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Samantha Carpentier paints her name, "Sammie," on a parking stone next to the 5 S. Main Street mural as her sister Madison Carpentier watches, Nov. 7. Please see page 8A for more pictures. Photo by Phil Custodio



Wolves hold their district trophy up high. Photo by WR

## Revenge is sweet Gridiron heroes turn Bulldogs into puppies

BY WENDI REARDON  
Clarkston News Sports Writer

The gridiron gang had two reasons to celebrate Friday night – they won the Division 1 District playoff game and avenged last year's loss to Romeo, beating them 21-3.

"It was a great game," said senior Jordan Clark. "When we came out we knew we had to take it to them after they blew us out last year. Everyone was pumped up."

Clark and his teammates were reminded before the game what happened last time Clarkston faced the Bulldogs.

"It's on every board – the score and everything," said Wolves Head Coach Kurt Richardson. "I talked to the seniors

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## Township turns to state in Comcast dispute

BY TREVOR KEISER  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

Trustee David Lohmeier said he "probably would have behaved differently a couple months ago had he known the history" of the Comcast quarrel.

"As embarrassing as it is for everybody to pick up the paper and learn a lot more about a topic that we're in legal issues over, it was enlightening for me," Lohmeier said at the Nov. 3 Township Board meeting.

"Quite frankly, the *Clarkston News*

caused me to ask questions that should have maybe been asked to begin with," he said.

Independence Township officials told Attorney Kristin Kolb, Secret Wardle, to file a complaint with the Michigan Public Service Commission (MPSC) in order to try and resolve the ongoing cable fee fiasco.

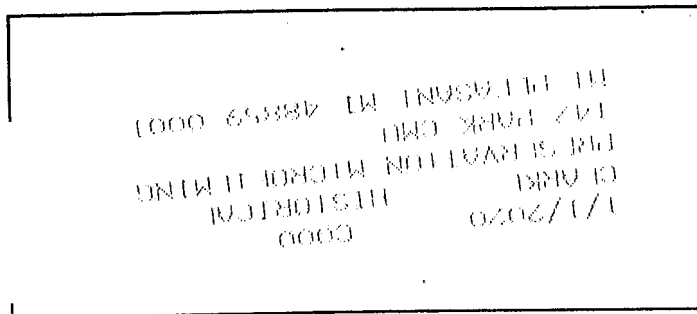
"You do need to move ahead, the board has spoken before on this subject," said Supervisor Dave Wagner at the Nov. 3 meeting. "You need to go this next step immediately and let's get this next thing over."

Kolb said the first step required under state law is to submit a notice of dispute between the provider and franchising entity, the township.

Trustee Larry Rosso asked if "there had been any similar cases of this nature."

"No, for two reasons," Kolb said. "One, because PA 4, which codified the dispute resolution, was passed earlier this year, and because the township did not have an existing franchise agreement when PA 480 was signed

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## News archive leads way down memory lane

Ralph Chambers of Independence Township remembers former *Clarkston News* publisher William Stamp.

Stamp also served as Clarkston's justice of the peace in the late 1950s and '60s, and Chambers appeared in his courtroom on M-15 near Dixie Highway to deal with two traffic tickets.

"I don't remember how I got them," said Chambers, who has lived in Clarkston for the past 53 years. "He was very matter of fact. I knew I was wrong and had been caught."

At the time, Chambers was a member of Clarkston's Jaycees with other young men including Frank "Tink" Ronk, Lew Wint, Mel Mason, and Mel Vaara, meeting at the village cafe on Main Street.

Downtown was bustling, with Dr. Jim O'Neill just starting his practice on Main Street, Rudy Schwartz running Rudy's Market, and Ronk calling out to friends and neighbors from his barbershop.

"It was the center, the focus of downtown," Chambers said. "This is a great town."

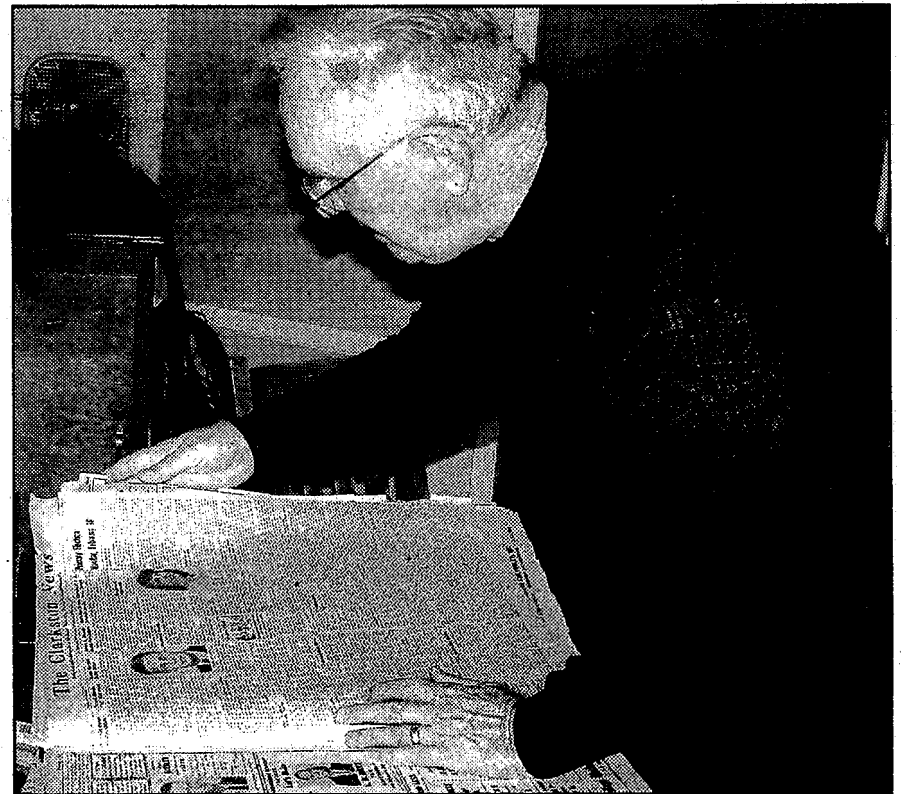
The current *Clarkston News* building at 5 S. Main Street was a furniture store,

"We still have a couch we bought here," he said.

Judge Stamp, Jaycees, and the rest of the Main Street crowd continue to live on in the *Clarkston News* archive, dating back to the 1930s.

Care to take a look? Call us at 248-625-3370 and we'll set it up.

- Phil Custodio



Ralph Chambers looks through a 1959 edition of the *Clarkston News*. Photo by Phil Custodio



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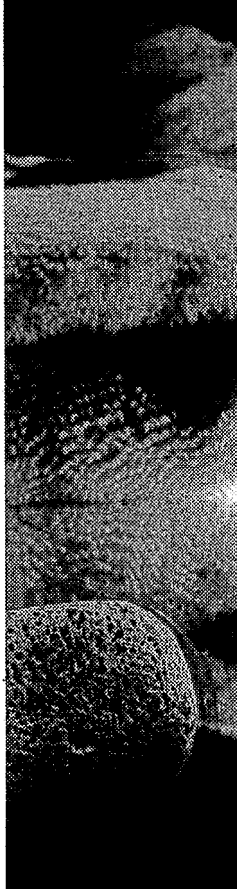
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## Briefly

### Guilty plea in 'sexting' case

Former Clarkston teacher Michelle Simonson pled guilty to sending explicit photos and text messages to one of her students.

Simonson, 28, faced up to four years in prison if convicted of two felony charges in the "sexting" case.

She admitted to exchanging about 50 text messages — some sexually explicit — with a 14-year-old boy in late fall, 2008, and also sent the youth a partially nude photo of herself via cell phone.

She was arraigned this past August. In exchange for the plea, she received a reduced sentence of three months in Oakland County Jail.

### Budget hearing in Springfield Twp.

Springfield Township Board hosts a public hearing, 7:30 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 12, on its proposed 2010 budget.

The budget includes General Fund, \$1,983,500 revenues, \$1,951,000 expenses; Police Fund, \$1,569,200 revenues, \$1,569,200 expenses; Fire Fund, \$917,750 revenues, \$882,750 expenses; Building Fund, \$64,350 revenues, \$64,350 expenses; Cable Fund, \$63,000 revenues, \$41,000 expenses; and Cemetery Fund, \$700 revenues, no expenses.

They will also host a public hearing on the township's 2010 Community Development Block Grant projects. Springfield Township expects \$31,700 for development and housing projects benefiting low- and moderate-income residents.

The board meets at Springfield Township Civic Center, 12000 Davisburg Road. For more information, call Springfield Township at 248-846-6502.

## Attention businesses

What are you doing to stimulate the local economy — *The Clarkston News* wants to know. Stop by at 5 S. Main Street, call 248-625-3370, or email [Clarkstonnews@gmail.com](mailto:Clarkstonnews@gmail.com).

# Learn about local businesses at Expo

Those interested in shopping local can find out how at Clarkston Area Chamber of Commerce's Best of the Best Expo, 6-8 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 12, at Clarkston High School, 6093 Flemings Lake Road.

"This is where you can walk the talk and learn about local businesses," said Penny Shanks, chamber executive director. "You'll be surprised how many friends and neighbors you'll see."

More than 1,000 attendees are expected to view more than 100 exhibits throughout the high school cafeteria and "Main Street" lobby.

"We have several new exhibitors," Shanks said. "Bordine's is new — they'll have a beautiful display. Coffee News will celebrate their one-year anniversary with free cake."

Many medical providers and assisted living centers will present information, along with several service organizations.

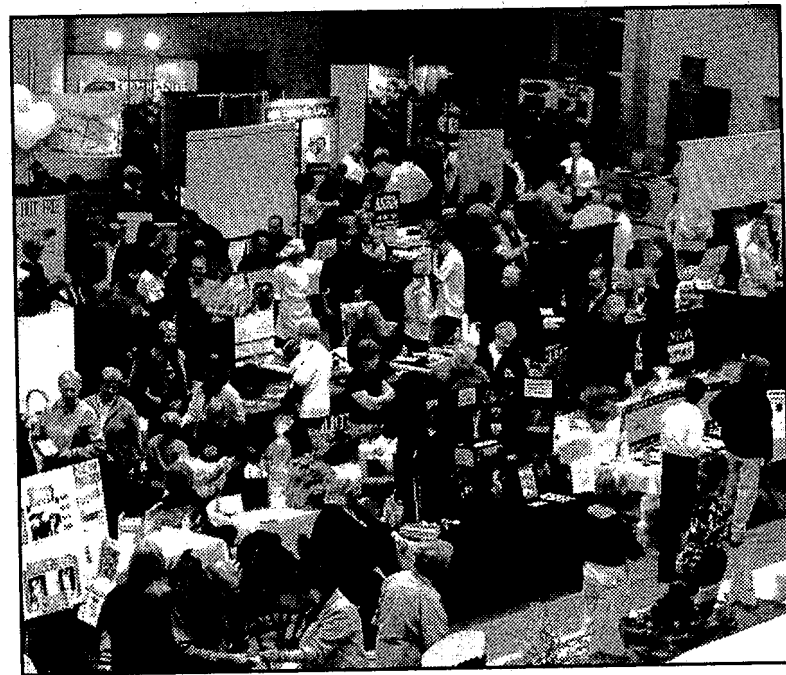
"This is the place to get information on how to get more involved in the community," Shanks said.

Culinary students with Oakland Technical Center — Northwest of Springfield Township provide hors d'oeuvres and desserts.

Admission and parking is free. The chamber and exhibitors host several drawings for door prizes and gifts. Enter at the school main entrance.

For more information, call 248-625-8055.

— Phil Custodio



Visitors fill Clarkston High School gym at last year's chamber Expo. File photo

## Board finally OKs taping of special meetings

BY TREVOR KEISER

Clarkston News Staff Writer

After four tries, persistent trustees finally got their wish to tape all special meetings and broadcast them on local cable.

The motion was brought forth by Trustee Larry Rosso. The vote was 6-1. Supervisor Dave Wagner voted "no for economic reasons."

