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Chief Sashabaw
a myth? Find out
on page 10B

A Friend in need

BY PHIL CUSTODIO
Clarkston News Editor

A spaghetti-dinner fundraiser for Lindsey Friend will hopefully help her parents David and Nancy Friend with medical bills and expenses.

For Lindsey, suffering from amnesia caused by a severe head injury eight weeks ago, it's also a chance to renew relationships.

"I don't know how many people I know," said Lindsey, 15, who has friends at Clarkston Junior High School, cheerleading, gymnastics, Basic Buddies at Independence Elementary, and St. Daniel Catholic Church. "This is a chance to meet people and understand how many people know me and love me."

"It's to show Lindsey how she is important to so many people," said Nancy, 1981 graduate of Clarkston High School. "It's to show people how they can help."

A "flier" on her JV cheerleading team, she

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Lindsey Friend**
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Lindsey Friend, middle, is recovering from amnesia with the help of her brother Joe Friend, left, parents David and Nancy Friend, and other relatives and friends.
Photo by Phil Custodio

fell and hit her head during practice, Sept. 29.

"I remember hitting the floor really hard on the bottom of my head back here," Lindsey said, pointing to the base of her skull.

"I remember looking up at a bunch of faces, and I didn't know any of them. People kept asking me questions and I didn't have the answers. I felt numb and tingly. I didn't

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Era ends with retirement of Trustee Travis

BY TREVOR KEISER
Clarkston News Staff Writer

For Dan Travis, local politics and township government were never about money or a job. It was about love and dedication to the community he loves.

"Dan Travis has served Independence Township for 28 years as a dedicated public servant. His longevity in office speaks to a recognition of his positive impact on our community," said Jim Wenger, former Independence Township treasurer. "For the past 12 years, I was honored to serve with Dan on the township board. We owe Dan a debt of gratitude for a job well done."

Not only did he serve as a township board

member, but also was on the planning commission for 24 years as well. Richard Carlisle, township planning consultant of 27 years, said watching Travis on the commission was both "enlightening and a pleasure."

"One of the things Dan always did was wait and listen to what others had to say and then come forth with his opinion," said Carlisle. "He gave his wisdom in terms of what his perceptions were of what it meant to be a part of Independence Township and what is has meant in the past and hopefully what it meant going forth in the future. It was that particular characteristic of him that I always admired."

Fellow Trustee Dan Kelly, Travis "had an impact on the township few people have had."

Serving both on the board and the commission played an "intricate role" in how the township develops, Kelly said.

"I think the board will miss his level headedness as well as his history of events because, in a lot of ways, he was like the resource for why things happened the way they happened over the last 30 years," he said.

Trustee Larry Rosso agreed, saying Travis became more valuable with time because hearing Travis' perspective on various topics gave new board members greater awareness and information to gauge issues.

"I think his commitment to this community speaks volumes of his sincerity," said Rosso.

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Rotary to hit streets

Goodfellow Newspaper sale to help local kids

BY TREVOR KEISER
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Even in its 58th year, Clarkston Rotarian Mindy DeLong is still excited about the club's Goodfellows Newspaper sale.

"Our family would not miss it for all the tea in China," she said.

"Everybody who does it feels really good about themselves and it makes their holidays. There is a joke in my personal family, 'you can't tell its Christmas until the living room is so full of shoes and boots you can't get through it.'"

Clarkston Rotarians will sell Goodfellows Newspapers on street corners next weekend, Dec. 5-6, proceeds to provide new shoes, boots, hats, mittens, and gloves to nearly 600 children this year.

"We got record referrals this year, with 576 kids, mostly through Clarkston Schools," said DeLong, Goodfellow co-chairperson with her husband, Joel.

DeLong noted they were \$1,500 - \$2,000 in the hole before starting because Boy Scouts can't sell papers at local Kroger stores this year, due to their contract with Salvation Army.

"That's about what the Boy Scouts were able to make over

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From left, Clarkston News staffers Trevor Keiser, Laura Colvin, Wendi Reardon and Phil Custodio pose with some of the food donated by readers. Photo by Cindy Burroughs

Thank you, thank you, thank you!

Tummies around town will feel a little fuller come Thanksgiving, thanks to the kindness and generosity of dozens of Clarkston News readers who dropped off food during recent weeks. We collected hundreds of pounds of stuff-

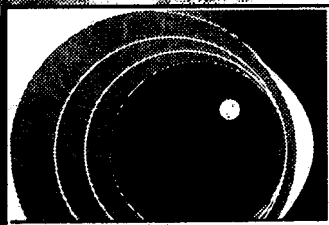
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Briefly . . . Board budgets bond bucks

With about \$3.6 million in bond dollars allocated for non-instructional spending, Clarkston Community Board of Education members approved the district's capital needs list Monday.

Higher-cost items include replacement of computers at all elementary buildings, as well as the junior high and middle schools (\$1.3 million). Televisions across the district will also be replaced with ceiling-mounted projectors (\$500,000).

The list also calls for district-wide paving projects (\$400,000), replacement of lockers at CJH (\$225,000), furniture replacement (\$150,000), flooring replacement (\$125,000), and energy management/mechanical upgrades (\$112,000) at various buildings.

All projects will be put out for bid and proposals submitted for board approval before work begins.

Wrap for vets, set Dec. 6, 21

American Legion Auxiliary 63 in Clarkston hosts a Holiday Gift Wrapping Fundraiser, Dec. 6, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., and Dec. 21, 2-3 p.m., at the American Legion Post 63, 8047 Ortonville Road, half mile north of I-75.

Proceeds benefit veterans' projects and troops overseas.

Bring in gifts for wrapping and decoration. Drop them off to pick up later, or stay to enjoy holiday music, cup of coffee, and cookies.

For more information, call 810-636-2544 or e-mail adtdsb@gmail.com.

Stuff-a-bus set Dec. 13-14

Clarkston Community Schools bus drivers host the fifth annual Stuff-a-Bus, 10 a.m.-6 p.m., Dec. 13-14, at the Kroger store on Sashabaw and Maybee roads.

They will collect food and donations for Lighthouse Emergency Services.

News tip?

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Deck the Main St. halls

Large snowflakes began to float from the sky just as Clarkston DPW workers and Rotary Club volunteers began to twist lighted roping around the city's downtown light posts Monday morning.

The festively-decorated Main Street will set the scene for Clarkston's annual Holiday Lights Parade set for Saturday, Dec. 13 at 6 p.m. The parade, themed "Ice and Lights" this year, is hosted by the Clarkston-area Chamber of Commerce.

- Laura Colvin



Clarkston Rotarians Jason Webster, left, Larry Eberhardt, and Bart Clark, kneeling, decorate a lamppost. Photo by Phil Custodio



Clarkston DPW workers Ralph Daigle, at top, and Scott Rouse, above, light up the city's downtown light posts. Photos by Laura Colvin

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From left, Gabby Spindler, Taylor Hefty, and Adriana Prada enjoy a healthy exam-day snack, provided by Clarkston Junior High School PTA.

Exams come early in trimester system

Clarkston schools' new trimester schedule meant earlier exams for junior and senior high school students.

Instead of two exams, before Christmas and summer breaks, exams are now three times a year, in November, March, and June.

"The kids did really well," said junior high school Principal Shaun Ryan. "We've had an incredibly smooth transition due to the amount of work we did before implementation. We wanted to do it right."

Clarkston Junior High School PTA helped with the trimester transition by providing apple juice, health bars, and breakfast cookies to students on exam day, Nov. 21.

"I can't say enough about the support of our PTA and community support," Ryan said.

In the new system, the school day includes five classes, instead of six. Classes are longer, 72 minutes instead of 55.

For Erin Shaw, language arts teacher, the first trimester went fast.

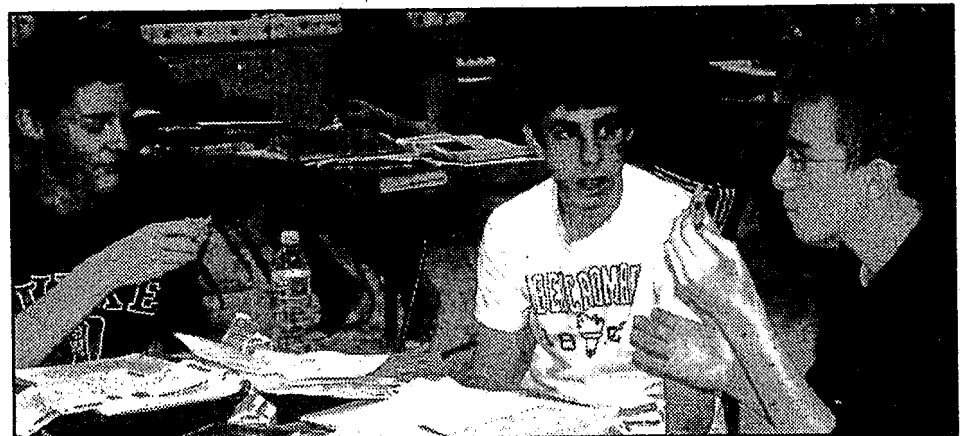
"We got a lot accomplished," Shaw said. "I like the longer class periods. It's easier to do different activities."

The extra time allows students to complete reading, writing, and activity assignments.

"We get a lot done for less homework," said student Caleb Jenkins.

"We take fewer classes, which means more free time, in a way," said classmate Cormin Nastasa.

— Phil Custodio



From left, Nick Dahl, Brad Cornell, and Austin Klebba discuss upcoming exams while finishing their snack. Photos by Phil Custodio



Newly elected Independence Township Treasurer Curt Carson gets sworn in by 52-2 District Court Judge Kelley Kostin, as new Trustee Neil Wallace watches. Photo by Trevor Keiser.

It's official

New Independence Township Board swears in

A special swearing in ceremony for Independence Township board members was held at Baycourt Park on Wed, Nov. 19.

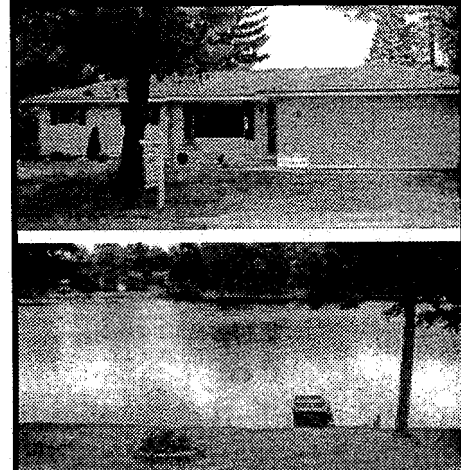
Those sworn in included Incumbents Supervisor Dave Wagner, Clerk Shelagh

VanderVeen, Trustee Larry Rosso and newly elected Treasurer Curt Carson and Trustees Mark Petterson, David Lohmeier and Neil Wallace.

The ceremony included opening remarks

by David VanderVeen, guest speaker Oakland County Executive L. Brooks Patterson, and Benediction prayer led by Rev. Reed Swanson of Clarkston United Methodist Church.

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Optimists Club welcome new student officers

The Sashabaw Optimist Club at Sashabaw Middle School installed club officers and members at an induction ceremony, Oct. 21.

Ailee Hansen, president; Jenny Lussenhopp, vice president; MacKenzie Hannon, secretary/treasurer; Veronica Block, activities chairperson; Cole Chewins, fundraiser chairperson; Sara Wright, public relations chairperson; and Sarah Chandler, Anne Cross, Cooper Parks, and Sabrina Zayec, board of directors

The student community group organized pop can drives and candy bar sales last year to raise money for SCAMP. They plan a variety of services and donations to benefit kids.

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Keiser's Role

A column by Trevor Keiser

Leaders of a different era

First off I would like to say "thank you" to Sharron Catallo, Art Pappas, Jim Wenger, Dan Travis, Collin Walls, and Nancy Stroll.

Each one of these people dedicated anywhere between 12 to over 30 years of service and dedication to the community they love.

British comic writer Douglas Adams once said, "To give real service you must add something which cannot be bought or measured with money, and that is sincerity and integrity."

As I was thinking this week about our local government leaders who are retiring. I thought the words service and integrity were ones that connected them all.

Many of these leaders came from the same era of my grandparents, which I think is a special generation. It was a generation where the word "integrity" was not just a word loosely used, but it was a word that was reflection of who they were.

A word that defined the way they walked, talked, and lived their lives. Not just while they were in the spotlight, but among friends and family as well.

It saddens me how with each passing generation integrity and character become less and less seen. That is not to say our newly elected and re-elected officials do not have character or integrity, but a hope that the new government officials will continue on the roads paved for them by the labor of love and dedication of the previous generation.

With these leaders retiring also comes the loss of wisdom and decades of knowledge, which is vital for current officials to understand the reasons why prior boards voted on certain decisions the way they did.

It is these leaders who will forever hold a piece of history in the community in which they lived, worked and helped shape.

"It is from numberless diverse acts of courage and belief that human history is shaped. Each time a man stands up for an ideal, or acts to improve the lot of others, or strikes out against injustice, he sends forth a tiny ripple of hope." - Robert Kennedy.

Happy Thanksgiving!



The Clarkston News Viewpoints

Thanks for Expo success

Dear Editor,

As chairperson of the Clarkston Expo, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the participants of this annual event. It is estimated that over 1,000 people discovered the value of the local businesses at the Nov. 13 Expo.

Given the current economic environment, it was a pleasant surprise to see the positive interaction of local service providers and their potential customers in this venue.

A successful event of this size owes thanks to many people, including the Clarkston area residents who came out on a beautiful Fall evening to discover the value of our local businesses.

Thanks to the Expo Committee: Donna Bullard, Steve Hyer, Carolyn Parcha, Carol Peters, Bill Burr, Angie Logan, Jim Motley, Helene Guella and Tammy Ulyart.

Thank you to our Corporate Sponsors: *The Clarkston News*, Clarkston State Bank, LaFontaine Automotive Group, IGD Solutions and *The Oakland Press*.

Retirees gave good examples

Dear Editor,

Every few years, we experience the retirement of a very large number of dedicated public servants; this is one of those times. The following officials have moved on: Sharron Catallo, Art Pappas, Nancy Strole, Dan Travis, Collin Walls, and Jim Wenger.

Each, in his or her own way, has given time, energy, and commitment to the betterment of our community. May they enjoy

Thank you to our Hospitality Sponsors: All Saints Cemetery, Canterbury on the Lake, Fountains, Impressive Type, Oakland Eye Care, Oxford Bank and Susan's Hallmark of Holly.

Special thanks go out to Bordines for the use of their hand carts, Changing Places Moving and Storage for transporting the hand carts, Oakland Tech Center for the delicious culinary delights and TEAM Rush for helping exhibitors with booth set up and Expo tear down.

As always, thanks to the Chamber staff Penny Shanks, Val Henderson, Geri Batt, Teri Robinson and Trisha Donaldson for their support, talent and time to help make this an outstanding EXPO.

This event is a wonderful opportunity for local businesses to showcase their services to the Clarkston community. In return the community embraces the occasion to support these area businesses with their loyalty and patronage.

Susan Fryer
Independence Township

their days away from the daily municipal challenges.

And, may they serve as examples of what every community needs: generous and voluntary involvement in our community by neighbors; that is what helps make this such a wonderful place to live.

I wish them well!

Tom Stone
Clarkston

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A Look Back

From *The CNews* archives

15 years ago - 1993

"Mayor, supervisor call for 'board-on-board' meeting to iron out city-township contract" Clarkston Mayor Sharron Catallo and Independence Township Supervisor Dale Stuart agreed to meet to work out library, fire-protection, and other issues. Clarkston became a city a few months earlier, separating it from the township.

"Turkey Tunes" Camille Sylvester, 5, Ashley Grose, 3, Meagan McCallum, 3, and other children listened to Faith Nelson sing about Thanksgiving at Independence Township Library.

"Beating possible gang related" Three Waterford Township teenagers were charged as adults in connection with the beating of two Waterford residents in Independence Township. Deputies said the assailants wanted one of the victims to join their gang.

25 years ago - 1983

"Artist brings paper to life" Mary Kalocsay of Independence Township worked about six hours a day on her artwork, painting eagles, landscapes, stallions, and other nature scenes. She also sold hand-painted Christmas ornaments.

"Village ends kimono sale before it's started" Clarkston residents Sharron Catallo, Mary Jane Scharfenkamp, and Betsy Travis wanted to sell kimonos from Catallo's home, but City Council got a court injunction to stop them. City officials said they needed to protect zoning ordinances. Clarkston Mills owner Ed Adler provided space in his mall for the sale.

"Clarkston students react to 'The Day After'" Most students in James Wenger's Clarkston High School current events class, after watching the television movie about nuclear war, said they would want to survive an attack, even with its horrible aftermath. Student Brenda Kerns looked forward to her generation running the country, because they would know what would come out of it.

50 years ago - 1958

"Localite on duty in Germany" Airman Second Class Robert D. Hall, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Hall of Clarkston, joined his squadron at Ramstein Air Base as an air traffic controller.

"CHS students in teen-age court" Local students helped pass sentence on young offenders in Judge Arthur Moores probate court in Pontiac. They offered corrective alternatives to jail such as writing a paper on traffic safety. Larry Stelmach and Perry Smith served as judges.

"Clarkston locals" Dr. and Mrs. Harry B. Yoh returned to their home on Washington Street after spending the summer at their farm.

Center meets seniors' nutrition needs

Seniors are invited for lunch at 12 p.m., Monday through Friday at the Independence Township Senior Center or meals will be provided seven days a week to homebound seniors.

The same menu is used for both groups, according to Joanie Mendelsohn, Nutrition coordinator. She shared a couple of daily luncheon menus; vegetable lasagna, asparagus, salad, bread, an apple with milk and coffee/tea or pepper steak, coleslaw, hot vegetable, bread and dessert.

Mendelsohn says Panera bread is provided with the meals. The food is prepared in Rochester at the Older Persons Commission but is provided hot to homebound residents and seniors who eat at the center.

The center requests a \$3.50 donation from homebound residents and \$3 for seniors at the center. The difference in costs is transportation. Homebound and senior center lunch costs are not based on income.

Homebound meals for seniors are provided seven days a week. The Senior Center in partnership with three area restaurants provides meals 365 days a year to homebound residents. Deer Lake Racquet Club, Mr. B's, and Ram's Horn provide meals on Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's Day.

If a senior would like to have homebound meals delivered or join other seniors at the center, they need to call Mendelsohn by 10 a.m. the day before to arrange for a meal. Seniors, who would like to come to the center for meals, can also make arrangements for van transportation.

According to the USDA, 85 percent of seniors believe nutrition is important for health and well being but few act on it. The USDA Human Nutrition Research Center says you can slow down aging by eating well. The research center says that older citizens may have trouble shopping and cooking, or feel they no longer can taste and smell as they once were able to, therefore not eating as well as they once did. Eating with others can be a help to continuing to stay independent and healthy.

The Senior Center has a daily detailed menu which seniors can check to see which meals they would like to come for.

Meals are analyzed for carbs and fiber to fit a senior citizen's diet. Mendelsohn says many seniors have heart and diabetic restrictions and the menu takes this into account with items such as fish and turkey breast. Each Wednesday is called Heart Smart Wednesday with items especially for those with health and heart concerns.

Once a month, the center provides a soup and sandwich luncheon, all homemade. The center provides special lunch days such as the recent

Veteran's Day with 57 seniors in attendance.

Nov. 19 was the senior center Thanksgiving Day meal with turkey, stuffing, sweet potatoes, pumpkin pie and all the trimmings.

Both seniors at the center and homebound seniors can take advantage of purchasing their Ensure at the center for \$1 per can. A doctor's prescription is needed. Homebound seniors can also purchase a cold meal each day for \$2. Cold meals include sandwiches such as egg salad, tuna, ham and cheese, juice, fruit and milk.

Volunteer drivers provide the homebound meal delivery. Drivers usually work one day a week for about 90 minutes to take the meals to the home. Independence Township resident, Jennifer Jones, has been a volunteer for the center for 12 years.

Senior tidbits



A column by Joette Kunsse

"I wanted to participate in the community and do something for others. My kids were little and Meals On Wheels was wonderful as I could take my kids with me. They have grandparents all over town," said Jones. "It's fun, I just love it. I feel like I have family all around town."

The center also has volunteers who help in the kitchen, readying and

serving the meals at the center. Kitchen volunteers work about 2 1/2 hours once a week or more.

For more information on the nutrition program, call Joanie Mendelsohn or Margaret Bartos, senior center director, at 248-625-8231.

Next month's column will focus on programming for the winter months.



Senior Center nutrition coordinator Joan Mendelsohn pours more cider for Leta Sheffield, 99, who takes the senior center van to lunch at the center.

Same 'Day,' only characters change

Thanksgiving Day - The only family "day" we had in my growing up years. Our father didn't observe Christmas and made it a point to book his railroad job every December 25.

But we feasted on Thanksgiving. Usually, we had goose. Dad liked goose, probably because it had more dark meat.

He made the dressing. I was too young to appreciate his efforts, but he was in the kitchen for hours, cutting and mixing. He also had a toddy handy.

Of course, there was squash, potatoes, vegetable, cranberries, bread, salad and pumpkin pie to be made. Mother did that stuff. And, most loved, the gravy.

Wow, what a difference a great gravy makes. Gravy really makes the meal.

Weather lore: Cobwebs on the grass are a sign of frost.

Today's Thanksgiving morn isn't totally different, but the characters sure are. Daughter Luan will have done most of the shopping . . . the turkey has been in my freezer for some time.

Dinner is a mid-afternoon thing, after the football game. I suppose we have to watch the inept Lions again. Luan and I will toast ourselves with a bloody Mary, then the chopping begins. I get involved in some of that.

My last use of the pre-meal is to hold the turkey's rear end up and hold the legs apart to make Luan's bird stuffing easier.

We expect 15 at the dinner table. With the aroma floating and appetites swelling, all await we adults urging the young twins to recite their simple prayer.

"God is great, God is good, let us thank Him for this food," eventually comes out of their mouths.

Never miss an opportunity to make others happy even if you have to leave them alone to do it.

