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Saving Clarkston business

Downtown business owner Mark Gilman makes a point at the newly formed Shop Local Task Force's first meeting, May 1 at Clarkston Chamber of Commerce office. The group, which includes Clarkston Chamber Director Penny Shanks, chamber President-elect Johnna Goodwin, chamber President Heidi Wood, and representatives from local government, schools, and businesses, (including *The Clarkston News*), encourages community members to consider local businesses first. Watch for a community survey in *The Clarkston News* and online at www.Clarkston.org. Photo by Phil Custodio

A chance for change

BY TREVOR KEISER
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Sick and tired of the status quo in Michigan? A Constitutional Convention next year could change things.

To explain how, Henry Woloson of Independence Township hosts two informational meetings, 10 a.m. and 7 p.m., May 12, at Independence Township Fire hall, 6500 Citation Drive.

"The people that are sitting back saying 'this is terrible, Michigan is falling apart and there is nothing I can do.' This is a call for them to say 'how would you like to get

Please see 50 years on page 18A



Waiting for some voters

Joanne Siggins and Cynthia Matusko pass the time Tuesday morning, election day for Clarkston School Board. Voter turnout was light, with two voters casting ballots by 9 a.m. Incumbent Stephen Hyer and challengers Michelle Beck and Rosalie Leblang ran for two open seats. Check online at Clarkstonnews.com and next week's edition for results. Photo by Laura Colvin

Manhunt Police seek suspect as break-ins continue

BY LAURA COLVIN
Clarkston News Staff Writer

A housekeeper was in the back bedroom washing a window when she heard pounding on the front door, but ignored the noise, she told police, because it wasn't her place to open the door.

As the noise grew louder and more intense, the woman, who was working in the 6800 block of Palmyra Lane—near M-15 and Rattalee Lake Road—went to the front door and apparently scared off the would-be intruder, who turned and waved as he ran away.

The home's large steel door, according to police reports, was "severely damaged."

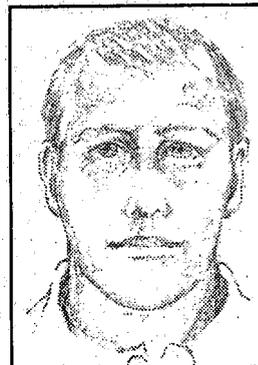
So far, the housekeeper is the only one to get a good look at a suspect as a rash of home invasions continues in Independence Township.

The suspect is described as a white male, 5'8-5'10, about 170-190 lbs with well-groomed, light-colored hair, either blond or orange tint. Suspect was wearing a black leather jacket and khaki pants.

The incident took place April 28, around 11:40 a.m.

"These are very brazen crimes," said Sgt. Matt Baldes of the Oakland County

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Party fundraiser set for May 20

Clarkston High School seniors host a fundraiser for their 2009 All Night Post Grad Party, 3-9 p.m., Wednesday, May 20, at Tropical Smoothie, 6459 Dixie Highway.

The party is set for Tuesday, June 9, after graduation at Clarkston High School's cafeteria.

For more information or to donate, call Chairperson Danette Messing at 248-459-0557.

Mail food drive this weeknd

Clarkston-area mail carriers are collecting food for Lighthouse Emergency Services and other local food banks this Saturday.

"Many children eat breakfast and lunch at school during the year, and then have nothing to replace it when school lets out," said Ron Hippensteel, Clarkston postmaster. "This food drive fills the cupboards for the summer months."

To participate, put non-perishable food by your mailbox on Saturday. Carriers will pick it up and deliver it to nearby food banks. Items such as canned tuna, chicken and peanut butter are particularly helpful, but any canned or boxed food is OK.

River Day planners sought

Clinton River Watershed Council hosts River Day, Saturday, June 13.

The council is looking for site coordinators to organize events throughout the watershed. For information, check www.crwcc.org/crwcc/events/riverday.

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Waumegah fishkill cause still elusive

BY LAURA COLVIN
Clarkston News Staff Writer

A man who stood several times claiming the winter was "the worst since 1888" later admitted what he actually meant was "one of the worst" or "the seventh worst."

He couldn't remember, exactly, nor was he sure where he'd collected the data.

Such was the tone of a meeting held by the Waumegah Lake Improvement Board April 21.

Another person claimed to hear of fish kills worse than that suffered by Waumegah Lake on nearby Watkins, Williams and Scott Lake.

But Oakland County Commissioner John Scott, who sits on the Scott Lake Improvement Board, said he'd heard of no fish kill on Scott Lake.

Mark Freeborough, Williams Lake Improvement Board chairman, said there's been no fish kill on Williams Lake.

Waterford Township Trustee David Kramer, who lives on Watkins Lake, left a message at *The Clarkston News*, and while he was careful to point out he's "not an expert" said he saw no dead fish on his lake.

Gary Towns of the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, also left a message at *The Clarkston News* confirming those facts. While a number of lakes and ponds in the state have indeed suffered fish kills over the winter, Towns said he wasn't aware of any at the aforementioned lakes.

Waumegah Lake resident John Bistoff said the misinformation was typical of what he and his neighbors have been fighting against for years.

"We're treated like criminals for wanting to determine some accountability and for wanting some type of investigation into what caused the fish kill, rather than just blowing it off as an act of God," he said.

Bistoff noted it's "no wonder more people don't stand up to ask questions."

"It's like going in front of a firing squad," he said. "All the facts we produce are sup-

ported by hard copy documentation, and yet those facts are treated as meaningless. They say what they want, support it with nothing, and it's treated as gospel."

Springfield Township Supervisor Mike Trout, who also serves as the township's WLIB representative, along with riparian representative Jerry Kinsey, were the only WLIB members present at the meeting.

Kinsey did not return either of two phone calls seeing further information.

Trout replied to a follow-up phone call via a short e-mail: "We are continuing to monitor the winter fish kill and I believe the meeting last week was productive," said Trout in his e-mail response to *The Clarkston News*. "Our lake management team is working on a proposal to evaluate the best approach to move forward. They will perhaps have that ready by the May meeting."

At the beginning of the April 21 meeting, Kinsey told a roomful of residents the purpose of the gathering was to discuss the fish kill and come up with issues to research.

Much of the meeting, however, was spent with residents hearing a presentation about Starry Stonewort, a recently-declared invasive aquatic plant species, which experts claim is rapidly growing in many area lakes.

"I think the most provocative thing to come out of the meeting was the conversation on starry stonewort," said resident Steve Forney. "The lake froze early, and we had a heavy snow cover, but so did a lot of other lakes."

The Starry Stonewort, he said, may have played a part in the fish kill, noting the plant is growing "thick and spongy" in many areas of the lake.

"It was probably a number of dominos that fell," he said.

Forney said he's been more than happy with the approach taken by the lake board, as well as the work of the company doing chemical application in the lake.

"Those folks are professional people," he said. I have a lot of confidence in what they do."

Forney said he and some of his neighbors want what they paid for -- an all sports lake.

"I was disappointed to hear all the negative remarks," he said. "Last year was one of our best years

ever on the lake."

Whatever the case, changes are in store. According to Trout, Chip Tischer will replace Gary Nigro for the Water Resource Commission and Jim Runestad will replace Bill Bullard for the Oakland County Board of Commissioners. Gary Nigro did not return a call seeking comment.

In addition, Independence Township Trustee Mark Petterson, who also serves on lake boards for Clarkston Mill Pond, Van Norman and Lake Oakland, will replace Larry Rosso as the Independence Township representative.

Rosso said he was leaving the WLIB because his participation on the board "ran its course," and he's looking for new ways to get involved locally and broaden his interests in other aspects of local government. Rosso also stepped down from the Independence Township Planning Commission for the same reason, he said.

Rosso pointed out, however, that Waumegah Lake has "had all kinds of issues over the years."

"We certainly had our contentious moments on the lake board," he said. "It's the most involved lake board I know; of my colleagues sitting on other lake boards, this is the one that stirred the most controversy over the years."



"We certainly had our contentious moments on the lake board."

- Larry Rosso

Local dealer dealing with Chrysler bankruptcy

BY PHIL CUSTODIO
Clarkston News Editor

After bankruptcy and merger with Italian automaker Fiat, Chrysler officials hope to emerge stronger, vibrant, and viable.

Clarkston Chrysler Jeep has a good chance of taking part, said owner Chuck Fortinberry.

"Lots of questions have not yet been answered," Fortinberry said. "The difficult part is consolidation of the national distribution network."

As Chrysler's leadership evaluates dealership locations, Clarkston has a good shot, he

said.

"Clarkston is a great community. It's a growing area with good demographics," he said. "I think they will still want representation in this marketplace. My plan is to be here and support the community as I have been for 24 years."

He expects decisions to be announced this summer.

"It won't be six months, probably six weeks," he said.

Federal involvement in the automobile industry, including \$4 billion to Chrysler, has

been a mixed blessing, Fortinberry said.

"Any time the government gets involved, it makes things more difficult," he said. "It comes with strings attached. But without them, we'd be gone. It's the lesser of two evils."

The new partnership should help, opening markets around the world, he said.

"I'm bullish on it," he said. "We can't survive in just the North American market anymore."

For more information, call Clarkston Chrysler Jeep, 8105 Big Lake Road, at 248-620-4200.

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Stina Wurgil and Tami Latoni offer unique, handmade handbags made from recycled clothing. Photo by Phil Custodio

Artists offer Earth friendly accessories

BY PHIL CUSTODIO
 Clarkston News Editor

What some see as a closet filled with hopelessly outdated clothes, Clarkston artists Stina Wurgil and Tami Latoni see lots of potential.

"We make purses, handbags, and flowers out of recycled materials," Latoni said.

"We turn donations into cool art," Wurgil said. "They're all 100 percent post-consumer recyclables."

Best friends since high school, graduating from Holly High School in 2003, they hope to build an eco-friendly business, Juja and Stone.

"Our dream is to open a shop and work for each other," Wurgil said. "That would be a great job."

They offer handcrafted products, intricately beaded, colorful handbags and fabric flowers, all unique.

"They're inexpensive and cute, great little gift ideas," Wurgil said. "They're perfect for Mother's Day."

Latoni, who studied at the International Academy of Design and Technology, got the idea this past October when, going through some ex-boyfriends' old clothes, she decided to use them in her art.

"Instead of throwing it out, I made it into

a bag," she said.

She also works with fabric from old curtains and sheets.

"We ask for donations, and people clean out their closets," Wurgil said. "We dye and cut them."

Wurgil, who works in retail management, provides business experience, while Latoni offers artistic ideas.

"Tami designs them, and I help in marketing and selling," Wurgil said.

"I don't use any patterns," Latoni said. "It's all stored in my brain."

Pieces are on display at Cranberries Café, 10250 Hegel Road in Goodrich through May.

"We've had a very good response," Latoni said. "We've been described as 'eco chic.' It's Earth friendly, which I like a lot, especially now, with global warming and everything."

"We're doing our part to help the environment, recycling old clothes into fashionable items," Wurgil said.

Launch party is set for 7-10 p.m., Thursday, May 7. They offer handbags for \$50-\$120, and flowers, \$2.50-\$5. Discounts are available for those who donate items.

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Students James Hardy, Casey Pegram, Kayla Salpala, and Elizabeth Sheill simulate a rain shower with a coordinated blast of water.

Going green at Clarkston El.

Clarkston Elementary School celebrated Go Green Day, May 1.

About a dozen speakers talked about clean water, recycling, taking better care of animal habitats and other earth-friendly ideas. Fifth graders planted a native-plants gar-

den in front of the school.

The school earned emerald Green School status by the state for this and other environmentally-friendly activities, and each student received a white pine seedling to plant.

Clarkston City Council also presented a proclamation telling students the city named May 1, 2009, Arbor Day in the City of Clarkston, as part of the school's Go Green Day celebrations.

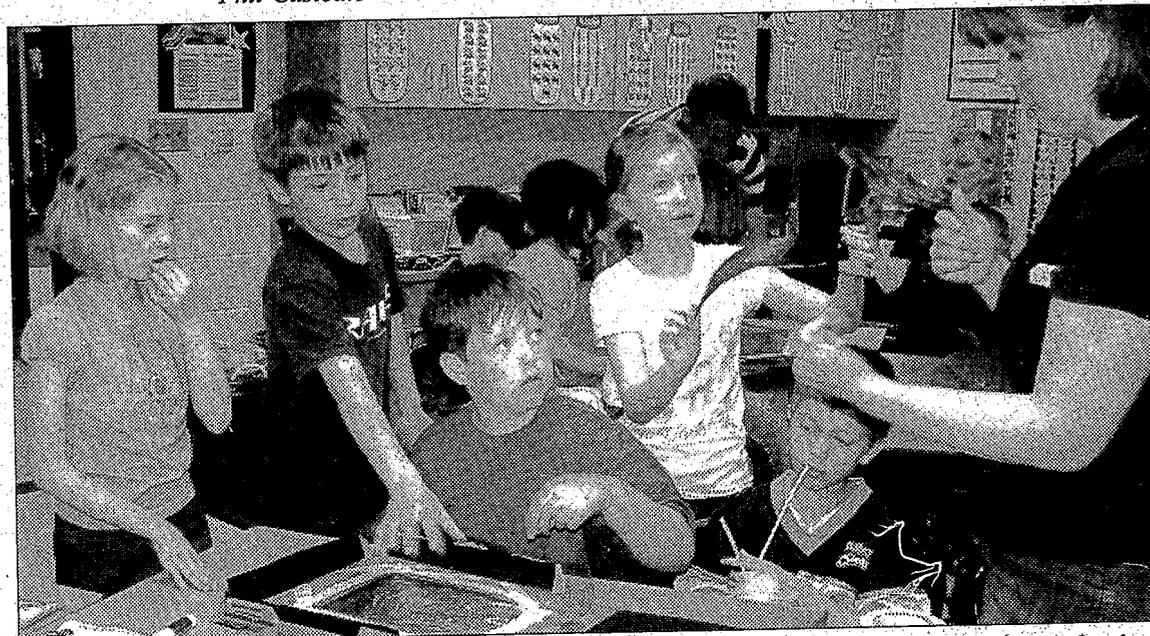
— Phil Custodio



Student Rebecca Stiles tests water filtration through soil, with the help of Sharlene Watson, left, and Jackie Goss, right, "dirt doctors" with Oakland County Water Resources Commission.



Oakland County "Drain Detectives" Marie Shoemaker and Matthew Scott explain county water resources to Clarkston Elementary students.



Students Betsy Scheu, Wade Bonnici, Patrick Deardorff, Jenna Cook, and Dominic Scalzo, with the help of parent volunteer, Mrs. Scheu, build a solar-powered oven out of a pizza box.

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Keiser's Role

A column by Trevor Keiser

All talk but no action

For the past five or six months I have been covering Tuesday night board meetings of Independence Township and let me tell you they are not getting any better. In fact they're getting worse.

I figured with a new board they would need a couple months to settle in and previous board members would eventually warm up to the newly elected trustees and treasurer, but boy was I wrong.

I don't think I've ever seen so much dysfunction in my entire life. I constantly get phone calls, comments, and e-mails from members of the public who see it, too.

One person said to me, "they are the biggest bunch of losers I could have ever assembled. I would be lying if I told you that I wouldn't fire every single person within the first hour of working for me."

I must admit I see very little being accomplished by this board. I see lots of talk, but very little action. I've watched meetings that used to average about two hours, now average close to three and four hours. So we're there longer and yet I leave scratching my head wondering if they accomplished a single thing.

Looking back at the previous township board administration I was glad to see decisions were made and things were accomplished and there was movement forward.

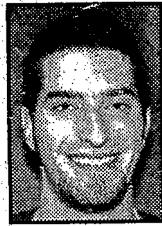
Now, one could argue that the previous board made some poor decisions on certain items. Whether they were good or bad decisions is up for debate; however, at least things were getting done.

I see the current board more consumed with debating amongst themselves and being "right." That I have a hard time really seeing where the taxpayers are truly the best interest of the board.

Back in January the Clarkston News printed an editorial and the last line read "You don't have to be on the same team, but you still have to talk to each other."

Well I personally disagree with that statement. If you don't learn to put aside personal feelings, personal agendas, and truly work as a team, you certainly won't get anything accomplished.

Instead the current administration will be remembered for long meetings, meaningless debates, and doing nothing because of fear of making the wrong decision.



The Clarkston News Viewpoints

Thanks for Walk success

Dear Editor,

We want to thank all the citizens of Clarkston for, yet again, making sure that a Clarkston icon goes on. SCAMP will happen again this summer because of you.

Today was our Walk & Roll for SCAMP. It was a huge success!