"At the time we took a vote on this back in August, I was away on vacation," Rosso said. "As result, there was a deadlocked vote. I would have voted in favor of it at that time if I was here, but I wasn't."

Instead of bringing the issue back to the table right away, Rosso said he wanted to see how board members behaved at special meetings over the next few weeks.

"I'm quite proud of the performance of this board and the focus and the decorum, and the exchanges have been done in a very civil and professional manner," he said. "I think it's better now that I'm bringing a motion to bear this time based upon a track record of success. Also, we benefit having these board meetings for obvious reasons, the transparency as we just talked about."

He also noted meetings could be taped with a stand alone camera, or pay a volunteer for \$10 an hour.

Wagner, who has consistently voted no on the issue, said he would be in favor of taping special meetings, along with Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals. Wagner also expressed

concerns about juggling the hours of the part-timer at Clarkston Public Access Center (CPAC) between time at the station and taping special meetings.

He asked if the board would consider waiting until the township worked out its Comcast PEG fee dispute.

"When you talk about transparency for those who have served on planning and zoning, there are major decisions that are made at that level that no one in the public has a clue about," Wagner said. "If we're going to broadcast, I would be in favor of broadcasting everything. I would ask the board to possibly have some patience and wait."

Trustee Neil Wallace said he didn't want to "dismiss the good because it was not perfect." He also stated the meetings that weren't broadcast were a "tremendous missed opportunity."

"It's really unfortunate the people of this community couldn't see us, good and bad, wrestling with their money and trying to figure out how to do things better," he said. "I'm proud of what we've done and what we've accomplished. It's been a lot of hard work, I don't know if we actually missed a Tuesday night meeting since June."

Wallace suggested looking at the planning commission and ZBA as a separate proposal in the future.

Rosso agreed.

"Zoning and planning, I don't have problem with," Rosso said. "We're in the

most critical phase in my tenure here at the township, dealing with our financial budget crisis as we have. I want the public to get a firsthand look at this."

Clerk Shelagh VanderVeen said her reasoning for wanting meetings taped were "completely selfish."

"I haven't taken shorthand since 1972," she said. "It's been awhile, so it would help me in that respect."

Trustee Mark Petterson was also in favor of taping both ZBA and planning commission meetings and agreed the board is at a critical time in their budget process, but he was also worried about personnel issues.

"During these budget discussions, the possibility of eliminating departments (and) personnel comes up. I think one of my greatest concerns is our employees find out they've been terminated or let go on TV before a department head has a chance to pull them into a side room and let them know what's going on," Petterson said. "I hope we think of the consequences on our employees when make our discussions."

Trustee David Lohmeier said "the benefits far outweigh the danger."

"Transparency is not easy, it's kind of painful and you don't get to keep things secret," Lohmeier said. "I do regret we haven't been able to get the previous meetings out. I think they were incredibly valuable because it shows the pain and the diligence everyone is going through in making some of these decisions."

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## Wauldron spread the word on youth assistance group

BY TREVOR KEISER  
Clarkston News Staff Writer

As Joe Wauldron prepares to step down as president of Clarkston Area Youth Assistance, he said "it's been quite a journey."

"Even though the economy has been struck hard by the recession, our volunteers, sponsors, community residents, and area businesses have offered their time and resources and have allowed CAYA to reach goals and make a difference in the lives of the youth and families we serve," Wauldron said.

He joined CAYA in 2006 and was made president in 2007.

After moving from Royal Oak to Independence Township in 2005, his wife told him to find something to do.

"I came across youth assistance and thought, 'hey I might try this, it's something I've done before,'" he said. "I went to a few meetings. Before I knew it, I'm on the executive board and the next year I became president."

Through sponsors, contributions, and fundraisers, CAYA continues programs such as Mentors Plus, After School tutoring, Family Education, Camp, Youth Recognition, and Skill Building.

"I think the youth assistance helps kids and what they're going through today. I really feel sorry for some of these kids that are going through school, the economy the way it is," he said. "It's hurting families, dividing them and even some cases breaking up families. That's one reason I like doing what I'm doing."

When he first joined CAYA he was told "it's the best kept secret in Clarkston," he said.

"My thing as president was to get that name out there," he said. "One way or the other I was going to get that name out

there."

Wauldron feels he accomplished that goal by using Clarkston Public Access Center (CPAC) as well as word of mouth at Independence and Springfield township board meetings, and just talking with a lot of people.



Joe Wauldron

"I don't think it's the best kept secret anymore," he said. "I think enough people know about it, but you still have to keep on plugging it."

His other goal as president was to make sure the budget was "well funded" when he left.

"It is in good shape," Wauldron said. "I think we have a little bit more funds than when I first started."

Wauldron is also a member of Optimist Club, Rotary Club, Mentors Plus for youth assistance, Farmers Market, and Independence Township Planning Commission.

He was born and raised in Detroit, met his wife Bev and married her in 1970. Their daughter Jill and son-in-law Chris, along with their grandchildren Evan, 6, and Ryan, 5, also live in Independence Township.

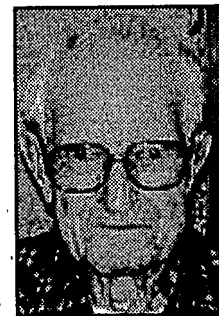
Joe was a former financial auditor, as well as owner of Interior Design Company in the 1970s. He also owned an "all supply" company, which he sold to another company and became their vice president of purchasing.

"I'm looking to do something else," he said. "Now that I'm retired, I need to find something else to bring some money into my pocket, but don't know what I'm going to do yet."

## Vets enjoy luncheon, share stories

Sixty-five veterans and family members enjoyed lunch and shared stories at the 11th-annual Veterans' Luncheon, Nov. 4, at Independence Township Senior Center.

George C. Thompson Jr. of Independence shared his experiences as a combat infantryman in South Pacific during World War II.



Thompson

Thompson, who earned the Bronze Star for bravery in action, read a poem he wrote,

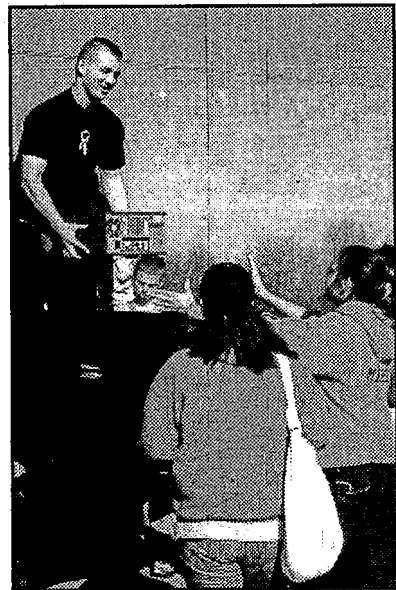
"We stand on the sands of time  
By the waves of the water,  
Waiting for that great ship  
To carry us to our final destination."

American Legion Post 377 presented the flag, gun salute and played taps. Lauren Chamberlaine of Veteran's Service Division of Oakland County was guest speaker.

Lourdes Senior Community sponsored the event, and senior center volunteers served the meal.



Clarkston High School students Nick Aguayo and Eric Savoie unload some old electronics from a vehicle.



Matt Goebel hands an old computer to Lauren Kissel.

## Out with the old

Clarkston middle schoolers' computer recycling project, Nov. 7, was a success, collecting hundreds of old computers, TVs, and other electronics for recycling.

"This keeps old computers out of the landfills," said Sashabaw Middle School Leadership student McKenzie Suarez. "They have lots of bad chemicals."

"Old computers have high levels of mercury," explained Ruth Hutchens, Clarkston High School student who helped out at the event.

"It's one of the things the students are doing to learn about ecology and service," said Rodney Pierson, seventh grade teacher at Sashabaw Middle School.

About 25 Sashabaw students in its Leadership and Academic Service Learning classes were joined in the project by about 20 International Baccalaureate students from Clarkston High School.

"We had a good turnout," said high school student Anna Gencay.



The students gathered several pallets full of old computers, televisions, and other electronics for recycling. Photos by Phil Custodio

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## Phil in the Blank

A column by Phil Custodio

### Helping out vets at home

There are many new veterans to honor this Veterans' Day.

I don't see them as either victims to be coddled or deranged timebombs requiring treatment. I see them as what this country needs to get us out of our financial, healthcare, environmental, etc. messes.

I see that in the Nov. 5 shootings at Ft. Hood – amongst the soldiers under fire, not the Al Qaeda infiltrator pulling the trigger.



Talk about the ability to handle pressure. News reports show they responded quickly and heroically, saving many lives. They've been attacked before, sometimes by infiltrators wearing friendly uniforms.

Their lack of weapons was a problem – yelling combat advice to responding police officers had to suffice.

I also see there's at least one thing worse than electing a president who promised to end America's war in Iraq and Afghanistan.

That's electing a president who breaks promises to end wars in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Whatever good will President Obama managed to build with Al Qaeda, not such a great idea to start with, will backfire twice as hard if they see betrayal. The shooting, along with the suspected terror cell rounded up recently in Dearborn, seems to show that.

The final lesson I see: there are no secure rear areas for U.S. troops. That has to make it hard for our troops as they train and when they return from overseas duty.

Clarkston has no military base nearby, but we have plenty of reservists living in the area with their families.

A local group, Clarkston Cares for Military Families, has formed to help them out with whatever they need, when they need it, food, transportation, rent, or counseling services they may require.

The next meeting of the group, of which I am a part, is Wednesday, Dec. 2, 7:30 p.m. at St. Dan's church.

Give me a call at 248-625-3370 or Tom Stone at 248-625-8193 for more information.

## The Clarkston News

# Viewpoints

### Fast ForWord bad for kids

Dear editor,

I do not want my name used, as I fear getting fired, but I find Dr. Al Roberts' insistence on the Fast ForWord program unconscionable when one considers the size of the expenditure, the program's questionable validity, and the negative impact it will have on students ("Quick questions on Fast ForWord," Nov. 4).

The program costs a good deal of money (\$370,400) in uncertain economic times. Per-pupil funding has been cut (\$292 per student so far, \$2.4 million total). Textbook purchases have been put on hold. Employees have made concessions in insurance. Class sizes are way up. People have lost their jobs. But somehow, we can find money for this?

If Fast ForWord were truly a panacea for helping all students achieve their very best, then perhaps it would be a great idea.

Proponents of the program extol its virtues with some very convincing "data." Under closer scrutiny using good scientific method, the program does not hold up.

One must ask: Why would we work so hard to adopt a program that is not good? Could Dr. Roberts be looking toward a career

as a representative for Fast ForWord once he retires from Clarkston? Surely there must be an explanation: an outstanding product is not it.

Last, let's not forget what will happen when this is adopted. As has been shown at Clarkston Junior High, there must be a computer lab and a full-time staff member assigned to a Fast ForWord program.

Time in computer labs is limited and difficult to get.

Losing a computer lab in every building will insure that less technology will be integrated throughout the curriculum. The district allocates only a certain amount of money for teacher salaries. If money for teacher salaries is wasted on a half-empty lab for an ineffective program, that means that a regular classroom teacher will be lost somewhere else and class sizes will continue to rise.

The benefits of adopting this program are limited to a select few, and Clarkston's kids are not among them.

Next white elephant? Let's talk IB (International Baccalaureate, "Students explore IB choice," April 1).

Name withheld on writer's request

### Letters to the editor

### Be nice to mural artist

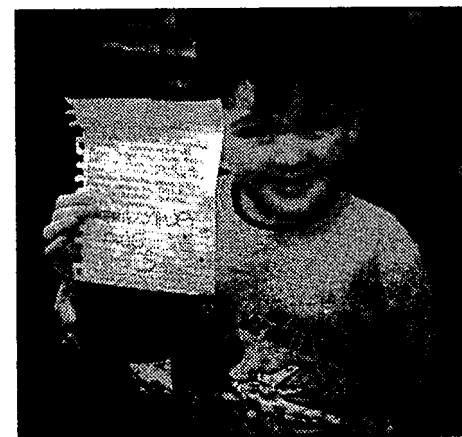
Dear editor,

Michelle Tynan has made a beautiful painting!

Everyone should enjoy it and stop being mean about it. People are going to be on it and it will be nice to see them.

