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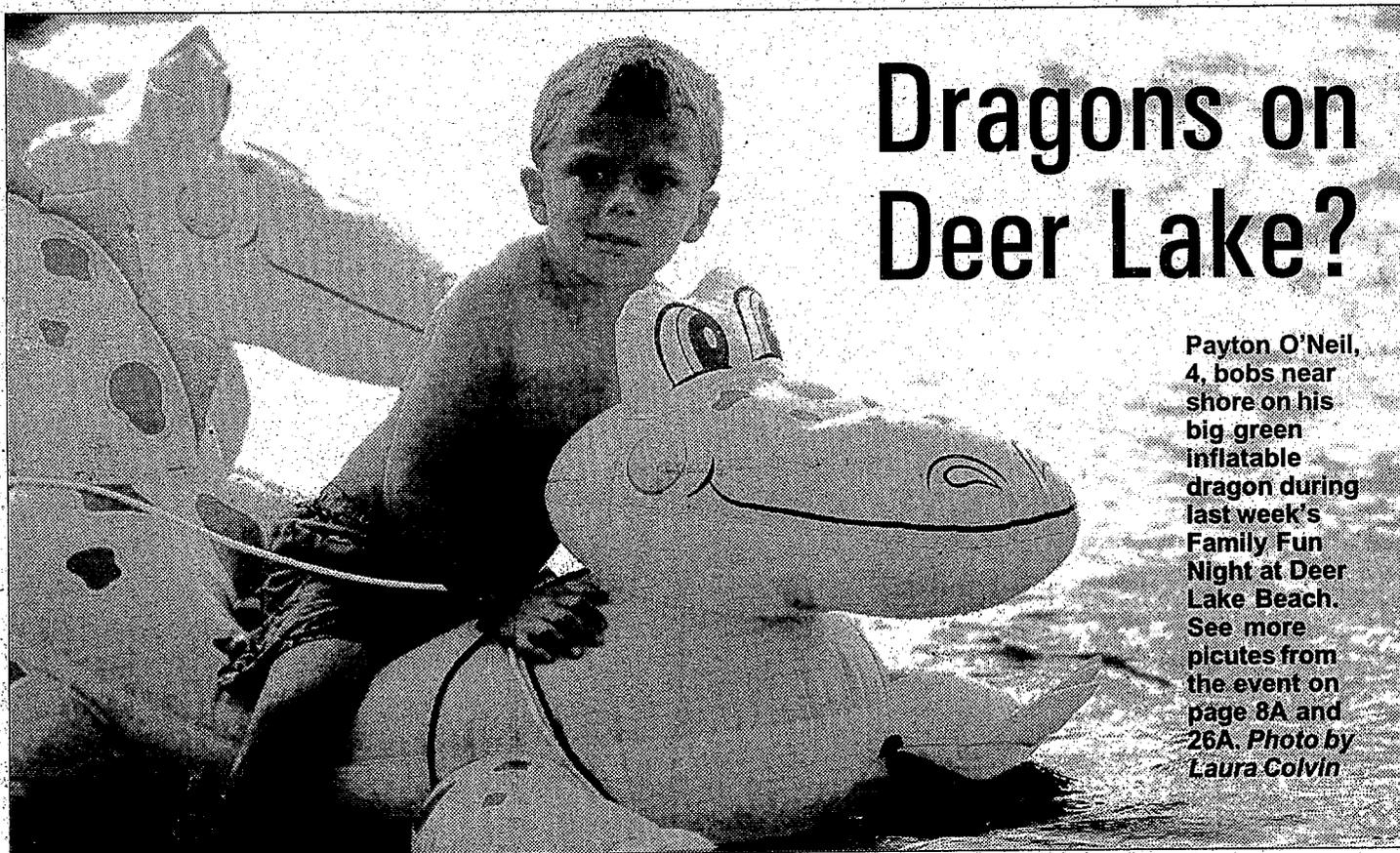
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Girl Scouts find gold on stage, please see page 1B

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## Dragons on Deer Lake?

Payton O'Neil, 4, bobs near shore on his big green inflatable dragon during last week's Family Fun Night at Deer Lake Beach. See more pictures from the event on page 8A and 26A. Photo by Laura Colvin

## Trash talk

### Second in a series examining a proposed multi-township plan for waste collection

BY LAURA COLVIN  
*Clarkston News Staff Writer*

The Capital and Cooperative Initiatives Revolving Fund study report itself is only 41 pages.

But to fully understand cost and revenue, cooperative structures, applicable technology, or implementation of a solid waste authority, Resource Recycling Services prepared seven appendices to accompany the document.

All totaled, the report is nearly 500 pages.

Interested residents will have an opportunity Aug. 27 to hear the condensed version and ask questions as Independence and Springfield townships present a joint forum at Clarkston Junior High School, 6-8 p.m.

Clarkston residents may want to attend as well.

"Both Ortonville and Clarkston are located in two of the CCIRF townships," the report reads. "Since both have subscription based services, and if the surrounding townships proceed as an authority, it would be recommended that these communities participate."

Clarkston City Manager Dennis Ritter said he wondered when someone would ask how the half-square mile city fit into the scheme of things.

"We weren't asked to participate in the study," he said. "But we'll certainly be impacted if one company is selected to service all the surrounding areas. All the small independents will close up and our residents will have no choice but to use the same company the others are using."

Ritter, who formerly served as Waterford Township supervisor, said advocates of a

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## Academics focus of new school goals

BY PHIL CUSTODIO  
*Clarkston News Editor*

Setting goals is the goal for Monday's school board meeting.

For its last meeting before the start of the school year, Clarkston Board of Education hopes to iron out priorities at its Aug. 24 meeting.

"We'll work on a set of goals, and a road map on how to achieve those goals," said board President Stephen Hyer.

They'll work with ideas brainstormed at their July 16 retreat session on curriculum,

budget, communications, and other big-picture items.

Curriculum items will include evaluation of trimesters, CSM Tech, school-within-school, and other academic programs, including cost versus benefits, and affect on student learning, said board Vice President Susan Boatman.

"We want to know how they affect students, how they're doing," Boatman said.

The board also focuses on overall student achievement, she said.

"Focus seem to be on IB (International

Baccalaureate), OSMtech and other advanced curriculum, but we have all kinds of students who didn't choose either," Boatman said. "They should still be improving what they know. Everyone should be able to do better. Everyone can learn and achieve more."

Curriculum goals will also focus on teachers, such as Teachers as Leaders, an idea to place more responsibility and power with classroom instructors, said Trustee Joan Patterson.

"Teachers are a very large part of student

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# Township wants fair share from Comcast

BY TREVOR KEISER  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

With neighboring communities receiving Public, Education, and Government (PEG) fees from Comcast cable, Independence Township wants its fair share.

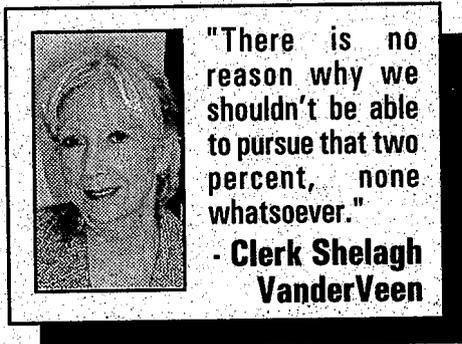
"Of the 10 to 12 municipalities that our firm represents, Independence Township is the only one in this situation because under your expired franchise with Comcast, you didn't receive any PEG fees, the township has never gotten anything from their cable provider," said Kristin Kolb, attorney with Secrest and Wardle law firm.

"All the other communities that we represent have always gotten something."

The township signed a 10-year contract with Comcast in 2006, but has not received any profits from Comcast.

The board hired a consultant out of California to calculate how much the township should receive. Results indicate two percent, \$160,000, annually would be fair; however, Comcast sent a letter in March saying they would only be willing to pay half a percent.

"I sent that commentary to the consultant in California," Kolb said. "He responded that he thought that was not right, based on telephone survey, written survey, a focus group and his evaluations of the systems



"There is no reason why we shouldn't be able to pursue that two percent, none whatsoever."

- Clerk Shelagh VanderVeen

both in the possession of the township and at the public schools."

She noted, based on the language in the Uniform Franchise Act in state law, it's up to the township to set the PEG fee, not Comcast.

Treasurer Curt Carson asked if fees are set by the township, "what allows Comcast to come back and tell us 'no, we'll do something different?'"

"That's the position and argument we now have to make to them," Kolb responded.

"There really is no legal authority for them to say that. The act is clear that the fee is established through the community needs assessment by the local franchising authority, which is the township," she said. "There is nothing that says that Comcast can debate that (amount) or can submit an

alternate proposal."

Clerk Shelagh VanderVeen supported moving forward and contacting Comcast again.

"I think we went over and above everything that is required of us and I think it was a thorough report, based on the law that you presented. There is no reason why we shouldn't be able to pursue that two percent, none whatsoever," she said. "I think we should send the letter and get this rolling again."

Trustee David Lohmeier agreed.

"At \$160,000 a year, this is worth taking to the next step," he said.

PEG fee funds are used to support public access programming. Supervisor Dave Wagner said the \$160,000 in revenue could help pay for another full-time person at the Clarkston Public Access Center, as well as tape special meetings, and planning commission and Zoning Board of Appeals meetings for broadcast.

The board voted unanimously to authorize attorneys to file a complaint with the Michigan Public Service Commission if they are not able to reach a "favorable conclusion" with Comcast.

"Everyone else gets two percent," Wagner said. "Why should we be different than anyone else?"

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## Briefly

### Public hearing for waste plan

Springfield Township and Independence Township, along with representatives from Resource Recycling Systems, hosts an informational public meeting, 6-8 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 27, to discuss potential implementation of a joint waste removal and recycling program.

Township and RRS representatives will present CCIRF study findings and get accurate information to the residents and respond to questions and concerns from the public.

The meeting is at Clarkston Junior High School, 6595 Waldon Road. Call the Independence Township supervisor's office at 248-625-5111 or the Springfield Township supervisor's office at 248-846-6502.

### Septic Tank workshop

The Clinton River Watershed Council will hold a Septic Tank Maintenance workshop Tuesday, Aug. 25, from 7-8 p.m. at the Springfield Township Civic Center, 12000 Davisburg Road.

Designed for homeowners and others responsible for upkeep and repair of a septic system, the workshop will offer guidelines for the simple but important maintenance necessary to avoid system failure and expensive repairs, as well as stormwater pollution and public health problems.

For registration or questions, call 248-601-0606 or email [contact@crwc.org](mailto:contact@crwc.org).

### Cancer support group starting

A cancer support group called HOPE (Health, Optimism, Perseverance, and Education) is starting on Aug. 19 from 6-7 p.m. and will be held every third Wednesday of every month at the Great Lakes Cancer Institute, located at 5680 Bow Pointe Dr.

The group is for people with any type of cancer and offers both emotional support and education to help with adjustment and coping. Care-givers, family, and friends are welcome to attend with the cancer patient.

Call 1-877-627-6248 to register, walk-ins are welcome.

## New tenants create stir at old township hall

BY LAURACOLVIN

Clarkston News Staff Writer

New life arrived at an empty building in downtown Clarkston recently, but some residents say they're not happy about the tenants.

Two businesses have already set up shop in the old Independence Township Hall at 90 N. Main Street in downtown Clarkston—a local photographer and a computer-related venture—and two more are lined up to go in soon.

But those opposed to the idea of businesses operating from the building—the area is zoned for single-family residential use—say the operation is in violation of city ordinance.

"While it has been used as a school and as governmental offices, those exceptions are allowed under the law; commercial use is not, unless an exception is granted," said a resident who asked not to be identified. "The present commercial occupancy is illegal."

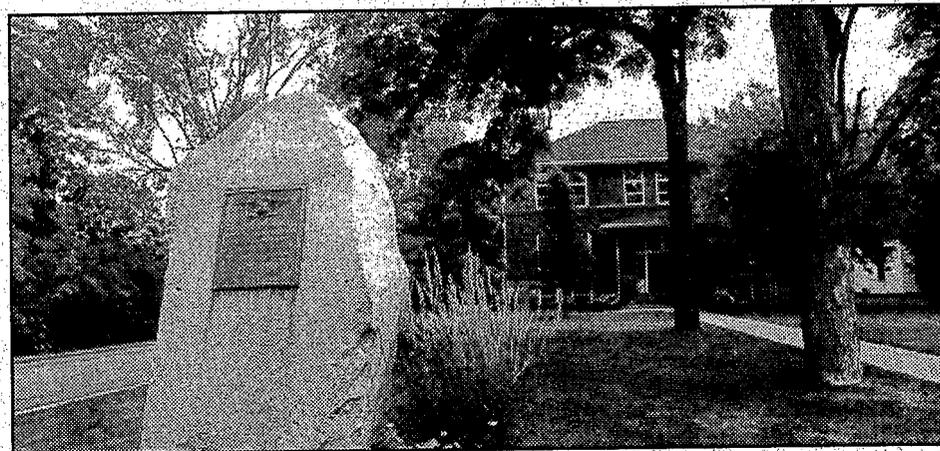
City Attorney Tom Ryan said he hadn't yet had an opportunity to look into the matter, but some residents worried that allowing the commercial use could set a precedent for other rezonings, and potentially change the character of Main Street.

The building, erected in 1910, housed Independence Township municipal offices from 1951 until last year, when it was traded in the township's bid for a new facility, now open on Waldon Center Drive.

The building in downtown Clarkston is now owned by Ed Adler and Bob Roth of Leh-Ray Holdings, LLC, who say they plan to continue renting to interested businesses.

"For years the township sold dog licenses and tickets to parks and recreation events out of that building," Roth said. "They held dance classes and other classes up on the third floor, and no one ever paid taxes."

But with the township moved out, the bills are rolling in.



Some residents are opposed to the idea of commercial businesses setting up shop in the old township hall on Main Street. Photo by Laura Colvin

Tax bills to the tune of \$28,258.14, in fact. "And that's just winter taxes," Roth said.

Adler and Roth both said residents don't have to worry; they're not planning to put up neon signs for the tenants, or make any other noticeable changes, for that matter.

"We don't have any plans like that at this point," Adler said. "My hope is you'll drive by 10 years from now and it will look just like it does right now."

Although two tenants have now moved into the building, Adler and Roth said they tried to talk with city officials months ago, before renting out space.

City Council meeting minutes show they both attended a November meeting "to determine the future development of the township hall property on 90 North Main."

The council recommended taking the issue to the city planning commission, an effort, Adler and Roth said, that held up plans and ultimately went nowhere.

"Meanwhile, the meter kept running on the tax bill," Adler said. "They didn't slow that down. We're going to pay the taxes, and we're going to get some help doing it. You know anyone who needs some office

space?"

Former Clarkston Mayor Sharron Catalo attended last Monday's city council meeting and, like others, spoke up on the issue during public comments.

"I'm concerned about the space already being rented," she said. "I would have thought it would be handled differently, instead of putting the council in the position of dealing with someone who's already occupying the building."

City Manager Dennis Ritter said the issue was in the hands of the city planner and the city attorney.

"We do have the appearance of a violation," Ritter said. "But we have to understand the planner's interpretation and our attorney's opinion before we take any kind of action."

City Councilman Cory Johnston had a different opinion.

"If it's a zoning issue, the Zoning Board of Appeals is the only one who has authority to address it," he said. "If the party disagrees with the ZBA, the next step is the courts."

## Clarkston Labor Day Parade - join in the fun



Preparations are underway for Clarkston's Labor Day Parade, sponsored by the Clarkston Rotary Club, Monday, Sept. 7, at 10 a.m.

Parade route will be Church Street to Main Street, north through downtown Clarkston to Miller Road.

This year's parade theme will be "Michigan Automobiles - Back to the Classics."

"The Clarkston Rotary is proud of its 69 years of sponsoring the Labor Day parade," said Rotarian Joel DeLong.

"Rotarians enjoy being a part of the community, and being involved in many community service projects and events."

The parade will include classic or antique cars, organizations, businesses, musical groups, marching bands, floats, equestrian groups, and children and families on decorated bikes.

For a parade entry application, check [Clarkstonrotary.org](http://Clarkstonrotary.org), or contact Al Avery at [averyalf@aol.com](mailto:averyalf@aol.com) or Joel DeLong, 248-625-9741 or [joeldelong@netscape.net](mailto:joeldelong@netscape.net).

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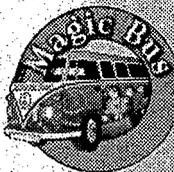


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# Summer at Harvard

## Clarkston High junior earns college credit in 7-week program

BY PHIL CUSTODIO  
 Clarkston News Editor

For many students, school is the last place they'd like to be during summer.

But it's better when the school is Harvard University, as experienced by Clarkston High School junior Maggie Schroeder.

Schroeder, 16, participated in Harvard's Secondary School Program, June 22-Aug. 8, living in a dorm and taking college-level classes.

"It was everything I thought it would be and more, in so many ways," she said. "People were so open to new ways to learn. There were so many kids from all over the world."

"It's great for her to have that level of experience," said Andrea Schroeder, her mother.

Maggie earned eight college credits, taking History and Practice of American Music and Theater, and Adolescent Literature.

"I'm really passionate about musical theater," she said. "There's a lot to learn in those areas. They would mesh singers with acting and actors with singing, to make a better singing actor."

In literature, they studied Philip Pullman's "Dark Materials," J.K. Rowling's "Harry Potter," and other works.

"We looked at the craft," she said. "It was really interesting. Harry Potter's story starts at beginning of adolescence - it's easy to connect with for everyone."

The high school students studied alongside undergrad and graduate-level college students.

"Older students bring higher level thinking," she said. "Talking to a grad student, she said she really enjoyed what we had to say."

She and her family vacationed in Boston, Mass., last year, visiting Harvard for a tour.

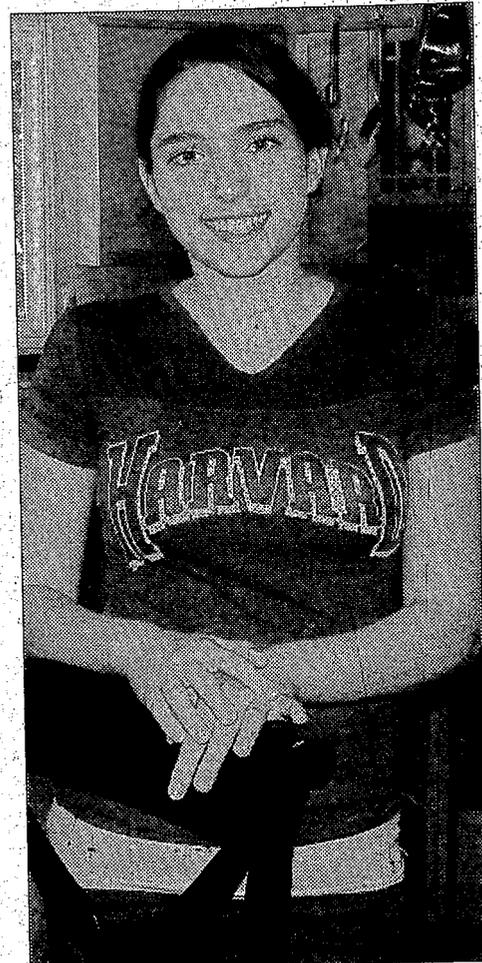
"It's one of the most diverse campuses I've ever seen, so cool," Maggie said.