You could have been: one of the walkers, one of our

many wonderful volunteers, one of the sponsors for a walker, a board member who showed up to make sure every aspect of the event was covered, completely and safely, a neighbor who, so graciously, allowed people to park on your lawn, one of the many people who made sure the park was as clean when we left as when we arrived, one of our sponsors who make sure the event is profitable, a Pontiac Civitan who served

hotdogs for who knows how many years now, a City of Clarkston Police Officer or an Oakland County Sheriff, or someone responsible for the weather.

Whatever your role, we appreciate you.

We will host a few more fundraisers this year and we can't tell you grateful we are to be working so hard. Everyone in this town

who can, is.

You keep telling us how much you appreciate what a wonderful program SCAMP is and we will keep making sure it happens.

The sun was shining on Clarkston today. It was nice to see so many of you in the park. If you can, we would love to see you again.

Sincerely,

Clarkston SCAMP Board of Directors

Letters to the editor

Daughter learns Earth Day lesson

Dear Editor,

My daughter attends Pine Knob Elementary and last week for Earth day they learned about the importance of keeping the earth clean. They also picked up garbage around the school.

On Friday morning I took my daughter to school but beforehand we stopped at the local Tim Hortons on Sashabaw and Maybee.

Next to the Hortons is a small vacant lot that seems to have collected some garbage over the winter. My daughter Camryn looked at me and said Mom do you think we could come here and clean up the garbage?

I was so overwhelmed that she said that. I was so thankful that the schools are showing the importance of Earth Day. So this past Sunday we headed over to the open lot next to Hortons and picked up the garbage.

Our next cleanup will be an area we noticed on the corner of Dixie and Maybee Road. We enjoyed cleaning up the area and will continue to clean up areas we notice may need it.

I just thought this was a great story to share with the local community. My daughter is 8 years old and I again appreciate how they are teaching the importance of EarthDay and what it means.

Suzanne Dahlerup
Independence Township



Camryn and Caitlyn Dahlerup clean up a lot on Sashabaw and Maybee.

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A Look Back

From The CNews archives

15 years ago - 1994

"Training Leader Dog puppy fun for area couple" Hans and Karen Brueggeman raised Wyatt, a black lab puppy, for the service-dog program.

"Police renewal and increase on August ballot" Independence Township residents had a chance to vote on 2.7 mills to reduce deficits for police service.

"Youth Assistance honors the best" Clarkston Youth Assistance recognized more than 60 local young people, including Steven Stein for his volunteer work with younger students, and Amanda Vanklaveren, who risked her life to try to save a friend from electrocution.

"New school tops wish list" A new high school complete with pool topped a wish list for Clarkston schools. The prioritized list came out of a Focus on the Future community forum.

"Girls urged to give science a try" Tricia Mack spoke to Clarkston Middle School students about earning a bachelor of science degree in aeronautics engineering, still unconventional for a woman.

25 years ago - 1984

"Once upon a time" Clarkston Co-op Nursery at Clarkston United Methodist Church hosted a tea party for student Aaron Sailor and his grandparents Frank and Kathryn Lukonic.

"Lawyer mom takes Moira to work" Michelle Gaskell would take her 6-month-old daughter Moira to her law office and even to court. She had to be careful about where she put legal papers because the infant would grab and eat them.

"Spring rabbits" Amanda and Courtney found a nest of five bunnies in their grandmother Mrs. Brewers' garden. The family promised not to plow the garden until the rabbits were older.

50 years ago - 1959

"Extension group studies dieting" The North Star Extension Club had a lesson on "Good Sense Dieting," presented by Mrs. Paul Hood. Mrs. Ron Rothbarth distributed cancer pads to members to take home and cover.

"Does your child need help with speech?" Henry Jewell, a speech correctionist with Clarkston Community Schools, expanded his services to private cases.

"Polio clinic at Pine Knob" Sashabaw and Pine Knob PTAs sponsored a joint Polio Vaccine Clinic, offering shots for \$1.

Michigan from Jeff Foxworthy's perspective

I've seen Jeff Foxworthy on stage, in movies and on tv with three other stand-uppers. I've even read his book "You Might Be A Redneck, If."

He doesn't call it that, but he has some *You Might Be A Michigander, If's*.

If you consider it a sport to gather your food by drilling through 18 inches of ice and sitting there all day hoping that the food will swim by, you might live in Michigan.

If you're proud that your region makes the national news 96 nights each year because Pellston is the coldest spot in the nation, you might live in Michigan.

If your local Dairy Queen is closed from November through March, you might live in Michigan.

If you instinctively walk like a penguin for five months of the year, you might live in Michigan.

If someone in a store offers you assistance, and they don't work there, you might live in Michigan.

If your dad's suntan stops at a line curving around the middle of his forehead, you might live in Michigan.

Jim's Jottings



a column by
Jim Sherman

If you have worn shorts and coats at the same time, you might live in Michigan.

If your town has an equal number of bars and churches, you might live in Michigan.

If you have had a lengthy telephone conversation with someone who dialed the wrong number, you might live in Michigan.

And, you're a true Michigander if...

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You often switch from "heat" to "A/C" in

the same day.

You can drive 65 mph through two feet of snow during a raging blizzard, without flinching.

You see people wearing camouflage at social events (including weddings).

You install security lights on your house and garage and leave both unlocked.

You carry jumper cables in your car and your girlfriend knows how to use them.

You design your kid's Halloween costume to fit over a snowsuit.

You know all four seasons: Almost winter, winter, still winter and road construction.

Driving is better in winter because all the potholes are filled with snow.

You can identify a southern or eastern accent.

Your idea of creative landscaping is a statue of a deer next to your blue spruce.

You are unaware there is a legal drinking age.

Down south to you means Ohio.

Completed mural will tell Clarkston's story, artist says

By Michelle Tynan

What are we seeing on that wall? Well here it is, straight from the Drawingboard.

The *Detroit News* called the Clarkston controversy about the mural "a small town tale of good intentions gone awry" and in fact, it is not, as my intentions haven't changed since the start of this project.

Early on I called for history about Clarkston. I walked and rode my bike around the village looking for stories from residents about their connections to Clarkston's history and what many gave me were landmarks. I, or my patron, was never interested in creating a painting as advertisement for Clarkston's commerce and tourism, past or present.

I called it before a "history painting." History paintings cover a broad genre but some classical themes are heroic suffering, classical poses, and story telling. In this case a snap shot of today in small town USA, with a step off from my rendition of Clarkston's pavement into a fictional world.

There are floating wooden horses and an aged tree holding back fiercely with hollowed armored limbs the distorted Main Street clock symbolic of changing times and oppositions to keep things the same.

There are Parisian street lamps reminiscent of my childhood in Europe, and a mysterious stairway that leads to an unseen carousel. The painting is about change... and fear of change and most certainly an imitation of life.

The clock is taking a metamorphic stature and ballooning into a bloated jest symbolic to me of enlightenment and an expanding universe. The tree is mangled around the clock as it has weathered its iron wrath for years

and is now more hollowed than ever. The clock and the tree are both fierce, but I have my money on the clock.

In a sense this became a small town tale of a painting painting itself. The time in on this project adds to the meaning of the picture as the images become metaphors for life on Main Street in USA. It becomes a small town tale about a clock and a tree as it is not at all surprising to me that many who hate the "strange hanging tree" might in fact be those who are most resistance to change.

Contrary to the characterization of the notable tree in the mural as "dead" recently in a *Detroit News* article, I am not ready to call time of death on the tree as I have generally only referred to it as

very old.

Growing up in Germany, I scaled numerous mysterious stairways leading to hulking castle fortresses atop mountains on holidays with my family and classmates.

The stairway in the picture calls up those childhood adventures and is symbolic of the climbing all of us do. Many times with no real idea of what we will find when we get to the summits of our own labors. The hope is there... that it will be a beautiful panoramic landscape and we can finally see what all the work was for... and we might take in a uniquely awe inspiring world.

Atop the staircase is the suggestion of the viewer's landscape. I haven't painted it. It's up to the viewer to imagine. What I imagine is a gigantic carousel with wooden horses breaking free and springing into life and other fantastic images that stir up mildly macabre disappointment (because not all of our labors seem fruitful). Counter that with whimsy and

it creates a dramatic moment in time.

The sky pans from left to right from dark clouds to a piercing sunset. There are flashes of this painted world magnified by a bright diffused setting sun, but the full panorama escapes the view that is obstructed by the stairway and the raised horizon. My intentions are all over this painting if you really look at it.

Mayor Steve Arkwright said "People would prefer something a little more understandable." Yes, and we could all strive for mediocrity in our lives too.

I have no intention to make ugly work that insults Clarkston. This is a lovely place.

I'm very excited about the prospect for my work and what it will offer Clarkston when it is completed.

I am very grateful for the supporters of this project and understand that I cannot please everyone. While many may be disappointed at this time during the working stages, it is my hope that they may ultimately see its value. Its contribution to Clarkston's appreciation for a deeper sense of its own evolution and enrichment for the arts, as it grows and prospers with new perspective and new vision.

On a quite personal note there have been numerous public attacks on my reputation and my business, my experience and qualifications by city council members, business organizations like the Chamber of Commerce, and residents.

They are futile as I have never claimed to be anything more than what I am, an artist.

I am nearly everything many say I am and more. I am not a master mural painter, or master business woman, or master anything, but I do aspire to be a master artist.

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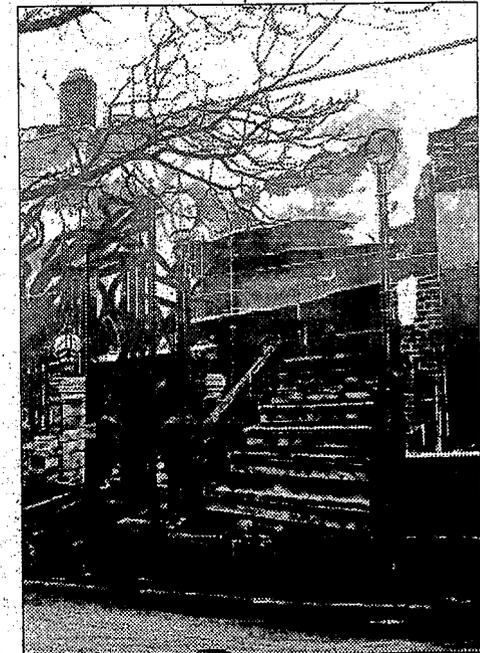
You know UP is a place, not a direction.

You know it's possible to live in a thumb.

You understand when visiting Detroit, the best thing to wear is a Kevlar vest.

You actually understand these jokes, and you share them with all your Michigan friends.

This Best-of Jottings first appeared in April 2006. Jim's Jottings returns next week.



A portion of Michelle Tynan's mural on 5 S. Main Street.

I am the authority on my work. I am extremely excited and grateful to be approaching another year, my third year, of painting this picture, as I will be for every year I get to do what I love, paint large scale pictures that tell stories.

Michelle Tynan will sell her work at the Oakland County Market on selected Saturdays during the summer. Check www.myspace.com/drawingboardstudios and click blog link "Art for Sale at Oakland County Market." Her studio is in the village and she is available for design consultation and painting instruction. 248-410-6713.

Too much gov't caused this mess

Dear Editor,

In his letter "Neo-con letter missed point" April 29 edition, Mr. McGowan summarizes for us why liberals are so wrong on most subjects they speak of.

We absolutely do need a tax payer revolt to stop funding the great big pig known as our federal government. Our so called leaders are ruining this great nation by bankrupting the public treasury and we haven't even dealt with the coming Social Security mess. We can not tax and spend our way out of a recession.

The only solution to Obama's policies will be ever greater taxation on the productive elements of our society; further dissolving our ability to create the capital needed to power the engine of our economy.

Wealth is not created by a nation, nor is it a nation's to distribute. It is created by individuals working hard, saving their money and building successful enterprises.

Say what you will about President Bush and the Iraq War; let the facts speak for themselves. Our country has not been attacked since 9/11 and the Iraq War has been won. His failure is in not standing up to Congress and policies causing this downturn in the economy.

Yes, it is too much government that has caused this mess and more government, i.e. Obamanomics, is going to make it much more difficult to overcome if not much worse.

The Fair Housing and Credit Act passed by Jimmy Carter's administration in the 70's was bolstered by the Clinton Administration's desire to see more home ownership of low income citizens.

In order to justify their position with the banks, Freddie Mac and Fannie Mae were created by the government to buy risky mortgages, freeing banks to loan 'liberally' to just about anyone who asked.

President Bush and some of the Republicans in Congress recognized a massive problem looming and tried unsuccessfully, 17 times, to put a stop to Freddie and Fannies failures. It was liberal Democrats in Congress who objected to these efforts.

For proof, google Chris Dodd or Barney Frank, both liberal Democrats in Congress and Freddie or Fannie.

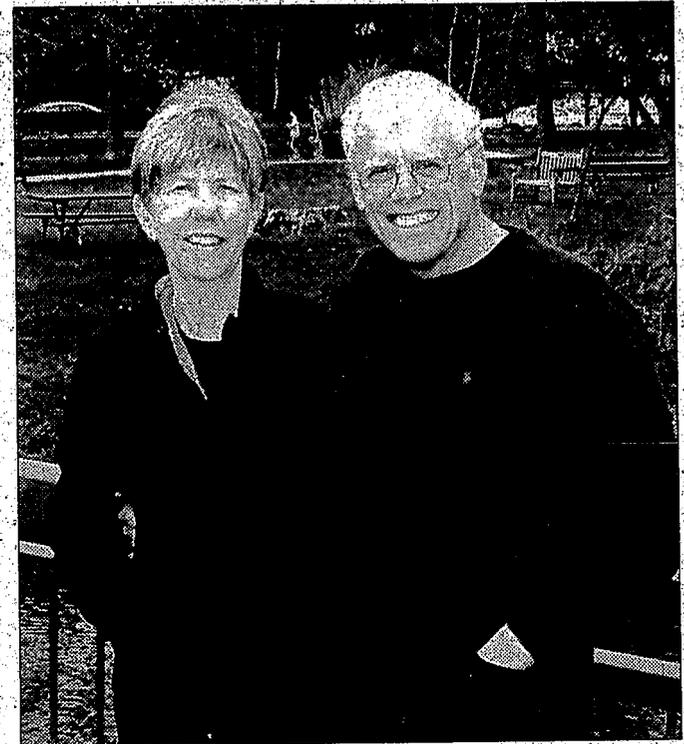
To make matters worse, liberals in Congress will not allow our country to have an energy policy that makes sense. We need all forms of energy - nuclear, coal, natural gas, wind, tidal and electric.

The socialists in Congress want to ham string our industries with even more legislation called "Cap and Trade." The is insanity.

The only reason for this is to take more money out of hard working business owners hands to fund the expansion of the federal waistline. Anyone who really thinks this is about 'climate change' is naive beyond explanation.

I'm just a simple business man but, I know one thing - when over half of our population thinks they will be taken care of by the other half, and the other half realizes the harder they work the more they have taken away from them - our nation is in a heap of trouble.

Todd Messer
Independence Township



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Pizza place pilfered

Detectives were investigating the theft of some \$70,000-\$80,000 in restaurant equipment from a pizza place near Clarkston and Sashabaw Road. Witnesses told police they saw the store's former owner, along with three helpers, working through the night to remove load equipment into an old truck and a flatbed trailer. Missing items included pizza mixers, pizza oven, walk-in cooler, cash registers, etc.

Where there's smoke...

A man who attempted to put out a large grass fire that spread under power lines in the 7900 block of Dubuque on April 18 had singed hair on his arm but was otherwise uninjured, he told police. The man attempted to control the flames until the Independence Township Fire Department arrived to extinguish the fire.

No deal

Police stood by April 25 while tenants renting a home in the 4600 block of Sashabaw Road paid their landlord \$200 for a lawnmower they sold without his permission for \$30 at a garage sale the previous weekend. The landlord told police the tenants had asked if they could sell the mower last year and were told no.

Stay out

The front doorknob, a lockbox and the kitchen screen were missing from a home in

Public Safety

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

the 5300 block of Drayton when a real estate agent reported someone tried to enter the foreclosed home April 26. Neighbors told police they questioned suspicious individuals who claimed they had permission to be on the property. No entrance to the home was made.

My generation

A homeowner reported someone stole a generator from his backyard in the 4700 block of Clintonville Road after he turned it off and went to bed on April 26. The man told deputies he'd borrowed the generator to power his home after a recent storm and high winds knocked out electricity in the neighborhood.

Hair today, gone tomorrow

A hairstylist living in the 5100 block of Frankwill reported someone stole neck trimmers, hair clippers and a number of music CDs from her unlocked vehicle during the overnight hours April 26. A man in the 4500 block of Frankwill reported a CD book containing 50 CDs, a leatherman tool and about \$3 in change were stolen from his unlocked vehicle the same night.