I watch Michelle paint when Momma drives by and I like it. Michelle is nice and I enjoy her painting.

Joshua Robbins, 5  
Independence Township



Letter writer Joshua Robbins.

### Thanks for market

Dear editor,

Thanks to the Clarkston Farmers Market volunteers and vendors for providing once again this past summer a gathering place for social interaction and fresh produce.

From a grateful 84-year-old Clarkston resident,

Martha Pasternak  
Independence Township

## A Look Back

From The CNews archives

### 15 years ago - 1994

"On with the show" Clarkston residents helped bring Olde England back to life with the Royal Canterbury Players in Orion Township. They put together their own costumes, wrote their own scripts, and improvised as they mingled among guests.

"Committing to kids" Clarkston Foundation handed out grants to 10th-grade Future Problem Solvers Tony Knakal, Steve Hyer, Kyle Stout, Jennifer Wrobel, and Kate Higdon. Student scholarship awards went to Chris Lewis and Dave Hartke, and Natalie Hewko received the Exemplary Teacher of the Year award.

"The not-so-secret garden" Melissa Nicol, Gwen Kluwe, and other students at Sashabaw Middle School transformed a neglected courtyard into a place of beauty and purpose. School secretary Ellen Whitehead, head of the school club Students for a Better World, led the effort.

### 25 years ago - 1984

"News ad reunited girl and her cat" Brigitte Brown and her three-legged cat Morris were reunited after eight weeks after Natalie Kovacs read an ad in *The Clarkston News* about him, and spotted the feline near her home.

"Getting on with the show" Members of the Clarkston Village Players built an addition to Depot Theatre, a dream come true to the Players, who spent years gathering \$10,500 for a lobby and restroom.

"Dad's day at school" Fedon Pitsonis, Jim Russell, Tom Parrott, and other fathers went to school with their children at Clarkston Co-op Nursery School at Clarkston United Methodist Church.

### 50 years ago - 1959

"Clarkston Library Card No. 1000 issued to fourth-grade teacher" Gloria Utschig took her Clarkston Elementary School class to the library for a visit. Being new to town, moving here from Wisconsin, she applied for the milestone library card. She was awarded a book for the honor.

"Benefit party for local library" Clarkston Community Women's Club sponsored a Card Party – Fashion Show for Independence Township Library at Clarkston Community Center's ballroom.

"Clarkston locals" A baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. James Huttenlocher of Middle Lake Road. Richard H., weighing 7 1/2 pounds, was Mr. and Mrs. Howard Huttenlocher's first grandchild.

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# My crowning gridiron accomplishment and other things you probably don't want to know about

Gosh, what a bummer of a football weekend we had recently. Two Sundays past, our "professional" football team, the Detroit Lions lost. (I know, what's new?) The Saturday before, not only did our Maize and Blue gridiron heroes puke out, but so did their little brothers up in Spartyland.

Not only that, our only unbeaten "big" college team got beat. The formerly undefeated Central Michigan Chippewas got spanked by those lads from Boston College. Dangblablit!

The only redeeming pigskin competition of note (for me, and it's my column, so it is ALWAYS about me) was round one playoff action between Clarkston and Lake Orion high schools. Not that I dislike the Dragons or think they're scaly, reptilian creatures, or wish them heartache and losses -- it's just that I am educated, and got as such from that fine academic bastion of all that is good and virtuous, Clarkston.

And, Clarkston played well enough to move on in the state playoffs. The Dragons settled for living a life of vacation in Lake Orion.

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Whilst I majored in woodshop, talking and making jokes during my high school years (maybe that's why I never had a date), I also managed to play football for the Wolves. I had a great career, full of glory and pain, pain and glory. And, why not? Was I not part of the offensive line? Did I not play guard?

In two years of varsity play, I

think I touched the ball a negative two times. I did trip up running back Mark Hughes once for a loss of yardage. The fact he was on our team, is something I try not to bring up when talking about the glory years with my sons.

For some reasons when my sons ask me about my high school gridiron prowess, I neglect to mention my greatest contribution to high school football was mastering how to speak (and be understood) with a mouthpiece in place. I also forget to disclose my crowning achievement in football

**Don't  
Rush Me**



**A column by  
Don Rush**

was being nicknamed Astro. (Ahem ... to our young readers: Astro was a dog on the cartoon show, *The Jetsons*. Astro is the predecessor to Scooby Doo in the talking-with-marbles -in-mouth cartoon dog. Some would say Astro is a poor man's Scooby Doo. I disagree, but that is another column for another day.)

Apparently the coaching staff of Walt Wyniemo, Kurt Richardson, Dave Martin, DJ Marsh, DJ Campe and my very own teammates thought I sounded like Astro. They bought me a blue hat with my new name blazoned across in big maize letters: A-S-T-R-O.

So much did I talk with my

mouthpiece in; so much did I sound like a dog; so much was that name used, I doubt they know -- to this very day -- my true identity.

Either that, or I was a good drooling mascot type -- and as everybody knows, every football team needs somebody who is good at letting saliva run down the corner of his mouth. It scares the other team.

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Yep, I was soooooo good in football that I got a letter of introduction from the head coach of Dartmouth College (yes, an Ivy League team, so it's almost football). Somewhere in the letter the coach said they didn't give out scholarships. I didn't read past that point and threw it away. There was no need to waste time with it. My folks couldn't afford to send me, the college wasn't gonna' throw anything into the kitty, so there was no need to spend time thinking about what could have been.

That was the end of my football story, until my last year in college, years later. I remember I was in the library with co-ed student Dina K. Hinkey. (Dina studied to, and then became a dentist, which would explain why she was with me -- my drooling.) I remember she was there when I read that Dartmouth didn't give out scholarships ... instead they found "sponsors" for players. Sometimes, I now think of what could have been.

Dangblablit, I could have drooled for Dartmouth!

# Will Rogers' life

*"The income tax has made more liars out of people than golf." -- Will Rogers.*

I've been using comments from Will Rogers for over 20 years. It occurred to me recently that fewer and fewer people know who he was or what he did.

In 1935, Rogers was killed in an airplane crash in Alaska while flying with the first man to fly solo around the world, aviator Wiley Post. That's nearly 75 years ago, yet Rogers' quips are as apropos today, as then.

My collection has 80 quotes, of which I've used 21 through the years. I don't want to use them up too fast. I need space fillers from time to time.

Maybe what drew me to Will Rogers was his tendency to start his comments with, "All I know is what I read in the newspapers."

He was born on a ranch in Oklahoma and started life as a cowhand, and went on to become a stage and motion picture star.

On the ranch he learned roping, and was regarded as one of the greatest ropers of all time. It was during his trick roping exhibitions that he came up with his shrewd, homely witticisms that brought him fame and fortune.

In 1926, President Calvin Coolidge took Rogers with him on a tour of Europe as a goodwill ambassador.

Twenty-five years before that, he drifted off to Argentina and turned up in South Africa. A few years later, he as a member of Texas Jack's Wild West Circus.

He was onstage in the Ziegfeld Follies in 1916 and was in motion pictures by 1918.

Here are my last two Will Rogers quotes for now: "I have a scheme for stopping war. It's this: No nation is allowed to enter a war 'til they have paid for the last one." And, "I never expected to see the day when girls would get sunburned in the places they do."

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There's a new book, *When Everything Changed*. It was reviewed on some talk show, else I wouldn't have known about it.

It has to do with The Pill. The Pill has been prescribed for at least 30 years, for whatever reason a

doctor thinks is a valid excuse to lessen pregnancies.

The author says, The Pill has led to the increase in the number of women going into law and medicine. I didn't, and won't, read the book, but perhaps The Pill opened the door for women in politics, mail delivery, police work and television reporting, especially their taking the football sidelines reporting jobs.

But, except for Julia Childs, men are still the chefs on the cooking shows.

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Some quickies:

- Quarterbacks on football teams have always licked

**Jim's  
Jottings**



**a column by  
Jim Sherman**

their fingers just before the ball is snapped. Moisture on leather makes the ball less slippery. But, why do quarterbacks continue to lick their fingers when it's raining?

- When the word 'fried' became defined by various saviors of the human race as bad for our health, Kentucky Fried Chicken dropped it, going to KFC. Now the Greenies have adopted KFC's move and have given up on pushing earth warming down our throats. They now call it "Climate Change."

- The last time I shopped for hair tonic, I found just four brands. So, I looked down ma'ladies aisle. When I got to 3,492 products, I quit counting. I also observed several women haven't found the right brand yet.

- When I was in my pre-teens I had one pair of shoes. And, wow, did they stink! Baths were once a week in a tub on the floor in the kitchen. I was reminded of this on a recent Sunday visit to grandson Trevor's. His shoes were on the back porch, tilted for the sun. I asked his mother why. She said neither she nor his father could stand the smell in the house. That's my boy!

- Walt Disney was afraid of mice.

# Smiles of the week

Ashley Swartz, Shannon McKinney, and Karen Kubicki of Hamilin Pub, bring service with a smile at Rotary Wine Taste, Nov. 5. Photo by Trevor Keiser





Mural artist Michelle Tynan discusses a new painting technique with Kordell Kirkland and Connor Schrei. Photos by Phil Custodio



Cameron and Kendall Kirkland paint a parking stone, with their father John Kirkland.

## Kids brighten up parking lot

About 35 young artists stopped by for a chance to leave some lasting artwork in downtown Clarkston, Nov. 7.

"The kids like to work with bright colors — they're really enjoying it," said artist Michelle Tynan, who invited local youth to help her finish her mural project on the 5 S. Main Street building, home of *The Clarkston News*.

They painted their names, hearts, and other messages on parking-lot stones, enjoying

pizza donated by Rudy's Market when they finished.

Paint and primer was donated by Ace Hardware, Burke Lumber, and Jim Sherman Sr., owner of the building.

The youth project marks the end of major work on the mural, though Tynan will continue finishing figures through fall and winter, as weather allows.

— Phil Custodio

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## Ready to fight some fires

Tyler Spangler, 3, of Highland Township, went trick-or-treating dressed as a firefighter with his family in Clarkston, where he found the real thing – Independence Township firefighter Gary Sharp. Firefighters and police handed out candy and made sure everyone stayed safe throughout Clarkston and the township Halloween night. *Photo provided*

# Public Safety

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

## Stolen car found

Neighbors reported a suspicious silver minivan parked near Tiger Lily and Clintonville Road, a place where there are no houses, 10:08 p.m., Oct. 24. The car was reported stolen from Pontiac, Oct. 14. It had no damage and the keys were in it.

## Thefts from unlocked vehicles

A resident of the 4000 block of Dora Lane said a laptop computer was taken from the trunk of his unlocked vehicle, Oct. 24.

A resident said someone took her purse from her vehicle, parked in the 5000 block of Willowpark, Oct. 27. The passenger side window was open a quarter of the way, she told deputies.

Someone stole a cell phone and wallet from an unlocked car parked in a driveway, Oct. 29, in the 8000 block of Circle Drive.

A resident of 6000 block of Sunnydale Road said money was taken from her purse, which was in her unlocked car, Oct. 31. Deputies advised her to get motion lights and lock the doors.

## Unlicensed drivers

A deputy on patrol on Andersonville, 8:42 p.m., Oct. 29, stopped a swerving vehicle at White Lake Road. The 35-year-old Holly woman said her car was having mechanical problems. She also had a suspended license, for which she was cited.

A 39-year-old Independence Township

man, also with a suspended license, was stopped because of a broken head light, 7:12 p.m., Oct. 29, at Clintonville and Pine Knob Trail. He was cited for the suspended license, with a waivable citation for the headlight.

A 19-year-old Brandon Township man had a drink and didn't want to drive drunk, so asked a 17-year-old Brandon Township man to drive instead, 1 a.m., Nov. 1. He did, even though he has no driver's license. A deputy noticed the two teens, along with a 21-year-old Brandon Township man, drive by with headlights turned off, and stopped them at Sashabaw and Clarkston roads. The driver was cited for driving without a license.

## Too close

A Flemings Lake Road resident thought a hunter was too close to her home when shooting a duck, so called police, 12:15 p.m., Oct. 31. She told deputies she didn't want them to issue citations, just talk to the hunter and property owner. Deputies reminded them of DNR rules prohibiting shooting within 450 feet of an occupied home. The hunter said he was in the woods and didn't know a home was that close.