Then the passing begins. Hey, hey, no sampling as it goes by. No one eats 'til I eat. Ready? Go! Talking ceases, silverware clangs, then someone always says, "Pass the salt, please."

Jim's Jottings



a column by Jim Sherman

Every feast, home or away, that request is given. I can't help but wonder if it's habit, 'cause often the salt and pepper is requested prior to any tasting.

In too short a time the self-stuffing is over, but "Did you leave room for pumpkin pie?"

"No, but I'll have a little piece," says one who has found a small cavity in their tummy.

Then the picking up and putting away begins. I miss this, because I sit at the end of the dining room table and I can't just jump up and help.

There was an old man from Nantucket

who kept his cash in a bucket

But, his daughter named Nan,

Ran away with a man -

And as for the bucket, Nantucket.

Ah, but the best isn't necessarily over. For when all are gone, and I'm again alone, there's a carcass under a sheet of aluminum wrap to pick at, there's some marshmallow, mandarin oranges, sour cream, coconut and pineapple salad to re-taste, a small slice of pumpkin pie, a belt to let out, a sign of satisfaction and my lounge chair to revisit.

Then too, I can recall the meal's beginning, "God is great, God is good, let us thank Him for this food," but why didn't you, God, tell me to stop when the full point was reached?



Nancy Strole, left, swears in her replacement, new Springfield Clerk Laura Moreau. Photos by Laura Colvin



Collin Walls, right, passes his "never-used" gavel to new Springfield Supervisor Mike Trout.

'New enthusiasm, new dreams'

Walls, Strole step down, new Springfield Township officials sworn in

BY LAURA COLVIN
Clarkston News Staff Writer

A new era began in Springfield Township last week as new officials were sworn into office and longtime Supervisor Collin Walls and Clerk Nancy Strole stepped into retirement.

"I want to thank the entire community for the privilege and honor to serve," said Walls as he wrapped his final board meeting Nov. 13. "Tonight is not the end. It's the beginning of new enthusiasm, new dreams, and new excitement, and I challenge the community to support this new board."

Recalling a number of specific individuals who frequented meetings in days gone by, Walls said he hoped the new board would attract a following in the community.

"They were never reluctant to tell us what they thought, and 99 percent of the time... they hit the nail on the head," he said. "So if you think residents who come to meetings don't matter, you're wrong."

Walls also acknowledged service from Planning Commission, Board of Appeals, Parks Commission, and Library Board members, as well, and said he felt Springfield Township is a "very special place" for two reasons.

"One," he said, "the (natural) blessings God gave us. We still have them because what we do not have is good farmland. My grandfather apparently said he couldn't raise hell with a stick of dynamite on most of the land around here."

The township's hilly, wooded areas, he pointed out, for the most part prevented the farming degradation prevalent in other areas.

"The other reason it's a special place is the people haven't really changed," he said. "The faces are different but the basic philosophy is the same... Springfield Township is a place with a proud past and a promising future."

Retiring Clerk Nancy Strole also voiced gratitude and hope for the township's future.

"It's been an honor to serve residents these last 20 years," she said. "I know these are difficult economic times,

and sometimes we're focusing on the next five minutes or just tomorrow."

But the economic situation was worse when she and her husband arrived from the east coast in the 80s, Strole noted, citing 13 percent mortgage interest rates.

"Despite the ups and downs, (various township boards) never lost sight of the vision of what Springfield Township is, what it can be, and what makes it special," she said. "I know there will be some difficult challenges for this board, but I know they won't lose sight of the vision."

Oakland County Commissioner Bill Bullard was also on hand to present proclamations thanking Walls, Strole and Trustee Mark Cooper for their service.

The board's veteran trustee, Denny Vallad, also spoke in praise of the retiring supervisor and clerk.

Reflecting on the years since he was first elected in 1988, Vallad cited numerous issues tackled by the board.

Camp Holly, incinerators and landfills, cluster developments, toxic waste sites, double-digit growth, native landscaping and resource protection were just the top of his list.

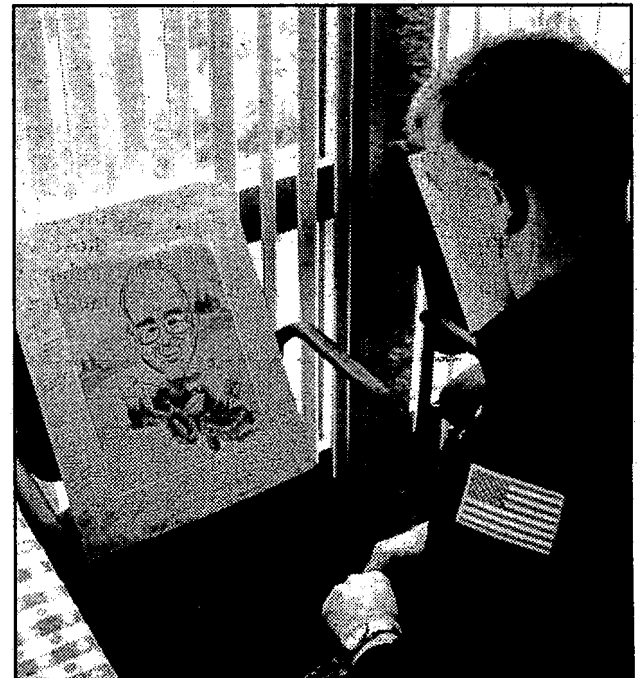
"Through it all, Nancy and Collin were the pillars of support I relied on," Vallad said. "Through it all, they helped me to a greater appreciation of the community we all call home."

Like Walls, Vallad noted "the people" along the way who made a difference and served as an inspiration.

"What I will remember the most is the friendships we have enjoyed for all these years," he said. "Our disagreements along the way have been few and always short-lived."

Vallad said he was certain retirement would not mark the end of community involvement for Walls or Strole.

"My only hope is that you can finally reduce the number of hours you work on our behalf," he said. "After all these years, you have certainly earned that privilege. And just so you know, like the Motel 6, I will always 'leave the light on for you.' God Bless you both and God Bless our community."



Springfield Fire Chief Charlie Oaks signs a caricature drawing commissioned for Walls. A similar drawing was presented to Strole.



Nancy Strole, left, shares a hug with Treasurer Jamie Dubre at the swearing-in.

Public Safety

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

Not such a happy ending

An Independence Township man got a call, Nov. 10, about his stolen truck. The caller said he saw it parked in a vacant lot in Pontiac. The owner reported it stolen Aug. 23. When he found it, Nov. 11, all that was left was the frame, bed, and cab. His insurance paperwork was left with the stripped vehicle.

Just cooperate

A deputy stopped a 38-year-old Independence Township man for driving erratically and speeding, 12:23 a.m., Nov. 10, at Deer Lake and Dixie Highway. The driver had a .115 blood alcohol level. The deputy called for backup because the driver was uncooperative and wanted to call his attorney. The deputy told him he would be tasered if he didn't cooperate. His attorney also told him to cooperate. He was cited for drunk driving, second offense, and resisting a police officer.

Nice try

Clarkston Police spotted a car with expired

plates, 1:30 a.m., Nov. 12, near Washington and Main Street. The driver, a 26-year-old Waterford Township man, tried to give police the slip by turning off his lights and heading onto a dead-end street, but his attempts at evasion were unsuccessful. He was arrested for possession of marijuana and cited for expired plates.

Window shot out

Someone shattered the rear back window of an SUV with some sort of pellet gun, as it was traveling east on Clarkston Road just past Sashabaw, about 1 a.m., Nov. 12. Deputies searched the area but didn't find anything.

Caught in the act

A Canterbury Lane resident said he heard noise in his garage, 11:15 p.m., Nov. 16. He went to see what it was, and saw two men running from the garage, dropping a gas can they had taken. They got into a red SUV and drove away. Nothing else was removed and nothing was damaged. Deputies searched the area but didn't find anything.



Monday's snow fall gave Clarkston a snow-globe look, but presented a hazard for motorists. Photo by Wendi Reardon

Cars slip, slide on snow

The first significant snow fall hit the Clarkston area this week, during which several local drivers hit each other.

"People don't allow enough room and they're going too fast for conditions," said Sgt. Paul Bidinger, Oakland County Sheriff's Office, Independence Township Substation.

Deputies, Clarkston police, and Independence Township firefighters responded to 10 traffic collisions just between 11 a.m. and

1 p.m., this past Monday, Nov. 24. Tuesday brought 3-4 more, Biginger said.

Most involved vehicles sliding into ditches, sign posts, and each other. No serious injuries were reported.

"We had a Bentley rear end a vehicle at White Lake and Dixie," he said. "Even more expensive cars don't stop any quicker. Slow down and leave more room."

- Phil Custodio

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Schools ready to kick off free, full-time kindergarten beginning next fall

BYLAURA COLVIN
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Most kindergarteners in Clarkston will attend school as many hours as their big brothers and sisters next year.

The Board of Education unanimously approved a proposal Monday to implement a free, all-day every-day kindergarten at all seven of the district's elementary schools beginning in September.

While parents will still have the traditional half-day option, at least for next year, the all-day program will serve as the base offering, and will be modeled after extended-day programs at Springfield Plains Elementary and Pine Knob Elementary.

An all-day program will look similar to the half-day kindergarten, but will allow more enrichment activities, more depth of lessons and more time for kids to develop physically and socially together, explained Deputy Superintendent David Reschke.

Reschke recommended, however, that a team of educators examine modifications to the curriculum and present proposed changes for approval by March.

"Program features such as quiet time—nap time in some cases—recess, and developmentally appropriate specials such as physical education music and art should be defined and finalized as part of the overall curriculum," he said.

Other recommendations included continuation of the Young Fives program and maintenance of class size provisions and classroom instructional aide time.

The midday bussing schedule is likely to be eliminated, leaving parents who choose a half-day option to provide their own transportation.

At a Nov. 10 school board meeting, officials reported about 65 percent of parents surveyed said they preferred a full-day program, but half-dozen parents voiced concerns to the contrary Monday.

"I want to make sure we still have the half-day option," Beth Walker told the board. "It's a big jump to go from preschool three days a



Bailey Lake Elementary kindergarten teacher Nancy Colbert, along with other district kindergarten teachers, will have the opportunity next year to teach all day. File photo

week to all day kindergarten, and I think if we're going to have all-day kindergarten, we need to look at our preschools in the area and bump those up to four or five years."

Tracy Cook agreed. "I think change is always good," she said. "But I'm not sure in this case I would vote for five-year-olds going to school all day. (Reschke)

talked about rest time or nap time, and, boy, that hits it right on the head. They're still five."

And, although Gail Bacon also attended in support of a continued half-day program, she voiced apprehension over plans to shuttle kindergarteners from their home school to a different elementary in the district if half-day enrollment is insufficient.

"I feel I'm being asked to make a lot of concessions because I want my child to have time to still be a child," she said. "If I have to go to a different school to have my half day option, I'm putting my child—who's just five—on a bus and expecting (him) to sit at (his) home school while everybody gets off, and then be transported to a second school."

Bacon said she feared tears and confusion from young children.

"It leaves a lot of room for error," she said. "I was a kindergarten teacher; I'm not sure if that's developmentally appropriate at all."

The district plans December distribution of parent information packets, with kindergarten registration beginning Jan. 7 and parent information sessions scheduled for the weeks following. Check Clarkston Community Schools district website at www.clarkston.k12.mi.us

Last week for coats collection

Oakland County Sheriff's Office collects Coats for the Cold throughout the county through Sunday, Nov. 30.

Collection boxes include Real Estate One, 31 S. Main St., and Oakland County Sheriff's Office substations, 6560 Citation Drive in Independence Township and 9075 Big Lake Road in Springfield Township. Check www.oaklandsheriff.com.

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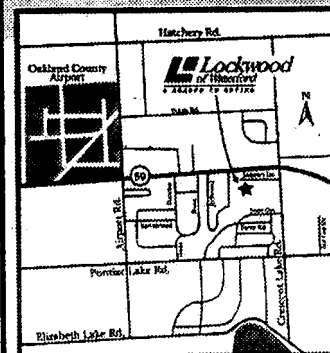
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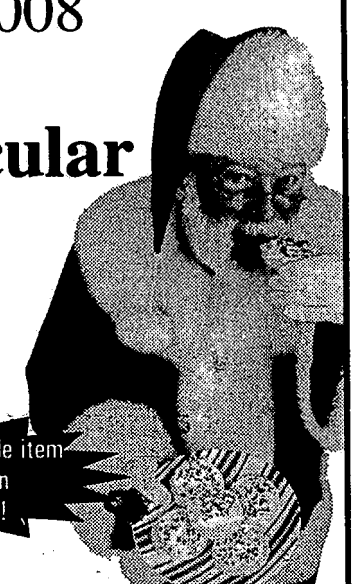
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Working together to give more turkeys

Amy Kociszewski-Wilson of Independence Township knows Family Video provides Thanksgiving turkeys to families in need.

As president of Clarkston Junior High School PTA, she had an idea of where they could go this year.

"I just stopped in and asked," Kociszewski-Wilson said.

"There are a lot of kids in school who could use some help," said Ron Tolbert, manager of the Family Video store at Sashabaw and Maybee roads and 1999 Clarkston High School graduate. "It's a great idea, helping families in the area I grew up in. I couldn't turn it down."

Tolbert had 20 turkeys available for donation. A quick call to a Family Video in Waterford made it 40.

One last problem, where to store the turkeys, was solved by a visit to the neighboring Kroger's store.

"We can't store them at school because it will be closed for the holiday," Kociszewski-Wilson said. "We went over to talk to Mike Flanigan (meat manager at Kroger 651) and he set it up. He helped out tremendously."

"It's for the community. They all shop here," said Flanigan, who will keep the turkeys and distribute them in time for Thanksgiving.

When Kociszewski-Wilson told friends in Bay City, they contacted their local Family Video and got 60 turkeys, she said.

"So we went from 20 to 100 turkeys," she said. "We really appreciate it."

- Phil Custodio



From left, Ray Niman, Kroger manager; Ron Tolbert, manager of Family Video; Amy Kociszewski-Wilson, Clarkston Junior High PTA president; and Mike Flanigan, Kroger meat manager, are providing turkeys to families in need this Thanksgiving. Photo by Phil Custodio

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Independence Township Parks and Recreation's Director Mike Turk and Recreation Supervisor Kelly Hyer awarded Jim Tesnar and Susan Leigh for their hours of work in in the Clarkston Community Garden. *Photo by Trevor Keiser.*

Community garden volunteers awarded

BY TREVOR KEISER
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Independence Township Parks and Recreation's Director Mike Turk and Recreation Supervisor Kelly Hyer awarded Jim Tesnar and Susan Leigh, Nov. 18, for their "endless hours of work" in the Clarkston Community Garden.

The award read: "The strength of your achievement is rooted in the depth of your passion."

Turk said Tesnar and Leigh spent hours in a place where many people would "steer away from."

"They spent countless hours in the garden planting, weeding, watering, harvesting, spreading manure," he said. "When they weren't planting or working in the gar-

den they were out recruiting other volunteers."

More than 65 volunteers helped plant 18 rows and 10 different crops of vegetables, and install an electric fence to manage the wildlife around the 200-by-65-foot garden.

Volunteers included master gardeners, elementary through high school students, local churches, Girl Scouts, local neighbors and Clarkston community members.

"As far as the harvesting of the vegetables, we were one pound shy of hitting the 2,000 pound mark. All 1,999 pounds of food were donated to Gleaners Food Bank of Oakland County," said Hyer. "Pumpkins were a late addition to the garden but were considered a success with over 60 donated or sold from the garden."



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Sue Sutherland-Lawyer and Elena Forbes of Clarkston Farm and Garden Club braves the cold to green up downtown Clarkston's planters. *Photo by Phil Custodio*

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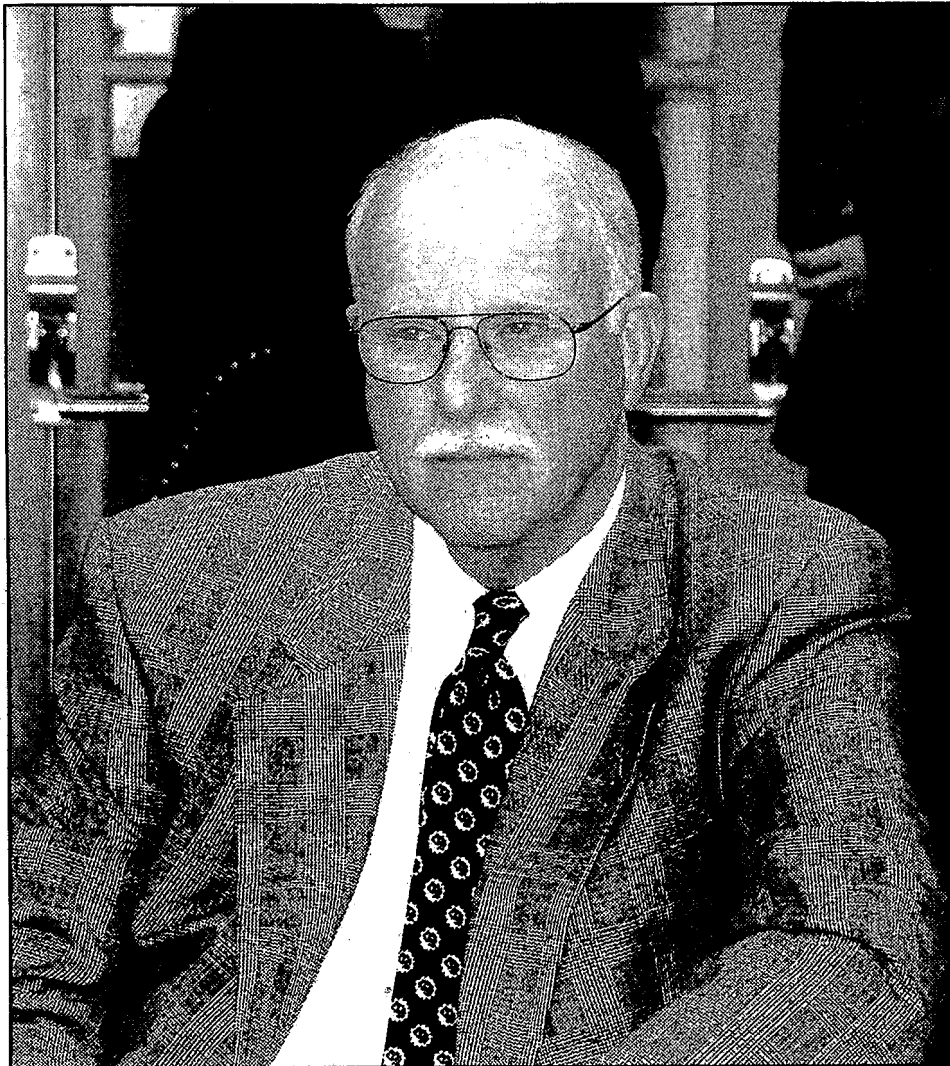
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Dan Travis shows his emotion as former Township Attorney Jerry Fisher speaks on Travis' character. Photo by Trevor Keiser.

Travis served township since 1980

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"I think he is a person of great integrity, and had excellent leadership skills"

Former township attorney Jerry Fisher said it was "not exaggeration to say Dan has more valuable and usable information about this township than anyone else alive today."

"Information without integrity is as useless as having integrity without information. And, Dan's integrity has consistently been as good as it gets anywhere," said Fisher.

"Dan was not one to waiver or flag with passing whim. He is an immensely principled and solid person. He became informed on issues and then acted in the manner he believed to be in the best interest of the township - in many cases recognizing it was not the easy road to take."

Travis grew up in Alton, Ill., graduated from Westminster College in 1964, and went to work for Laclede steel as a regional manager, the same company his father worked for. He then worked for Franco Steel and, in 1995, set up his own agency. He came to Detroit in 1965 and moved to the Village of

the City of Clarkston with his wife in 1969. Later, they moved to Independence Township. Travis is also a director of the North Oakland Headwaters Land Conservancy and served with Oakland Parks for 10 years.

"Dan Travis has been a fixture in Independence Township government since 1980 and has served the township with great compassion and great intelligence," said former Supervisor Dale Stuart. "He's a person who's going to be sorely missed."

Travis works at Great Lakes Crossing at Bass Pro Shop. As an avid fisher and hunter, it seemed like an ideal place, he said.

He teaches hunter safety, teaches and plays tennis, and used to shoot skeet and run track competitively.

He's been married to his wife, Betsy, for 41 years. They have two children, Daniel Travis, who lives in Los Angeles as an actor, and daughter Amy, who is married to Mark and has two children, Phoebe and Miles.

"It's been a distinguished honor for me to do public service for this community," said Travis in his final remarks as trustee.

CMU offers journalism scholarship

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Clarkston Chiefs help mother battle breast cancer

BY WENDI REARDON
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Jodi Witherspoon had tears in her eyes when she saw what her Clarkston Chiefs family did for her.

The JV White team, coaches and staff added pink ribbons to their helmets and hats for their semi-final playoff game at Dryden on Nov. 1. They did it to support women everywhere – including Witherspoon and her family.

Witherspoon had gone to the doctor for her mammogram and was diagnosed with breast cancer in August.

At first she didn't want to tell anyone she had cancer.

Her husband, Chris coached the Chiefs and her son Bryce has played for them, both for three years.

Chris went to practice and told his coaches what was going on. From that moment Jodi received support from coaches, players and families.

"The blankets, hugs, and support helped the transition," said Jodi. "I love my family. I love my

Chiefs. It's made me accept the fact I had cancer."

The Chiefs had an award ceremony before the playoff games. During the ceremony, Jodi was presented with a pink blanket covered with ribbons and roses by the team.

Then she saw the ribbons the Chiefs wore during semi-finals.

"It was icing on the cake," she said. "It was amazing. They were helping bring awareness to everyone about the need for a cure for breast cancer."

Jodi received chemotherapy the Thursday before the boys played in the Super Bowl on Nov. 8. Her immune system was down, but Bryce would be playing in the game. All season she had told him to "Bring it on, Spoon." On that day, she told him to bring it home.