The university provided information on the Secondary School Program, and she applied.

"I learned a lot," she said. "I'm glad I took it. I really enjoyed the independence. I stayed in an awesome dorm."

Clarkston Foundation helped defray expenses with a \$700 scholarship.

"I'm incredibly grateful to the Clarkston Foundation," said Maggie, who wrote an essay explaining her goals in life as part of her



Clarkston High School student Maggie Schroeder was a Harvard student for the summer. Photo by Phil Custodio

scholarship application. "It's an experience I'll never forget."

"We love them - we've supported the foundation for years," Andrea said. "It's a great organization, giving kids unique opportunities in art, science, and technology programs."

Harvard is on Maggie's short list after graduating high school, along with Yale.

"Yale is cool, too," she said. She has been in school plays and musicals since middle school, performing with Clarkston High School's Drama Club, and Birmingham's Project Day Dream community theater.

"I love singing and acting - I want to keep it part of my life, through education, community theater, something," she said.

She is also in the first International Baccalaureate class at the high school.

"It offers a different way of thinking that's interesting to me," she said. "I like the philosophy it's built on, and its advanced, complete curriculum."

She is looking into a career in science, such as marine biology or veterinary medicine.

"I audited some really cool classes (at Harvard)," she said. "One was biomedical ethics."



Shalina T, Sandra E, Nancy C, Dr. Tim O'Neill, Mary E. and Krystal C. smile for a group photo.



Independence Township Senior Center van, parked out front.

## 'Bucks for Buses' rolls in the cash

Bull Frogs Bar and Grill in Ortonville was jampacked last Thursday night, Aug. 13, as crowds of people filed in for the third annual Bucks for 'Buses. The event raised \$1,800.

"We were very happy with the number of people that showed up, and everyone seemed to enjoy Dr. (Michael) Baker's band, 40 Buffalo Band and Friends. We are very thankful to Chairman Dr. (Tim) O'Neill and Co-chairmen Dr. Baker, and Dr. (Robert) Barnes, and all of our sponsors, as well as to Bull Frogs for letting us host the event at their facility," said Margaret Bartos, Independence Township Adult Activity Center director.

Please see page 8B for more photos from the event.

Photo story by Trevor Keiser



Waitress Rachel Rose, serves Mel and Jo Vara

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# Viewpoints

## Out loud

A column by Laura Colvin

### A study in community

After leaving the Clarkston City Council meeting last week I intended to flesh out the things I'd heard and write a story for this week.

After considering the facts and looking back over three years of stories, columns, letters to the editor and countless conversations in the community, I decided it needs some serious digging. For now, I'll say this:

I keep waiting for white coat-clad scientists to emerge from wherever they've been camped, watching, during the last three years—not four—and, in a very matter-of-fact manner, thank the entire



Clarkston community for its participation in their sociology experiment.

They'd call it, perhaps, "Mural: a study of community dynamics in small-town America."

The conclusions would certainly paint an interesting picture.

A picture, perhaps, of people without empathy, people who say one thing to their neighbor's face and another behind her back; people who encourage their children to be individuals, to stand out from the crowd, to do their own thing—then turn around to criticize and demean the adults in their community who do just that.

It would paint a picture of people who inexplicably developed a notion that their opinion is the "right" opinion and their taste is the "right" taste.

It would show people who are kind and good and giving, but only if they like you; only if they approve of the way you see the world.

It would, perhaps, show people who forgot, or never really understood in the first place, what it means to be "American" with the freedom—freedom—to express yourself the way you see fit.

You don't like the mural? That's fine and dandy.

Do you think you could find a way to express those feelings without being ugly or creeping around to make secret plans?

If the mural is currently the biggest thorn in your side, I offer this advice: Count your blessings. It's likely you have quite a few.

Oh, and for the record, I'm told the Clarkston Farm and Garden Club has no opinion on the mural. I suppose we'll get back to that.

### Speak out on trash plan

Government expansion is on the march, including here in the Clarkston area.

As citizens fill town halls all over the country over federal health-care plans, residents of Independence and Springfield townships have a chance to make their voices heard at a public meeting, here about a government trash-pickup plan.

Don't let that chance pass you by.

Nationally, Tea Party activists and other citizens are moving the debate. They have an effect on where and how health-care reform/takeover will happen. Take their example by filling Clarkston Junior High School, 6595 Waldon Road, 6-8 p.m., Thursday, Aug. 27.

The plan to consolidate trash pickup plan deserves your scrutiny. This area has a tradition of private trash pickup — companies offer their services for a price they set and people are free to choose who they wish.

A single hauler under government contract to collect everyone's trash may indeed be the best option. It would be more efficient and friendly to the environment.

It would also mean companies, instead of having to sell their services to thousands of customers, would just have to sell to a couple dozen people on local township boards. That idea deserves all the public scrutiny it can get.

—PMC

#### Editorial

### A warning about waste authority tax

Dear editor,

If, as advocates say in the article "Townships seek cash from trash," Aug. 12, they want a Solid Waste Authority: for less traffic, more environmentally friendly hauling, better prices for the consumers, a.k.a. the taxpayer, and cutting edge conversion technology, it may be worthwhile.

But, for it to benefit the consumer with better prices, it has to be revenue neutral and not a possible revenue to the municipalities. If there is revenue after expenses that is not used to lower the consumer cost, it is a tax.

Independence Township had \$11,759,060 in property tax revenues in 2008 from residential and commercial properties. A potential of \$1,500,000 in additional revenue to the township, would equal a 12.75 percent increase, paid for by the residential consumers

only as the commercial owners are not in the program.

Based on about 12,375 township households, \$1,500,000 would be \$10.10 per month per household that should not be drawn out of the Solid Waste Authority operations.

Our government has a fiduciary responsibility to budget its (our) expenses with its (our) revenues.

If revenues are lower than expenses, reduce services or ask the taxpayers to vote if we want a tax increase to maintain current services.

The creation of a Solid Waste Authority should only be for service to the consumer (taxpayer) and the environment at the lowest cost, not for revenue to the townships. It's our trash and our money.

William H. (Bill) Gregory  
Independence Township

#### Letters to the editor

### Thanks for township response, action

Dear editor,

The residents of our condo association have the need to express our most sincere collective "thanks" to the Independence Township Board and specifically their building department director, Mr. David Belcher.

It was only through their response and action that our Condo Association's "open basement" code violation has been resolved.

Again, our sincere thanks to our township officials for their efforts on our behalf, and also, our thanks go to the Clarkston News for allowing us to utilize their paper in conveying this message.

Sincerely,

Bob Scott and Gil Harris  
Board of Directors,  
Links of Independence Township

More letters to the editor on page 7A

## A Look Back

From The CNews archives

### 15 years ago - 1994

"House burns after drug bust; arson is suspected" Agents from the U.S. Drug Enforcement Agency raided an Independence Township home, seizing a sophisticated indoor marijuana growing operation and \$400,000 in plants. Two days later, the house was a burnt-out shell.

"Township cuts funding for DARE drug officer" Independence Township Board cut the Drug Abuse Resistance Education position in Clarkston schools, citing a recent failed police millage. School officials were disappointed.

"One last fling" There was a big turnout for Family Night at Deer Lake Beach, all enjoying a swim, hot dogs, games, and a chance to dig in the sand.

### 25 years ago - 1984

"Rolling 20s" Hazel and Leo Armstrong raised and trained about 100 pigeons to perform acrobatics in the sky, then return to their coop. Leo returned to the hobby, which he used to do as a boy, in his retirement.

"79-year-old poet tells how her writing began" Genevieve Gosh was inspired to write by life's changes and difficulties, including a divorce, job at General Motors, and raising three children.

"School teaches teens high-tech" Students at Clarkston's Northwest Oakland Vocational Education Center spent the summer learning about computers and robots in the High-Tech program. They learned about digital electronics, computer literacy, basic computer skills, robotics, word processing, and career possibilities.

### 50 years ago - 1959

"Staff complete for Clarkston schools" Clarkston Community Schools was one of the fortunate districts in the area in that they completed their staff for the 1960 school year. It included 143 teachers and administrators, and 58 secretaries, custodians, cooks, and bus drivers. Student enrollment was expected to be more than 3,800 students, an increase of 300 over the previous year.

"Make plans now for Labor Day" The annual Labor Day Parade was being planned by Clarkston Rotary, according to Bill Kelley, general chairman.

"Clarkston locals" Marine Reserve Capt. F.E. Reynolds of Clarkston returned to the Naval Air Station Grosse Ile, with Attack Squadron 222 after completing the two-week training exercise "Operation Ready."

# DPW worker won't miss councilman

Dear editor,

I am responding to an article by Laura Colvin titled "City disputes distribution of DPW logs," July 29.

I have been employed by the Clarkston DPW for almost four years and during this period of time, I have observed the friction caused by the micromanaging Councilman Cory Johnston, with his constant attacks on the DPW.

In my estimation, he is a very negative and disruptive force in his position as councilman. Not once in the four years I have worked for the DPW has he ever set foot in our East Church Street office to ask questions about our work schedule, what we do, how we do it, and when we do it. He doesn't like face-to-face meetings, but chooses to run around like a thief in the night and use the local news-

paper to attack via innuendo, half truths, and veiled attacks on the character of those he doesn't get along with or who don't agree with his personal views.

From my observations, Mr. Johnston has his own personal agenda and self-serving interests completely different from most of the other council members, the city manager, and mayor. His only agenda is to promote his rain garden project at the expense of many other important issues and projects that should be addressed.

I have given my job 100 percent effort during the past four years. I work hard, I am dedicated to leading by example, I care how my work is perceived by others in the community. I care how the park looks, how the streets look, how the community

looks. I do the best I can with what is provided to work with on my job.

The DPW is understaffed according to past records and currently has one fulltime employee (Scott) and myself, who is considered part time. Our work ethic and dedication speaks for itself and I reject Mr. Johnston's veiled attacks through the newspaper claiming otherwise.

Mr. Johnston stated he is not going to run for reelection. Now, that is some real good news. I for one won't miss him nor do I believe he will be missed by others who have seen firsthand his disruptive and negative influences. I doubt very seriously people can work and get along with him due to what the past four years' record shows.

Ralph Daigle  
Clarkston

# In golf an ace is really fun, but can be costly

Some sports have some nutty responses.

When a football team is about to win a game, players like to dump Gatorade on the coach's head.

When a golfer hits a hole-in-one he's expected to buy drinks for everyone in the bar, passersby and invitees.

It just ain't right. It's the hitter who should be bought for. Yes, I've been the victim of this totally misplaced acknowledgment celebration.

So has Bob Holt, minister of Christ the King's church in Oxford.

Further, his opponent was the owner of Oxford Hills and Country Club, Bob Hubbard, who wouldn't let the other Bob enjoy a little more glory, but went on to win the match, by two shots, 35-37. Hubbard hasn't had a legitimate below par round in many years.

I was sitting there participating in the fellowship as Pastor Bob came in. Amidst the applause I heard him say, "I'll buy one round for everyone."

Gracious Bob. Ungracious fellow golfers. One guy with me volunteered to take the beer that would have gone to a golfer who had already left.

Back to the 5th hole at Oxford Hills. It's a 198-yarder, over water. Bob chose his 7 wood. (I can't get there with a driver and a prayer.)

His ball hit in front of the green, and Bob turned away. The other three in his foursome watched, then started high-fiving. The poor guy didn't even watch long enough to get the full enjoyment of hitting such a shot.

Back in the clubhouse, Bob accepted the congratulations with the modesty expected, unlike my acceptance years ago when I bragged, offered autographs, opened my shirt and beat my chest.

During the resting period, Bob questioned aloud, "I wonder if the Board of Deacons will approve such an expenditure?"

Give me the bill, Bob, that's the way this achievement should be rewarded.

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This summer should be remembered as the year of the beautiful clouds. Patterns of various sizes of fluffy white clouds have often filled our sky, lazily floating along. Maybe there have been lots of summers like this, and maybe I'm looking skywards more these days.

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For my birthday earlier this month, daughter Luan, the middle child, gave her favorite father a zucchini, three ears of corn and some Michigan tomatoes.

I ate the tomatoes and corn immediately, but waited until later to fry the sliced zucchini in bacon grease and rejoice. Unable to finish all I had fried, and with Shayna begging beside me, I placed my plate before her.

I've given this treat to her many times in the past, and she seemed to enjoy this one even more.

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Researchers in Japan say they've grown new teeth in mice. That's what we need, strong-teethed mice. "Better to eat you with, my dear."

Why can't they stick to winning the fuel efficiency war? Why can't they get over having lost WWII, and not seeking revenge through making biologically improved teeth in rodents? Talk about sore losers!

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Things I have learned:  
• That to ignore the facts does not change the facts.  
• That it's the small daily happenings that make life so spectacular.

• That under everyone's hard shell is someone who wants to be appreciated and loved.

• You can buy horseradish ice cream in Tokyo.

I gotta get off this Jap kick. Bye.

## Jim's Jottings



a column by  
Jim Sherman

# Public meeting chance to make voice heard

Dear editor,

The chance for residents in both Independence and Springfield Twp. to stand up and speak out against another money sucking proposal that will affect every resident in Independence and Springfield townships is coming up.

A public meeting for both townships has been scheduled for Thursday, Aug. 27 from 6-8 p.m. at Clarkston Junior High School Performing Arts Center, 6595 Waldon Road.

This meeting will be your opportunity to speak out regarding the garbage "authority" (business) monopoly that is being proposed in our townships.

The one hauler, sorting plant proposal is an issue that will be a huge burden to taxpayers if it is approved. There has been no citizen support what-so-ever for the one hauler trash plant proposal. Even though many residents have spoken out against it,

officials in Independence Township still believe that when we say no it really means yes. Unsurprisingly they are still considered it.

The local trash authority (SOCCRA) business proposal stinks to high heaven. Once this multi-million dollar sorting plant is built, our freedom of choice will be taken away and profitable or not, we'll all be stuck with a sorting plant monopoly long into the future.

This will be a 24/7 plant whose traffic will be forced upon one community and then used by all of the participating communities.

Because it's supposed to generate a profitable by-product, accepting trash from communities outside of the "authority" is not out of the question.

The end result will be another government takeover of a business for profit and the ensuing trash laws that will follow.

SOCCRA laws already say it's illegal to "steal" from garbage set to

the curb. The profits from your garbage are now SOCCRA's. SOCCRA's website asks you to report scavengers.

When Independence Twp. Supervisor Dave Wagner and his brain trust claim: "it'll be cheaper" then you better grab your wallet!

Creating a government garbage "middle man" will make prices rise, not fall. Your taxes will be raised to pay for this facility and the salaries needed for the government "authority" that will be created. History has shown that every time the government says it can do something "cheaper" it'll cost you and I more money.

Please take the time to go to the upcoming meetings and voice your opposition to yet another unwanted intrusion into your wallet! Make your voice heard, before it's too late!

Sincerely,

Michael Powell  
Independence Township

# Trash plan means more government

Dear editor,

The desire of the township to take over trash hauling is another example of government intrusion into the private sector.

I have yet to see anything that the government can do better and more cost effectively than the private sector can do.

The manta may be that it is "greener and better for us," but the reality is that they can smell the money.

Candace Woodward  
Independence Township

## The voice of a free people

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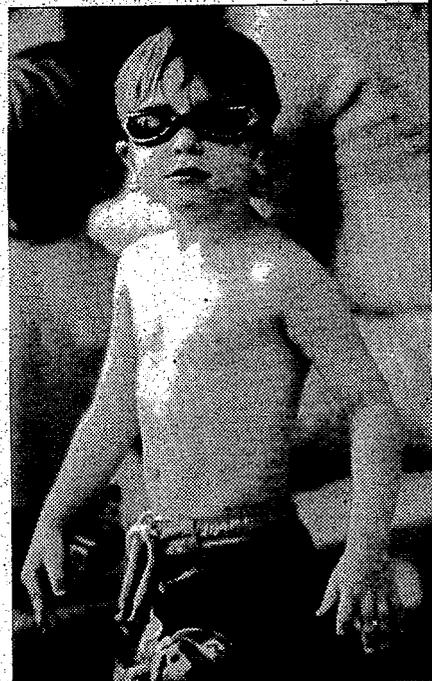
Going home wasn't quite so fun.

## Fabulous family fun

Swimmers and sun bathers enjoyed an evening of fun and games at the beach, during Independence Township Parks and Recreation's Fun Night at Deer Lake Beach.

The family-friendly celebration included games and prizes, entertainment, food, face painting, crafts, and sand castle contest, all to the theme, Safari Jungle. Attendees dressed in animal print and safari gear, best dressed winning a prize.