## Bad trick-or-treaters?

A resident of the 6000 block of Pine Valley said landscaping items were moved, front-porch bench broken, and landscaping lights broken, about 8 p.m., Oct. 31, while they were away for a few hours.

Reports collected by Phil Custodio.

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## Township, Comcast may need contract mediation

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"Under the statute PA 480 or the uniform Franchise Act, the township could not receive PEG fees until we did the Community Needs Assessment, which was the process the township went through last year," she said.

"We did what we had to do in having the assessment," Rosso said. "So I think we should be on pretty good legal grounds."

Trustee Neil Wallace asked when the prior franchise, which dates back to 1983, expired. Kolb said she thought it was 2003, but "wasn't sure."

According to the original contract, it was for 15 years and expired in 1998.

Wallace said it seemed Comcast was challenging the township's ability "in the past and going forward to collect PEG fees and there was something left out of an application or a form."

Kolb explained the process for a franchise was initiated when Comcast submitted to the township the state mandated Uniform Franchise Agreement.

"What the township received in the mail was a document signed by Comcast, but it was incomplete," she said. "It was incomplete for a number of reasons under the statute. Importantly it had blanks where the amounts for the Franchise Fees and the PEG fees should be filled in."

Wallace asked if they (Comcast) had a sound legal or factual basis for submitting it with the blanks not filled in. Kolb said there has been "some dispute."

"Subsequent to that time, the MPSC directed that the communities were to fill in those numbers," she said. "At the time the township received the uniform franchise, there had been no dictate from the MPSC that stated that."

However, the franchise agreement specifically states in section VI (the Franchise fee section) "percentage amount to be inserted by Franchising Entity..." In Section VIII A3 (The peg fee section) "If there is no Franchise Agreement, a percentage of gross revenues as established by the Franchising au-

thority and determined by a Franchising Entity..."

Lohmeier pointed out the copies of the franchising agreement the board received were both blank and asked if there was a copy of a filled-in one. Kolb said she didn't have one in her files, "but the township would have a copy of what was sent."

However, Kolb was asked in a previous conversation with the *Clarkston News* if she had those documents. She replied she did, but declined to provide them, citing work-product protection.

When Clerk Shelagh VanderVeen was asked by the *Clarkston News* if she had a signed contract, she said she did, but copies would only be available by submitting a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, which would mean paying 50 cents a page. She allow the newspaper to look at the document for free.

When questioned further by the *Clarkston News* concerning statements made at the board meeting, Kolb declined to comment.

"Given that Independence Township has filed legal proceedings in an attempt to resolve its dispute with Comcast, further comment is not appropriate at this time," she wrote in an e-mail. "The township complied with the requirements of PA 480 in responding to Comcast's submission of the Uniform Video Service Local Franchise agreement in 2007."

"The current dispute focuses on the fee that Comcast should pay to the township for the support of public, education and government (PEG) access," she said.

Lohmeier said he was "encouraged by the mediation process," but asked if it would be possible to sit and talk the dispute out with Comcast, prior to going "another year and half fighting."

"To the *Clarkston News* point, I think we have lost money on this," he said. "I think we have fees would could have been collecting if we would have resolved this sooner."



Lohmeier

## Whole lot of reading to do

BY PHIL CUSTODIO  
*Clarkston News Editor*

Twenty pounds of paper, 1,990 pages in H.R. 3962 health reform bill – that's what the U.S. House of Representatives approved Saturday night.

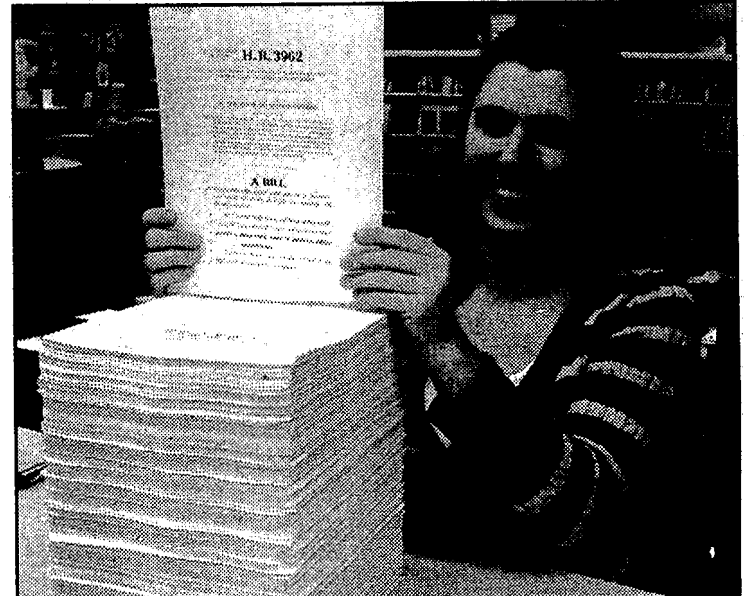
Clarkston area residents can read them all at the Independence Township Library, courtesy of U.S. Rep. Mike Rogers.

"When I saw it, I was like, are you kidding," said Keegan Sulecki, head of teen services, examining the foot-high stack of papers. "It's really enormous."

Rogers, a Republican whose Eighth District includes the Clarkston area, wants constituents to check out what Democrats have in mind for health care reform.

"Today, too many patients cannot get care or are forced to go uninsured because costs are too high," Rogers said. "Speaker Pelosi's health reform legislation does not fix these problems - in fact, it makes them worse."

According to his analysis, the proposal increases health costs by \$750 billion over the next 10 years because it creates 111 new government boards, agencies, commissions and programs, as well as new mandates on small employers and middle-class families alike. It dramatically expands government in American health care, cuts Medicare services by \$500 billion, raises taxes on small businesses and middle-class families by more than \$400 billion, and adds billions to



Keegan Sulecki shows off the federal health-care reform bill, available to read at Independence Township Library.

the nation's 1.4 trillion deficit over the long term. It also forces all private health insurance plans to comply with new federal mandates and creates a powerful, unelected federal "health czar" in Washington, D.C. to micro-manage health coverage for all Americans.

"I believe there are much better solutions that will lower costs, expand access and improve care while preserving coverage for the 85 percent of Americans who have earned health insurance," he said.

According to the Progressive, Liberal group Americans United for Change, the Affordable Health Care Act for America provides

sweeping health insurance reform legislation for 96 percent of the American people, makes coverage more affordable for all Americans, strengthens Medicare, and ends health insurance industry practices of denying coverage based on "pre-existing conditions" and rescinding policies when Americans get sick.

The bill is available for viewing at the library, 6495 Clarkston Road.

"It's here if anyone wants to take a look at it," Sulecki said. "We're looking for some binders to make it easier to read."

For library information, call 248-625-2212.

## 4 seats filled on City Council

BY TREVOR KEISER  
*Clarkston News Staff Writer*

Out 728 registered voters only 188 or 26 percent made it to the polls for Clarkston's single district

Thomas E. Hunter led the vote count for a two-year spot on Clarkston City Council, with 113 votes.

"I appreciate the support of the voters and I'll do my best to justify their confidence," Hunter said.

Next in line was newcomer Stephen F. Hargis with 112 votes.

"It's a great opportunity to get involved in the city activities and try and make an improvement where I can," Hargis said.

Incumbent James Brueck took



Hunter



Hargis



Brueck



Roth

the final two year spot with 103 votes.

"I think it's great," he said. "I'm pleased I go the support from the community and look forward to serving the public for the next two years."

Challenger Craig Frasa received 80 votes, with 38 write-in votes.

Peggy J. Roth earned a one-year term with 78 votes.

"I am very pleased to have been given the opportunity to serve on the city council for another year," Roth said.

Virginia Schultz received 71 votes, and write-in candidate Carol Eberhardt received 17 votes.

# Mighty Macomb next on road to state championship

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about what they went through last year and don't let it happen again. We came out and laid down last year. We didn't play very good, hard football. Romeo is a very good football team, but they embarrassed us."

The game got rolling as Sophomore Alex Barta sent the ball into Romeo's territory and into their end zone, starting the Bulldogs on their 20-yard line.

Seniors Dustin Gamble and Jack Durkan led the defense attack and kept Romeo from gaining enough yards for a first down.

Clarkston gained controlled on their 38-yard line and drove forward into the Bulldogs pen. As the scoreboard closed in on the final seven minutes in the first quarter, Quarterback Tyler Scarlett threw a powerful 40-yard pass to Derek Booker.

Booker ran to the side and into the end zone finishing five plays in 62 yards at 7:05.

The Wolves regained possession of the ball three minutes later on their 17-yard line.

Scarlett threw a 48-yard pass play to Gamble to put the boys in Romeo's territory again and they closed in.

Scarlett threw again to Gamble as the final 30 seconds of the quarter rolled down. Gamble caught the 15-yard pass in the end zone to cap off a 83-yard drive in eight plays.

Romeo put themselves on the board with six minutes remaining in the first half. They had six yards to go on their fourth down and only 25 yards to reach the end zone. They took a chance and Robert Flinn kicked 41 yards for a field goal.



Clarkston defense takes down a Romeo bulldog. Photo by Kay Pearson

Clarkston made their final touchdown in the middle of the third quarter when Scarlett made a 4-yard pass to Dakota Bender.

"Tyler has been our leader all year," said Richardson. "He makes big plays when we needed him. He is our man - him and Dakota."

Brian Benway was 3-3 on PATs. While offense led on the board, Gamble

led defense as they built a force Romeo couldn't get past.

"Defense did an awesome job," said Richardson. "We only gave up three points and it was a field goal."

"Last year we underestimated the competition and this year we knew we couldn't take them lightly," said Clark. "We did a lot more tackling drills. We practiced different schemes and came out tackling."

Another key for defense was prepping throughout the week was isolating Romeo's running back Ben Brown and keeping him from scoring.

"We made goals all year," said Clark. "District champs was one of them. We achieved it and now we are looking ahead."

The boys face Macomb Dakota after defeating Utica Eisenhower, 28-10.

"It's huge to be at home," said Richardson. "We have been talking about it from game one - not only do we want to win, we want to look at the big picture and have home field advantage and what a difference it makes."

Clark is set with his game plan for Friday and to "come out, play as hard as we can and do what we do."

Richardson added the team will have to play better overall if they want to get to the Semifinals on Oct. 21.

"There isn't just one thing," he noted. "We need to play better offensively, defensively, special teams - all the way through. Every week we try to get better and we will be in a dog fight."

Clarkston is no stranger to Macomb Dakota. They played them in 2006 in the regionals play-offs, and lost 35-13.

But many Wolves fans remember the play-offs 10 years ago when Clarkston battled them into four overtime periods before winning, 57-56.

"It was one of the best high school football games ever played," said Richardson. "It's a good rivalry."

Clarkston (11-0) hosts Macomb Dakota (9-2) Friday. Kick-off is set for 6:55 p.m.



The Shadows '96 team is, Kirsti Andersen, Alicia Curry, Andrea Dean, Katie Decker, Nina Foote, Kayla Grezesiak, Sydney Grezesiak, Shelby Hopper, Tori Johns, Megan Kennedy, Allison Mahaffy, Brenna Meicher, Rylee Schaefer, and Sydney Sleva. The team is coached by Damian Huffer. He is assisted by son, Camden. Photo submitted

## Athlete of the Week

### Kickers shine throughout season

The Clarkston Select Soccer Club's Shadows '96 ended their season in a stellar fashion.

They began by earning a second place finish in the Petoskey Autumn Blast Tournament, September 11-13.

They scored ten goals during the tournament and held their opponents to zero, until the championship when their opponents scored two goals.

The girls dedicated the tournament to Coach Damian Huffer, who was unable to attend because his daughter, Alivia, was born

Saturday.

The U14 team took the momentum and played to a first place finish in their Classic 3 Division in the Michigan State Premier Soccer Program. A bonus for the girls - it was the first year they played in the league and they had seven wins and two ties.

They played their last league game against GPSA Breakers White on Oct. 17 and shut them out, 7-0.

