds and conduct?

The spring season is a time of hope and renewal. The barrenness of winter is behind us. If we have not been all that we can be up to this point in time, now is the time to make that change.

There is always a new day in God. Nothing is impossible for God. If you say "God could never use me," I challenge you to see how He has used some unlikely characters in the Bible to make great changes.

God promised Abraham he would make him a father of many. This was spoken at a time when there seemed to be no hope in the natural for him to be a father. Thousands of years later, multitudes of people in the earth claim to be heirs of Abraham either through his natural seed or his spiritual seed.

We may not always see how God is going to use our life, but we can start impacting the next generation now. As parents, we have the powerful ability to shape and mold our children.

My mother imparted to me her strong faith and Christian beliefs. Because of her devotion, I walk in the blessed life that I lead and am also able to lead a large congrega-

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Spiritual Matters



Pastor Loren Covarrubias

In our churches...

Picnic Birthday Bash for Peach Unity, after 10:30 a.m. service, June 1, Sashabaw Plains Park pavilion.

Study and discussion group, based on Eckhart Tolle's book "A New Earth: Awakening to Your Life's Purpose," 7 p.m., June 3. Everyone welcome. 232 Pinnacle Drive, Lake Orion. Rev. Matthew Long, founding minister, will facilitate. 248-891-4365.

Garage sale, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., June 5-6, and 9 a.m.-12 p.m., June 7, Peace Unity, 590 Crestmoor Circle, Oxford. 248-891-4365.

Vacation Bible School, deadline to register June 8. Clarkston United Methodist, 6600 Waldon Road. For children completed 4 year old preschool, potty trained, through 5th grade. 248-625-1611

Vacation Bible School, 9 a.m.-12 p.m., June 23-26, Seymour Lake United Methodist Church, 3050 Sashabaw Road.

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

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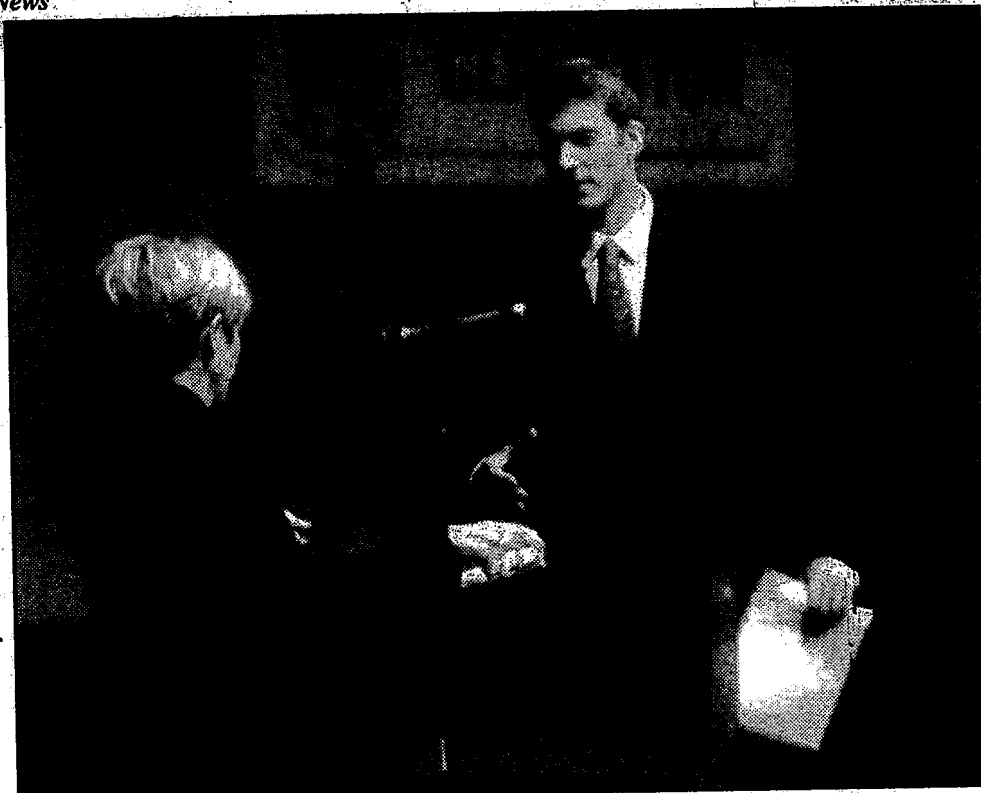
Seniors earn honors

More than 100 Clarkston High School graduating seniors were honored May 15, at the school's Senior Honors Assembly.

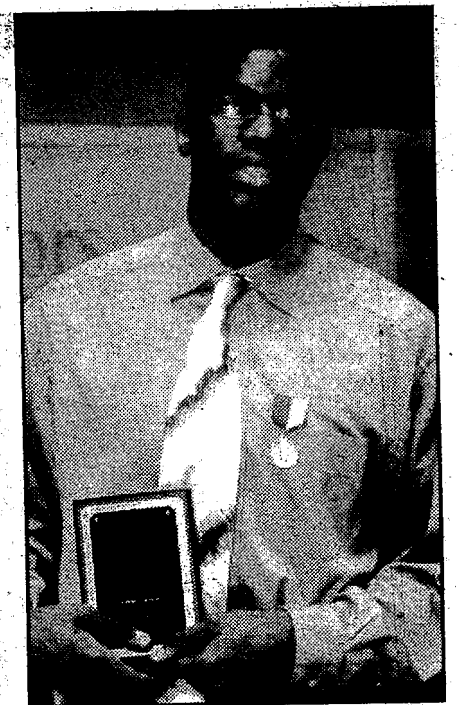
Students received Special Spotlight awards, and were also awarded 134 school, community, state, and federal scholarships totalling about \$5 million

Drew Fries earned the Principal's Award for overall student citizenship. Joshue Bohland earned Outstanding Male Senior award. Kate Cooley earned Outstanding Female Senior. Senior Leadership Award went to Kathleen Partyka. Oliver Kupe earned Outstanding Male Athlete, and Minjoo Lee earned Outstanding Female Athlete.