Booked

A man who told deputies he'd been playing Texas Holdem at an Independence Township bar and grill was arrested on drunk driving charges April 27 after an off-duty Oakland County dispatcher spotted his black Cadillac swerving all over the road and called police. According to police reports, upon arrival at the Oakland County Jail, the 62-year-old Waterford man, who produced a PBT of .175, told the deputy it would have been better for everyone if he'd given the deputy and his partner \$500. The deputy told the man he did not accept bribes. It was the man's second drunk driving arrest.

Cashed out

Apartment dwellers in the 5800 block of Marshbank heard fighting in the hallway April 27 and peered through the peephole to see a knife-wielding woman shouting at a fellow resident and backing him into a wall. Police arrived and arrested the 19-year-old Pontiac woman on charges of felonious assault; the 31-year-old man told deputies he'd dated his attacker for about three years but had bro-

Wed., May 6, 2009: The Clarkston (MI) News 9 A ken up with her two weeks prior to the incident. She allegedly showed up with a knife after he brought a new girlfriend to his apartment.

Stolen stuff

Two Independence Township mothers reported a Razor scooter and Ripstick skateboard were stolen from a bus stop April 29 after the toys were left, as they are everyday, when the children catch the bus to school. A deputy advised the parents not to allow children to leave personal belongings at the bus stop.

Bounced from bike

Police responded to the Independence Township Library May 1 after a 14-year-old boy fell and cut his head while doing jumps on his bike behind the building. The youth was transported to the hospital.

Bad boys

A night security guard called police May 1 after seeing three juveniles run onto a golf course in the 7000 block of Oakhurst Lane. A large amount of vandalism, including destroyed property and vulgar spray-painted images and words, were later discovered in numerous locations on the golf course. Several homes and a car in the area also received significant spray-paint damage the same night. The security guard told police the youths who ran onto the golf course appeared to be between the ages of 13-16.

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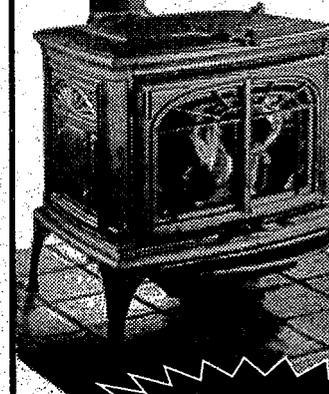
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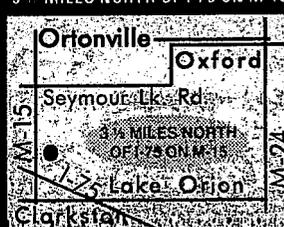
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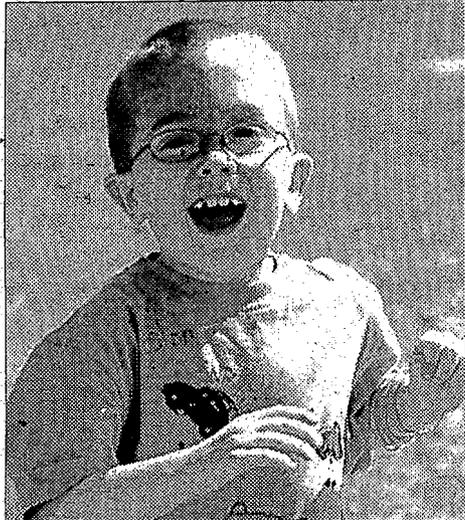


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Preston McFarland participates in the run.

Students run to help classmate

Oakland Christian School students hit the track to help classmate, 7 year-old Preston McFarland.

Students pre-K to third grade ran in their second Annual Fun Run for the Neurofibromatosis Foundation, April 17, at Clarkston Community Church.

Neurofibromatosis causes tumors to grow on the nerves throughout the body. It's a life-long disorder, usually diagnosed in childhood, and accompanied by a variety of complications and levels of severity.

"Each year, our faculty prays about how we can best help the children and families within our school and our community," said Principal, Erin Akers. "We support all our families and try to tailor our environment to meet their needs."

Staff members also donated \$1 during jeans days, Fridays. The run earned more for the foundation and raised community awareness about the debilitating disorder and the efforts to find a cure.



Oakland Christian School's Clarkston campus hosted a Fun Run for classmate Preston McFarland.



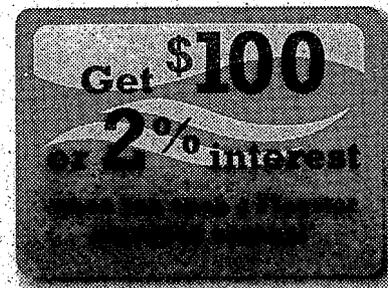
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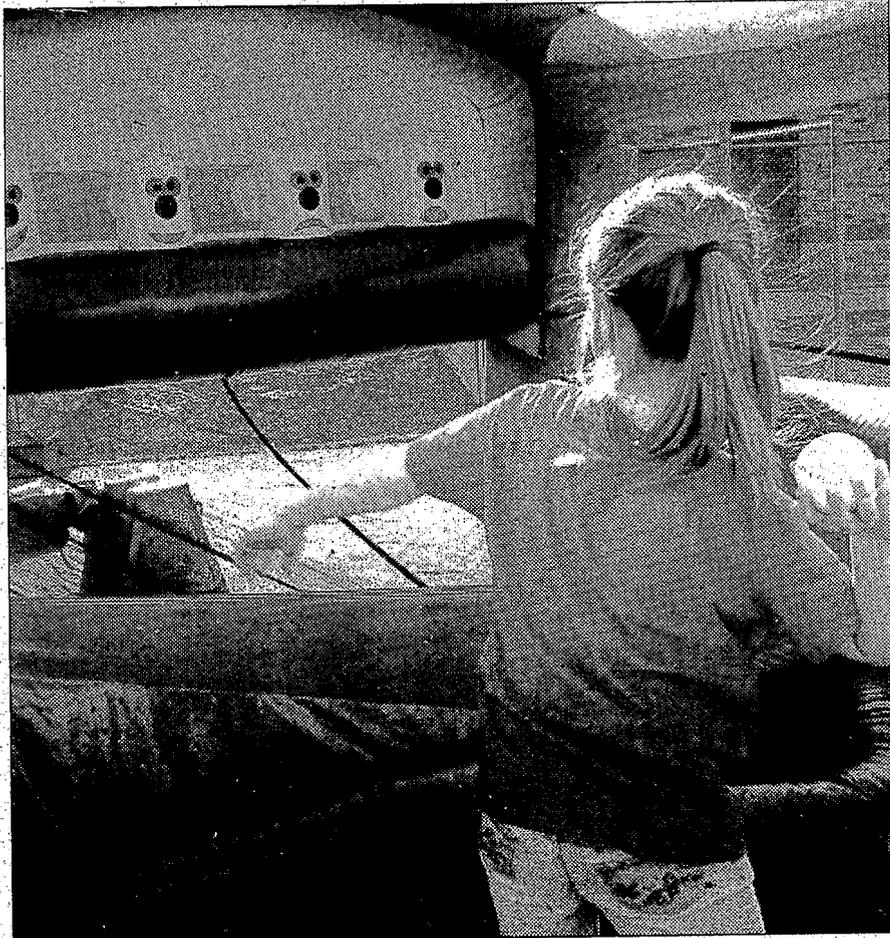


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North Sashabaw Elementary School student Clara Howe, aims carefully at her target.



Isaak Haas sees how low he can go in the limbo game.

Outdoor fun at North Sashabaw

North Sashabaw Elementary students and their families had fine weather at their school festival, April 24, enjoying inflatable bounce and fun house games and activities.

Inside, they competed for baked goods in a cake walk, feasted on pasta, and entered raffles for baskets filled with toys, food, and other items assembled by each class.

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Block, Veronica
Bollman, Jamie
Braunschweig, Elaina
Burch, Breanna
Campbell, Spencer
Carie, Aaron
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Chrisekos, Alissa
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Goff, Damien
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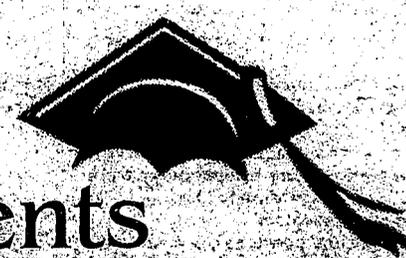
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Local man plans run for congress in Peru

BY TREVOR KEISER
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Jose Aliaga wants to run for congress in 2011, not in the United States, but his home country of Peru.

"I think it would be good to have a guy with a Republican doctrine underneath him in South America," said Aliaga. "I believe it is a time for a new movement, new ideas, and move forward with some of the things I've learned here."

Aliaga said Latin America lately leans too far towards Socialism and Communism. Though many of the leaders promote "democracy," Aliaga says when they become president, they remove constitution limits to power. An example is Hugo Chavez, president of Venezuela.

"With the Constitution of the United States, our President can only be president two times," he said. "Chavez gets in office and he changes the constitution where he can be elected forever. They call it democracy, I call it dictatorship."

Many have been misled about America and he wants to set the record straight, he said.

"The United States is no enemy to the world. United States is a country of freedom, liberty, and equal opportunity.

That's something I learned here and I want to share with them," he said. "Other aspects I learned here is the good of Capitalism, showing people they can better themselves."

Many Latin America leaders set-up political systems in which people are fully reliant on them, with no independence.

"I believe that government should give opportunity, like for example, education. If you don't have money here, you can get financial aid, you can get a grant, you can get a scholarship and they give you an opportunity to go to school and get educated," Aliaga said. "Then you can get a better job and pay back the loan."

Even though he sees people in the United States complain, Aliaga still sees equal opportunity for everyone.

"Even kids from Detroit or Pontiac have the same opportunity as somebody in Clarkston because they can get the same treatment. They can get money, or financial aid to help them out," he said. "Now it's your choice if you want to take it, but you have the same opportunity."

In Latin America, Aliaga says it's different. If people don't have money, they become "slaves to the government."

He also believes government should

promote family values because "family is the most important thing in society," but he has seen a decline in marriage and more teen pregnancies.

"I'm not saying cut liberty and rights, I'm saying promote and say this is the way it should be," Aliaga said. "What we have is no family, no education and no values anymore."



Aliaga

America has always been a country of innovative new ideas impacting the world as well as having leaders

with vision.

"The United States was the first country to give the right to vote to woman, the right to vote to African Americans and equality to everybody," he said.

Aliaga said he would like Peru to have a vision, too.

"The world is changing, we can see that, but there are a lot of good ways of America and a lot of good things going on. I want to take the good things I have learned here and I want to apply them there," he said. "I want my country to be an example to

other nations in Latin America and say 'if these people did that, we can do that too.'"

Aliaga moved from Peru to Clarkston in 2001 and has lived here with his wife, Alice, and step son Liam. He received his Associates Degree in Liberal Arts at Oakland Community College and is working towards his Bachelor's Degree in Political Science at University of Michigan.

While living here in the United States, Aliaga has served as a development consultant to establish a free trade agreement between Peru and the United States, which includes natural resources and educational ideas, specifically with Wayne State University and Oakland Community College. He also is vice chairman of the Michigan Republican Hispanic Assembly.

Former Independence Township Trustee Dan Kelly, who has known Aliaga for the past two years, considers Aliaga a good friend and is very supportive of him.

"Jose is one of those unique individuals who has identified a specific goal in life and that is to go back to Peru and hold elective office," Kelly said. "From everything that I've seen he has devoted his entire life to doing that, usually people who do that accomplish their goal."

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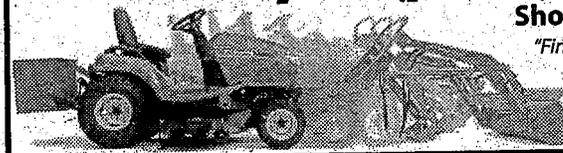
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Rain dance

Varsity girls' soccer evens score against Harrison Hawks

BY J.T. BOHLAND

Special to the Clarkston News

The weather ruined varsity girls' soccer Youth Night, but not their chances against the Harrison Hawks.

"We love winning in the rain," said kicker Katie Vondette, who scored the go-ahead goal late in the second half in Clarkston's 2-1 victory, April 30.

"What would seem like an unfavorable position for most teams is actually preferred by the girls" said coach Sarah Wasilk.

Her team loves to play games in the rain and she was excited to see the girls use the rain to their advantage against Harrison.

The team also overcame the loss of Clarkston's three senior team captains Maegan McCallum, Audrey Batchik, and Courtney Meharg to injuries.

"I still support my team by cheering them on from the sidelines dur-



Clarkston defends against a Harrison kick.

ing games and by trying to keep them positive at all times," said Meharg, who tore her hip labrum early before the season during tryouts.

She hopes to get back in shape before playing soccer for Ferris State University next year.

The victory was payback for a 1-0 loss to Harrison earlier in the season, when two Clarkston goals were called back due to off-sides calls. The junior varsity girls set the tone for the night by beating Harrison's JV squad, 8-0.

As the whistle started the game, Clarkston came out with hustle and determination, but Harrison scored their first and only goal six minutes in from a corner kick.

Clarkston senior Allie Browe seemed motivated by the goal as she hustled down the field for some early shots on goal, but Harrison kept the

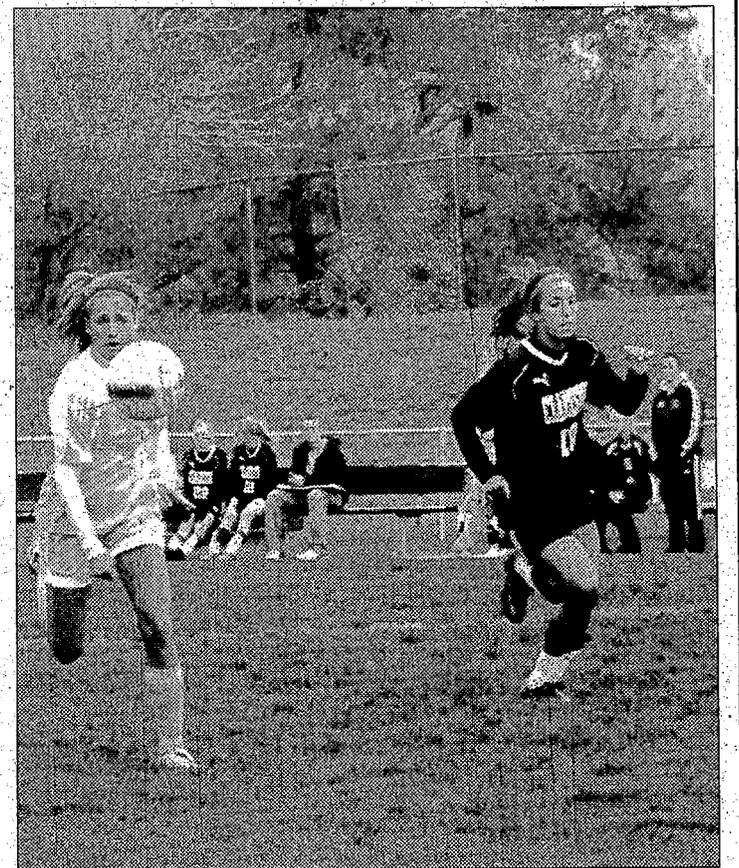
ball in Clarkston's territory for most of the first half.

Clarkston picked up their intensity towards the end of the half, but were still behind at the half.

Clarkston came back looking like a new team, more aggressive and physical. The hard fought battle continued as the clock ran down to three minutes, when freshmen Taylor Stokes scored to tie the game.

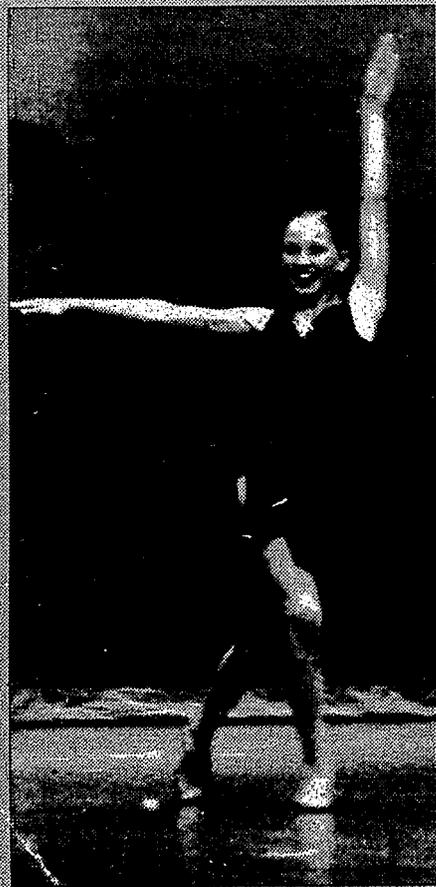
The Wolves pushed the ball down field into Harrison's territory where a nervous Harrison worked to defend their goal. Their efforts weren't enough, as Vondette kicked the ball into Harrison's goal with a little over a minute left in the game.