The girls scored 28 goals and only allowed two goals to be scored against them in the league.



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## District Champs, again

BY WENDI REARDON

Clarkston News Sports Writer

Clarkston proved nothing could hold them from their third consecutive Class A District title last Thursday.

The only roadblock standing in their way was during the final set when Rochester Adams led, 18-10.

"We just lost ourselves," admitted Senior Jenna Coates. "I was thinking 'we have to go, we have to side out.' When we are up two games we tend to take a chill back. We just tried to get them to drag."

The girls regrouped and found a way around their opponents strong blocking. They narrowed the gap and a powerful hit from Alexis Egler tied the score at 19.

The Highlanders soon lost the lead and ended the game when a return went into the stands giving Clarkston the win, 25-20.

"They beat us at the net," said Coach Kelly Avenall about the third set. "Their blocking game was outstanding tonight. We had a hard time finding holes because we couldn't block them but we pulled through."

The girls grabbed a quick lead in the first set and continued to hold onto it as they won, 25-14. Rochester Adams picked up mo-

mentum in the next set, keeping the score close. Megan McCarty sent powerful returns to Adams, leading to the 25-16 win.

"It's a great victory for us," said Avenall. "Winning Districts is always awesome. The girls are part of building our volleyball program and they did an amazing job tonight."

Coates had 32 digs and six aces. Egler had ten kills.

The girls played the finals after they defeated Lake Orion on Nov. 4, 28-26, 25-19, 25-10. During the game Coates had 20 digs and seven aces and Egler had seven kills.

The girls headed into the first round of regionals on Tuesday against Birmingham Marian.

"Marian is a great team," said Coates. "It is going to be mental for us but I think we are ready. We saw them my sophomore year and we have seen them play a lot this year. The only reason we would fall back is if we had a bad run. We just have to keep the team together as a group."

Marian defeated Andover in their district playoffs - 25-18, 25-14, 25-14.

Check Wolfpack Update on [www.ClarkstonNews.com](http://www.ClarkstonNews.com) to see if the Lady Wolves made it to the Regional Finals.

## Lowe shows off his talent

BY WENDI REARDON

Clarkston News Staff Writer

Seventh-grader Thomas Lowe took his seat behind his band members and had his drumsticks out and ready to go.

Lowe was playing drums with NT Blues Revue Band, showing off their musical talents at the First Annual Detroit Blues Society Youth Blues Challenge, Oct. 11.

"It was fun," Lowe said about his first competition playing drums.

The band played five songs - a mix between original pieces and covers to previously recorded songs.

They had two original songs, "Love is Everywhere," written by his bandmate and guitarist, Brian Iglesias, and "Little Girl Blues." They covered "Backscratcher" and modified it from its original version.

Lowe helped with the drum portions for the songs. He began playing with the band in August and got involved through a family friend.

"They wanted their daughter to sing for the Blues competition and they knew I played drums, so they asked me to play," he said.

He was new to the drums and had only played them since June, and has played the guitar for two years.

He branched into the two instruments from playing percussion because his par-

ents, Alan and Cherie Lowe, wanted him to try different instruments. He admits he likes playing the drums more.

"I like playing drums because I like sitting down on the stage and not standing up," Thomas said. "I get to be in the background and I have bunch of stuff to bang."

He is also drawn to the guitar because of the different notes and chords he gets to play and to make the music sound different. As of right now, he does not have anymore competitions lined up but is open to play in more.

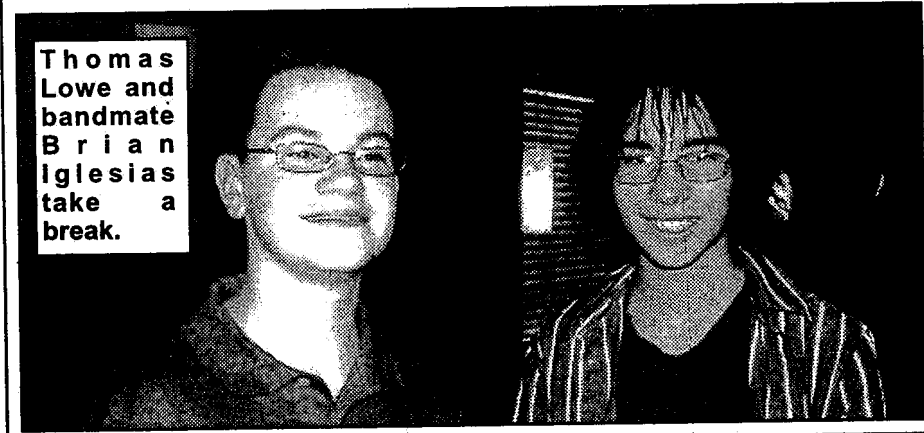
"I hope to do the contest next year with the same band," he said.

He still practices with the band at least once a month and tries to practice individually everyday when he can. During summer, he participates in Clarkston Rock Band Camp and has for the last two years. He also met Iglesias at camp.

Thomas also plays sports and is on the Clarkston Jets team in Michigan Youth Flag Football league and is coached by his dad and Kevin Bellant.

"I don't keep track of what we win or lose," he said. "I am playing for fun and learning about football."

When he first joined, he didn't know anything about football but has learned a lot since. He plays in the finals on Saturday at Walled Lake Northern High School.



Thomas Lowe and bandmate Brian Iglesias take a break.

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Rotarian Joel DeLong sells a raffle to fellow Rotarian Jason Webster.



Aimee Mali pours a glass of wine.



Danny Bologna and Kristi Craig serve tasty pasta from Via Bologna.

## A Taste of the finer things in life

While the air was cold and crisp outside of Bordines Nursery on November 5, Inside was filled with warmth as 471 people showed up for the annual Fall Wine Taste put on by the Rotary Club

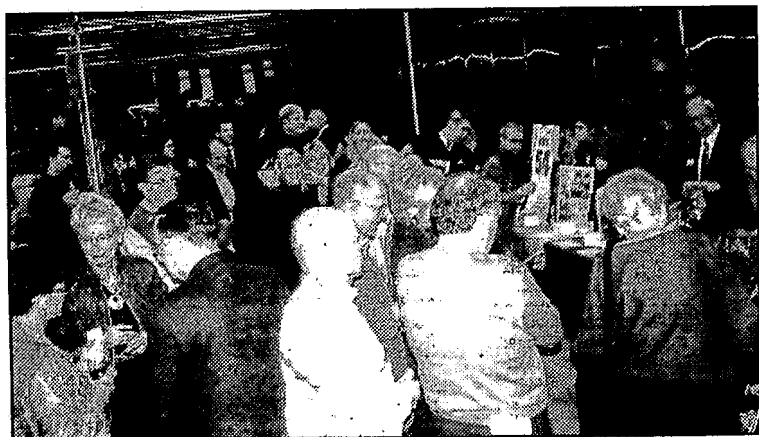
People enjoyed a wide variety of wines, food and conversations. According to Rotarian Bart Clark the club brought in a net profit over \$13,000.

"It was a great time," Clark said. "Bordines worked out well."

*Photo story by Trevor Keiser*



Rotarian Deb Evans tries a new wine.

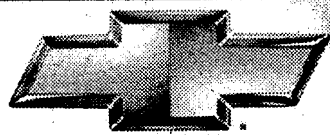


A crowd gathers around the raffle table.



Christy Green, Dena Liles, Rochelle Spindler, Nicole Nygaard, and Beth Fahr.

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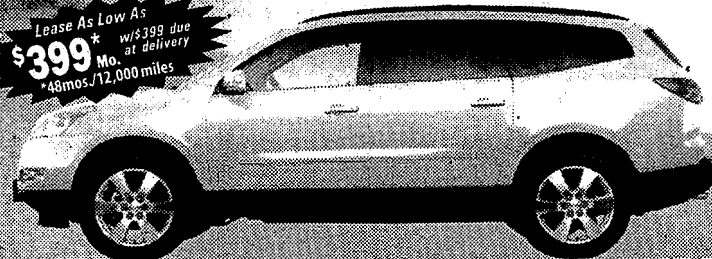
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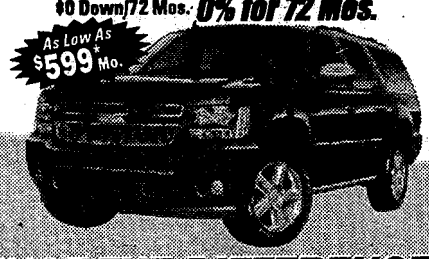
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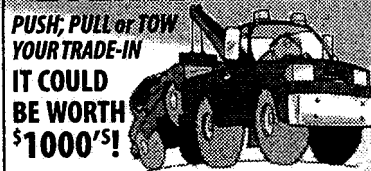


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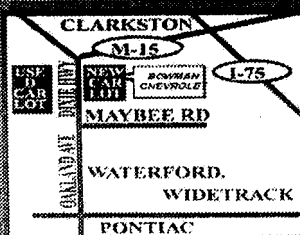
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### Ready for holiday music?



- Patti Hayes

"No, not even for holiday decorations."



- Brandi Dwire

"No, the holidays are becoming commercialized."



- Joy Morley

"Santa Claus doesn't arrive until the end of the Thanksgiving Day parade - no Christmas music or shopping until then."



- Rana Vernier

"No and it was playing Saturday morning at six."

By Wendi Reardon

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## Letters link author to Civil War general

BY PHIL CUSTODIO  
Clarkston News Editor

For Lt. Col. Jack Mason, researching the life and times of a Civil War officer from Michigan was a hobby, a good way to keep busy while off duty in Kabul, Afghanistan.

But with hard work and a fortuitous discovery, he's now a published author, with the book "Until Antietam, the Life and Letters of Major General Israel B. Richardson."

"It's exciting - it's really taken off over the last couple weeks," said Mason, an officer in the Army Reserve. "I took some books to a Civil War roundtable in Rochester and sold 15 of them."

"I think it's remarkable - it's a great accomplishment," said Hope Mason, his wife.

Jack Mason, a Clarkston "history nut," was interested in Richardson because of his local ties - he's buried in Pontiac - as well as his unsung military exploits during the Civil War and before.

"He fought in the Seminole War, Mexican-American War, against the Apaches out west - for 10-15 years, he was always on the front lines, the point of the spear," Mason said.

Richardson resigned from the Army in 1855 and settled in Pontiac to live as a farmer. When Civil War broke out in 1861, men with his experience were a valued commodity, Mason said.

"He had 15 years of combat experience. He could talk the talk,"

Mason said. "He was rare - most officers were amateurs."

Richardson was commissioned a colonel with the 2nd Michigan Volunteer Regiment. He led them in battle at Bull Run, July 21, 1861, earning himself a promotion to brigadier general. He fought at Seven Pines, May 31-June 1, 1862, and Seven Day's Battles, June 25-July 1, 1862, earning promotions along the way.

His big day was at Antietam in Maryland, Sept. 17, 1862.

"At the battle's peak, he led a breakthrough with a chance to split the enemy army and end the war, but he was hit by a Confederate artillery air burst," Mason said.

The general died, Nov. 3, 1862.

Mason spent several years researching Richardson's career while on assignment at Army bases around the country, going to post libraries during his free time. He had enough for a book, but publishers were reluctant to print research about an obscure Civil War officer.