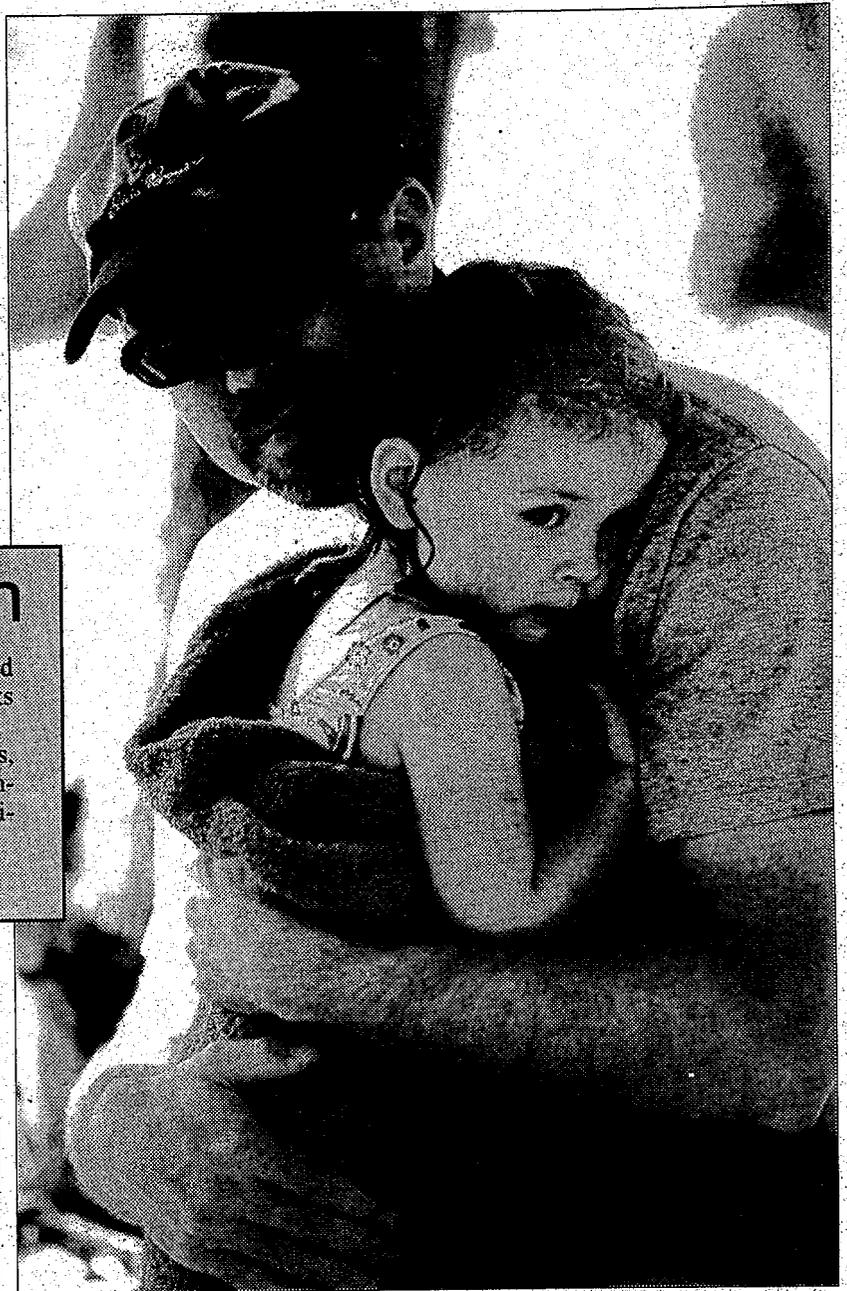
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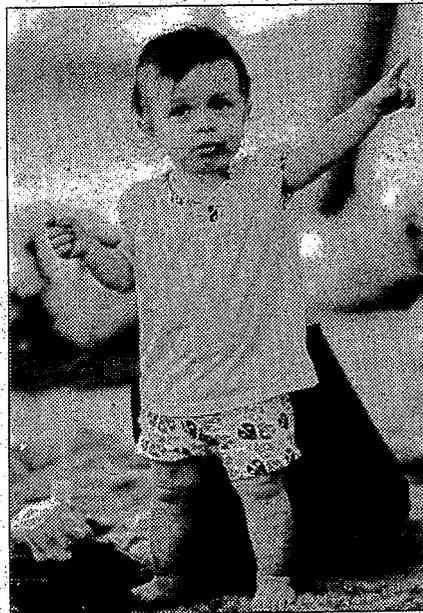
James Barnett kept his goggles on while munching on a picnic lunch.



Drew Larkin, 3, practices his swimming skills.



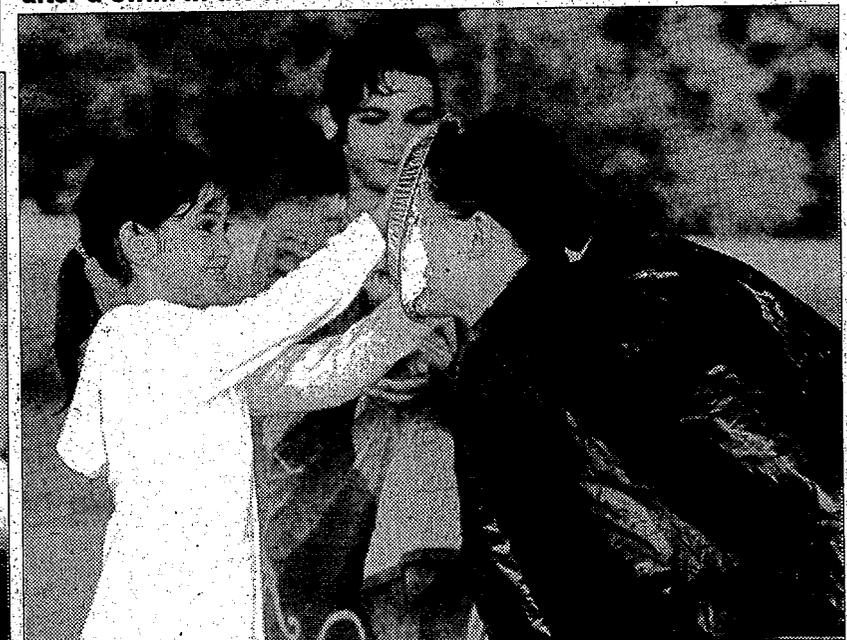
Lauren Butcher gets a warm hug from her dad, Michael Butcher, after a swim in the lake.



Gracie Rector enjoys her cheese puffs while dancing to the music.



Katie Johnson leaps down the inflatable slide.



Meagan Ruggirello and Julie Ruggirello give Sajel Tremblay a "mud pie" in the face.

## The knife no one knew

After discovering what appeared to be blood on an 8-inch kitchen knife found in his yard July 30, a Springfield Township man living in the 9500 block of Earl called police to report the matter, noting he heard arguing outside during the night. Neighbors told investigating deputies they had indeed squabbled with an unknown man, but said no injuries occurred to any of the involved parties. Police logged the knife into evidence, just in case.

## Domestic assault

Investigators in Springfield Township were looking into a domestic assault that allegedly occurred July 30 in the 10600 block of Holly Road after an 18-year-old woman ended up with a cut on her mouth and a "small goose egg" on her head during an argument with her boyfriend. The alleged perpetrator left the scene before deputies arrived.

## Open is invitation

Springfield Township homeowners in the 9300 block of Wildflower Way reported a toolbox, batteries, golf clubs and other items missing from the garage July 31, noting they'd left the overhead door open during the night.

## Lock it or lose it

Several items were reported missing Aug. 1 from an unlocked car in the 7100 block of

# Public Safety

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

Blue Water Drive. The owner told police she found the vehicle's doors partially open in the morning, noting the car appeared as if someone rifled through it.

## Again, lock it or lose it

A Springfield Township man found his digital camera, along with a navigation system screen, missing from his car Aug. 3 after he left the vehicle unlocked overnight at his home in the 8200 block of Tindall.

## Wheeled away

A car dealership in 8400 block of Dixie Highway in Springfield Township reported all four wheels and tires stolen from a vehicle they'd taken delivery of the previous day. Employees arrived at work Aug. 4 to find the car propped up on blocks.

## Talking Turkey

A 65-year-old Independence Township filed a police report Aug. 7 after learning someone used her Saks Fifth Ave card to make purchases totaling more than \$500 on July 31—in Turkey.

## Pot doesn't pan out

Two Independence Township teens were issued citations for possession of marijuana Aug. 7 after a deputy spotted the 17 and 18-year-old males hanging out behind a fast food restaurant on Dixie Highway and discovered the substance in their possession.

## Slow down

A 19-year-old man was issued a citation for reckless driving, malicious destruction of property and driving while license suspended after he allegedly skidded through the yard of a home in the 9700 block of Andersonville Road in Springfield Township Aug. 8. The homeowner told police his young daughter often plays in the spot the car drove through. The driver said the incident occurred because he turned too fast, causing his vehicle to slide through the yard.

## Only remembered the beer

A 21-year-old Independence Township man involved in a single car accident Aug. 8 near Clarkston Road and Eston Road told police he didn't know what happened or what

Wed., August 19, 2009 The Clarkston (MI) News 9 A direction he was traveling before the crash, but did tell deputies he consumed "four or more" beers prior to the accident. The man was transported to the hospital for a blood draw and cited for driving while intoxicated.

## His Vicodin vanished

Deputies in Springfield Township responded to the 6000 block of Ridge Hollow after a 44-year-old man reported someone entered his unlocked car overnight and stole about 70 Vicodin pills from inside.

## More domestic assault

Police were pursuing domestic violence and assault and battery charges against a 26-year-old Brandon Township man after he allegedly attacked his former girlfriend and her friend at an Independence Township apartment Aug. 11. According to police reports, the man followed the women from a bar in Waterford to the apartment, where an argument ensued.

## Smashed glass

Deputies were dispatched to the 5900 block of Dixie Highway after a business owner reported someone smashed the window from a building Aug. 11, and smashed the glass in a company truck, as well. Nothing appeared missing from the scene.

-Compiled by Laura Colvin

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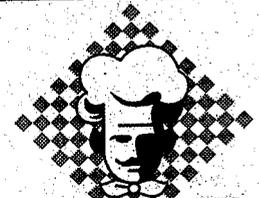
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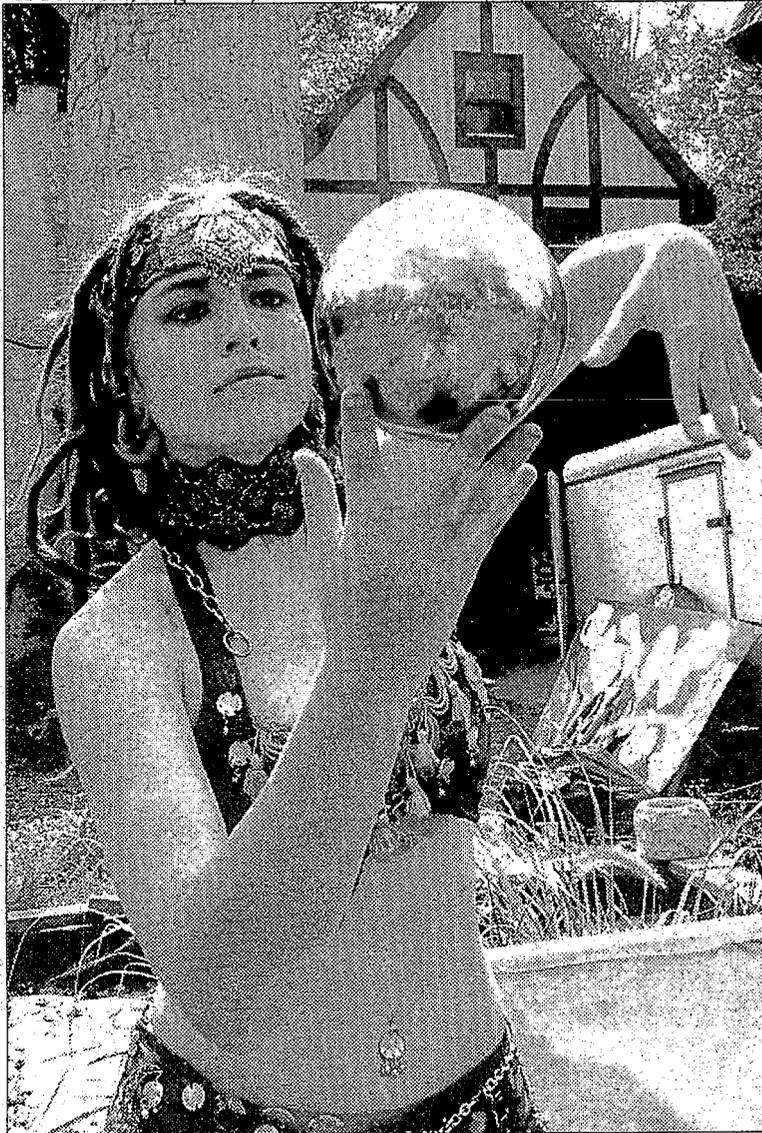
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The Queen opens the festival. Photos by Bob Flath

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# Township board has final say on employee discharge

BY TREVOR KEISER

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Authority to fire township employees formerly reserved for the supervisor now lies with the entire Township Board.

The new personnel-manual policy, revised by human resources Director Carol Gabris, gives discharging authority to the Independence Township Board, based on supervisor or HR director's recommendation.

"The employee who would be subject to separation from employment would also have the opportunity to appeal their case here before the board, either prior to the decision or ultimately after the decision is made," Gabris said.

The board debated at its July 21 meeting as to who had the authority to discharge personnel and how it should be handled. The board asked Gabris to amend the proposed personnel manual discharge policy.

Gabris returned Aug. 4 with the new language proposal, which was approved unanimously by the board.

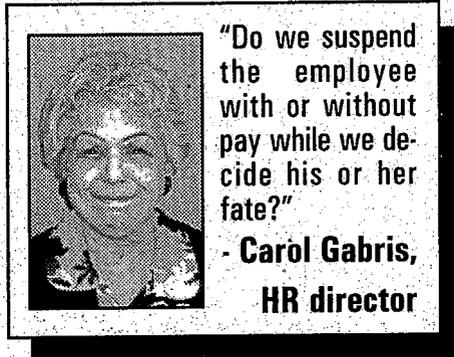
The first draft gave discharging authority to the supervisor, after following a "series of disciplinary actions."

It also allowed the HR director to make a recommendation to the supervisor. If the supervisor did not act upon the director's recommendation within seven days, the matter was then brought to the township board by either the HR director and/or two board members.

"My own concerns for the current language being proposed is that it may extend the separation process for a protracted period of time, which may not be a good thing for the employee," Gabris wrote in a memo to the board.

She also noted there could be union contract and pay issues.

"Do we suspend the employee with or



"Do we suspend the employee with or without pay while we decide his or her fate?"

- Carol Gabris, HR director

without pay while we decide his or her fate," she asked. "Do we let them continue working until a decision is made?"

Clerk Shelagh VanderVeen asked what kind of situation would require a person to be separated prior to a board's decision.

"A situation if an employee was found to have stolen something from the township, something of great value we would suspend that person until the investigation was complete before the decision or recommendation would be rendered," Gabris responded.

Trustee Neil Wallace said "the amendment demonstrates real progress by the township board and improving the way personnel is handled in the township."

Wallace also tried to reemphasize that the HR director was not costing the township more money.

"It was the fulcrum for me in the supporting the idea of having an HR director - I think it's going to save us hundreds of thousands of dollars and provide us better advice than we ever have before and everything from union negotiations to the way we go about handling the discipline process," he said. "I think that is going to be good not just for the township and the taxpayers, but for the employees that we depend on to make the township operate."

# Former treasurer owes PTA \$26,400

BY LAURA COLVIN

Clarkston News Staff Writer

The woman accused of embezzling money from PTA groups at two Clarkston schools will pay \$26,400.83 in restitution.

Diane Weller, 44, pled no contest Aug. 3 in Sixth Circuit Court, accepting plea bargain terms for probation and lesser charges in exchange for repayment to both Pine Knob Elementary and Sashabaw Middle School PTA funds.

"I did not follow proper accounting procedures while acting as the treasurer of the PTA," reads an Aug. 3 statement given to the court and signed by Weller. "As an officer, I took PTA funds for my own use. I did not keep proper track of these funds while attempting to replace these funds."

Sixth Circuit Court Judge Lisa Gorcyca presided over the case.

Weller first became treasurer of the PTA at PKE in 2001. She served as president during the 2002-2003 school year, and again as treasurer in 2003-2004.

While she was not involved with the PTA during 2005, Weller again became treasurer, this time at Sashabaw Middle School, during the two school years spanning 2006-2008. On March 16, 2009, PTA officials held a meeting with police to discuss missing funds, telling investigators serious discrepancies had been discovered in the books.

During the investigation, police said Weller admitted taking money from Entertainment Book, cookie dough and book fair fundraisers, adjusting books to cover missing funds and submitting fictitious audits during her tenure with the PTA at both schools.

Weller also told police she stole money "just to pay bills," noting her family's home almost went to foreclosure about five years ago. But she also claimed she needed money to help pay for the funeral of a family member, and to send her boys to summer camp.

Police eventually charged Weller with two felony counts of embezzlement of more than \$1,000 but less than \$20,000, and arraigned May 13 in 52/2 District Court.

After her no contest plea Aug. 3, Weller paid \$2,000 as the first installment of her restitution, and is scheduled to pay \$500 per month until the balance is paid.

According to court documents, Weller owes the Pine Knob Elementary PTA \$9,789.75; the Sashabaw Middle School PTA is to receive \$16,611.08.

The charges will remain on her record, but will show as misdemeanor—rather than felony convictions—if she follows through with the restitution payments, police said.

Myron F. Poe, Weller's attorney, was not available for comment.

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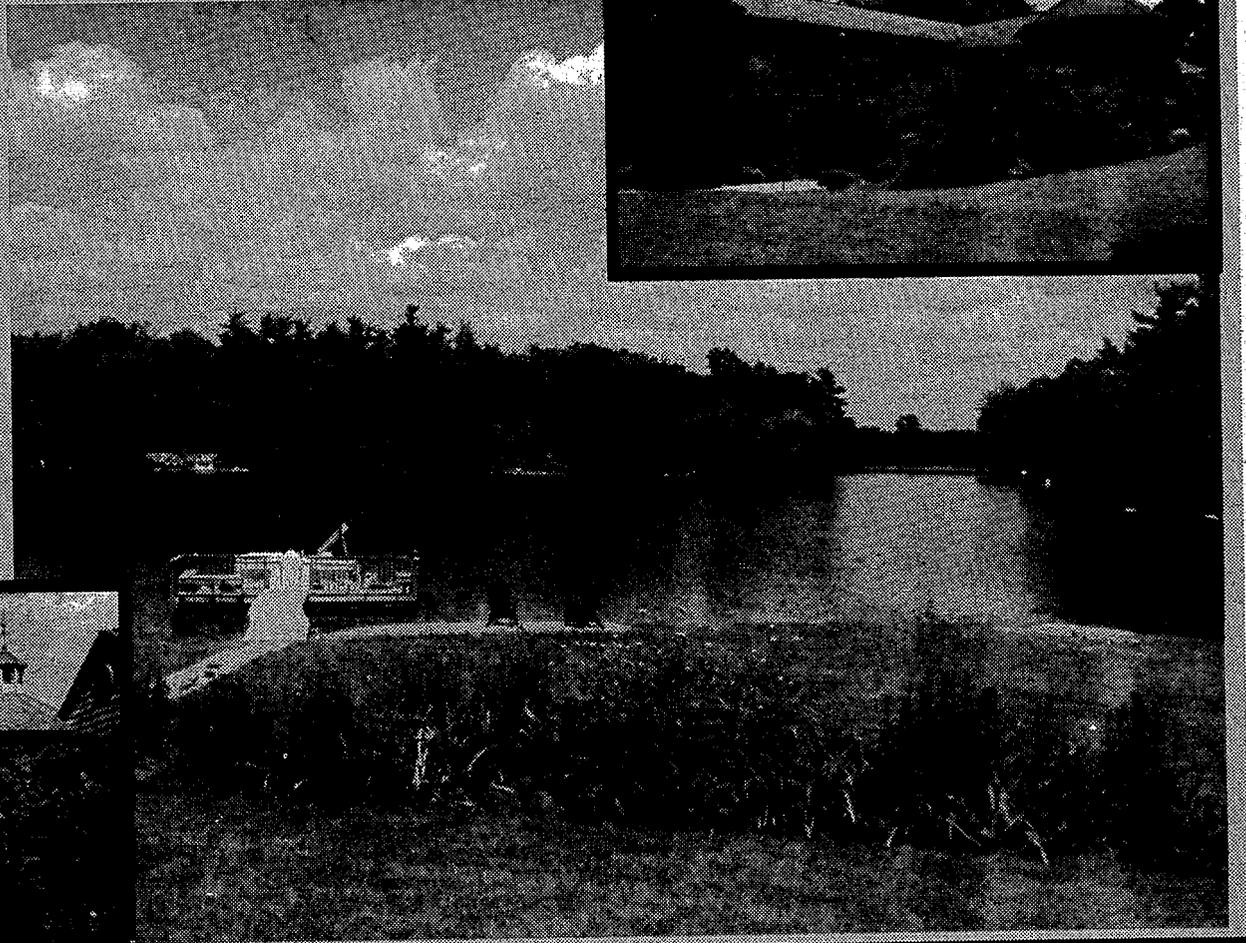
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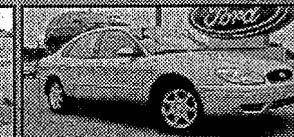
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# Township man foils theft of his own computer

BY LAURACOLVIN  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

When an Independence Township man woke one late July morning to discover his laptop—left in an unlocked car outside his home—had been stolen by thieves in the night, he sprang to action.