Clarkston varsity girls' soccer advances their season record, 2-4-4. This week, they take on Groves, Seaholm, and Berkley high schools, all at home.



Girls tie against Oxford

Clarkston Wolf Katie Viazanjko keeps pace with Oxford's Beth Downs in their 0-0 tie game, May 1. They made 11 shots on goal and goalie Demaree Wells made three saves. Photo by Wendi Reardon



Athlete of the Week

Taylor takes dance to nationals

BY PHIL CUSTODIO
Clarkston News Editor

Taylor Kanigowski has nine years of dance experience, and she's only 12.

"When she was about 2 years old, she made up a whole routine to go along with the final Jeopardy song," said her mother, Kelly Kanigowski.

"I remember running around like crazy. I thought I was a beautiful ballerina," said Taylor, student at Sashabaw Middle School.

"That was all she would do, make up dances," Kelly said. "I said, OK, I'll put her in a dance class."

Taylor practices 14 hours a week at the Dance Shoppe in Waterford, studying ballet, tap, jazz, Tunis, Cecchetti, and other routines.

"I'm so passionate about it," Kelly said. "I love to be on stage. It's a blast up there."

She competes with the studio's Classy Dancers team, and earned Junior Dancer

of the Year at preliminary American Dance Awards competition.

"I was very excited," she said. "I wasn't expecting it at all. It's really cool."

She earned a spot at nationals in Florida, set for July. She'll be judged in technique, musicality, expression, choreography, and other factors.

"She'll compete against the best in the country," Kelly said. "It will be a good experience."

"This year, it's looking really good," she said.

Taylor lives in Independence Township

with her parents, Kelly and Brian Kanigowski, and her sister, Morgan.

She plans to continue dancing at Dance Shoppe through high school, and dance professionally as a choreographer and teacher.

"I like jazz and tap the best," she said. "I have a lot of fun. I really groove to it."

"I'm very proud of her," Kelly said. "She's so dedicated to this. It can be hard for parents, seeing her give up a lot of things. She always does it without complaint and is always positive."

"I love to do it. I try my best to get better," Taylor said.



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Hurler Timmy Burton aims for the strikezone.



Pitcher Travis Reichenbeich hopes for a strike. Photos by Phil Custodio



Cole Chewins catches a piece of the ball as it sails past.

Tournament wet, but successful

Clarkston Riverdaws hosted 48 youth baseball teams from throughout metro Detroit in the 15th Annual Clarkston Classic Youth Baseball Tournament at Clintonwood Park, April 24-26.

"The week was very wet and the Independence Township Parks and Rec team had the Clintonwood and Sashabaw Plains fields in great shape and ready to go on Friday," said Laura Popp, tournament director.

"Clintonwood Park looked beautiful. Volleyball nets were up. Kite festivals and youth soccer games were going on. It was an incredible atmosphere."

Rain interrupted play on both days of the tournament, sponsored by Clarkston Youth Baseball Organization, Popp said.

"There were times that I thought we would have to send everyone home and cancel the tournament," she said. "Had it not been for Brian Doyle and his team preparing the fields on Thursday and Friday and Larry Hess, the onsite supervisor for the weekend, we would not have pulled it off."

Hess worked around the clock and came back on his personal time to warn us of the weather, she said.

"He worked with us to keep the teams and families safe and keep the tournament on track," Popp said. "Larry ordered materials late at night and worked the grounds until the championships could be played. I simply cannot say enough of the Independence Parks and Rec team. Parents showed up early and stayed late. Our students, players and coaches all pitched in! It was a total team effort."

Several other tournaments around Metro Detroit were cancelled due to rain, she said.

"I am incredibly proud to be part of the Clarkston community and we showed several other communities our excellence," she said. "Kudos to our parents, students, coaches and players who volunteered and supported this event. Clintonwood Park and the team that works there are a real gem and we are all very blessed to have them for our families. Our Independence Township Parks and Rec is terrific."

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Chad Wotton takes a swing.

Victory at Rochester

The Clarkston Wolves Varsity Golf team braved wind and rain to compete in the Huron Valley Invitational in Milford, April 28.

Taylor Walker led the way with a solid 81, followed by Nick Robeson's 83, and Tommy Ronk and Ryan Milliken with 84.

"The weather was poor at best, with lots of rain and temps in the low 40's, but we're gaining valuable experience for playing under these conditions," said coach Mark Wiegand.

Clarkston finished 13th out of 24.

The following day, they traveled to play Rochester Stoney Creek at Twin Lakes Wood's Course. The Wolves pulled out a victory, winning with a team score of 167 to Stoney's 168.

Tommy Ronk had 40, followed by Chad Wotton 41, Taylor Walker 42, and Nick Robeson and Tyler VandenAvond with 44.

The win moves Clarkston's OAA League record to 2-0.

This week includes Bay City Western Invitational, a match with Rochester at Oakhurst, OAA Red Tournament at Boulder Pointe and against Rochester Adams at Heather Highlands.

Set for action

Clarkston Volleyball's clinic for girls grades 5-12 is set for June 15-19. The clinic is 8 a.m. - 10 a.m. for girls in grades 9-12, and 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. for grades 5-8.

Participants will receive a short-sleeved T-shirt and can earn awards for outstanding athletes, attitudes, and tournament champs.

The cost is \$75.

Registration forms are available at all Clarkston schools.



Kickers make an Impact

Impact 94 U15 Boys team earned first place in the Kalamazoo Crusaders Cup, April 25-26, with a final game score of 3-0. In back from left are Coach Dave Heinemann, Brian Delaney, Spenser Pawlik, Nick Dahl, Blake Schultz, Craig Yanuszkeski, Christian Britting, Grant Huber, Trevor Smith, Garrett Gotaas, and Assistant Coach Eric Gotaas, and, front from left, Robbie Diemer, Forrest Johnson, Adam Yee, Mitchell McCord, Jacob Kornas, and Reed Morgan. Not pictured, Ryan Andersen.

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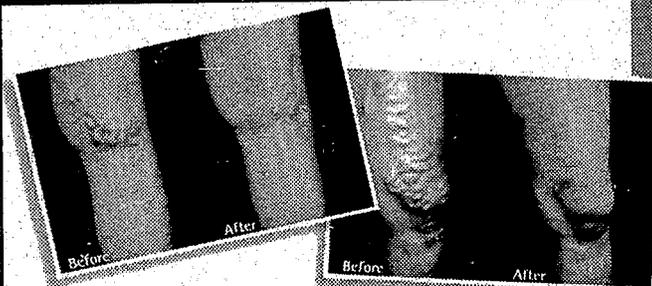
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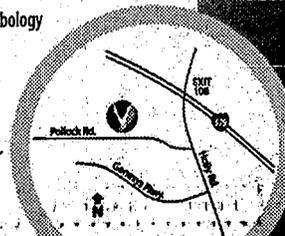
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To join parks or any other team, go to www.relayforlife.org/clarkstonmi. They also accept donations, all of which goes to American Cancer Society, and goods and services for silent auction. Supporters can also purchase and decorate a lumina in honor or memory of a loved one for display on-site, and buy an official team T-shirt for \$10.

For more information, contact Amanda Nichols, parks and rec marketing and development coordinator, at anichols@twp.independence.mi.us.



Dawn Tower walks the track at the 2008 Clarkston Relay for Life.

Could be first in 50 years

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involved," Woloson said. "You don't have to stand on corners collecting petitions, you don't have to spend a lot of money all we're saying is the first step of the process is just say 'yes.'"

It has been 50 years since the last Michigan Constitutional Convention was spearheaded by former Governor George Romney, which finally led to an amendment of the 1908 State constitution in 1963; however, Woloson said it actually took four efforts to revise the 1908 constitution.

"It took somebody of George Romney's stature who was the president of an automotive company at that time to be leading the charge along with other individuals," he said. "Even then it was such a close vote that it required a recount."

If a State Constitution is called 148 delegates will be elected, which is based upon legislative districts for both the House of Representatives and the Senate.

But just like other elections, Woloson said there will always be people in opposition to keep things the same, due to fear that people with "extremist" viewpoints might get elected, which Woloson says if people with radical viewpoints get elected "it's because the voters didn't take adequate time to scrutinize who they were voting for and allowed them."

"I have a lot more confidence in the voters than these people who are opposed to the process," he said. "If what they say is true and we should not open this process up because of who might get elected, then aren't you indicating that you have serious doubts about the entire premise of democracy?"

Others he said are afraid certain amendments that are considered by many to be good will be eliminated; however, Woloson said the focus should not be getting rid of the good, but instead "to make the good better."

"These people that are defending the 1963 constitution should recognize there is a reason as to why article 12, section 3 was put in there. That automatically put the issue in front of the voters every 16 years," he said. "As good as they thought their work was they still recognized periodic review would be of value."

Woloson said the campaign will be an internet campaign and he hopes to encourage "the next George Romney to come out of hiding." But his main goal is to demonstrate there is a widespread interest as well as to educate people that the vote is coming up because many are not aware the vote is automatic.

"We have no agenda other than to make sure voters understand why a 'yes' vote for a Michigan Constitutional Convention could be an important step towards revitalizing our state," he said.

Deputies need immediate reports from public

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Sheriff's Independence Township substation. "They're flat-out, straight-up daytime B-and Es."

In addition to the attempted breaking and entering reported on Palmyra last week, several other homeowners reported similar crimes.

On April 27, a resident in the 6700 block of Wellesley Terrace reported it looked like someone tried to get in side entry door by prying it with a screwdriver. It did not appear the intruder gained entry, but other homeowners weren't so lucky.

On April 28, a resident returned home to the 5500 block of Lochmoor and discovered the front door had been kicked in; wood trim from the broken frame was scattered about.

In the bedroom, drawers from the dresser were lying on the bed, looking as though someone had rummaged through them. About \$100 was missing from the home. Detectives talked residents at five nearby homes where someone was home all day. No one saw or heard anything.

"Other than the housekeeper, we haven't had any witnesses to these crimes," said Baldes, noting police in Waterford, Lake Orion, Rochester and other communities were dealing with a rash of similar incidents. "We need neighbors

to look out for one another. If you see someone who doesn't belong, call us."

Also on April 28, homeowners in the 6500 block of Cranberry Lake left around 8:30 a.m. and returned at 3:30 p.m. to find the front door kicked in, with the frame splintered.

Several drawers in the bedroom were left open, with contents scattered on the floor. About \$54 in loose coins, a pair of diamond earrings and a men's ring were missing.

One neighbor saw a light haired male carrying a walkie-talkie, but told police it may have been a meter reader.

Police, however, contacted Consumer's Energy, who confirmed no employees were scheduled in the area for several weeks.

"We need the public's help on this," said Baldes. "If you see someone who even looks a little suspicious, call now, not five hours from now. It's nothing for us to come out and ID the Comcast guy or the Consumer's Energy guy. We'd much rather do that than take a report on another break-in."

Residents with concerns about suspicious characters can call Oakland County dispatch at 248-858-4950.

Anyone with information about the suspect in the composite drawing is asked to call Detective John MacDonald at 248-620-4971 or Email Macdonaldj@oakgov.com.

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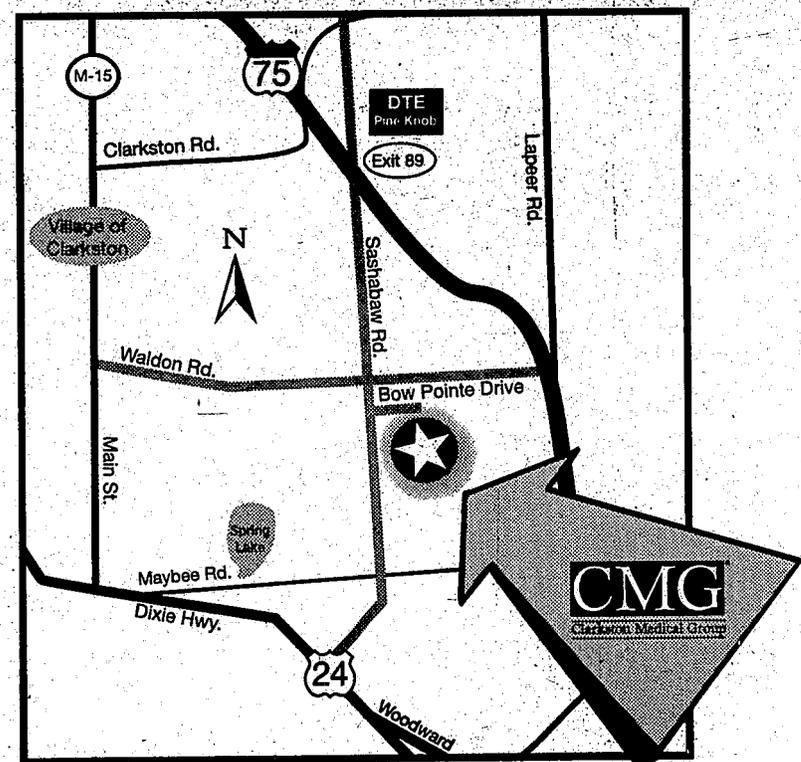
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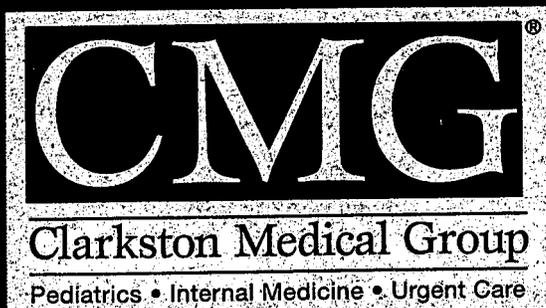
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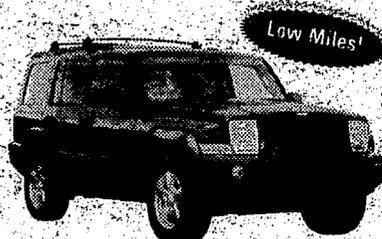


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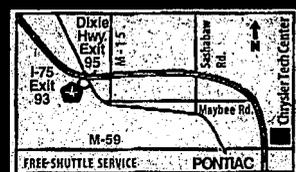


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People Poll

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Mothers' Day plans?



"We'll go to my mom's and my husband's mom's. Breakfast in the morning if I'm lucky. Go to church. Go to the park if it's a nice day."

— Hannah Keith, with her daughter Kylie



"Flowers, shopping at the mall. My little brother will make a craft. We'll make dinner."

— Madison Lightfoot



"Family dinner at Mr. B's"

— Tanner Schulto



"Get her flowers, go out for dinner."

— Angela Niezgoda

By Phil Custodio

The Clarkston News' Millstream

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

The house Clark built *Transformation of historic home to benefit SCAMP*

BY LAURA COLVIN
Clarkston News Staff Writer

The year was 1839.

As Nelson Clark built his home in a small town just coming to life, a town soon to be named "Clarkston" in honor of Nelson and his brother Jeremiah, he probably wasn't giving much thought to the year 2009.

Yet today, 170 years later, Nelson's home still stands as one of Clarkston's icons, at 71 N. Main Street.

In coming months, the home will be spotlighted as the first ever Clarkston Designer Showcase House, a new event to benefit SCAMP.

According to Kevin Harrison, a designer who owns KH Home in downtown Clarkston and is chairing the event, a designer showcase home is a house lent to a charity for fundraising purposes. Usually, a different designer is charged with redecorating each room.

Once complete, the home is opened for tours to raise money for the charity.

A number of local designers are participating. The house will be part of the annual SCAMP Home Tour the weekend of June 6 and 7, as a "before" preview, allowing the public to see the house in its current state. The finished house will be open to the public beginning Friday, Sept. 25, during Taste of Clarkston weekend.

Harrison, who is participating in the event



Above: The home, still known to many as "The Clark House" sits at 71 N. Main St. in downtown Clarkston.
Right: Kevin Harrison, chair of the Designer Showcase Home project, measures a window in the home.

Photos by
Laura Colvin

as well as acting as chair, said his plans for the home's living room are shaped around a transitional approach.

"I'll show that you can still do a current room in a traditional home," he said. "Antiques are not as embraced by young homeowners these days—there's always a trend, and current shoppers aren't very interested in dark, heavy pieces. People are tending toward painted, lighter furniture. Nothing about the room will be

heavy and dark."