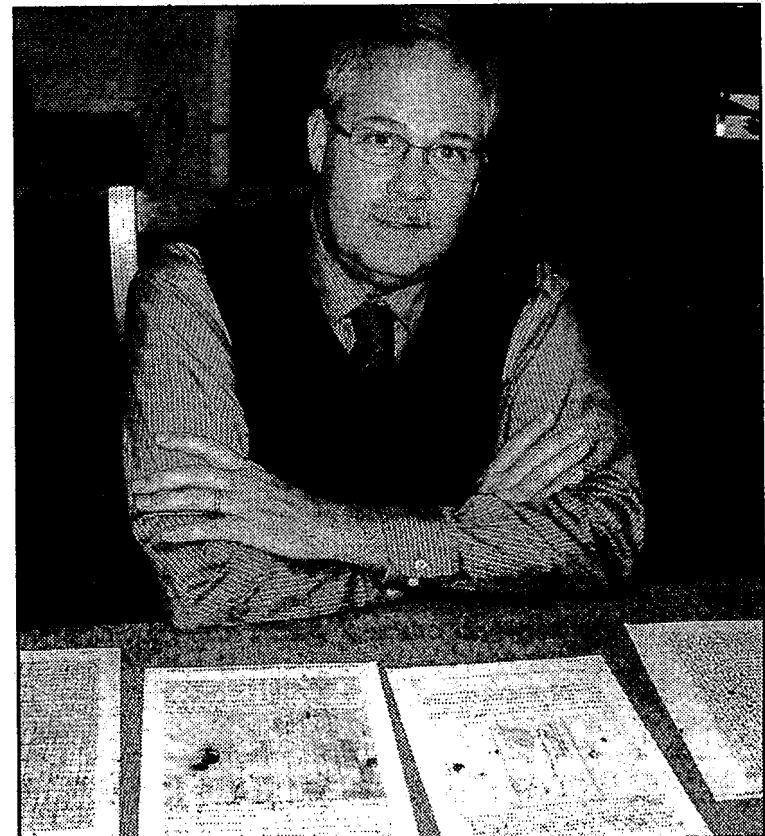
The story came to life, however, when Mason found on the Internet a collection of about 100 personal letters by Richardson to his family.

Thomas Lane of South Carolina found the letters in his grandfather's storage trunk, and scanned them for Mason to study.

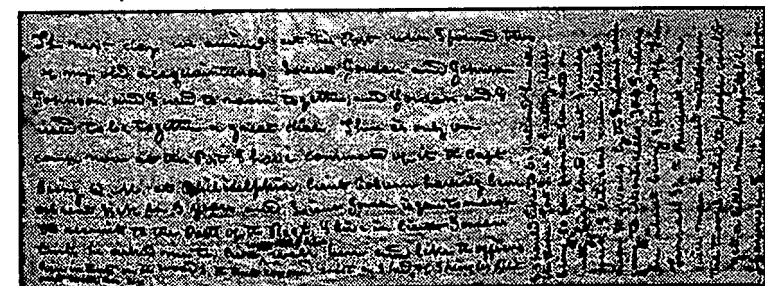
"The letters are a primary source, never seen before," Mason said. "Now people were tripping over themselves to publish it."

Paper was at a premium in the 19th century military, so Richardson

Please see Book on page 3 B



Author Jack Mason, with scans of letters he deciphered for his book about Maj. Gen. Israel B. Richardson. Photos by Phil Custodio



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**Job and Help Ministry Home-Based Business Expo**, 7:30-9 p.m., Nov. 16, St. Daniel Catholic Church, 7010 Valley Park Drive. Refreshments, door prizes, networking. Email Laura.jasurda@comcast.net.

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**Self Defense Seminar for Women**, 7-9 p.m., Nov. 17, Fight Club Proving Grounds, 1585 Crescent Lake Road, Waterford. Taught by law enforcement defensive tactics instructor Darwin E. Banister. Hands-on seminar, open-forum discussion. \$25 by Nov. 10, \$35 after. 248-240-7801.

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**The Aging Eye**, 11 a.m., Nov. 17, with Dr. Thomas Biggs, board-certified ophthalmologist, on eye conditions and how to protect vision. First 15 who sign up eligible for free lunch. Carriage House, Clintonwood Park, Clarkston Road. 248-625-8231.

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**Thanksgiving Lunch**, 12 p.m., Nov. 18, fresh turkey, with all trimmings plus holiday punch. \$5. Sign up by Nov. 16. Adult Activity Center, 6000 Clarkston Road. 248-625-8231.

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**Bunco**, 1 p.m., Nov. 18. \$3, \$2 with Thanksgiving Lunch ticket. Adult Activity Center, 6000 Clarkston Road. 248-625-8231.

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**Saving Money with Medicare Part D Plans**, 1 p.m., Nov. 18 with CVS Pharmacy about Medicare Part D prescription plans. Adult Activity Center, 6000 Clarkston Road. 248-625-8231.

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**Holiday Auction**, Clarkston Community Women's Club, 7 p.m., Nov. 19, Independence Township Library, 6495 Clarkston Road, with baked goods, hand-crafted Christmas items, 50/50 cash raffle, refreshments. Benefits library, Clarkston Area Youth Assistance, scholarships. 248-623-9462.

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**Ladies Night Out**, Clarkston Elementary PTO, 6-9 p.m., Nov. 19, 6589 Waldon Road. Holiday shopping with 30+ merchants from Clarkston area, with raffle, 50/50 drawing.

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**Poinsettia fundraiser**, Clarkston Community Women's Club, \$5.75, \$10, \$15.25, 21 for poinsettias; Grave Blankets, \$42/medium, \$52/large. Order deadline, Nov. 19. 248-625-2924.

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**Santa's Workshop/Craft Show**, 2-7 p.m., Nov. 20; 9 a.m.-6 p.m., Nov. 21, Dixie Baptist Church/Springfield Christian Academy, 8585 Dixie Highway. 248-625-9760.

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**Carrick House Concerts**, Nov. 22: Seth Bernard and Daisy May with Rachael Davis and Dominic Sutchya, opening set from The Marvins; Dec. 6: Steppin In It and Jason Dennie. 248-394-0113.

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**Alternative Christmas Gift Fair**, Gifts That Make A Difference, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Dec. 5, Clarkston United Methodist Church, 6600 Waldon Road. Fair-trade handicrafts, donations in a loved one's name to a mission

agency. www.clarkstonumc.org/missions

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**Greens Market**, Clarkston Farm and Garden Club, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Dec. 5, Church of the Resurrection, 6490 Clarkston Road. Wreaths and roping, loose and fresh greens, arrangements for home and office. Call Anita, 248-620-3168, or Sue 248-393-4443.

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**Holiday Book Sale**, 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Dec. 5; 1-4:30 p.m., Dec. 6, Independence Township Library, 6495 Clarkston Road. Huge selection. 248-625-2212.

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**Snacks 'n' Crafts with Santa**, 10 a.m., 1 p.m., Dec. 12, Environmental Discovery Center, Indian Springs Metropark. \$5/advance, \$7 at door. 248-625-6640.

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**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.

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**Clarkston Rotary Club**, Mondays, 6:30 p.m., Clarkston Community Education Center, 6558 Waldon Road. \$15. 248-625-4244.

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**Widowers and Widows On With Life Group**, 7 p.m., first Tuesday, third Wednesday. Dinners, breakfasts, golf, social gatherings, rap sessions for ages 35-80. 248-393-8553.

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

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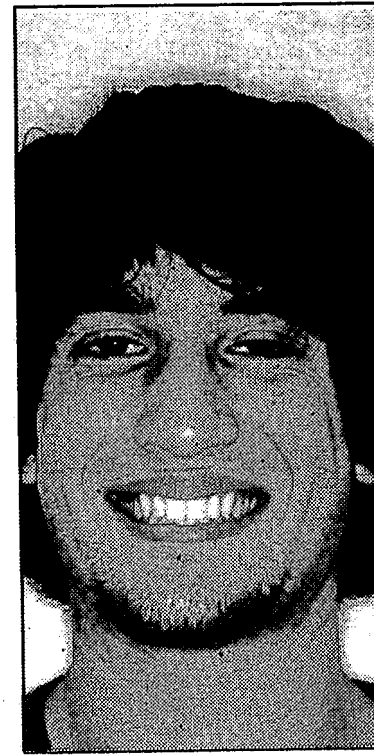
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## Historical Society celebrates 10th anniversary



Toni Smith, Clarkston Heritage Museum director, sets up its new exhibit, "The Way We Learned: 100 Years of Clarkston Schools." Photo by Phil Custodio

Clarkston Community Historical Society celebrates its own history with a 10th anniversary open house, 1-4 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 15, at Independence Township Library, 6495 Clarkston Road.

The open house also debuts Clarkston Heritage Museum's latest exhibit, "The Way We Learned: 100 Years of Clarkston Schools," as well as brand-new museum signs.

"We opened our museum in 1999 with a Clarkston schools exhibit and we thought it would be fun to revisit a school theme for our 10th anniversary," said Toni Smith, museum director.

During the past decade, the museum featured 20 exhibits covering all aspects of early life in Clarkston, from wedding celebrations and funeral practices to past businesses and parades. All exhibits are funded with proceeds from Art in the Village, as well as memberships and financial donations.

"Our exhibits always try to connect the past to how we live today, because that's what makes history relevant and interesting," said society President Jennifer Arkwright.

The celebration will also feature entertainment by the Carrington Duet, as well as refreshments.

For more information, call 248-922-0270.

## Book signing at open house

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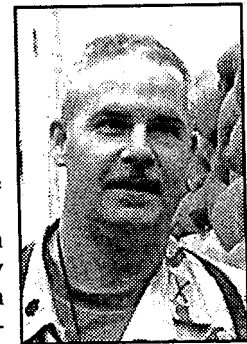
went to extremes to fit as much as possible in each letter. He wrote small. He filled a page, then filled it again, writing at right angles to the original text.

"It took a long time to decipher them," Mason said. "In official letters, his writing would be politically correct, but to his family, he could let it all out."

Mason will sign copies of his new book at Clarkston Community Historical Society's 10th anniversary open house, 1-4 p.m., Sunday, Nov. 15, at Independence Township Library, 6495 Clarkston Road.

"It makes a great Christmas present for local history nuts," he said.

For information on the open house, call 248-922-0270.



Author Jack Mason, on duty in Afghanistan. Photo provided

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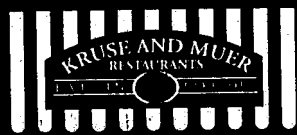
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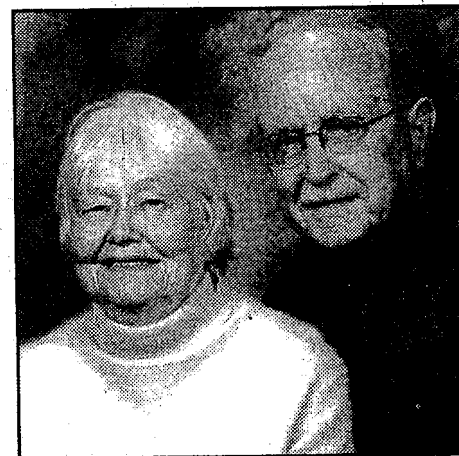
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# Milestones

## 50th wedding anniversary for Stoecklins

Joseph Charles and Shirley Mae Ruth (Lahey) Stoecklin of Independence Township celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary, Nov. 7, with family.

They were married on Nov. 19, 1949, and have 12 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.



Shirley and Joseph

## Welcome Ryan Andrew



Ryan Andrew Harp

Andy and Katie Harp (Reschke) of Berkley, Mich., announce the birth of their son, Ryan Andrew Harp.

Ryan was born on Aug. 14, 2009. His sister, Sophia, 3, says he's adorable.

Ryan's proud grandparents are Terry and Theresa Harp of Clarkston, and Dave and Roxanne Reschke of Clarkston. Great-grandparents are Arthur Harp of Oxford, Docia Wallace of Clarkston, and Max and Dorothy Elliott of Traverse City. Ryan is also blessed with a great-great-grandmother, Elizabeth Rains of Kingston, Tenn.

## Students achieve success

The following Clarkston students graduated this past summer from Central Michigan University: **Robert Bernardi**, Bachelor of Science in Education; **Maria Clifford**, Master of Arts; **Patrick Jett**, Bachelor of Science in Business Administration; **Timothy Karagosian**, Bachelor of Applied Arts; **Jason Ratledge**, Bachelor of Science; **Kerri Rupe**, Bachelor of Science

in Social and Criminal Justice; **David Smith**, Bachelor of Science; **Jennifer Stanton**, Bachelor of Science in Business Administration; **Michael Waraksa**, Bachelor of Applied Arts; **Robert Wheeler**, Bachelor of Science; **Christopher Zeleney**, Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering; and **Nicole Zubalik**, Master of Science in Administration.

## Got a Milestone to share?

We'd love to see them - births, weddings, engagements, military, business and school achievements!