Using a different computer, the man went to Craigslist.com, a local and mostly-free online forum featuring classified ads in categories like jobs, services, household merchandise and romance.

There, already posted on Craigslist, the man found what appeared to be his computer, for sale, presumably by the person who'd stolen it from his car.

After getting the seller to respond via email, the man arranged a meeting in Kroger's parking lot on Sashabaw Road.

When the seller arrived and popped open the laptop, the man recognized everything on the desktop. It was, indeed, his stolen computer.

The man signaled his wife and friends—waiting inconspicuously—to surround the seller's car and call 911.

On Aug. 17, after several weeks of investigation and numerous interviews with suspects involved in the caper, Det. Bill Baldwin of the Oakland County Sheriff's Office Independence

Township substation submitted a package to the Oakland County Prosecutor's Office. Baldwin was requesting warrants against five young men allegedly involved in the incident, as well as a string of other thefts—mostly from unlocked cars—in and around the township.

Three of the five, ages 17 and 18, are Independence Township residents. Two others are relatives of the Independence Township men, who were visiting from Georgia.

Between them, the young men are facing five counts of larceny from an automobile, (LFA), three counts of receiving and concealing stolen property, one count of home invasion and one count of UDAA—unlawfully driving away an automobile.

When the man found his missing computer listed on Craigslist, he called the detective for advice.

"I advised him to set up the meeting," said Baldwin, noting he told the man, and would tell others, there was no need to actually make contact with the person; just wait to see that they arrive, call police and point out the suspect when deputies arrive.

In fact, when deputies arrived on the scene at Kroger's, the man was able to provide documentation proving the computer was his; inside the car driven by the young man attempting to sell the stolen computer, deputies lo-

cated other stolen merchandise: iPods, cell phones, headphones and drug paraphernalia.

But while these five men face charges, others continue stealing from unlocked cars. The phenomenon is not Independence Township-specific.

"We're seeing quite a few LFAs lately," said Sgt. Tim Willis, commander of the Springfield Township substation. "Once in a while we get a smashed (car) window, but most of the time the stuff comes up missing from an unlocked vehicle."

Willis, who came on board at the Springfield substation just last year, said he wasn't sure whether the township was seeing an increase over previous years or not, but noted the thefts are definitely "crimes of opportunity."

"They go for the easy mark," he said. "Just because your car is in your driveway or in front of your house doesn't mean it's safe. If you leave the car unlocked and you leave items on the seat or on the dash, sooner or later they're likely to get stolen."



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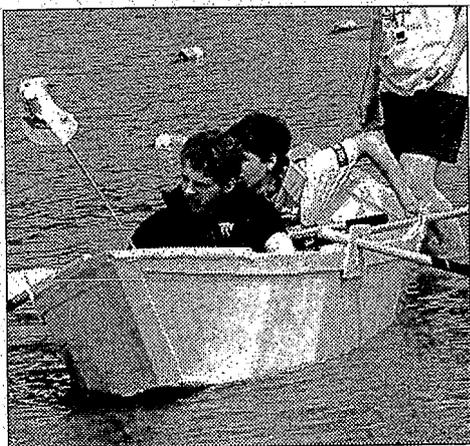
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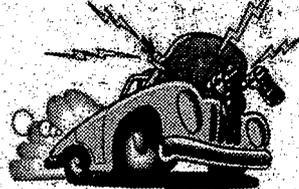
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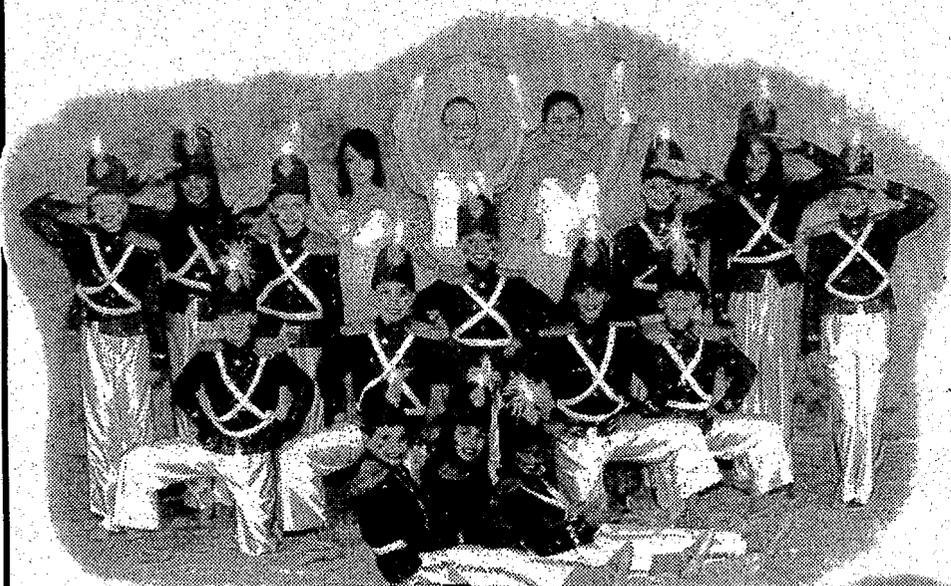
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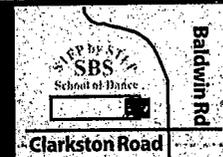
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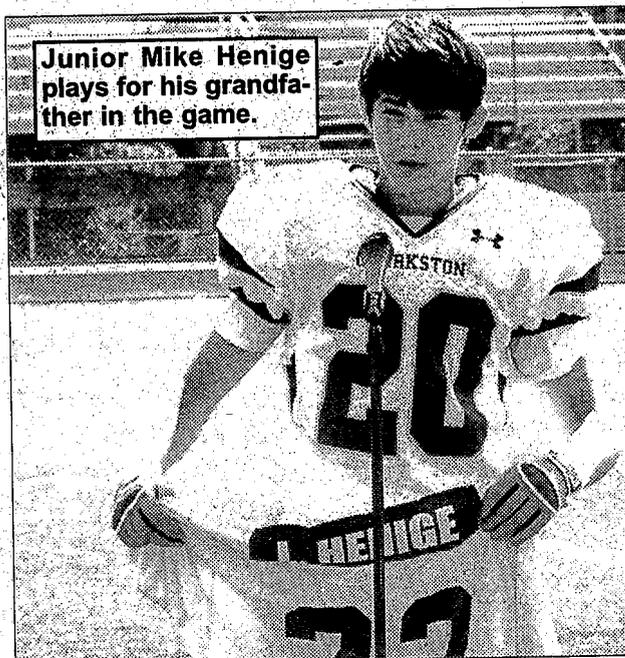
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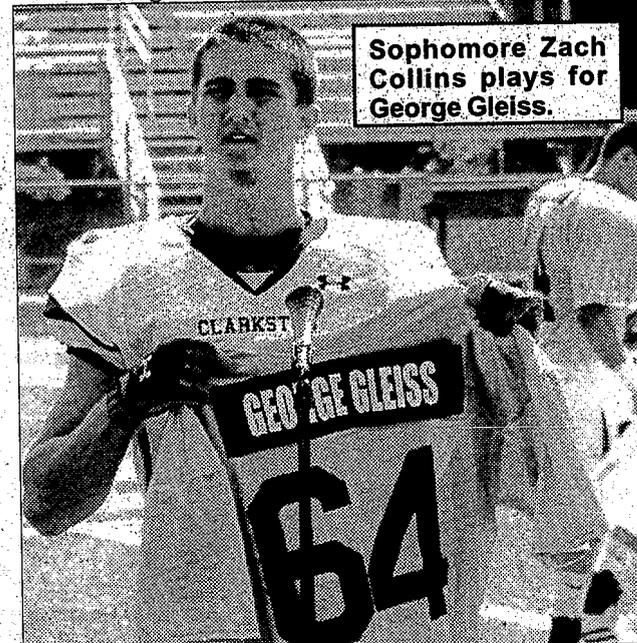




Junior Justin Baetz shows the jersey he will be wearing for his mom, Patty.



Junior Mike Henige plays for his grandfather in the game.



Sophomore Zach Collins plays for George Gleiss.

# Wolves fight cancer during annual scrimmage

BY WENDI REARDON  
Clarkston News Sports Writer

Strength.  
Courage.  
Fighting spirit.

The words are used not only to describe Clarkston's gridiron gang but the people and families they represented as they took to the field for their annual Blue/Gold scrimmage on Saturday.

Correction. The Wolves first annual Pink/Blue scrimmage for Football for a Cure to raise awareness and money for Karmanos Cancer Institute, based in Detroit.

"It started with our lacrosse coach," said Wolves Varsity Football Coach Kurt Richardson. "Brian Kaminkas has done it for a couple year and I thought it would be a cool thing to do."

Richardson found inspiration after talking to Noel Dean, the head football coach at Lowell High School. Lowell raised \$125,000 last year.

"He told me some of the things they did with it and how much money they had raised and I thought if they could do that, we could too."

Harriet Clark chaired the successful event.

"KR and I talked in May and he said 'I want our kids to give back.' We thought it would be a great way for them to be reminded all the people sitting in the stands or even in the community - they have a story," she said.

Old freshmen white jerseys were dyed pink and light blue - the pink to represent women who have lost their lives to breast cancer and the blue to represent the men who have fought prostate cancer.

Families and the coaches bought nameplates and each one had a name of a cancer survivor or someone who lost their battle. The boys were split into two teams and wore pink and blue honor women and men who have fought and are fighting cancer.

"It was a great honor to play for someone who died of cancer," said Senior Jordan Clark, who will play as a outside linebacker and tightend this season.

They introduced themselves before the game and announced who they would be playing for.

"By playing with someone else's name on their back it will remind them why it's a great way for them to use their talent to do for someone else," said Harriet. "And a reminder to them

there is a whole other host of people out there that have a story."

Besides the nameplates, proceeds were raised from selling T-shirts, blue and pink wristbands and snowcones - a popular favorite on the hot day.

"Given we had little publicity, the community has really gotten on board," said Clark.

By the beginning of the scrimmage game at 11 a.m., the team and volunteers had sold 300 T-shirts and 60 jerseys.

It was no surprise since Clarkston fans fill the stands at away games - no matter how far the team plays.

"In Clarkston it takes a village to raise a child and that's what makes something like this work," said Harriet.

"We were never worried - Will people come out? Will people buy into it? We knew if we told them Clarkston football players were doing this - they would be there - that's just what the community does in Clarkston," Harriet added.

Richardson and Clark see next year's Pink/Blue scrimmage to be bigger and Richardson has set the goal for every year to be bigger and better.

"I thought it was a great event," said Jordan. "It raised awareness and money for cancer research."



## Athlete of the Week

Varsity Cheerleaders greeted football fans with big smiles on Saturday.

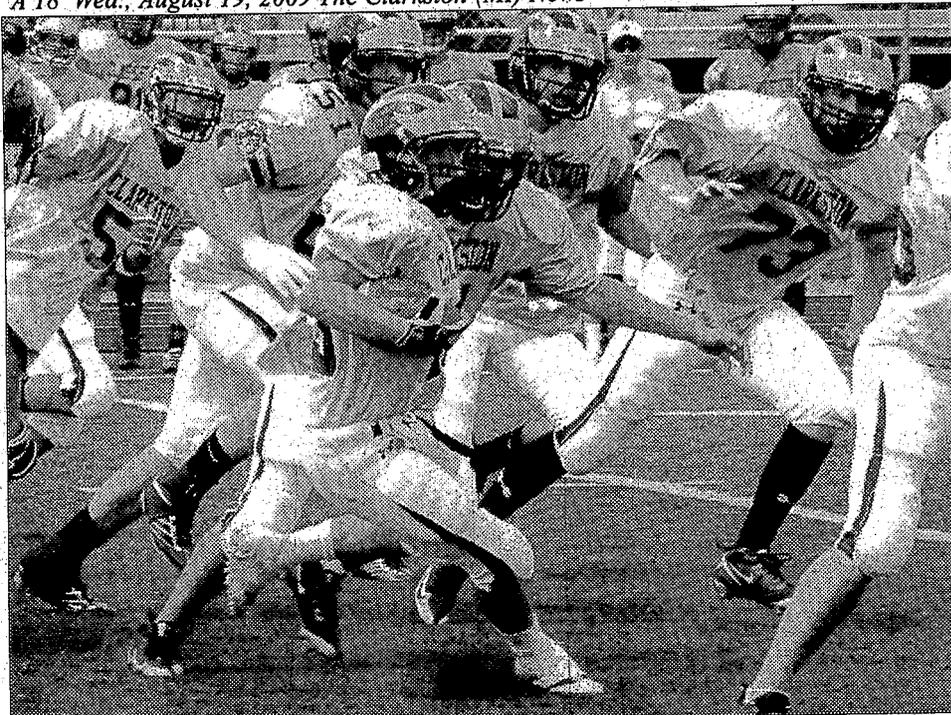
While the girls are normally found close to the field during the season cheering the team and getting the crowd pumped - they were in the stadium during the boys' scrimmage.

They could be found selling pink and light blue bracelets, saying "Clarkston Football Cure for a Cause," selling T-shirts, and walking through the stands with a football helmet accepting donations to go to Karmanos Cancer Institute.

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P.J. Lannon finds himself surrounded by the Blue team.



Max Collins closes in on Dustin Gamble.



Quarterback Tyler Scarlett takes advantage of an opening to run past defense and to the end zone leading to the first touchdown for the Pink team, less than four minutes into the game. Photos by Wendi Reardon

## Stronger after off-season

The Wolves suited up in Pink and Blue for their annual Blue/Gold Scrimmage for Football for a Cause.

The Pink team gained a lead in the first quarter on Saturday during Clarkston's annual scrimmage.

A touchdown from Tyler Scarlett and Derek Booker and two PATs by Brian Benway put the Pink squad 14-0 before the quarter ended.

The game ended with the Pink squad winning, 20-13.

The scrimmage gave the boys and coaches a chance to see what needs to be worked on before they head to Rochester Adams for their first game on August 28.

While fans enjoyed the opportunity to see what the boys worked on during the off season and a taste of the weeks ahead.

Keep reading The Clarkston News to see what Varsity Head Coach Kurt Richardson and the team expects for the season. ~WAR

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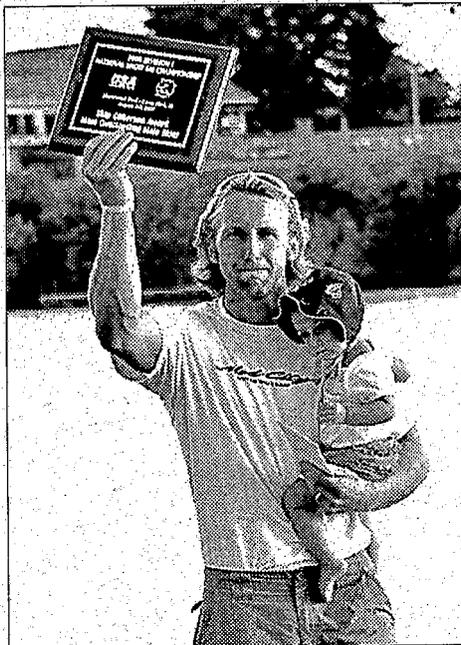
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Paul O'Connor, with daughter Mali, won the Skip Gilkerson Award.

## Skiing to victory

Paul O'Connor won the Skip Gilkerson Award for the second time in three years, 2007 and 2009, for Most Valuable Make Skier. His name will go on the wall of the Skier Hall of Fame in Florida for the second time, joining two others who earned the award more than once.

O'Connor's jump team also won first place in the tournament earlier this month in Rockford, Ill., including first in Free Style Jump and second in Free Style Team Jump.

The Mad City Ski Team of Madison, Wisc., won Nationals four years in a row, and five times in the past six years.

He and Joey, his wife of three years, have a 1-year-old daughter, Mari Rae.

He graduated from Clarkston High School in 2001, and has skied in California, China, and Germany.

He hopes to audition in September for a position on the Universal Japan Stunt Team.



O'Connor and the rest of the Mad City Ski Team celebrate their championship. Photos provided

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Michael Gieske toured Paris with the band. Photos provided



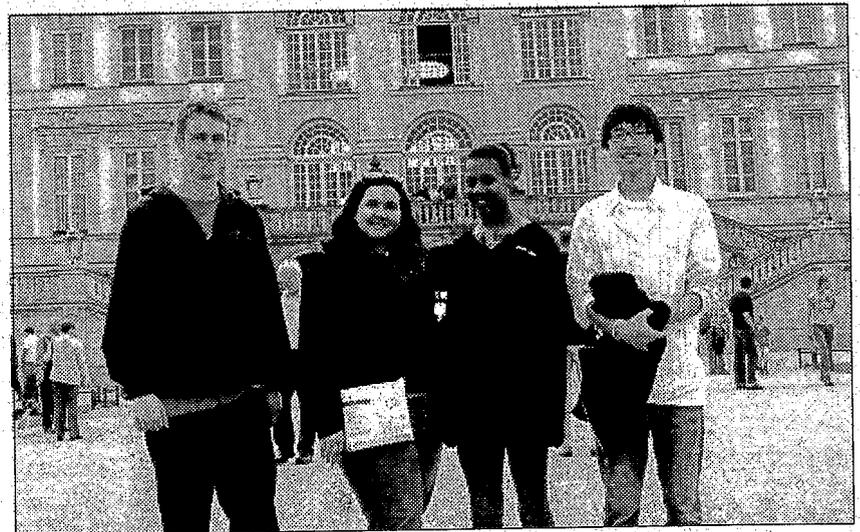
Michael Gieske and another Blue Lake performer play bassoons in the streets of Figeac, France.