But Harrison and the other designers are faced with a challenge—in such an event, designers always participate at their own expense.

Most have relationships with furniture showrooms and local craft people, who are tapped for their products and talents, but the project calls for resourcefulness on the part of the participating designers.

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Hearing Loss Discussion, 10 a.m., May 7, Independence Township Senior Center, 6000 Clarkston Road. 248-625-8231.

Relay for Life Clarkston, American Cancer Society, 10 a.m., May 9, Clarkston Junior High School. 248-663-3414.

Matt Perry, Christian comedian, 7:30 p.m., May 9, Clarkston United Methodist Church, 6600 Waldon Road. Free childcare for ages 1-5, but RSVP. Free-will offering. 248-625-1611.

Wint's Healing Hearts Grief Support Group for all ages for those who have recently lost a loved one, 7 p.m., May 12, Topic: "Stress Management and Open Discussion." Led by Emily Trahan, bereavement counselor at Wint's. Carriage House, Clintonwood Park. Walk-ins welcome. Free. 248-625-5231.

Kyle Dine, allergy-awareness concert, 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, May 12, Calvary Lutheran Church, 6805 Blue Grass Drive. 248-625-3288.

National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution, Sashabaw Plains Chapter, 11:30 a.m., May 12, tour of Great Lakes National Cemetery. 248-625-1607.

Bunco, 1 p.m., May 13. Newcomers welcome. \$3. Independence Township Senior Center, 6000 Clarkston Road. 248-625-8231.

SCAMP fundraiser, 5:30-8:30 p.m., May 14, Lowrie's Landscape, 9539 Dixie Highway, with Moon Valley Rustic Furniture, catered by Clarkston Union, beverages by Caribou Coffee. 248-625-8844.

Low Vision Support Group, 11 a.m., May 14. Trip to Wojo's Greenhouse and lunch with discussion on latest book-on-tape selection. Call senior activity center for information, 248-265-8231.

Pack Your Bag, 11:30 a.m., May 14. Medication information event with one-on-one consultation with pharmacist. 50+ persons welcome. Independence Township Senior

Crosse concert set for May 11

Christian musician Clay Crosse leads a free "Marriage Under Fire" conference with his wife, Renee, 7 p.m., Monday, May 11, at Clarkston Community Church, 6300 Clarkston Road.

Crosse, who had nine number one hits in the late 90's and early 2000's, saw his career crumble when he admitted pornography addiction. His personal and spiritual recovery was the catalyst for "HolyHomes" Ministries, now their full-time work.

The conference is an opportunity for couples, as well as separated and divorced couples, to discover new ways to restore and protect their marital relationships.

Center, 6000 Clarkston Road. 248-625-8231.

Treasures and Treats Rummage and bake sale, benefits Neighbor for Neighbor, 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m., May 15-16. Hart Community Center, Davisburg. 248-634-0900.

Community Wide Craft Show and Garage Sale, May 15-16, 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m., Mill Pond Park, Davisburg. Space available for rent; crafters and independent product distributors welcome. Pre-registration required. 248-846-6558.

Motorcycle Ride and cookout to benefit Children's Miracle Network. Departs 12 p.m., May 16, from Rite-Aid parking lot, 5789 Ortonville Road. \$10/driver; \$5/passenger. DJ, raffles, cash prize, and cookout upon return to Rite-Aid. Hotdog, chips, drink, \$2. Call Cathi, 248-625-5271.

Perennial Swap, May 16, 10 a.m., Mill Pond Park in Davisburg, rain or shine. Take home as many bright, beautiful perennials as you



Clay Crosse

bring; plants must be in groups of two to three root clumps and in 4" or 6" containers. Label plants and know whether they grow in the shade, sun or both. Free. 248-846-6558.

Parking lot sale, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., May 23, Williams Lake Church of the Nazarene, 2840 Airport Road, Waterford. Benefits church summer youth camp. \$15/space rental. Rain or shine. 248-673-5911.

Pain, Stress, Emotion and Arthritis program, 5:30-8 p.m., May 28, Professional Development Center, Oakland Schools, Waterford. Speakers: Dr. Amita Bishnoi, medical management strategies for rheumatoid arthritis and osteoarthritis, and Psychologist Jane Savoy, how to use the mind to reduce pain and negative feelings. 800-968-3030.

Parking lot sale, June 7, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Over 100 vendors. Proceeds benefit library. Independence Township Library parking lot, 6495

Clarkston Road. 248-625-2212.

National Kidney Foundation Golf Classic-Oakhurst, June 8, Oakhurst Golf and Country Club, off Clintonville Road. 800-482-1455.

Travel Getaway, bus trip to Branson, Mo., Sept. 20-26, pickup at Clarkston United Methodist Church. \$650. Register at 248-627-7445 by May 15.

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. at 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.

Clintonwood Teen Sand Volleyball Leagues, teens ages 13-17, Sundays, sand courts of Clintonwood Park. Independence Township Parks and Rec. League play starts first week in June, regular season lasts eight weeks. All games self officiated, six per team. Must sign up as teams. 248-625-8223.

Men's 50+ Softball, Independence Township Senior Center, practices Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays. League games start in May. 248-625-8231.

Grief Support Group, Coats Funeral Home, 6:30 p.m., first and third Mondays, Community Presbyterian Church, 4301 Monroe Street at Sashabaw. 248-623-7232.

Therapeutic Yoga classes, Mondays, 11 a.m.-12:15 p.m.; Tuesdays, 7:15-8:30 p.m., Please see Around Town on page 3B

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Clarkston Rotary Club, Mondays, 6:30 p.m., Deer Lake Athletic Club, 6167 White Lake Road. \$15. 248-625-4244.

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

Pilates and Sculpt, Mondays, 7-8 p.m., Bay Court Park's Lakeview room. Independence Township Parks and Recreation, 248-625-8223.

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.

50+ Golf, Tuesdays, 7:30 and 8:50 a.m. tee times, Heather Highlands, Springfield Township. \$8. Register with Independence Township Senior Center, \$12. 248-625-8231.

Breast Cancer Support Group, first Tuesday, 7-9 p.m., MIRO Mid-Oakland Medical Center, 6770 Dixie Highway. 248-625-3841.

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., St. Stevens Church, Sashabaw north of Walton. 248-625-1365.

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

Women's 50+ Softball, Independence Township Senior Center, practices and games Tuesdays, May-August. 248-625-8231.

Pickle Ball, Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., First Congregational Church gym, 5449 Clarkston Road. \$3 drop-in fee. Call Independence Township Senior Center, 248-625-8231.

Chair Massage, Alternative Medicine, Wednesdays, April 22, 10 a.m.-12 p.m. \$10/15 minutes. Independence Township Senior Center, 6000 Clarkston Road. 248-625-8231.

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

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 Thursday, 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.

Yoga for the fibromyalgia patient, 11:30 a.m., first Saturday. Taught by an instructor living with fibro. Support and community follows class; \$12 walk-in or purchase 10 visits for \$100 class card. Jewels Yoga and Fitness, 4612 Mountain View Trail, Clarkston, 248-390-9270.

Softball leagues, men and women, 50+ and 70+, Independence Township Parks and Recreation. Games run May through beginning of August. Call Lisa McCoy at 248-625-8223.

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

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Milestones



From left, Rachel K. Kociba, Monique Zentner, and Malcolm Hill earned awards in Clarkston PTA's Reflections Program. Photo by Phil Custodio

Young artists earn awards

Clarkston Board of Education honored six students, April 27, for their works of art in the PTA Reflections Program. Students preschool through grade 12 created art in visual arts, literature, photography, musical composition, dance, and film. This year's theme was "Wow."

Music honorees included Mitchell Miller, "Performance Live," Springfield Plains Elementary, Award of Merit; Matthew A. Dalh, "Snowfall," Sashabaw Middle School, Award of Merit; and Malcolm Hill, "First Star," Sashabaw Middle School, Award of Excellence. In Visual Arts, Rachel K. Kociba, Bailey Lake Elementary, earned an Award of Merit for "Colorful Rainbows" and Monique Zentner, Clarkston Junior High School, earned an Award of Merit for "Wow." In Film Production, Brendan Osentoski, Bailey Lake Elementary, earned an Award of Merit for "Frog Wards."

Students achieve success

Amanda Jayne Witkowski received the Dean's Undergraduate Scholar Award at University of Detroit Mercy's Honors Convocation, March 29.

Witkowski is a student in UDM's College of Liberal Arts and Education.

Clarkston students Sjonne M. Mitchell, Ashley L. Ostrowski, Rob A. Ronk, and Katie L. Smith were named to Saginaw Valley State University Dean's List for Fall 2008 semester.

Clarkston-area Central Michigan University graduates, December 2008, include Katie Bailey, Bachelor of Science in Education; John Ehke, Bachelor of Science; Mark Garland, Bachelor of Applied Arts; Sarah Gwisdalla, Bachelor of Applied Arts; Jessica Harding, Bachelor of Science in Education; Lauren Hunt, Bachelor of Applied Arts; Matthew McCallum, Bachelor of Science in Business Administration; and Joshua Melvin, Bachelor of Science in Education.

SueSan Eghbalian of Clarkston, a nursing student at Oakland University, has spent the last two semesters on the Deans List. She recently became a member of the School of Nursing Deans circle and is a class officer of the Student Nurses Association, OU chapter. In May, she will study abroad in Padua, Italy, for a scientific research study.

Clarkston students Melanie Morley, senior, and junior Renee Slaughter were named to Central Michigan University's fall semester honors list.

Claire H. Glover of Clarkston, sophomore, was named to Northwood University President's List for Winter Term, 2008.

Religion

Commandments apply even in tough times

These are very challenging economic times and for many this is a time of much pain and fear. Many of you know all too well how very frightening it is to lose a job or a home or a pension.

Yet in the midst of these challenging times I believe we can also discover some valuable gifts. I believe that God is not only present with us, but that God wants to lead us and teach us and even give us some unexpected blessings.

Recently at Calvary Lutheran we have been talking about being "Open to Blessing - God's Unexpected Gifts" that come to us or that God reveals to us especially in times of hardship such as these. These gifts are probably always present but at certain times we become more aware of them or open to them.

I know I am looking at things differently now and rearranging my priorities around what really matters most. I am thinking a lot more these days about how I spend my time and my money, and ultimately my life. As a person of faith I believe God in his grace and love wills to use this time in our lives, in our churches and in our nation to grow us in some powerful and life-changing ways that will help us into the future as well as see us through today.

Though there are certainly others, we have been focusing on four of these "unexpected gifts" - community, sim-

plicity, helping others and generosity.

The gift of community means that we do not need to go it alone. Yet all too often when times are tough we think that it is a sign of weakness to ask for help or a failure if we need others.

I often say to those experiencing tough times that there is no "extra credit" for going it alone. God has made us for relationships and community and we are at our best when we need others and others need us. I hope we can renew and deepen our sense of community and interdependence during these times. As we often say at Calvary, "we are better together!"

The gift of simplicity and contentment arises out of a sense of gratitude for what we have even when life does not turn out the way we plan. I was reminded of this again when we lost power during the recent storms. Playing board games by candlelight with my 12 year old son instead of working on the computer was a simple gift we shared. I am not ready to permanently give up electricity, but I am ready to focus more on the people I care about.

When we have employment, choosing to live below our means, rather than at or above them can mean we have less to worry about and more to give and save. Someone once said that "contentment can make poor men rich and discontentment can make rich men poor." I know we are simplifying and trying to focus more on what matters most.

I hope we also are becoming more aware of the gifts of
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Spiritual Matters



Pastor Jonathan Heierman

In our churches...

National Day of Prayer, assembly by local churches and community groups, 7 a.m., May 7, St. Daniel Catholic Church, 7010 W. Valley Park Drive.

Angel Food Ministry, \$70 value for \$30. Order, 9 a.m.-12 p.m., May 10, 17; 6-7 p.m., May 6, 13. Distribution, 11 a.m.-12 p.m., May 30. Williams Lake Nazarene Church, 2840 Airport Road, Waterford. 248-673-5911.

Health and Wholeness speaker series, Thursdays, 7 p.m. May 7: Bernie Reuter of CoreSkills, with "Adventures in Attitudes." May 14: Troy Farwell of OmWellness, with "Introduction to Ayurvedic." Peace Unity Church, 8080A Ortonville Road. 248-625-5192.

Singer/songwriter Peter Mayer in concert, 7:30 p.m., May 10. \$14. Church of the Resurrection, 6490 Clarkston Road. 248-625-2325.

Kyle Dine, Canadian food allergy musician, 6:30 p.m., May 12, Calvary Lutheran Church. Interactive concert and puppet show to promote food allergy and intolerance awareness. Nursery available for 4 yrs and younger. Free - families encouraged to come. 6805 Bluegrass Drive. 248-625-3288.

Michael Krieger in concert, 7:30 p.m., May 16. \$10/advance, \$12/door. Peace Unity, 8080A Ortonville Road. 248-628-5692.

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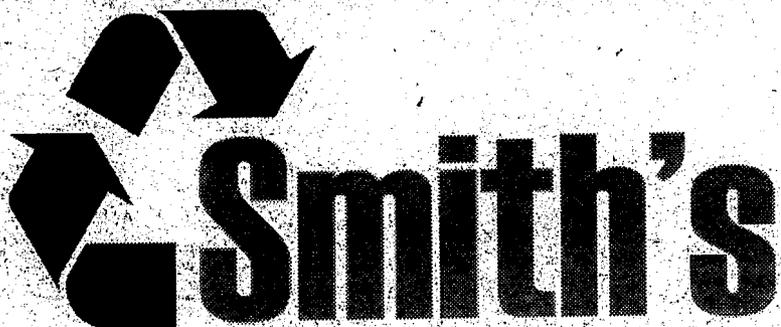
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Clarkston home to get a makeover for charity

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"We do call in favors and borrow pieces, or borrow from our own collection," Harrison said. "It's a very creative project; it's easy to be creative when you have the money, but when you're on a budget, that's when the real creativity begins to flow. We'll show that you can get a great looking room on a budget."

The Clark Home, as it's still known to many in the area, is a 5,000 square-foot, two-story colonial with five bedrooms, 3.5 baths, and two fireplaces.

The home's current owners, Kathy and

Jeffrey Lynn, put the house on the market about two years ago—it's listed at \$489,900—but they're not in any big hurry to sell.

Kathy said she wants the home to go to the right buyers, someone who will appreciate the home's historic value.

Likewise, she was somewhat hesitant when initially approached about the project.

"I think she feared we would go in and make each room distinctively different," Harrison said, noting that while such an outcome does sometimes occur in a designer showcase home, it was not the intent here. "We're not limiting artwork, or commenting on choice of sofas, but we don't want to have every room so glaringly different, either."

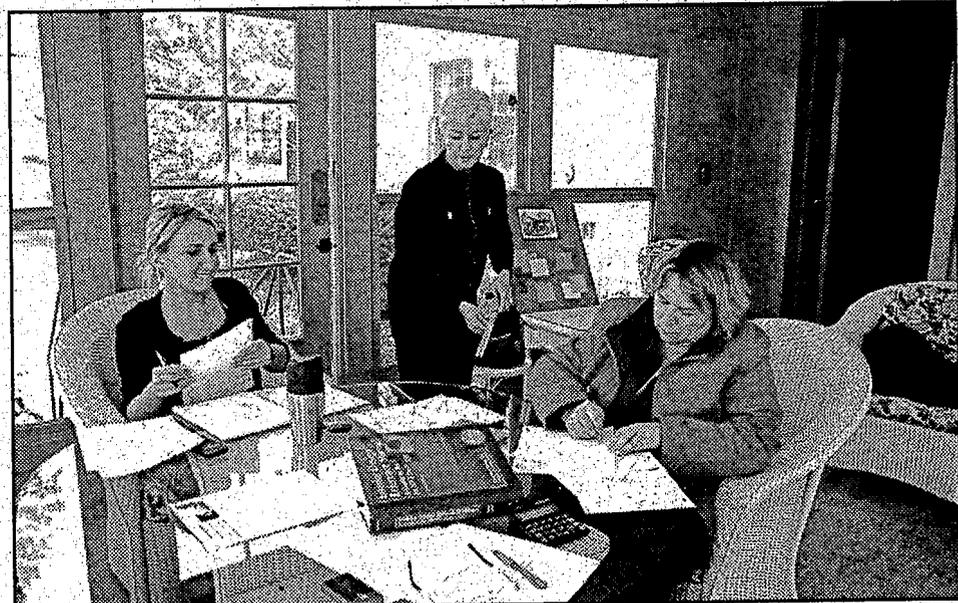
In order to help maintain the home's historic character, Harrison assembled something of a guideline for color choice, drawn from the Benjamin Moore Historic Pallet.