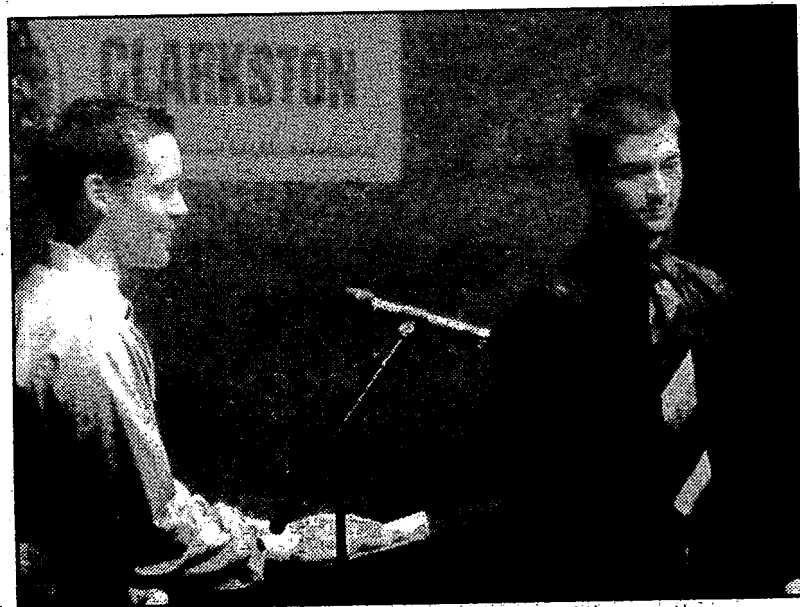
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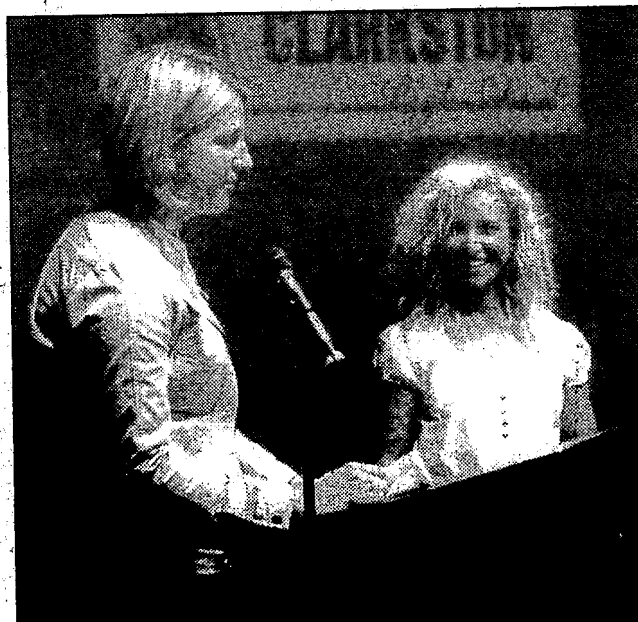
Drew Fries earned the Principal's Award.



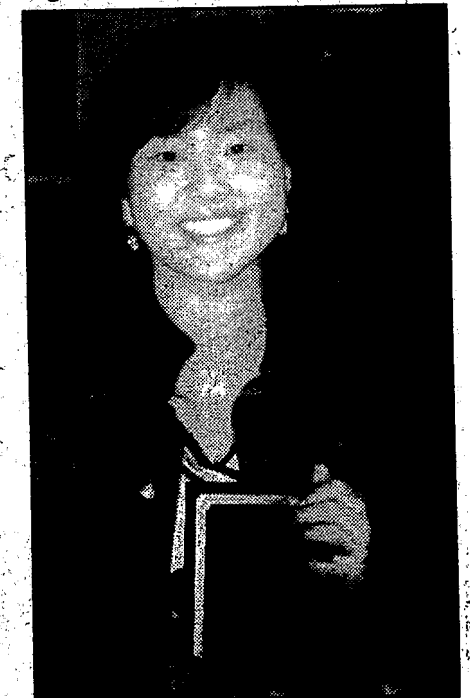
Oliver Kupe earned the Outstanding Male Athlete.



Erik Butterfield receives a scholarship from Clarkston Education Association presenter Robert Brazier. Butterfield received five scholarships for his academic endeavors.



Kerri Gualtieri of Independence Elementary School awards the school Staff Scholarship to Caitlin Smith.



Minjoo Lee earned the Outstanding Female Athlete award.

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Spiritual Matters

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tion. The congregation is no longer just a local group of people; it has grown to be a global congregation. I have the responsibility to train and equip my natural children, as well as those that I mentor and work with.

While it is always good to look back and see where we have come from, we cannot stay focused there. We need to be forging ahead and walking in the purposes that God has for us.

What are you thankful for? What people have made a lasting impression in your life? Knowing what you know now, what will you change for the future? In looking ahead, what goals do you have? What legacy will you leave for the next generation? Whose life will you reach out and affect today? What landmark will you make? How will it be decorated?

The Rev. Loren Covarrubias is pastor of Mt. Zion Church.