"I'm bringing it home," he told her.

Jodi wrapped herself in blankets and watched from the stands.

Her friends checked up on her. Ken Pass offered to pull the



Brenna, Jodi, Bryce and Chris Witherspoon after a game.

Chiefs bus closer to the field so she could watch the game from there and not get sick. But she stayed in the stands and watched as the Chiefs won, 28-6.

"It was an amazing game," Jodi said.

Jodi is doing good with her chemotherapy treatments but still has a long journey.

"I expected it to be worse," she said. "Technology for breast cancer has come a long way. I am not going to die."

She doesn't have as much energy as she used to have, and gets tired more quickly.

"I learned to balance the important things – helping the kids with their homework, making dinner and going to school functions," she said.

Bryce and his sister, Brenna, have helped their mom.

Bryce and his mom even had a pact. He would kick some "butt" during the season, and Jodi would kick cancer.

The family will be at home for Thanksgiving and Jodi will stay at home during the Christmas shopping season because her immune system is still down.

"My fight with cancer has just begun and I have confidence I'm going to win, especially with the support of an organization like the Clarkston Chiefs. I want to thank the parents because I am not used to having someone give so much."



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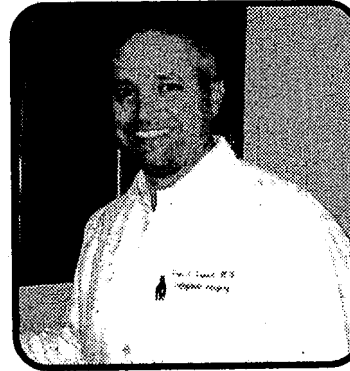
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Fiteny leads icers to victory with early goal

BY WENDIREARDON

Clarkston News Sports Writer

Icers skated into their new season last week with two wins.

Senior Micheal Fiteny led the way for the boys by scoring two goals at home against Stoney Creek on Thursday, 4-2.

The referee dropped the puck and the boys quickly gained control of the puck at the beginning of the game.

Less than two minutes later Fiteny made his shot on goal and it went past goalie Dane Gill and into the net.

Stoney Creek's Mike Orosey tied the score with 6:47 left in the period.

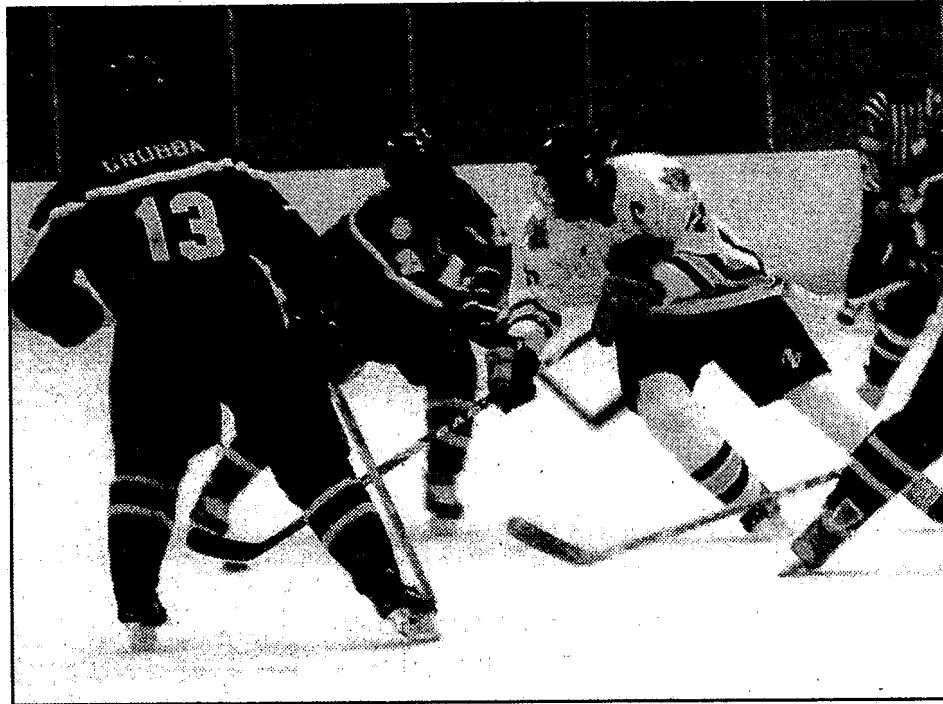
The Wolves were quick to retaliate and the tie was short-lived as the boys gained control from face-off and went towards the net.

Austin Morse brought the boys back into the lead.

Nick Posawatz closed the period with one more point added to the scoreboard, 3-1.

"They came out scoring," said Coach Bryan Krygier.

"We took it to them a little bit. We controlled the play. The second period was a little reversed, but the third period we got the short-handed goal for the win. It was a good first win."



Tyler Frakes maneuvers the puck through a group of Cougars. Photo by Wendi Reardon

Stoney Creek outshot the Wolves 8-6 in the second period.

Goalie Neeko Muniz saved seven shots

during the period bringing the score, 3-2.

Fiteny struck again - this time at the beginning of the last period for the win.

"They played well and worked hard in the first and third period," said Krygier.

The boys made 24 shots on Stoney Creek's net. Muniz saved 18 shots.

Cole Schaffer, Dillon Drayer, Dan Smith, Matt Campbell and Posawatz had assists for the night.

The Wolves continued the trend and beat Birmingham Unified, 1-0.

Muniz had his first shut-out of the season by keeping 21 shots from entering his net.

"Neeko basically won the game for us," said Coach Bryan Krygier. "He was very composed, covered the shots and pushed them into the corner."

The boys made 22 shots on the goal.

The lone goal was made by Tyler Frakes with an assist from Adam Frank.

"We need to be defense minded and we were," said Krygier.

The goals for this season are to win the league, do well in tournaments, be ready for playoffs, and win the first round of regionals against Orchard Lake St. Mary's.

"We just need to be consistent, work hard, be disciplined," said Krygier. "We will see results."

The team has added eight new players.

Please see Tournament on page 16A

Athlete of the Week Placing at the top

BY WENDIREARDON

Clarkston News Sports Writer

Alicia Curry and Andrea Dean took to the field during the Lion's game on Sunday.

They were representing Clarkston in the state finals of the annual Punt, Pass and Kick Competition.

Curry competed in the 10-11 age group and was the State Champ. Dean took fourth place in her 12-13 age group.

Curry had participated in the Punt, Pass and Kick competition a few years ago and made it to the state finals.

When the two friends found out it was coming they decided they would do it.

"We thought it would be fun for both of us to give it a try," said Curry.

The girls started practicing everywhere they could.

"It was a lot of hard work, but it was worth it," said Curry.

The two won the local competition in Clarkston last September. Then, they continued on to the sectional competition in Troy.

They took first place in Troy. They found out they qualified for the finals after their scores were compared to the top finishers from other sectional competitions around the state.

Both had finished in the top five for their age groups. The girls jumped up and down with excitement when they heard the news.

Curry was ready, going into the finals. "I'm feeling pretty confident. I'm not nervous," she said. "We are great individually, but better together."

The Sashabaw Middle School students met while they were playing soccer and became friends.

They just recently finished their fall soccer season on the Clarkston Shadows '06 team.

"Andrea and Alicia are exceptional athletes and great kids," said mom, Anne Curry.

"We thought it was really amazing to have two girls from Clarkston who happen to play for the same soccer team and be good friends both make the state finals.

Only 20 girls in all age groups made it to finals.



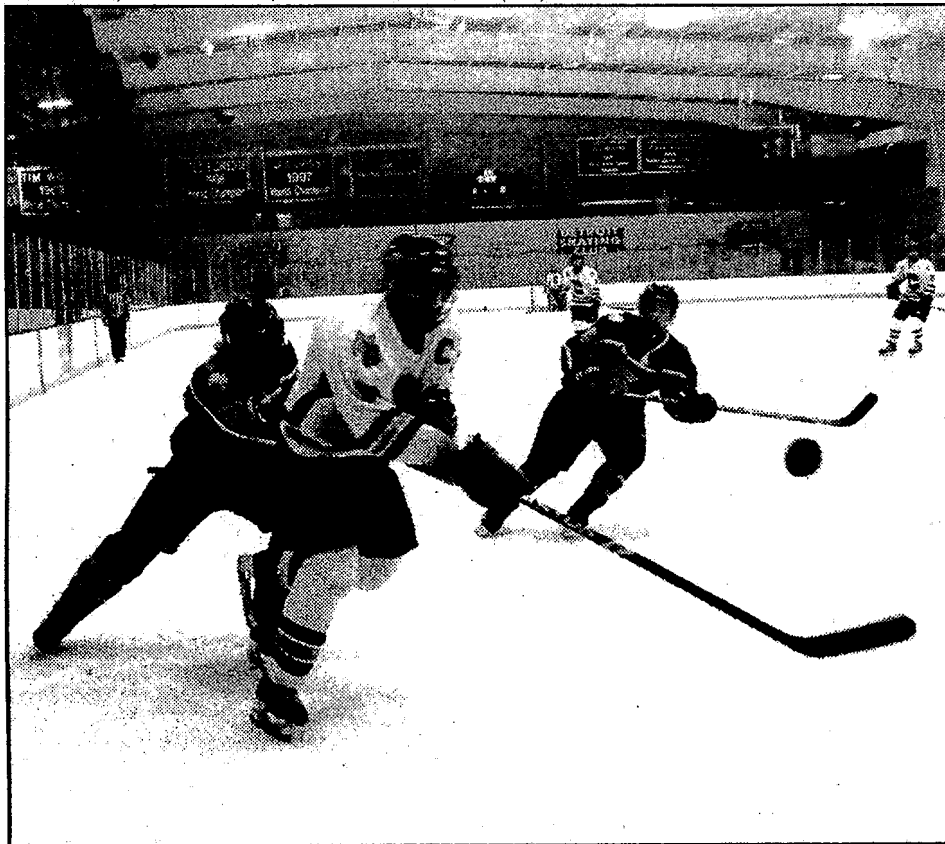
Alicia Curry and Andrea Dean before they went to the state finals.



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Dan Smith keeps the puck away from Stoney Creek's Adam Ketner. Photos by Wendi Reardon

Icers ready for first tournament



Neeko Muniz gets ready for the last period to begin

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"They are young. They are good, hard workers. They will definitely increase our depth which is important," said Krygier.

Next for Clarkston is the Thanksgiving Tournament held at Cranbrook.

"It's fun for the kids and fun for the family," said Krygier. "I think it's one of the top tournaments around. It's great we get to play hockey at Thanksgiving."

The Wolves play Brighton at 5 p.m. on Friday after Cranbrook plays University of Detroit - Jesuit.

The tournament continues on Saturday beginning at 12 p.m.

The tournament will be held at Wallace Ice Arena located at 550 Lone Pine Rd. in Bloomfield Hills.



Kaleigh Kenny runs down the court to score against Troy-Athens last season. File photo

Hitting the court

BY WENDI REARDON
Clarkston News Sports Writer

Lady Cagers are gearing up for their season to begin next Tuesday.

The team is mixed with six returners and a seven fresh faces.

"I am really excited," said Kaleigh Kenny. "We are really a young team so it will be exciting to see how the season unfolds."

Captains Kenny, Jena Manilla and Connor Daugherty have set goals of what to pass on to the new players.

"The biggest goal for me is to pass on what I think Clarkston basketball is," said Daugherty. "I am going to try to do that by playing my best."

Manilla will be a leader, especially to her sister, Anna.

As a senior, Jena wasn't expecting to play on the same team as her sister.

"I think it will be a really great thing for us and for the team because we know each other. I hope this will be a bonding experience and we have a lot of fun," said Jena.

The team has also added new plays and new warm-ups.

"We put some new things defensively and offensively," said Girls Varsity Coach Tim Wasilk. "The girls have responded well."

The girls play their first game at Waterford Mott on Dec. 2.

JV begins at 5:30 p.m. and varsity follows.

"I feel pretty confident," said Kenny. "I feel confident with the hours we have put in," said Jena. "The biggest thing is making sure the younger girls are confident and they feel ready for their first varsity game."

The girls will play their first home game the following Tuesday, Dec. 9 as they host Davison.

"I am just excited to start playing. It doesn't matter who we play at this point," said Wasilk. "I am excited for the girls to get into it and I am excited to be coaching again."

Also returning from last year's team are Kayla Brimacombe, Taylor Hasselback, Mikeala Parrish.

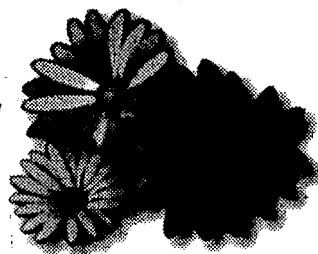
The team has added three freshmen, Megan Hastings, Christina Jokisch and Anna Manilla; two sophomores, Lindsey Reppuhn and Liz Zezula; and two juniors, Eryn Cornell and Erica Harris.

"It will be a season of learning," said Jena.

The Wolves lost to Oxford in the district playoffs and ended the season with a record, 13-8.

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Making the choice

BY WENDI REARDON
Clarkston News Staff Writer

The pressure of deciding which college to attend is over for two Clarkston athletes.

Nicole Janek and Lauren Gardner signed their letters of intent on Nov. 5 and shared the moment with friends, family and their coaches.

Both had various schools looking at them, but their main consideration was which one would fulfill their academic needs.

Janek was looking for a Division 1 school to continue playing tennis. The school would also have the option of preapplying to a nursing program.

At Cleveland State University, she could do that without worrying about taking the required classes and then waiting to be accepted into the program.

"I'm so proud," Janek said. "I worked really hard. I was working to play at college. I feel really relieved."

Her parents Nikolas and Laura were excited to see her sign.

"It's great," said Nikolas. "It's nice to see her put forth the effort and be noticed for it. She looks at things logically and this one fit the bill."

Nicole has been playing tennis since she was 9 years old.

"I think it's wonderful," said coach Craig Judd. "I'm extremely happy for her. She has had a dream and set a goal for herself. As a coach, you love to see them achieve what they want."

She will be playing tennis under the direction of head coach Brian Etzkin.

"Everyone spoke highly of the coach and practice times were in the middle of the day," said Nikolas. "It's a great program, a great group of kids, and a great social atmosphere."

Nicole plans to go her master's after getting her bachelor's degree.

For Gardner, coaching staff, a growing volleyball program and campus helped her decide to sign to Shepherd University in West Virginia.

"I wanted something that was going to challenge me," she said. "I wanted it to be enjoyable because volleyball is something that I love."

Gardner has been playing since she was in fourth grade.

"She truly loves the game," said dad, Bud.

Her mom, Robin, and sister, Colby, both played in college but never pressured Lauren to do the same.

"I never thought I would have one daughter who would enjoy it, now I have two," said Robin. "I am very proud of them for that. They understand the benefits from it - life lessons."

"I am very excited," said Varsity Volleyball Coach Kelly Avenall. "This is something she wanted to do, something she has been driven to do. She works hard every day at practice. I use her as an example for kids who want to take it to the next level. I don't think they actually understand the commitment and work involved and she is a model for that."

Lauren will be coached by Sarah Smith and will be studying social sciences. She hasn't decided, but she keeps coming back to psychology.

"I am so happy," said Lauren. "It's a big relief. I feel like this is the right thing for me and right thing for me to do."

"We are very excited Lauren has chosen Shepherd," said Smith.

"She is a player who excels in any position, whether it is right side or outside. We hope she can come in and solidify our offense on the outside."



Nicole Janek, above, and Lauren Gardner, at top, sign their letters of intent. Photos by Wendi Reardon

Horizon Hoops starts Dec. 6

Horizon Hoops Fundamental League is back for its fourth year.

The Clarkston Varsity Girls Basketball coaching staff and team will be running a Saturday youth basketball league for girls in grades K-8th and boys in K-2nd.

The league will run for ten weeks beginning Dec. 6. The time will be divided by working on the fundamentals for five weeks and 5-on-5 games for five weeks. Fundamentals covered will be shooting, ball-handling, passing, pivoting, screening/cutting, defense, and rebounding. The cost of \$90, and includes a league basketball T-shirt.

For more information contact Girls Varsity Basketball Head Coach Tim Wasilk at wasilk1@clarkston.k12.mi.us.

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Volunteer Cheryl Karrick handed out Goodfellows papers last year. *File photo*

Fundraiser to provide Shoes for Kids

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With the economic times, there is definitely a need for both volunteers and donations, said Rotary Club President Bart Clark.

"It's probably one of Rotary's premier local charities," he said. "One of the things we do the most."

The Goodfellows paper is written by local Rotarians and published by *The Clarkston News* publisher Jim Sherman, Jr.

The Rotary Club has had many volunteers from Oakland Wood Baptist Church, Lions Club, Boy Scouts, as well as donations of hats and gloves from different schools, individuals, and organizations around the area.

Clark hopes they raise \$12,000 or more. Shoes, boots, hats and mittens will be distributed to children on Dec. 13 at Oakland Wood Baptist Church.

"It's a great deal of satisfaction we gain from doing this. It's one way we can give back to the more needy people of the community and it is the Christmas season, so it all comes together," said Clark. "We're happy to do this we've done this for years and years. It's a good thing to do and it adds a lot to the Christmas spirit, too."

Those interested in volunteering can call Joel and Mindy DeLong, 248-625-9741. Donations can be made directly to Clarkston Rotary-Goodfellows and mailed to: Goodfellows, c/o Clarkston Rotary Club PO Box 43, Clarkston, MI 48347.

Environmental Discovery Center earns landscape award

Indian Springs Metropark's James Clarkston Environmental Discovery Center earned the American Society of Landscape Architects' 2008 Honor Award for excellence in landscape design.

One of eight awards out of a field of more than 300 entries from around the world, the 90-acre center showcases Michigan's environment, with more than 60 acres of ponds, wetlands, and prairies within restored and created native ecosystems.

Trails wind along a sedge fen, tall- and

short-grass prairies, a prairie barren and a demonstration garden with native Michigan plants. More than 30,000 plants, including 40 varieties of wetland species were planted, and nearly 60 acres were seeded with a mix of native prairie seeds to create the ecosystems.

Site construction began in December 2001 and it opened in 2004. It was designed by landscape architecture firm MSI under the direction of the Huron-Clinton Metroparks planning, engineering and natural resources departments.

Indian Springs Metropark in Springfield Township near White Lake is a 2,200-acre park encompassing headwaters of the Huron River. Facilities include a regulation 18-hole golf course, picnic areas, eight-mile paved hike/bike trail and a nature center.

The discovery center has received eight other awards from American Society of Landscape Architects, Midwest Region American Society of Heating Refrigerating and Air-Conditioning Engineers, Engineering Society of Detroit, and American Institute of Architects.

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Lindsey Friend hopes to reconnect with friends at fundraiser

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know if I was OK, where I was, what happened."

She received two CAT scans the night of the accident – one was questionable and the other came back normal. Doctors diagnosed her with mild traumatic brain injury, Nancy said.

"The doctors said, take her home," she said. "They said she would be OK."

The first couple of weeks after the accident, Lindsey suffered severe migraine headaches.

Side effects listed for medication prescribed for the headache pain included loss of memory, which was unacceptable to David.

"We took her to the University of Michigan and they took her off that," he said.

"They have good doctors at University of Michigan," Lindsey said. "I like them a lot."

Loss of memory is normal in these types of situations, they were told, and Lindsey's memory would return.

"But we're still waiting," Nancy said.

Doctors still think she'll come out of it, David said.

"As a father, I've prepared for a lot of things, like a broken arm, but I never planned for amnesia. It just never came up," he said.

"We've never been in this kind of situation, where you don't know what to expect," Nancy said. "This is way deeper than just losing school work."

Lindsey remembers everything after the accident, but almost nothing before.

She seemed to recognize a magazine photo of Michael Phelps, whose Olympics career she followed closely this past summer. She knows how to use an iPod. She didn't know Halloween and Christmas traditions, but vaguely recalled "boom things" when told about the Fourth of July.

But she has practically no memory of friends, relatives, even her family, experiences, and almost everything she has ever

learned.

The scope of her memory loss became apparent in the days after her accident. Taking a shower, she almost burned herself because she forgot how to turn on the cold water.

"That's when we knew the situation, that she wasn't just in some fog," Nancy said.

When greeted by a friend she's known all her life, Lindsey didn't recognize her.

"She had a deer-in-headlights look," Nancy said.

"Friends would come up and give me a hug, and I would have no clue who they are," Lindsey said. "I'm closer now to some friends but I've lost some others. It's hard on them."

"They don't know how to handle it," Nancy said. "Some avoid her. They keep expecting the old Lindsey."

For Lindsey, it's like meeting and making friends with dozens of people at the same time.

"It's hard for them and scary for me," she said. "I'm still me. I'm still fun. I look OK. They talk about things we used to do. I have to tell them I don't remember them. They sound fun, though."

She has lost weight since the accident because of loss of appetite.

"She doesn't know what she likes," Nancy said. "She quit biting her nails. She used to like chocolate. Now, she doesn't like it."

"Previously, she was self sufficient," David said. "She would be on us to get her all the places she needed to be. She would finish projects before they were due."

In the construction business, David has had to turn down out-of-state work to stay home for Lindsey. Losing 15 years of parental lessons and lectures meant he has had to be a disciplinarian at times, he said.

"It's been tough for us," he said. "I've been aggravated. She knows me as a grouch."

Also lost are reading comprehension, math skills, music reading and other school skills. She had to drop her regular class schedule.

"A lot of kids in school don't know what's wrong with me," Lindsey said. "They tell me I'm lucky to not have to take exams. I'd rather take the exams."

She goes to Clarkston Junior High three hours a day to work with counselors and relearn basic skills, and David tutors her at home.

"School is really hard," she said. "I get confused easily. I have trouble concentrating. I used to be good in school. I look at my report cards, and it's like, oh, cool, I got A's. I don't know what I did to get them. A teacher would say I was a good student. I don't remember the teacher."

She is relearning quickly, though.