The hues, warm tan-golds and greys coupled with an early American green, English wedgewood and Georgian brick accents, Harrison explained, are all yellow-based and "work beautifully with the yellow tones of the home's original pine heart plank flooring."

"The color pallet is beautiful," said Kathy Lynn. "It keeps with the integrity of the house."

And that, she said, was her greatest worry when first approached about lending her home to the cause.

"I was concerned about the integrity, the oldness of the house," she said. "I didn't want them coming in making it look modern, or make every room different from



Designers make notes and take measurements in the home's sun room.

the others."

So she made a list of rules – everything original had to remain original. They couldn't paint the fireplace, or any exposed woodwork or hardwood floors.

Now that she's met everyone involved, Lynn said she's looking forward to seeing the outcome.

"They're Clarkston people, and there's a lot to be said for that," she said. "It will be interesting to see someone else's take, and see what they do with it."

She won't have to wait long to get her first glimpse at what the various designers are planning.

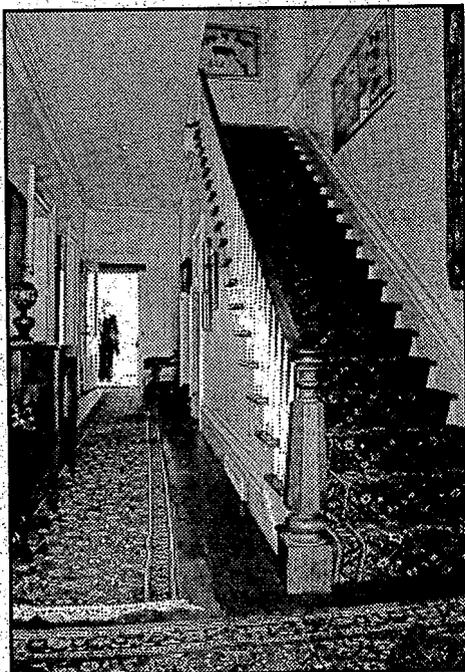
On May 29, designers will present their plans to the SCAMP committee.

"We just want to make sure they're following the general guidelines as far as the color scheme goes," Harrison said. "It's a loose guide, as long as they choose something in the same family they should be OK. An intense purple probably will not be approved."

Harrison said he's hoping the event becomes an annual tradition to raise money for SCAMP.

SCAMP is a five-week summer camp that provides academic, recreational and social opportunities for children and young adults with special needs.

"People are already asking about getting their house picked for next year," Harrison said.



The home boasts a grand staircase.



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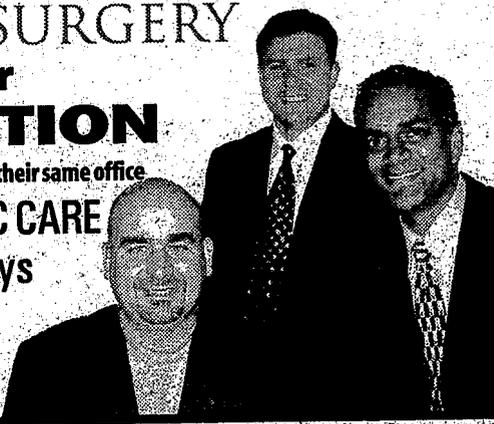
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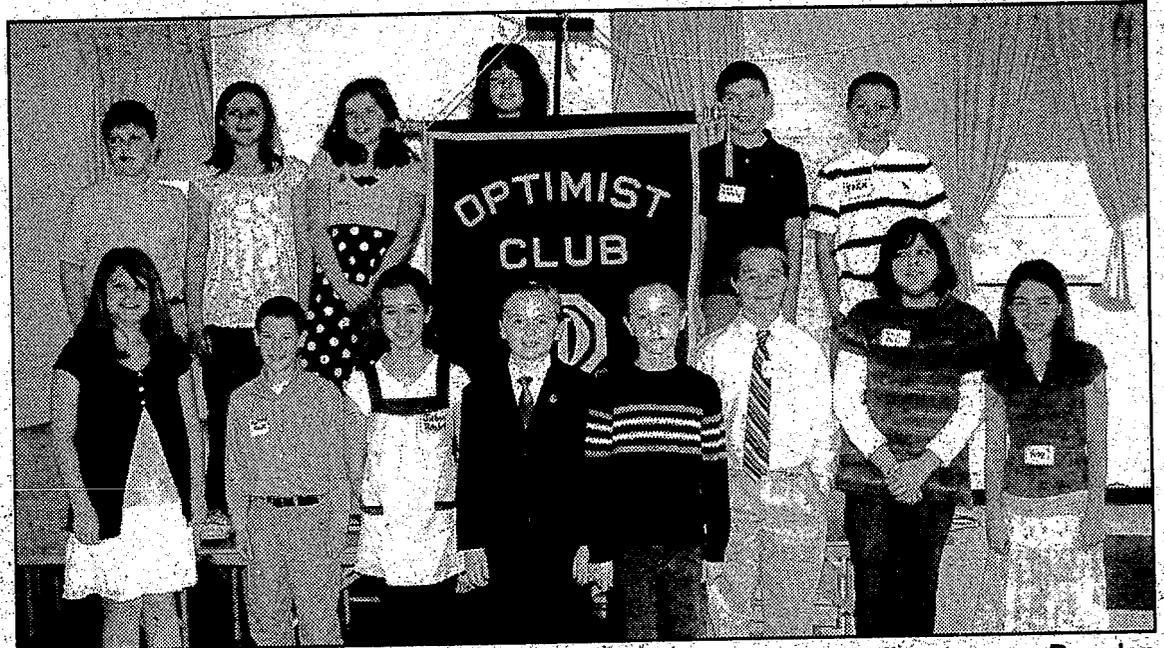
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Principal Kathleen Leh describes Mitchel Thompson's achievements and character.



Clarkston Optimists honored 14 Clarkston elementary students, including, top row, Brandon Graham, Danielle Keusch, Megan Bryer, Ashley Miles, Evan Tackabury, and Jack Muhleck, and bottom row, Madalyn Davis, Matthew Hart, Jillian Ritchey, Mitchel Thompson, Noah Moosekian, Andreas Frame, Emily Frasa, and Kelsey Hibbard.



Clarkston Junior High Principal Shawn Ryan presents certificates to Alyssa Setting and Zachary Rabideau.

Students honored for Optimistic values

Mitchel Thompson, decked out in pin-striped suit and tie, appreciated the free meal and certificate at Clarkston Optimist Club's Youth Appreciation Breakfast, but had one concern.

Would he get back to school on time?

"He always goes above and beyond," said Principal Kathleen Leh, Springfield Plains Elementary School, at the April 29 meeting.

Optimists honored Thompson and 23 fellow Clarkston students from all seven elementaries, middle,

junior, senior high, and Renaissance High schools.

"It's one of our favorite programs," said Optimist Roger Diederich, whose wife Sandy Diederich chairs the program.

"One of the things we do in Optimists is recognize kids in the community," Sandy said. "There are many great kids. It's hard to limit schools to just two children each."

"We're all about the kids," said Michael Seltzer, Michigan District Optimist Club governor, who attended the April 29 meeting.

Students were selected based on Optimist values of citizenship, scholarship, and leadership.

"I want to thank the Optimists for all your youth oriented activities," said Principal Vince Licata, Clarkston High School at the April 20 breakfast meeting, where the older students were honored.

"I love getting the call from the Optimists - it's one of the highlights of the year," said Principal Bruce Martin, Andersonville Elementary.

- Phil Custodio



Ten Clarkston middle, junior high, and high school students were honored, including, standing from left, Justin Carroll, Maribell Ramirez, Katie Vondette, Jacqueline Proper, Zachary Rabideau, Ryan Allor, Jonathan Woo, and Alyssa Setting, and seated, Megan Frick and Spencer Stringer.



Independence Elementary Principal Chris Turner honors Jillian Ritchey.

In our churches

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Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University, biblically based, financial workshop for everyone, Sundays, 4 p.m. Calvary Lutheran Church, 6805 Bluegrass Drive. 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.

Yoga, 10 a.m., Wednesdays; 5:30 p.m., Mondays, instructor Noreen Daly. Beginning and intermediate techniques. Bring mat. \$7/class. Peace Unity and Holistic Center, 8080 Ortonville Road. 248-625-5192.

Local salon working to stimulate community

Glitz owner says to be on look out for \$2 bills

Have you ever thought how to help keep local businesses in your community prosperous even in this dire economy? Well, a local business is taking it one step further. To show their appreciation for the local businesses and communities who support them, Glitz Salons is giving out \$2 bills as a stimulus package.

Each stylist at Glitz will be given a bonus in \$2 bills to be spent in local businesses of their choice. In turn, Glitz Salons is encouraging the recipients of these bills to further spend them in other local businesses, keeping the circulation going in their home communities.

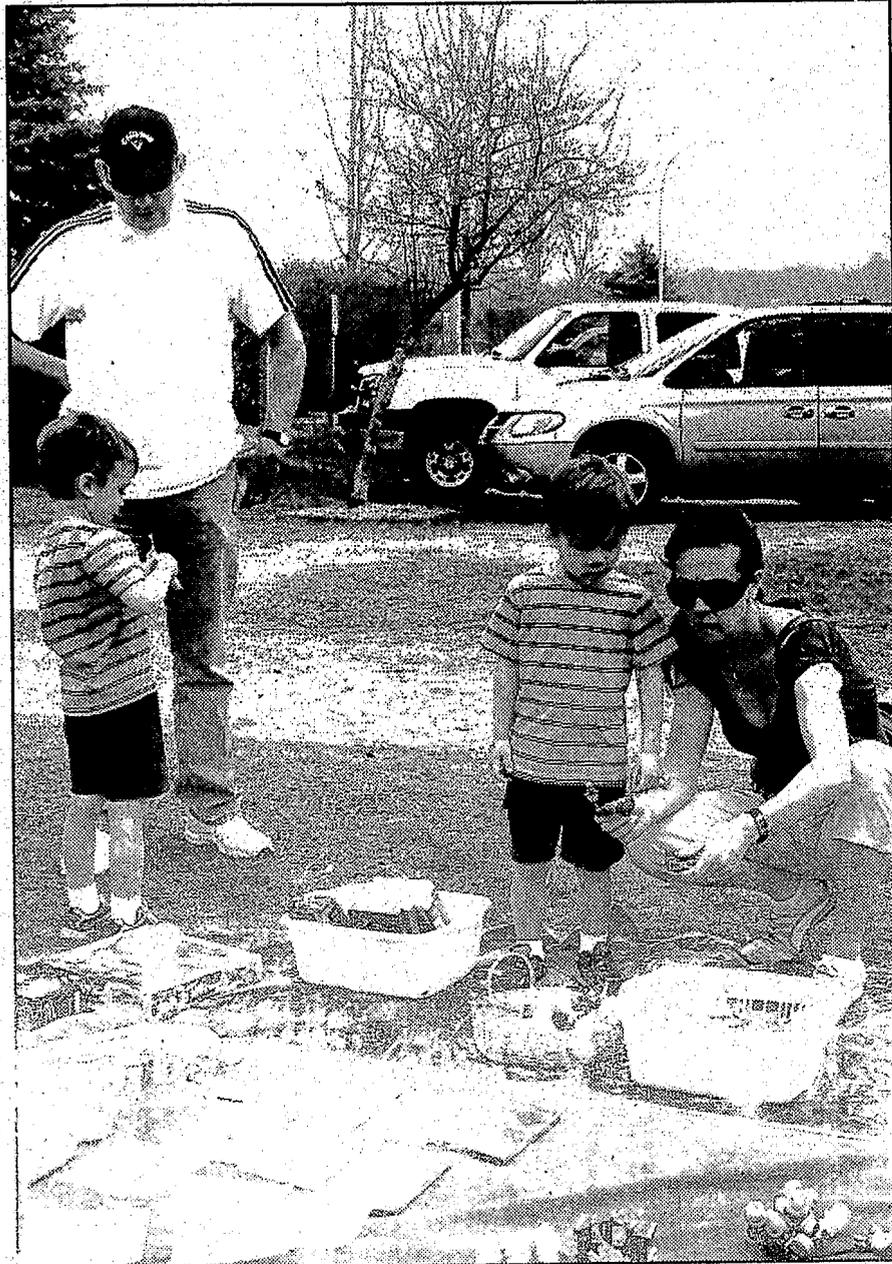
Cherie Barnett, owner of Glitz, feels that in tough economic times, you need to

support local businesses first. In turn, local businesses support the community, schools and charities. Shopping locally will also save consumers time and gas.

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With these not-often-seen \$2 bills in circulation, you will be supporting local businesses and the importance of supporting their local economy. It's with innovative and creative ideas from businesses like Glitz Salons that keep our communities growing strong even through tough economic times.

So when you receive one of these \$2 bills, be sure to pay it forward by spending it in town.



Looking for a good deal

Ryan and Blake Berry, with their parents Julie and Kurt Berry, check out what Rachel and Jacob Warner have to sell at Independence Township Parks and Rec's Kids Only Garage Sale, April 25, in Clintonwood Park. Photo by Phil Custodio

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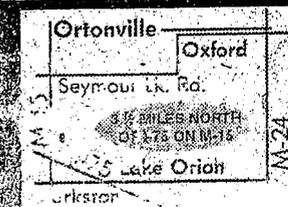
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Louis D. Beer

Louis D. Beer of Clarkston died suddenly at age 64 on Saturday, April 25, leaving Orchestra Hall with his wife of 42 years, Patience, where they had enjoyed a performance by the Detroit Symphony Orchestra.

He is also survived by daughters, Jocelyn and Mary and son Michael (Kate) Beer and mother Jane Beer, sister Vanessa (Richard) Korn and brother Stephen, and granddaughters Elisabeth and Abigail Beer.

An attorney, he practiced law in Detroit and Oakland County, specializing in labor relations and economic development. A community activist, he was a founder of the Clarkston State Bank and instrumental in the development of Pontiac's Phoenix Center and urban renewal in Saginaw.

A passionate hockey fan, he also served as Consultant for Business Affairs for the NHL Carolina Hurricanes. He also served his great loves of music and civic preservation working to restore Orchestra Hall and on the Board of the Pontiac Oakland Symphony.

A devout Episcopalian, Mr. Beer was a lay-preacher and served as an Assis-



tant Chancellor of the Diocese of Michigan.

A graduate of Cranbrook, Harvard and the University of Michigan Law School, Mr. Beer's early legal career involved landmark

Supreme Court cases providing greater racial integration of Detroit's Public Schools.

A lifelong Democrat, he campaign managed a gubernatorial race for Sander Levin (now U.S. Congressman) who stated, "Ever since knowing him as a teenager he always had an abiding interest in the public good."

Memorial visitation at Coats Funeral Home was April 30. A memorial service at the Church of the Resurrection, Clarkston, was May 1. In celebration of Mr. Beer's passion for music and the joy it brings young people, memorial contributions can be sent to the Church of the Resurrection or VH1 Save the Music Foundation (www.vh1savethemusic.com).

Patricia S. 'Pat' Freitag

Patricia S. "Pat" Freitag of Clarkston passed away, May 3, 2009, at the age of 70.

She was preceded in death by her husband James. She was the mother of Debra (Ingo) Schoeppler of Washington, Diane Freitag of Waterford, Denise Baumgardner of Waterford, Doreen Schwarze of Davisburg, Daniel (Sharon) of Lewiston, Doris (Ed) Sutterfield of Brandon Township, and Darlene (Wayne) Adams of Indiana; grandma of 18 and great grandma of five.

Pat and her husband were active in CB Radio and owned "Tropical Fish," Clarkston. She was active as a Girl Scout and Boy Scout leader and with the PTA.



Pat was an avid reader.

Funeral Mass, Thursday, May 7, 11 a.m., St. Daniel Catholic Church, Clarkston.

Friends may visit at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston, Wednesday, 3-9 p.m., and at the church Thursday after 10 a.m. Rite of Committal, Lakeview Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Independence Township Library. Online guest book, www.wintfuneralhome.com.

Local bands in concert, May 10

North Oakland Concert Band with the Big Chief Chorus sings in concert, 3 p.m., Sunday, May 10, at Lake Orion High School, 495 E. Scripps Road.

The free concert features American and patriotic music. The Big Chief Chorus will open the concert with several quartets and their 45 man chorus singing in the barber shop style.

The performance will include traditional Barbershop, Doo-Wop, Gospel and Patriotic melodies. The Big Chief Chorus is celebrating its 66th year and entertains monthly throughout north Oakland County.