Like to join the
Spiritual Matters
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Dr. John Canine of Clarkston, Ph.D., discusses end-of-life issues at an April 15 seminar. Photo submitted

End-of-life issues at seminar

Lewis E. Wint and Son Funeral Home hosts Future Care Choices Seminar, 6:30-8:30 p.m., May 28, at Fountains Golf & Banquet, 6060 Maybee Road.

Topics at the free seminar include legal, medical, and financial planning issues, end-of-life decision-making goals, power of attorney, hospice care and resources, patient rights, estate planning and tax issues, funeral preplanning, Medicaid issues, living wills, and advance directives.

Speakers will be psychologist Dr. John Canine of Maximum Living Consultants, Inc., End of Life Planning; Attor-

ney Dennis M. Kacy of Kacy & Associates, Living Trusts, Power of Attorney; Dr. David Machnacki, Patient Rights and Advocacy, Hospice, Palliative Care; Certified Public Accountant Norman L. McKee of McKee & Company, P.C., Estate Planning; and Connie Glynn of Lewis E. Wint and Son Funeral Home, Funeral Prearrangement.

The seminar includes a question-and-answer period. Attendees will receive an information folder.

To register, call 248-625-5231 or e-mail wintfuneralhome@aol.com. Seating is limited.

In our churches

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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.

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. 6805 Bluegrass Drive. Call 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 248-625-2325 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.



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D'Anna's legacy endures

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Gathered in the hallway of Genesys Hospital, they were afraid and hopeful. For precious few moments, no one knew exactly what happened, or how bad the accident was.

But the doctors were blunt; they had no hope to offer, and time was short, even for goodbyes—Vincent had been knocked from his motorcycle by a drunk driver and dragged 180 feet along the pavement on Sashabaw Road trapped under a low-riding Camaro.

Vincent's injuries were catastrophic. He lived less than six hours after the accident.

"He had on some kind of a neck brace," Eileen said, describing the way her son looked as he lay in the hospital bed. "I touched his neck. I said 'Vincent, it's Mom. I'm here. I love you.'"

Even after he was gone, Eileen said, Vincent was trying to tell her something.

"He had a look on his face, and his head was turned toward me," she said, struggling to articulate what her mother's heart just knew. "I don't know. It seemed like he was saying 'Mom, I'm scared, I'm hurt, don't leave me.' I should have stayed longer."

Camille and Elliot try to reassure her.

"Mom, we were there a long time. We stayed a long time."

Vincent got his first bike in 2005, a Yamaha V-Max, which Eileen helped him buy as a college graduation gift.

"I told him I didn't want him to have the bike," she said. "But he was an adult, and I couldn't stop him."

Last July, Vincent bought his second bike—a 2007 Suzuki—and took a solo trip to Michigan's Upper Peninsula.

He was on the Suzuki when the drunk driver hit him from behind, hit him again, then hit him a third time, trapping him under the car.

Vincent wasn't being reckless—a dozen eyewitnesses testified in court, and a toxicologist testified his blood was clean as a whistle.

Today, Camille keeps hearing her brother's laugh. He had a deep voice, she explained, kind of gruff.

But when he laughed—and he laughed often—his voice lifted of into a higher-pitched,

boyish sound.

"He had his own brand of humor," Camille said. "You either got it or you didn't; most people didn't, but they laughed anyway."

Like the time, during Daytona Bike week 2007, when Vincent thought it would be funny to pose for a photo with a 20-something stranger who apparently had too much to drink and settled in for a curbside nap near some bulging garbage bags.

Or, during the same trip, when he and some friends baked a stepping-stone sized cookie, which they eventually used to lure a flock of pigeons into their hotel room.

No one is sure exactly why—it was just Vincent: young, silly and goofy.

And while nothing about her brother's death or the ensuing eight months has been easy for Camille, she grows hoarse and chokes back tears describing the innocent questions fired off by her 3-year-old.

"She's always asking 'Where's Uncle Vincent?'" Camille said. "Like, 'he must be around here somewhere.'"

But he's not. Vincent is, in fact, buried in Lakeview Cemetery.

"I just worry about the day she stops asking," Camille said. Her younger daughter was just four months old when Vincent died. "I don't want them to forget him."

After graduating in 1999, Vincent went on to Ferris State University, where he planned to pursue an education leading to a career in automotive painting and bodywork. He was an artist and a perfectionist.

Along the line, something changed, and Vincent decided on an entirely different path. He was going to be a police officer.

"I told myself that if anything happened in the line of duty, I'd accept it, because he was doing what he wanted to do," said Eileen. "I was prepared for it."

The family knew the risks inherent to a police officer.

But they didn't expect Vincent's life to end when he was off-duty, and probably just on his way to grab a burger.

"I can talk about it, I can read about it," said Eileen as her hands move to her heart. "But



Seen them around? Vincent's best friend, Dean, left, along with Elliot, center, riding Vincent's "baby," the Yamaha V-Max, and Dean's brother Eric, all ride with Mohawk helmets. Other friends sport them in Vincent's memory, as well. Photo by Laura Colvin

when I really think about it, I can't breathe."

It's the words—certain words, that when strung together, form sentences like 'someone murdered my son,' or 'my son was killed by a drunk driver'—that make Eileen press her palms against her ears. She wants the words out.

It wasn't until the night Vincent died that Eileen learned he had recently begun a serious romantic relationship with a fellow police officer.

"I met her at the hospital for the first time," Eileen said. "He'd just met her family the week before. Maybe she was my future daughter-in-law, who knows? But he'll never have a wedding, he'll never have a house, never have anything. He was just starting. Everything was going perfect."

Elliot misses his brother. Even as adults, he and Vincent never ceased the good-natured pranks that began in childhood.