"I'm like a sponge. I absorb everything I see and hear," she said.

The accident created a role reversal for her and her brother, Joe Friend, 12, student at Sashabaw Middle School. In some ways, he is the older sibling. He helps her with schoolwork. She watches him play hockey.

"It's hard, but mom and dad tell me I'm being a good brother," Joe said.

"It's fun for me and mom to watch Joe skate," Lindsey said.

A straight-A student since kindergarten, the Independence Township family is hopeful Lindsey's brain will heal itself.

"She's always very smart," David said. "Everything she ever wanted to do, she excelled in. She's still going to do that."

"She's an amazing young lady," Nancy said. "They have good counselors at school. They're doing everything they can to help her."

"It's a huge transition," David said. "But we're lucky. We're blessed. Lindsey is still Lindsey."

On a bow hunting trip with her father, she had a deer in range, but didn't shoot because she was worried its antlers

weren't big enough to be legal.

"I was a little scared – I didn't know how big the antlers were," she said.

"She was concerned it would be illegal," he said.

While hoping memories return, Lindsey still plans for the future.

"I want to run track again," she said. "I want to run for Georgetown."

"She still plans to earn a scholarship," David said.

Always interested in sports medicine as a career, now she wants to be a sports-related neurologist.

"I want to be able to tell people everything is going to work out for them," she said. "I'd be able to tell people, 'I've been through the same thing, and it worked out fine.' I want to give them hope."

She faces weeks of testing to determine what was injured and what was affected.

"Hopefully things do come back," Nancy said. "We've been through the gamut. It's just going to take time."

If she does regain memories from before the accident, she faces the possibility of losing memories made since.

"We're not out of the woods yet," David said.

Initially angry and looking for someone to blame, now the focus is entirely on Lindsey's recovery, David said.

"There's nothing to get mad at – it was an accident," he said. "We're just trying to get her healthy now."

The spaghetti dinner is 5-8 p.m., Friday, Dec. 5, at Knights of Columbus hall, 5660 Maybee Road. Requested is a minimum donation of \$5 per person. Donations for door prizes and silent auction are also requested.

Donations to the Friend family can also be mailed to Oxford Bank, 7199 N. Main St., Clarkston, MI, 48346. Make donations payable to "Benefit Fund for Lindsey Friend."

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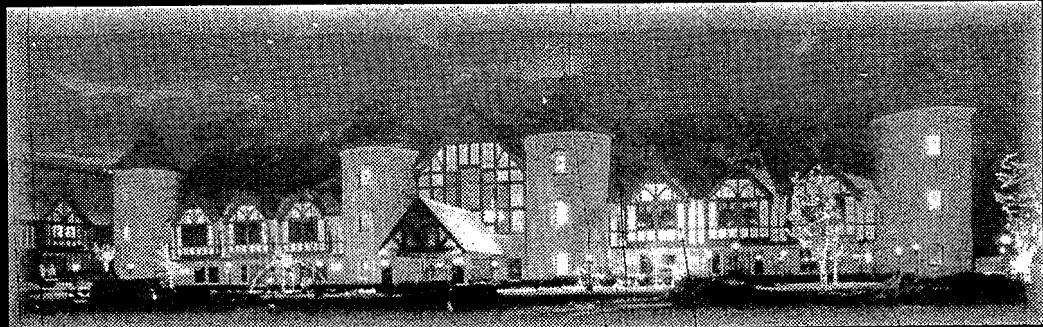


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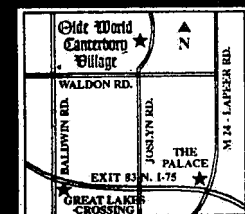
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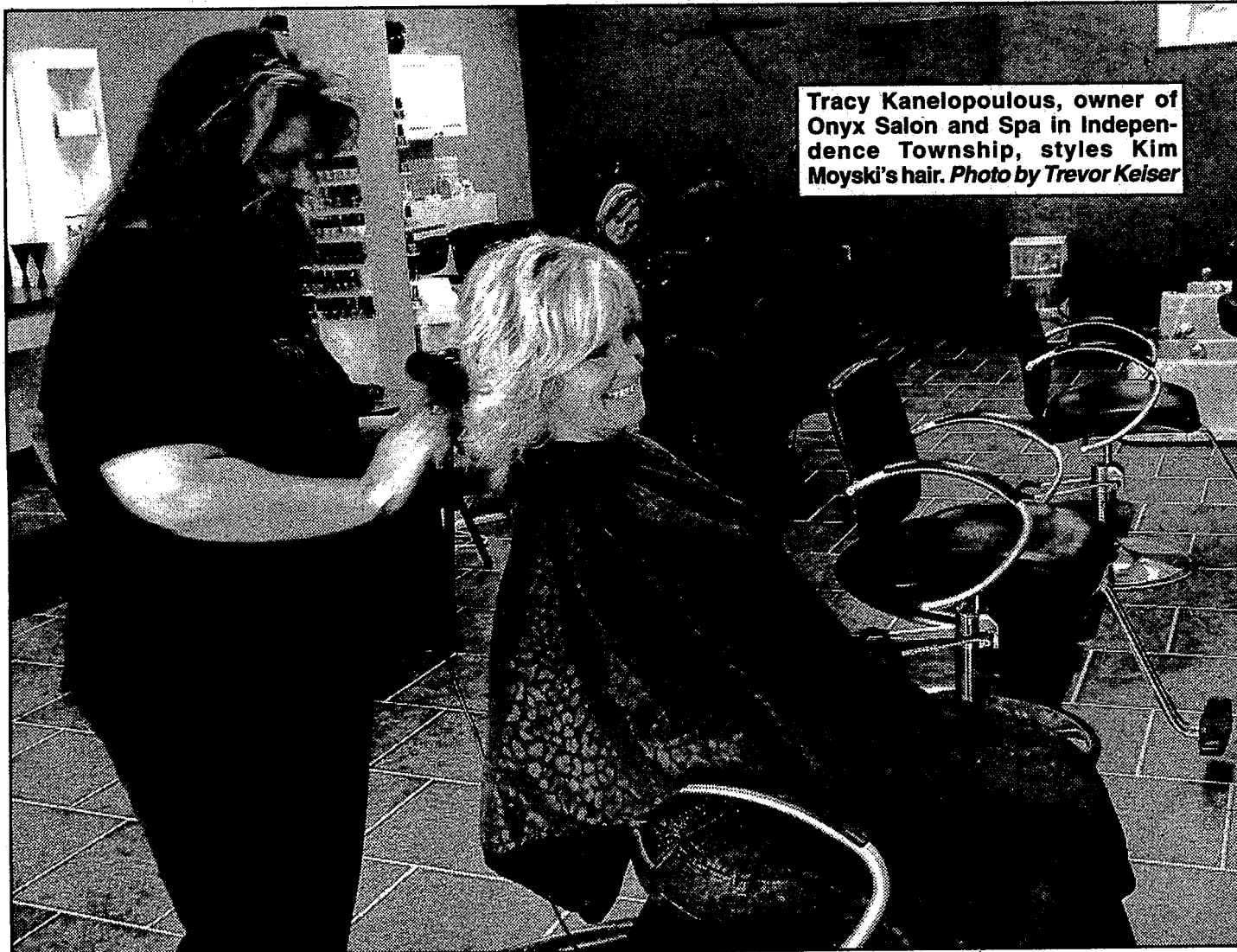


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Tracy Kanelopoulous, owner of Onyx Salon and Spa in Independence Township, styles Kim Moyski's hair. Photo by Trevor Keiser

Onyx offers latest in hair, spa services

After doing hair for 15 years in Arizona, Tracy Kanelopoulous was ready for a change in environment, so she moved to Michigan.

"I love Michigan," she said. "It's so beautiful."

After working a year in Rochester Hills, then four in Waterford, Kanelopoulous decided to open her own hair salon – Onyx Salon and Spa in Independence Township.

"I'd been looking quite a few places to find the perfect location for the perfect salon and Clarkston was it," she said. "It was an opportunity that opened up and in this economy, I think it's good."

What sets them apart is their hair products and highly qualified staff, she said.

"We use products that aren't available in every corner salon," she said. "My staff is constantly educating to stay up with the time and looks. They're friendly, professional, motivated, and creative."

Kanelopoulous said they bring in salon educators, as well as send their staff out to Los Angeles, New York and Chicago to keep up with the latest fashions.

"This is a business where you have to stay educated," she said. "The looks are always changing."

The salon is located in the Gateway Plaza at the corner of White Lake and Andersonville roads. Salon hours are Tuesday to Thursday, 9a.m.-9p.m.; Fridays, 9a.m.-7p.m., and Saturdays, 8a.m.-4p.m. Sundays and Mondays are by appointment only.

They will come in early or stay late to accommodate their customers, Kanelopoulous said.

"In 20 years of doing this I've never felt like this was a job," she said. "I just enjoy what I do."

For more information, call 248-620-2626.

– Trevor Keiser

Business News

Edward Jones' Holiday Open House, Dec. 9

Scott Hazelton, Clarkston financial advisor for Edward Jones, invites the public to a Holiday Open House, 3-6 p.m., Dec. 9, at 21 South Main Street.

Edward Jones provides financial services for investors in the United States and, through its affiliates, in Canada and the United Kingdom. Financial advisors work directly with more than 7 million clients to create long-term investment strategies emphasizing a well-balanced portfolio and a buy-and-hold strategy.

Golf Club hosts Breakfast with Santa

Shepherd's Hollow Golf Club, 9085 Big Lake Road in Independence Township, hosts Breakfast With Santa, 10 a.m. and 12 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 6.

Breakfast includes seasonal fruits, baked goods, made-to-order omelettes, and other specialties.

Admission is \$18.95 for adults, \$10.95 for children 6-12, \$4.95 for children 2-5, free for children under 2.

For more information, call 248-922-0300.

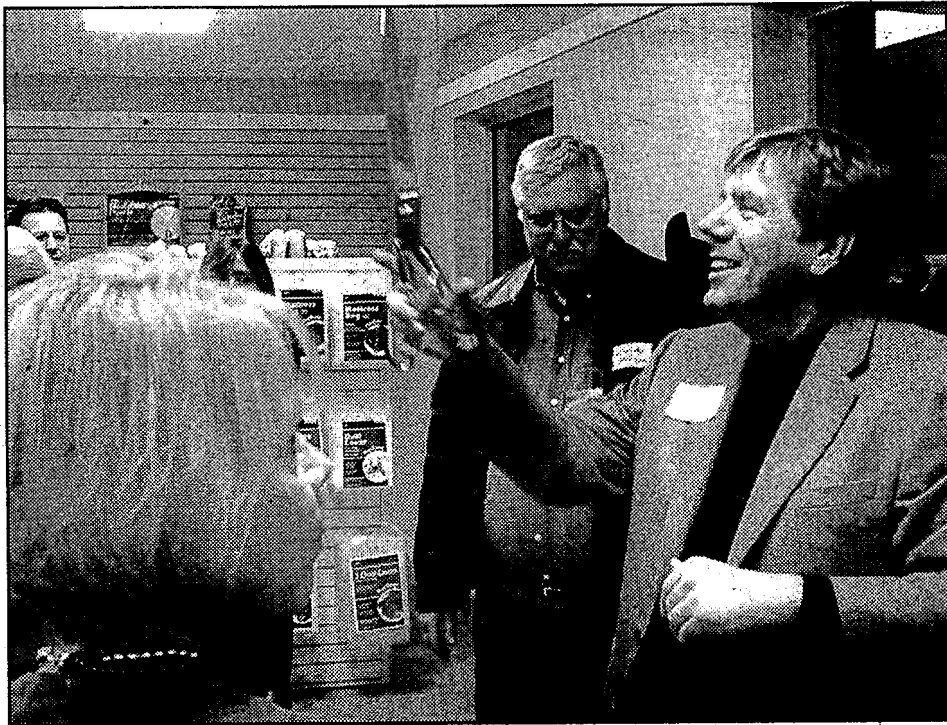
Local seller earns honors

Shannon Boler of Clarkston earned Lia Sophia's Excellent Beginners Program Achievers award for outstanding sales.

She earned the honor in her first 15 weeks with the direct-selling jewelry business.

Food drive at car dealership

Clarkston Chrysler Jeep, 8105 Big Lake Road, is accepting food donations for Lighthouse North through the holidays. For more information, call 248-620-4200.



Water Tower Self Storage celebrates ribbon cutting

Fred Ritter, at right, admires the huge pair of scissors used for Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce ribbon cuttings. He and his wife, Sheila Ritter, at left, celebrated the opening of their new Water Tower Self Storage, 6366 Sashabaw Road, Oct. 29, with Larry Rosso, middle, and other Chamber of Commerce members, friends, and neighbors at the ribbon-cutting ceremony. *Photo provided*



Petterson wins limo ride at Expo

Karen Petterson was the winner of the 'three-hour limo service' drawing, compliments of Wint Funeral Home, at Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce's Expo, Nov. 13. Petterson filled out an entry at the Expo, at Clarkston High School. She says she may use it for a trip to a Detroit-area casino next year.



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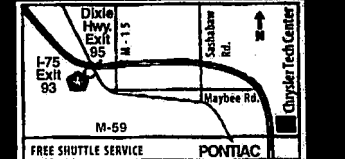
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People Poll

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"My family, my health and having a job."

- Craig "Yogi" Richardson



"Family."

- Lisa McCoy



"A job. It's tough times."

- Dean Masters



"My family, my friends, and my parents both have jobs"

- Erin Puente

By Wendi Reardon

The Clarkston News' Millstream

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

Eagle Scout rescues Stations

BY PHIL CUSTODIO
Clarkston News Editor

When deciding on an Eagle project, Matthew F. Dondanville wanted to incorporate his religious faith as well as his love of the outdoors.

Rebuilding the outdoor Stations of the Cross trail at Columbiere Conference Center in Springfield Township fit both bills.

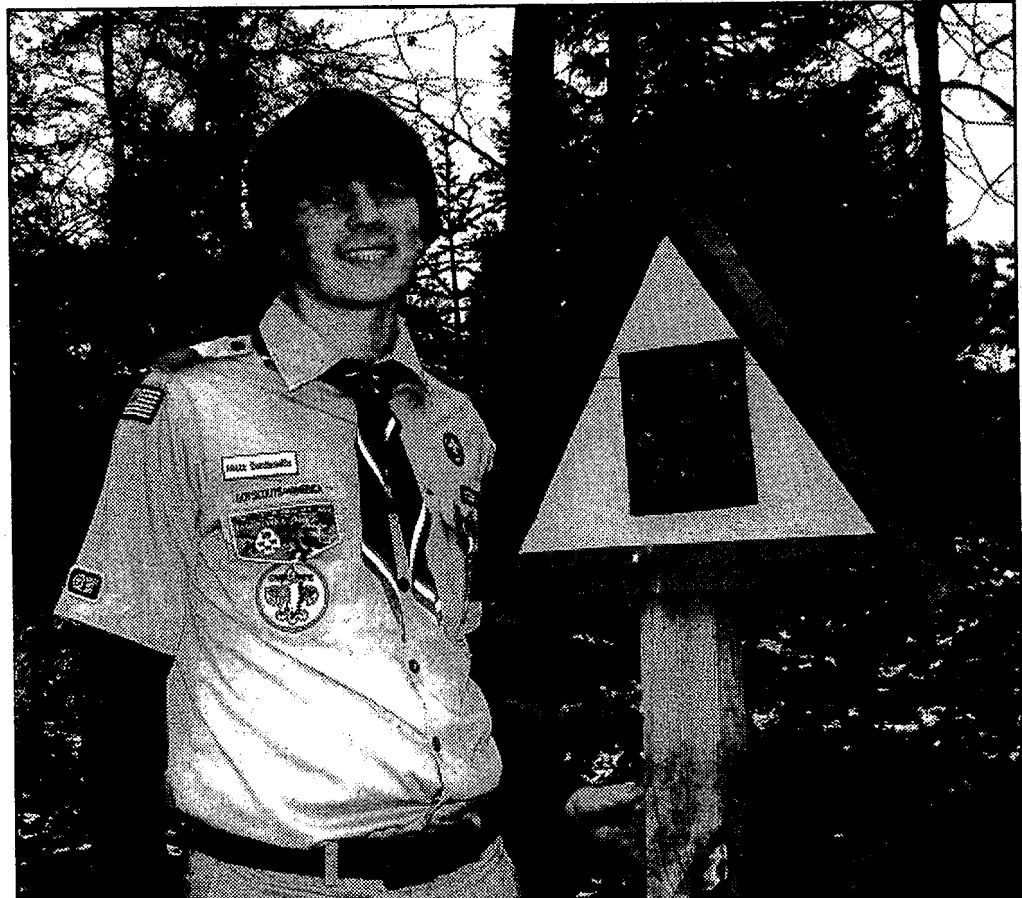
"I wanted my faith to be part of the project," said Dondanville, 17, senior at Notre Dame Preparatory High School in Pontiac. "It was a big project and it turned out well. I see people use it all the time - I'm proud of it."

The son of John and Janet Dondanville of Independence Township, both his brothers, Chris and Peter Dondanville, are also Boy Scouts. Chris' Eagle project in 2005, planting shade and garden areas, was also at Colombiere.

The 300-foot Way of the Cross trail, a 14-station devotion depicting Jesus' suffering and crucifixion in the Christian faith, is connected to Colombiere's walkways to the northeast of the main building.

Matthew's project took three days. The first was at home assembling each station, made of wood and bronze-coated panels, the next two at Colombiere working on the trail.

"The trail was built 45 years ago and was in a



Matt Dondanville rebuilt Columbiere's Stations of the Cross trail for his Eagle Scout project. Photo by Phil Custodio

state of disrepair," said Matthew, Troop 185 of Clarkston and Waterford, Clinton Valley Council.

"It was made of plaster and many were broken, and wood posts were rotted. It was at the point where they needed to be taken down or rebuilt."

They built a new cedar handrail, installed a flagstone trail, and washed and stained a set of wooden stairs. They cleared overgrown vines and bushes and cut down dead trees, wood chipping them into mulch for the trail.

He worked with local businesses for more than \$2,800 in donated and discounted materials, including wood mulch donated by Bedrock Express and Country Oaks Landscaping, slag sand donated by Lowrie's Landscaping, Little Caesars for donating pizza for the workers, and Lowe's for discounted project materials.

"It was challenging, a lot of trial and error," he said.

"We've received very positive feedback from the people here," Janet said. "They made it into

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Around Town

Evening Owl Prowl, 7 p.m., Nov. 29. Environmental Discovery Center, Indian Springs Metropark, Springfield Twp. Fourth grade or older. \$3. Park entry fee, \$4.-625-6640.

Bunco and Pizza, 4:30 p.m., Dec. 3. Prizes. Novices welcome. Sign up at Independence Township Senior Center, 6000 Clarkston Road. 248-625-8231.

Packing party, Desert Angel "Miracle Box," 3-7 p.m., Dec. 4. Drop off care-package donations, including canned, packaged, or instant food, socks, personal items: Memorial Board for fallen veterans. Oakland County Sportsmen's Club, 4770 Waterford Road. 248-623-0444.

The Rented Christmas, play by Mt. Zion Theatre Company, 8 p.m., Dec. 5-6 and 12-13; and 2 p.m. Dec. 13. \$10 advance, \$12 at the door. 4900 Maybee Road. 248-409-1120.

Greens Market, 17th annual, Clarkston Farm and Garden Club, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Dec. 6, Church of the Resurrection, 6490 Clarkston Road. Wreaths & roping, loose and fresh greens, arrangements for home and office. Anita Andes, 248-620-3168 or Sue Sajdak, 248-393-7509.

Alternative Gift Fair, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Dec. 6. Fair-trade handicrafts, donations to local and international charities in loved ones' names. Clarkston United Methodist Church, 6600 Waldon Road. 248-625-1611.

A Merry Christmas Caper, puppet show for the whole family, 1 p.m., 3 p.m., Dec. 6. Clarkston Village Players, Depot Theater, 4861 White Lake Road. \$6. 248-575-4104.

Holiday Book Sale, Dec. 6-7, Independence Township Library, 6495 Clarkston Road. Gently used (almost new) hardcover, paperback, and children's books priced just right for gift giving. Sponsored by the Friends of the Library. Sale open during regular library hours. 248-625-2212 or www.indelib.org.

Toys for Tots, 2-9 p.m., Dec. 7. Continuous live music on two stages, including Phil Treas Group, Mike Sneed, Skee Brothers, Urban Nomads, Wage Slaves, Mule Drive, Donde, Targus, Terri

Lee and the Mustangs. Admission: new, unwrapped toy or \$10 donation. Oakland County Sportsmen's Club, 4770 Waterford Road. 248-623-0444.

Holiday Open House, Grattan Optometry, 20 W. Washington, Suite 7, in the Clarkston Mills Mall. Non-perishable food collection for Lighthouse North, 2-7 p.m., Dec. 8. 248-625-3500.

Career Transitions Workshop, 7-9 p.m., Dec. 8, Clarkston United Methodist Church, 6600 Waldon Road. Job search support, including resume writing, networking, interviewing, helpful resources, sample resumes and resume evaluation services. Free; all welcome.

Wint's Healing Hearts Grief Support Group for all ages for those who have recently lost a loved one, 7 p.m., Dec. 9. Memorial Candle Lighting Ceremony. Clarkston Free Methodist Church, 5482 Winell. 248-625-5231.

Holiday Lights Parade, 6 p.m., Dec. 13, downtown Clarkston. Hosted by Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce, 248-625-8055.

Holiday Lights Nights, immediately after parade, Depot Park. Tree-lighting ceremony with Santa, carolers, snacks, reindeer, music. Independence Township Parks and Rec, 248-625-8223.

Christmas Party, 11:15 a.m.-1:30 p.m., Dec. 17. Holiday meal, gifts, Christmas music, and jolly Ol' St. Nick. "Senior" girls and boys welcome. \$5. Sign up by Dec 9. Carriage House, Independence Township Senior Center, 6000 Clarkston Road. 248-625-8231.