## Successful summer trip to Europe

Many Blue Lake International students' trip to Europe was spoiled by an outbreak of H1N1 flu, but Clarkston High School student Michael Gieske and his band made it.

A member of Blue Lake's Southern Winds Ensemble, Gieske performed in seven communities in Austria, France and Germany. Their four-week trip began June 18, returning July 18.

The flu outbreak cancelled Blue Lake Symphony Orchestra's trip.



Gieske and other ensemble members, in front of a castle in Munich

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# Trash study outlines many variables

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single-hauler system tried to push a similar issue through the board about 10 years ago.

"The residents were up in arms," he said, noting opposition caused the plan to fizzle quickly. "They wanted no part of it."

But the current study and accompanying recommendations are different from those presented in Waterford a decade ago.

Boiled down, RRS recommendations look like this:

- CCIRF communities should begin to finalize details of a solid waste authority, which would have authorization to seek services on behalf of founding communities.

In other words, representatives of founding communities—Independence, Springfield, Brandon, Groveland, White Lake, West Bloomfield and Waterford—would, after receiving approval from individual township boards, collaborate to create a new entity: a solid waste authority.

Once created, the entity would make waste hauling decisions for residents in every participating community.

"By working together, the communities would be able to get good pricing on any sort of purchasing for trash, recycling and composting services," said Anna Collinson, RRS project manager. "By forming the authority they would be able to pursue some sort of community-wide contract for solid waste and recycling services."

But a closer look at the study reveals that a number of important details are crucial to the functionality of such an authority.

According to information disclosed in Appendix A of the study, at least two units of government are required to create an authority.

A key issue for discussion, it reads, are determining which and how many units will participate, and which ones are needed at a minimum for a "go" decision on forming the authority.

The makeup of the board of directors is also a critical element.

How many board members should be appointed, by whom, and how long they should serve? What types of individuals should be appointed, and how should board representation be determined?

All, says RRS, are questions participating communities need to answer carefully.

Transition issues can also be a major challenge in setting up an authority, according to the report.

"Existing programs currently in place may need to be addressed in some capacity as part of the authority's responsibilities if any new programs are likely to negatively impact those programs," it reads.

The report also lists strengths and weaknesses of such an entity.

One "strength": "The authority can insulate system decision making from the more political and sometimes less predictable legislative process of each individual participating local unit."

One "weakness": "Authorities have sometimes become more independent from local units than they would like, with the chain of accountability broken between the members and the authority. Sometimes this political distancing can make decision making more difficult when an issue in fact is highly political."

Financing the authority gets significant attention in the report, as well.

RRS' second recommendation reads as follows:

- CCIRF communities should begin work on specifics of a community wide hauling contract and procurement specifications.

In other words, determine what waste hauling services are appropriate for which parts of which communities and put out a request for bids from interested haulers.

"As part of the process of becoming an authority and going out for bids, there will be a lot of discussion and hashing out of details," Collinson said. "What service levels need to be in place? What types of services?"

The third recommendation says:

- CCIRF communities should request proposals from conversion technologists.

"That third piece is to continue to get a more a formal 'request for proposal' processed

from the conversion technology people," Collinson said. "We went through an initial review of these types of companies, but the details aren't firm until you get actual formal pricing. We're recommending the communities continue to pursue this by going through a formal process to see if still viable."

The study points to a great number of variables in the viability of implementing such technology to deal with waste locally.

Based on several factors, including the number of households located in the study area, RRS estimated the waste that would be available to a conversion technology company. It also estimated operating costs for such a facility, and the potential revenue related to the sale of recycled materials and the "sale of biomass as an energy feedstock."

"The values of the recyclable commodities are often cyclical in nature and are highly correlated to the national and global markets for raw materials and overall economic activity," the report reads.

"The two heat treatment technologies...had very different assumptions about the market value of the material, assuming the same quantity of marketable material."

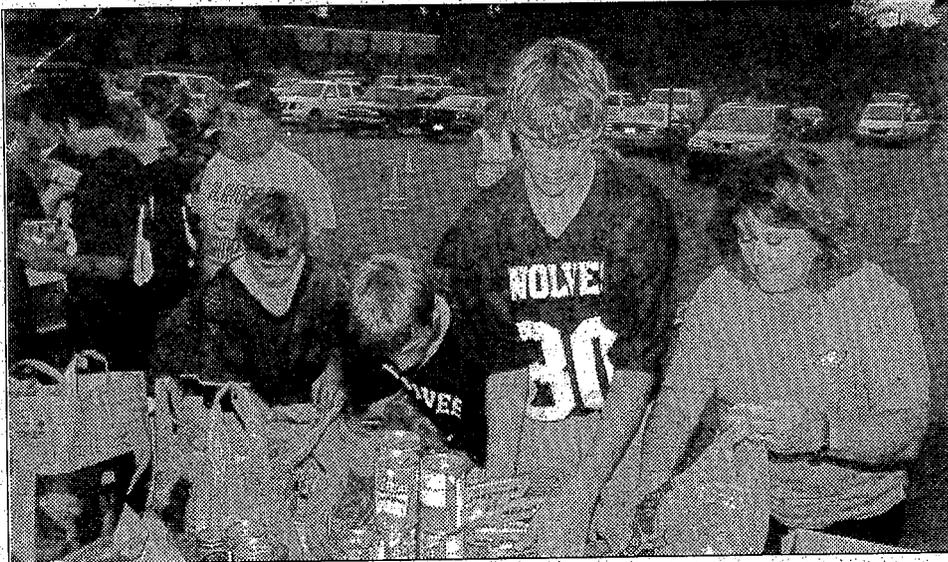
The analysis, it said, illustrates that market volatility in recycled commodity markets can have a major impact on revenue sharing.

*Next week: Local haulers and members of the community share positive and negative reactions to the CCIRF study results.*



## Smiles of the week!

Best friends Eva Bousho and Lucia Vanoplinus had their faces painted at the Family Fun Night at Deer Lake Beach that was held on Wednesday, Aug. 12, 09. The party was for swim lesson participants and their families. This year's theme was Safari Jungle. Photo provided



Clarkston Varsity players and volunteers collect donations during last year's Rush for Food. *File photo*

## Rush for Food this Friday

Clarkston football players will be going to neighborhoods around the community this Friday, August 21.

The goal – collect as much non-perishable food as they can for the 12th Annual Rush for Food event.

The players collected 4,000 pounds of food and household items last year for Lighthouse Emergency Services to help local families. They plan to exceed the number this year.

"There are so many families in need this summer," said Jill Goss.

The boys will canvas the area beginning at 6 p.m.

Freshman, JV and Varsity players can easily be spotted wearing their Wolves jersey and going to the following neighborhoods:

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- \*Springlake
- \*Autumn Shores
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Donations can also be dropped off directly at Lighthouse North, off Sashabaw Road at I-75, during normal business hours or during the Rush for Food while players are boxing the donations.

"It is such a neat thing to see young football players helping the community," said Goss.

The Clarkston Chiefs Youth Football program assists by collecting personal and paper products.

Springfield Township Kroger donated grocery bags for collecting food.

Clarkston Athletic Boosters donated the water bottles and pop for the Rush dinner for the boys after the collection. Sports Creations and Wright Action Pix are helping to fund the dinner.

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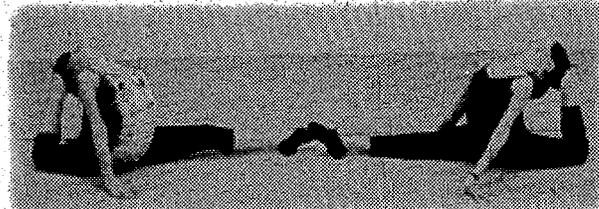
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## Goals set for schools

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achievement," Patterson said.

Communications include flow of information to schools, parents, staff, and community.

"It's been awhile since we talked about how we share information with the community," said Trustee Barry Bomier. "We'll see where we can improve and where we let it slip."

Financial goals include staying innovative and open minded to new ideas, and evaluating existing programs, Hyer said.

"Budget is a huge issue," he said. "We'll look at the whole district, at what makes sense, at how to do the best things for the district and kids while being responsible with our limited resources."

Another goal may be to evaluate technology investments, Bomier said.

"It's time to look at it and see how it's going, if we invested in right places, and if it's being used," he said.

The board will also work out with administration how and when information will be reported, Patterson said.

"We'll agree on what goals are, and also how and when we'll see data regarding them," she said.

With state and federal funding uncertain and always changing, flexibility is more important than ever, she said.

"The more we talk and understand each other, the better decisions we'll make," Patterson said. "This has been an educational process for all of us."

Rescheduling school elections from May to November is also up for discussion at Monday's meeting, set for 7 p.m., Aug. 24, at school administration, 6389 Clarkston Road. Call 248-623-5400.

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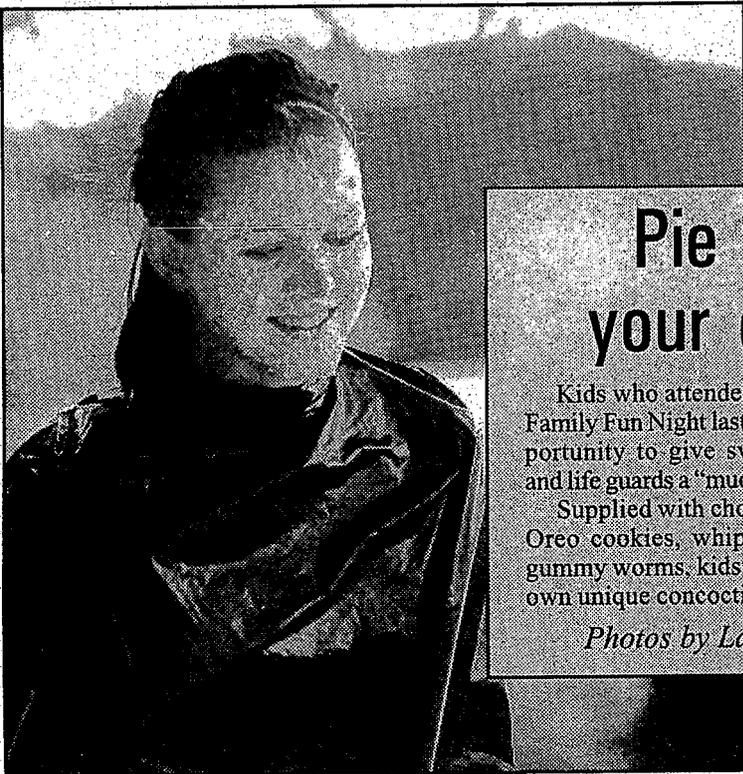
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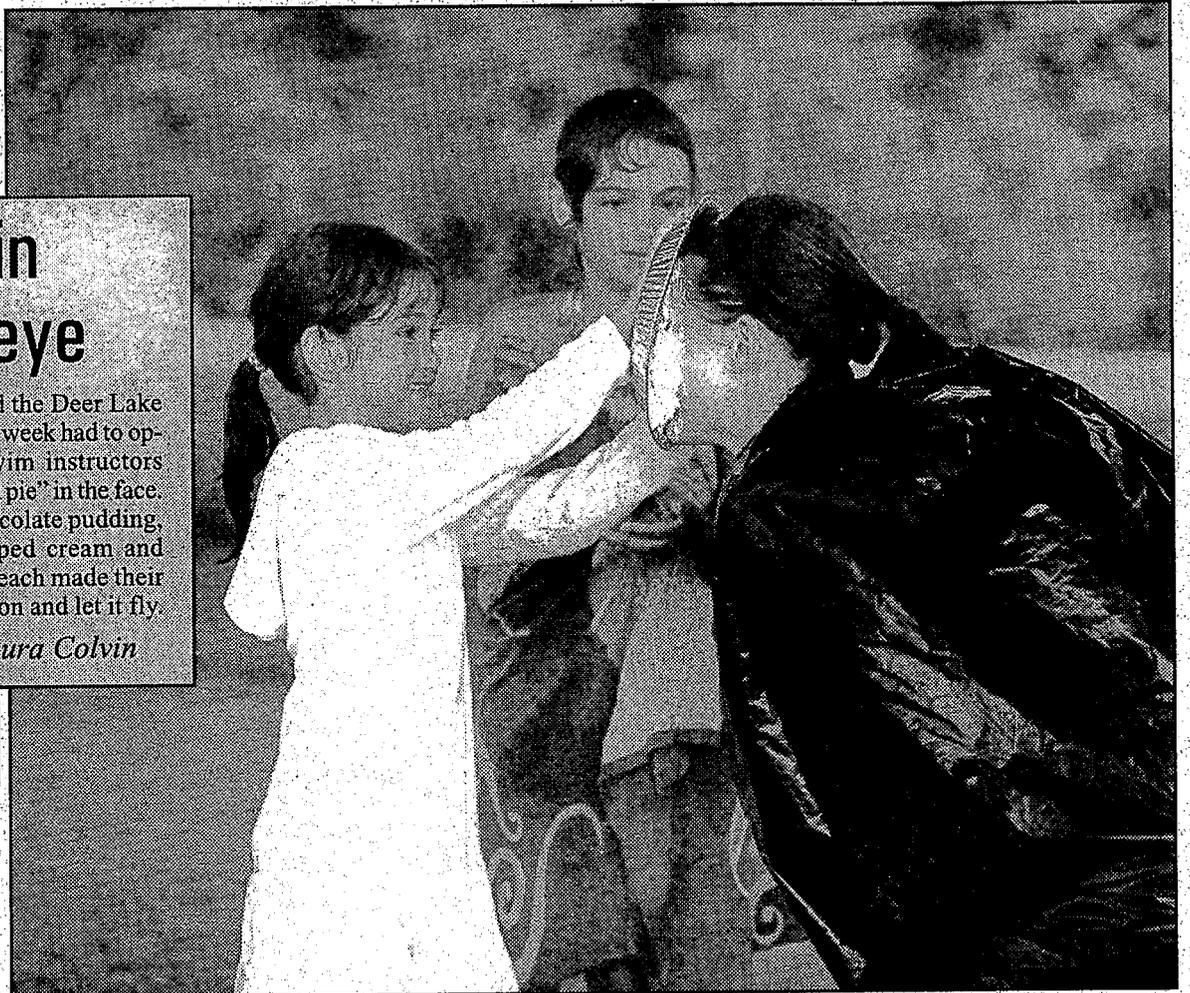
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## Pie in your eye

Kids who attended the Deer Lake Family Fun Night last week had the opportunity to give swim instructors and life guards a "mud pie" in the face. Supplied with chocolate pudding, Oreo cookies, whipped cream and gummy worms, kids each made their own unique concoction and let it fly.

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Mud pie or cream pie? Hard to tell for sure.

Meagan Ruggirello and Julie Ruggirello give Sajel Tremblay a "mud pie" in the face.

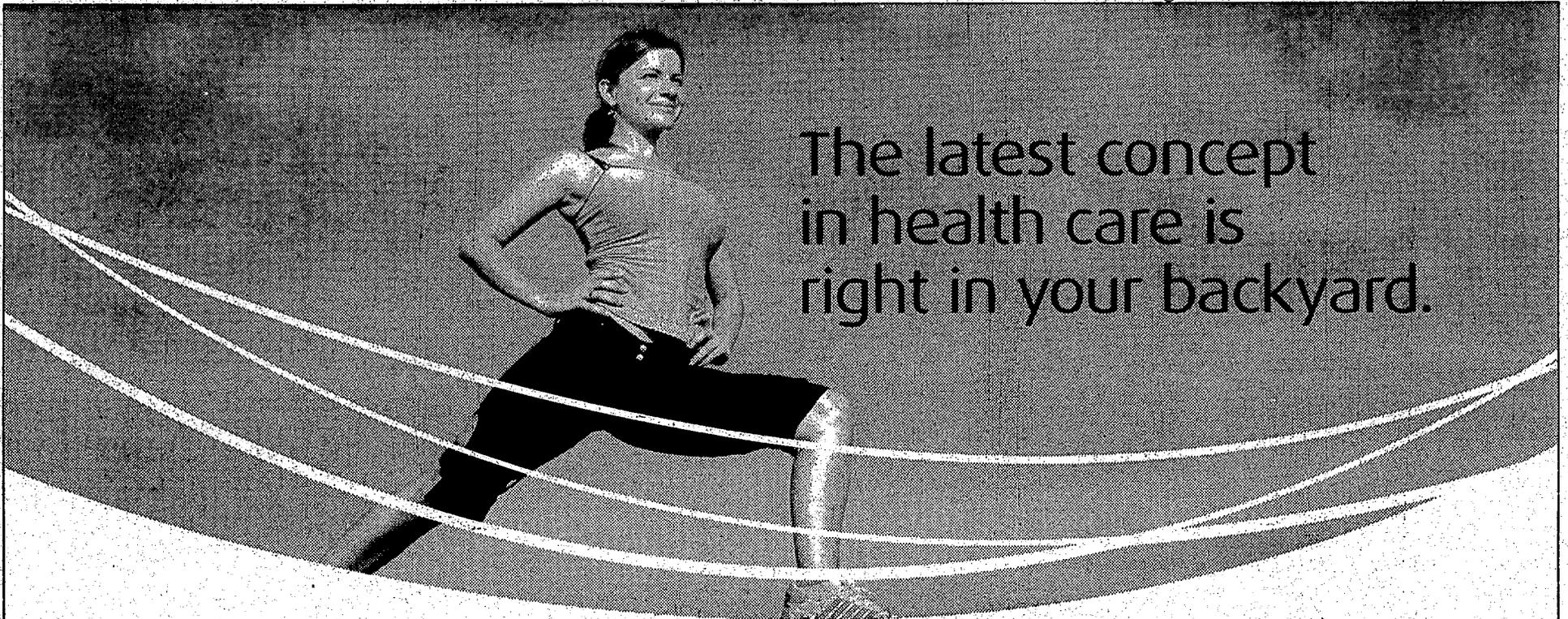


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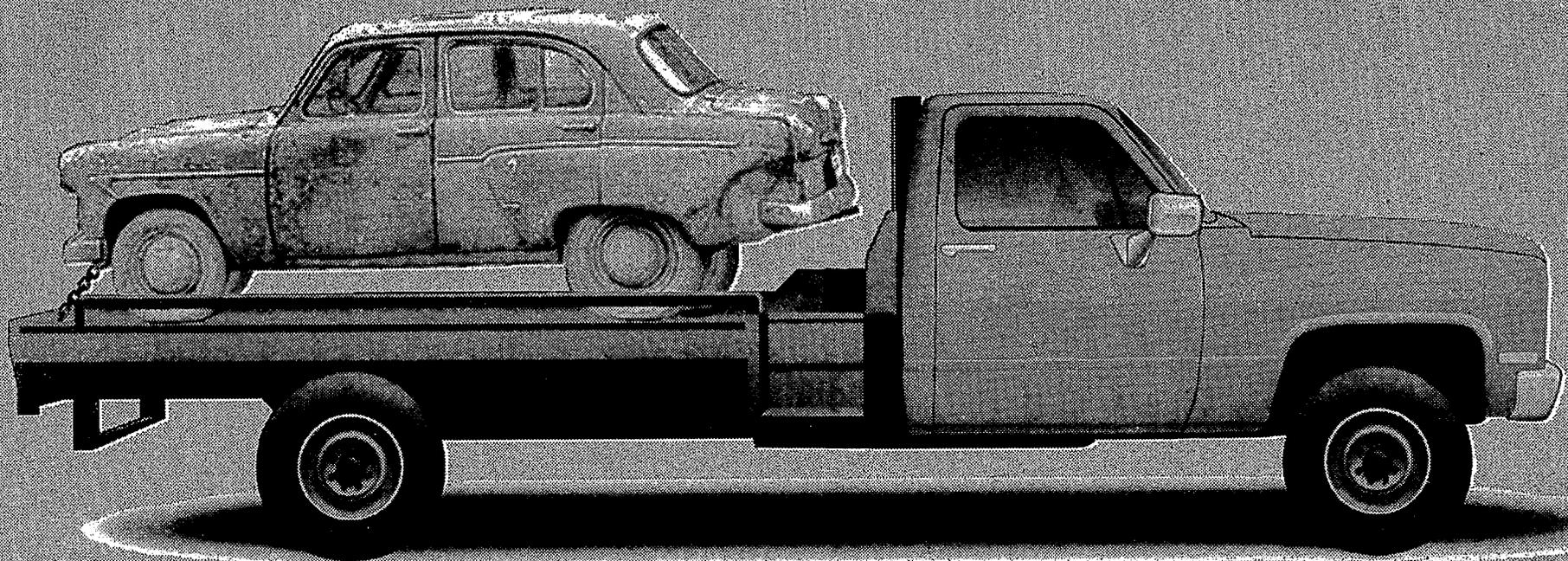
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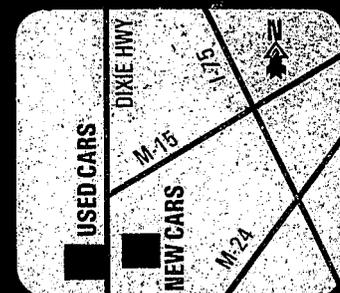
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# People Poll

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## Favorite memories of summer?