"He'd turn my light on in the middle of the night and leave," said Elliot. "Or put the vacuum in my room, turn it on and leave."

Not one to take it lying down, Elliot laughs at the memory of one of his own retaliatory pranks.

"You know those plastic mats you put your computer chair on?" he asks, "the ones with the poker things on the bottom side? I turned that upside down and put it outside his bed-

room door."

He knew his brother would eventually emerge in bare feet.

Elliot smiles, but his eyes are sad.

"It's like getting kicked in the stomach," Camille said. "Some days, it's almost too much to even handle."

Camille's husband, Jim Leinbach said his wife is forever changed.

"It's like her soul was stolen, then put back with pieces missing," he said. "She'll never be the same."

Leinbach calls his in-laws "the kindest, most gentle people you'd ever meet."

Vincent, he said, was no exception.

"He was the epitome of good," Leinbach said, illustrating the point with an anecdote about the way Vincent would sometimes buy a sack of cheeseburgers for homeless people.

"It's a shock to the system when good doesn't prevail," he said. "In every fairy tale, every children's story, the good guy always wins."

Ramon Pineda, an illegal Mexican immigrant, was convicted of second-degree murder in the death of Vincent D'Anna. Sentencing is set for June 4.

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Planning final details helps next of kin

Dear Connie,

Q. I am the only child of an 84-year old dad who is not in great health anymore. We live about 50 miles apart.

I'm so thankful he had the forethought to pre-plan and pay for his funeral services a number of years ago. He paid for it over time and when he paid it off, he gave me his paid in full contract to keep in my safe.

As his next of kin, what will I have to do when he passes away?

D. S., Ortonville

A. Bless your dad's heart, he did a beautiful thing for you. There is very little you'll have to do when he passes away. Basically, you need to meet with the funeral director to go over what we call 'final details' and take in his clothing.

So, by pre-arranging and paying for his own funeral, your dad has relieved you of a very large and difficult burden.

Q. My brother and I were responsible for making funeral arrangements when our dad passed away five years ago. We did this when he died, not before.

Our mom is getting older and right now she is in relatively good health. We would like her to make her own arrangements,

however, she seems to have no interest at all in doing so. In fact, she won't even talk about it.

Do you have any suggestions?

Rebecca P., Clarkston

A. If your father's funeral was here at Wint's, we can look at his file and you can judge the appropriateness of choosing to duplicate the same services and merchandise for your mother's funeral. Almost always, spouses will choose to duplicate one another's arrangements.

If you are not comfortable with making that decision at this time, at the very least, we can put mom's vital and historical information in a confidential file so that when need does arise, some of the details will already be done.

It costs nothing but 20 minutes or so of your time. I look forward to your call for assistance.

Q. How is financial eligibility for Medicaid determined and how much will they pay for nursing home care?

Tom R., Davisburg

A. Today average nursing home costs in Michigan are about \$6,000 per month. If a person is in a Medicaid certified nursing home and qualifies for Medicaid, the



Wint's Word on Advance Funeral Planning

By Connie Glynn

state will pay the cost of their care reduced by a contribution from the Medicaid beneficiary which amount (the 'patient-pay amount') is based on a formula.

That formula starts with the Medicaid beneficiary's monthly income from Social Security and any pension(s) and allows the beneficiary to keep \$60 for his/her personal needs.

It also allows them to keep the money necessary to continue to pay for private health insurance.

For a married person, there may also be a deduction to provide the non-institutionalized spouse with an amount determined necessary to support the spouse in the community.

The 'asset test' for Medicaid eligibility requires that a person have no more

than \$2,000 of what are called 'countable assets', those that a person could liquidate to pay for their care.

Pre-paid funeral arrangements are considered non-countable for Medicaid eligibility. This is an overview and there is not enough space here for all of the qualifications.

If Medicaid assistance is on the horizon for your loved one, I urge you to begin getting your financial needs and affairs in order NOW, as the laws are changing. So, too, are the time lines for avoiding costly penalties.

Hopefully, this answers your question, for further assistance, please call for an appointment.

Thanks, *Clarkston News* readers for your awesome response, I've heard from many of you who are becoming faithful readers-thank you so much, I'm humbled and honored.

Your questions are the heartbeat of the column, keep them coming to: Connie Glynn, Director of Family Services, C/O Wint Funeral Home, 5929 S. Main St., Clarkston, MI 48346, 248-625-5231 or e-mail to wintfuneralhome@aol.com to my attention.

Two Generations With The Same Vision... Introducing: Dr. Pittsley & Dr. Teran

This Dynamic Duo of Dentistry is located in the heart of Davisburg, nestled away in their brand new, high-tech office off of Andersonville Road. Both Dentists were raised locally and are graduates from the University of Michigan School of Dentistry (UMSD).

Even though there are 25 years between them, their visions of quality care, patient relationships and the drive to reach for perfection and satisfaction for their patients is what brought them together. The two first met at a local dental study club where Dr. Pittsley was giving a lecture. During his presentation, Dr. Pittsley had mentioned that he wanted to improve the use of photography and computer generated imagery in his practice.

Coincidentally, Dr. Teran who was attending the lecture had just given his own presentation on the that very subject as a senior at UMSD. The two met and collaborated and then began practicing together a few months later.

"There is really no way a single doctor practicing alone has the time to learn and incorporate all the latest technologies necessary to give patients cutting edge care," said Dr. Pittsley. "Dr. Teran's advanced skills in computers, photography and digital technologies have allowed us to give our patients all the advantages of the latest and greatest vision and care."

Dr. Teran added, "When you graduate from school you think you know a lot, but then you realize that you've only begun to scratch the surface. Dr. Pittsley's years of patient care, experience and teaching have given me insight into planning treatments for patients and understanding my patients' needs. It's more about figuring ways to get people what they want rather than telling people what some textbook says they need."