Snacks with Santa, 10 a.m., 1 p.m., Dec. 30. Environmental Discovery Center, Indian Springs Metropark, Springfield Twp. Decorate cookie, story, crafts. \$5 in advance, \$7 at door. Photos, \$2. 248-625-6640.

Adult Basketball League, 18 and over, 12-5 p.m., Sundays, Clarkston Junior High, 6595 Middle Lake. \$450/resident team. \$550/non-resident

team. Referee fees are an additional cost. Independence Township Parks and Recreation, 248-625-8223.

Pony Basketball League, for high school boys not on the school team, mid afternoons, Sundays, Clarkston Junior High, 6595 Middle Lake. \$200/resident team. \$300/non-resident team. al cost. Independence Township Parks and Recreation, 248-625-8223.

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.

Therapeutic Yoga classes, Mondays, 11 a.m.-12:15 p.m.; Tuesdays, 7:15-8:30 p.m., Jewels Yoga Fitness, 4612 Mountain View Trail, Independence Township. \$12 walk-in fee. 248-390-9270.

Bingo, Mondays, 6 p.m., sponsored by Divine Peace Metropolitan Community Church, at Knights of Columbus hall, 5660 Maybee Road. 18-way bingo, double action, regular jackpots to \$500, local progressive. 248-332-1186.

Fountains charity poker, 5:30 p.m., Monday-Thursday. \$30 buy in. Fountains Golf and Banquet, 6060 Maybee Road. 248-625-3731.

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.

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

Community Singles, third Tuesdays, 7 p.m., Community Presbyterian Church fellowship hall, 4301 Monroe St., off Sashabaw, Waterford. All ages, men and women. 248-394-0412.

BNI, Clarkston Waterford chapter, Tuesdays, 7 a.m., Green Apple restaurant, Dixie Highway at Walton. 248-673-6007.

Shallow Water Aerobics, Tuesdays, Thursdays, through Dec. 18, 12 p.m. Clarkston High School Pool. Medium intensity work-out. \$42 for 12 classes. Call senior activity center, 248-265-8231.

Belly Dancing, Tuesdays, 10-11:30 a.m., Bay Court Park. Independence Township Parks and Recreation, 248-625-8223.

Clarkston Area Optimist Club, 7:30-8:30 a.m., Wednesdays, Clarkston United Methodist Church, Fellowship Hall, 6600 Waldon Road. 248-622-6096.

Introduction to Tai Chi, Wednesdays, through Dec. 10, 11 a.m.-12 p.m. Beginning class by John Marchewitz, Wu Style T'ai Chi Ch'au form. \$6 drop in. Independence Township Senior Center, 6000 Clarkston Road. 248-625-8231.

Meet and greet, North Oakland Bethany, last Wednesdays, 6 p.m., Mesquite Creek, 7228 N. Main St. 248-464-0756.

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

Local Business Network, Ortonville/Clarkston Chapter, first and third Thursdays meets, 7:45-8:45 a.m., Mico's Real Estate, 7183 Main Street. 248-505-5091.

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

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Studio offers free workouts for kids

Robert and Patricia Heath, owners of American Fitness, offer free exercise classes for local youth, starting Dec. 8.

"This Thanksgiving holiday has reminded us what we are thankful for," Patricia said. "We are thankful for a successful business in our community for 23 years and we want to give back to the community."

Class will be every Monday at 5:15 p.m., for 45 minutes. At the end of each 45-minute class, each child will receive an activities list to bring home and check off to keep them motivated and active for the rest of the week.

The class is to help children get started on a healthy life with fun exercises and music in their aerobic studio, 5770 Dixie Highway, Patricia said.

"We don't really have an end date," she said. "Our plan is to run it on going for a long time. Basically, if it's successful, we will not end it, but if it doesn't work out for what-

ever reason, we will stop it. And word of mouth is the one way it will be successful."

Both graduates of Clarkston High School, Robert lived in Clarkston all his life and Patricia's family moved to Clarkston in 1978, when she was 8 years old.

"We are high school sweet hearts," Patricia said. "Both of our moms live in Clarkston."

Classes, certified through ACE American Council on Exercise, will include obstacle courses, fitness games, partner activities, body weight exercises, resistance bands, circuits and other high-energy activities.

"This class will be super helpful to get kids started and be consistent with their health and fitness, but most of all it will be fun for the kids," Patricia said.

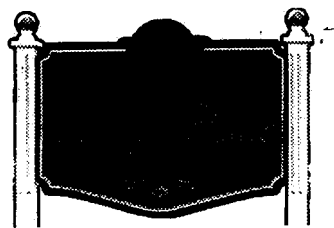
For more information, call 248-623-0099 or check www.americanfitnessinc.com.

- Phil Custodio



Robert and Patricia Heath of American Fitness, with sons Jacob, 13, and RJ, 17, at left, offer free exercise classes to Clarkston children. Photo provided

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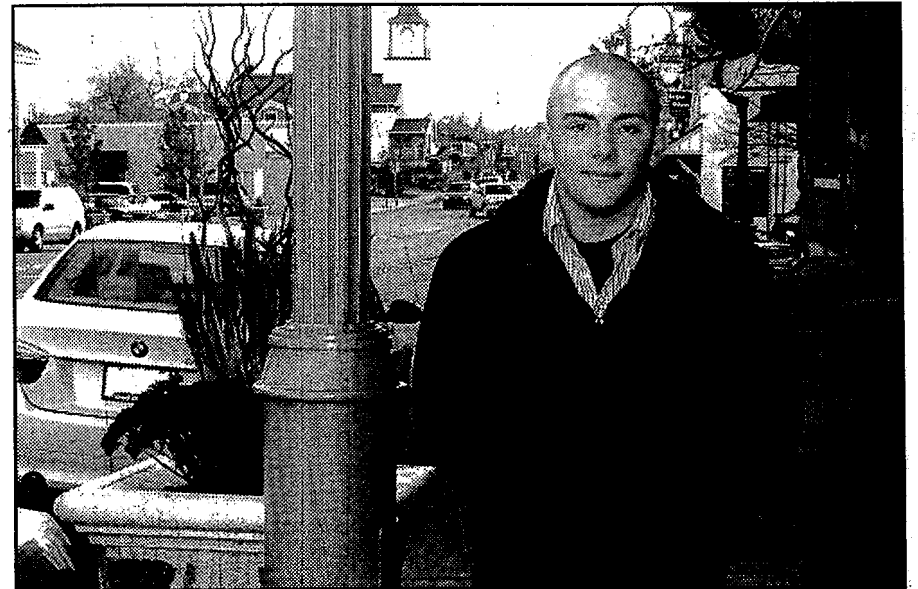
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Milestones



Airman First Class Paul Gibbs, home on leave. Photo by Phil Custodio

In our country's service...

Airman First Class Paul Gibbs, Clarkston High School class of 2004, finished training at Sheppard Air Force Base in Texas and is ready to join his unit in Delaware.

The Clarkston High School graduate, class of 2004, will work on hydraulic systems on C-5 Galaxy cargo planes at Dover Air Force Base.

Hydraulics controls the flaps, landing gear, and other systems on the plane, the Air Force's largest.

"I'm excited, and a little nervous," Gibbs said.

He enlisted this past May, with the goal of serving a 20-year career.

He first joined after high school graduation, but was medically discharged after breaking his leg in a car accident.

Since then, he worked with Oakland County Drain Commission and County Parks at Waterford Oaks Water pool.

He finished two weeks leave, Nov. 17, visiting his parents, Cheryl Olley and Tom Gibbs, and his brother, Colin Gibbs, and remodeling his house.

He could be eligible for overseas duty in about six months.

"I don't mind it. It's not a big deal," he said.

— Phil Custodio

Students achieve success

Clarkston students Stacey Dearing, Christina Maziarz, Amy O'Neill, Laura O'Neill, and Tori Thompson were named to the Aquinas College spring 2008 Dean's List.

Taylor Daugherty of Clarkston has been accepted this fall into the Albion College Carl A. Gerstacker Liberal Arts Institute for Professional Management.

Students are chosen annually for the Gerstacker Institute through a highly selec-

tive process based on academic achievement and demonstrated leadership abilities. Gerstacker members must complete degree requirements in economics and management, along with courses in ethics, writing, speaking and management, and fulfill at least two internships in a wide range of business settings.

Daugherty is a first-year at Albion College. She is the daughter of Steven and Theresa Daugherty of Clarkston and a graduate of Clarkston High School.

Got a Milestone to share?

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Religion

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'Thanks-living' with thanks to God

"And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him." (Colossians 3:17)

If the Puritans who founded Plymouth Colony in 1620 could look at what has become the American celebration of 'Thanksgiving' today, they wouldn't recognize its customs. They wouldn't even call it by that name.

America's national holiday of 'Thanksgiving' is characterized by seasonally decorated tables filled to overflowing with a variety of different foods, televised holiday parades from our largest cities, watching college football games, and an extended weekend for government workers and many other employees across America.

The Puritans wouldn't recognize America's celebration by the name 'Thanksgiving' because they gave thanks to God continually for all His many blessings that sustained body and soul.

For those Puritans "thanksgiving" was not a single celebration worthy of great preparation and a variety of festivities. For those Plymouth Colony Puritans so long ago 'giving thanks' was a way of life. Giving thanks be-

Spiritual Matters



Pastor James Krueger

came 'thanks-living'.

God's Word teaches us in Colossians 3:17 that *in everything we do we are to give thanks to God* in the name of Jesus.

I make it a priority to 'give thanks to God' whenever I pray - whether at the bedside of a member in the hospital or when visiting them in their homes or whenever I pray with a member over the phone or even in my own thoughts and prayers.

My prayers begin by offering God thanks for each 'new day' ... for shelter, food, and clothing ... for family and friends ... for a way to support and provide for my family ... for His love that will never be taken away from me ... for the sacrifice of Jesus that earned forgiveness for all my (and your) sins ... for a saving faith in God that gives me (and all Christians) the certainty of eternal life in heaven ... well, you get the picture.

My thanksgiving to God helps set the stage for the rest of my prayer. My continued thanksgiving to God has become my own way of 'thanks-living'. God has never 'let me down' when I open my heart and soul to Him. In fact, He already knows my needs before I do and oftentimes they are met before I even have a chance to ask. Thank-you, God! Thank-you!

Before you sit down to celebrate America's annual day

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In our churches...

Alternative Gift Fair, 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Dec. 6. Fair-trade handicrafts, donations to local and international charities in loved ones' names. Clarkston United Methodist Church, 6600 Waldon Road. 248-625-1611.

Video study "Living Beyond Yourself," Beth Moore, study of the fruits of the Spirit, 9:30-11:30 a.m., Thursdays. Childcare provided. Clarkston United Methodist Church, 6600 Waldon Road. 248-625-1611

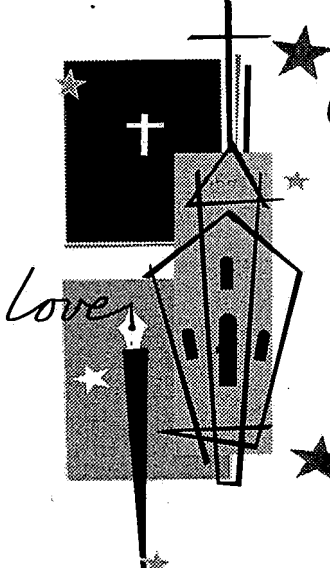
Prayer Partner Training, 10:30 a.m., second Sunday. Participants will receive a prayer syllabus. All welcome. Peace Unity, at Sashabaw Presbyterian, 5300 Maybee Road. 248-891-4365.

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

Basic Yoga, 10 a.m., Wednesdays, Peace Unity. Drop ins welcome. 8080 Ortonville Road. 248-625-5192.

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.

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CHURCH DIRECTORY

<p>OAKLAND EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Pastor Wayne Uppendahl Services held at Mount Zion Center 4453 Clintonville Rd. at Mann Rd., Waterford, MI Sunday School at 9:15 am Sunday Morning Worship at 10:30 am Bible Study Wed. Eve., 6:30 pm at Church Offices - Yellow House 7205 Clintonville Rd., Clarkston, MI Phone (248) 858-2577 Fax (248) 858-7706</p>	<p>ST. DANIEL CATHOLIC CHURCH 7010 Valley Park Dr., Clarkston (W. of M-15, S. of I-75) 625-4580 Rev. Christopher Maus Saturday Mass: 5:00 pm Sunday Masses: 7:30, 9:00 & 11:00 am Nursery Available: 9:00 & 11:00 am Religious Education: 625-1750 Mother's Group, RCIA, Scripture Study, Youth Group</p>	<p>THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION 6490 Clarkston Rd., Clarkston (248) 394-0200 Father Fred Engdahl Sunday 8 am & 10 am Holy Eucharist Sunday School 9:55 am Nursery Provided www.clarkstonepiscopal.org 248-625-2325</p>	<p>THE FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH 5449 Clarkston Rd., Clarkston (248) 394-0200 Fax: (248) 394-2142 Rev. Doctor Martin Hall Sunday Worship: 10:00 a.m. Children's Sunday School 10:00 am Dream Keepers Youth Group Bible Study Wednesday 7:00 pm Youth Groups 6-12 Wednesday 6:30 pm www.FirstCongregationalChurch.org</p>
<p>DIXIE BAPTIST CHURCH 8585 Dixie Highway, Clarkston, MI (248) 625-2311 website: www.dixiebaptist.org Home of Springfield Christian Academy & Children's Ark Preschool Pastor: J. Todd Vanaman Sun: 10:00 am Sunday School & Adult Bible Fellowship 11:00 am Worship Service 6:00 pm Worship Service Wed: 6:45 pm AWANA 7:00 pm Teen Meetings & Adult Bible Study Nursery available for all services.</p>	<p>CALVARY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH 6805 Bluegrass Drive, Clarkston (W. of M-15, just S. of I-75) 625-3288 Sunday Worship: 8:15 am (traditional worship) 9:30 am (blended worship) 11:00 am (contemporary praise) Nursery available Sunday School (all ages) 9:30 (Seasonal) Meal, worship, small groups Wed. evening - Dinner & Bible Study 6 pm (Seasonal) Relevant messages, caring people.</p>	<p>CLARKSTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 6600 Waldon Road, Clarkston 248-625-1611 Website: clarkstonumc.org Sunday Worship: 9:00 & 11:15 am Sunday Connection Service: 6:00 pm Fellowship Time: 10:00 Nursery available for both services Children's Sunday School: 9:00 & 10:10 am & 11:15 pm Adult Sunday School: 10:10 am Sunday Youth Groups: Grades 6-7 5:00 pm Grades 8-9 & 10-12 7:00 pm</p>	<p>CLARKSTON FREE METHODIST CHURCH 5482 Winell-Clarkston (corner of Maybee & Winell) 248-623-1224 Service 9:00 - 10:30 www.ClarkstonFMC.org Wednesday 7 pm Youth & Adult Ministry</p>
<p>ST. TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH "Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod" Pastor James Krueger 7925 Sashabaw Road (1/4 mile N. of DTE Music Theater) Clarkston, MI 48348 (248) 625-4644 www.sainttrinitylutheran.com e-mail: sttrinity@comcast.net Worship: Sun. 8:15 am & 11:00 am Sat. 6:00 pm Sunday School 9:45 am Preschool: 3-4 years old Preschool: 620-6154</p>	<p>PEACE UNITY CHURCH 10 am Sunday Celebration Service Children's Church Realizing peace, wholeness and abundance in unity. A center for prayer, peace studies and healing. Spiritual Education, Community Outreach, Holistic Healing, "Green" Philosophy, Mastermind, Fellowship Rev. Matthew E. Long, founding minister 248-625-5192 Peace Unity Church 8080 Ortonville Rd. Clarkston, MI 48348 www.peaceunitychurch.org</p>	<p>NORTH OAKS COMMUNITY CHURCH Evangelical Presbyterian Church Sunday Worship 10:30 am New Location 9600 Ortonville Rd. (M-15) Clarkston, MI 48348 (2 miles north of I-75; church entrance is on Hadley Rd.) (248) 922-3515 www.northoakschurch.org Pastor Steve I. Brown</p>	<p>FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF CLARKSTON 5972 Paramus, Clarkston, MI (248) 625-3380 Located 2 blks. N. of Dixie Hwy. (E. of M-15) Pastor: Russell Reemtsma Sun: 9:30 am Sunday School & Adult Bible Fellowship 10:30 am Worship Service 6:00 pm Evening Service Wed: 6:15 pm Awana Club 6:30 pm Teen Ministry 7:00 pm Prayer Meeting & Bible Study</p>
<p>BRIDGEWOOD CHURCH 6765 Rattalee Lake Road Clarkston, 48348 (248) 625-1344 Services: Sunday 9:00am & 10:45am Morning Worship Service Exploration Station - Children's Ministry Wed. 6:45pm Fit For Life - Adult Life Ministry c.r.a.v.e.-Student Life Ministry Ozone - Children's Life Ministry Nurture Center/Wonderland available for all services A Church For Life www.bridgewoodchurch.com</p>	<p>SASHABAW PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH "Little Church with a BIG Heart" 5300 Maybee Road, Clarkston Worship 11:00 am Nursery Provided Phone (248) 673-3101</p>	<p>DIVINE MERCY PARISH "A Mission Church" Mass celebrated at Davisburg Elementary School 12003 Davisburg Rd. Saturday at 5:00 pm Sunday at 10:00 am Celebrant: Msgr John Budde website: www.divinemercyparish.net</p>	<p>CLARKSTON COMMUNITY CHURCH 6300 Clarkston Road • Clarkston (248) 625-1323 Home of Oakland Christian School Pastors: Greg Henneman, Bonita Laudeman, Kevin Kuehne, Dan Whiting Sunday: Worship 9:30 & 11:00 am Spiritual Formation 11:00 am Nursery Care at all services Wednesday: Children's Ministries 6:00-8:00 pm Sunday: Youth Ministries 5:00-7:00 pm www.clarkstonchurch.com</p>

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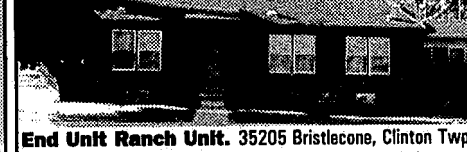
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Matt Dondanville and his Eagle Scout crew clean up the trail. Photos provided

Eagle Scout enjoys adventure trips

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a positive learning experience and did a good job with Matt."

The trail is one way – reaching the final station, walkers backtrack to exit. A path up a hill would complete the loop if it had a set of stairs, a good project for another time, he said.

"Maybe another Eagle project," he said.

Matthew joined scouting as a Tiger Scout in 1997, earning Cub Scouting's highest rank, the Arrow of Light, in 2002. He was awarded his Eagle Scout this past August.

He earned 29 merit badges, eight more than required for Eagle. He is a Brotherhood member of the Order of the Arrow, received the 2008 Camp Director Award of Merit and the

Warrior of Owasippe Award. He has received two 50-Miler awards and a "100 Nights of Camping" award.

He has served as an assistant patrol leader, patrol leader, senior patrol leader, and quartermaster for his troop.

"I really enjoy the adventure part of scouting, as well as community service," he said. "I like being outdoors."

Scout trips include camping throughout Michigan, Pennsylvania, Kentucky, Ohio, and Ontario, biking more than 250 miles from Cumberland, Maryland, to Washington, D.C. along the C. and O. canal, sailing Lake Huron, and leading two-week backpacking trips to Philmont Scout Reservation in Cimarron, N.M.



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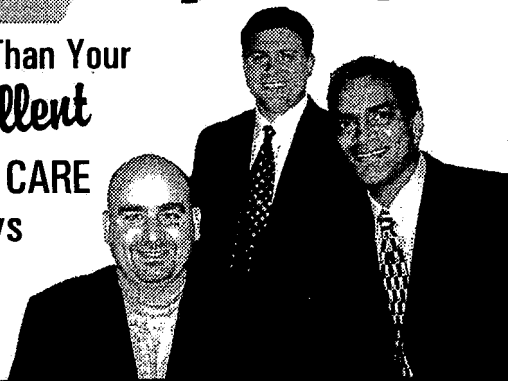
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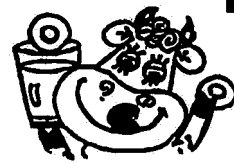
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From left, Clare, Coco, and Cassius pile around their Nana, Sharron Catallo, for a photo.



City Manager Dennis Ritter fills up on fruit.



Clarkston Police Chief Dale LaCroix attended with his wife Gina.

Family and friends gather to say thanks

Dozens of well-wishers turned out at the Clarkston Café last week to honor Mayor Sharron Catallo, who did not seek reelection after serving 16 years as mayor.

"I'm grateful people came, and for all the nice things they said about me," Catallo said. "But really, those nice things were more about the community itself, not so much about me or what I've done, because I didn't do it alone."

Large and small accomplishments in Clarkston over the years, she said, were achieved through collaborative

efforts of community, city council and village staff.

"If you don't have all those things falling into line, you can just skip it," she said. "You can have all the good ideas in the world, but you have to have the people to help execute those ideas if you're going to be successful."

Catallo served as village president before Clarkston incorporated in 1992. In February 1992, voters passed the city charter 206-194, shortly thereafter, Catallo was elected to serve as the City of the Village of Clarkston's first mayor.

Photo story by Laura Colvin



Recently-retired Clarkston City Manager-Clerk-Treasurer Art Pappas, left, catches up with newly-elected Mayor Steve Arkwright.

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BUSINESSSES ASK FOR EXT. 2

Chief Sashabaw: truth or just another legend?

BY TREVOR KEISER

Clarkston News Staff Writer

The legend of Chief Sashabaw and Oliver Williams is well known in the Clarkston and Waterford area, but the question remains: how much of the legend is actually true and was there truly a Chief Sashabaw?

At least that's what former Michigan resident Ken Bilderback wants to know.

"A lot of people have the story of Sashabaw and Oliver Williams, but everyone seems to have gotten it from the same source originally and there has been very little independent research into it," he said.