The concert band opens with James Curnow's Tempus Fugit, followed by music from the movie Silverado. Tom Blue will then join the NOCB as the narrator of Aaron Copland's Lincoln Portrait.

The Big Chief Chorus will join the NOCB for an American Armed Forces Salute to recognize those who have service in all

branches of the US military.

The concert band, conducted by Annette Kline, has provided the local area with free concerts for 30 years. The band members represent a diverse cross section of citizens from the area, including many music professionals.

Although rehearsals and most concerts are held in Lake Orion, the group includes musicians from all over Oakland, Macomb and Genesee counties.

The communities with the greatest representation in the band are Clarkston, Lake Orion, Oxford, and Rochester.

The band performs several concerts each season, featuring a wide variety of music genres including classical, jazz, and pops. The group is financially self-supporting, relying primarily on member dues and donations from patrons to cover the cost associated with running the organization.

For more information, check nocab.org.

Less county road money this year

Road Commission for Oakland County expects to spend less for some routine summer road maintenance this year to help make up extra winter spending of about \$500,000.

Activities to be cut include mowing grass along roads and in medians, picking up litter along roads and trimming roadside brush.

The Road Commission spent more than \$11.2 million on winter road maintenance,

most on spreading salt and plowing snow. The 2008/2009 winter is the second-most-expensive winter on record, surpassed by the 2007/2008 costs of \$12.1 million.

Oakland County snowfall was above average, and many snow storms were at night, weekends and holidays, when RCOC must pay overtime. The commission also has 64 fewer employees than two years ago.

Spiritual Matters

continued from 5B

helping others and of generosity. The need is great and we have been blessed to be a blessing. We have something to give no matter our circumstance.

Winston Churchill put it this way as he led his nation during challenging times: "We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give."

In all the seasons of life, I hope my life will be marked by generosity and a willingness to have my agenda interrupted so I can help an-

other. When I do this I gain not only valuable perspective, but also unexpected blessing.

In the Great Commandment (Mark 12:29-31) Jesus said that we are made for relationships and that our purpose in life is defined by love - loving God and loving others. This is true during these times, and at all times. I hope and pray God will surprise and grow each of us through the blessings of community, simplicity and contentment, helping others and generosity.

The Rev. Jonathan Heierman is pastor of Calvary Lutheran Church.

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Layers add to acquired look

Many of our American ideas of great interior design are based on traditional English interiors. One of the most sought after aspects of an English interior is the "acquired" look, as if the homeowner has been collecting for years.

Layering is the way to achieve this acquired look. The layered look is best suited to traditional and transitional interiors, contemporary rooms.

Layering is not difficult, but may take a few attempts before the effect is correctly pulled together.

As an example, a bookcase filled with books standing on end like in a library is nice, but a bit boring. Try stacking some of the books on their sides and add some of your family pictures on top of these stacks of books.

Ask a Designer



A column by Kevin Harrison

Also add a collection to the bookcase to increase the visual interest — a collection of ceramic birds or Chinese blue and white will add a great visual texture to

the linear quality of the books and photo frames.

And finally, add two or three framed prints to the bookcase by leaning them against the back of the bookcase behind some of the stacked books. Now stand back and look at the difference.

A few more ideas:

- Add a few stacks of books to your mantle — this will give you platforms to vary the height of your existing accessories. Always use hardback books, and if the color of the spine is too distracting turn the book around so that you see the page ends.

- If you are interested in a making an easy change to your kitchen cabinetry on a limited budget, attach a series of framed prints to the doors of the cabinets. This will draw attention away from the cabinets themselves.

- For tables or shelves that have extra depth, try overlapping items from a front view to add interest.

- Don't neglect lighting when you are layering. Working a small lamp or picture light into a bookcase has more punch than any other effort. Cords can be easily concealed behind the books and accessories.

I look forward to bring you additional ideas in future issues.

Kevin Harrison owns KH Home, which is located in the Village of Clarkston.

Clarkston band performs May 30 at Depot Park

Clarkston Community Band performs in concert, 5 p.m., May 30, at Depot Park. Rain date is May 31 at 2 p.m.

Directors of the band's final concert of the season are Mike Lewis from Clarkston High School and Shelley Schwaderer-Roland from Sashabaw Middle School.

They will also perform at Clarkston Medical Group's grand opening on Sashabaw Road at 2 p.m.

The band's season starts with Concierto de la Caida in October, the annual Christmas in Clarkston in December and Musicks

Miscellanie in March.

It also performed at the Red Cedar Band Festival that was held in Okemos. This has been the first full year having Mike Lewis and Shelley Schwaderer-Roland as co-directors.

"The professionalism they have brought has made a dramatic improvement in the band itself," said Marshall Copeman, trombone.

The Clarkston Community Band, founded in 1890, provides the opportunity for amateur musicians to perform in a band.

"Membership of the band represents a

broad spectrum of backgrounds including nurses, schoolteachers, engineers, housewives, students, and senior citizens," Copeman said. "The band has a strong sense of community purpose and provides free musical entertainment at civic, charitable and community events."

The band is open to all adult and high school musicians. Rehearsals are Tuesdays throughout the school year, 7-8:30 p.m. at Sashabaw Middle School, 5565 Pine Knob Lane. For more information, check www.clarkstoncommunityband.org.

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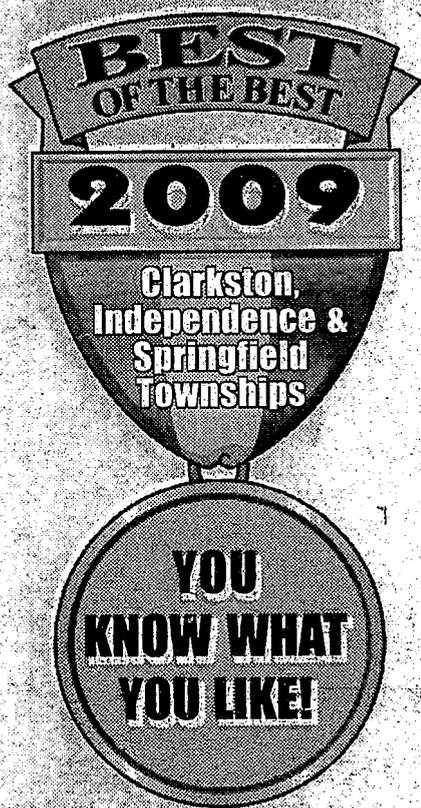
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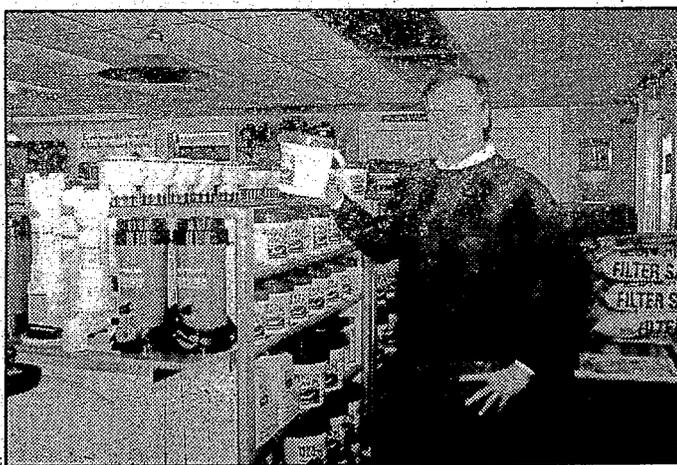


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Items also include candles, wall art and home accents exhibits, Michigan-based

Handmade jewelry will be available at the May 9 Keepsake Collection Art and Craft Show.

soup and dip mixes, kettle korn, and German roasted almonds. Clarkston Athletic Boosters and Drama Club will also have booths at the show.

"Mom would love a classy purse or a decoration for her yard or garden," Needham said. "It's all here. Come on out."

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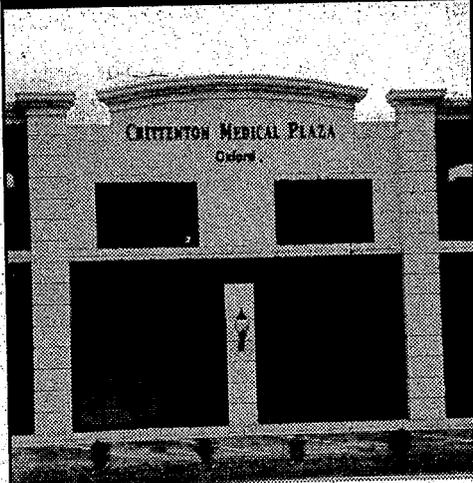


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From left, Colin Teague and his father, Brian Teague, Dawson Holloway and his brother Kieron Holloway, and their mother, Holley Holloway, learn about the school from Mary Haight. Photos by Phil Custodio

Co-op school offers alternative to parents

BY PHIL CUSTODIO
Clarkston News Editor

Parents and administrators are on the same page at Clarkston Co-op Preschool. In fact, they're one and the same.

"Parents are the boss," said Mary Haight, parent and school board president. "For parents who really want to be involved, the co-op is a wonderful option."

For students ages 2-4 to enroll, parents first become members of the co-op, operating and maintaining the center as owners.

"Every parent at the school has a job," Haight said. "They handle administration, pay bills, run the business, and maintain equipment. A cool benefit is they can come in and interact with the children, see learning environment, see how students respond," she said.

"Parents form lifelong friendships," Haight said. "They share experience at challenging time with teaching professionals and other parents. They're all facing the same challenges."

Parents also spend time in the classroom as teacher aides, allowing the school to maintain a 1:4 ratio of adults to children.

"I love the co-op philosophy," said parent and teacher aide Holley Brose. "I love the teachers. They're incredible. I love working in the classroom, talk to the kids, helping them talk to each other."

"I love being involved with children at

this age — it goes by so fast," said Amy Emert, first vice president.

One parent mom makes playdough, and others make building blocks for students to use, she said.

"When there's a job, parents fill it," she said. "It's because of the parents that this school exists."

For Dana Campbell, whose son Cole is a student, her contribution included setting up the school's web site, www.clarkstoncoopreschool.com.

"I think it's a great opportunity to be part of your children's education," Campbell said. "It's a great fit for us. Cole can't wait for his sister to be in the program."

"I like parents' involvement in decisions," said Kim Elliott, board treasurer. "We don't just drop off our children."

Teachers Karen Girard and Marilyn French both sent their children to the school.

"My son went here," said Girard, in her fourth year teaching at the school. "It's a lot of fun. I really like the parent-child interactions."

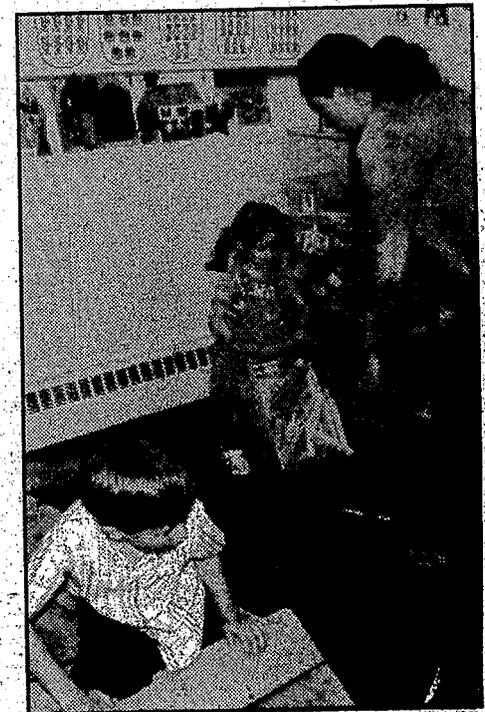
Students learn through play, with lots of hands-on math and science activities and socialization, she said.

"We really believe in active learning environment," said French, teacher for 14 years. "They learn by doing."

The school offers a secular education, but is located in Clarkston United Methodist

Church, 6060 Waldon Road. The church helps out by providing classroom space and advertising it, and the school helps introduce parents to the church, French said.

"We're mutually supportive," she said. For more information, call 248-625-2368.



Dana Campbell's children show her what the school has to offer.



John Hall of White Lake and Stanley Marmuziewicz of Davison were on hand to fly oversize kites.

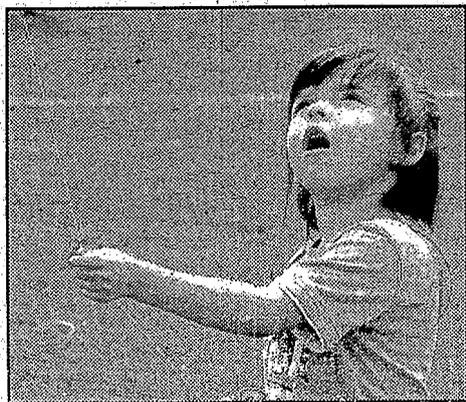


Regan Erickson keeps a sharp eye on her kite.

To fly a kite

Flyers took advantage of a sunny, windy weekend, April 25, to fill the sky over Clintonwood Park with kites of all shapes and sizes, from homemade, paper diamonds to airplane-size spiders and crabs.

Photo story by Phil Custodio



Karsen Mellado, 4, works to keep his kite aloft.



Clarkston High School mimes Libby Lussenhop and Austin Rea fly a kite.

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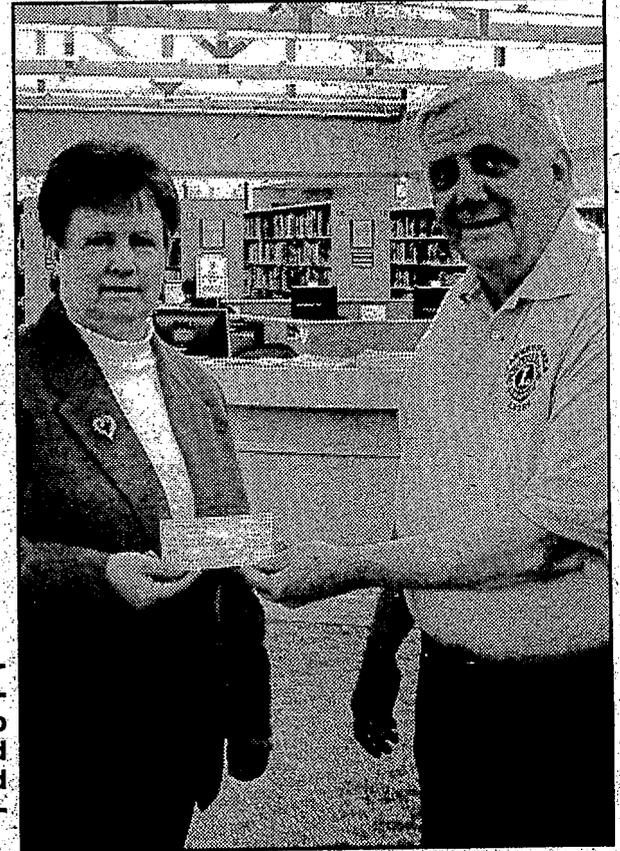
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Thelma Peterson with her three granddaughters, Karl Ormsby, Lauren Ormsby, and Andria Ormsby.



Jeanne Kitchen with Denise Dalrymple, CEO Girl Scouts of South Eastern Michigan, and Lisa Morse, board member.

Girl Scout leaders earn awards

Clarkston Girl Scout leaders Thelma Peterson and Jeanne Kitchen were honored with National Awards at the Girl Scouts of South Eastern Michigan Volunteer Appreciation Dinner, April 21, in Davison.

Peterson has been a leader for 10 years, guiding troops for both of her daughters. She is also active in Clarkston Service team, mentors new leaders and service unit volunteers, and was director of the Pleasant Ridge Girl Scout Day Camp. She was presented with the Girl Scout Honor pin for outstanding service to Girl Scouts.

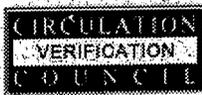
Kitchen was also presented with her Girl Scout Honor pin. She has been a leader for two generations, ensuring her daughters and granddaughters were able to be Girl Scouts. She is the leader of two troops, has held various positions on the Clarkston Service Team, and assisted her troops in organizing activities for the Service Team. She has been an active member of the Pleasant Ridge Day Camp and last year took over as camp director.

The dinner also recognized volunteers for years of service. Clarkston Girl Scouts were represented by 12 leaders and three girls.