At Dr. Pittsley and Dr. Teran's practice they not only do Family Dental Care but they also do Cosmetics and Dental Implants. They build a Trust with their patients because without Trust, there is nothing. The Doctors believe in educating their patients and help them understand a variety of ways to treat a problem as well as how much each option is going to cost. They ultimately help the patients make discoveries about their own dental health which is then used to create a personalized treatment plan that the patient is comfortable with.

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Written by Amanda Van Klaveren of Solstice Design

Obituary

Michael A. Wolford

Michael A. Wolford of Goodrich, formerly of Holly, passed away May 24 suddenly due to a motorcycle accident, at the age of 39.

He was the husband of Wendy (Crawley) for 17 years; father of Marlee and Mitchell; son of Linda and Farley Wolford of Fenton; son-in-law of Judy and Larry Crawley of Fenton; brother of Tim (Julie) Wolford of Inlay City, Cassandra Wolford of Davison, Thomas Wolford of Clarkston and Matthew Wolford of Clarkston; grandson of Ilet Wolford of Va.

Mr. Wolford was employed at Fisher Inc., Sterling Heights. He enjoyed hunting



and coaching youth football.

Funeral Service, Thursday, May 29, 12:30 p.m., at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston, where friends may visit Wednesday, 3-5 and 7-9 p.m.

Interment Ottawa Park Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, any donations to the family will be used for the future education of Marlee and Mitchell. Online guest book www.wintfuneralhome.com

C. Marcille Turnbull

C. Marcille Turnbull of Clarkston passed away peacefully at Woodside Hospice Home in St. Petersburg, Fla., on April 19 at 73 years of age.

She was well cared for by Woodside Hospice Home for which her family is forever grateful.

Mrs. Turnbull was married to Robert Turnbull and a loving mother to Scott Turnbull of St. Petersburg, Fla., and Liz (Jeff) Creech of Ft. Wayne, Ind.; daughter of the late Carl and Orva Shell; dear sister of Hank (Barbara) Shell; Marilyn (Bob) Martin; Marlene (Bob) Joss; Dick (Irene) Shell and the late Gene Shell; also survived by 16 nieces and nephews and many great nieces and nephews.



She was a wonderfully blessed mother and had many friends that will miss her dearly. Marci was last employed as an Executive Manager with Tupperware and also

served as the Attendance Officer at Clarkston High School from 1977 through 1983.

There will be a memorial service on Saturday, June 14, at 1 p.m. at Clarkston Junior High School in the auditorium, 6595 Waldon Road, Clarkston. There will be a luncheon following in the junior high cafeteria.

Lloyd P. Jenks

Lloyd P. Jenks of Clarkston passed away May 21 at the age of 82.

He was the loving husband of Helen for 64 years; dear father of Roger (Glenda) Jenks, Diane (Mark) Phalen, Dan (Marsha) Jenks, and the late Larry; grandfather of Bobbi (Dan) Craig, Matt (Denise) Jenks, Tracey (Joe) Schuessler, Nicki (Craig) Bittleman, Tammy (Scott) Lawson, Kelly Jenks, Kris (Mike) Bender, Jenny Fowler, Brad Phalen, Nicole (Cale) Schold and the late Mike and Andrea; great grandfather of 12; great great grandfather of four; also survived by three sisters, three brothers and many extended family and friends.



Mr. Jenks was a car salesman at Beattie Motor Sales and Flannery Ford. He served in the Navy during WWII.

Funeral service was May 31 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home,

Clarkston. Interment, Lakeview Cemetery. Memorials may be made to Myasthania Gravis or American Heart Association.

Online guest book www.wintfuneralhome.com

Eleanor Jean Seelye

Eleanor Jean Seelye died peacefully at Able Manor Foster Care Home in Clarkston on May 18.

She was well cared for by Samaritan Hospice for which the family will be forever grateful. Mrs. Seelye previously resided in Atlanta, Ga., and after her late husband Robert Reid Seelye retired from Kelly Services, Sun City, Ariz.

Mrs. Seelye was a loving mother to Jeannetta Seelye (Jerome) Carter, Dr. Mary Catherine Hollister and Christine Ann Seelye-King.

She will be remembered also by grandchildren Jerome (Laschele) Carter, II, Natalie V. Vail, Robert E. Carter, Earl Nathan Hollister, II and Reid Robert Hollister, and her great grandchildren Riley and Jaden Carter.

During her lifetime Mrs. Seelye gained fame in the miniature world with "Seelyeville", an authentic recreation of a turn of the 20th century mid-western village.

Seelyeville, rich with attention to detail and creativity, was recognized in local Atlanta publications and the national miniature magazine, Nutshell New and Miniature Collectors.

A memorial service will be held at Lewis Wint Funeral Home, 5929 S. Main St, Clarkston, on Friday, May 23. Visitation will begin at 11:30 followed by service at 12:30.

The family requests that memorial contributions be made to Samaritan Hospice, 24445 Northwestern Hwy, Suite 105, Southfield, Mich. 48075.