According to the Clarkston Community Historical Society's book "Our Children's Heritage, A history of Clarkston/Independence Township," which is read in every Clarkston elementary second-grade class, the story is as follows:

"The plains area of Clarkston-Independence Township was home to Chief Sashabaw. He belonged to one of the southeastern Michigan tribes - Chief Sashabaw developed a special friendship with a white settler named Oliver Williams. The two men treated each other as brothers. They helped each other and worked well together. The children of Oliver Williams, Mary and Oliver, played with the Indian children. Mary and Oliver were given Indian names by the chief as a symbol of his friendship.

"Sometime before 1834, Chief Sashabaw became very ill and died. He was buried near Oliver Williams' home on the banks of Silver Lake, in Waterford Township."

As a child, Bilderback said he and with his siblings and cousins thought perhaps a box of human bones in their grandparents' garage was possibly the remains of Chief Sashabaw, since their grandparents' house was on property owned by Oliver Williams.

"As little kids, we'd go back into the garage and just stare at them sort of in awe because of the reverence in which my grandparents treated them," said Bilderback. "I think, as very small children, we certainly believed the story that they belonged to a great Indian chief. It's only since then, that the story doesn't make a whole lot of sense, looking at it as an adult."

Sometime in the 1930's, after his grandparents built their home, his grandfather had an excavation crew level part of the property. While working on the job, the crew came across the human remains.

"By the time my grandfather had gotten home, the workers had pretty well already



Beryl and Virgil Bilderback, with their children Walter and Ken, sitting in front of Ken and Walter's grandparents' house. The flowers mark the spot where bones, possibly Chief Sashabaw's, were found. Photo provided

looted the gravesite," said Bilderback. "They took the skull and whatever other artifacts they had found around the grave site."

He said his grandparents had called museums, universities, and historical societies, but nobody was interested in the bones at the time, which never made sense to him. If Sashabaw was a prominent Indian chief, why did no one care, he thought.

After talking to archeologists, Bilderback found it was not uncommon back then for people not to care, especially if they were Native American bones.

"We don't know if they're Native American. It could have been anyone buried. It fits with the legend. They were found in what appeared to be the grave of a prominent person, and in that sense it all fits together," he

said. "It just begs the question of who was Sashabaw and why is it that no one seems to know?"

Bilderback said he wrote the idea of Sashabaw off as myth by the time he graduated from Utica High School in 1973. He went on to graduate from the University of Dayton and from there pursued his career as a journalist, working brief stints at *Newsday* and the *Dayton Daily News*, and then 24 years at *The Columbian* in Vancouver, Wash., before retiring in 2004.

"I've always been kind of a history buff and, because of the personal connection to this, I've taken it a little more serious than I would have otherwise," said Bilderback. "Just the whole mystery involved makes it intriguing for a journalist or a historian to keep track-

ing it down."

As he started getting into the research, he started his own personal website, but as he began to dig further, he created a bigger website, TheSashabawProject.com.

"The problem is that nobody I've been able to contact from the Native American studies programs at the local universities to the various tribes has any idea what tribe this was that Sashabaw supposedly led in that area," said Bilderback.

"No one can lay claim to this man who was supposedly one of the most prominent chiefs in Michigan, even though lesser chiefs and lesser members of tribes are very well documented."

He noted many people believe that perhaps Sashabaw could actually be an Indian with a common name Sasaba.

According to Bilderback, Sasaba's story parallels Sashabaw's story closely, except for the fact that Sasaba despised white settlers and would have never befriended Oliver Williams. Also, Sasaba's death was well documented, up near Sault St. Marie.

"Anything is possible with these two men with very similar names," he said. "It's just odd to think that this Sasaba who had a much lesser position than that attributed to Sashabaw would have been so well documented but Sashabaw wasn't."

After his grandparents died and their home was sold, the bones were kept in hopes of finding the proper place for them at some point in the future.

"I've decided at this point the only people I would tell the location of the bones to would be state or federal officials or legitimate tribal officials because I don't want people trying to loot the new gravesite," he said. "But they are still in Michigan."

Bilderback currently lives in the Chehalem Mountains of Oregon, raising chickens with his wife, Kris.

He has a variety of websites, including mykittyseyes.com, which is about feline ophthalmology, and whapwhap.com, which is "dedicated to saving the dying American newspaper."

He also does volunteer work for the local fire department in the public information office.

"I think the story is intriguing and I think compelling, but I just don't have the answers," said Bilderback. "I'm hoping as the word spreads a little bit that other people can supply pieces of the puzzle and if nothing else figure out if Sashabaw really existed."

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VA reimburses some costs for self-sealing burial vaults

Q. I am an honorably discharged Marine. My wife and I are planning to use Great Lakes National Cemetery in Holly as our final resting place. If we buy our own sealing-vaults instead of using the non-sealing ones provided by VA, how much will the re-imbursement be? Thank you.

F. L., Waterford

A. Great question, F.L.! I answered a very similar question for another couple earlier in the year, so thanks for giving me something easy!

The Veterans Administration does have an allowance for privately purchased graveliners or vaults. Here is an explanation of how the VA determines that amount: The average cost of government-furnished graveliners is determined by taking the VA's total cost during a fiscal year for single-depth graveliners procured for placement at the time of interment and dividing it by the total number of such graveliners procured by the VA during that fiscal year.

The calculation excludes both graveliners procured and pre-placed in gravesites as part of cemetery gravesite-development projects and all double-depth graveliners. Using this method of computation, the average cost was determined to be \$201 for fiscal year 2007.

The administrative costs incurred by the VA consist of those that relate to processing and paying an allowance in lieu of the government-furnished graveliner. These costs were determined to be \$9 for calendar year 2008, therefore, the allowance this year is \$192, an entry-level sealing vault is currently priced at \$1,240.

Q. My mother is in a nursing home. She has been paying privately, but I am worried she is going to outlive her money. If Medicaid becomes her future what ways can her money be spent prior to Medicaid that is acceptable to them?

M. G., Davisburg

A. So many are asking this question these days. One of the 'non-countable' assets a Medicaid recipient can own is a pre-paid, irrevocable funeral contract for



Wint's Word on Advance Funeral Planning
By Connie Glynn

services and merchandise. Medicaid also allows your mother to purchase "Burial Space Items" for her children, siblings, as well as each of their respective spouses. Burial space items consist of anything pertaining to place of interment, to include; *Casket, Outer Burial Container or Vault, Monument or Marker, Opening & Closing Costs, Flowers, as well as the Grave Plot itself.*

Q. Relatives of mine pre-arranged their funeral plans quite a number of years ago and paid for them. I recently discovered that the price they paid then was **so much less** than what it costs today. I wish I had listened to them when they said I should do it, too. I'm 70 now, is it still a good idea for me to pre-pay these expenses?

R.B., Clarkston

A. I have good news, it's not too late! You can still pre-arrange and pre-fund, therefore, locking in today's prices, because one thing is sure, they will increase in the future. In fact, it generally holds true that funeral service **doubles** in price about every 10 years or so. I'm guessing that was proven true to you. Call me today and we will put a plan in place so in 10 years you won't be looking back and wishing again you'd done what you know now to be economically smart. There are budget conscious ways to do this that won't break the bank, I promise you.

Happy Thanksgiving, everyone!

I hope the answers are a help to you. Please keep your questions 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. God Bless.

Healing Hearts to meet Dec. 9

Wint's Healing Hearts Grief Support Group for all ages for those who have recently lost a loved one will be Tuesday, Dec. 9, at 7 p.m.

This month's meeting will be a special Holiday Memorial Candle Lighting Ceremony with special guest speaker Dr. John Canine, psychologist and grief specialist, and Emily

Trahan, bereavement counselor for Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home.

The meeting will be at Clarkston Free Methodist Church, 5482 Winell. Admission is free. No registration is necessary, but RSVP is encouraged by calling the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home at 248-625-5231 or emailing www.wintfuneralhome.com.

Obituary

Mary Ann Goetz

Mary Ann Goetz, née Piantanida of Waterford, formerly of E. St. Louis, Ill., was received into the arms of her precious Savior, Jesus Christ, on Nov. 18, 2008, at the age of 80.

She left this world surrounded and comforted by her family. She was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Edward. She was the mother of Theresa (Vernon) Lewis of Waterford, Karen (Robert) Weiss of New Jersey, Mary (Steven) Loomis of Ohio, Mark (Debbie) Goetz of Tennessee, Paul (Mairead) Goetz of New Jersey, John (Elizabeth) Goetz of Alaska, Ann (Joseph) Lewis of Indiana, and Andrew (Tressa) Goetz of Howell; grandmother of Matthew, Michael, Jennifer, Lisa, Miriam, Cecelia, Edward, Clare, Daniel, Patrick, Veronica, Steven, Joseph, Ashley, Shane, Ryan, Brendan, Kieran, Jacob, Joshua, Raymond, Andrew, and Danielle; great grandmother of Kaleb, Ava, and Charlotte; sister of Paul (Rosemary) Piantanida of Illinois, and Virginia McMillan of Missouri.



Mary Ann loved music and was a classically trained soprano. She was active in her parish and sang in the choir for 26 years. She loved to play the piano and her artistic talents spanned many of the arts. She

worked for many years at the Judson Center caring for the mentally disabled. She was a loving, faith-filled mother who will be terribly missed.

Scriptural Rosary was Nov. 21 at Lewis E. Wint Funeral Home, Clarkston. Requiem Mass was celebrated at Our Lady of the Lakes Parish, Waterford, Nov. 22. Rite of Committal, All Saints Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Lustgarten Foundation for Pancreatic Cancer Research, www.lustgarten.org, Ave Maria Radio, www.avemariaradio.net, or Mercy Hospice, 800-832-1155. Online guestbook, www.wintfuneralhome.com.

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Tuesday, December 9th, 2008

7:00 PM

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PUBLIC NOTICE
Charter Township of Springfield

**NOTICE
REQUEST FOR VARIANCES
ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Zoning Board of Appeals of the Charter Township of Springfield will hold a meeting on Thursday, December 18, 2008, beginning at 8:00 p.m. at the Springfield Township Civic Center, 12000 Davisburg Rd., Davisburg, Michigan to hear the following appeals and conduct the following business:

PUBLIC COMMENT:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: October 16, 2008

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

- Request by Divine Mercy Catholic Parish, 4055 Parker Road, Davisburg, MI 48350 for the following variances in order to install a temporary sign on its property, to be visible from Davisburg Rd.
 - Allow a temporary sign that does not direct attention to a use or service conducted or offered on the premises as required by Section 16.07.2.a of Zoning Ordinance No. 26.
 - Allow a ground sign identifying a non-residential Special Land Use whose location and size has not been determined during site plan review as required by Section 16.07.3.a(3) of Zoning Ordinance No. 26.
 - Allow use of a temporary sign not listed in Section 16.07.8 as a permitted temporary sign and with a total of sixty-four (64) square feet rather than sixteen (16) square feet allowed by Section 16.07.8 of Zoning Ordinance No. 26. The property that is the subject of the requests is located on Davisburg Rd., across from Clemas and west of Ormond. P.I. #07-18-376-010.
- Request by Pauline S. Tedder, 401 Englewood Dr., Roscommon, MI 48653 for a variance, as required by Section 16.20.2 of Zoning Ordinance 26, to create a 7.68 acre parcel comprised of an access strip sixty (60) feet wide and three hundred seventy (370) feet deep. The property that is the subject of the variance request is located on the south side of Davisburg Rd., west of Dixie Highway and east of Pine Lake Rd. P.I. #07-15-200-013.
- Request by Michael and Amber Angona, 9524 Dolores, Clarkston, MI 48348 to permit placement of a shed with a five (5) foot side setback, rather than the minimum fifteen (15) foot setback required per Section 25 of Zoning Ordinance No. 26. The property that is the subject of the request is located at 9524 Dolores. P.I. #07-11-453-009.
- Request by SBA Corporation, c/o Ellen Tencer, 5030 Cooley Lake Rd., Waterford, MI 48327 to permit construction of a tower with a seventy (70) foot setback from a residential district, rather than the minimum one hundred fifty seven (157) feet required per Section 16.09.3.a(5)(b) of Zoning Ordinance No. 26. The property that is the subject of the request is the I-75 rest stop located on the east side of I-75 and north of Davisburg Rd. P.I. #07-09-426-002.
- 2009 Meeting Dates
- Election of Officers

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

Laura Moreau, Clerk
Charter Township of Springfield

Published November 26, 2008 ZBA

**STATE OF MICHIGAN FILE NO:
PROBATE COURT
COUNTY OF OAKLAND
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Decedent's Estate**

Estate of Michael Duane Summers. Date of birth: 07-28-1959
TO ALL CREDITORS:

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Michael Duane Summers, who live at 64 Crawford St., Apt 5B, Oxford, Michigan died 09-26-2008. Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Nancy Riddle named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 1200 N. Telegraph Rd., Pontiac and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

11-24-08
Nancy A. Riddle
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PUBLIC NOTICE
Because the People Want to Know
CLARKSTON

**CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF CLARKSTON
375 DEPOT ROAD
CLARKSTON MI 48346
SUMMARY MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
November 10, 2008**

Meeting called to order at 7:02 p.m. by Mayor Catalo. Clerk/Treasurer, Jan Gillespie, swore Mayor-elect, Steve Arkwright, into office as Mayor. Then Clerk/Treasurer Gillespie swore into office re-elected council members, Mike Gawronski, Kristy Ottman and Charles Inabnit.

Mayor Catalo passed the gavel onto the new Mayor, Steve Arkwright, and wished him well.

Moved by Johnston, supported by Roth, "That the minutes of October 27, 2008 Council meeting be approved as present". Motion carried.

Moved by Brueck, supported by Inabnit, "That the Agenda be approved with one addition under New Business. Appoint Mayor Pro-Temp.". Motion carried.

Moved by Ottman, supported by Gawronski to "Approve the payment of the November bills totaling \$62,578.77". Motion carried.

A citizen asked if there could be a handicap place to park on the East side of Washington Street. Currently there is none. The Chief, City Manager and DPW Manager will bring forth to Council a recommendation of where to put a handicap parking place on the East side of Washington.

City Manager Ritter presented Art Pappas with a plaque from the Chamber of Commerce recognizing his great service to the City of the Village of Clarkston for so many years.

Art Pappas thanked the Chamber of Commerce. He also wanted to wish the New Mayor much luck. Also, a "thank you" to the outgoing Mayor Catalo.

Paul Ormiston was Police Chief from July 1995 to January 2003. He expressed his thanks and appreciation to Sharron for all her dedication to the community. Jordan Zendeja was welcomed to the council meeting by Mayor Arkwright. Mr. Zendeja is working on his "Eagle Scout" badge and one of the requirements is attending a public meeting.

Resolution by Johnston, supported by Brueck to "Nominate Kristy Ottman as Mayor Pro-temp". Resolution approved.

City Manager Ritter wanted the minutes to reflect the much appreciated work done in the city park and city flower beds by Distinctive Landscape during the past week to prepare for the winter season.

Moved by Johnston, supported by Inabnit to "To present a letter of appreciation to Distinctive Landscape on behalf of the City Council and the community. Motion carried.

November 18, 2008, Sharon Cattalo's party will be held from 7 pm - 9:30 pm at the Clarkston Café. An open invitation to the community.

Resolution by Inabnit, supported by Gawronski to "Enter into a closed session to discuss the Swatowski vs City of the Village of Clarkston" NOTE - This is in keeping within state law. Resolution adopted.

Council adjourned to Closed session at 7:50 p.m. Council reopened public meeting at 9:00 p.m. Motion by Roth, supported by Gawronski, "That the meeting be adjourned".

Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 9:08 p.m.
Respectfully submitted,
Janet C. Gillespie, Clerk

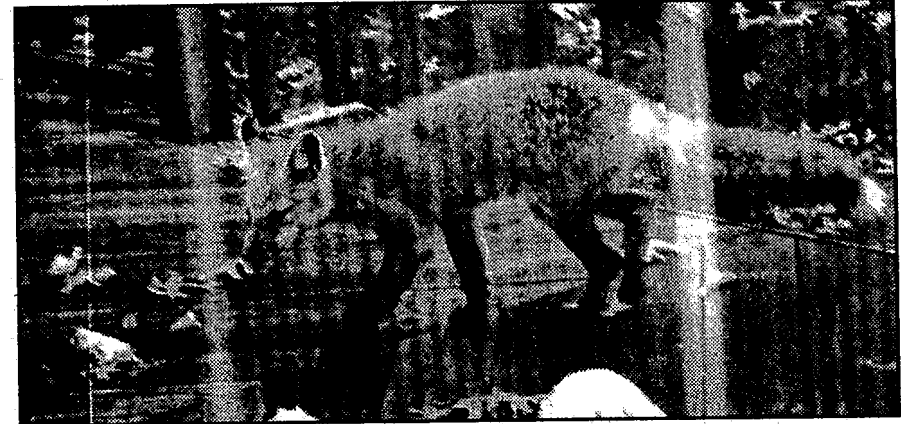
**STATE OF MICHIGAN FILE NO:
PROBATE COURT
COUNTY OF OAKLAND
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Decedent's Estate**

Estate of Silri Helmie Bjerkness, deceased. Date of birth: 4/29/1920
TO ALL CREDITORS:

NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Silri Helmie Bjerkness, who lived at 41110 Fox Run Atp. 106, Novi, Michigan died 8/29/2008. Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Ruben Bjerkness, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 1200 N. Telegraph Rd., Pontiac and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

Kathryn M. Caruso (P44723)
6480 Citation Drive
Clarkston, MI 48346
248/625-0600

Ruben Bjerkness
41110 Fox Run, Apt 106
Novi, MI 48377
248/668-0627



A visitor after lunch

Lucy Kirby of Independence Township was doing the dishes, about 12:30 p.m., Nov. 12, when she noticed she had a visitor. A fox trotted into her backyard up onto her deck. "I grabbed my camera and took the picture," said Kirby, who lives off Oakhill Road. Photo provided

PUBLIC NOTICE
Because the People Want to Know
INDEPENDENCE TWP.
BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING
AGENDA

Date and Time: December 2, 2008, at 7:30 p.m.
Place: Independence Township Library
6495 Clarkston Road, Clarkston, MI

- Call to Order
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll Call
- Opening Statements and Correspondence
- Approval of Agenda
- Public Forum - *Individuals in the audience have the opportunity to address the Township Board on an issue that is not on the agenda, limiting their comments to not more than three minutes.*
- Consent Agenda:
 - Approval of Minutes of November 5, 2008 and November 18, 2008
 - Approval of Purchase Orders
 - Approval of Accounts Payable Check Run
 - 2009 Annual Permit Application for Municipality Maintenance - RCOC
 - 2009 Annual Permit for MDOT

New Business

- Permission to hire Clerk for Senior Center
 - Compensation for Elected Officials
- Closed Session - Collective Bargaining Agreement (AFSCME)

Closed Session - Discussion of Non-AFSCME and Non-IAFF employees compensation

Only those matters that are listed on the Agenda are to be considered for action. A majority vote of the Board members may add or delete an agenda item.

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 2008-320, 193 DE
COUNTY OF OAKLAND
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
Decedent's Estate**

Estate of ALICE ELLEN MILLER a/k/a ALICE E. MILLER, DECEASED.
Date of birth: 7/7/1917

TO ALL CREDITORS: The decedent, ALICE ELLEN MILLER a/k/a ALICE E. MILLER, who lived at 461 BELLEVUE, LAKE ORION, Michigan died 11/2/2008.

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

11-20-08
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646 DETROIT AVE

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PUBLIC NOTICE
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INDEPENDENCE TWP.
SYNOPSIS

**TAKEN BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD
THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE
NOVEMBER 18, 2008**

The regular meeting of the Charter Township of Independence Board was called to order at 7:30 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
- The agenda was approved as amended.
- Citizens were offered a chance to address the Board regarding subjects that were not on the agenda.
- The following Consent Agenda items were approved:
 - Approval of Purchase Orders
 - Approval of Accounts Payable Check Run
 - Resolution of Independence Elementary PTO to be recognized as a non-profit organization for purposes of obtaining a charitable gaming license
 - Resolution of the Optimist Club Foundation of Clarkston, Michigan to be recognized as a non-profit organization for purposes of obtaining a charitable gaming license
- The Public Hearing for the 2009 CDBG Funding Application opened at 7:40 p.m. and closed at 7:41 p.m.
- Approved Vision 2020 Update Master Plan and Resolution Approving the 2008 Amendments to the Township Master Plan
- Approved Resolution Establishing a Fee Schedule for the Fees Set forth in the Township Cemetery Ordinance
- Approved Sashabaw Plains Cemetery Agreement and authorized Clerk to sign said agreement on behalf of the Township
- Recognition of Community Garden Volunteers
- Approval of Waiving of Partial CDBG 2006 Funds
- Adjourned regularly scheduled meeting at 8:07 p.m. Shelagh VanderVeen
Township Clerk

Published: 11/26/08



Greens' Market set Dec. 6

Clarkston Farm and Garden Club member Sue White hangs a Green's Market wreath. Roping, wreaths and arrangements will be available for sale at the Greens' Market, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Saturday, Dec. 6, at the Church of the Resurrection, 6490 Clarkston Road. Call Anita Andes at 248-620-3168 or Sue Sajdak, 248-393-7509.

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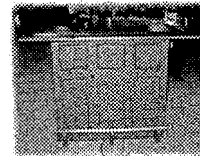
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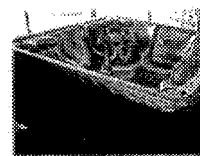
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The Rev. James Krueger is pastor of St. Trinity Lutheran Church.

In our churches

continued from 5B

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.

Personal-growth class, "Discover the Power Within You - A guide to the Unexplored Depths Within," with the Rev. Matthew E. Long, Thursdays, through Nov. 13, 7 p.m. Peace Unity Church, 8080 Ortonville Road. 248-891-4365.