"Going to Chicago. We went to American Girl store."

- Meagan Ruggirello

"Going to Oscoda up on the lake. We went swimming almost every day. It was fun."

- Julia Ruggirello



"Going to the cottage at Russell Island, to hang out with family."

- Jeff Sloan



"Rope swinging on Lake Maceday."

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"That it's finally here, with some warm weather."

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Troopers: Katie Penvose, Rachel Glomski, Katy Neislar, and Chelsea Hemingsen. Photo by Trevor Keiser.

## Girl Scouts going for the gold

BY TREVOR KEISER  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

When Katie Penvose, Katy Neislar, Rachel Glomski, and Chelsea Hemingsen met in junior high and formed Girl Scout Troop 727, little did they know the memories and friendships they would make over the next five years.

Now, juniors and seniors in high school, the four girls are going for their Gold Award, the highest award given in Girl Scouts.

"We're clearing out the entire garden area in front of the Clarkston Village Player's theater to make it more noticeable and we're going to make a whole new patio to make it more inviting to people. We'll come out during intermission or while they're waiting to get inside to the theater because it's so jam-packed in there - it's not a very big space," said Neislar. "We're going to put tables down, benches, chairs, just an area for people to come sit outside."

As a fundraiser, the girls had a garage sale at the CVP Theater on Aug. 8 and 15, which brought in \$700 for the troop for their project.

"We told people we were going to have a garage sale, and to feel free to donate anything they had," Neislar said.

"Some of the items are from our own houses," added Glomski.

When asked why each one had stayed in

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# Around Town

**Community Garage Sale**, Aug. 21-22, L.A. Café, 5815 Dixie Highway; **Comedy Night with Mike Green**, Sept. 25, Fountains Golf and Banquet Center, 6060 Maybee Road. Benefits National Transplant Assistance Fund's Great Lakes Stem Cell Transplant in honor of Barbara Grupido of Ortonville, who needs a stem cell transplant. For more information, call Ginger Blaquiere at 248-623-4777. \*\*\*

**Diabetes Class**, 10 a.m., Aug. 22, Adult Activity Center, Clintonwood Park. All ages welcome. Free educational program by Clarkston Medical Group and Great Lakes Medical Supply. 248-625-831. \*\*\*

**Big Tent Garage Sale for Charity**, ESTHERS Children, Aug. 20-22, 6654 Pear Lane. 248-202-5910. \*\*\*

**Dog wash**, 12-3 p.m., Aug. 23, Advanced PetCare of Oakland, Sashabaw Road. Dogs, cats also up for adoption. 248-620-2900. \*\*\*

**Fire-prevention smokehouse demonstration**, Brandon Township Fire Department, 6-8 p.m., Aug. 25, Town Center Plaza, 6325 Sashabaw. Free. 248-620-4600. \*\*\*

**Family Caregiver Support Club**, 6 p.m., Aug. 27, Adult Activity Center, Clintonwood Park. Call Karen, 248-625-8231. \*\*\*

**Big Al Knake Golf Outing** for Pancreatic Cancer, benefiting Sky Foundation and "My Dad Is My Hero," shotgun start, 1 p.m., Aug. 29. Four Person Scramble. \$85. Fountains Golf, 6060 Maybee Road. Call Katie, 248-840-0238; Heidi, 248-872-9974; Terri, 248-674-0051. \*\*\*

**Labor Day Fair and Car Show**, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Sept. 7. Clarkston First Congregational



## 'Producers' perform this weekend

Amber Fullmer of Clarkston plays Ulla, with Mac Shaw of White Lake as Leo Bloom, left, and Rick Shaw of Waterford as Max Bialystock, in Oakland Theatre Guild's production of "The Producers." The show runs 7:30 p.m., Aug. 20-21; 4 p.m. and 7:30 p.m., Aug. 22; and 2 p.m., Aug. 23, at Starlight Theater, Summit Place Mall. Tickets are \$15/adults, \$13/seniors, and \$11/students. Call 248-335-1788.

Church, 5449 Clarkston Road. About 100 cars and trucks of all types. first 100 gets a dash plaque. Trophies, door prizes at 3:30 p.m. DJ Mark Farnsworth, food, kid's games, auctions, raffles, large flea market. 248-394-0200. \*\*\*

**Homecoming 2009 Dress Re-Sale**, 12-4 p.m.,

Sept. 13, Best Impressions Hair and Nails, 6684 Dixie Highway. Drop-off, 10 a.m. Benefits Clarkston High School Student Council. 248-620-1961. \*\*\*

**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. \*\*\*

**Travel getaway**, bus trip to Branson, \$650, Sept. 20-26, depart from Clarkston United Methodist Church, 6600 Waldon Road. 248-627-7445. \*\*\*

**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. \*\*\*

**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., Jewels Yoga Fitness, 4612 Mountain View Trail, Independence Township. \$12 walk-in fee. 248-390-9270. \*\*\*

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

**Clarkston Rotary Club**, Mondays, 6:30 p.m., Please see Around Town, page 7B



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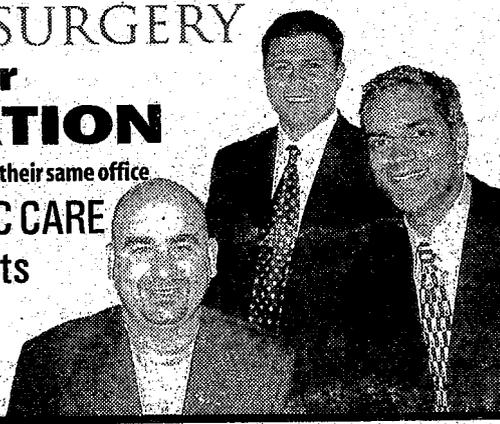
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# Scouts team up with Players

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scouts for so long, each had a little different answer.

"Someone who was really close to me passed away her senior year in high school and she got her Gold Award in Girl Scouts," Neislar said.

"She was like a sister to me, so I promised myself for her that I would get my Gold Award."

Glomski said she just enjoys "hanging out with Katy, Katie, and Chelsea."

"They're just a good group of people and it's fun to do stuff together," she said.

Penrose agreed, but also said she likes that people look up to her.

"Everybody says 'you're a Girl Scout, that's so cool' and I feel special."

The most memorable moment for the girls so far was getting their Silver Award.

"That was probably our biggest accomplishment," Neislar said.

For the Silver Award project, the girls held a lock-in at a local church along with a couple Brownie troops, which included a night of games, crafts, and fun.

"There were four of us and 45 Brownies," Neislar said with a laugh. "We made our own Girl Scout cookies that were the original Girl Scout cookie recipe and

we let the girls make their own and decorate their own."

They also made little dolls that they gave to St. Jude's Children's Hospital, and had a pajama fashion show.

"It was just nice to see the reactions on the girls' faces when we did the lock-in and it was just fun to see how much fun they had, to be able to spend time with younger Girl Scouts and show them that you're never too old to be a Girl Scout," Hemingsen said.

As the girls look to their futures, they hold onto the skills that being a Girl Scout helped develop in them. Glomski, said she enjoyed all the volunteer work they did.

"I feel it's helped me," she said. "I'm more open to the community and like what we can do to help around town."

Neislar said she has learned what it means to be committed to something.

"I've been in scouts for 12 years now and I've never been so committed to anything before," she said. "It kind of helps show me that even if I don't like some of the things we do, you still need to stay committed."

Penrose said the leadership exercises have helped her the most, because she does not consider herself a "natural leader."

"If it was me, I would be like 'OK, I'm going to follow you,' but it's help me a lot to say 'I don't like this, let's do this,' instead of just going 'OK, I'll do that, even if I didn't like it.'"

Hemingsen agreed.

"Being able to take charge in a situation, knowing what I'm going to do and how I'm going to do it," she said. "Earning our Silver Award going into our Gold Award, we've had to take charge in some situations and know what we want to do and when we want to get it done."

Penrose's mom, Nancy Penrose, who is on the board of directors for CVP, said the timing for the girls project was "just right" because the Players have wanted to do something with the garden area out front for quite some time.

"Not this (upcoming) season, but our season after will be our 50th anniversary, so we're kind of remodeling and doing renovations in preparation to that season. This was something they could do for their Gold Award and achieve that, but at the same time it really helps the theater group and the members are very excited and very supportive of it," she said. "I think it's very positive all the way around, both for CVP and the Girl Scouts."

## Bridgewood hosts Feed the World family festival

Bridgewood Church hosts 1 Day to Feed the World, Oakland County gives back, 7 p.m., Aug. 28, with inflatables, concessions, fun activities and outdoor family movie, Disney's "Bolt," at dusk. Admission is by donation and canned good donation.

On Aug. 30, 8:30 a.m., is a certified and chipped 5K run/walk and Family 1 Mile, with fun children's activities along walk; 10 a.m., celebration rally with special guest L. Brooks Patterson, inflatables, petting farm, face painting and kid's free gym circuit, all at Bridgewood Church, 6765 Rattalee Lake Road.

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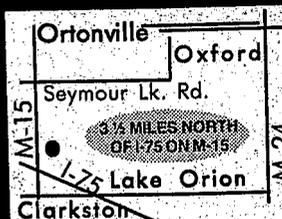
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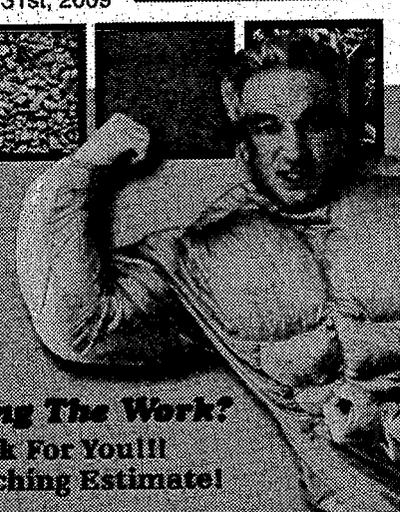




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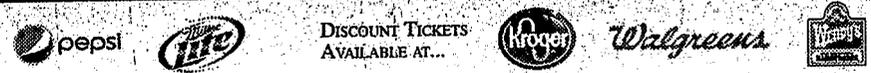
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# Milestones

## Clarkston man marries



Rachel and Ryan

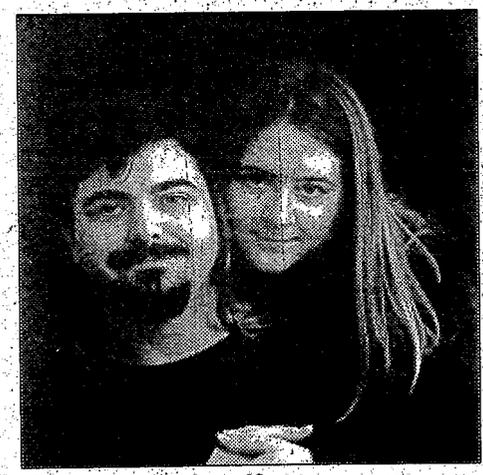
Rachel Feathers and Ryan Wheaton were married, July 11, at Universalist Unitarian Church of Farmington Hills, the Rev. Vicky Burton officiating.

The bride was given in marriage by Tom and Caroline Feathers of Livonia, her parents. She earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration, majoring in accounting, from Central Michigan University, and a Masters in Business Administration from Northwood University. She is a senior cost analyst with Henkel Corporation, Madison Heights.

The groom is the son of Tom and Dianne Wheaton of Clarkston. He graduated from Central Michigan University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Secondary Education, and is a math teacher at Grosse Pointe South High School, Grosse Pointe Public Schools.

The couple resides in Livonia.

## Sartell - Murphy



Zachary and Jennifer

Zachary Robert Sartell and Jennifer Ann Murphy of Clarkston met in junior high. Now they're engaged to be married.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Clarkston High School and Oakland University, with a Bachelor's degree in English and Fine Arts.

The future groom, also a CHS graduate, earned a degree from ITT.

An October wedding is planned at St. Joseph's Church in Lake Orion.

## Students achieve success

Clarkston High School graduate **Elizabeth Abel** is one of 25 U.S. students to receive an \$8,000 scholarship from Johnson Controls Foundation.



Her father, Brad Abel, is a Global Continuous Improvement Program manager for Johnson Controls Inc.'s Building Efficiency business in Auburn Hills.

Elizabeth is applying the scholarship to tuition at the University of Michigan, where she plans to major in pre-medicine.

Abel

School graduate, has been awarded her Ph.D from the University of Nebraska in Speech Pathology appointed Assistant Professor in the Speech and Language Department at Duquesne University in Pittsburgh, Penn.

Wallace also earned her Clinical Certificate in Speech Pathology. In 2005 she was awarded her Masters in Speech Pathology from Western Michigan University and at the same she earned a Certificate in Gerontology.

She is a 2003 graduate of Miami University, Ohio, earning a Bachelors of Education.

Clarkston students **Michael Kasly** and **Benjamin Wheeler** were named to the Dean's Honor Roll for Spring 2009 Semester at Lawrence Technological University.

Sarah Wallace, a 1999 Clarkston High

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# Religion

## Commitment means church even on vacation

Perhaps you have walked in my shoes. "Mom! We're on vacation! Why do we have to go to church when we're on VACA-A-A-ATION??"

This normally leads to that oft-used expression that goes something like, "None of my FRIENDS' MOMS make their kids go to Church on VACA-A-A-ATION!"

Ah, a challenge and a choice of responses to be made.

Should I use the guilt trip (Is one hour a week really too much to ask?) The discipline line? (It's good for you, that's why!) Or, how about the bribery line? (Oh, come on, honey! It'll be fun! We'll go out to breakfast after!) If all else fails, just lay down the law (you know the one....As long as you live in my house.....)

This family episode got me to thinking about two things a bit more seriously.

The first involves a call I believe we all have to adopt a missionary spirit. After all, if you think about it, kitchen table evangelization with our own families and friends is likely some of the greatest missionary work being done in this country today.

The second is related to the first. Once we've done the very fine work of bringing the good news of the Gospel to our family

and others, how do we convince them to actually attend our churches?

We don't usually think of ourselves as missionaries unless we've had the experience of traveling to a different country for the purpose of witnessing to the Gospel. Yet, isn't that what we are?

If you're reading this article, there's a good chance that you also go to church or, at the very least, you associate with a church even if your attendance is a bit irregular. In my mind, that makes you a disciple and a missionary.

Jesus' last words to his disciples in Matthew's gospel were, "Go, then, to all peoples everywhere and make them my disciples..." Frankly, where do we start?

My suggestion is to start at the kitchen table. Experience has taught that it helps to witness to children (and adults for that matter) in a way whereby they don't even know we're doing it. A sense of calm, joy, life, and a healthy dose of humor go a long way toward making the gospel seem less constrictive than they might guess.

After all, to love the world the way God loves it means meeting people where they are without judgment or fear. It might help to recall Jesus' parable about yeast in which he says, "the kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed with three measures of wheat flour until the whole batch was leavened." Yeast is useless on a pantry shelf; it must

*Please see Spiritual Matters, page 10B*

### Spiritual Matters



Cheryl Smith

## In our churches...

**Welcome Home Weekend**, St. Daniel Catholic Community, Aug. 29-30, Masses 5 p.m., Saturdays; and 7:30, 9 and 11 a.m. Sundays. 248-625-1750.

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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.

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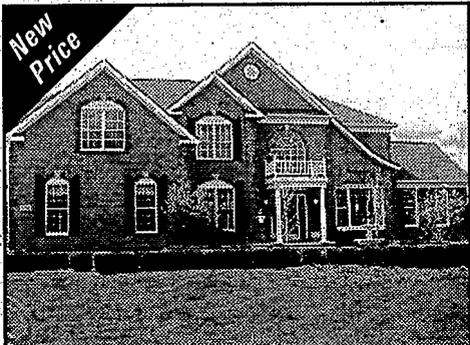
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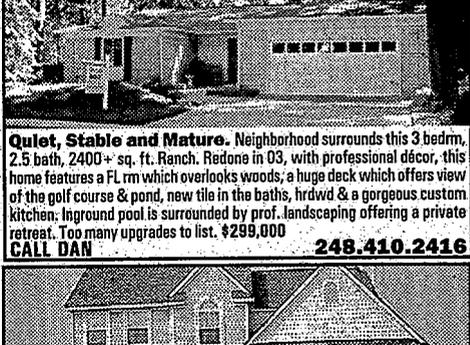
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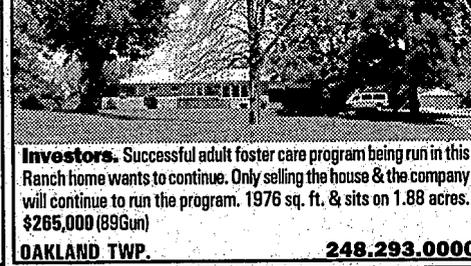
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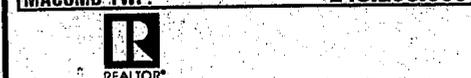
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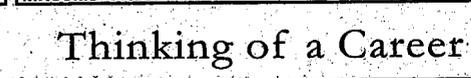
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# Life gives lessons in respect

Just as we consult a roadmap for travel, is there a map for navigating daily life?