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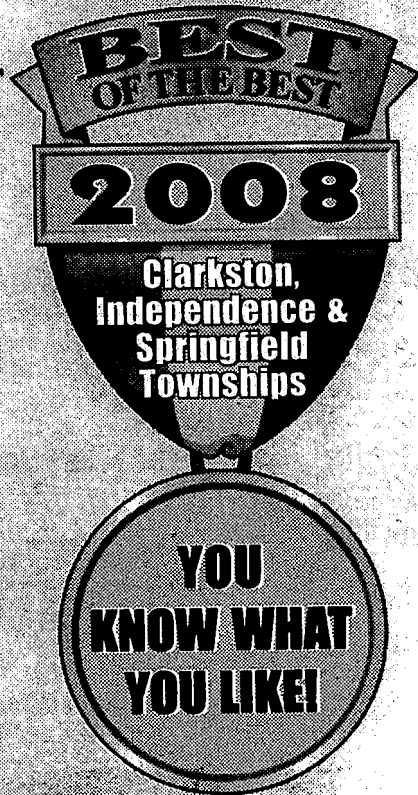
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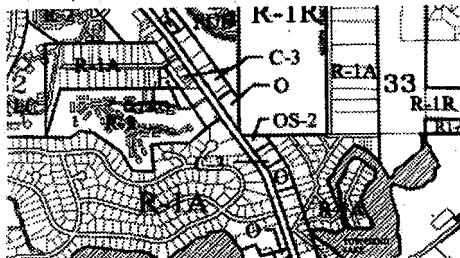
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CLARKSTON

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE
At a Regular meeting of the Township Board held on May 20, 2008, the Board authorized a Second Reading and Adoption of a rezoning request from OS-2 (Office Service Two) to C-3/PRO (Highway Commercial/Planned Rezoning Overlay), restricted to C-1 and OS-2 Uses (Local Business and Office Service Two), Clarkston Hill Offices, LLC, Petitioner, 6160 Clarkston Road (08-33-302-031), as follows:



The motion to approve this amendment was offered by Travis, supported by Kelly; the vote on the motion was as follows: Ayes: Kelly, Rosso, Travis, Wagner, Wenger, Dunn, VanderVeen. Nays: None. The motion carried.

The ordinance amendment is effective immediately upon publication.
Published: May 28, 2008

Shelagh VanderVeen
Township Clerk

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CLARKSTON
SYNOPSIS

TAKEN BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD
THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE

Mr. Wagner called the May 20, 2008, meeting to order at 7:35 p.m., at the Independence Township Public Library.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Present: VanderVeen, Wenger, Rosso, Travis, Wagner, Kelly, Dunn

Absent: None

There was a quorum

- Opening Statements and Correspondence
- Approved the Agenda, as submitted
- Approved Motion to approve the Consent Agenda, holding the 2nd and 3rd stage events at DTE Music Theater
 - Approval of Minutes of May 7, 2008
 - Approval of Purchase Orders
 - Approval of Accounts Payable Check Run
- Approved motion to renew 2nd and 3rd stage events at DTE Music Theater for a three year period, ending 2011.
- Approved Resolution to assert the Township Boards' right of approval or rejection of the Amended Master Land Use Plan 2008
- Approved Second Reading and Adoption of a Rezoning Request from OS-2 (Office Service Two) to C-3/Pro (Highway Commercial/Planned Rezoning Overlay), restricted to C-1 and OS-2 Uses (Local Business and Office Service Two), Clarkston Hill Offices, LLC, Petitioner, 6160 Dixie Highway (08-33-302-031)
- Approved MMRMA Insurance Renewal
- Approved motion to accept Resolution for Cooperative Agreement with CDBG 2009-2011
- Approved appointments of Jay Noonan, Eric Lessell, Sam Moraco, David Provenzano, and Mitchell Gresnick to Construction Board of Appeals
- Approved reappointments of Bruce Mercado, Chris Turner, Dan Niewoit, and Jeff Todd to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission
- Approved appointment of John Thomas to Parks and Recreation Advisory Commission
- Approved motion to construct a three (3) story elderly housing building in the R-2 District, The Courtyard at Trillium Village, Forrest Milzow, Petitioner, Northeast corner of Dixie Highway and Maybee Road (08-29-455-001 through 08-29-455-133, included)
- Approved motion to allow Master Gardeners Susan Leigh and Bob McGowan permission to reactivate the gardens at the McCord-Stickney site to plant and harvest vegetables for the needy.
- Approved motion to adopt the non-union employee policy resolution subject to finalization by attorney.
- Approved motion to adjourn regularly scheduled meeting at 9:42 p.m.

Shelagh VanderVeen
Township Clerk

Published: 5/28/08

PUBLIC NOTICE
Because the People Want to Know
INDEPENDENCE TWP.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Independence Township Planning Commission, Oakland County, Michigan, will hold a Public Hearing on:

Thursday, June 12, 2008 at 7:30 p.m.

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

FILE PC #2006-021

Allied Signs Inc., for Dollar Tree, Petitioner
REQUEST SPECIAL LAND USE APPROVAL

Additional Wall Sign for Dollar Tree

Article III, Division 24, Section 50-838, (e) (1) a.

Special Land Use Request: Additional Wall Sign for Dollar Tree

Parcel Identification Number: 08-27-100-045

Common Description: 6521 Sashabaw Road

Independence Town Center

SW Corner of Sashabaw Rd., and Waldon Rd.

Sashabaw Town Center Overlay District

C-2 Zoning

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

Shelagh VanderVeen, Clerk

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

FILE PC #2008-008

Duane Barbat, Petitioner

REQUESTS SPECIAL LAND USE APPROVAL IN CONJUNCTION WITH CONCEPTUAL SITE PLAN APPROVAL

Coffee/Sandwich Shop with drive-thru in MS Zone Article III, Division 17, Sec. 50-629, in accordance with section 50-848.