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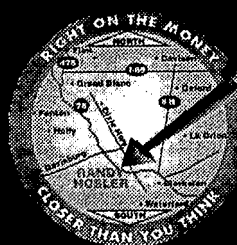


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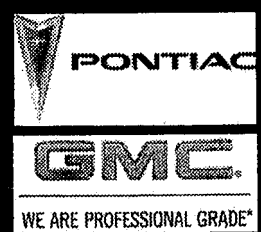


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PUBLIC NOTICE
Because the People Want to Know
INDEPENDENCE TWP.

At a regular meeting of the Township Board held on November 18, 2008, the Board authorized a Second Reading and Adoption of the Cemetery Ordinance, as follows:

STATE OF MICHIGAN
COUNTY OF OAKLAND
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE
ORDINANCE NO. 08-06
CEMETERY ORDINANCE

An Ordinance to amend the Charter Township of Independence Code of Ordinances to establish regulations for publicly-owned cemeteries in the Charter Township of Independence.

THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS FOR INCORPORATION INTO THE TOWNSHIP ORDINANCE CODE:

Section 1 of Ordinance

Chapter 42 of the Ordinance Code shall be amended to add Article IV, reading as follows:
ARTICLE IV: TOWNSHIP CEMETERIES
Sec. 42-150. Title of article.

This article shall be known and cited as the Independence Charter Township Cemetery Ordinance.
Sec. 42-151. Definitions.

The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this article, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

Adult burial space shall consist of a land area four feet wide and ten feet in length, unless otherwise designated in a cemetery plat existing prior to the adoption of this ordinance.

Cemetery means any public cemetery within the township owned, managed, operated or controlled by the township board.

Cemetery plot shall consist of burial spaces sufficient to accommodate from one to six burial spaces, unless otherwise designated in a cemetery plat existing prior to the adoption of this ordinance.

Infant or stillborn burial space shall consist of a land area four feet wide and 3 1/2 feet in length in areas set aside specifically for such burials, unless otherwise designated in a cemetery plat existing prior to the adoption of this ordinance.

Sec. 42-152. Sale of plots or burial spaces.

- (a) Cemetery plots or burial spaces shall be available for sale to any individual or family for the purpose of the burial of such purchaser or his or her heirs at law or next of kin. No sale shall be made to funeral directors or others.
- (b) All sales shall be evidenced by a form approved and executed by the township clerk or the clerk's designee. Sales of cemetery plots or burial spaces grant a right of burial only and do not convey any other title to the lot or burial space sold.
- (c) Burial rights may only be transferred to those persons eligible to be original purchasers of cemetery lots or burial spaces and may only be accomplished by endorsement of an assignment of such burial permit upon the original burial permit form issued by the township clerk or the clerk's designee, approved by said clerk or designee, and entered upon the official records of said clerk or designee. Upon such assignment, approval and recording, the clerk or the clerk's designee shall issue a new burial permit to the assignee and shall cancel and terminate upon such records, the original permit.
- (d) Burial space owners shall not allow interments in their plots or spaces in return for remuneration of any kind.
- Sec. 42-153. Purchase price and transfer fees.**
- (a) Each burial space fee shall be determined by resolution of the township board setting the schedule of fees for non-residents and for township residents. A township resident is defined as a person who has lived in Independence Charter Township for a minimum of one year and provides corresponding documentation. A township resident is also defined as a former resident who lived in Independence Charter Township for a period of five or more years and provides corresponding documentation.
- (b) The fee for any transfer of one or more burial spaces from an original purchaser to a qualified assignee pursuant to Sec. 42-152(c) shall be set by resolution of the township board.
- (c) The foregoing charges shall be paid to the township treasurer and shall be deposited in the cemetery fund for the particular cemetery involved in the sale or transfer.
- (d) The township board, by resolution, may periodically alter the fees to accommodate increased costs and needed reserve funds for cemetery maintenance and acquisition.
- Sec. 42-154. Grave opening charges.**
- (a) The opening and closing of any burial space, prior to

and following a burial therein, and including the interment of ashes, shall be at a cost to be set by resolution of the township board, payable to the township. A fee schedule shall be maintained at the township office.

- (b) No burial spaces shall be opened and closed except under the direction and control of the township clerk or the clerk's designee who shall coordinate with the cemetery sexton. This provision shall not apply to proceedings under the supervision of the local health department for the removal and re-interment of bodies and remains.

Sec. 42-155. Markers or memorials.

- (a) All markers or memorials must be of stone or other equally durable composition.
- (b) All markers or memorials must be located upon a suitable foundation as approved by the township clerk or the clerk's designee.
- (c) Only one monument, marker or memorial shall be permitted per individual burial space with the exception of veteran's markers which may be placed at the foot of the burial space.
- (d) No more than four markers per grave site for four individual remains or one marker for all remains shall be permitted. Individual markers for remains shall be flush with the ground and shall be no more than 12 inches by 18 inches.
- (e) Should any monument or memorial become unsightly, dilapidated or a safety hazard, the township board shall have the right, at the expense of owner, to correct the condition or remove same.
- (f) The footing or foundation upon which any monument, marker or memorial must be placed shall be constructed by the township at cost to the owner of the burial right. Cost shall be determined by resolution of the township board, payable to the township. A fee schedule shall be maintained at the township office.
- (g) The regulations set forth in subsections (a) - (f) above shall not apply to monuments, markers or memorials existing or approved prior to the date of this ordinance.
- (h) Winter wreaths or grave blankets may be placed on the burial spaces from November 15 to April 1 yearly. All cemetery lot decorations will be removed during spring cleanup each year.

Sec. 42-156. Interment regulations.

- (a) Only one adult casket or four cremation urns may be buried in a burial space, unless otherwise designated in a cemetery plat existing prior to the adoption of this ordinance, and except for a mother and infant or two children.
- (b) Not less than 24 hours notice shall be given in advance of any funeral to allow for the opening of the burial spaces between April 1 and November 14 and not less than 48 hours notice shall be given in advance of any funeral to allow for the opening of burial spaces between November 15 and March 31.
- (c) The appropriate permit for the burial space involved, together with appropriate identification of the person to be buried therein, where necessary, shall be presented to either the township clerk, the clerk's designee or the cemetery sexton, who then shall deliver same to township clerk or clerk's designee, prior to interment. Where such permit has been lost or destroyed, the township clerk or clerk's designee shall be satisfied, from his or her records, that the person to be buried in the burial space is an authorized and appropriate one before any interment is commenced or completed.
- (d) All burial spaces shall be located in an orderly and neat appearing manner within the confines of the burial space involved.

Sec. 42-157. Ground maintenance.

- (a) No grading, leveling, or excavating upon burial space shall be allowed without the permission of the township clerk or the township clerk designee.
- (b) No flowers, shrubs, trees or vegetation of any type shall be planted without the approval of the township clerk or the township clerk designee. Any of the foregoing items planted without such approval may be removed by the township.
- (c) The township reserves the right to remove or trim any tree, plant or shrub located within the cemetery in the interest of maintaining proper appearance and the use of the cemetery.
- (d) Mounds which hinder the free use of a lawn mower or other gardening apparatus are prohibited.
- (e) The cemetery maintenance personnel shall have the right and authority to remove and dispose of any and all growth, emblems, displays or containers therefore that through decay, deterioration, damage or otherwise become unsightly, a source of litter or a maintenance problem.
- (f) Surfaces other than earth or sod are prohibited.
- (g) All refuse of any kind or nature including, among others, dried flowers, wreaths, papers, and flower containers must be removed or deposited in containers located within the cemetery.

Sec. 42-158. Forfeiture of vacant cemetery plots or burial spaces.

- (a) As of the effective date of this article, the rights to cemetery plots or burial spaces sold and remaining vacant 40 years from the date of their original sale, last recorded transfer or usage of another burial space by the same owner shall automatically revert to the township upon occurrence of the following events:
- (b) Notice shall be sent by the township clerk or clerk's designee by first class mail to the last known address of the last owner of record informing that owner of the expiration of the 40-year period and that all rights with respect to said plots or spaces will be forfeited if said owner does not affirmatively indicate in writing to the township clerk or clerk's designee within 60 days from the date of mailing of the said notice the owner's desire to retain said burial rights.
- (c) If no written response to said notice indicating a desire to retain the cemetery plots or burial spaces in question is received by the township clerk or clerk's designee from the last owner of record of said plots or spaces, or from the heirs or legal representative of said owner, within 60 days from the date of mailing of said notice, a notice shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the Township.
- (d) The published notice shall contain a listing of the name(s) of the last owner of record informing of the expiration of the 40-year period and that all rights with respect to said plots or burial spaces will be forfeited if no indication in writing is received by the township clerk or clerk's designee within 60 days from the date of publication of the notice of the desire of the owner to retain said burial rights.

Sec. 42-159. Repurchase of lots or burial spaces.

The township can repurchase any cemetery plots or burial space from an owner for the original purchase price or one-half of the current price, whichever is less, upon written request of said owner or the owner's legal heirs or representatives.

Sec. 42-160. Records.

The township clerk or clerk's designee shall maintain records concerning all burials, issuance of burial permits, and any perpetual care fund, separate and apart from any other records of the township and the same shall be open to public inspection at all reasonable business hours.

Sec. 42-161. Vault.

All casket burials shall be within a standard concrete vault installed or constructed in each burial space before interment. All remains must be in an urn and buried. Scattering of ashes in a cemetery is not allowed. In no case shall a new casket burial or casket re-interment take place without a vault.

Sec. 42-162. Cemetery hours and restrictions.

- (a) Cemeteries shall be open to the general public from the hours of sunrise to sunset each day.
- (b) No person shall be permitted in the township cemeteries at any time other than the foregoing hours, except upon permission of the township clerk or the clerk's designee.
- (c) No person shall enter the cemetery premises who is under the influence of alcoholic liquor, and no alcohol or pets are allowed in the cemeteries.
- (d) No firearms are allowed in the cemeteries, except in cases of military funerals or ceremonies by official veterans' organizations on federal holidays. All military funerals and ceremonies using firearms must be pre-approved by the township clerk or the clerk's designee.
- (e) No person shall create any improper noise, disorderly conduct, carelessness, or any other activity that destroys the peace, tranquility and attractiveness of any cemetery.
- (f) The township clerk or clerk's designee shall approve any group use of a cemetery other than for the purpose of an organized interment. In every case, the use must be in accord with the principles of respect and honor for the deceased.

Sec. 42-163. Cemetery maintenance.

- (a) Maintenance of cemeteries is under the supervision of the Independence Charter Township Department of Public Works.
- (b) The township board must approve all major projects for the cemeteries.

Sec. 42-164. Damaging or defacing monuments, structures or grounds.

Within a cemetery, no person shall destroy, mutilate, deface, injure or remove any tomb, monument, gravestone or memorial or other structure or thing placed or designed for memorial of the dead, or any fence, railing, curb or other thing intended for the protection or for the ornamentation of any tomb, monument, gravestone or other structure mentioned in this section, or of any enclosure for the burial of the dead; nor shall any person destroy, mutilate, remove, cut, break or injure any tree, shrub or plant placed upon any grave or being within any enclosure within a cemetery; nor shall any person drive over any grave or damage or deface any of the grounds or properties within a cemetery.

Sec. 42-165. Perpetual care.

The township board designates the cemeteries under its control as "Perpetual Care Cemeteries," and no lot in any such cemetery shall be sold unless the purchaser thereof at the same time purchases perpetual care for the lot purchased. Charges for perpetual care shall be fixed and determined from time to time by resolution of the township board as a portion of the purchase price of the lot. All persons purchasing perpetual care for any lot shall be guaranteed that such lots shall be cared for in perpetuity without additional charge or cost. Perpetual care shall not include care of monuments, markers or other embellishments, which shall be at the expense of the lot owner. All moneys received from the sale of perpetual care shall be deposited in and placed to the credit of the perpetual care fund designated for the cemetery in which the lot is purchased.

Sec. 42-166. Perpetual care fund.

There is hereby created funds designated as "Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds," which funds shall be so designated upon the books of the township treasurer and the funds shall be kept separate and shall constitute a perpetual care and maintenance fund for each cemetery under the control of the Township, the income of which shall be devoted to the perpetual keeping in order of each cemetery under the township's control. Such funds shall be held in trust and their principal shall not be encroached upon or the income used for any purpose except that to which it is devoted. Any and all funds received by or in said perpetual care funds, whether by grant, gift, devise or bequest, or from the sale of lots in any cemetery, shall be invested by the township board, and all such investments must be made in the name of Board of Trustees of Independence Charter Township.

Sec. 42-167. Gifts.

Any person may give, grant, transfer, or devise to the township board any money or real or personal property, to be received and held in trust by the township board for the purpose of caring for and keeping in good order and repair the cemetery or burying grounds under the control of the township. All such gifts, devises and bequests shall be handled through the aforesaid perpetual care funds. The township board shall follow the directions contained in the writing constituting such trust, gift or devise. Before any such gift, grant, transfer or devise shall be operative, the trust imposed thereby (if any there be) shall be accepted in writing by the township board.

Sec. 42-168. Penalty for violation.

Any person, firm or corporation violating any of the provisions of this article shall be responsible for a municipal civil infraction. Each day that a violation continues to exist shall constitute a separate offense.

Section 2 of Ordinance

This ordinance shall be effective upon publication in the manner prescribed by law.

Shelagh VanderVeen, Township Clerk

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PUBLIC NOTICE
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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Independence Township Planning Commission, Oakland County, Michigan, will hold a Public Hearing on: **Thursday, December 11, 2008 at 7:30 p.m.**

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

FILE PC #2008-017
TEXT AMENDMENTS
TO ZONING ORDINANCE #83

Article III. District Regulations

- Division 13. C-1 Local Business**
- Division 14. C-2 Planned Shopping Center**
- Division 15. C-3 Highway Commercial**
- Division 16. C-4 General Business District**

Article V. Off Street Parking and Loading

Sec. 50-947. Off Street drive-through and waiting space.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN THAT THE ABOVE ORDINANCE 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
The Township will provide the 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 Building Department (248) 625-8111.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Charter Township of Springfield

NOTICE OF SECOND READING ORDINANCE NO. 80 MINING CONTROL ORDINANCE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Township Board of the Charter Township of Springfield will hold a SECOND READING at its Regular Meeting beginning at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, December 11, 2008 at the Springfield Township Civic Center, 12000 Davisburg Rd., Davisburg, MI 48350 to consider adoption of, and receive comments on, the following proposed new ordinance, Ordinance No. 80, Mining Control Ordinance.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN ORDINANCE NO. 80 MINING CONTROL ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE TO REGULATE MINING OPERATIONS WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP
THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD ORDINANCES:

SECTION 1 - NAME

This Ordinance shall be known as the Springfield Township Mining Control Ordinance.

SECTION 2 - PURPOSE

The purpose of this Ordinance is to protect the health, safety and welfare of citizens and persons within Springfield Township by regulating mining operations.

SECTION 3 - definitions

The following words, terms and phrases, when used in this article, shall have the meanings ascribed to them in this section, except where the context clearly indicates a different meaning:

Applicant means the person making application for a permit under this article.

Hazardous wastes means a solid waste, or a combination of solid wastes, which because of its quantity, concentration, or physical, chemical, or infectious characteristics may:

- (1) Cause, or significantly contribute to an increase in mortality, or an increase in serious irreversible, or incapacitating reversible illness; or
- (2) Pose a substantial present or potential hazard to human health or the environment when improperly treated, stored, transported, or disposed of, or otherwise managed.

Industrial waste means any waste substance or combination thereof resulting from any process of industry, manufacturing, trade, or business, or from the development of any agricultural or natural resource, excluding common rubbish and garbage.

Mineral mining or mining means the excavation, stripping, removal or processing of gravel, sand, clay, stones, rock, aggregates, or other soils, including overburden, or the storage or transporting of such minerals and soils on a mining site, or the reclamation of the site after removal, excavation, stripping, and/or processing of the minerals or soil.

Owner means any person with an ownership interest in the site.

Permit holder or operator means the person receiving a permit under this article.

Sewage means water-carried human or animal wastes from septic tanks, water closets, residences, building, industrial and municipal establishments, or other places, together with such groundwater infiltration, subsurface water, mixtures of industrial wastes or other wastes as may be present.

Site means a parcel or unit of land on which mining operations have been, are, or are proposed to be conducted.

Special solid waste means hazardous wastes, radioactive waste, agricultural waste, industrial waste or sludges and sewage residues, whether or not compounded, mixed, combined, bound, or contained with or within, or bonded to, captured or fixed by, or entrained within any other material through any chemical or physical process or a combination thereof, or in any other fashion.

SECTION 4 - Permits

(a) **Permit requirements.** From and after the effective date of the ordinance from which this article is derived, no person shall own or operate a mineral mining site in the Township, except in accordance with a permit issued pursuant to this article and in accordance with the requirements of this article. A permit issued pursuant to this article shall be nontransferable.

(b) **Compliance with other ordinances and regulations.** The grant of a permit under this article does not relieve the applicant from compliance with, as well as from applying for and receiving any approvals required by, the Township Zoning Ordinance, or any

other applicable law, ordinance or regulation.
(c) **No permits required.** No permit shall be required for any of the following:

- (1) Excavations for the construction buildings and structures for which a building permit has been issued;
- (2) For the moving, grading or leveling of earth or rock materials by a property owner solely upon his residential property as required for home construction or improvement, landscaping, lawn maintenance, or gardening. Whether or not a permit is required for any activity described in this subsection, any fill should be placed so it will not exceed a minimum slope ratio of 4 feet horizontal to 1 foot vertical from any adjacent property owner and not block any natural drainage course;
- (3) For the filling of land for purposes of construction or land balancing where the land is low (but is not considered a wetland pursuant to applicable law) and in need of fill so long as the fill does not contain any refuse, is not a commercial operation and not more than 1,000 cubic yards of fill are deposited in any calendar year; provided further that in no event shall a permit under this ordinance be required for repair or construction of a private driveway.
- (4) For the removal of soil when no more than 1,000 cubic yards are removed in any calendar year;
- (5) Excavations or land balancing in connection with development of property pursuant to a site plan, condominium plan, or subdivision plan previously approved by the Township;
- (6) Excavations or land balancing in connection with the installation or repair of a septic system for which any required permit has been secured from the Oakland County Health Division.

(d) **Administrative review.** Where a permit is required due to the volume of cubic yards to be distributed yet a minimum impact is apparent, an administrative review performed by the Township Supervisor or his/her designee will be allowed to prevent unnecessary and costly information from being submitted. A minimum administrative review fee, as established by resolution of the Township Board, will be charged for this review. The Township Supervisor or his/her designee may allow the processing of an application with less than all the information otherwise required by this ordinance.

SECTION 5 - APPLICATION PROCEDURE FOR MINING PERMIT

(a) **Mining permit application procedure.** The following application procedure shall be complied with prior to the commencement or continuation of any mining which exists or is proposed as of or after the effective date of the ordinance from which this article is derived. The application form shall be obtained from the Township clerk.

- (1) All applicants shall use the form provided by the Township clerk, accompanied by the documents listed on that form. All licenses are annual in nature and all licenses expire on May 15 of each license year. To be considered for renewal, 15 copies of the proper application with required attachments must be submitted to the Township on or before November 30 of the year preceding the applied for renewal is to commence May 15.
- (2) Upon receipt of any application, the Township engineer shall review the application and attachments, physically inspect the premises to determine compliance with the previous year mining and reclamation plans, and report to the Planning Commission on compliance with an engineering feasibility of the respective reclamation plans and to the Township Board on the compliance with the previous year's mining operation plan and engineering considerations, an estimate of the cost of reclamation upon abandonment for bond amount purposes, and general safety, drainage and other engineering considerations of the permit application. The report by the Township engineer to the Planning Commission shall be rendered no later than the regular February meeting of the Planning Commission and to the Township Board, no later than the regular March meeting of the Township Board.
- (3) **Planning commission recommendation.** The initial and/or subsequent applications for a mining permit shall be referred by the Township Board to the Township Planning Commission for study and recommendation. The Planning Commission shall issue a recommendation based upon (i) the effect of the proposed mining operation and the proposed reclamation plan on the site, adjacent, and surrounding properties, and the Township as a whole; and (ii) the relationship between the proposed mining operation and proposed reclamation plan and the Township's Zoning Ordinance and the master plan.

(4) The Township Planning Commission shall report its recommendation to the Township Board on or before the regular March meeting of the Township Board. The Township Board shall make final determination on issuance, renewal or nonrenewal of the mining license on or before May 15 of the respective year. Failure of the Township Planning Commission or Township Board to act by the time frames mandated above shall not result in an automatic renewal for a one-year renewal period, but such failure merely results in an extension of the existing annual license for an additional period up to the time of final determination by the Township Board.

(b) **Application contents.** The contents of an application for a mining permit shall be as follows:

- (1) Name of the owner, or owners, of land from which removal is to be made;
- (2) Name and address of applicant making a request for such permit;
- (3) Name and address of the person who will be conducting the actual removal operation;
- (4) Location, size, and legal description of the area from which the removal is to be made;
- (5) Location of the processing plant and type of plant to be used;
- (6) Detailed statement as to the exact type of materials or resources to be removed, and the estimated number of cubic yards;
- (7) Proposed method of removal, general haul route, and whether blasting or other use of explosives will be required;
- (8) General description of types of equipment to be used;
- (9) Duration of proposed operation, and location, timing, and any other relevant details with respect to the phasing and progression of work on the site;
- (10) Proposed method of filling excavation where mining results in extensive under-surface extension.
- (11) A vertical aerial photograph (submitted on an annual basis), enlarged to a scale to fit on a 24-inch by 36-inch blueprint, from original photograph flown at a negative scale no smaller than one inch equals 660 feet. The date of the aerial photograph shall be certified, and shall have been flown at such time as the foliage shall be off of onsite trees. If there are changes in the topography from the date of the photograph, an accompanying text shall be provided explaining each change. The photograph shall be provided from an aerial flight having occurred within six months prior to the application filing date. The vertical photograph shall cover:
 - a. All land anticipated to be mined in the application, together with adjoining land owned by the applicant;
 - b. All contiguous land which is or has been used by the owner or leasehold applicant for mineral extraction and/or processing and/or storage, and all contiguous land in which the applicant or any affiliate has a current interest;
 - c. All lands within 200 feet of a proposed mining area;
 - d. All private and public roads from which access to the property may be immediately gained;
 - e. Boundary of the entire planned mining area by courses and distance;
 - f. Site topography and natural features including location of watercourses within the planned mining area;
 - g. Means of vehicular access to the proposed operation.
- (12) A mining and reclamation plan incorporating the updated contour base map drawn to a scale of no greater than one inch equals 200 feet and containing elevation contours at a maximum five-foot interval. The mining and reclamation plan shall show final elevation contours for the entire site and shall identify areas to be mined and reclaimed under the mining year in which a permit is being applied for. The mining and reclamation plan shall contain the following general information:
 - a. General area of completely reclaimed land;
 - b. General area of reclamation underway;
 - c. General area currently used for topsoil and overburden storage;
 - d. General area proposed for reclamation during the mining permit year;
 - e. General area proposed for topsoil and overburden storage during the mining permit year;
 - f. The acreage for each area shown on the mining and reclamation plan;

g. A description of the methods and materials proposed for reclamation including placement of topsoil and planting materials.

h. A schedule for reclamation activities.