"Do unto others as you would have others do unto you." Of course, this would be fine and dandy provided others had a value placed on "self-based respect."

As one observes actions of grave offense to others at the perception of gain to the individuals, who may not have a value assigned to self is being portrayed as a norm of the times.

How can society recover economically, emotionally, personally or otherwise without asking, "what is going on and how can I make a difference?"



A column by Maria Rotondo-Mark

Possibly by engaging choice and consequence is a good beginning. Thought precedes actions and actions have consequences.

What is our human connector? How did we learn to disregard our fellow human beings for the sake of money, or better known as business. Is it possible to behave one way in business actions and another way in personal matters?

Who wrote the rulebook on dual actions, for business and personal? Are there copies available, or could it be an un-published phenomena taught by example. Before we get more entangled in the web of who did what, to whom and when did it begin.

Let's take a moment to surrender the questions and engage a higher order of business. "The golden rule" of we will reap what we sow, commonly known as choice and consequences.

This article is merely a reminder for me to stay on course, and anyone who could use a reinforcement, "what looks like may not always be what is," when in doubt, a pause is good. The law of respect is the early life learned process, if it was not introduced then, definitely many detours could be realized until the school of hard knocks kicks in.

This could be the turnaround for some, as to consider outcome of choices prior to actions with respect to self and others.

Fortunately, the economic slowdown inspires me to continue my course of reflect, interact, process and express. Thank you to my community for validating and encouraging this column to reach out and hopefully plant seeds of encouragement.

Maria Rotondo Mark is a resident of Independence Township.

## Around Town

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Deer Lake Athletic Club, 6167 White Lake Road. \$15. 248-625-4244. \*\*\*

Fountains charity poker, 5:30 p.m., Monday-Thursdays. \$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, tee off 7:30-8:30 a.m. tee off. Heather Highlands, Springfield Township. On-going, non-league play. \$8 greens fee and \$12 registration fee. 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. \*\*\*

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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. \*\*\*

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BNI, Clarkston Waterford chapter, Tuesdays, 7 a.m., St. Stevens Church, Sashabaw north of Walton. 248-625-1365. \*\*\*

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

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Outdoor Pickleball for 50+, Tuesdays/Thursdays, 7:30-9:00 a.m., Clintonwood Park Tennis Courts. \$1 drop in fee. Rain play at First Congregational Church, 5449 Clarkston Road. 248-625-8231. \*\*\*

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Clarkston Melody Makers, Tuesdays, 12:30 p.m., Carriage House in Clintonwood Park, Clarkston Road. Bring your own instrument. Ask for Stan. 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. \*\*\*

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H.O.P.E., Health Optimism Perseverance Education, cancer support group for people with any type of cancer, third Wednesdays, 6-7

p.m., Great Lakes Cancer Institute - Clarkston, Conference Room, 5680 Bow Pointe Drive. Emotional support and education to help with adjustment and coping. Care-givers, family, and friends are welcome to attend with the cancer patient. Walk-ins welcome. 877-627-6248. \*\*\*

\*\*\*  
Meet and greet, North Oakland Bethany, last Wednesdays, 7 p.m., Mesquite Creek, 7228 N. Main St. 248-464-0756. \*\*\*

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

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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. \*\*\*

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

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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. \*\*\*

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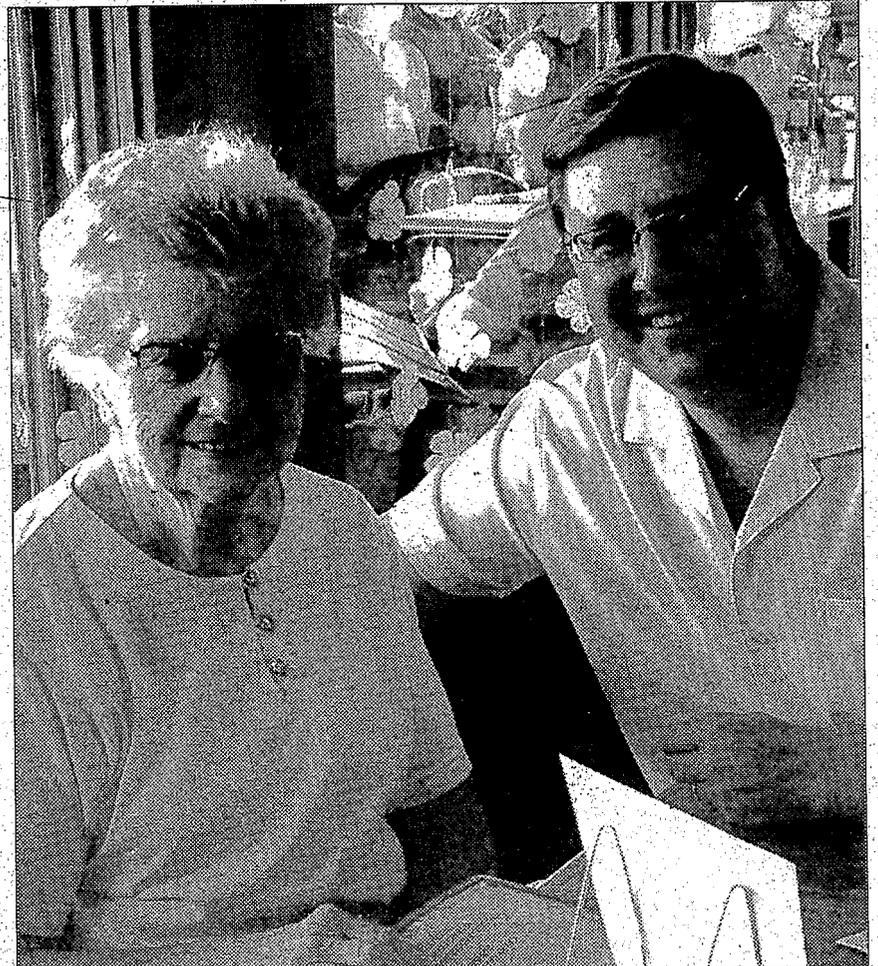
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Eleanor and Leonard Gorz, enjoying a night out.

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Bucks for Buses fundraiser included live entertainment by local group 40 Buffalo Band. The group, led by a doctor, performed oldies music.

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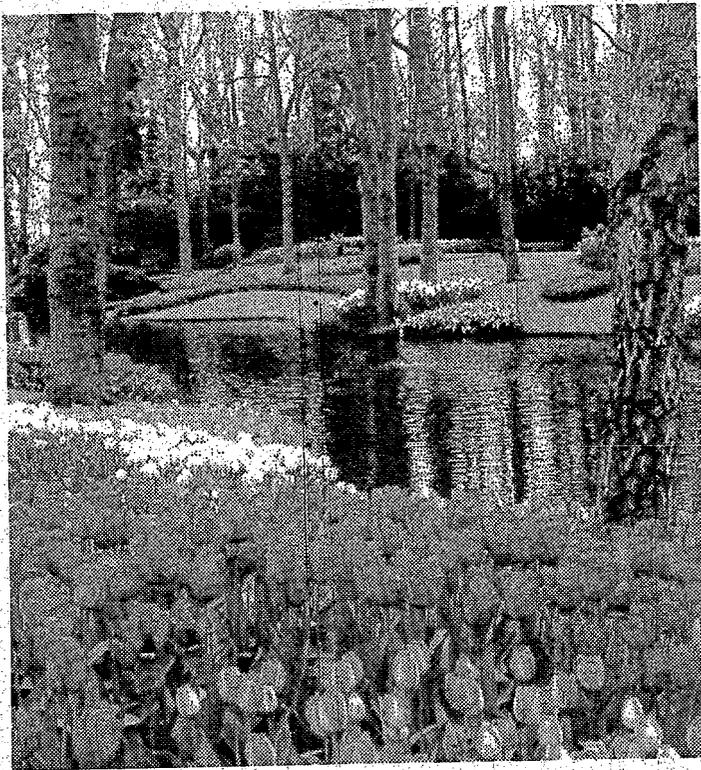


Margaret Bartos and Carolyn Morrison enjoy a chat.



40 Buffalo Band (Dr. Michael Baker, and son's Mike; Max, and Vince) rock the house with various oldies tunes.

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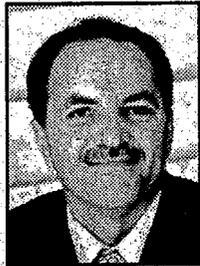
# GOOD LUCK!

## Obituary

### Nassir Bitti, 50

Nassir "Nass" Bitti of Brandon Township passed away, Aug. 10, 2009, at the age of 50.

He was the husband of Teresa for 24 years; father of Caresse and Tabitha; son of Najat Bitti of Oak Park; son-in-law of Harlan and Phyllis Rabideau of Gagetown; brother of Juliette (Issam) Brinko, Amal (Isam) Kammo, Salem Bitti, Bushra Bitti, Thikra Bitti and Tarik Bitti; preceded in death by his father Gorgis.



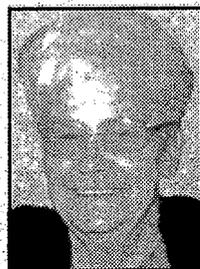
He was a loving, caring, funny, giving person. He came to America as a refugee from Iraq in 1976 at 18 years old. He was proud to be an American. Family and God were very important things in his life. Mr. Bitti ran Spring Valley Party Store and enjoyed deer hunting.

Prayer service was Aug. 13 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston. Funeral Mass was Aug. 14, St. Anne Catholic Church, Ortonville. Rite of Committal, Ortonville Cemetery. Any donations to the family will be used for his daughters' future education. Online guest book [www.wintfuneralhome.com](http://www.wintfuneralhome.com).

### Frances Millen, 78

Frances R. Millen of Clarkston passed away, Aug. 16, 2009, at the age of 78.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Alvin R., and siblings Jack Heffernan, Art Heffernan, Marvin Ostrander, Ross Ostrander, and Lila Coakley. She was the loving mother of Sandra Beauchamp of Clarkston, Linda (late Don) Goforth of Waterford and Diana (Jerry) Legge of North Carolina; grandmother of eight and great grandmother of 16; sister of Grant (Ceroba) Heffernan, Larry Heffernan, Maxine (Vic) Scram, Max Ostrander, and Joan Vore; also survived by generations of nieces, nephews and many close friends.



Mrs. Millen was a member of the VFW Ladies Auxillary Post 1370, Pontiac.

Funeral Service, 11 a.m., Wednesday, Aug. 19, at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston. Interment, Hillview Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society. Online guest book [www.wintfuneralhome.com](http://www.wintfuneralhome.com).

Obituaries updated at  
[ClarkstonNews.com](http://ClarkstonNews.com)

### Charlie Vittetoe, 67

Charlie W. Vittetoe of Waterford passed away, Aug. 13, 2009, at the age of 67.

He was the husband of Louise; father of Tommie (Lynn) Vittetoe of Oxford and Tanya (Matt) Carson of Clarkston; grandpa "Papa" of Kylie, Connor and Matthew; brother of Lee (Roberta) Vittetoe of Tennessee, Edith Bertini of Virginia, Samuel "Bo" (Audrey) Vittetoe of Tennessee, Glenda (Daryl) Henry of Tennessee; preceded in death by brothers Earl and Doyle, and sister Ruby; and special friend of Joe Carter and Harold Young.



Mr. Vittetoe retired from Pontiac Motors as a die setter. He was a classic car enthusiast and enjoyed being a Grandpa. Charlie was a member of the American Legion Post 377 and a member of Puncheon Camp Missionary Baptist Church, Grainger Co., Tennessee.

Funeral service was Aug. 17 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston. Interment Ottawa Park Cemetery. Memorials to American Heart Association or American Cancer Society. Online guest book [www.wintfuneralhome.com](http://www.wintfuneralhome.com).

### Regina S. Morris, 48

Regina S. Morris of Pontiac passed away, Aug. 11, 2009, at the age of 48.

She was the loving wife of Paul for nine years; beloved daughter of Walter (Donna) Anderson and the late Susie Anderson; dear sister of Randall (Pat) Anderson; preceded in death by her siblings Wm. Mark Anderson and Judy L. Watkins; also survived by eight nieces and two nephews.

Funeral Service was Aug. 15 at Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston. Online guestbook [www.wintfuneralhome.com](http://www.wintfuneralhome.com).

### Effective grieving habits explored in September

Wint's Healing Hearts Grief Support Group for all ages for those who have recently lost a loved one is Sept. 8 at 7 p.m.

This month's topic is "Effective Grieving Habits." The meeting will be led by Bereavement Counselor Emily Trahan at the Independence Township Senior Citizen Complex, in Clintonwood Park on Clarkston Road.

No registration is necessary, walk-ins welcome. Admission is free.

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## Spiritual Matters

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enter the dough! God doesn't protect himself from the world, so why should we?

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The next step, attendance at worship, might present a bit more of a challenge, but I contend that we should not lose hope!

Many of our churches are doing a magnificent job at providing opportunities for people to bring God into their lives where they are at. It's our job, as disciples and missionaries, to invite them to come and see. At St. Daniel this weekend, for example, we are hosting a "Welcome Home" weekend for those who have been away for the summer as well as for those who might be looking for a church to call home.

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So, dear child, why should you be going to church, even on vacation? It's a great question and it deserves a well thought out answer.

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To stay connected to the Body of Christ, wherever you are at, enlivens your spirit and prepares you for the work to be done at home. Praise God! How's that for an answer?

*Cheryl Smith is director of Adult Faith Formation at St. Daniel Catholic Church.*

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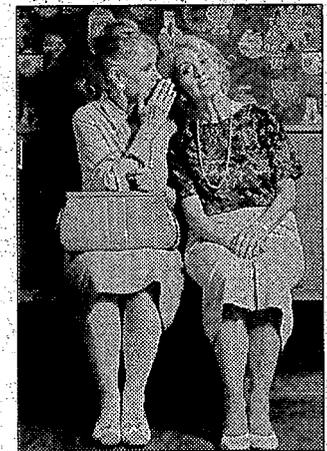


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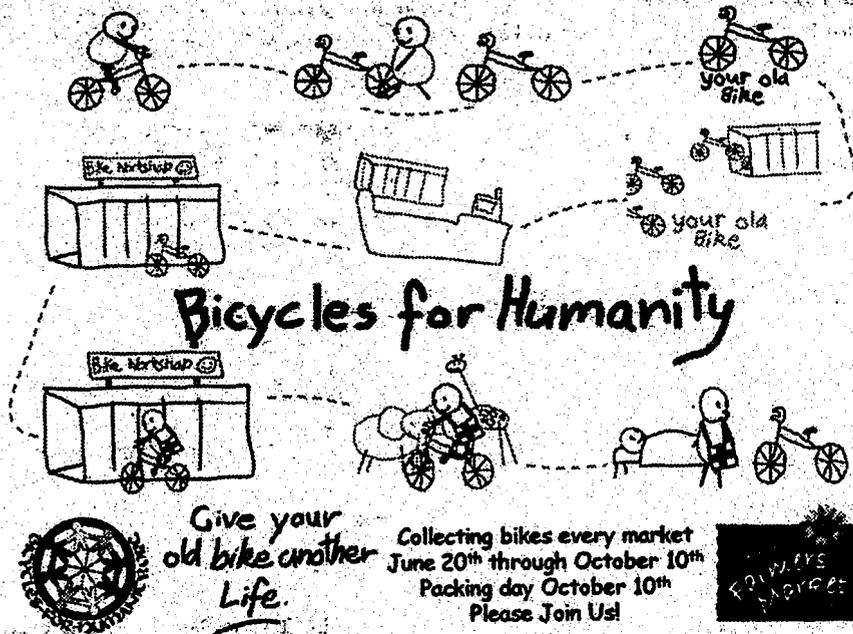


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### A GRASSROOTS EFFORT GROWS AT THE MARKET

Bicycles for Humanity is a grassroots movement and organization which is growing globally in many wild and wonderful ways. The Clarkston Farmers' Market recognizes the value a bicycle can bring to a life and encourages people within proximity of our market to bike down to the market on Saturday mornings. This year we have partnered the farmers market to form a Bicycles for Humanity Chapter (B4H). We are excited to be organizing a collection to take place this summer at the market of 430 old bicycles that will ship to Africa in October. Both organizations being grassroots, we have to raise every cent to run the market and send our container of bikes. Each bicycle can make the trip for \$21. Being part of a collection can be fun and rewarding. It brings people in our community together in new and exciting ways. Our farmers' market is proud of our local growers and proud to bring this kind of global link to Clarkston.

### DONATE A BIKE: MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Old Bicycles are hard to part with, they have so many good memories – the joy, the adventure and the experiences every bike has brought to its owners. Now, rather than sitting in the basement, garage or backyard, bring that old bike to the Clarkston Farmers' Market. A bicycle in Africa can change the quality of a life. Bicycles get medicine to people in rural areas and bicycles get farmers to their fields. With little pavement in Africa, mountain bikes or fat tire bikes are ideal. Also don't forget that old tires, and tubes, tools, really any bike parts, clothing, helmets, shoes – it's all needed and all very valuable. When we pack the container, there is a lot of room between the frames and this space is ideal for shipping all of this great bike gear. As a Clarkston Community group, organization, church, family or individual you can participate in this effort in a way that suits you best. Contact the Clarkston Farmers' Market to become a volunteer to collect bicycles and help us sell our own signature blend of coffee to help fund the program. Groups who wish to help with a collection can choose a market Saturday to come and help receive and prep the bicycles. Call t 248 821 4769 or email [info@clarkstonfarmersmarket.org](mailto:info@clarkstonfarmersmarket.org) today!

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realized that we could enrich our market by selling his baskets, as well as help his village, we knew we had discovered something special. The Clarkston Farmers' Market is proud to display and sell these baskets knowing that in addition to the donations received, the basket sales make the market possible. It is our wish that we can continue to bring local growers into the area and know that in the selling of these beautiful pieces, people across the globe are directly benefiting. Baskets are also available in the off-season by calling the market phone at (248) 821-4769.

Care of your Bolga Basket: If your basket has lost its shape, you can wet it and reshape it to the desired form.