Special Land Use Request: Coffee/Sandwich Shop with drive thru (Part of New Gas Station/Convenience Store)

Parcel Identification Number: 08-27-201-013

Common Description: 6480 Sashabaw Road (SE Corner Sashabaw Road and Waldon Road)

Sashabaw Town Center Overlay District

MS Zone, 0.91 Acres

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CLARKSTON

BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Date and Time: June 3, 2008, at 7:30 p.m.
Place: Independence Township Library
6495 Clarkston Road, Clarkston, MI 48346

- Call to Order
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll Call



American pride

Marquis Harris took his 1930 Model A Roadster out for a ride Sunday afternoon, stopping to linger awhile in downtown Clarkston.

Harris, who lives in Independence Township, bought the car about 10 years ago—but notes the Roadster cost its first owner about \$350 when it rolled off the

assembly line nearly 80 years ago.

The American flags decorate the vehicle for a reason—Harris served in as an Intelligence Captain in the U.S. Army Intelligence Service during the occupation era after World War II, and his grandson is a U.S. Air Force pilot.

—Photo by Laura Colvin

- Opening Statements and Correspondence
- Approval of Agenda
- Public Forum — *Individuals in the audience have the opportunity to address the Township Board on an issue that is not on the agenda, limiting their comments to not more than three minutes.*
- Consent Agenda:
 - Approval of Minutes of May 20, 2008
 - Approval of Purchase Orders
 - Approval of Accounts Payable Check Run

New Business

- Collaborative Asset Management System presented by John McCulloch, Oakland County Drain Commissioner
 - First Readings of Amendments to the Code of Ordinances, as follows:
 - Chapter 8 — Crimes Against Animals
 - Chapter 30 — Possession of Drug Paraphernalia
 - Chapter 30 — Disturbing the Peace
 - Chapter 30 — Domestic Assault and Battery
 - Chapter 30 — Retail Fraud
 - 2008 Safety Path Program
 - Bld Award for Township vehicles
 - Carpet and Space Planning for Library
 - Vehicle Replacement — Fire Department
 - ZOLL Auto Pulse System — Fire Department
 - Training Building — Fire Department
- The Charter Township of Independence will provide necessary, reasonable auxiliary aids and services to individuals with disabilities at a public hearing/meeting upon advance notice in writing or by calling the Township Clerk's Office at (248) 625-5111.

STATE OF MICHIGAN **FILE NO:**
PROBATE COURT **2008-316, 815-DE**
COUNTY OF OAKLAND

NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Decedent's Estate

Estate of Frederick E. Zwiefel, Date of birth: 12/14/29

TO ALL CREDITORS:

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Frederick E. Zwiefel, who lived at 1390 Sashabaw Rd., Ortonville, Michigan died 4/22/08.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Frederick E. Zwiefel, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 1200 N. Telegraph Rd., Pontiac, Michigan 48341-0449 and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

5/12/08
Frederick E. Zwiefel
2695 E. Seymour Lk. Rd.
Ortonville, MI 48462
248-627-1401

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FILE PC #2008-004 and PC #2008-011

Rose 423, LLC, Petitioner

REZONING REQUESTS

From: O and R-1C (Office and Suburban Farm Residential)

To: OS-2 (Office Service Two)

Intended Use: Offices and all uses allowed under OS-2

Parcel Identification Number: 08-19-301-034 Part of

Common Description: 7.66 Acres of 28.32 Acres

North East side of Dixie Highway, South of Deerhill Drive

From: R-1C (Suburban Farm Residential)

To: R-1A/PRO (Single Family Residential, Planned

Rezoning Overlay)

Intended Use: Residential

Parcel Identification Number: 08-19-301-034 Part of

Common Description: 20.66 Acres of 28.32 Acres

North East side of Dixie

Highway, South of Deerhill Drive

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X-mas Decorations, Asst bags,
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Fishing rods, bow w/case, asst.,
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SAT. JUNE 14th, 4:00 p.m.
Stow-Away Storage

3060 Adventure Ln., Oxford
Unit #254, Robert Craft: Office
furniture, household items, large
entertainment center, misc.
items. Unit #243, 233, Mary
Cross: Lots of household items,
furniture, misc. items. Unit #54,
Andrew Dunn: Beds, heater,
weight set, misc. items. Unit
#28, Shawnee Racette: Household
items, misc. items. Unit #15,
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31st, 10am-4pm. Lots of baby
stuff!! IIL25-1

2 FAMILY GARAGE Sale. 1229
Poppy Hill Dr., Oxford. Woodbriar
Village Sub. May 30-31, 9am-
3pm. Furniture, toys, hunting,
sports paraphernalia, girls cloth-
ing, newborn to 4T and more.
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MOVING SALE: May 30-31, 8am-
4pm. 9532 Kingsway Circle,
Clarkston (in Kingston Pointe
Condos) off Dixie Hwy. Furniture,
lots of household goods, womens
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Annual Sub Sale, June 5, 6, 7,
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furnal East of M-24, South of
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Tools, Furniture, household
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Rd, Holly. (E. Holly Rd & I-75)
IIL241-2

ANNUAL THENDARA Park Sub
Sale- May 29-31st, 9am-4pm.
Clarkston Rd between Baldwin
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Antiques & Collectibles 150
Appliances 160
Auctions 090
Auto Parts 240
Bus. Opportunities 330
Card of Thanks 380
Cars 250
Child Care 340
Computers 140
Craft Shows 120
Farm Equipment 230
Firewood 050
Free 100
Garage Sales 110

General 170
Greetings 020
Help Wanted 360
Holiday Items 010
Horses 220
Household 130
In Memorium 400
Lawn & Garden 080
Livestock 210
Lost & Found 190
Manufactured Homes 320
Musical Instruments 060
Notices 390
Personals 370