- (13) A surety performance bond to cover full reclamation for current and past operations at the site (including any mining activities prior to the effective date of the ordinance from which this article is derived) in an amount approved by the Township based upon recommendation of the Township engineer, which bond shall be continued until all property where mining was conducted is fully reclaimed, at which time the bond shall be released. The form and content of the bond shall be approved by the Township attorney. As acreage is reclaimed, the permit holder's bonding requirements will be reduced on a per acre basis. Mining activity shall only be permitted in areas of the subject properties for which the bond was posted, and there shall be no mining in any area which was not taken into consideration in the determination of the bond amount. The bond amount shall remain in effect for three years from the date of issuance of the initial permit. The Township may review and adjust the bond amount annually.
- (14) Any other information deemed necessary by the Planning Commission and/or Township Board in order to make its recommendation or decision.
- (15) The signature of the owner of the site, consenting to the application and agreeing to be bound by all the provisions of the permit and this article.

(c) **Fees.** The application and any renewal permits shall be accompanied by a processing fee, to be paid by the applicant in an amount established by the Township Board.

(d) **Renewal of annual permit.** The mining permit shall be annual in nature and shall expire on May 15 of each year. To renew the mining permit for the parcel or parcels being mined the Township Board shall receive a report from the Township engineer as to compliance with the originally proposed plan by the applicant. Upon finding the applicant has complied with the plan, another mining permit may be issued, subject to compliance with the provisions of this article. In the event of a dispute regarding the renewal of a mining permit, the Township Board may refer the matter to the Township Planning Commission for study and recommendation.

(e) **Standards for approval and requirements.**

- (1) The Township Board shall grant or renew a permit under this article only if it finds that the applicant has demonstrated all of the following:
 - a. The proposed mining operation shall not result in a probable impairment, pollution, and/or destruction of the air, water, natural resources and public trust therein.
 - b. The proposed mining operation shall not result in a probable impairment to the water table and/or private wells of property owners within the reasonably anticipated area of impact during and subsequent to the operation.
 - c. The proposed mining operation shall not create a probable impairment and/or unreasonable alteration in the course, quantity, and quality of surface water, groundwater and/or the watershed anticipated to be impacted by the operation.
 - d. The proposed mining operation shall be compatible with surrounding land uses currently in existence, or reasonably anticipated to be in existence during the operation of the mining operation, based upon application of generally accepted planning standards and principles.
 - e. The proposed mining operation shall not unreasonably burden the capacity of public services and facilities.
 - f. The proposed mining operation shall have immediate and direct access to a road having the necessary and appropriate load bearing and traffic volume capacity in relation to the proposed intensity of the use.
 - g. The proposed mining operation shall not unreasonably impact surrounding property and/or property along all routes, endurance of noise, dust, air, water, odor, light and/or vibration, and further, shall not unreasonably impact upon persons receiving the operation in terms of aesthetics.
- (2) If, in the opinion of the Township Board, approval should be granted, it shall establish the following:
 - a. Identify the person, contractor or subcontractor who will be doing the removal and indicate that no other individuals shall be allowed to work on the site.
 - b. Set a reasonable time limit for all mining and

- hauling operations and a reasonable time extension for the land to be completely restored.
- c. Indicate hours of operation.
 - d. Set the amount of the bond to ensure final restoration of the property as provided by subsection (b)(13) of this section.
 - e. Establish the frequency of engineering reports to be prepared by a local engineering firm and to be reviewed by the Township engineer.
 - f. Establish the frequency of on-site inspections to be made by the Township engineer and establish the amount of cash deposit necessary to cover such on-site inspections.
 - g. Establish any other reasonable conditions and requirements as deemed necessary to adequately protect the general health, safety, and welfare of the Township.

SECTION 6 - STANDARDS, REQUIRED IMPROVEMENTS AND RECLAMATION

- (a) **Fencing and screening.** A permit holder shall maintain and install/repair as necessary a four-foot high farm type fence along the outside perimeter of all areas where mining activities have or are to occur. Fencing shall not be required along the common property lines for sites owned by the permit holder. The fencing must be continuous and in good repair so as to secure the subject property from trespassers.
 - (1) During the mining and reclamation period, the permit holder shall maintain such fence. Any necessary repairs to the fencing shall be promptly made by the mining operators so as to maintain the integrity and continuity of the fence along the outside perimeter of the mining site properties.
 - (2) All fenced areas shall be conspicuously posted with "NO TRESPASSING" signs, which shall be of sturdy and rigid material. A permit holder shall replace any missing signs on or about April 15, June 15, August 15, and October 15 of each year during the mining period.
- (b) **Hours of operation.** A permit holder may carry on mining activities during the hours of 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., except during daylight savings time when the closing time can be extended to 8:00 p.m., Monday through Saturday, and as the hours may be amended from time to time. Mining activities are defined as the operation of mining machinery and the processing plant. Mining and/or trucking activities shall not occur on Sunday without advance authorization from the Township Supervisor or his/her designee. The limitation of operations on legal holidays (determined by resolution of the Township) shall be the same as the limitation applicable to Sundays.
- (c) **Road access.** The proposed mining operation shall have immediate and direct access to a paved road having a planned right-of-way of not less than 120 feet, and having necessary and appropriate load bearing and traffic volume capacity in relation to the proposed intensity of the use.
- (d) **Road maintenance.** Access roads (excluding roads under the jurisdiction of the Road Commission for Oakland County) to and within the subject properties shall be maintained by the permit holder so as to maintain the roads in adequate condition for access purposes and to minimize the dust arising from the use of such roads. Such maintenance shall be accomplished through the application of chloride, water, and/or similar dust retardant material. In the event notification is received from any other county and/or state agency having jurisdiction over the affected public roadway regarding maintenance requirements, the notified mining operators shall promptly take whatever appropriate action is necessary to address the agency's requirements.
- (e) **Operation of use.** All equipment and facilities used in the production, processing, or transportation of sand, gravel, or stone on the subject properties by the permit holder shall be constructed, maintained, and operated in such a manner as to eliminate, insofar as practicable, noises, vibrations, or dust which interfere with the reasonable use and enjoyment of surrounding property. Where feasible, the processing plants and accessory equipment shall be located below the average grade of the surrounding parcels so as to effectuate screening from sight, noise, dust, and vibration.
- (f) **Noise standards.** The permit holder shall not operate any equipment on the subject properties at any time or under any condition so as to cause a level of sound which exceeds that allowable by Section 17.03 of the Township Zoning Ordinance. All measurements shall be made at the property line. Noise levels may be increased by ten decibels for a period of not to exceed 15 minutes in any one hour period. The Township Supervisor/designee may grant a temporary waiver of this requirement for a period not in

- excess of 30 days.
- (g) **Lighting.** All lighting used on the subject properties to illuminate the mining area, access roads, stockpile area, and similar use area shall be directed away from all surrounding property. Shielding of lighting may be required by the Township where such lighting shines directly toward a residential use and/or a county road.
 - (h) **Drainage.** Proper drainage shall be provided at all times on the subject properties by the permit holder to prevent the collection and stagnation of water, and surface water shall at all times be directed in such a manner so as not to create an adverse impact to the adjoining properties; provided, however, that the maintenance of the natural flow of surface water shall not be deemed an adverse impact. There shall be no creation of an adverse impact to the water table in the area.
 - (i) **Termination and reclamation.** The mining sites shall be reclaimed in a manner such that no final slopes shall have grades in excess of one foot vertical to three feet horizontal except with regard to submerged slopes which shall be graded from the waters edge at a grade not in excess of one foot vertical to seven feet horizontal for a distance of not less than ten feet, nor more than 50 feet. In such cases as the reclamation plan provides for a permanent water area, excavations shall be made to a water depth of at least ten feet below the low water mark, for at least 80 percent of the entire water area. All mining activities are to occur at least 100 feet from the nearest property line (exclusive of a common property line with other permit holders or active mining operators), provided all processing and stockpiling shall be conducted at least 200 feet from the nearest property line (exclusive of common property line with other permit holders or active mining operators). Where the property is currently disturbed within the exterior 25-foot setback, as indicated on the submitted mining and reclamation plan, the disturbed property shall be fully reclaimed in accordance with the reclamation plan details. Reclamation activities shall consist of the grading necessary to effectuate a smooth transition in site grades and stabilization of all disturbed areas with topsoil, seed, and mulch and may extend up to the 25-foot setback line. The submitted mining and reclamation plan shall include turf establishment specification acceptable to the Township engineer.
 - (j) **Excavation filling.** In the event filling of the mined area is necessary in the course of reclamation, the fill material shall be inert materials only and shall not consist of and/or contain any organic waste, hazardous waste, radioactive waste, agricultural waste, industrial waste, or sludges and sewage residues, whether or not compounded, mixed, combined, bound, or contained within any other material through any chemical or physical process or a combination thereof, or in any other fashion; and moreover, such fill material shall not contain any other material which will, or is likely to, impair or harm the air, water, and natural resources, and public trust therein, and/or the public health and safety.
 - (k) **Cessation of mining.** Upon cessation of all mining operations, except stockpiles, the operator within a reasonable period of time not exceeding 12 months thereafter, shall remove all plant structures, buildings, stockpiles, and equipment unless such building or structures can be lawfully used in the district in which the structures, buildings, stockpiles and equipment are located. Storage and stockpiling of mined products after cessation of mining activities may be permitted by the Township Board by annual permit for that purpose only. In no event shall any additional materials be allowed to be added to these stockpiles and such a permit shall not interfere with or excuse reclamation as provided by this article.
 - (l) **Monitoring.** Three times during each mining year, upon seven days' notice provided to the owner, permit holder, or designated agent. The Township engineer shall inspect the mining sites with the permit holder and his representative present if possible. The detail of the inspection shall be determined in a reasonable exercise of discretion by the Township engineer. All efforts shall be made toward a mutual cooperation during such inspections, toward the ends of allowing such inspection to be expeditiously and accurately undertaken, and minimizing interference with the operation. The Township engineer shall be responsible for inspections hereunder, and shall, at all times, have the right to peaceably enter upon the subject property for the purpose of conducting inspections to ensure compliance. In the event the Township engineer shall determine that a violation of any of the provisions of this article exists, notice of such fact shall be sent to the permit holder with a copy of such notice to the Township Board. Such monitoring by the Township engineer shall in no way limit access to the

mining sites by authorized Township personnel, subject to applicable laws and ordinances, in the exercise of their official Township duties.

- (m) **Failure to implement reclamation plan.** In the event the permit holder fails to implement the reclamation plan in accordance with the approved reclamation schedule, then upon 15 days' notice to the owner and the permit holder, the Township shall be entitled to enter onto the subject property and take all actions necessary to comply with the reclamation plan. The Township may use any or all of the bond proceeds to accomplish the reclamation. In the event the Township is unable to utilize the bond proceeds for any reason, or if the bond proceeds are insufficient to complete the restoration, the Township shall have a lien against the site to recover all of the Township's expenses in reclamation, including any court costs, fees, attorney fees and engineering fees, which lien shall be enforceable in the same manner as provided by law for the collection of special assessments, or using the then applicable provisions of state law for foreclosure of mortgages by advertisement, or by suit against the permit holder and/or the owner. The election of any remedy shall be at the sole option of the Township and the election of one remedy shall not be deemed to be a waiver of any other remedy.

SECTION 7 - OPERATIONAL REQUIREMENTS DURING MINING ACTIVITIES; AUTHORITY TO DIRECT FUTURE ACTION

In the preparation of this article, it is recognized that it is impossible to foresee all of the activities in connection with the mining operation which could potentially result in hazards to the public health, safety and welfare. Therefore, the Township Board shall be authorized to direct that actions of the permit holder be taken or ceased in order to prevent immediate and identified harm to the public health, safety and welfare in connection with the mining operation. The permit holder shall comply with such directive. However, in the event such a directive is given, the permit holder shall: (i) be entitled to a written notice identifying the reason for the directive, and specifying the action which is to be taken or ceased; and (ii) be entitled to a hearing before the Township Board upon request. Such hearing shall be conducted at the next regular Township Board meeting, or at a special meeting the Supervisor/designee may call for this purpose. Without limitation, hazards which could trigger the application of this section would include the effect of the mining operation on the water table of the subject property and surrounding and adjacent properties, including effects on private wells in the area.

SECTION 8 - VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES; REVOCATION OF PERMIT; NUISANCE AS MUNICIPAL CIVIL INFRACTION

- (a) **Revocation of permit.** The Township Supervisor/designee or the Township engineer as authorized by the Township Board, may at their discretion notify the owner and/or operator of any violation of the permit and/or of this article and upon failure of the owner and/or operator to abate such violation within a reasonable time stated in the notice after mailing of such notice, such mineral mining site may be summarily closed, and the permit therefor, suspended or revoked, and resort had to the bond for restoration. Any owner and/or operator aggrieved by any notice sent pursuant to this section, may file a written request for a hearing before the Township Board. The request should set forth why the operation site should not be summarily closed, the permit suspended or revoked, and/or resort had to the bond. If a request for a hearing is received, by the Township Board, the Board shall accord rudimentary due process to the owner and/or operator who requested the hearing by giving such owner and/or operator notice of the time and place of the hearing, an opportunity to be heard through counsel or otherwise, and shall make an impartial determination of whether a violation of this article has occurred and whether the health and safety of persons and/or property require the suspension or revocation of such license. Upon receipt of a request for a hearing, the Township Board may, at the request of the Township Supervisor/designee or engineer properly authorized by the Township, summarily close the site pending the hearing, if it is determined that the health and safety of person and/or property require such action.
- (b) **Nuisance; municipal civil infraction.** Any violation of this article is hereby determined to be a nuisance per se, and the Township Board, or any aggrieved person, may institute suit to have such nuisance abated. A violation of this article is deemed to be a municipal civil infraction.

SECTION 9 - INTERPRETATION, CONFLICTING REGULATIONS, RESTRICTIONS

The provisions of this article shall be liberally interpreted in order to promote and accomplish the purposes of this article as set forth in the preamble to the ordi-

nance from which this article is derived. Any limitations set forth in this article shall be construed as the minimum limitations. Whenever any provision of this article imposes more stringent requirements, regulations, restrictions or limitations than are imposed or required by the provisions of any other ordinance or law, then the provisions of this article shall govern. In the event of a conflict between the provisions of this article and the applicable sections of the zoning regulations dealing with mineral mining and extractive operations, those provisions which are deemed more restrictive shall apply.

SECTION 10 - SEVERABILITY

The various parts, sections and clauses of this Ordinance are hereby declared to be severable. If any part, sentence, paragraph, section or clause is adjudged unconstitutional or invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of the Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 11 - REPEALER

Ordinance No. 70 Excavation and Extraction ordinance is hereby repealed and additionally, all other ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect.

SECTION 12 - SAVINGS CLAUSE

Nothing in this ordinance shall be construed to affect any suit or proceeding pending in any court or any rights acquired or any liability incurred, or any cause or causes of action acquired or existing, under any act or ordinance hereby repealed as cited in Section 11 of this ordinance; nor shall any just or legal right or remedy of any character be lost, impaired, or affected by this Ordinance.

SECTION 13 - EFFECTIVE DATE

The provisions of this Ordinance are hereby ordered to take effect upon subsequent adoption publication. NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that documents related to proposed Ordinance No. 80, Mining Control Ordinance, may be examined at the Springfield Township Clerk's Office, 12000 Davisburg Rd., Davisburg, MI 48350 during regular business hours Monday through Friday. Written comments may be submitted to the Springfield Township Clerk at the above address until the time of the Second Reading. Those persons needing a special accommodation should contact the Clerk's Office at least two (2) business days in advance. 248-846-6510.

LAURA MOREAU, Clerk
Charter Township of Springfield

Publish: 11-26-2008

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Independence Township Planning Commission, Oakland County, Michigan, will hold a Public Hearing on: **Thursday, December 11, 2008 at 7:30 p.m.** At Independence Township Library, 6495 Clarkston Road, Clarkston Michigan, 48346, to consider the following:

FILE PC #2008-018
McLaren Health Care, Daniel J. Medrano, Petitioner
REQUEST AMENDED FINAL PUD SITE PLAN
APPROVAL FOR MCLAREN HEALTH CARE

- 1) Rezone and Add into the PUD two existing parcels:
 - a. Sidwell Number 08-27-251-004, 6270 Sashabaw Rd., From OS-2 Zone To PUD
 - b. Sidwell Number 08-27-252-002, 6024 Sashabaw Rd., From IOP Zone To PUD
- 2) Expand the proposed retail section to allow for bank use.
- 3) Approve revised PUD plan layout and architectural building design of the retail
- 4) Approve the revision of required traffic improvements noted with the recorded PUD Agreement between phases of the development.

Common Description: Sashabaw Road and Bow Pointe Drive, 70 Acres, PUD Zoning
08-27-251-010 (5700 Bow Pointe Dr.), 08-27-251-011 (5680 Bow Pointe Dr.),
08-27-251-012, 08-27-252-006, 08-27-252-007 (5701 Bow Pointe Dr.),
08-27-252-008, 08-27-276-002, and 08-27-276-004

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.

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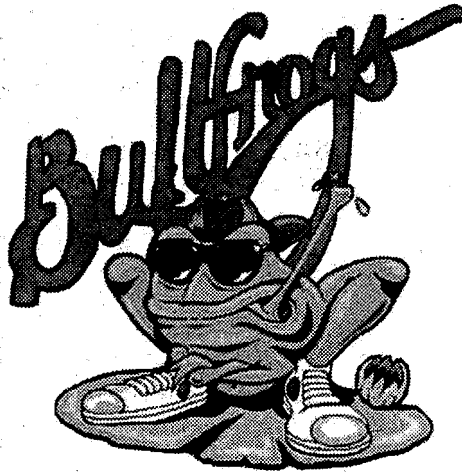
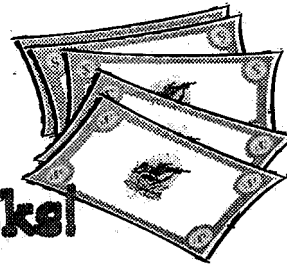
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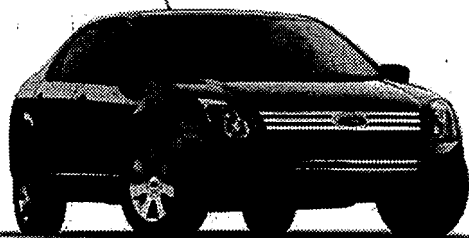
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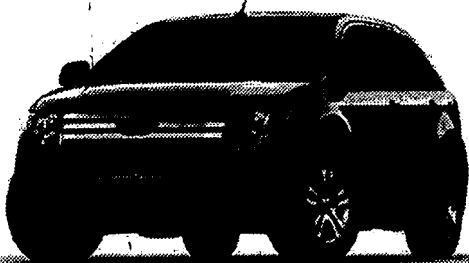
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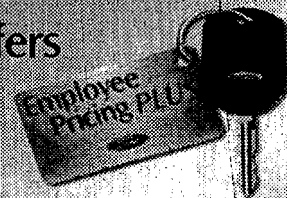


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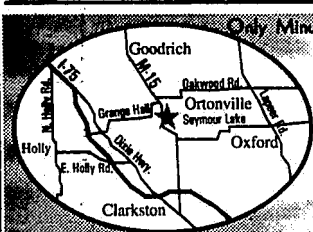
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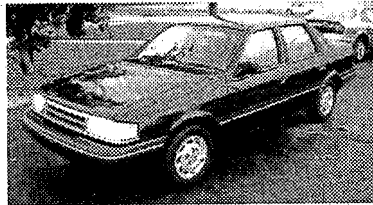


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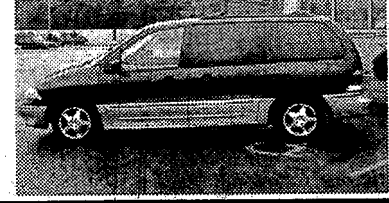
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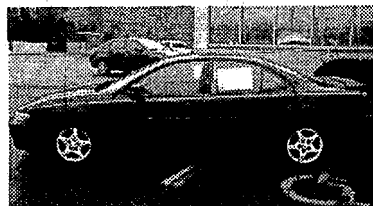
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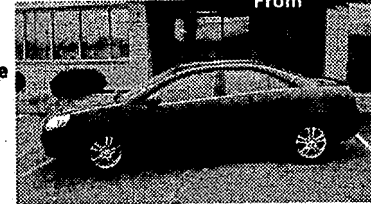
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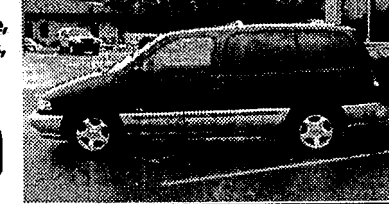


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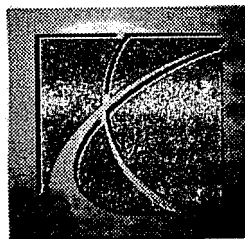
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