Drop them off at 5 S. Main St. or e-mail them to [ClarkstonNews@gmail.com](mailto:ClarkstonNews@gmail.com).

# Religion

## God's presence in the places of our lives

I have begun to profoundly appreciate the *places* in our created world—places that naturally evoke a sense of wonder and awe at the power of the divine and the energy of the human spirit.

Michigan is a magnificent place, especially in the season of autumn. Anyone who has recently witnessed a rising harvest moon, a maple blushing with its last burst of energy before leaves fall, or a young buck moving hesitantly through the backyard has been privy to the scenic wonders available as gifts for our eyes.

If you've ever given pause to these moments to thank God for the gift, you have experienced grace—a meeting place with the divine. Nature is boundless in the opportunities it provides to spend these transcendent moments with our Creator. And yet, the natural world is merely a backdrop for some of the most wondrous places on this earth.

Because we are made in the image of God, human beings share in

this ability to create places of grace. Last spring I had the opportunity to travel with my daughter to Turkey, the so called "cradle of civilization," a place legendary for its connection to the Bible's stories of creation and a place where one can walk in the footsteps of St. Paul, the greatest Christian missionary that ever lived.

In the six months since that journey, I have reflected on the places where I met God. Some may seem more likely meeting places than others. For example, we visited the home where tradition tells us Mary, Jesus' mother, lived out her remaining days in Ephesus under the care of the disciple, John.

The experience of grace here was one of deep respect, reverence and

gratitude for the life of Mary, the model of discipleship for me.

There was an obvious connection between God and human beings in this place, and everything there heralded a sense of divine presence.

Candles, prayer intentions tacked onto stone walls, men in long brown robes, and hundreds of pilgrim people helped to prepare my disposition to meet God here. Other places where I experienced grace surprised me! Our journey also took us to a small Turkish village outside of Ephesus where women wove the tapestry style rugs for which Turkey is famous.

Here there were no candles, no prayer intentions, and the men sat at picnic tables smoking filterless cigarettes and drinking small glasses of Raki, a traditional Turkish liquor.

And yet, this meeting place with God was in some ways more profound. The people were simple, humble, and friendly; gifted with talent and patience beyond my com-

prehension. One rug can take half a lifetime to weave! I was struck by God's presence in their lives and in their small village.

While I couldn't gather the nerve to swallow the Raki, I felt a great sense of joy in joining in the meal-time toast honoring the providence of Allah.

I knew then in my heart that God's presence was among us, that I was meeting God in a small Muslim village, and the words in John's first letter sang out in my heart: "Beloved, let us love one another, because love is of God; everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God."

This week, seek out your own places of grace and spend some time reflecting on what God is teaching you in that space. Our world is a wondrous place, and you might be surprised where God will meet you next!

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

### Spiritual Matters



Cheryl Smith

## In our churches...

**Home Based Business Expo**, 7:30-9 p.m., Nov. 16, St. Daniel Catholic Church Job and Help Ministry, 7010 Valley Park Drive. Refreshments, door prizes, networking. Email [Laura.jasurda@comcast.net](mailto:Laura.jasurda@comcast.net), \* \* \*

**Coffee House**, Nov. 20, with musician Bob Marshall and local talent, Peace Unity Church of Clarkston, 8080A Ortonville Road. Open Mic, 7 p.m. 248-625-5192. \* \* \*

**Community Thanksgiving Dinner**, 12:30 p.m., Nov. 22, Davisburg United Methodist Church, 803 Broadway. Free. 248-634-3373. \* \* \*

**Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University**, biblically based, financial workshop for everyone, Sundays, 4 p.m.

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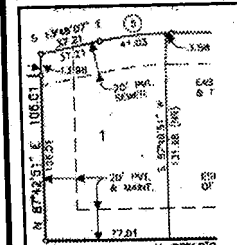
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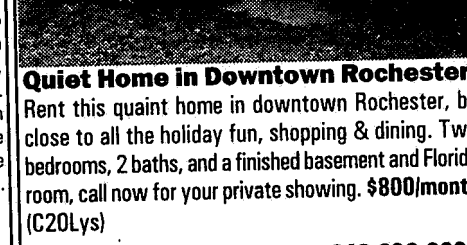
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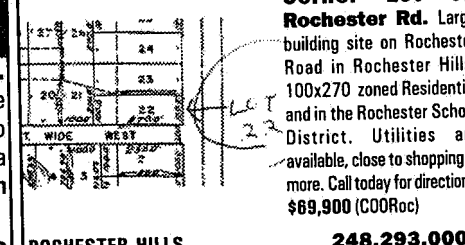
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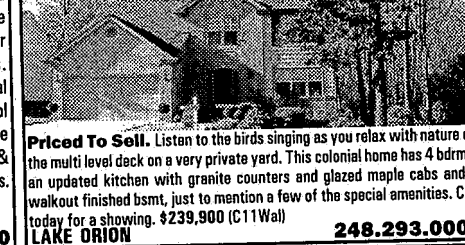
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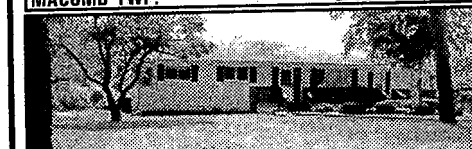
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# Fantasy meets reality for young actors

BY PHIL CUSTODIO  
Clarkston News Editor

Fantasy worlds of magic princesses meet the real world of high school in Notre Dame-Marist Academy's "Mirror Image, A Real Enchanted Musical."

"It rocks – it's all unique and different," said Hadley Bonello of Davisburg, who plays Gloria, a student running for class president. "It's fun to watch. I'm the awesomeist person in it."

She joins Clarkston students Lily McLean, Alex Leonowicz, Sarah Salome, Kyle Weaver, Garrett and Guilford Guthrie, Andrea Pangori, Ashley Palardy, and Emily Ridge, Austen Williams of Davisburg, Margaret Mitchel of Ortonville, and other classmates in the production.

"The music is really good, lots of upbeat songs," Mitchel said.

"It has a good plot," Bonello said. "You don't know what's coming up next."

Brandon Dailey of West Bloomfield plays the Woodsman, whose journey to the real world through a magic mirror in pursuit of Cinderella's wicked stepsisters results in chaos in the fairy-tale world.

"All the stories get ruined because he's not there to play his part," said Ridge, who plays T.J., a character who always gets in



The cast of "Mirror Image" prepare to hit the stage. Photo submitted

trouble.

Pangori plays Danica, a student in the real world who helps the Woodsman, eventually.

"She's a realist, she doesn't believe in fairy tales," Pangori said.

Palardy plays Magda, Danica's rival for class president.

"Magda the villain. She's totally evil," Palardy said. "I get to freak out when I play her."

The students attended dozens of practices, getting ready for the play, said parent

volunteer Laura Pangori.

"It is really amazing. These kids are not in Drama Club – everyone is able to try out at Marist for their school musicals, sixth through eighth grade," Laura said. "If the children do not make it for a character with lines, they are invited to be in the chorus, stage crew or helpers."

Showtimes are 7 p.m., Nov. 13-14, and 2 p.m., Nov. 15, at the school, 1300 Giddings Road in Pontiac. All tickets are \$8.

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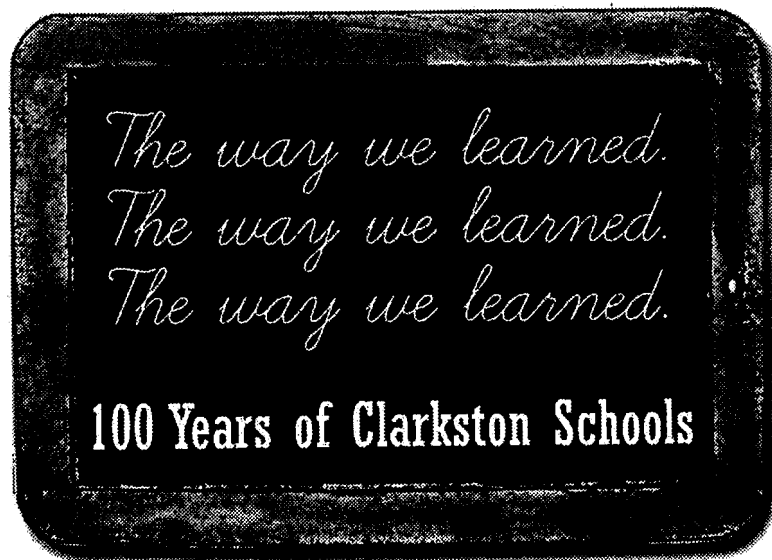
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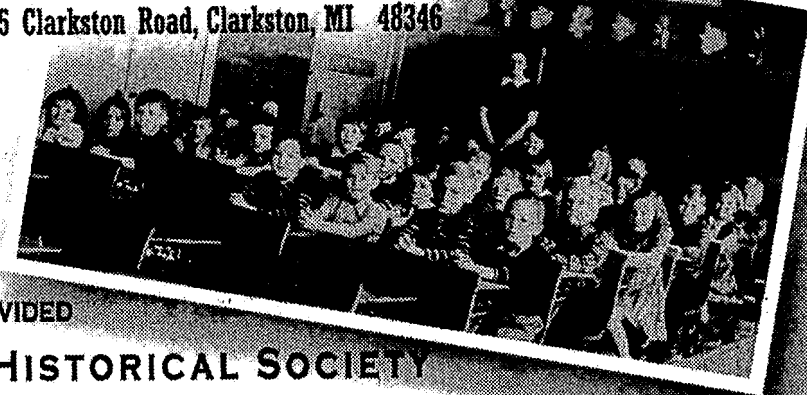


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The shop has seen about 40 hits so far, ranging from \$200-\$10,000 in damage.

"Minor fender benders to major accidents," Verhey said. "Cars hit deer and sometimes deer hit cars."

Vehicles hit Oct. 1-Dec. 15 are eligible. Bring vehicles in for qualifying repairs to Clarkston Auto Body and Towing, 6470 Sashabaw Road, or 3458 Sashabaw Road or 5475 Dixie Highway in Waterford.

The drawing will be at 7 p.m., Dec. 18, at Over Tyme Bar and Grille, Waterford. Winner can choose a weekend for four at Zehnder's Splash Village, with four waterpark passes, pizza dinner, chicken dinner, and breakfast buffet, or a \$500 gift certificate to Garland Resort, with golf, fishing, swimming, and other outdoor activities.

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Heather Piotrovsky works a colorful Halloween page.



## Scrappers Unite

Colored paper, embellishments and markers were piled throughout Clarkston Junior High's cafeteria on Saturday.

Pine Knob Elementary hosted their annual fundraiser and scrapbook enthusiasts lined the tables with their creative and thoughtful pages.

Don't worry - the day wasn't all about cutting, designing and journaling - they shared ideas and memories as they worked on their pages.

Patti Hayes and Donna Barta co-chaired this year's event.

More photos on [ClarkstonNews.com](http://ClarkstonNews.com).

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Judy Koenig and Chris Roselli take a break from creating.



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## Obituary

### Julius 'Bud' Collins, 88

Julius "Bud" Collins, a long time resident of Clarkston, passed away on Nov. 4, 2009, at Genesys Hospice following a brief illness, at 88 years of age.

Mr. Collins was born on March 23, 1921, in Detroit, where he met and married Bertha Helen Filburn on April 16, 1940. Bertha preceded him in death, passing on Dec. 12, 2000.

He was the beloved father of Arnold Julius (Judy) Collins, Cecelia Deborah (Don) Ryker, Fay Paula (Ed) Kozlowski, Renee Kim (Terry) Klein, and the late Howard Alton (Joyce) Collins; dear grandfather of Howard, Wayne, Richard, Jeffrey, Troy, Terry, and Nathan; also survived by 12 great grandchildren.

Bud came to Clarkston in 1954 to sell Chryslers and Plymouths at Clarkston Motor Sales, then located at Main and Church St. He moved his family to a home on South Main in January of 1958 and resided there until his death.

An award winning salesman, he was quick to joke about the unsavory reputation of salesmen by saying, "Trust Me." Over the years, he sold cars, furniture, appliances, and electronics in the area. He was a regular at the Bakery for morning coffee and was well known for his cheerful demeanor and red socks. He only wore red socks, even when in a tuxedo at family weddings.