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Mr. Baba Atule Ibrahim was born on the 5th of October 1967 and is a Ghanaian born and raised in Zaare a suburb of Bolgatanga, in the upper east region. Not having enough land to use for farming, his parents and grandparents resulted to full time basket weaving as a main way of making a living. This resulted in them becoming "Master Weavers", the best in Zaare. This explains why Baba Atule grew up to become a Master Basket Weaver himself. As a Master Basket Weaver under the sponsorship of a None Government Organization (NOGs) Bolga and Bongo District Assemble, Baba Atule continues to teach and train basket weaving to the people in the village areas who have no opportunity to develop other skills or trades. Learning basket weaving as a trade will allow the women in the village to be able to provide monetary, educational, and health support for their families. Mr. Baba Atule Ibrahim developed the BIA Basket Weaving Group to attain the following goals.

- a. To unite the weavers
- b. To raise the standard of living
- c. To increase production
- d. To improve the quality of the Bolga Basket
- e. To explore and capture the international export market
- f. To supply the market with an artistic interpretation of African Culture through the Ghanaian Bolga Baskets

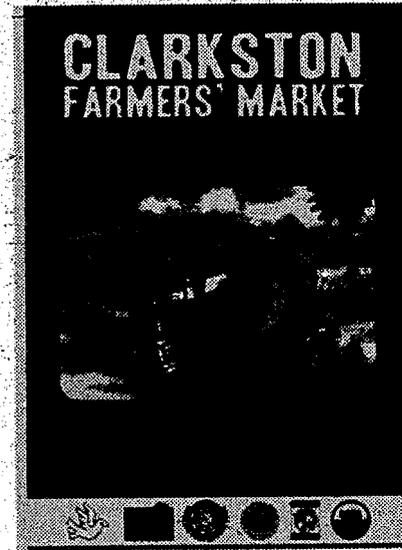
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Partner Village. Our coffee is also available online at [www.highergroundstrading.com](http://www.highergroundstrading.com) and click on Coffees For Change.



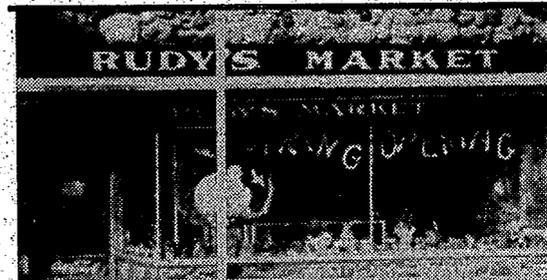
### An Eggsample of Using Your Farmers' Market to the Fullest

Adapted from ATTRAnews, by Anissa Howard  
 According to Jeff Ishee - a farmer with many years of marketing experience - if people knew how commercial layer hens are managed, they would be flocking to the local market to buy free-range or humanely produced eggs. Laid by hens that are allowed to roam free, with a rich and varied diet, these eggs have a deep yellow yolk, compared to the pale, watery factory-produced eggs. They've got the freshness and good taste old-timers recall from their childhood.

To take best advantage of your local farmers' market, look for farm-fresh eggs, talk to sellers about the differences between eggs raised naturally and those sold at the store. Ask questions, find out what breeds of hen are laying the eggs, and why a dozen naturally-produced eggs may cost a little more than your store bought dozen. You may be surprised and delighted to find out that you'll gladly pay more for the benefits.

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## Farmers Markets

Adapted from Thomas A Lyson's book *Civic Agriculture*

Before large supermarkets became a fixture on America's food landscape, farmers' markets provided consumers with a wide array of fresh, local produce. Most cities and towns had at least one farmers' market. In large cities, local farmers' markets catered to the particular tastes and wants of residents who lived in ethnic neighborhoods.

The number of farmers' markets in the United States began to decline in the 1920s with the advent on the modern supermarket. By the 1970s, the number of farmers' markets reached its nadir, with fewer than one hundred still operating. Although the number of farmers' markets plunged, especially after World War II, they never totally disappeared. Like an old idea whose time had come again, farmers' markets began what has become a rather remarkable rebound. Figures from the Department of Agriculture showed over 3000 farmers' markets in 2002 and that number has since doubled. In New York City alone, farmers' markets operate in twenty-eight different locations.

Farmers' markets offer a convenient outlet for producers who cannot or will not develop linkages to the mass market. They also fill an important niche for consumers who value quality, freshness, and variety over quantity and uniformity in the food they purchase. Most farmers' market vendors pride themselves on selling varieties of fruits and vegetables that cannot be found in the typical mass-market grocery store such as heirloom varieties, specialized organics, biodynamically

grown produce and seeds that are GMO-free (Genetically Modified Organism).

While health-and food-conscious consumers are purchasing more fresh fruits and vegetables than ever from farmers' markets, local government officials are beginning to see farmers' markets as engines of economic and community development. Research shows that consumers have 20 times more greetings and conversations at farmers' markets than at supermarkets. As social institutions and social organizations, farmers' markets can be important components of civic agriculture. As bridges between the generations and between formal and informal sectors of the local economy, they enable individual entrepreneurs and their families to contribute to the economic life of their communities by providing goods and services that may not be readily available through formal market channels. They invite people to return to their downtowns, keeping farmland from being overdeveloped and money within the local economy. They embody what is unique and special about local communities and help to differentiate one community from another.

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WHAT THE MARKET  
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GROWN WEEK  
BASIS!

- Aug. 15 - tomatoes and sweet corn
- Aug. 22 - peaches, peppers
- Aug. 29 - apples, eggplant
- Sept. 5 - broccoli, sw. potatoes
- Sept. 12 - early pumpkins, late raspberries and pears
- Sept. 19 - HARVEST DINNER
- Closed for Art in the Village
- Sept. 26 - pumpkins, peppers and plums
- Oct. 3 - late peas, watermelon and squash!
- Oct. 10 - Bicycles for Humanity
- send off! Musician Mark Stone

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

**CLARKSTON**

CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF CLARKSTON  
375 DEPOT ROAD  
CLARKSTON MI 48346  
SUMMARY MINUTES  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
JULY 27, 2009

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Pro-tem Gawronski followed by the pledge of allegiance.  
Roll: Present - Mayor Pro-tem Gawronski, Brueck, Hunter, Inabnit, Johnston, Roth

Absent - Arkwright

Others Present - City Manager Ritter

Moved by Inabnit, supported by Brueck to "Approve the Agenda as presented with item 9C - "Discussion Rain Garden Sign Proposal by Lola Koch" being moved to item 5A and taking both items under Consent Agenda as separate motions". Motion carried.

Clarkston's Farmer's Market representative, Anissa Howard, explained to Council the Bicycles for Humanity Drive that the Farmer's Market is doing every Saturday thru October 10.

The Rain Garden Sign proposal was presented by Lola Koch, Clarkston Watershed Group. The group will attend the next Planning Commission meeting August 3 and present the 22" by 28" sign.

Motion by Johnston, supported by Inabnit to "Accept the minutes of the July 13 Council Meeting with the following change. On Page 5 - Council would like the Planning Commission to check into the requirements and review the temporary sign ordinance and define the length of time temporary is. Also, Council would like the Historic District Commission to review if a mural can be on a building in a Historic District and if so, what are the requirements." Motion carried.

Motion by Hunter, supported by Roth, "To accept the Treasurer's Report as of June 30, 2009." Motion carried.

Resolved by Brueck, supported by Roth, "That Council Approve the FY 2010 salaries and wages as presented and changing the DPW Overtime pay to say -1.5 times base pay per City Policy".

Roll: Yeas - Gawronski, Inabnit, Roth, Johnston, Hunter, Brueck

Nays - None

Absent - Arkwright

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

Resolved by Inabnit, supported by Johnston, "That these financial institutions can be used as depositories for City Funds: Chase Bank, Clarkston State Bank, Oxford Bank, Comerica and Bank of America, according to the Investment Policy and to comply with ACT 20 PA 1943."

Roll: Yeas - Gawronski, Johnston, Inabnit, Roth, Brueck, Hunter

Nays - None

Absent - Arkwright

RESOLUTION ADOPTED.

Meeting adjourned at 8:44 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Janet C. Gillespie, Clerk

**PUBLIC NOTICE**

Charter Township of Springfield

**NOTICE OF ADOPTION  
AMENDMENTS TO  
ZONING ORDINANCE NO. 26**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that at a regularly-scheduled meeting held on August 13, 2009, the Township Board of the Charter Township of Springfield adopted amendments to Springfield Township Zoning Ordinance No. 26, which amendments are set forth herein and shall take effect seven (7) days after publication of this Notice of Adoption.

**THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD, OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN, ORDAINS:**

Ordinance No. 26, the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Springfield is hereby amended as follows:

**Section 1. Amendments**

1. In Article XVI, the second paragraph of Section 16.06 - Landscaping, Greenbelts and Buffers, and Screening, is hereby amended to read as follows:

It is also the intent of this section to encourage the use of desirable native species of plants for all landscaping and to maximize the use of native plant species in landscaping all areas of a site, including but not limited to, foundation plantings, lawn areas, screening and greenbelt areas, and surface stormwater conveyance features. See Section 16.06.11 and 16.06.16 for regulations and guidance in regard to landscape design.

2. In Article XVI, Section 16.06 is hereby amended to add (3) to Subsection 16.06.3.c to read as follows:

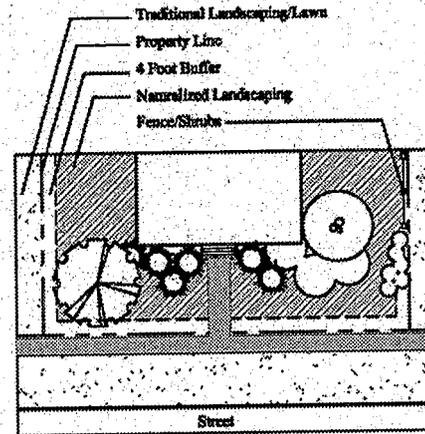
(3) Screening requirements as shown on the schedule and required elsewhere herein may be waived or modified by the Township body responsible for site plan approval upon finding any of the following:

- (a) Sufficient natural vegetation is present on the site in question to form an effective screen,
- (b) Sufficient natural berming is present on the site to create a barrier in keeping with the specific type required for the proposed use,
- (c) There is sufficient distance between the proposed use and the adjoining parcel boundary so as to render any additional screening ineffective,
- (d) The topography is such that the planting of a screen as called out in this ordinance would be of no benefit because the adjoining parcel to be screened is at a higher elevation than the subject property or for any other similar reason, or
- (e) Any combination of the foregoing (a)-(d).

3. In Article XVI, Subsection 16.06.11 of Section 16.06, Landscaping, Greenbelts and Buffers, and Screening is hereby amended to read as follows:

11. Private Naturally Landscaped Lots. If a landowner decides to use a landscape style that emulates nature where such style is not prohibited, then it is the intent of these provisions to ensure that this landscape style does not intrude on the adjoining properties or impair site distances for pedestrians and motorists. Someone using a natural landscape style must follow these standards:

- a. A private, "naturally landscaped" lot is a privately-owned lot which is naturally landscaped so as to exhibit the deliberate and conscious decision to plant, cultivate and maintain native plant species. A naturally landscaped lot is NOT the simple neglect of an existing lawn or other plantings on a property.
- b. Naturally landscaped lots should be maintained so that herbaceous plants are mown or cut to 18" or less at least once prior to June 1 of each calendar year.
- c. Natural landscaping on private lots shall not be located within four feet (4') of any property line. The four foot buffer shall be made up of short vegetation such as mown turf grass or other non-vegetative materials such as stones. No rear or side yard setback shall be required where the natural landscaping material is separated from adjacent lots by fencing or shrubs, or where the natural landscaping material abuts permitted natural landscaping material on an adjacent lot. An intervening path or sidewalk shall not be deemed to prevent natural landscape materials from "abutting" for purposes of this section. See the following graphics for further explanation of the buffers.



Buffer to Abutting Property Lines

d. A naturally landscaped lot often has a significantly different character than a traditionally landscaped lot, as it generally does not include much mown lawn, but is made up of relatively tall plants, often in an arrangement that emulates nature. Property owners who wish to use a landscape style that emulates nature, where not prohibited by development restrictions, should consider the following design guidelines to coordinate this style with neighboring, traditional landscapes:

- (1) Acknowledge the Landscape Style of Adjoining Properties. Design boundary areas in a way that create a smooth transition between the traditional landscape style and the more natural landscape style. This can be done by placing naturally-landscaped beds away from boundaries, using a progression of plant heights (short to tall) as you move away from the boundary, or mixing native species with more traditional landscaping plants.
- (2) Advertise Ecological Stewardship. Talk to neighbors about the proposed landscape style so that they understand the benefits of naturalized landscaping.
- (3) Start Small. Create small beds in the naturalized landscaping style, rather than transforming large areas of the property all at once.
- (4) Add Human Elements. Include benches, bird feeders, garden ornaments, and other human elements that invite people into the landscape so that they can begin to appreciate the naturalized landscaping style, and enjoy the plants.
- (5) Refer to the Springfield Township's Native Plant CD and Information Sheets. The Township has produced a CD and information sheets that provide valuable information about naturalized landscaping and ways property owners can successfully integrate it into developed areas.

4. In Article XVI, Subsection 16.06.12 of Section 16.06 - Landscaping, Greenbelts and Buffers, and Screening is hereby amended to read as follows:

12. Prohibited and Restricted Use Plant Species. As of the effective date of this ordinance, the following plant species shown on Table 1 shall not be approved for landscaping in any development requiring site plan approval. These Prohibited Plant Species are not native to the area, reproduce profusely and have potentially harmful effects on natural ecosystems. Table 2 lists Restricted Use Plant Species that have invasive tendencies but are not as problematic as the prohibited plant species when used responsibly. It is not possible to list all the cultivars of the plants prohibited or restricted by this ordinance, primarily because new cultivars are introduced over time. However, because cultivars might contribute to an invasive plant's spread, they are also discouraged. Cultivars may not produce seed themselves (and hence are described as "sterile"), but they will produce pollen that can hybridize with other non-cultivar individuals of their species, creating seed which spreads the undesirable plant. Cultivars are identified in single quotation marks, after the scientific name. For example, *Acer platanoides* 'Crimson King' is a cultivar of the Norway Maple.

**Trees**

**Common Name**

Tree of Heaven  
Black Alder  
Russian Olive  
Autumn Olive  
Black Locust

**Shrubs & Woody Vines**

**Common Name**

Oriental Bittersweet  
Privet  
Japanese Honeysuckle  
Amur Honeysuckle  
Morrow's Honeysuckle  
Tartarian Honeysuckle  
Bell's Honeysuckle  
Common Buckthorn  
Glossy Buckthorn  
Black Jetbead  
Multiflora Rose

**Flowers, Groundcover & Grasses**

**Common Name**

Garlic Mustard  
Narrow-leaved Bitter-cress  
Spotted Knapweed  
Canada Thistle  
Crown Vetch  
Queen Anne's Lace  
Leafy Spurge  
Dame's Rocket  
Purple Loosestrife  
White Sweet Clover  
Yellow Sweet Clover  
Wild Parsnip  
Reed Canarygrass  
Reed Phragmites (Giant Reed)  
Japanese Knotweed  
Mile-a-minute Weed  
Narrow-leaved Cat-tail  
Black Swallow-wort  
Pale Swallow-wort

\*By Ordinance, these plants are prohibited for use in any development requiring Site Plan Approval. Residents also are strongly discouraged from using these plants anywhere in Springfield Township.

**Restricted Use Plant Species+**

**Trees**

**Common Name**

Norway Maple

**Shrubs & Woody Vines**

**Common Name**

Japanese Barberry  
Common Barberry  
Wintercreeper  
English Ivy

**Flowers, Groundcover & Grasses**

**Common Name**

Pachysandra  
Myrtle (Periwinkle)

+Refer to Michigan Invasive Plant Council website ([http://invasiveplantsmi.org/plants\\_mpias.html](http://invasiveplantsmi.org/plants_mpias.html)) to determine responsible use of these plants. Depending on use and location, these plants could be prohibited for use in a development as part of the site plan approval process. Residents of Springfield Township also are urged to practice responsible use of these potentially invasive plants.

**Section 2. Balance of Ordinance Remains in Effect**

The balance of Ordinance No. 26 shall remain in full force and effect, except as specifically modified herein.

**Section 3. Repealer**

All ordinances and portions of ordinances inconsistent with this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

**Section 4. Severability**

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

**Section 5. Effective Date**

These Ordinance amendments shall take effect following publication in the manner prescribed by law. These Ordinance amendments shall be published in the manner provided by law.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of amendments to Zoning Ordinance No. 26 adopted at the Regular Meeting of the Springfield Township Board held on the 13th day of August, 2009. Documents pertaining to the adopted amendments may be inspected or obtained at the office of the Springfield Township Clerk, 12000 Davisburg Rd., Davisburg, MI 48350 at all times said office is open for business. Anyone needing a special accommodation should contact the Clerk's Office at least two (2) business days in advance. 248-846-6510.

LAURA MOREAU, Clerk

Published: August 19, 2009

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In the matter of: Unit #371, Jeffrey Macaulley; has a 10x20 full-Furniture, stereo equip., small fridge, tubs, TV, small tools. In the matter of: Unit #333, Cynthia Brooks; has a 10x30 3/4 full-Lawn mower, furniture, clothes, tubs.

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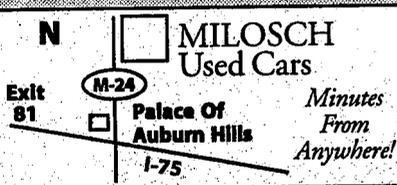
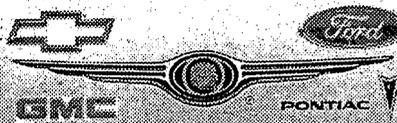
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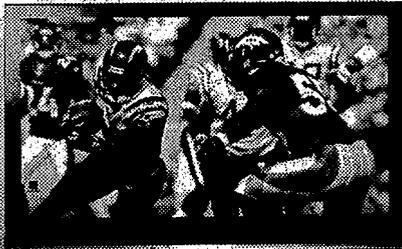
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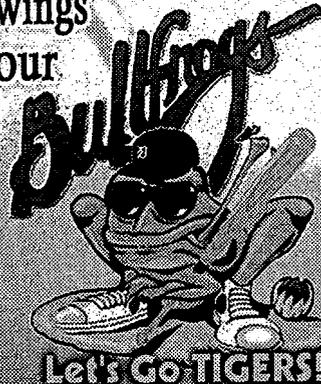
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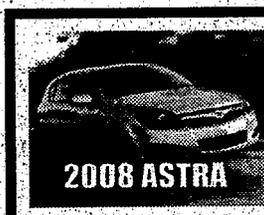
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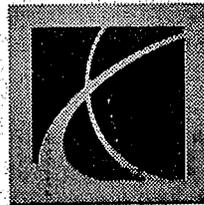
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