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020 GREETINGS

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THE CHAIR DOCTOR WANTS
Patients. Chairs repaired, reglued and refinished. Chair caning and upholstery. Call the Doctor at 248-625-0731. I1C2431

13YR OLD BOY wants free Pug dog for his mother. 248-690-7461 I1L212

WANTED: CARS, Trucks needing repair or high miles. \$50-\$5000. 810-724-7647 or 810-338-7770. I1L2204

WANTED HUNTING land to lease for 2009 deer season. Call Mike 586-918-7685 I1L222

GRINNELL BROS. CONSOLE Piano. All keys work; needs tuning. \$350. 248-394-1627. I1L222

EXPERT PIANO TUNING
Call Matt
248-766-3122
RX2452

BABY GRAND PIANO, Speck/Grinnell. \$800 obo. 248-628-8818. I1L222

070 TUTORING/ LESSONS

DRUM LESSONS with a very experienced teacher. 248-693-7752. I1L224

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SPRINKLERS
SPRING START UPS
REPAIRS
INSTALLS
JEFF
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C398

NEED FILL DIRT? From tri-axles to trains. Call 810-459-7529 I1ZX354

ROTOTILLING SERVICE Starting at \$35. Call Phil at 248-693-6582. I1L221

SPRUCE TREES 6'-12'. Will deliver and plant. Orion/Oxford area. \$150 per tree or \$1600. Mark. 248-515-1258. I1L203

RECONDITIONED LAWN and garden tractors. Also John Deere H equipment repairs available. 810-397-2944. I1ZX372

ROTOTILLING

SERVICE
248-736-1680
CZ424

AERATION SPECIALISTS. Lawn core aeration, \$40 for a standard lot (60X120). 810-245-1833; 810-441-1293. I1L194

TREES FOR SALE, 8-10ft. Blue Spruce, \$250 planted, Multiple tree discount. Larger sizes available. 810-797-8733 or 810-441-7253. I1ZX372

8th Annual Lake Orion Flower Fair BOOTH SPACE

Available for Home, Garden, Wildlife, Leisure Products, Services, Outdoor Art
May 16, 9am-6pm
May 17, 10am-4pm
Booth fees start at \$100
Contact 248-425-2003
L177dh

HORSE MANURE COMPOST, aged 3 years. \$75/5 yard load delivered within 10 mile radius of Oxford. 248-628-8631, leave message. I1L214

Spruce & Maple Trees
Delivery & Planting Available
CLEMENS TREE FARM, INC.
Lapeer, Michigan
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L2222

TREES
● Spruce, Fir, Pine, Maples, Flowering. ● 7 ft. Blue Spruce From \$160 Installed
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L2204

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Email me at candycanetreefarm@sbcglobal.net for full plant list.
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L2223

JOHN DEERE ESTATE Tractors, both like new, 1 diesel 4x4 with loader, 1 heavy duty garden tractor, \$10,000/ \$3200. 810-664-9380 I1L212

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Screened - 20 yds \$249
Hardwood Bark - 10 yds \$259
Delivered Up to 10 Miles
Smaller & Larger Loads Available
RICK PHILLIPS
LANDSCAPE SUPPLY
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L222c

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21AA Stone for your driveway
20 Ton \$329 Delivered
Up to 10 Miles
Smaller Loads Available
Top Soil, Bark & Boulders
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6-12ft Spruce
6-12ft White Pine
Shade Trees
Robert Hauxwell Tree & Landscape Co.
Full Landscape Service
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231-775-8587
L2214

090 AUCTIONS

Notice is hereby given that on 5/22/09 at 11:30am the following will be sold by competitive bidding at National Storage Center, 1745 Waldon Road, Lake Orion, MI. 48359. Unit(s) may or may not include the following: Household Items; Recreational Items and/or Misc. Goods. #A05: Eugene R. Conklin, E29- Caritza R. Alvarez
L212

SELL in ads like this. We'll help you. 248-628-4801 I1L28tf

AUCTION

SAT. MAY 16, 2009, 4:00p.m.
Stow-Away Storage
3060 Adventure Ln., Oxford
Unit #139, Renea Brontkowski, Household items. Unit #233, 243, Mary Cross, Lots of household items. Unit #155, Shelley Gutowski, Car. Unit #252, Vicki LaLone, Lots of household items. Unit #229 Will Lumm, Household, garage items. Unit #83, Amber Mercer, Lots of household items. Unit #124 Veronica Moser, Garage, household items. Unit #246, Scott Spiker, Household, garage items. Unit # 275, Nick Tisch, Lots of electronics. Unit #288, Anthony Zylinski, Household, garage items.
"CASH SALE"
\$100 cash deposit. Refundable when unit is cleaned out.
L212

Notice is hereby given that on 5/22/09 at 12:00pm the following will be sold by competitive bidding at National Storage Center, 1007 Brown Rd., Lake Orion, MI, 48359. Unit(s) may or may not include the following: Household goods; recreational items and/or misc. goods. 562 Daniel Lane; 227 Nona Leskivene
L212

MOVING SALE. MAY 7-9, 9am-6pm. All furniture top quality, some antique. Log table and chairs, and much more! 3817 Ludwig Rd, Oxford. Off W. Oakwood at M-24. I1L221

MAY 7, 8, 9, 9am-6pm. 7145 & 7150 Hogback, off Andersonville. 7 families, laptop, Billard pool table, kids items, plants, & misc. I1C431

100 FREE
FREE TWIN BED, frame, mattress. Great condition. 248-693-2672, after 6pm. I1R221f

4 TIRES & WHEELS, 13". Good tread on 3. 248-693-1028. I1R221f

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FREE STANDING DEAD oak trees. You cut. 248-625-3228. I1C431f

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YARD SALE - PARKHURST Estates community wide yard sale Friday, Saturday May 15 & 16, 10am-5pm. SW of Draher/ M-24. I1L222c

MAY 7-9, 9am-5pm. 3719 Hi Dale Dr., Lake Orion. Mowers, clothes, household, etc.. I1R221

4566 WATERFORD RD, Clarkston, Friday, May 8 and Saturday, May 9, 10am-5pm. Mens and womens clothes, misc. office supplies, kitchen stuff, furniture. I1L221

HUGE 2 HOME SALE! May 7-9 from 9am-5pm. 2547 and 2541 Gemini Ct, Lake Orion. Plus-sized clothes, household, Lots of kids clothes and toys! I1L221

Mom2Mom Sale

Giggle Beans, Lake Orion
Free Admission
May 16- 10am-2pm
Tables for just \$20
248-693-1133
www.gigglebeans.net
L213c

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G&M Painting Enterprises United Rentals
LANDSCAPE - CONSTRUCTION
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Rummage Sale

May 7th & 8th, 9am-4pm
Sat. May 9th, 9am-Noon
Household goods, clothing
sporting goods and more!
L221c

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L221dh

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Thur., Fri., Sat. 11-6
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CASH PAID FOR
OLD FISHING/
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L222

JUNK CARS. Hauled away free. Will buy repairables. Bob Rondo, 248-310-2687. I1L2224

UNWANTED CARS,

TRUCKS, Gas powered toys, and trailers. Any condition. Cash paid. 248-891-6306. I1L206

WANTED: 4-WHEEL Handicap electric scooter. 248-625-4983 I1C422

WANTED: OLD: motorcycles, minibikes, ATVs and mopeds. Running or not. 810-338-8440. I1ZX384

CASH FOR OLD hunting/ fishing equipment, guns, wooden duck decoys/ fishing lures. Anything old hunting & fishing related. 248-504-8351. I1L194

WOOD BURNING STOVE for workshop. 248-628-0883. I1L222

WANTED: Guns: Winchesters, Colts, Savage. Top dollar paid. 248-628-7636. I1L212

TOP DOLLAR PAID

FOR UNWANTED
TRUCKS & CARS
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CZ404

WOMEN GOLFERS NEEDED: Thursday AM, 8:30, Oxford Hills. Call Holly Graves, 248-628-4682. I1L212

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Firewood

Seasoned Hardwood only
Delivery & Stacking available
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L214

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FOUR PIECE TKD drum set. Good condition. No cymbals. \$100. 248-393-3278. I1L212

110 GARAGE SALE

2 GARAGE SALES: Fredrick & Eugene, Oxford off Seymour Lake. May 7 & 8. Large CD collection. I1L221

GARAGE SALE: 5/7, 5/8, 6836 Almond Lane, Clarkston, Household goods and toys. I1C431

THENDARA PARK SUB SALE, between Sashabaw and Baldwin, take N. Eston off of Clarkston Rd. May 28-30, 9am-5pm. I1L224

SUB SALE: WESTWOOD Hills, Clarkston, Dixie & Rattalee. 9 homes. Lots of full garages. 5/7, 5/8, 5/9, 9am-4pm. I1C431

HUGE CHILDREN'S SALE

NEARLY 100 FAMILIES Clothes: Newborn thru Teens & Maternity, Little Tikes Toys, Bikes, Car Seats, Strollers, Baby Furniture, Outside Play sets, Books, Videos, Games Wed. May 6-Sat. May 9 9am-7pm

Lions Club on M-15 in Goodrich, 9196 State Rd. 810-730-4334

ZX382
10 HOUSEHOLD Neighborhood Garage Sale. Household, books, collections, kid's stuff, misc. Meadowbrook Ln. off Morgan Rd at Baldwin/1-75, Lake Orion. May 14-17, 9am-4pm daily. I1L222
RUMMAGE SALE-ROCHESTER, St. Paul's United Methodist Church. 620 Romeo St. Friday May 15, 9am-5pm, Saturday May 16, 9am-noon (bag day). New sale rooms on lower level. I1L222

WALDON CREEK SUB SALE

Furniture, toys, baby clothes off Waldon at Timber Creek or Leyland at Pine Knob Rd. May 14th - 16th 9am-3pm

L222
OXFORD, 642 OVERLOOK, May 7-8, 8am-5pm. Sat/ parts, '88-'98 GMC/ Chevy shortbed/ white/ truck cap, Nascar collectibles 3/24, furniture/ lamps/ rug/ decorations/ linens/ kitchenware, Electric scooter, rollerblades, snowboards, wedding dress, clothes Womens 8/10, Mens 27-32 waist, Boys 7-16. I1L221

MULTI FAMILY-THURSDAY, Friday, Saturday, 9am-4pm. 219 Chicago, Lake Orion (Clarkston to Buckhorn to Chicago). Corner computer unit, china cabinet, game table, antiques, lawn mower, wood chipper, clothes, dolls, books, Legos, electronic games, drum set, lots of miscellaneous. I1L221

AWESOME MULTI FAMILY Garage Sale. May 7th & 8th, 9am-4pm. 9537 Klais, Clarkston. I1C431

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GOING OUT OF BUSINESS 5960 Hosner Rd. (North of Oakwood) May 6-9 & May 11-15 8am-4pm

1996 F350 11yd stack dump truck (112,000 miles) XMark 0-Turn Rider 36" cut; hand-tools, wheelbarrows, ladders, blowers, weed whips, edger, time clock & much more

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L221
POST MOVING SALE: Multi Family, 11231 Andersonville, Davisburg, 9am-5pm, May 7th-9th I1L221

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MAY 14, 15, 16, 9am-4pm I132 Wood Trail, Oxford. Furniture, household goods, books, tools, etc. I1L222

ESTATE, JUNQUE ANNUAL Barn Sale behind Red Knapps has "moved this year!" Combined with estate sale of 96 year old man. Huge amount vintage collectibles, antiques, farm stuff, Hoyer lift, photography stuff, 110's of books, plants, ads, cotage linens, bookcases, kitchen. Waldon Rd., 1/2 mile off M-24, south of Lake Orion. May 14, 15, 16, 8:30am-5pm, Saturday 'til noon. I1L222

GARAGE SALE, ORION. Clothes, toys, furniture, books, Good stuff! 2429 Galaxy Way. Waldon/ Joslyn. May 8-9, 9am-3pm. I1L221

BIG SUB SALE: Howland Lake Pines. West off Baldwin, just south of Drahnner. May 14-16, 9am-4pm. I1L222

2 GARAGE SALES- Lots of baby items, much more! 570 and 540 S. Newman, Lake Orion. Thursday May 7th through Saturday May 9th. 9am-4pm. I1R221

11TH ANNUAL MOTHER/ Daughter Sale has moved from Lake Orion to 824 Glaspias Rd., Oxford. Something for everyone. May 7, 8, 9am-5pm. I1L221

GARAGE SALE, THURSDAY, Friday, Saturday, 9am-5pm. 2362 Galaxy Way, Lake Orion, off of Orbit Dr., between Joslyn & Waldon. Part of Sub sale Saturday. Lots of goodies. I1L221

SAVE THE DATE! LakeRidge of Waterstone Annual Sub Sale May 14-16, 9am-4pm. Lots of everything including kitchen table, dining room table, curio cabinets, oak desk, commercial-grade rubber flooring, exercise equipment, foosball table; baby crib, changing table, bedroom sets, other miscellaneous furniture, water heater, business awning, home-made beauty products, lots of baby & kid stuff & much more. I1L222

SUB SALE: BROOKDALE WOODS: North of Walton, west of Adams. May 7-9, 9am-4pm. I1L221

REDECORATING SALE. Furniture, collectibles and more. Thursday and Friday, 9am-5pm. 600 Sebek, off W. Drahnner, Oxford. I1L221

GARAGE SALE THURSDAY 5/7-Saturday 5/9. Starts at 9am. 8629 Sashabaw Rd, Clarkston, MI 48348. I1L221

RUMMAGE SALE- MAY 14 & 15, 9am-5pm; May 16, 9am-noon. Oxford Free Methodist, 790 S. Lapeer (M-24). Priced for today's economy. Donations accepted. 248-628-1106. I1L222

ESTATE MOVING SALE

5960 Hosner Rd (North of Oakwood) May 6-9 & May 11-15, 8am-4pm

Household, furniture, washer/dryer, refrigerator, dressers, table w/chairs, couch, love seat, antique sewing machines file cabinets, DVD's, VHS, A/C units, toys, dishes, wedding dress, & more.

248-969-2131

L221
HUGE 4 FAMILY Yard Sale. Miller Road, Lake Orion. May 8-9. Clothes, furniture, kids items. Very low prices I1L221

LARGE MOVING SALE & Multi Family Sale. May 14-15, 9am-4pm. 949 Hidden Valley Dr, Lake Orion. Conklin/ Indian Lake Rd. Newer gas dryer, electric dryer, washing machine, and lots of furniture. Also, lots of kids clothes and household items! I1L222

1852 HOPEFIELD ST, Orion, off Joslyn Rd., North of I-75. New construction materials, home goods, furniture, clothing, May 7-9, 9am-4pm. I1L221

CLARKSTON RIDGE ANNUAL Sub Sale, May 7-9, 9am-4pm. Off of Sashabaw, north of Clarkston Rd. Follow signs. I1L221

120 CRAFT SHOWS

CRAFTERS WANTED: Darci Seipke Benefit Foundation Annual Fall Festival October 3&4. Canterbury Village, Lake Orion. Call Pam: 248-721-1647. I1L224

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5855 Oakwood Rd 1/2 Block W of Baldwin Rd. Every Saturday 9am-4pm VENDORS WANTED Robert Reese 248-682-6963 Charles Kniffen 248-628-3899

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BOYS WOOD BEDROOM set: twin trundle bed, armoire, desk and chair, \$350; antique drop leaf table, \$150; drafting table, free; antique flour box, \$50; black TV stand, \$15. Call 248-628-5824 after 5:30 p.m. I1L222fdh

140 COMPUTERS

COMPUTER PROBLEMS? Microsoft certified technician. Free diagnostic. John 248-892-5667 (Clarkston). I1L2204

COMPUTER PROBLEMS? Remove unwanted software, spyware, viruses: Is your computer as fast & stable as mine? Onsite at your convenience. Refurbished computers for sale. Free follow-up tech support. Scotty 248-245-9411. I1L2214

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HAND CARVED 6" solid wood antique cigar store indian, \$2,000 obo. 1940's wood phone booth, \$1,500 obo. 248-249-5166. I1C432

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2005 ECONOLINE 16 ton flatbed trailer, 23ft. Excellent condition. Dual axles, electric brakes, \$4900. 248-628-1019. Leave message if no answer. I1L217dht

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L214
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L213c
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L2213
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2004, 25FT DUTCHMAN Sport camper, \$9,000 obo, very clean. 248-343-3779 I1ZX382

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190 LOST & FOUND

LOST- BLACK/ WHITE small cat with light brown eyes. Orion Village area.. Reward if found. 248-693-0356. I1R212

220 HORSES

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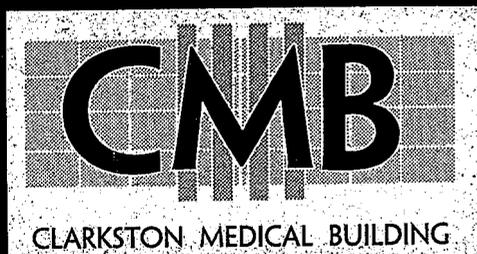
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