Many will remember how he greeted strangers on the street with "It's a beautiful day," no matter what the weather actually was.

He was an avid motorcycle enthusiast and owned motorcycles from the late 1930's until he stopped riding in 2004 at age 84. Over the years he owned a couple dozen bikes and logged tens of thousands of miles. He was known to ride for a few hours to visit a friend, stay for an hour, take a nap, and ride back home. He once rode to Columbus, Ohio, just to buy an ice cream cone.

Memorial service was Nov. 7 at Coats Funeral Home, Waterford. Memorial donations may be made to Genesys Hospice. Envelopes are available at the funeral home. To send a private condolence to the family, go to [www.coatsfuneralhome.com](http://www.coatsfuneralhome.com) and select Guestbook.

### Rose Mary Karpinski, 86

Rose Mary Karpinski of Waterford passed away at the age of 86.

She was the loving wife of the late Justin; mother of Tom (Nancy) of Shelby Township, Ed (Robin) of Waterford, Patricia (the late Kenneth) Phelps of Clarkston, and Don of Washington Township; grandmother of seven; great-grandmother of one; sister of the late Jim Gleason and the late Betty Beatty.

Mrs. Karpinski was known as being an excellent and beloved wife, mother, grandmother, daughter, aunt, sister and friend. She dedicated most of her years doing the hardest job of all - being a mom, and standing by her family and friends. The family is grateful for the wonderful care and affection their mother received from the staff of Mendelson Home at Lourdes campus in Waterford.

Rosary service was Nov. 9 at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston. Funeral Mass was Nov. 10 at St. Perpetua Catholic Church, Waterford. Memorials to the Cerebral Palsy Association or American Cancer Society. Online guestbook [www.wintfuneralhome.com](http://www.wintfuneralhome.com).

### Robert D. 'Dick' Chastain, 80

Robert D. "Dick" Chastain of Ortonville passed away, Nov. 7, 2009, at age 80.

He was the husband of Sally for 59 years; father of Linda (Gary) Bartle of Lapeer and Larry of Holly; grandpa of Erin Pickett, Jeffrey Bartle and Tara (Patrick) Ruff; great grandpa of five; preceded in death by his great grandson Justin Godwin and his sister Emmogene LaFleur.

Mr. Chastain was an assistant fire chief for the City of Pontiac, retiring in 1986 after 32 years of service. He enjoyed archery, hunting, camping and fishing.

Funeral service, Wednesday, Nov. 11, 12:30 p.m., at the Lewis E. Wint & Son Funeral Home, Clarkston. Interment, Ortonville Cemetery. Memorials may be made to North Oaks Community Church, Clarkston.

Online guest book [www.wintfuneralhome.com](http://www.wintfuneralhome.com).



## Controlling your legacy

Estate planning: two words as well-received as "dental appointment."

Most people want to provide for their families but hate having to think about dying. Like a song says: "Everybody wants to go to Heaven but nobody wants to die."

Estate planning is a form of asset protection, like homeowners' insurance. Americans work on average 90,000 hours during their lifetime to build an estate. But less than 30 percent of Americans will spend even a few hours to prepare an estate plan to protect those hard-earned assets from potential taxation, probate fees and distribution to unintended individuals.

Everyone has a default estate plan, unfortunately written by your State Legislature. If you die "intestate" (without a will) your assets are distributed by law which might be completely different than how you would want them allocated. Why let someone else determine who inherits your assets?

Not scary enough to let politicians control your estate? As Ben Franklin once wrote, only death and taxes are certain so it is guaranteed that an estate plan (yours or the state's) will someday be needed.

Fortunately, a properly prepared estate plan can be multi-purpose, kind of like a legal Ginsu Knife. Some plans include revocable "living" trusts which not only transfer your assets after you die but could also protect you during your lifetime in the event you become temporarily incapacitated due to an accident or serious illness.

A will, however, is a "dead" instrument which is only effective when you are deceased.

Unlike a will, a trust can avoid probate, a process which invokes cheery images similar to an IRS audit. But sometimes probate court supervision is appropriate if, for example, you are antici-

pating family disputes. Let the probate court decide those issues which you believe are likely to be contentious.

In addition to wills and trusts, durable powers of attorney (POA's) are frequently included in estate plans. These documents could enable you, again without probate, to authorize individuals to act on your behalf if you are incapacitated or otherwise unable to act for yourself.

### Estate planning



A column by Henry Woloson

General powers of attorney usually deal with financial matters such as handling bank accounts and investments. They are also used in real estate transactions, where POA's are used to name "agents" to represent buyers and/or sellers who cannot attend a closing in person perhaps due to parties being in another state.

A durable power of attorney for health care is used to name "patient advocates" who would be involved in making life support decisions for you if you are in an irreversible coma.

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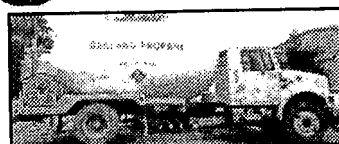
Estate planning is all about controlling your legacy. Your assets, after they have benefited you during your lifetime, should be distributed according to your instructions. Your goals. Your legacy. Your estate plan.

Please feel free to contact me with questions on this subject. Since this article covered general concepts, individuals are encouraged to seek legal counsel to assist them with their specific needs.

Henry S. Woloson is an attorney and counselor at law in Independence Township. Call 248-625-6736.

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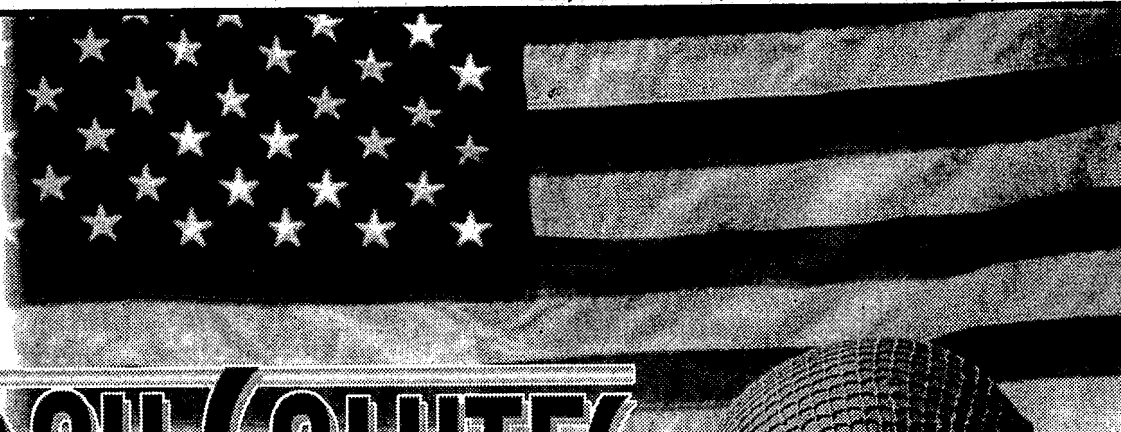
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BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING  
AGENDA

Date and Time: November 17, 2009, at 7:30 p.m.  
Place: Independence Township Hall  
6483 Waldon Center Drive, Clarkston, MI, 48346

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call
4. Approval of Agenda
5. Public Forum - *Individuals in the audience will have the opportunity to address the Township Board on an issue that is not on the Agenda, limiting their comments to not more than three minutes.*
6. Consent Agenda:
  - a. Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of October 20, 2009, and Special Meeting Minutes of October 27, 2009
  - b. Accounts Payable Check Run
  - c. Sale of Used Library Equipment
  - d. Records Management Policy

**New Business:**

1. First Reading of Text Amendment to Code of Ordinances, Chapter 50, Zoning Ordinance #83, Section 50-862, Site Specific Relief Authorization
2. Actuarial Study for OPEB
3. Attorney Services of Giarmarco, Mullins and Horton Statements and Correspondence

Closed Session: Pending Litigation (MDEQ)  
Collective Bargaining Agreement Proposal (AFSCME)

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

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SYNOPSIS

TAKEN BY THE TOWNSHIP BOARD  
THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF INDEPENDENCE  
NOVEMBER 3, 2009

1. The regular meeting of the Charter Township of Independence Board was called to order at 7:30 p.m., at the Independence Township Hall.
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call: Present: Wagner, VanderVeen, Carson, Lohmeier, Wallace, Rosso, Petterson  
Absent: None  
There was a quorum.
4. The Agenda was approved with revisions: Adding: Scheduling of Budget Workshop and Removing: #2, 2010 Recreation Guide and #3, Discussion regarding central purchasing function.
5. Citizens were offered an opportunity to address the Board regarding subjects that were not on the Agenda.
6. Consent Agenda approved:
  - a. Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of October 6, 2009 and Special Meeting Minutes of September 8, 2009, September 22, 2009 and October 13, 2009
  - b. Accounts Payable Check run
  - c. Interlocal Agreement with Springfield Township and City of the Village of Clarkston (EECBG Program)
7. Update by Secrest Wardle on Comcast PEG Fees.
8. Task Force Update with findings and recommendations
9. Authorized HRC to update 2004 Sanitary Sewer System Capacity Analysis Report not to exceed \$11,920.
10. Approved motion to suspend rules and continue meeting after 10:00 p.m.
11. Accept 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Investment Report
12. Approved videotaping and broadcasting on cable of all Township Board meetings and Budget Workshops.
13. Scheduled Budget Workshop for November 10, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.
14. Meeting adjourned at 10:46 p.m.

Shelagh VanderVeen  
Township Clerk

Published: 11/11/09

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Decedent's Estate

Estate of LASLO ZVEKAN, DECEASED. date of birth: 6/7/1947  
**TO ALL CREDITORS:**  
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11-2-09  
PAULA BAILEY P27176 IRMA ZVEKAN  
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
Decedent's Estate

Estate of Justin Michael Bovee. Date of birth: 10-17-88  
**TO ALL CREDITORS:**  
**NOTICE TO CREDITORS:** The decedent, Justin Michael Bovee, who lived at 5675 Berkley, Waterford, Michigan died 7-13-09.  
Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Brittany Ormsby Bovee, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 1200 N. Telegraph Rd., Pontiac, Michigan 48341-0449 and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.  
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SUMMARY MINUTES  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
OCTOBER 12, 2009

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Arkwright followed by the pledge of allegiance.

Roll: Present - Mayor Arkwright, Brueck, Gawronski, Hunter, Johnston, Roth, Inabnit

Absent -  
Others Present - City Manager Ritter, Attorney Ryan

Moved by Johnston, supported by Brueck, to "Approve the Agenda as presented after removing the 9/28/09 Council Minutes and Treasurer's Report off the Consent Agenda for discussion." Motion carried.

Moved by Inabnit, supported by Johnston, "To approve the Consent Agenda with corrections on the September 28<sup>th</sup> Council minutes, Treasurer's Report, DPW Report and Police Report as presented. Motion carried."

Mayor Arkwright announced the appointment of Kevin Harrison as a member of the Historic District Commission with his term ending June 30, 2010. Supported by Roth. Motion Carried.

Moved by Inabnit, supported by Roth, "To set the Saturday, October 31, Halloween night Trick or Treat hour from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:09 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Janet C. Gillespie, Clerk



Seventh-grade girls dance and sing to "YMCA." Photo by Wendi Reardon

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Sashabaw Middle School dedicated Oct. 30 to Get Up & Move to get sixth and seventh-graders moving and show they can still have fun and be healthy.

- Wendi Reardon

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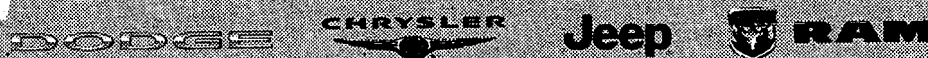
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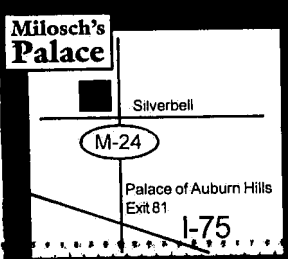
**2010 Jeep Grand Cherokee 4x4**  
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