Pets 200
Produce 040
Real Estate 310
Rec. Equipment 180
Rec. Vehicles 280
Rentals 290
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Trucks 270
Tutoring/Lessons 070
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319 Edward St., Ortonville off
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SALE- MAY 29, 30, 31 9am-5pm.
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Antiques & numerous items. IIL2

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1039 Legault, Ortonville
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FOREST HILLS ANNUAL Subdivision Sale Friday, Saturday May 30, 31, 9am-4pm. Off Joslyn, South of Waldon. 11L251

HEAVENLY GARAGE SALE! Thursday June 5th 9am-5pm, Friday June 6th 9am-5pm, Saturday June 7th 9am-12pm. Troy Built Vac. Chipper, Play & Pack, antique quilt, set of retro chrome chairs, jewelry, framed Audubon Bird Print, sporting goods, children's clothes, collectibles, antiques, small appliances- lots of other rockin' stuff. 590 Crestmoor Circle, Oxford. All proceeds to benefit Peace Unity Church. 11L252

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SUB SALE, SEYMOUR Lake Estates. Sashabaw/ Seymour Lake Rd. May 31st, 8am-4pm. 11L481

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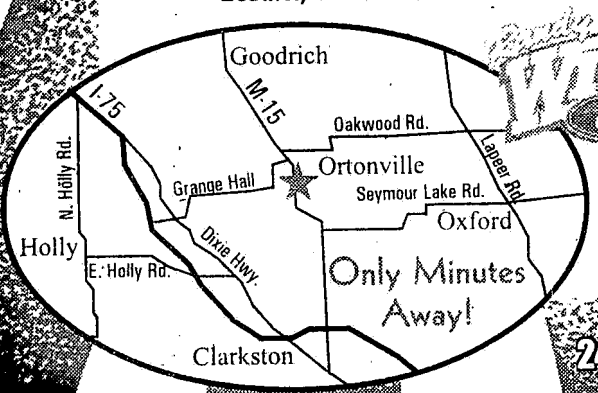
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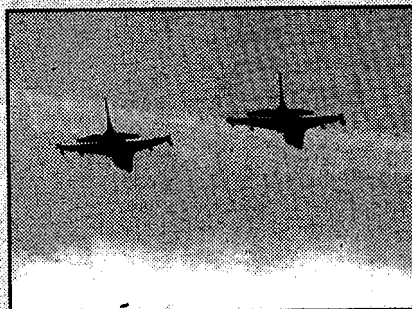
Michael Shelswell, center, a 2001 CHS graduate serving in the 4th Infantry Division, marched with the Legion.

Some gave all

Grown men wiped away tears, veterans hugged one another and there were plenty of goose bumps to go around Monday as the American Legion Post 63 hosted Clarkston's annual Memorial Day Parade and ceremony at Lakeview Cemetery.

Members of the Legion read the names of hundreds of veterans buried at Lakeview, and honored those in attendance with a medal.

The event also included a reenactment of Civil War era mourners, as well as fly over by the International Guard-Selfridge—with Clarkston native Lt. Colonel Ross Dickson at the helm in one of the F-16 fighter jets.



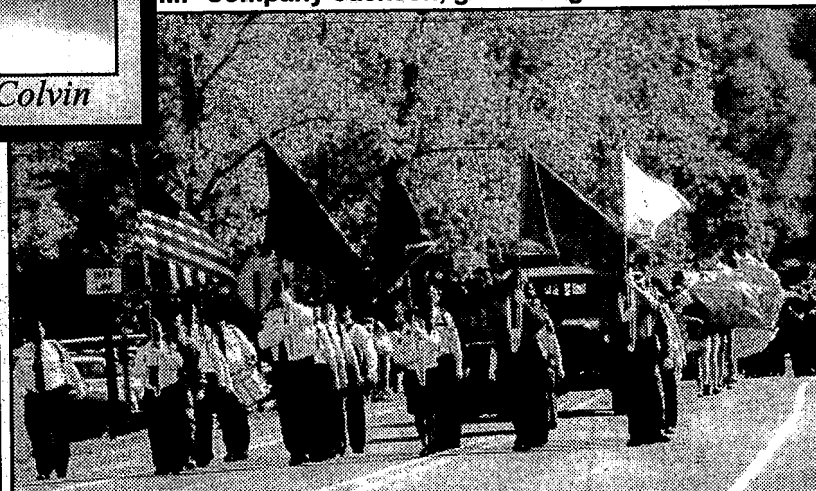
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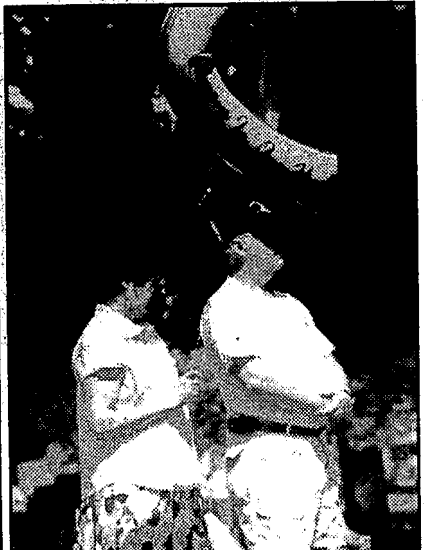
Jordan Tubbs, a 2005 CHS graduate serving in the 303 MP Company-Jackson, gets a hug from a veteran.



Many, including Illene and David Kauffman, were moved by the patriotic ceremony.



The American Legion, followed by the CHS Marching Band, leads the parade up Holcomb toward the cemetery.



Kristine and James Jacques' son Joseph is stationed at Pearl Harbor.



Jennifer Osborn and Daniel Petrie dressed in Civil War era clothing for a solemn reenactment.